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#### **SENATE BILL NO. 5013**

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE (Proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance) (Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Hawkins)

Senate Amendments in [] — April 27, 2006

4 5 6 A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 2.2-1509.2, 33.1-12 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 7 33.1-23.03:1 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 33.1-23.03:2, 33.1-23.03:8, 33.1-221.1:1.1, 8 33.1-221.1:1.2 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 46.2-694, 46.2-694.1, 46.2-697, 46.2-698, 46.2-700, 46.2-730, 46.2-752 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 46.2-753, 46.2-1135, 9 58.1-802, 58.1-811 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 58.1-812, 58.1-813, 58.1-2217, 58.1-2249, 58.1-2289, 58.1-2402, 58.1-2425, 58.1-2701, and 58.1-2706 of the Code of Virginia; to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 33.1-23.05, 46.2-206.1, 46.2-702.1, 10 11 12 13 58.1-605.1, 58.1-606.1, 58.1-802.1, 58.1-3825.1, and 58.1-3825.2, by adding in Title 15.2 a chapter 14 numbered 48.3, consisting of sections numbered 15.2-4841, 15.2-4842, and 15.2-4843, by adding in 15 Chapter 6 of Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-639.1, and by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 25 of 16 Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-2531; and to repeal the tenth enactment clauses of Chapter 1019 17 and Chapter 1044 of the Acts of Assembly of 2000, relating to the administration and funding of 18 transportation in the Commonwealth.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 19

20 1. That §§ 2.2-1509.2, 33.1-12 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 33.1-23.03:1 as it shall 21 become effective on July 1, 2006, 33.1-23.03:2, 33.1-23.03:8, 33.1-221.1:1.1, 33.1-221.1:1.2 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 46.2-694, 46.2-694.1, 46.2-697, 46.2-698, 46.2-700, 46.2-730, 22 46.2-752 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 46.2-753, 46.2-1135, 58.1-802, 58.1-811 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2006, 58.1-812, 58.1-813, 58.1-2217, 58.1-2249, 58.1-2289, 23 24 25 58.1-2402, 58.1-2425, 58.1-2701, and 58.1-2706 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted 26 and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding sections numbered 33.1-23.05, 46.2-206.1, 46.2-702.1, 58.1-605.1, 58.1-606.1, 58.1-802.1, 58.1-3825.1, and 58.1-3825.2, by adding in Title 15.2 a 27 28 chapter numbered 48.3, consisting of sections numbered 15.2-4841, 15.2-4842, and 15.2-4843, by 29 adding in Chapter 6 of Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-639.1, and by adding in Article 2 of 30 Chapter 25 of Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-2531 as follows: 31

§ 2.2-1509.2. Use of transportation moneys.

32 If any money in the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund or the Transportation Trust Fund 33 established pursuant to § 33.1-23.03:1 is proposed to be used for any purpose other than administering, 34 planning, constructing, improving, and maintaining the roads embraced in the systems of highways for 35 the Commonwealth and its localities and/or furthering the interests of the Commonwealth in the areas of 36 public transportation, railways, seaports, and/or airports, then the Governor, if such diversion is proposed 37 by the Governor, shall include with any such proposal a plan for repayment of funds diverted within 38 three years of such use in "The Budget Bill" submitted pursuant to § 2.2-1509.

39 If such diversion of funds from the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund or the Transportation 40 Trust Fund is proposed by the General Assembly as an amendment to the Budget Bill, such amendment 41 shall include language setting out the plan for repayment of such funds within three years.

42 A. All moneys credited to the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund, the Priority Transportation Fund, the Shortline Railway Preservation and Development Fund, the Rail Enhancement Fund, the 43 Transportation Trust Fund, hereinafter referred to as "the Funds," or any related subaccount, fund, or 44 subfund of any of the Funds shall be used for the purposes specified in this section. 45

B. 1. Such moneys credited to the Funds shall be the revenues designated for deposit into any of the 46 47 Funds from (i) the revenues generated annually from the taxes, fees, or other charges imposed under Titles 33.1 and 46.2 of the Code of Virginia for such Funds; (ii) the revenues generated annually **48** 49 pursuant to Chapters 11, 12, and 15 of the Acts of Assembly of 1986, Special Session, as the provisions 50 of such Chapters may be amended; (iii) the revenues generated annually from Chapters 6 (§ 58.1-600 et 51 seq.), 8 (§ 58.1-800 et seq.), 22 (§ 58.1-2200et seq.), 24 (§ 58.1-2400 et seq.), 25 (§ 58.1-2500et seq.), and 27 (§ 58.1-2700 et seq.) of Title 58.1; and (iv) such other sources as the General Assembly may 52 53 dedicate or appropriate to any of the Funds. In addition, all interest, dividends, or appreciation 54 accruing to any of the Funds shall also be part of the Funds and be used for the purposes specified in 55 this section.

56 2. The revenues described in subdivision 1 shall include but are not limited to the revenues described in subdivisions A 1 and A 2 of § 33.1-23.03:8; all taxes and fees collected under Chapter 27 (§ 58.1-2700 et seq.) of Title 58.1 credited to the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund as 57 58 59 provided in subsection C of § 58.1-2701; all funds, tolls, revenues, amounts required to be paid over to

60 the Transportation Trust Fund, and interest, dividends, and appreciation accruing to the Transportation 61 Trust Fund or the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund, as designated for the Transportation 62 Trust Fund pursuant to § 33.1-23.03:1; all state recordation taxes deposited into the U.S. Route 58 63 Corridor Development Fund pursuant to § 58.1-815; all state recordation taxes deposited or transferred 64 into the Northern Virginia Transportation District Fund pursuant to § 58.1-815.1 and any public 65 rights-of-way use fees or state or local revenues deposited into the Northern Virginia Transportation 66 District Fund pursuant to such section; all state recordation taxes deposited or transferred into the Transportation Improvement Program Set-aside Fund pursuant to § 58.1-816.1; the revenues deposited 67 into the Shortline Railway Preservation and Development Fund, the Rail Enhancement Fund, the **68** Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund, and the Highway Construction Fund as provided in subsection B of 69 § 33.1-23.03:2 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006; the revenues 70 71 from the motor vehicle sales and use tax deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund pursuant to subsection A of § 58.1-2425; the revenues from fee imposed on any person or entity operating a terminal located in the Commonwealth deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund as provided under 72 73 74 § 33.1-23.05 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006; the revenues 75 from the insurance license tax on automobile premiums deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund as 76 provided under § 58.1-2531 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006; the revenues from the vehicle registration fees deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund as provided 77 78 under § 46.2-702.1 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006; the 79 revenues from the fuels taxes deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund as provided in subsection F of § 58.1-2289 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006; the revenues 80 from the motor vehicle sales and use tax deposited into the Rail Enhancement Fund as provided in 81 clause (iv) of subsection A of § 58.1-2425; the revenues from the liquidated damages deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund as provided in § 46.2-1135 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006; the revenues from fees on certain drivers deposited into the 82 83 84 85 Transportation Trust Fund as provided in § 46.2-206.1 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006; any damages and costs collected pursuant to § 33.1-191 as designated 86 87 for deposit into the Transportation Trust Fund under such section; any civil penalties, and interest 88 thereon, and cost recoveries designated for deposit into any of the Funds as provided under law; fees 89 for dealer's license plates designated for deposit into the Transportation Trust Fund pursuant to 90 § 46.2-1546; any excess earnings to be deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund under a 91 comprehensive agreement entered into under the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et 92 seq.) pursuant to subsection E of § 56-566; revenues from the lease, sale, or other conveyance made by 93 the Commonwealth Transportation Board that are designated for deposit into any of the Funds as 94 provided under law; and any locally generated revenues deposited into any of the Funds as provided 95 under law.

