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069213700 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 624** 2 AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE 3 (Proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance 4 5 6 on February 2, 2006) (Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Bell) A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 10.1-603.16 through 10.1-603.20, 10.1-603.23, 10.1-606.1, 38.2-401.1. 7 58.1-2508, and 62.1-203 of the Code of Virginia, to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 10.1-603.18.1, 10.1-603.18.2, 10.1-603.22:1 through 10.1-603.22:4, and to repeal §§ 10.1-603.21 and 10.1-603.22 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Dam Safety, Flood 8 9 10 Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 11 That §§ 10.1-603.16 through 10.1-603.20, 10.1-603.23, 10.1-606.1, 38.2-401.1, 58.1-2508, and 12 1. 62.1-203 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted, and that the Code of Virginia is 13 14 amended by adding sections numbered 10.1-603.18.1, 10.1-603.18.2, 10.1-603.22:1 through 15 10.1-603.22:4 as follows: 16 § 10.1-603.16. Definitions. 17 As used in this article unless the context requires a different meaning: "Authority" means the Virginia Resources Authority created in Chapter 21 (§ 62.1-197 et seq.) of 18 *Title* 62.1. 19 20 "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Virginia Resources Authority. 21 "Cost," as applied to any project financed under the provisions of this article, means the total of all 22 costs incurred by the local government or private entity as reasonable and necessary for carrying out all works and undertakings necessary or incident to the accomplishment of any project. It includes, 23 24 without limitation, all necessary developmental, planning and feasibility studies, surveys, plans and 25 specifications; hydrologic and hydraulic studies and analyses; architectural, engineering, financial, legal or other special services; mapping; the cost of acquisition of flood-prone land and any buildings and 26 27 improvements thereon, including the discharge of any obligations of the sellers of such land, buildings or improvements; site preparation and development, including demolition or removal of existing 28 29 structures; construction and reconstruction; labor; materials, machinery and equipment; the reasonable 30 costs of financing incurred by the local government or private entity in the course of the development of the project; carrying charges incurred before placing the project in service; necessary expenses incurred 31 32 in connection with placing the project in service; the funding of accounts and reserves that the Authority 33 may require; and the cost of other items that the Authority determines to be reasonable and necessary. 34 "Dam owner" means the owner of the land on which a dam is situated, the holder of an easement 35 permitting the construction of a dam and any person or entity agreeing to maintain a dam. 36 "Department" means the Department of Conservation and Recreation. 37 "Director" means the Director of the Department of Conservation and Recreation. 38 "Flood prevention or protection" means the construction of dams, levees, flood walls, channel 39 improvements or diversions, local flood proofing, evacuation of flood-prone areas or land use controls 40 which reduce or mitigate damage from flooding. 41 "Flood prevention or protection studies" means hydraulic and hydrologic studies of flood plains with 42 historic and predicted floods, the assessment of flood risk and the development of strategies to prevent 43 or mitigate damage from flooding. 44 "Fund" or "revolving fund" means the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund. "Local funds" means cash provided for project or study implementation that is not derived from 45 federal or state grants or loans. 46 47 "Local public body" means any city, county, town, water authority, service authority or special taxing **48** district "Local government" means any county, city, town, municipal corporation, authority, district, 49 commission, or political subdivision created by the General Assembly or pursuant to the Constitution or 50 laws of the Commonwealth, or any combination of any two or more of the foregoing. 51 "Private entities" means dam owners, whether individuals, partnerships, corporations, or other 52 nongovernmental entities. 53 "Project" means the development and implementation of activities or measures performed to 54 eliminate, prevent, reduce, or mitigate damages caused by flooding or to identify flood hazards; the design, repair, and safety modifications of a dam or impounding structure, as defined in § 10.1-604, and 55 identified in dam safety reports generated pursuant to § 10.1-607 or 10.1-609; or the mapping and 56 digitization of dam break inundation zones. The term includes, without limitation, the construction, 57 modification or repair of dams, levees, flood walls, channel improvements or diversions; evacuation, 58 relocation, and retrofitting of flood-prone structures; flood warning and response systems; 59

