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HOUSE BILL NO. 2242

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A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 24.2-119.2, relating to elections administration; requests made pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act; tolling of period for responding to certain requests.

Patron—Simonds

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 24.2-119.2 as follows:

§ 24.2-119.2. Freedom of Information Act; deferment of response.

The local electoral boards and general registrars shall respond to requests made pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§ 2.2-3700 et seq.) in accordance with law, except that the period for responding to any request that is (i) received on or after the first day on which absentee voting in person is available for an election pursuant to § 24.2-701.1 and before the tenth day following the certification of such election pursuant to § 24.2-671 and (ii) related to a previously conducted election, shall be tolled until the deadline to request a recount under Chapter 8 (§ 24.2-800 et seq.) has passed and, if any recount is pending in the locality thereafter, until it has been concluded.

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