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HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

House Amendments in [] — February 12, 1996

A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.1-442 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Division of Purchases and Supply; regulations governing public procurement.

Patrons—Woodrum and DeBoer; Senator: Houck

Referred to Committee on General Laws**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:****1. That § 2.1-442 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 2.1-442. Purchases to be made in accordance with Chapter 7 of Title 11 and rules and regulations of Division; exempt purchases.

All purchases made by any department, division, officer or agency of the Commonwealth shall be made in accordance with Chapter 7 (§ 11-35 et seq.) of Title 11 and such rules and regulations as the Division may prescribe. Such rules and regulations shall include a purchasing plan which shall be on file at the Division and shall be available to the public upon request. *Such rules and regulations shall require that before any public body procures any computer system, equipment or software, it shall consider whether the proposed system, equipment or software [~~adequately provides for~~ is capable of producing products which facilitate] the rights of the public to access official records under the Freedom of Information Act (§ 2.1-340 et seq.) [or other applicable law] .* The Division shall have authority to make, alter, amend or repeal regulations relating to purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, nonprofessional services, and printing, and may specifically exempt purchases below a stated amount or particular agencies or specified materials, equipment, nonprofessional services, supplies and printing.

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