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60 redevelopment, acquisition, and open-space use of flood-prone areas; hydrologic and hydraulic studies of floodplains with historic and predicted floods; remapping of regulated flood hazard areas; the 61 62 assessment of flood risks; the development of flood hazard mitigation strategies and plans, flood 63 prevention and protection studies, and matching funds for federal funds for these activities. The lands 64 involved with such projects shall be located within the Commonwealth.

§ 10.1-603.17. Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund established.

66 The Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund is hereby established and set apart as a permanent and nonreverting fund. The Fund shall consist of any moneys appropriated by the 67 General Assembly and, funds returned by localities or other public or private sources in the form of **68** interest and repayment of loan principal, deposits pursuant to §§ 38.2-401.1, all income from the 69 investment of moneys held in the Fund, and any other sums designated for deposit in the Fund from any source public or private, including without limitation any federal grants, and awards or other forms of 70 71 72 assistance received by the Commonwealth that are eligible for deposit in the Fund under federal law. 73 Any moneys remaining in the Fund at the end of the biennium including any appropriated funds and all 74 principal interest accrued, interest and payments shall not revert to the general fund. 75

§ 10.1-603.18. Administration of the Fund.

76 The Director shall be responsible for the administration of the Fund and shall direct the distribution 77 of grants or loans from the Fund. The Director is authorized to promulgate regulations for the proper 78 administration of the Fund. Such regulations may include, but are not limited to, the establishment of 79 amounts, interest rates, repayment terms, consideration of the fiscal stability of the particular applicant and all other criteria for awarding of grants or loans The Authority shall administer and manage the 80 Fund, and establish the interest rates and the repayment terms of such loans as provided in this article, 81 in accordance with a memorandum of agreement with the Director. The Director shall, after 82 consultation with all interested parties, develop a guidance document governing project eligibility and 83 84 project priority criteria, and the Director, upon approval from the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation 85 Board, shall direct the distribution of loans from the Fund to local governments and private entities and the distribution of grants to local governments. In order to carry out the administration and management of the Fund, the Authority may employ officers, employees, agents, advisers and 86 87 88 consultants, including without limitation, attorneys, financial advisors, engineers, and other technical 89 advisors and public accountants, and determine their duties and compensation without the approval of 90 any other agency or instrumentality. The Authority may disburse from the Fund reasonable costs and 91 expenses incurred in the administration and management of the Fund and may establish and collect a 92 reasonable fee for its management services. However, any such fee shall not exceed one-eighth of one 93 percent of any bond par, loan or grant amount. 94

§ 10.1-603.18:1. Deposit of money; expenditures; investments.

95 All money belonging to the Fund shall be deposited in an account or accounts in banks or trust 96 companies organized under the laws of the Commonwealth or in national banking associations located in Virginia or in savings institutions located in Virginia organized under the laws of the Commonwealth 97 or the United States. The money in these accounts shall be paid by check signed by the Executive 98 99 Director of the Authority or other officers or employees designated by the Board of Directors of the 100 Authority. All deposits of money shall, if required by the Authority, be secured in a manner determined by the Authority to be prudent, and all banks, trust companies, and savings institutions are authorized to 101 102 give security for the deposits. Money in the Fund shall not be commingled with other money of the 103 Authority. Money in the Fund not needed for immediate use or disbursement may be invested or reinvested by the Authority in obligations or securities that are considered lawful investments for public 104 105 funds under the laws of the Commonwealth. 106

§ 10.1-603.18:2. Collection of money due Fund.

107 The Authority is empowered to collect, or to authorize others to collect on its behalf, amounts due to 108 the Fund under any loan to a local government or private entity, including, if appropriate, taking the action required by § 15.2-2659 or 62.1-216.1 to obtain payment of any amounts in default. Proceedings 109 110 to recover amounts due to the Fund may be instituted by the Authority in the name of the Fund in the 111 appropriate circuit court.

