

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

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3 *An Act to amend and reenact § 15.2-1209 of the Code of Virginia, relating to shooting of arrows from*  
4 *bows in populated areas.*

5 [H 2741]

6 Approved

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8 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**9 **1. That § 15.2-1209 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

10 § 15.2-1209. Prohibiting outdoor shooting of firearms or arrows from bows in certain areas.

11 Any county may prohibit the *outdoor* shooting of firearms *or arrows from bows* in any areas of the  
12 county which are in the opinion of the governing body so heavily populated as to make such conduct  
13 dangerous to the inhabitants thereof.14 *For purposes of this section, "bow" includes all compound bows, crossbows, longbows and recurve*  
15 *bows having a peak draw weight of 10 pounds or more. The term "bow" does not include bows that*  
16 *have a peak draw of less than 10 pounds or that are designed or intended to be used principally as*  
17 *toys. The term "arrow" means a shaft-like projectile intended to be shot from a bow.*18 Any county that prohibits the ~~firing~~ *outdoor shooting* of firearms *or arrows from bows* shall provide  
19 an exemption for the killing of deer pursuant to § 29.1-529. Such exemption *for the shooting of firearms*  
20 shall apply on land of at least five acres that is zoned for agricultural use. *Such exemption for the*  
21 *shooting of arrows from bows shall apply on land of at least two acres that is zoned for agricultural*  
22 *use.*

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