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HOUSE BILL NO. 1130

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-2110 of the Code of Virginia, relating to mandatory connection to water and sewage systems.

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Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 15.2-2110 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 15.2-2110. Mandatory connection to water and sewage systems in certain counties.

A. Botetourt, Cumberland, and Halifax Counties, and any county with a population between 8,700 and 8,800, may require connection to their water and sewage systems by owners of property that may be served by such systems; however, those persons having a domestic supply or source of potable water and a system for the disposal of sewage adequate to prevent the contraction or spread of infectious, contagious, and dangerous diseases shall not be required to discontinue use of the same, but may be required to pay a connection fee, a front footage fee, and a monthly nonuser service charge that shall not be more than that proportion of a minimum monthly user charge as debt service compares to the total operating and debt service costs.

B. Goochland County and Rockingham County may require connection to their water and sewer systems by owners of property that can be served by the systems if the property, at the time of installation of such public system, or at a future time, does not have a then-existing, correctable, or replaceable domestic supply or source of potable water and a then-existing, correctable, or replaceable system for the disposal of sewage adequate to prevent the contraction or spread of infectious, contagious and dangerous diseases. Such counties may not charge a fee for connection to its water and sewer systems until such time as connection is required.

The provisions of this subsection as they apply to Goochland County shall become effective on July 1, 2002.

C. Any county not included in subsections A or B shall have the authority to require connection to their water and sewage systems by owners of property that may be served by such systems only after voters of the county approve such authority in a referendum held in accordance with Article 5 (§ 24.2-681 et seq.) of Chapter 6 of Title 24.2. Such authority shall apply only to property that, at the time of installation of a public system, or at a future time, does not have a then-existing, correctable, or replaceable domestic supply or source of potable water and a then-existing, correctable, or replaceable system for the disposal of sewage adequate to prevent the contraction or spread of infectious, contagious and dangerous diseases. Such counties may not charge a connection fee or a monthly nonuser service charge until such time as connection is required. A frontage fee may be charged as debt service compares to the total operating and debt service costs for such service.

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