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SENATE BILL NO. 1228

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-2304 of the Code of Virginia, relating to affordable housing.

Patrons—Whipple, Howell and Ticer; Delegates: Almand, Brink and Darner

Referred to Committee on Local Government

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 15.2-2304 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 15.2-2304. Affordable dwelling unit ordinances in certain counties.

In furtherance of the purpose of providing affordable shelter for all residents of the Commonwealth, the governing bodies of any county where the urban county executive form of government *or the county manager plan of government* is in effect and of any county with a population between 85,000 and 90,000, may by amendment to the zoning ordinances of such counties provide for an affordable housing dwelling unit program. The program shall address housing needs, promote a full range of housing choices, and encourage the construction and continued existence of moderately priced housing by providing for optional increases in density in order to reduce land costs for such moderately priced housing.

Any local ordinance of any other locality providing optional increases in density for provision of low and moderate income housing adopted before December 31, 1988, shall continue in full force and effect.

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