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## HOUSE BILL NO. 2339

Offered January 17, 1997

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.1-639.4:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to conflicts of interests.*

Patrons—Wardrup, Bryant, Drake, Dudley and Griffith; Senators: Quayle and Stolle

Referred to Committee on General Laws

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 2.1-639.4:1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 2.1-639.4:1. Prohibited conduct for certain officers and employees of state government.

In addition to the prohibitions contained in § 2.1-639.4, no state officer or employee shall, ~~during the~~  
~~one year~~ *for two years* after the termination *date* of his public employment or service, represent a client  
or act in a representative capacity on behalf of any person or group, for compensation, on any matter  
before the agency of which he was an officer or employee.

For the purposes of this section, "state officer or employee" ~~shall mean~~ *means* (i) the Governor,  
Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, and officers appointed by the Governor, whether confirmation  
by the General Assembly or by either house thereof is required or not, who are regularly employed on a  
full-time salaried basis; those officers and employees of executive branch agencies who report directly to  
the agency head; and those at the level immediately below those who report directly to the agency head  
and are at a salary grade of sixteen or higher and (ii) the officers and professional employees of the  
legislative branch designated by the joint rules committee of the General Assembly. For the purposes of  
this section, the General Assembly and the legislative branch agencies shall be deemed one agency.

The prohibitions of this section shall apply only to persons engaged in activities that would require  
registration as a lobbyist under § 2.1-782.

Any person subject to the provisions of this section may apply to the Attorney General, as provided  
in § 2.1-639.23, for an advisory opinion as to the application of the restriction imposed by this section  
on any post-public employment position or opportunity.

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