C. All moneys credited to the Funds shall be used solely for purposes of:

97 1. Administering, planning, constructing, improving, or maintaining the roads embraced in the 98 systems of highways for the Commonwealth and its localities, including access roads and bikeways 99 adjacent thereto, or furthering the interests of the Commonwealth in the areas of highways, public 100 transportation, railways, seaports, airports, and congestion mitigation;

2. Making payments on bonds or other obligations (including bond anticipation notes and refunding 101 102 bonds) that have been issued or entered into to finance transportation projects that are directly related 103 to the purposes described in subdivision 1; or

104 3. Making loans to finance transportation projects that are directly related to the purposes described 105 in subdivision 1.

106 D. No moneys designated for deposit into the general fund of the state treasury shall be used for any 107 of the purposes described in subsection C or for any other transportation-related purpose except that 108 moneys designated for deposit into the general fund of the state treasury shall be used for (i) making debt service payments on the \$317 million in principal amount of Commonwealth of Virginia Federal 109 110 Highway Reimbursement Anticipation Notes that were issued for the projects specified in Item 491 H 2 of Chapter 899 of the Acts of Assembly of 2002; (ii) making debt service payments on any 111 112 transportation-related bonds or other obligations issued pursuant to Article X, Section 9 (c) of the Constitution of Virginia in those cases in which the revenues dedicated for the payment of the debt 113 114 service on such bonds or other obligations are insufficient to make full payment; and (iii) purposes of making the \$40 million deposit under § 58.1-815 and the \$40 million deposit under § 58.1-816, 115 including any portion of such \$40 million deposit under § 58.1-816 that is actually deposited or 116 transferred into (a) the Northern Virginia Transportation District Fund established under § 58.1-815.1or 117 118 (b) the Transportation Improvement Program Set-aside Fund established under § 58.1-816.1. 119

## CHAPTER 48.3.

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES.** 

121 § 15.2-4841. Creation of regional transportation authorities; authority membership.

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122 A. If the governing bodies of each of three or more (i) contiguous counties or cities or (ii) counties 123 or cities that are included in the same construction district set forth under § 33.1-2 by resolution 124 declare that there is a need for a regional transportation authority to be created for all of such counties 125 and cities to exercise in such counties and cities such powers and other functions prescribed for a 126 regional transportation authority, a body corporate and politic shall be created to perform such powers 127 and functions prescribed under this chapter. The authority shall be known by the name adopted for the 128 authority by its governing body. A copy of the resolutions of the governing bodies of such counties and 129 cities, duly certified by the clerk of the county or city, shall be admissible in evidence in any suit, 130 action, or proceeding. In addition, each governing body of a county or city shall provide a copy of the 131 resolution to the Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Clerk of the Senate as soon as practicable.

B. The following persons shall be members of the governing bodies of each regional transportation
 authority:

134 1. The chief elected officer of the governing body of each county and city included in the authority
135 or, in the discretion of the chief elected officer, his designee, who shall be a current elected officer of
136 such governing body;

137 2. One member of the House of Delegates if only three localities form a regional transportation authority, but in no case more than two members of the House of Delegates, each of whom resides in a city or county with its chief elected officer of such city or county a member of the authority pursuant to subdivision 1 of this subsection, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, provided that, in the case of two members of the House of Delegates appointed by the Speaker as members of the governing body, such appointed members of the House of Delegates shall not reside in the same city or county;

3. One member of the Senate who resides in a city or county with its chief elected officer of such
city or county a member of the authority pursuant to subdivision 1 of this subsection; and

4. Two citizens who reside in counties and cities included in the authority, appointed by the
Governor. Gubernatorial appointments shall be persons who have significant experience in
transportation planning, finance, engineering, construction, or management. Gubernatorial appointees
shall not reside in the same county or city.

Legislative members shall serve terms coincident with their terms of office. Gubernatorial appointees
shall serve for a term of four years. Vacancies occurring other than by expiration of a term shall be
filled for the unexpired term. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments.

153 In addition, the following persons shall serve ex officio as nonvoting members of the authority: the 154 Director of the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, or his designee, and the 155 Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner, or his designee.

**156** Each regional transportation authority shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman.

157 C. In addition to such other powers vested in each regional transportation authority by this chapter,158 each such authority shall have the following powers and functions:

1. The authority shall prepare a regional transportation plan for the counties and cities included in
the authority, to include, but not necessarily be limited to, transportation improvements of regional
significance, and those improvements necessary or incidental thereto, and shall from time to time revise
and amend the plan. The provisions of Article 7 (§ 15.2-4527 et seq.) of Chapter 45 of this title shall
apply, mutatis mutandis, to preparation of such transportation plan.

164 2. The authority may, when a transportation plan is adopted according to subdivision 1, construct or 165 acquire, by purchase, lease, contract, or otherwise, the transportation facilities specified in such 166 transportation plan.

167 3. The authority may enter into agreements or leases with public or private entities for the operation168 of its facilities, or may operate such facilities itself.

169 4. The authority may enter into contracts or agreements with the counties and cities included in the 170 authority, with other transportation commissions of transportation districts adjoining any county or city 171 included in the authority, with any other transportation authority, or with any state, local, private or 172 federal entity to provide, or cause to be provided, transportation facilities and services to the area 173 included in the authority. Such contracts or agreements, together with any agreements or leases for the 174 operation of such facilities, may be used by the authority to finance the construction and operation of 175 transportation facilities, and such contracts, agreements or leases shall inure to the benefit of any 176 creditor of the authority.

