

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 4.01 of Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 a section*
3 *numbered 62.1-44.19:11, relating to payment for the analysis of water quality sampling performed by*
4 *citizen organizations.*

5 [H 497]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 4.01 of Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 a**
9 **section numbered 62.1-44.19:11 as follows:**10 *§ 62.1-44.19:11. Citizen water quality monitoring program.*

11 *The Department of Environmental Quality shall establish a citizen water quality monitoring program*
12 *to provide technical assistance and may provide grants to support citizen water quality monitoring*
13 *groups if (i) the monitoring is done pursuant to a memorandum of agreement with the Department, (ii)*
14 *the project or activity is consistent with the Department of Environmental Quality's water quality*
15 *monitoring program, (iii) the monitoring is conducted in a manner consistent with the Virginia Citizens*
16 *Monitoring Methods Manual, and (iv) the location of the water quality monitoring activity is part of the*
17 *water quality control plan required under § 62.1-44.19:5. The results of such citizen monitoring shall*
18 *not be used as evidence in any enforcement action.*

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