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This is a bill to help keep our call center jobs in the State!

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Support HB 2419- Protect Virginia Call Center Jobs

Background

There are over 100,000 call center workers employed within the Commonwealth of Virginia. Since 2006, though, the Commonwealth has lost over 6,100 call center jobs, often to offshoring. Major call centers are currently located many localities of Virginia, including Hampton, Lebanon, Newport News, Norton, Richmond, Roanoke and Wise.

House Bill 2419

This bill would require the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to be notified 120 days prior to a company relocating work if it impacts 30% or more of the workforce. If the commissioner is not notified, then the company will be subject to a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 per day with these funds being distributed to the Commonwealth's general fund.

Keeping Jobs in Virginia

Virginia does incentivize companies for creating jobs in the Commonwealth and should deter those corporations who choose to layoff Virginians by offshoring work and jobs to a foreign country. This bill is designed to keep Virginia tax dollars in Virginia. Our tax dollars regularly go to support Virginia businesses, it only makes sense that Virginia workers also benefit.

If a corporation who is a recipient of a state grant or loan decides to move call center jobs out of the country, said corporation would be barred for 5 years from receiving any direct or indirect grants, funds, loans, tax credits or reduction in tax liability from the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The bill requires that call center work performed by state contractors, agents or subcontractors be completed entirely within the Commonwealth. In addition, if the company currently has state contractors or agents and then decides to hire new workers, those new employees shall immediately be employed within the Commonwealth.

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