177 Notwithstanding the above, however, the authority shall not have the power to regulate services
178 provided by taxicabs, either within municipalities or across municipal boundaries, which regulation is
179 expressly reserved to the municipalities within which taxicabs operate.

**180** 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary the authority may:

a. Acquire land or any interest therein by purchase, lease, or gift and provide transportation
 facilities thereon for use in connection with any transportation service;

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b. Acquire land or any interest therein by purchase, lease, or gift in advance of the need for sale or 183 184 contribution to an agency, for use by that agency in connection with an adopted transportation plan; 185 and

186 c. Prepare a plan for mass transportation services with persons, cities, counties, agencies, 187 authorities, or transportation commissions and may further contract with any such person or other entity 188 to provide necessary facilities, equipment, operations and maintenance, access, and insurance pursuant 189 to such plan.

190 6. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of this chapter and in accordance with all applicable 191 federal statutes and requirements, the authority may impose and collect tolls in amounts established by 192 the authority for the use of any or all of the transportation facilities within the confines of the authority, 193 subject to the approval of the Commonwealth Transportation Board. 194

7. The authority shall not undertake any action that is contrary to federal or state law.

195 D. A majority of the authority, which majority shall include at least a majority of the representatives 196 of the counties and cities included in the authority, shall constitute a quorum. Decisions of the authority 197 shall require a quorum and shall be in accordance with voting procedures established by the authority.

198 Members of the authority shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the 199 performance of their duties and, in addition, shall be paid a per diem equal to the amount paid 200 members of the Commonwealth Transportation Board for each day or portion thereof during which they 201 are engaged in the official business of the authority.

E. The authority shall be responsible for long-range transportation planning for regional transportation projects for the counties and cities included in the authority. In carrying out this 202 203 204 responsibility, the authority shall, on the basis of a regional consensus, whenever possible, set regional transportation policies and priorities for regional transportation projects. The policies and priorities 205 206 shall be guided by performance-based criteria such as the ability to improve travel times, reduce delays, 207 connect regional activity centers, improve safety, improve air quality, and move the most people in the 208 most cost-effective manner.

209 The authority shall report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on (i) the allocation 210 and expenditure of all moneys received by it; (ii) use of these moneys to reduce traffic congestion in the 211 counties and cities included in the authority; and (iii) use of these moneys to improve air quality in such 212 counties and cities.

213 F. Any county or city that makes the resolution described in subsection A and that is included in the 214 authority may, by ordinance, levy and collect one or both of the following taxes, provided that each 215 county or city included in the authority levies the same taxes (except as specifically provided under 216 §§ 58.1-605.1 and 58.1-606.1 in regard to the rate of the additional local retail sales and use tax):

1. A retail sales and use tax pursuant to §§ 58.1-605.1 and 58.1-606.1; and

2. A transient occupancy tax pursuant to § 58.1-3825.1.

219 Such taxes set forth herein shall be in addition to all other taxes, fees, and other charges that may 220 be imposed by counties and cities pursuant to law.

§ 15.2-4842. Other duties and responsibilities of regional transportation authorities.

222 In addition to other powers herein granted, each regional transportation authority shall have the 223 following duties and responsibilities:

224 1. General oversight of regional programs involving mass transit or congestion mitigation, including, 225 but not necessarily limited to, carpooling, vanpooling, and ridesharing; 226

2. Long-range regional planning, both financially constrained and unconstrained;

227 3. Recommending to state, regional, and federal agencies regional transportation priorities, including 228 public-private transportation projects, and funding allocations;

229 4. Developing, in coordination with affected counties and cities, regional priorities and policies to 230 *improve air quality;* 

231 5. Allocating to priority regional transportation projects any funds made available to the authority 232 and, at the discretion of the authority, directly overseeing such projects;

6. Recommending to the Commonwealth Transportation Board priority regional transportation 233 234 projects for receipt of federal and state funds;

235 7. Recommending to the Commonwealth Transportation Board use and/or changes in use of tolls for 236 facilities in the area embraced by the authority;

237 8. General oversight of regional transportation issues of a multijurisdictional nature, including but 238 not limited to intelligent transportation systems, signalization, and preparation for and response to 239 emergencies;

240 9. Serving as an advocate for the transportation needs of the counties and cities included in the 241 authority;

242 10. Applying to and negotiating with the government of the United States, the Commonwealth of 243 Virginia, or any agency or instrumentality thereof for grants and any other funds available to carry out 244 the purposes of this chapter and receiving, holding, accepting, and administering from any source gifts,

bequests, grants, aid, or contributions of money, property, labor, or other things of value to be held,
used and applied to carry out the purposes of this chapter, subject, however, to any conditions upon
which gifts, bequests, grants, aid, or contributions are made. Unless otherwise restricted by the terms of
the gift, bequest, or grant, the authority may sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of such money,
securities, or other property given or bequeathed to it in furtherance of its purposes;

250 11. Acting as a "responsible public entity" for the purpose of the acquisition, construction,
251 improvement, maintenance and/or operation of a "qualifying transportation facility" under the
252 Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et seq.); and

12. Issuing bonds and other evidences of debt as may be authorized by law. The provisions of Article
5 (§ 15.2-4519 et seq.) of Chapter 45 of this title shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the issuance of such bonds or other debt. The authority may use the revenues collected from the taxes described in
subsection F of § 15.2-4841 to pay debt service for such bonds and other debt.

**257** § 15.2-4843. Exclusions from chapter.

No county or city that is (i) included in any transportation authority created under other law for purposes including but not limited to constructing and acquiring transportation facilities in the Hampton Roads region with the counties and cities included in such transportation authority authorized to impose a 1% local retail sales and use tax that is in addition to the local retail sales and use taxes authorized under §§ 58.1-605 and 58.1-606, or (ii) embraced by the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority established under § 15.2-4830, shall be eligible to (a) be a member of a regional transportation authority created pursuant to this chapter or (b) impose the taxes set forth in § 15.2-4841.

**265** In addition, no otherwise eligible county or city shall simultaneously be included in more than one regional transportation authority created pursuant to this chapter.

**267** § 33.1-12. General powers and duties of Board, etc.; definitions.

268 The Commonwealth Transportation Board shall be vested with the following powers and shall have269 the following duties:

(1) Location of routes. - To locate and establish the routes to be followed by the roads comprisingsystems of state highways between the points designated in the establishment of such systems.