112 § 10.1-603.19. Purposes for which Fund is to be used; Authority to set terms and conditions of loans. 113 A. The Director is authorized to make grants or loans to any <del>city, county, town, water authority,</del> 114 service authority or taxing district local government for the purpose of assisting the local public body government in the development and implementation of flood prevention or protection projects, or for 115 116 flood prevention or protection studies. Grants or loans from the Fund for flood prevention or protection projects, or for flood prevention or protection studies may match, but shall not exceed, the amount of 117 contribution derived from local funds. No grant or loan award for flood prevention or protection 118 119 projects, or for flood prevention or protection studies, individually or in combination for a single project, 120 shall exceed 25 percent of the unencumbered balance of the fund as determined at the beginning of the 121 fiscal year.

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B. The Director is authorized to expend from the Fund up to \$50,000 annually, but no more than 10
 percent of the Fund's balance, which shall be utilized as *for* cost share with federal agencies in flood
 protection studies of statewide or regional significance.

125 C. The Director is also authorized, in order to protect public safety and welfare, to make grants or 126 loans to local public bodies governments owning dams and to make loans to private owners private 127 entities for the design, repair and the safety modifications of dams identified in safety reports generated 128 pursuant to § 10.1-607 or 10.1-609, and to make grants for the mapping and digitization of dam break 129 inundation zones. The Director shall develop grant and loan guidelines for the funds awarded under this 130 subsection.

D. The total amount of expenditures for grants in any fiscal year shall not exceed 50% of the total amount collected in interest or income from the investment of moneys in the Fund from the previous fiscal year as determined at the beginning of the fiscal year.

E. Any grants made from the Fund shall require a 50% project match by the local government
 applicant. Any loans made from the Fund shall require a minimum of a 10% project match by the
 applicant.

137 F. Except as otherwise provided in this article, money in the Fund shall be used solely to make loans 138 or grants to local governments, or loans to private entities to finance or refinance the cost of a project. 139 The local government or private entity to which loans or grants are made, the purposes of the loan or **140** grant, the required match for the specific loan or grant, and the amount of each loan or grant, shall be 141 designated in writing by the Director to the Authority. No loan or grant from the Fund shall exceed the 142 total cost of the project to be financed or the outstanding principal amount of the indebtedness to be 143 refinanced plus reasonable financing expenses. Loans may also be from the Fund, at the Director's 144 discretion, to a local government that has developed a low-interest loan program to provide loans or 145 other incentives to facilitate the correction of dam or impounding structure deficiencies, as required by 146 the Department, provided that the moneys are to be used only for the program and that the dams or 147 impounding structures to be repaired or upgraded are owned by private entities.

148 G. Except as otherwise provided in this article, the Authority shall determine the interest rate and 149 terms and conditions of any loan from the Fund, which may vary between different loans and between 150 local governments and private entities to finance or refinance the cost of a project. Each loan shall be 151 evidenced by appropriate bonds or notes of the local government or by the appropriate debt instrument 152 for private entities payable to the Fund. Private entities shall duly authorize an appropriate debt 153 instrument and execute same by their authorized legal representatives. The bonds or notes shall have 154 been duly authorized by the local government and executed by its authorized legal representatives. The 155 Authority may require in connection with any loan from the Fund such documents, instruments, 156 certificates, legal opinions, covenants, conditions, and other information as it may deem necessary or 157 convenient to further the purpose of the loan. In addition to any other terms or conditions that the 158 Authority may establish, the Authority may require, as a condition to making any loan from the Fund, 159 that the local government or private entity receiving the loan covenant to perform any of the following:

