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HOUSE BILL NO. 625

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources
on February 9, 2000)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Dickinson)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 62.1-44.15:1.2, relating to lake level contingency plans.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 62.1-44.15:1.2 as follows:

§ 62.1-44.15:1.2. Lake level contingency plans.

Any Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit issued for a surface water impoundment whose primary purpose is to provide cooling water to power generators shall include a lake level contingency plan to allow specific reductions in the flow required to be released when the water level above the dam drops below designated levels due to drought conditions, and such plan shall take into account and minimize any adverse effects of any release reduction requirements on downstream users. This section shall not apply to any such facility that addresses releases and flow requirements during drought conditions in a Virginia Water Protection Permit.

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