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SENATE BILL NO. 1180

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 24.2-124.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to elections administration; acceptance of certain services permitted; acceptance of money and grants permitted under certain circumstances.

Patron—Ebbin

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 24.2-124.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 24.2-124.1. Acceptance of certain gifts and funding prohibited.

The State Board, the Department, each local electoral board, and all offices of the general registrar shall not ~~solicit~~, accept, use, or dispose of any money, grants, property, or services given by a private individual or nongovernmental entity for the purpose of funding voter education ~~and~~, outreach programs, or voter registration programs; ~~or any other expense incurred in the conduct of elections.~~

This section shall not be construed to prohibit (i) the operation of a polling place or voter satellite office in a facility furnished by a private individual or nongovernmental entity that otherwise meets the requirements for polling places provided in §§ 24.2-310 and 24.2-310.1 or voter satellite offices provided in § 24.2-701.2 ~~or~~; (ii) acceptance of a federal government grant funded in whole or part by donations from private individuals or nongovernmental entities technical assistance, research, or subject matter expertise regarding election law, policies, and administration; or (iii) acceptance or use of money or grants given by a private individual or nongovernmental entity when such money or grant is (a) received and disbursed by the treasurer for the locality or (b) provided through the regular process for appropriating public funds.

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