

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 46 of Title 59.1 a section numbered*
3 *59.1-529.1, relating to enforcement of the Virginia Post-Disaster Anti-Price Gouging Act; emergency*
4 *orders; penalties.*

5 [H 1094]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 46 of Title 59.1 a section**
9 **numbered 59.1-529.1 as follows:**

10 § 59.1-529.1. *Emergency orders; penalties.*

11 *A. Upon finding that during a time of disaster a supplier is selling, leasing, or licensing, or offering*
12 *to sell, lease, or license, a necessary good or service within the area for which the state of emergency is*
13 *declared at such an unconscionable price that such selling, leasing, or licensing, or offering to sell,*
14 *lease, or license presents an imminent and substantial danger of endangering the public welfare by*
15 *creating public panic, the Governor is authorized to issue for a period not to exceed 30 days, without*
16 *hearing, an emergency order directing the supplier to reduce the price of the necessary good or service*
17 *to the prevailing price in the local market. The confidentiality of all evidence, testimony, documents, or*
18 *other results of investigations leading to issuance of the emergency order, including the names of the*
19 *complainant and the person that is the subject of the investigation, shall be maintained.*

20 *B. The supplier to whom such emergency order is issued shall be notified by certified mail, return*
21 *receipt requested, sent to the last known address of the supplier, and by personal delivery by an agent*
22 *of the Governor.*

23 *C. If the supplier who has been issued such an emergency order is not complying with the terms*
24 *thereof, the Governor shall notify the Attorney General, who shall immediately investigate as provided*
25 *for under this chapter.*

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