160 1. Establish and collect rents, rates, fees, and charges to produce revenue sufficient to pay all or a 161 specified portion of (i) the costs of operation, maintenance, replacement, renewal, and repairs of the 162 project; (ii) any outstanding indebtedness incurred for the purposes of the project, including the 163 principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the loan from the Fund; and (iii) any amounts necessary 164 to create and maintain any required reserve, including any rate stabilization fund deemed necessary or 165 appropriate by the Authority to offset the need, in whole or part, for future increases in rents, rates, 166 fees, or charges;

167 2. With respect to local governments, levy and collect ad valorem taxes on all property within the
168 jurisdiction of the local government subject to local taxation sufficient to pay the principal of and
169 premium, if any, and interest on the loan from the Fund to the local government;

3. Create and maintain a special fund or funds for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the loan from the Fund and any other amounts becoming due under any agreement entered into in connection with the loan, or for the operation, maintenance, repair, or replacement of the project or any portions thereof or other property of the borrower, and deposit into any fund or funds amounts sufficient to make any payments on the loan as they become due and payable;

4. Create and maintain other special funds as required by the Authority;

176 5. Perform other acts otherwise permitted by applicable law to secure payment of the principal of,
177 premium, if any, and interest on the loan from the Fund and to provide for the remedies of the Fund in
178 the event of any default by the borrower in payment of the loan, including, without limitation, any of the
179 following:

a. The conveyance of, or the granting of liens on or security interests in, real and personal property,
 together with all rights, title and interest therein;

182 b. The procurement of insurance, guarantees, letters of credit and other forms of collateral, security,

183 liquidity arrangements or credit supports for the loan from any source, public or private, and the 184 payment therefor of premiums, fees, or other charges;

185 c. The combination of one or more projects, or the combination of one or more projects with one or 186 more other undertakings, facilities, utilities, or systems, for the purpose of operations and financing, and 187 the pledging of the revenues from such combined projects, undertakings, facilities, utilities and systems 188 to secure the loan from the Fund borrower made in connection with such combination or any part or 189 parts thereof:

190 d. The maintenance, replacement, renewal, and repair of the project; and

191 e. The procurement of casualty and liability insurance.

6. Obtain a review of the accounting and internal controls from the Auditor of Public Accounts or 192 193 his legally authorized representatives, as applicable. The Authority may request additional reviews at any time during the term of the loan. In addition, anyone receiving a report in accordance with 194 195 § 10.1-603.23 may request an additional review as set forth in this section; and

196 7. Directly offer, pledge, and consent to the Authority to take action pursuant to § 62.1-216.1 to 197 obtain payment of any amounts in default, as applicable.

198 All local governments or private entities borrowing money from the Fund are authorized to perform 199 any acts, take any action, adopt any proceedings, and make and carry out any contracts that are 200 contemplated by this article. Such contracts need not be identical among all local governments or 201 private entities, but may be structured as determined by the Authority according to the needs of the 202 contracting local governments or private entities and the Fund.

Subject to the rights, if any, of the registered owners of any of the bonds of the Authority, the 203 204 Authority may consent to and approve any modification in the terms of any loan to any local 205 government. 206

§ 10.1-603.20. Condition for making loans or grants.

207 A. The Director may authorize a loan or grant for flood prevention or protection projects, or for 208 flood prevention or protection studies under the provisions of § 10.1-603.19 only when the following 209 conditions exist:

210 1. An application for the loan or grant has been submitted by the *an* applicant in the manner and 211 form specified by the Director, setting forth the amount of the loan or grant requested, and the use to 212 which the loan or grant will be applied. The application shall describe in detail (i) the area to be studied 213 or protected, including the population and the value of property to be protected, historic flooding data 214 and hydrologic studies projecting flood frequency; (ii) the estimated cost-benefit ratio of the project; (iii) 215 the ability of the locality to provide its share of the cost; (iv) the administration of local flood plain 216 management regulations; and (v) other necessary information to establish project or study priority.

