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HOUSE BILL NO. 497

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
on January 23, 2002)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Orrock)

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

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 4.01 of Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 a section numbered 62.1-44.19:11 as follows:

§ 62.1-44.19:11. Citizen water quality monitoring program.

The Department of Environmental Quality shall establish a citizen water quality monitoring program to provide technical assistance and may provide grants to support citizen water quality monitoring groups if (i) the monitoring is done pursuant to a memorandum of agreement with the Department, (ii) the project or activity is consistent with the Department of Environmental Quality's water quality monitoring program, (iii) the monitoring is conducted in a manner consistent with the Virginia Citizens Monitoring Methods Manual, and (iv) the location of the water quality monitoring activity is part of the water quality control plan required under § 62.1-44.19:5.

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