

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 24.2-305 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal § 24.2-309.1 of the*
 3 *Code of Virginia, relating to election districts and voting precincts and to the 1998-2001 freeze on*
 4 *changes in voting precincts.*

[S 1107]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That § 24.2-305 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

9 § 24.2-305. Composition of election districts and precincts.

10 A. Each election district and precinct shall be composed of compact and contiguous territory and
 11 shall have clearly defined and clearly observable boundaries.

12 B. A "clearly observable boundary" shall include (i) any named road or street, (ii) any road or
 13 highway which is a part of the federal, state primary, or state secondary road system, (iii) any river,
 14 stream, or drainage feature ~~forty feet or more in width~~ *shown as a polygon boundary on the TIGER/line*
 15 *files of the United States Bureau of the Census*, or (iv) any other natural or constructed or erected
 16 permanent physical feature which is shown on ~~the an official county, city, or town map~~ issued by the
 17 Virginia Department of Transportation, ~~or on a United States Geological Survey topographical map, or~~
 18 *as a polygon boundary on the TIGER/line files of the United States Bureau of the Census*. No property
 19 line or subdivision boundary shall be used as a ~~precinct boundary unless it appears as a block boundary~~
 20 *on the United States Bureau of the Census maps for the 1990 Census deemed to be a clearly observable*
 21 *boundary unless it is marked by a permanent physical feature that is shown on an official map issued*
 22 *by the Virginia Department of Transportation, on a United States Geological Survey topographical map,*
 23 *or as a polygon boundary on the TIGER/line files of the United States Bureau of the Census.*

24 **2. That § 24.2-309.1 of the Code of Virginia is repealed.**

25 **3. That an emergency exists and the amendments to § 24.2-305 are in force from the passage of**
 26 **this act. The repeal of § 24.2-309.1 shall take effect in due course.**

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