(2) Construction and maintenance contracts and activities related to passenger and freight rail andpublic transportation.

274 (a) To let all contracts to be administered by the Virginia Department of Transportation or the 275 Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the construction, maintenance, and improvement of the 276 roads comprising systems of state highways and for all activities related to passenger and freight rail and 277 public transportation in excess of \$2 million. The Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner shall 278 have authority to let all Virginia Department of Transportation-administered contracts for highway 279 construction, maintenance, and improvements up to \$2 million in value. The Director of the Department 280 of Rail and Public Transportation shall have the authority to let contracts for passenger and freight rail 281 and public transportation improvements up to \$2 million in value. The Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner is authorized to enter into agreements with localities, authorities, and transportation 282 283 districts to administer projects and to allow those localities, authorities, and transportation districts to let 284 contracts for highway construction, maintenance, and improvements within their jurisdictions. The 285 Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation is authorized to enter into agreements with 286 localities, authorities, and transportation districts to administer projects and to allow those localities, 287 authorities, and transportation districts to let contracts for passenger and freight rail and public 288 transportation activities within their jurisdictions. The Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner and 289 the Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation shall report on their respective 290 transportation contracting activities at least quarterly to the Board.

291 (b) The Commonwealth Transportation Board may award contracts for the construction of 292 transportation projects on a design-build basis. These contracts may be awarded after a written 293 determination is made by the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner or the Director of the 294 Department of Rail and Public Transportation, pursuant to objective criteria previously adopted by the 295 Board regarding the use of design-build, that delivery of the projects must be expedited and that it is not 296 in the public interest to comply with the design and construction contracting procedures normally 297 followed. Such objective criteria will include requirements for prequalification of contractors and 298 competitive bidding processes. These contracts shall be of such size and scope to encourage maximum 299 competition and participation by agency prequalified and otherwise qualified contractors. Such determination shall be retained for public inspection in the official records of the Department of 300 301 Transportation or the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, as the case may be, and shall 302 include a description of the nature and scope of the project and the reasons for the Commissioner's or 303 Director's determination that awarding a design-build contract will best serve the public interest. The 304 provisions of this section shall supersede contrary provisions of subsection D of § 2.2-4303 and 305 § 2.2-4306.

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306 (c) For transportation construction projects valued in excess of \$100 million, the Commonwealth 307 Transportation Board shall require that a financial plan be prepared. This plan shall include, but not be 308 limited to, the following: (i) a complete cost estimate for all major project elements; (ii) an 309 implementation plan with the project schedule and cost-to-complete information presented for each year; 310 (iii) identified revenues by funding source available each year to meet project costs; and (iv) a detailed 311 cash-flow analysis for each year of the proposed project.

312 (3) Traffic regulations. - To make rules and regulations, from time to time, not in conflict with the laws of the Commonwealth, for the protection of and covering traffic on and the use of systems of state 313 314 highways and to add to, amend or repeal the same.

315 (4) Naming highways, bridges, and interchanges. - To give suitable names to state highways, bridges, 316 and interchanges and change the names of any highways, bridges, or interchanges forming a part of the systems of state highways, except such highways, bridges, or interchanges as have been or may hereafter 317 318 be named by the General Assembly; provided that the name of living persons shall not be used for such purposes. The Department of Transportation shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the 319 320 names of highways, bridges, and interchanges named by the Board or by the General Assembly. The 321 costs of producing, placing, and maintaining these signs shall be paid by the counties, cities, and towns in which they are located. No name shall be given to any state highway, bridge or interchange by the 322 Commonwealth Transportation Board unless and until the Commonwealth Transportation Board shall 323 324 have received from the local governing body of the locality within which a portion of the facility to be 325 named is located a resolution of that governing body requesting such naming.

326 (5) Compliance with federal acts. - To comply fully with the provisions of the present or future 327 federal aid acts. The Board may enter into all contracts or agreements with the United States 328 government and may do all other things necessary to carry out fully the cooperation contemplated and 329 provided for by present or future acts of Congress in the area of transportation.

330 (6) Information and statistics. - To gather and tabulate information and statistics relating to transportation and disseminate the same throughout the Commonwealth. In addition, the Commissioner 331 332 shall provide a report to the Governor, the General Assembly, the Commonwealth Transportation Board, 333 and the public concerning the current status of all highway construction projects in the Commonwealth. 334 This report shall be posted at least four times each fiscal year, but may be updated more often as 335 circumstances allow. The report shall contain, at a minimum, the following information for every project 336 in the Six-Year Improvement Program: (i) project description; (ii) total cost estimate; (iii) funds 337 expended to date; (iv) project timeline and completion date; (v) statement of whether project is ahead of, 338 on, or behind schedule; and (vi) the name of the prime contractor. Use of one or more Internet websites 339 may be used to satisfy this requirement. Project specific information posted on the Internet shall be 340 updated daily as information is available.

341 (7) Policies and operation of Departments. - To review and approve policies and transportation 342 objectives of the Department of Transportation and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, to 343 assist in establishing such policies and objectives, to oversee the execution thereof, and to report thereon to the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner and the Director of the Department of Rail and 344 345 Public Transportation, respectively.

(8) Cooperation with other agencies and local governments.

347 (a) To cooperate with the federal government, the American Association of State Highway and 348 Transportation Officials and any other organization in the numbering, signing and marking of highways, 349 in the taking of measures for the promotion of highway safety, in research activities, in the preparation 350 of standard specifications, in the testing of highway materials and otherwise with respect to 351 transportation projects.

352 (b) To offer technical assistance and coordinate state resources to work with local governments, upon 353 their request, in developing sound transportation components for their local comprehensive plans. 354

(9) Transportation.

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355 (a) To monitor and, where necessary, approve actions taken by the Department of Rail and Public 356 Transportation pursuant to Chapter 10.1 (§ 33.1-391.1 et seq.) of this title in order to ensure the efficient 357 and economical development of public transportation, the enhancement of rail transportation, and the coordination of such rail and public transportation plans with highway programs. 358

359 (b) To coordinate the planning for financing of transportation needs, including needs for highways, 360 railways, seaports, airports, and public transportation and to set aside funds as provided in § 33.1-23.03:1. To allocate funds for these needs pursuant to §§ 33.1-23.1, § 33.1-23.03:2, and 58.1-638, 361 the Board shall adopt a Six-Year Improvement Program of anticipated projects and programs by July 1 362 363 of each year. This program shall be based on the most recent official Transportation Trust Fund revenue forecast and shall be consistent with a debt management policy adopted by the Board in consultation 364 with the Debt Capacity Advisory Committee and the Department of the Treasury. 365

(c) To recommend to the General Assembly for their consideration at the next session of the General 366 367 Assembly, objective criteria to be used by the Board in selecting those transportation projects to be

368 advanced from the feasibility to the construction stage. If such criteria are enacted into law, such 369 objectives shall apply to the interstate, primary, and urban systems of highways.

