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**HOUSE BILL NO. 120**

Offered January 8, 2014

Prefiled December 18, 2013

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 4 of Chapter 726 of the Acts of Assembly of 1990, as amended by Chapter 675 of the Acts of Assembly of 1999, relating to the Riverside Regional Jail Authority.*

Patron—Dance

Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

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

**1. That § 4 of Chapter 726 of the Acts of Assembly of 1990, as amended by Chapter 675 of the Acts of Assembly of 1999, is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 4. Members.**

The Authority shall consist of fourteen members, unless increased as provided for herein, who are to be appointed or shall serve as follows:

1. One member to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Charles City, Virginia, and the sheriff of the County;

2. One member to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Chesterfield, Virginia, and the sheriff of the County;

3. One member to be appointed by the City Council of the City of Colonial Heights, Virginia, and the sheriff of the City;

4. One member to be appointed by the City Council of the City of Hopewell, Virginia, and the sheriff of the City;

5. One member to be appointed by the City Council of the City of Petersburg, Virginia, and the sheriff of the City;

6. One member to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince George, Virginia, and the sheriff of the County; and

7. One member to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Surry, Virginia, and the sheriff of the County.

No member of the governing body of the County of Chesterfield, the County of Charles City, the City of Colonial Heights, the City of Hopewell, the City of Petersburg, the County of Prince George, or the County of Surry may be a member of the Authority.

All nonsheriff members of the Authority shall serve for a term of four years. The initial term of office shall extend from the organizational meeting of the Authority until the Authority's annual meeting four years thereafter. Any nonsheriff member of the Authority may be appointed to succeed himself. Each duly appointed nonsheriff member shall hold office until his successor shall be duly appointed. Any vacancy in the nonsheriff membership of the Authority, whether caused by expiration of term of office, death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be filled by the governing body of the city or county which appointed the member whose membership is then vacant. Any member appointed to fill an unexpired term shall serve only until the expiration of the term he was appointed to fill. Sheriffs shall serve a term coexistent with their term as sheriff.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, special or general, alternate members may be appointed to the Authority by the governing body of the city or county in the same manner as regular members. If a regular member is not present at the meeting of the Authority, the alternate for that member shall have all the voting and other rights of a regular member and shall be counted for purposes of determining a quorum at any meeting. ~~Alternates may not be appointed for the sheriff members of the Authority.~~

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