217 2. The local <del>public body</del> government agrees and furnishes assurance, satisfactory to the Director, that it will satisfactorily maintain any structure financed, in whole or in part, through the loans or grants 218 219 provided under this article. 220

3. The purpose for which the loan or grant is sought is one described in § 10.1-603.19.

221 4. If the requested loan or grant is sought to acquire land, the Director shall require satisfactory 222 evidence prior to acting on the request that the local public body government will acquire the land if the 223 loan or grant is made.

54. A local public body government is eligible to receive a grant once every five years, provided that 224 225 it has a flood mitigation plan approved by the Director and has demonstrated satisfactory evidence of 226 plan implementation. Lacking an approved plan the local public body government is eligible for a grant 227 once every ten years. 228

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229 B. In addition to the condition for making loans established under this article, the Director may 230 require of a local public body such covenants and conditions as the Director deems necessary or 231 expedient to further the purpose of the loan.

232 C. The Director may consent to and approve any modification in the terms of any loan to any local 233 public body subject to the regulations promulgated The Director shall develop guidance criteria for 234 making loans and grants for dam safety repair projects. Priority shall be given to making loans for high 235 hazard dams. 236

§ 10.1-603.22:1. Pledge of loans to secure bonds of Authority.

237 The Authority is empowered at any time and from time to time to pledge, assign, or transfer from the 238 Fund to banks or trust companies designated by the Authority any or all of the assets of the Fund to be 239 held in trust as security for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on any or all of the bonds, as defined in § 62.1-199, issued to finance any project. The interests of the Fund in any 240 241 assets so transferred shall be subordinate to the rights of the trustee under the pledge, assignment, or 242 transfer. To the extent funds are not available from other sources pledged for such purpose, any of the 243 assets or payments of principal and interest received on the assets pledged, assigned, or transferred or 244 held in trust may be applied by the trustee thereof to the payment of the principal of, premium, if any,

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and interest on such bonds of the Authority secured thereby, and, if such payments are insufficient for such purpose, the trustee is empowered to sell any or all of such assets and apply the net proceeds from the sale to the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such bonds of the Authority. Any assets of the Fund pledged, assigned, or transferred in trust as set forth above and any payments of

248 249 principal, interest, or earnings received thereon shall remain part of the Fund but shall be subject to 250 the pledge, assignment, or transfer to secure the bonds of the Authority and shall be held by the trustee

251 to which they are pledged, assigned, or transferred until no longer required for such purpose by the 252 terms of the pledge, assignment or transfer.

253 § 10.1-603.22:2. Sale of Loans.

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254 The Authority is empowered at any time and from time to time to sell, upon such terms and 255 conditions as the Authority shall deem appropriate, any loan, or interest therein, made pursuant to this 256 article. The net proceeds of sale remaining after the payment of the costs and expenses of the sale shall 257 be designated for deposit to, and become part of, the Fund.

258 § 10.1-603.22:3. Powers of the Authority.

259 The Authority is authorized to do any act necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers 260 granted in this article or reasonably implied thereby.

261 § 10.1-603.22:4. Liberal construction of article.

262 The provisions of this article shall be liberally construed to the end that its beneficial purposes may 263 be effectuated. Insofar as the provisions of this article are inconsistent with the provisions of any other 264 law, general, special or local, the provisions of this article shall be controlling.

265 § 10.1-603.23. Record of application for grants or loans and action taken.

266 A record of each application for a grant or loan pursuant to \$ 10.1-603.19 and the action taken 267 thereon shall be open to public inspection at the office of the Department and shall be presented to the 268 Governor and members of the legislature prior to budgetary sessions of the General Assembly. The 269 Authority shall report annually to the General Assembly and the Governor on the Fund and the 270 administration of all grants and loans made from the Fund. 271

§ 10.1-606.1. Authority for localities to map inundation zones.

