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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 24.2-908.1, relating to use of 3 candidate's name in name of political committee; penalty.

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Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 6

7 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 24.2-908.1 as follows: 8

§ 24.2-908.1. Use of candidate's name in name of political committee.

9 A. No political committee required to file a statement of organization pursuant to § 24.2-908 shall 10 include in any part of its name the name of a candidate unless the political committee either (i) has obtained, prior to filing, the written authorization of the candidate to use the candidate's name as part 11 12 of the name of the political committee or (ii) has mailed by certified mail, twenty-one or more days 13 prior to filing, written notice to the candidate of its intent to use his name as part of the name of the

14 political committee.

15 B. Any political committee which intends to use the name of a candidate as part of the name of the political committee shall file with the statement of organization required by § 24.2-908 either (i) a copy 16

17 of the written authorization of the candidate consenting to the use of his name or (ii) a copy of its notice to the candidate and evidence of its timely mailing. If two candidates seeking the same office 18 19 have the same surname, the political committee shall include the first name, or other initial or nickname, and the last name of the candidate, in the name of the political committee so as to identify 20 21 which candidate is associated with the political committee; and either the written authorization of the

22 identified candidate or written notice to the identified candidate shall be required by this section.

23 C. Any violation of this section shall be subject to the civil penalty stated in subsection A of 24 § 24.2-929.

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