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HOUSE BILL NO. 1009

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
(Proposed by the House Committee on Science and Technology
on February 13, 1998)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Albo)

A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.1-440.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Division of Purchases and Supply; procurement of computer equipment.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 2.1-440.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 2.1-440.1. Procurement of computer equipment to be based on performance specifications.

Should any agency or institution elect to procure personal computers and related peripheral equipment pursuant to any type of blanket purchasing arrangement under which public bodies, as defined in § 11-37, may purchase such goods from any vendor following competitive procurement but without the conduct of an individual procurement by or for the using agency or institution, it shall establish, with the cooperation of the Department of Information Technology, performance-based specifications for the selection of ~~brand name~~ equipment. *These performance-based specifications shall include, but are not limited to, vendor stability, service, and support, and appropriate specifications regarding warranties, network compatibility, performance, and when available, mean time between failure ratings.* Any ~~brand~~ of equipment which meets such specifications shall be added to the blanket purchase arrangement at the request of any responsible bidder or offeror.

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