A. Any county, city, or town may map inundation zones and is encouraged to incorporate such 272 273 information into its zoning and subdivision ordinances. Such localities may regulate or limit future 274 development in these areas. However, in no event shall this section be interpreted to supersede or 275 conflict with the authority granted to the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy for the regulation 276 of mineral extraction activities in the Commonwealth as set out in Title 45.1.

277 B. The Director may utilize grant funding available from the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and 278 Protection Assistance Fund and other available sources of funding to assist localities in the development 279 of these maps, provided the localities contribute a local match. The highest priority for awarding funds 280 shall be placed on assisting with the mapping of the highest class of dams.

281 C. Such maps shall be made available by the locality to the dam owner and the public. All properties 282 identified within the inundation zone shall be incorporated into the dam safety emergency action plan of 283 that dam so as to ensure the proper notification of persons downstream and other affected persons or 284 property owners in the event of a flood hazard or the impending failure of the impounding structure. 285

§ 38.2-401.1. Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund assessment.

287 The Commission shall annually assess against all licensed insurance companies doing business in this 288 Commonwealth by writing any type of flood insurance an assessment in the amount of one percent of 289 the total direct gross premium income for such insurance. Such assessment shall be apportioned, 290 assessed, and paid as prescribed by § 38.2-403. In any year in which a company has no direct gross 291 premium income from flood insurance or in which its direct gross premium income from flood 292 insurance is insufficient to produce at the rate of assessment prescribed by law an amount equal to or in 293 excess of \$100, there shall be so apportioned and assessed against such company a contribution of \$100. 294 One hundred percent of the total amount collected annually pursuant to this section shall be paid into 295 the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund established per § 10.1-603.17. The 296 assessment established by this section shall not apply to premium income for policies written pursuant to 297 the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 or for policies providing comprehensive motor vehicle 298 insurance coverage. 299

§ 58.1-2508. Taxes applicable to insurance companies.

300 A. The real estate and tangible personal property, situated or located in the Commonwealth, of every 301 such company and every fraternal benefit society transacting insurance in the Commonwealth shall be listed and assessed on the land and property books of the commissioner of the revenue in the same 302 303 manner as other real estate and tangible personal property are assessed, and shall be taxed at the same 304 rates as other like property is taxed.

305 B. The license tax provided in this chapter, the tax on real estate and tangible personal property 318

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306 provided for in subsection A, the fee assessed by the Commission for the administration of the insurance 307 laws pursuant to Chapter 4 (§ 38.2-400 et seq.) of Title 38.2, the fee assessed by the Commission for 308 the Fire Programs Fund pursuant to § 38.2-401, the fee assessed by the Commission for the Dam Safety, 309 Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund pursuant to § 38.2-401.1, the fee assessed by the 310 Commission to fund the program to reduce losses from motor vehicle thefts pursuant to § 38.2-414, the 311 fee assessed by the Commission to fund the program to reduce losses from insurance fraud pursuant to 312 § 38.2-415, and the retaliatory amounts assessed by the Commission pursuant to § 38.2-1026 shall be in lieu of all fees, licenses, taxes and levies whatsoever, state, county, city or town; however, nothing in 313 314 this section shall be construed to exempt insurance companies from the tax levied in Chapter 6 315 (§ 58.1-600 et seq.) of this title. No additional fee or license tax shall be applicable to an agent of an insurance company other than the annual license fee on agents required pursuant to Article 3 316 (§ 38.2-1819 et seq.) of Chapter 18 of Title 38.2. 317

§ 62.1-203. Powers of Authority.