370 (d) To enter into contracts with local districts, commissions, agencies, or other entities created for 371 transportation purposes.

372 (10) Contracts with other states. - To enter into all contracts with other states necessary for the 373 proper coordination of the location, construction, maintenance, improvement and operation of 374 transportation systems, including the systems of state highways with the highways of such other states 375 and, where necessary, to seek the approval of such contracts by the Congress of the United States.

376 (11) Use of funds. - To administer, distribute, and allocate funds in the Transportation Trust Fund as 377 provided by law. The Commonwealth Transportation Board shall ensure that the total funds allocated to 378 any highway construction project are equal to total expenditures within 12 months following completion 379 of the project. However this requirement shall not apply to debt service apportionments pursuant to 380 § 33.1-23.3 or 33.1-23.4.

381 (12) Financial and investment advisors. - With the advice of the Secretary of Finance and the State 382 Treasurer, to engage a financial advisor and investment advisor who may be anyone within or without 383 the government of the Commonwealth, to assist in planning and making decisions concerning the 384 investment of funds and the use of bonds for transportation purposes. The work of these advisors shall 385 be coordinated with the Secretary of Finance and the State Treasurer.

386 (13) The powers of the Virginia Aviation Board set out in Chapter 1 (§ 5.1-1 et seq.) of Title 5.1 387 and the Virginia Port Authority set out in Chapter 10 (§ 62.1-128 et seq.) of Title 62.1 are in no way 388 diminished by the provisions of this title.

(14) To enter into payment agreements with the Treasury Board related to payments on bonds issued 389 390 by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

391 (15) Outdoor theaters. - By regulation:

392 (a) To prevent the erection of moving picture screens of outdoor theaters in such a manner as to be 393 ordinarily visible from any highway;

394 (b) To require that a sufficient space is left between any highway and the entrance to any outdoor 395 theater to prevent congestion on the highway; and 396

(c) To require that outdoor theater entrances and exits are adequately lighted and marked.

397 The term "public transportation" or "mass transit" as used in this title means passenger transportation 398 by rubber-tired, rail, or other surface conveyance which provides shared ride services open to the general 399 public on a regular and continuing basis. The term does not include school buses; charter or sight-seeing 400 service; vehicular ferry service which serves as a link in the highway network; or human service agency 401 or other client-restricted transportation.

402 (16) Establishment of highway user fees for the systems of state highways. - When the 403 traffic-carrying capacity of any system of state highways or a portion thereof is increased by construction or improvement, the Commonwealth Transportation Board may enter into agreements with **404** 405 localities, authorities, and transportation districts to establish highway user fees for such system of state 406 highways or portion thereof that the localities, authorities, and transportation districts maintain.

407 § 33.1-23.03:1. Transportation Trust Fund.

408 There is hereby created in the Department of the Treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known 409 as the Transportation Trust Fund, consisting of:

410 1. Funds remaining for highway construction purposes, among the several highway systems pursuant 411 to § 33.1-23.1.

2. [Repealed.] 412

413 3. The additional revenues generated by enactments of Chapters 11, 12 and 15 of the Acts of 414 Assembly, 1986 Special Session, and designated for this fund.

415 4. Tolls and other revenues derived from the projects financed or refinanced pursuant to this title 416 which are payable into the state treasury and tolls and other revenues derived from other transportation 417 projects, which may include upon the request of the applicable appointed governing body, as soon as 418 their obligations have been satisfied, such tolls and revenue derived for transportation projects pursuant 419 to § 33.1-253 (Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel District) and § 33.1-320 (Richmond Metropolitan 420 Authority) or if the appointed governing body requests refunding or advanced refunding by the Board 421 and such refunding or advanced refunding is approved by the General Assembly. Such funds shall be 422 held in separate subaccounts of the Transportation Trust Fund to the extent required by law or the 423 Board.

424 5. Tolls and other revenues derived from the Richmond-Petersburg Turnpike, provided that such 425 funds shall be held in a separate subaccount of the Transportation Trust Fund and allocated as set forth 426 in Chapter 574 of the Acts of Assembly of 1983 until expiration of that Act.

427 6. Such other funds as may be appropriated by the General Assembly from time to time, and 428 designated for this fund.

429 7. All interest, dividends and appreciation which may accrue to the Transportation Trust Fund and 430 the Highway Maintenance and Construction Fund, except that interest on funds becoming part of the 431 Transportation Trust Fund under subdivision 1 and the Highway Maintenance and Construction Fund 432 shall not become part of the Transportation Trust Fund until July 1, 1988.

433 8. All amounts required by contract to be paid over to the Transportation Trust Fund.

434 9. Concession payments paid to the Commonwealth by a private entity pursuant to the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et seq.). 435

436 10. The additional revenues generated by enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006, and designated for this fund, pursuant to §§ 46.2-206.1, 46.2-702.1, 46.2-1135, and 58.1-2289, 437 clause (vi) of subsection A of § 58.1-2425, and § 58.1-2531. 438

439 § 33.1-23.03:2. Commonwealth Port Fund, Commonwealth Airport Fund and Commonwealth Mass 440 Transit Fund.

441 A. Of the funds becoming part of the Transportation Trust Fund pursuant to subdivision 3 of § 33.1-23.03:1, an aggregate of 4.2 percent shall be set aside as the Commonwealth Port Fund; an 442 443 aggregate of 2.4 percent shall be set aside as the Commonwealth Airport Fund; and an aggregate of 14.5 444 percent in fiscal year 1998-1999 and 14.7 percent in fiscal year 1999-2000 and thereafter shall be set 445 aside as the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund. The remaining 78.9 percent of the funds deposited into or held in the Transportation Trust Fund in fiscal year 1998-1999, and 78.7 percent of the funds 446 447 deposited into or held in the Transportation Trust Fund in fiscal year 1999-2000 and thereafter, pursuant to subdivision 3 of § 33.1-23.03:1, together with funds deposited pursuant to subdivisions 1 and 6 of 448 § 33.1-23.03:1, shall be expended for capital improvements including construction, reconstruction, 449 450 maintenance, and improvements of highways according to the provisions of § 33.1-23.1 B or to secure bonds issued for such purposes, as provided by the Board and the General Assembly. 451

B. Revenues set forth in subdivision 10 of § 33.1-23.03:1 shall be paid in the manner hereinafter 452 453 provided in this section.

