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056701780 1 SENATE BILL NO. 900 2 Offered January 12, 2005 3 Prefiled January 11, 2005 4 A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-4303 of the Code of Virginia, relating to agricultural and forestal 5 districts' application processing fees. 6 Patron—Norment 7 8 Referred to Committee on Local Government 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That § 15.2-4303 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 11 § 15.2-4303. Power of localities to enact ordinances; application form and fees; maps; sample form. 12 13 A. Each locality shall have the authority to promulgate forms and to enact ordinances to effectuate this chapter. The locality may charge a reasonable fee for each application submitted pursuant to this 14 chapter; such fee shall not exceed \$300 or the costs of processing and reviewing an application, 15 16 whichever is less. B. The locality shall prescribe application forms for districts that include but need not be limited to 17 the following information: 18 19 1. The general location of the district; 20 2. The total acreage in the district or acreage to be added to an existing district; 21 3. The name, address, and signature of each landowner applying for creation of a district or an 22 addition to an existing district and the acreage each owner owns within the district or addition; 23 4. The conditions proposed by the applicant pursuant to § 15.2-4309; 24 5. The period before first review proposed by the applicant pursuant to § 15.2-4309; and 6. The date of application, date of final action by the local governing body and whether approved, 25 26 modified or rejected. 27 C. The application form shall be accompanied by a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute 28 topographic map that clearly shows the boundaries of the district and each addition and boundaries of 29 properties owned by each applicant. A Department of Transportation general highway map for the 30 locality that shows the general location of the proposed district shall also accompany each application 31 form. 32 D. The following sample form illustrates the minimum requirements of this section: 33 APPLICATION FOR THE CREATION OF OR ADDITION TO AGRICULTURAL, FORESTAL 34 OR AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTAL DISTRICT (A copy of this completed form and required maps shall be submitted by the applicant landowners to 35 36 the local governing body. This form shall be accompanied by United States Geological Survey 7.5 **37** minute topographic maps that clearly show the boundaries of the district or addition and the boundaries of the property each applicant owns within the district or addition. A Department of Transportation 38 39 general highway map for the locality that shows the general location of the district or addition shall also 40 accompany this form.) 41 SECTION A: TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT 42 1. GENERAL LOCATION OF THE DISTRICT (CITY, COUNTY OR TOWN) 43 2. TOTAL ACREAGE IN THE DISTRICT OR ADDITION 44 3. LANDOWNERS APPLYING FOR THE DISTRICT 45 NAME SIGNATURE ADDRESS WITNESS TOTAL LAND BOOK 46 (current ACREAGE REFERENCE 47 legal OWNED IN NUMBER 48 residence) THE DISTRICT 49 OR ADDITION **50** 4. THE PROPOSED CONDITIONS TO CREATION OF THE DISTRICT PURSUANT TO § 15.2-4309 51 of the Code of Virginia ...... 5. THE PROPOSED PERIOD BEFORE FIRST REVIEW ..... 53 SECTION B: TO BE COMPLETED BY LOCAL GOVERNING BODY 54 1. Date submitted to the local governing body ......

2. Date referred to the local planning commission ......

3. Date referred to the advisory committee ......

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4. Date of action by the local governing body ..... **58 59** 

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E. For each notice required by this chapter to be sent to a landowner, notice shall be sent by first-class mail to the last known address of such owner as shown on the application hereunder or on the current real estate tax assessment books or maps. A representative of the local planning commission or local governing body shall make affidavit that such mailing has been made and file such affidavit with the papers in the case.