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HOUSE BILL NO. 757

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A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 10.1-2212 and 58.1-3607 of the Code of Virginia, relating to historical societies receiving appropriations; Kenmore Association, Inc.

Patrons—Howell and Orrock; Senators: Chichester and Houck

Referred to Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That §§ 10.1-2212 and 58.1-3607 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 10.1-2212. Listing of certain historical societies receiving appropriations.

A. At the direction of the Director, the Comptroller of the Commonwealth is instructed and empowered to draw annual warrants upon the State Treasurer, as provided in the general appropriations act, in favor of the treasurers of certain historical societies, museums, foundations, and associations for use in caring for and maintaining collections, exhibits, sites, and facilities owned by such historical organizations, specified as follows:

1. Virginia Historical Society. For aid in maintaining Battle Abbey at Richmond.
 2. Confederate Museum at Richmond. For the care of Confederate collections and maintenance of the Virginia Room.
 3. Valentine Museum at Richmond. For providing exhibits to the public schools of Virginia.
 4. Woodrow Wilson Birthplace Foundation, Incorporated. To aid in restoring and maintaining the Woodrow Wilson home at Staunton.
 5. Robert E. Lee Memorial Association, Incorporated. To aid in further development of "Stratford" in Westmoreland County.
 6. Poe Foundation, Incorporated. To aid in maintaining the Poe Shrine at Richmond.
 7. Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation at Brookneal. To aid in maintaining home.
 8. Hanover County Branch, Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities. To aid in maintaining the Patrick Henry home at "Scotchtown" in Hanover County.
 9. Historic Lexington Foundation. To aid in restoration and maintenance of the Stonewall Jackson home at Lexington.
 10. "Oatlands," Incorporated. To aid in maintaining "Oatlands" in Loudoun County.
 11. Montgomery County Branch, Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities. To aid in maintaining Smithfield Plantation House.
 12. The Last Capitol of the Confederacy. For the preservation of the Last Capitol of the Confederacy in Danville.
 13. Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities. For assistance in maintaining certain historic landmarks throughout the Commonwealth.
 14. The Corporation for Jefferson's "Poplar Forest." To aid in restoring, maintaining, and operating "Poplar Forest," Thomas Jefferson's Bedford County home.
 15. Belle Grove, Incorporated. To aid in providing educational programs for Virginia students.
 16. ~~Kenmore Association, Inc.~~ *George Washington's Fredericksburg Foundation*. To aid in the restoration and perpetuation of "Ferry Farm," George Washington's boyhood home.
 17. Montpelier National Trust for Historic Preservation. To aid in restoring, maintaining, and operating Montpelier, the lifelong home of President James Madison, in Orange County.
 18. Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society. To aid in restoring, maintaining and operating Kerr Place in Accomack County.
 19. New Town Improvement and Civic Club, Inc. To aid in restoring, maintaining and operating Little England Chapel, a landmark to Hampton's first generation of freedmen, in the City of Hampton.
 20. Woodlawn Plantation. To aid in the preservation and maintenance of Woodlawn Plantation.
 21. Friends of Historic Huntley. To support the research and preservation of Historic Huntley Mansion.
 22. Menokin Foundation, Incorporated. To aid in further development of Menokin, home of Francis Lightfoot Lee.
 23. Historic Gordonsville, Inc., the owner of the Gordonsville Exchange Hotel. To aid in maintaining the Gordonsville Exchange Hotel and in providing educational programs for Virginia's students.
- B. Organizations receiving state funds as provided for in this section shall certify to the satisfaction of the Department that matching funds from local or private sources are available in an amount at least equal to the amount of the request in cash or in kind contributions which are deemed acceptable to the

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60 Department.

61 C. Requests for funding of historical societies or like organizations as set forth in subsection A shall
62 be considered by the Governor and the General Assembly only in even-numbered years.

63 § 58.1-3607. Property exempt from taxation by designation.

64 A. Pursuant to the authority granted in Article X, Section 6 (a) (6) of the Constitution of Virginia to
65 exempt property from taxation by designation, and notwithstanding the provisions of § 30-19.04, the real
66 and personal property of the following organizations, corporations and associations shall be exempt from
67 taxation:

68 1. Property of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, the Association for the
69 Preservation of Petersburg Antiquities, Historic Richmond Foundation, the Confederate Memorial
70 Literary Society, the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union, the Virginia Historical Society,
71 the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, Incorporated, the Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation,
72 Incorporated, the Stonewall Jackson Memorial, Incorporated, ~~Kenmore Association, Inc.~~*George*
73 *Washington's Fredericksburg Foundation*, Home Demonstration Clubs, 4-H Clubs, the Future Farmers of
74 America, Incorporated, the posts of the American Legion, posts of United Spanish War Veterans,
75 branches of the Fleet Reserve Association, posts of Veterans of Foreign Wars, posts of the Disabled
76 American Veterans, Veterans of World War I, USA, Incorporated, the Society of the Cincinnati in the
77 State of Virginia, the Manassas Battlefield Confederate Park, Incorporated, the Robert E. Lee Memorial
78 Foundation, Incorporated, the Virginia Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the General
79 Organization of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Memorial Foundation of the Germanna
80 Colonies in Virginia, Incorporated, the Lynchburg Fine Arts Centers, Incorporated, Norfolk Historic
81 Foundation, National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States, Historic Alexandria
82 Foundation, and the Lynchburg Historical Foundation.

83 2. Property of Colonial Williamsburg, Incorporated, used for museum, historical, municipal,
84 benevolent or charitable purposes, as long as such corporation continues to be organized and operated
85 not for profit.

86 3. Property owned by the Virginia Home (previously Virginia Home for Incurables), incorporated by
87 Chapter 533 of the Acts of Assembly of 1893-4, approved March 1, 1894.

88 4. The property owned by the Waterford Foundation, Incorporated, so long as it continues to be a
89 nonprofit corporation to encourage and assist in restoration work in Waterford and to stimulate the
90 revival of local arts and crafts.

91 5. Property of Historic Fredericksburg, Incorporated, and of the Clarke County Historical Association,
92 used by such organizations for historical, benevolent or charitable purposes, as long as such corporation
93 continues to be organized and operated not for profit.

94 6. Property of the Westmoreland Davis Foundation, Inc., so long as it continues to be a nonprofit
95 corporation.

96 7. Property owned by the Women's Home Incorporated, in Arlington County and used for the
97 rehabilitation of alcoholic women, so long as it continues to be operated not for profit.

98 B. Property designated to be exempt from taxation in subsection A of this section which was exempt
99 on July 1, 1971, shall continue to be exempt under the rules of statutory construction applicable to
100 exempt property prior to such date.

101 **2. That wherever in the Code of Virginia the term "Kenmore Association, Inc." is used, it shall be**
102 **deemed to mean "George Washington's Fredericksburg Foundation."**