454 1. From the first \$50 million of such revenues in each fiscal year, \$45 million shall be deposited into 455 the Rail Enhancement Fund established under § 33.1-221.1:1.1 and \$5 million shall be deposited into 456 the Shortline Railway Preservation and Development Fund established under § 33.1-221.1:1.2.

457 2. After the deposits in subdivision 1 have been made, of the remaining revenues set forth in 458 subdivision 10 of § 33.1-23.03:1:

459 a. 14.7% shall be set aside for capital project purposes or operating costs on the basis provided in subdivision A 4 f of § 58.1-638 and deposited in the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund. Any funds 460 461 deposited into the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund but not required to achieve the purpose set forth 462 in subdivision A 4 f of § 58.1-638 shall be allocated in accordance with subdivision A 4 e of § 58.1-638, 463 and

464 b. 85.3% shall be deposited into the Highway Construction Fund, and distributed in accordance with 465 subdivisions B 1, B 2, and B 3 of § 33.1-23.1.

466 The Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles shall make such written certifications as are necessary for the Comptroller to make the deposits under this subsection as soon as practicable. 467 468

§ 33.1-23.03:8. Priority Transportation Fund established.

469 A. There is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the 470 Priority Transportation Fund, hereafter referred to as "the Fund." The Fund shall be established on the 471 books of the Comptroller. Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be 472 credited to it. All funds as may be designated in the appropriation act for deposit to the Fund shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Fund. Such funds shall include: 473

474 1. A portion of the moneys actually collected, including penalty and interest, attributable to any increase in revenues from the taxes imposed under Chapter 22 (§ 58.1-2200 et seq.) of Title 58.1, with 475 such increase being calculated as the difference between such tax revenues collected in the manner 476 477 prescribed under Chapter 22 less such tax revenues that would have been collected using the prescribed 478 manner in effect before the effective date of Chapter 22. The portion to be deposited to the Fund shall 479 be the moneys actually collected from such increase in revenues (but not including additional revenues described in subsection F of § 58.1-2289) and allocated for highway and mass transit improvement 480 **481** projects as set forth in subsection A of § 33.1-23.03:2, but not including any amounts that are allocated 482 to the Commonwealth Port Fund and the Commonwealth Airport Fund under such section. There shall 483 also be deposited into the Fund all additional federal revenues attributable to Chapter 22 (§ 58.1-2200 et 484 seq.) of Title 58.1; and

485 2. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and for fiscal years thereafter, all revenues that exceed the official forecast, pursuant to § 2.2-1503, for (i) the Highway Maintenance and Operating 486 487 Fund and (ii) the allocation to highway and mass transit improvement projects as set forth in *subsection* A of § 33.1-23.03:2, but not including any amounts that are allocated to the Commonwealth Port Fund 488 489 and the Commonwealth Airport Fund under such section subsection; and

490 3. Any other such funds as may be transferred, allocated, or appropriated.

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491 The Fund shall be considered a part of the Transportation Trust Fund. Any moneys remaining in the 492 Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund but 493 shall remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely for the purposes enumerated in 494 subsection B of this section. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State 495 Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller.

496 B. The Commonwealth Transportation Board shall use the Fund to facilitate the financing of priority 497 transportation projects throughout the Commonwealth. The Board may use the Fund either (i) by **498** expending amounts therein on such projects directly, (ii) by payment to any authority, locality, 499 commission or other entity for the purpose of paying the costs thereof, or (iii) by using such amounts to 500 support, secure, or leverage financing for such projects. No expenditures from or other use of amounts in the Fund shall be considered in allocating highway maintenance and construction funds under 501 502 § 33.1-23.1 or apportioning Transportation Trust Fund funds under subsection B of § 33.1-23.03:2 or § 58.1-638, but shall be in addition thereto. The Board shall use the Fund to facilitate the financing of 503 504 priority transportation projects as designated by the General Assembly; provided, however, that, at the 505 discretion of the Commonwealth Transportation Board, funds allocated to projects within a transportation 506 district may be allocated among projects within the same transportation district as needed to meet 507 construction cash-flow needs.

- 508 § 33.1-23.05. Fee on privilege of operating a terminal.
- 509 As used in this section, unless the context requires a different meaning:
- 510 "Blended fuel" means the same as that term is defined in § 58.1-2201.
- 511 "Commissioner" means the same as that term is defined in § 58.1-2201.
- 512 "Diesel fuel" means the same as that term is defined in § 58.1-2201.
- 513 "Gasoline" means the same as that term is defined in § 58.1-2201.
- 514 "Terminal" means the same as that term is defined in § 58.1-2201.

515 A. In addition to all other taxes, fees, and other charges imposed by law, there is hereby imposed for 516 the privilege of operating a terminal located in the Commonwealth a fee on every person or entity 517 operating any such terminal. Such fee shall equal \$0.06 on each gallon of blended fuel, diesel fuel, or 518 gasoline that is distributed or otherwise removed from a terminal located in the Commonwealth.

519 B. Every person or entity operating any terminal located in the Commonwealth shall file, on a 520 monthly basis, with the Commissioner a return showing the number of gallons of blended fuel, diesel 521 fuel, or gasoline distributed or otherwise removed each month from each such terminal that is operated 522 by the person or entity and any other information required by the Commissioner. The return for each 523 month shall be filed with the Commissioner in accordance with the filing provisions of § 58.1-2230.

524 C. The fee under this section shall be computed and paid, on a monthly basis and at a rate of \$0.06 525 on each gallon, for the number of gallons of blended fuel, diesel fuel, or gasoline that are distributed or 526 otherwise removed during the respective month from each terminal located in the Commonwealth. The 527 fee for each month shall be imposed upon the person or entity operating the terminal and shall be 528 remitted to the Commissioner by such person or entity at the same time that the return described under 529 subsection B is filed and in accordance with the payment provisions of § 58.1-2230.

530 Whenever such person or entity has become liable to another state for a similar privilege or license 531 fee or tax relating to the operation of a terminal and that is based upon gallons of blended fuel, diesel 532 fuel, or gasoline, for which gallons of fuel such person or entity also paid the fee under this section, 533 such person or entity may take as a credit against the fee due under this section the amount of such fee 534 or tax payable by such person or entity to such other state (upon proof of payment of the same) for 535 such gallons of blended fuel, diesel fuel, or gasoline for which such person or entity also paid the fee 536 under this section. For each such gallon, the credit shall be computed based upon the lesser of (i) \$0.06 537 per gallon or (ii) such fee or tax per gallon imposed by such other state.

