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| 1 | SENATE BILL NO. 322 |
| 2 | Offered January 8, 2020 |
| 3 | Prefiled January 6, 2020 |
| 4 | A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Title 2.2 a chapter numbered 4.2:2, consisting of a |
| 5 | section numbered 2.2-435.12, relating to the creation of the State Employee Ombudsman. |
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| 8 | Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology |
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| 10 | Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: |
| 11 | 1. That Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Title 2.2 a chapter numbered 4.2:2, consisting |
| 12 | of a section numbered 2.2-435.12, as follows: |
| 13 | CHAPTER 4.2:2. |
| 14 | STATE EMPLOYEE OMBUDSMAN. |
| 15 | § 2.2-435.12. State Employee Ombudsman established; duties. |
| 16 | A. As used in this section, "state employee" means any person who is regularly employed full time on |
| 17 | a salaried basis in the executive branch of government, whose tenure is not restricted as to temporary |
| 18 | or provisional appointment. |

19 B. The position of a State Employee Ombudsman (the Ombudsman) is created. The Ombudsman shall provide assistance to state employees in understanding human resources policies and rules and 20 21

accessing available benefits, programs, and resources.

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