

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 15.2-1302 of the Code of Virginia, relating to distribution of state funds*  
3 *to certain localities.*

4 [H 2176]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 15.2-1302 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 15.2-1302. Certain Commonwealth distributions to localities.

9 Any state funds that were distributed to a locality, including a local school board, in support of a  
10 governmental program or function prior to a consolidation of such program or function or the  
11 governmental consolidation of the entities providing such programs or functions, shall continue to be  
12 distributed to the entity or entities carrying out the program or function after consolidation in accordance  
13 with the following schedule:

14 1. If the consolidation results in the governmental consolidation of the entities into a single locality,  
15 the state funds shall not be reduced below the amounts that would have been received by each entity  
16 from the Commonwealth for the governmental program or function computed on the premise that no  
17 consolidation occurred for a period of twenty fiscal years following the consolidation.

18 2. If the consolidation results in the consolidation of constitutional officers of the entities and the  
19 consolidation of school divisions and local school boards of the entities, the state funds shall not be  
20 reduced below the amounts that would have been received by each entity from the Commonwealth for  
21 the governmental program or function computed on the premise that no consolidation occurred for a  
22 period of fifteen fiscal years following the consolidation.

23 3. In all other consolidations, the state funds shall not be reduced below the amounts that would have  
24 been received by each entity from the Commonwealth for the governmental program or function  
25 computed on the premise that no consolidation occurred for a period of five fiscal years following the  
26 consolidation.

27 This section shall not prohibit the Commonwealth from terminating or modifying any program or  
28 function under which distribution to a locality, including a local school board, has been made, and if so  
29 terminated or modified all obligations hereunder shall cease or be reduced in proportion with such  
30 modifications, as the case may be.

31 If any such consolidations terminate prior to the end of the applicable period set forth above, the  
32 Commonwealth's obligation under this section shall cease.

33 For the purposes of this section, "consolidation" includes the transition of a city to town status.

34 *The provisions of this section shall also apply to consolidations of a governmental program or*  
35 *function and governmental consolidations of entities, providing such consolidations take place after*  
36 *January 1, 1995.*

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