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HOUSE BILL NO. 573

Offered January 19, 2000

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 9 of Chapter 4.01 of Title 6.1 sections numbered 6.1-225.50:1 and 6.1-225.50:2, relating to fiduciary accounts in credit unions.

Patrons-Bryant, Byron, Kilgore, Morgan, Shuler and Woodrum

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Referred to Committee on Corporations, Insurance and Banking

10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 9 of Chapter 4.01 of Title 6.1 11 sections numbered 6.1-225.50:1 and 6.1-225.50:2 as follows: 12 13

§ 6.1-225.50:1. Accounts of fiduciaries.

14 A credit union may issue shares and maintain share accounts in the name of any administrator, 15 executor, custodian, conservator, guardian, trustee or other fiduciary for a named beneficiary or beneficiaries. The payment of funds from any such account pursuant to a share draft or other written 16 17 order of withdrawal signed by the fiduciary, or delivery of funds in such account to such fiduciary, or a 18 receipt signed by any such fiduciary with regard to the payment of funds from such account, shall be valid and sufficient release and discharge of the credit union for the payment or delivery so made. 19

20 § 6.1-225.50:2. Credit union need not inquire as to fiduciary funds used to purchase shares in 21 fiduciary's personal account.

22 If any fiduciary or agent purchases shares in a credit union in his own name (i) with share drafts or 23 other instruments drawn by him upon an account in his own name as fiduciary, (ii) with share drafts or 24 other instruments drawn by him upon an account in the name of his principal, if he is empowered to draw share drafts or other instruments thereto, or (iii) with share drafts or other instruments payable to 25 his principal and endorsed by him as fiduciary, the credit union issuing such shares shall not be bound 26 27 to inquire whether the fiduciary is committing thereby a breach of his obligation as fiduciary. The credit 28 union is authorized to pay the amount of the shares issued or any part thereof upon the withdrawal by 29 the fiduciary without being liable to the principal, unless the credit union receives payment for the 30 shares or pays the withdrawal with the actual knowledge that the fiduciary, in purchasing such shares or in making such withdrawal, is committing a breach of his obligation as a fiduciary, or with 31 32 knowledge of such facts that its action in issuing the shares or paying the withdrawal amounts to bad 33 faith.

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