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1   **VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER**

2   *An Act to amend and reenact § 24.2-802 of the Code of Virginia, relating to recount elections; recount*
3   *standards; elections for offices to which more than one candidate can be elected.*

                                              [H 2324]

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5   Approved

6   **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**
7   **1. That § 24.2-802 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**
8   **§ 24.2-802. Recount standards.**
9   A. The State Board of Elections shall promulgate standards for (i) the proper handling and security
10 of voting systems, ballots, and other materials required for a recount, (ii) accurate counting of votes
11 based upon objective evidence and taking into account the voting system and form of ballots approved
12 for use in the Commonwealth, and (iii) any other matters that will promote a timely and accurate
13 resolution of the recount.
14   B. The State Board shall promulgate additional standards and instructions for the conduct of
15 simultaneous recounts of two or more elections in a single election district.
16   C. *The State Board shall promulgate additional standards and instructions for the conduct of*
17 *recounts in elections for any office to which more than one candidate can be elected. Such standards*
18 *and instructions shall include which candidates apparently nominated or elected are required to be*
19 *named in the petition for a recount or served a copy of the petition for a recount.*
20   *D.* The chief judge of the circuit court or the full recount court may, consistent with State Board of
21 Elections standards, resolve disputes over the application of the standards and direct all other appropriate
22 measures to ensure the proper conduct of the recount.