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SENATE BILL NO. 1297

Offered January 10, 2001 Prefiled January 10, 2001

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 10.1-1186.4, relating to the enforcement in federal courts of matters within the jurisdiction of the State Air Pollution Control Board, the State Water Control Board, the Virginia Waste Management Board and the Department of Environmental Quality.

Patron-Mims

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 10.1-1186.4 as follows:

§ 10.1-1186.4. Enforcement powers; federal court.

In addition to the authority of the State Air Pollution Control Board, the State Water Control Board, the Virginia Waste Management Board and the Director to bring actions in the courts of the Commonwealth to enforce any law, regulation, case decision, or condition of a permit or certification, such actions may be brought in the appropriate federal court. Such actions shall be brought by the Attorney General in the name of the Commonwealth.