

HOUSE BILL NO. 2212

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Privileges and Elections

on _____)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Delegate Tran)

A BILL to amend and reenact § 24.2-105.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to elections administration; Department of Elections duties; required election and voter participation information on the Internet.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 24.2-105.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 24.2-105.1. Election and voter participation information on the Internet.

~~Beginning with the general election in November 1998, the~~ The Department shall provide information for voters on its website, including (i) the role of and contact information for the State Board, the Department of Elections, local electoral boards, and general registrars; (ii) how and where to register to vote; (iii) how and where to vote, including information about absentee voting, polling hours, Virginia's voter identification requirements and acceptable forms of identification, the casting of ballots, and a means for voters to find their polling place; and (iv) any laws, regulations, policies, or forms pertaining to any of the information in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii). The website shall also allow a voter to review any information about himself that is kept in the statewide voter registration database.

~~The Department shall implement a system by which it shall~~ furnish lists of candidates for all elections in the Commonwealth, and information on proposed constitutional amendments and statewide referenda prepared pursuant to §§ 30-19.9 and 30-19.10, electronically through the Internet. ~~The Board~~ Department may list other referenda issues on the Internet. The lists and information shall be made available on the Internet as far in advance of the election as practicable and remain available on the Internet at least until the day after the election.

