

# GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA -- 2000 SESSION

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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 157

*Continuing the Joint Subcommittee Examining the Impact of Incentives to Attract New Businesses on Existing Businesses in the Commonwealth, Particularly Scrap Recyclers.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 15, 2000

Agreed to by the Senate, March 2, 2000

WHEREAS, House Joint Resolution No. 668 (1999) established a Joint Subcommittee Examining the Impact of Incentives to Attract New Businesses on Existing Businesses in the Commonwealth, Particularly Scrap Recyclers; and

WHEREAS, HJR No. 668 (1999) directed the joint subcommittee to hire a qualified consultant to collect and focus on the confidential data from all significant scrap recyclers and consumers in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, during the summer of 1999, the joint subcommittee met and decided to contact the Commonwealth's college and university presidents for suggestions of faculty members who might be interested in the consultant work and such individuals were contacted in writing and asked to present proposals to the joint subcommittee concerning the study; and

WHEREAS, several college professors did submit consulting proposals to the joint subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, the joint subcommittee adopted certain criteria to be applied in reviewing such proposals, and such proposals were reviewed in the fall of 1999; and

WHEREAS, the joint subcommittee decided that a group of professors from Virginia Tech satisfied the criteria best and selected and signed a contract with them for the consulting work in December 1999; and

WHEREAS, such contract calls for the Virginia Tech consultants to begin their work in January 2000 and complete their work in time to report their findings to the 2002 Session of the General Assembly; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the Joint Subcommittee Examining the Impact of Incentives to Attract New Businesses on Existing Businesses in the Commonwealth, Particularly Scrap Recyclers be continued through 2001. The joint subcommittee shall be composed of 11 members as follows: 6 members of the House of Delegates to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, in accordance with the principles of Rule 16 of the Rules of the House of Delegates; 4 members of the Senate to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections; and the Secretary of Commerce and Trade or his designee to serve ex officio.

The Division of Legislative Services shall provide staff support for the study. All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the Division of Legislative Services, upon request.

The \$50,000 appropriated to the 1999 operational budget of the House Clerk for the consulting expenses shall remain in that budget to be paid as the consultants complete their work.

The joint subcommittee shall complete its work in time to submit its written findings and recommendations to the Governor and the 2002 Session of the General Assembly as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents.

Implementation of this resolution is subject to subsequent approval and certification by the Joint Rules Committee.

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