538 D. Except as provided in subsection C, no discount, deduction, or refund shall be allowed on the 539 payment or remittance of the fee imposed under this section.

540 E. The fee imposed under this section on persons or entities operating a terminal shall be 541 administered, enforced, and collected in the same manner as set forth in Articles 7 (§ 58.1-2263 et seq.) 542 and 8 (§ 58.1-2280 et seq.) of Title 58.1 for the administration, enforcement, and collection of taxes on 543 fuels.

544 F. All revenues from the fee imposed under this section shall be deposited by the Comptroller into 545 the Transportation Trust Fund established under § 33.1-23.03:1 and allocated pursuant to subsection B 546 of § 33.1-23.03:2. 547

§ 33.1-221.1:1.1. Rail Enhancement Fund.

548 A. The General Assembly declares it to be in the public interest that railway preservation and 549 development of railway transportation facilities are an important element of a balanced transportation 550 system of the Commonwealth for freight and passengers and further declares it to be in the public 551 interest that the retention, maintenance, improvement and development of the railways are essential to

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552 the Commonwealth's continued economic growth, vitality, and competitiveness in national and world 553 markets, and there is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the Rail Enhancement Fund which shall be considered a special fund within the Transportation Trust Fund, 554 555 hereafter referred to as "the Fund."

556 B. The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller, and shall consist of dedications 557 pursuant to subsection B of § 33.1-23.03:2, § 58.1-2425, and such funds from other sources as may be 558 set forth in the appropriation act and shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Fund. 559 Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Any moneys 560 remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the 561 general fund but shall remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely as provided in this section. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State Treasurer on warrants 562 issued by the Comptroller upon written request signed by the Director of the Virginia Department of 563 564 Rail and Public Transportation or the Director's designee.

C. The Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation shall administer and expend or 565 commit, subject to the approval of the Commonwealth Transportation Board, the Fund for acquiring, 566 leasing, and/or improving railways or railroad equipment, rolling stock, rights-of-way or facilities, or 567 568 assisting other appropriate entities to acquire, lease, or improve railways or railroad equipment, rolling 569 stock, rights-of-way or facilities, for freight and/or passenger rail transportation purposes whenever the 570 Board shall have determined that such acquisition, lease, and/or improvement is for the common good of 571 a region of the Commonwealth or the Commonwealth as a whole. Prior to recommending an allocation 572 of the Fund to the Commonwealth Transportation Board, the Director of the Department of Rail and 573 Public Transportation shall consult with and obtain the advice and recommendations of the Rail 574 Advisory Board established pursuant to § 33.1-391.3:1.

D. Projects undertaken pursuant to this section shall be limited to those the Commonwealth 575 576 Transportation Board shall have determined will result in public benefits to the Commonwealth or to a 577 region of the Commonwealth that are equal to or greater than the investment of funds under this section. 578 Such projects shall include a minimum of 30 percent cash or in-kind matching contribution from a 579 private source, which may include a railroad, a regional authority, or a local government source, or a 580 combination of such sources. 581

§ 33.1-221.1:1.2. Shortline Railway Preservation and Development Fund.

582 A. The General Assembly declares it to be in the public interest that shortline railway preservation 583 and development of railway transportation support facilities are important elements of a balanced transportation system of the Commonwealth for freight and passengers, and further declares it to be in 584 585 the public interest that the retention, maintenance, and improvement of the shortline railway and 586 development of railway transportation support facilities are essential to the Commonwealth's continued economic growth, vitality, and competitiveness in national and world markets, and there is hereby 587 588 created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the Shortline Railway Preservation and Development Fund, hereinafter in this section referred to as "the Fund." A "shortline 589 590 railway," for the purposes of this section, shall mean any Class II or Class III railroad as defined by the 591 United States Surface Transportation Board. "Railway transportation support facilities," for the purposes 592 of this section, shall mean facilities required for the loading, transfer, or additional track capacity to 593 facilitate the shipment of goods by rail other than as provided for in § 33.1-221.1:1 or 33.1-221.1:1.1.

594 B. The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller and shall consist of such moneys 595 deposited into the Fund pursuant to subsection B of § 33.1-23.03.2 and such funds from such sources as 596 shall be set forth in the general appropriation act and, which shall be paid into the state treasury and 597 credited to the Fund. Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to 598 it. Any moneys remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not 599 revert to the general fund but shall remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely as 600 provided in this section. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State 601 Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon written request signed by the Director of the 602 Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation or the Director's designee.

603 C. To fulfill this purpose, there shall be funding set forth each year in the budget bill and **604** appropriated by the General Assembly in the Rail Assistance Program of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation. These funds shall be used by the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to 605 606 administer a Shortline Railway Preservation and Development Program for the purposes described in subsection A. Furthermore, the Commonwealth Transportation Board shall include an annual allocation 607 608 for such purpose in its allocation of transportation revenues.

609 DC. The Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation shall administer and expend or commit, subject to the recommendations of the Rail Advisory Committee and the approval of the 610 Commonwealth Transportation Board, the Fund for acquiring, leasing, and/or improving shortline 611 railways and the development of railway transportation support facilities or assisting other appropriate 612 613 entities to acquire, lease, or improve shortline railways and the development of railway transportation

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614 purposes whenever the Board shall have determined that such acquisition, lease, and/or improvement is for the common good of a region of the Commonwealth or the Commonwealth as a whole. The Director 615 616 of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation may consult with other agencies or their designated representatives concerning projects to be undertaken under this section. 617

618 ED. Tracks and facilities constructed, and property and equipment purchased, with funds under this 619 section shall be the property of the Commonwealth for the useful life of the project, as determined by 620 the Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, and shall be made available for use by 621 all common carriers using the railway system to which they connect under the trackage rights 622 agreements between the parties. Projects undertaken pursuant to this section shall be limited to those of 623 a region of the Commonwealth or the Commonwealth as a whole. Such projects shall include a 624 minimum of 30% cash or in-kind matching contribution from a private source, which may include a 625 railroad, a regional authority, private industry, or a local government source, or a combination of such 626 sources. No single project shall be allocated more than 50% of total available funds. 627

§ 46.2-206.1. Imposition of certain additional fees on certain drivers; disposition of revenue.

