

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2004 SESSION

CHAPTER 402

An Act to amend and reenact § 15.2-923 of the Code of Virginia, relating to local water-saving ordinances.

[S 400]

Approved April 12, 2004

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 15.2-923 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 15.2-923. Local water-saving ordinances.

Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, as shall be necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare, (i) any locality may by ordinance (i) require the installation of water conservation devices in the case of the retrofitting of buildings constructed prior to July 1, 1978, and (ii) ~~any city with a population of 350,000 or more, may, by ordinance,~~ restrict the nonessential use of ground water during declared water shortages or water emergencies.

For purposes of this section "nonessential use" shall not include agricultural use.