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HOUSE BILL NO. 340

Offered January 20, 1994

A BILL to amend and reenact § 9-145.21 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Southside Virginia Marketing Council.

Patrons—Clement, Abbitt, Armstrong, Bennett, Crouch, DeBoer, Reynolds and Ruff; Senators: Goode, Hawkins, Holland, R.J. and Lucas

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 9-145.21 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 9-145.21. Council established; members and officers; terms.

A. The Southside Virginia Marketing Council is hereby established and shall be referred to in this chapter as the Council. The Council shall be composed of thirteen members, all residents of Southside Virginia, to be appointed by the Governor as follows: three locally elected officials; two planning district ehairmen representatives; three local economic development representatives; and five citizen members, at least three of whom shall be residents of participating cities or counties not otherwise represented by another appointment.

B. Of the members to be appointed in 1992, the three locally elected officials shall be appointed for two-year, three-year, and four-year terms, respectively; the two planning district chairmen shall be appointed for two-year and three-year terms, respectively; the three local economic development representatives shall be appointed for two-year, three-year, and four-year terms, respectively; and two of the citizen members shall be appointed for two-year terms; one for a three-year term, and two for four-year terms. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for terms of four years, except that appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired terms. No person shall be eligible to serve for or during more than two successive four-year terms, but after the expiration of a term of three years or less, or after the expiration of the remainder of a term to which appointed to fill a vacancy, two additional terms may be served by such member if appointed thereto. Beginning July 1, 1996, at least five members of the Council shall be residents of the five localities contributing the most funds per capita to the Southside Virginia Marketing Fund.

C. Each member of the Council, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of this office, shall take and subscribe to the oath prescribed in § 49-1. Members shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

D. Nine Seven members of the Council shall constitute a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum present shall be necessary for any action taken by the Council. No vacancy in the membership of the Council shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform the duties of the Council. The Council shall elect from its membership a chairman, vice chairman, treasurer, and secretary for each calendar year.