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A BILL to amend and reenact § 33.2-2504 of the Code of Virginia, relating to use of population estimates in connection with decisions of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority.

Patron—Herring

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 33.2-2504 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: § 33.2-2504. Decisions of Authority.

A majority of the Authority, which majority shall include at least a majority of the representatives of the counties and cities embraced by the Authority, shall constitute a quorum. Decisions of the Authority shall require a quorum and shall be in accordance with voting procedures established by the Authority. In all cases, decisions of the Authority shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the Authority present and voting and two-thirds of the representatives of the counties and cities embraced by the Authority who are present and voting and whose counties and cities include at least two-thirds of the population embraced by the Authority; however, no motion to fund a specific facility or service shall fail because of this population criterion if such facility or service is not located or to be located or provided or to be provided within the county or city whose representative's sole negative vote caused the facility or service to fail to meet the population criterion. The population of counties and cities embraced by the Authority shall be the population as determined by the most recently preceding decennial census, except that on July 1 of the fifth year following such census, the population of each county and city shall be adjusted, based on the basis of population projections estimates made by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia.