

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 46.2-916.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the operation of golf*
3 *carts on public highways.*

4 [S 282]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 46.2-916.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 46.2-916.2. Designation of public highways for golf cart and utility vehicle operations.

9 A. No portion of the public highways may be designated for use by golf carts and utility vehicles
10 unless the governing body of the county, city, or town in which that portion of the highway is located
11 has reviewed and approved such highway usage.12 B. The governing body of any county, city or town may by ordinance authorize the operation of golf
13 carts and utility vehicles on designated public highways within its boundaries after (i) considering the
14 speed, volume, and character of motor vehicle traffic using such highways, and (ii) determining that golf
15 cart and utility vehicle operation on particular highways is compatible with state and local transportation
16 plans and consistent with the Commonwealth's Statewide Pedestrian Policy provided for in
17 § 33.1-23.03:001.18 C. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, no town that has not established its own
19 police department, as defined in § 9.1-165, may authorize the operation of golf carts or utility vehicles.
20 *The provision of this subsection shall not apply to the town of Saxis.*21 D. No public highway shall be designated for use by golf carts and utility vehicles if such golf cart
22 and utility vehicle operations will impede the safe and efficient flow of motor vehicle traffic.23 E. The county, city or town that has authorized the operation of golf carts or utility vehicles shall be
24 responsible for the installation and continuing maintenance of any signs pertaining to the operation of
25 golf carts or utility vehicles. Such county, city or town may include in its ordinance for designating
26 highways the ability to recover its costs of the signs and maintenance pertaining thereto from
27 organizations, individuals or entities requesting the designations. The cost of installation and continuing
28 maintenance of any signs pertaining to the operation of golf carts or utility vehicles shall not be paid by
29 the Virginia Department of Transportation.

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