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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2526** 

Offered January 13, 2025 Prefiled January 8, 2025

A BILL to amend and reenact § 36-135 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Board of Housing and Community Development; members.

Patrons—McClure, Clark, Cole, Cousins, Feggans, Henson, Keys-Gamarra, Martinez and Owen; Senators: Locke and Salim

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

- 1. That § 36-135 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:
- § 36-135. Board of Housing and Community Development; members; terms; chairman; appointment of ad hoc committee.
- A. The Board of Housing and Community Development within the Department of Housing and Community Development shall consist of 14 15 members as follows: 11 members, one representing each congressional district in the Commonwealth, who are appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the General Assembly,; the Executive Director of the Virginia Housing Development Authority as an ex officio voting member; a member of the Virginia Fire Services Board, to be appointed by the chairman of that Board; and the Director two Directors of Regulatory Compliance of the Virginia Building and Code Officials Association as ex officio voting members, who both of whom shall be a member members of the Board's Codes and Standards Committee, but shall not serve as either the chairman of such committee or of the Board. Members shall serve for four-year terms and no member shall serve for more than two full successive terms. A *The* chairman of the Board shall be elected annually by the Board.
- B. Whenever the Board of Housing and Community Development proposes a change to statewide building and fire regulations, the Board may convene an ad hoc committee, including but not limited to representatives of those industry groups directly affected by such change, to advise the Board on such