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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 2150**

House Amendments in [] - February 3, 2025

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 2.2-4311.3, relating to Virginia Public Procurement Act; contract terms inconsistent with Virginia law.

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Carr

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

- 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 2.2-4311.3 as follows:
  - § 2.2-4311.3. Compliance with state law; contract terms inconsistent with state law.
- A. As used in this section, "information technology goods and services" means communications, telecommunications, automated data processing, applications, databases, data networks, management information systems, and other related goods and services.
- B. No term or provision in any public contract for the acquisition of information technology goods or services shall be valid or enforceable to the extent that it is in conflict with Virginia law. A public contract containing such a term or provision shall otherwise remain enforceable.
- C. Any term or provision in such a public contract that (i) makes the public contract subject to, governed by, or interpreted under the laws of another state or country or (ii) requires or permits any litigation or other dispute resolution proceeding arising from the public contract to be conducted in another state or country shall be void. Such public contract shall instead be deemed to provide for the application of the law of the Commonwealth of Virginia, without regard to such contract's choice of law provisions, and to provide for jurisdiction in the courts of the Commonwealth.
- [ D. The provisions of this section shall only apply to a county, city, town, political subdivision, or public institution of higher education, or to a public body listed as an independent agency in the appropriation act, if its governing body has adopted the provisions of this section as part of its procurement policies and procedures. ]
- 2. That the provisions of this act shall apply to any public contract that becomes effective [ or is renewed or amended ] on or after July 1, 2025.