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A BILL to amend and reenact § 55-79.92 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Condominium Act; conversion condominiums; notice to locality.

Patrons—Whipple, Howell and Ticer; Delegates: Amundson, Callahan, Moran, Plum, Rust, Scott, J.M. and Watts

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 55-79.92 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 55-79.92. Notice of filing and registration.

A. Upon receipt of the application for registration, the agency shall, within five business days, issue a notice of filing to the applicant. In the case of receipt of an application for a condominium that is a conversion condominium, the agency shall, within five business days, also issue a notice of filing to the chief administrative officer of the county or city in which the proposed condominium is located, which notice shall include the name and address of the applicant and the name and address or location of the proposed condominium. Within sixty days from the date of the notice of filing, the agency shall enter an order registering the condominium or rejecting the registration. If no order of rejection is entered within sixty days from the date of notice of filing, the condominium shall be deemed registered unless the applicant has consented in writing to a delay.

B. If the agency affirmatively determines, upon inquiry and examination, that the requirements of §§ 55-79.89 and 55-79.91 have been met, it shall enter an order registering the condominium and shall

designate the form of the public offering statement.

C. If the agency determines upon inquiry and examination that any of the requirements of §§ 55-79.89 and 55-79.91 have not been met, the agency shall notify the applicant that the application for registration must be corrected in the particulars specified within twenty days. If the requirements are not met within the time allowed the agency shall enter an order rejecting the registration which shall include the findings of fact upon which the order is based. The order rejecting the registration shall not become effective for twenty days after issuance of the order. During this twenty-day period the applicant may petition for reconsideration and shall be entitled to a hearing or correct the particulars specified in the agency's notice. Such order of rejection shall not take effect, in any event, until such time as the hearing, once requested, is given to the applicant.