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SENATE BILL NO. 1165

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTI

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on General Laws and Technology on January 22, 2025)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Salim)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 2.2-4328.3, relating to Virginia Public Procurement Act; environmental protection and product safety standards.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 2.2-4328.3 as follows:

§ 2.2-4328.3. Solar photovoltaic equipment and facilities; national environmental protection and product safety standards.

No state agency, locality, or political subdivision of the Commonwealth in any request for proposal, procurement agreement, contract, ordinance, policy, permit, or accompanying document shall prohibit or otherwise exclude from use any materials contained in or products associated with solar photovoltaic equipment and facilities that meet the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Recommendations of Specifications, Standards, and Ecolabels for Federal Purchasing.