

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 56-57 of the Code of Virginia, relating to securities issued by public*  
3 *service companies operating under an alternative form of regulation.*

4 [S 899]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 56-57 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 56-57. Securities to which chapter is applicable.

9 A. This chapter shall apply to every stock or stock certificate or other evidence of interest or  
10 ownership, and, except as otherwise provided by § 56-65, every bond, note or other evidence of  
11 indebtedness, of a public service company, which may be issued, and to every obligation or liability as  
12 guarantor, indorser, surety or otherwise in respect of the securities of any other person, firm, association  
13 or corporation, when such securities are payable at periods of twelve months or more after the date  
14 thereof, which may be or may have been assumed after March 24, 1934, notwithstanding the fact that  
15 any preparatory steps, whether by the issuance or amendment of a certificate of incorporation, or by the  
16 action of the board of directors, or the stockholders or otherwise, may have been taken prior to such  
17 date.

18 B. Notwithstanding subsection A, this chapter shall not apply to any stock or stock certificate or  
19 other evidence of interest or ownership, or any bond, note or other evidence of indebtedness of a public  
20 service company that operates under an alternative form of regulation approved by the Commission  
21 pursuant to § 56-235.5, unless the Commission rescinds such exemption as hereafter authorized,  
22 provided such securities are issued for lawful purposes pursuant to § 56-58. Any public service company  
23 exempt from this chapter shall instead provide notice to the Commission of the issuance of any stock or  
24 stock certificate or other evidence of interest or ownership, or, except as otherwise provided by §§ 56-65  
25 and 56-65.1, any bond, note or other evidence of indebtedness, within ninety days of issuance. The  
26 Commission may rescind the exemption from this chapter provided by this subsection to any public  
27 service company that operates under an alternative form of regulation approved by the Commission  
28 pursuant to § 56-235.5 if the Commission finds, after notice and an opportunity for a hearing, that such  
29 exemption is not in the public interest.

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