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### SENATE BILL NO. 400

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*A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-923 of the Code of Virginia, relating to local water-saving ordinances.*

Patrons—Norment; Delegates: Barlow, Hamilton and Rapp

Referred to Committee on Local Government

#### **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.

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