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SENATE BILL NO. 377

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A BILL to prohibit use of state revenues in connection with construction projects unless iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States.

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Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, no revenues of the Commonwealth, including any authority, board, department, instrumentality, institution, agency, or other unit of state government, shall be allocated, paid, or expended in connection with any construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public works project unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods, including equipment, used in the project are produced in the United States.

§ 2. The provisions of this act shall not apply if the administrative head of the contracting state agency determines in writing that (i) iron, steel, and relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality or (ii) inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods produced in the United States will increase the costs of the overall project by more than 25 percent. Such determination shall be posted on the Commonwealth's electronic procurement website for a public comment period of at least 30 days.

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