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Bill Number: HB1798

Patron: Helmer

Bill Title: Agricultural commodity boards; Agricultural Council; appointment and membership terms; production areas.

Bill Summary: Amends various provisions relating to the appointment, terms, and quorums of agricultural commodity boards, including the Cotton Board, Egg Board, and Tobacco Board. The bill eliminates the Pork Industry Board and amends membership terms for the Agricultural Council so that (i) each term is for four years and (ii) no member other than an ex officio member is eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms, except that any person appointed to fill a vacancy may serve two additional consecutive terms after the term of such vacancy that such person was appointed to fill has expired. The bill also amends the production areas for the purposes of membership appointment procedures for the Cotton Board and the Tobacco Board.

Explanation: This bill involves the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS); however, no budget action is required. See Fiscal Analysis section below.

Fiscal Summary: No state fiscal impact.

Fiscal Analysis: This impact statement is preliminary. VDACS does not anticipate any costs associated with the implementation of this bill.

Other: This bill is the companion to SB890.