319 The Authority is granted all powers necessary or appropriate to carry out and to effectuate its 320 purposes, including the following:

1. To have perpetual succession as a public body corporate and as a political subdivision of the 321 322 Commonwealth:

323 2. To adopt, amend and repeal bylaws, and rules and regulations, not inconsistent with this chapter 324 for the administration and regulation of its affairs and to carry into effect the powers and purposes of 325 the Authority and the conduct of its business; 326

3. To sue and be sued in its own name;

327 4. To have an official seal and alter it at will although the failure to affix this seal shall not affect 328 the validity of any instrument executed on behalf of the Authority; 329

5. To maintain an office at any place within the Commonwealth which it designates;

330 6. To make and execute contracts and all other instruments and agreements necessary or convenient 331 for the performance of its duties and the exercise of its powers and functions under this chapter;

332 7. To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, transfer and otherwise dispose of all or any 333 part of its properties and assets;

334 8. To employ officers, employees, agents, advisers and consultants, including without limitations, 335 attorneys, financial advisers, engineers and other technical advisers and public accountants and, the 336 provisions of any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, to determine their duties and compensation 337 without the approval of any other agency or instrumentality;

338 9. To procure insurance, in amounts and from insurers of its choice, or provide self-insurance, 339 against any loss, cost, or expense in connection with its property, assets or activities, including insurance 340 or self-insurance against liability for its acts or the acts of its directors, employees or agents and for the 341 indemnification of the members of its Board of Directors and its employees and agents;

342 10. To procure credit enhancements from any public or private entities, including any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States of America or the Commonwealth, for the payment of 343 344 any bonds issued by the Authority, including the power to pay premiums or fees on any such credit 345 enhancements;

11. To receive and accept from any source aid, grants and contributions of money, property, labor or 346 347 other things of value to be held, used and applied to carry out the purposes of this chapter subject to the 348 conditions upon which the aid, grants or contributions are made;

349 12. To enter into agreements with any department, agency or instrumentality of the United States of 350 America or, the Commonwealth, the District of Columbia or any adjoining state for the purpose of 351 planning, regulating and providing for the financing of any projects;

352 13. To collect, or to authorize the trustee under any trust indenture securing any bonds or any other 353 fiduciary to collect, amounts due under any local obligations owned or credit enhanced by the Authority, 354 including taking the action required by § 15.2-2659 or § 62.1-216.1 to obtain payment of any sums in 355 default;

356 14. To enter into contracts or agreements for the servicing and processing of local obligations owned 357 by the Authority:

15. To invest or reinvest its funds as provided in this chapter or permitted by applicable law;

359 16. Unless restricted under any agreement with holders of bonds, to consent to any modification with 360 respect to the rate of interest, time and payment of any installment of principal or interest, or any other term of any local obligations owned by the Authority; 361

17. To establish and revise, amend and repeal, and to charge and collect, fees and charges in 362 363 connection with any activities or services of the Authority;

364 18. To do any act necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers granted or reasonably 365 implied by this chapter; and

19. To pledge as security for the payment of any or all bonds of the Authority, all or any part of the 366 367 Capital Reserve Fund or other reserve fund or account transferred to a trustee for such purpose from the

- Water Facilities Revolving Fund pursuant to § 62.1-2310F, from the Water Supply Revolving Fund 368 pursuant to § 62.1-240<del>or</del>, from the Virginia Solid Waste or Recycling Revolving Fund pursuant to 369 370 § 62.1-241.9or, from the Virginia Airports Revolving Fund pursuant to § 5.1-30.6, or from the Dam 371 Safety, Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund pursuant to § 10.1-603.17.
- 372 2. That §§ 10.1-603.21 and 10.1-603.22 of the Code of Virginia are repealed.
- 373 3. That the Department of Conservation and Recreation shall repeal through an exempt action the
- Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund Regulations (4 VAC 5-50-10 et seq.). 374
- 4. That upon the effective date of this act, the Department of Accounts, with the concurrence of 375
- the Department of Conservation and Recreation, may transfer the Dam Safety, Flood Prevention 376 377 and Protection Assistance Fund and its unobligated balance to the Virginia Resources Authority to 378
- be administered and managed in accordance with this act.
- 379 5. That the provisions of this act shall not become effective unless an appropriation of general funds effectuating the purposes of this act is included in the general appropriation act passed by 380
- 381 the 2006 Session of the General Assembly, which becomes law.