628 A. The purpose of the civil remedial fees imposed in this section is to generate revenue from drivers 629 whose proven dangerous driving behavior places significant financial burdens upon the Commonwealth. The civil remedial fees established by this section shall be in addition to any other fees, costs, or 630 penalties imposed pursuant to the Code of Virginia. 631

632 B. The civil remedial fees established by this section shall be assessed on any person operating a 633 motor vehicle on the highways of Virginia, including a person to whom a Virginia driver's license, 634 commercial driver's license, or learner's permit has been issued pursuant to this title; a person 635 operating a motor vehicle without a license or whose license has been revoked or suspended; and a 636 person operating a motor vehicle with a license issued by a jurisdiction outside Virginia. For the 637 purposes of this section, a finding of guilty in the case of a juvenile and a conviction under substantially 638 similar laws of any other state or of the United States shall be a conviction.

C. The court shall assess a person with a \$200 fee upon each conviction of § 18.2-102 when a 639 violation of this section would be a misdemeanor, § 18.2-323.1, 46.2-300, 46.2-328, 46.2-329, 46.2-335, **640** 46.2-341.7, 46.2-341.10, 46.2-346, 46.2-349, 46.2-371, 46.2-687, 46.2-703, 46.2-704, 46.2-707, 641 642 46.2-722, or 46.2-832, § 46.2-894 when a violation of this section would be a misdemeanor, §§ 46.2-895 through 46.2-897, § 46.2-902.1, 46.2-909, 46.2-921.1, 46.2-1091, 46.2-1104, 46.2-1137, 46.2-1139, 643 46.2-1163, 46.2-1172, or 46.2-1173, §§ 46.2-1248 through 46.2-1250, § 46.2-1550, 46.2-1556, 644 645 46.2-1561, 46.2-1564, 46.2-1565, 46.2-2011.20, 46.2-2099.1, or 46.2-2129.

646 D. Any person whose driver's record with the Department shows a balance of eight or more driver 647 demerit points on November 15 shall be assessed a fee as set forth below. The Commissioner shall 648 assess such fees annually, beginning on November 15, 2006. The Department shall notify each person 649 assessed a fee under this subsection by mailing a notice thereof by first-class mail addressed to such person's most recent address as shown in the Department's records, and such mailing shall constitute 650 notice to the person of the assessment of the fee. These fees shall be in addition to the fees set forth in 651 652 subsection C:

- 653 1. For a person whose driver's record shows a balance of eight driver demerit points, a fee of \$400 654 shall be assessed.
- 655 2. For a person whose driver's record shows a balance of nine driver demerit points, a fee of \$475 656 shall be assessed.
- 3. For a person whose driver's record shows a balance of 10 driver demerit points, a fee of \$550 657 658 shall be assessed.
- 659 4. For a person whose driver's record shows a balance of 11 driver demerit points, a fee of \$625 660 shall be assessed.

661 5. For a person whose driver's record shows a balance of 12 or more driver demerit points, a fee of 662 \$700 shall be assessed.

E. The Department may, by regulation, provide for payment options by which persons assessed fees 663 664 under this section may pay such fees in installments.

F. If any assessment made under this section remains unpaid 60 days following the date on which 665 666 the notice of assessment was mailed and no arrangements have been made with the Department for 667 payment of such assessment in installments as authorized herein, the Department shall, pursuant to 668 Article 1 (§ 46.2-300 et seq.) of Chapter 3 of this title, suspend the driver's license of the person against whom the assessment was imposed and the Commissioner may institute civil proceedings in any court of 669 670 competent jurisdiction to recover any such fees. Jurisdiction for assessments under this section shall be 671 in the jurisdiction where the person resides as indicated in the records of the Department. The 672 Commissioner shall be entitled to collect all costs of collection, including but not limited to attorney 673 fees.

674 G. In the event that a person disputes a conviction on his driver record based upon identity, if the 675 person presents the Department a certified copy of a petition to a court of competent jurisdiction
676 seeking to vacate an order of such conviction, the Department shall suspend the imposition of the
677 assessment. Such suspension shall be valid for one year from the date of commencement or until 30
678 days after an entry of a final order on such petition, whichever first occurs.

679 H. The clerk of the court shall return revenues collected pursuant to subsection C to the state 680 treasury for deposit by the Comptroller into the Transportation Trust Fund established under 681 § 33.1-23.03:1, and the Comptroller shall deposit revenues generated under subsection D into said Fund. Revenues deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund pursuant to this section shall be allocated **682** 683 pursuant to subsection B of § 33.1-23.03.2. For the revenues generated pursuant to subsection D, the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles shall make such written certifications as are **684** 685 necessary for the Comptroller to make the required deposits into the Transportation Trust Fund as soon as practicable. 686

687 § 46.2-694. Fees for vehicles designed and used for transportation of passengers; weights used for computing fees; burden of proof.

A. The annual registration fees for motor vehicles, trailers, and semitrailers designed and used for the transportation of passengers on the highways in the Commonwealth are:

691 1. Twenty-three Thirty-three dollars for each private passenger car or motor home if the passenger
692 car or motor home weighs 4,000 pounds or less, provided that it is not used for the transportation of
693 passengers for compensation and is not kept or used for rent or for hire, or is not operated under a lease
694 without a chauffeur.

695 2. Twenty-eight Thirty-eight dollars for each passenger car or motor home which weighs more than
696 4,000 pounds, provided that it is not used for the transportation of passengers for compensation and is
697 not kept or used for rent or for hire, or is not operated under a lease without a chauffeur.

698 3. Thirty cents per 100 pounds or major fraction thereof for a private motor vehicle other than a motorcycle with a normal seating capacity of more than 10 adults including the driver if the private motor vehicle is not used for the transportation of passengers for compensation and is not kept or used for rent or for hire or is not operated under a lease without a chauffeur. In no case shall the fee be less than \$23 \$33 if the vehicle weighs 4,000 pounds or less or \$28 \$38 if the vehicle weighs more than 4,000 pounds.

704 4. Thirty cents per 100 pounds or major fraction thereof for a school bus. In no case shall the fee be less than \$23 \$33 if the vehicle weighs 4,000 pounds or less or \$28 \$38 if the vehicle weighs more than 4,000 pounds.

707 5. Twenty-three Thirty-three dollars for each trailer or semitrailer designed for use as living quarters
 708 for human beings.

6. Thirteen Twenty-three dollars plus \$ 0.30 per 100 pounds or major fraction thereof for each motor
vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer used as a common carrier of passengers, operating either intrastate or
interstate. Interstate common carriers of interstate passengers may elect to be licensed and pay the fees
prescribed in subdivision 7 of this subsection on submission to the Commissioner of a declaration of
operations and equipment as he may prescribe. An additional \$5 shall be charged if the motor vehicle
weighs more than 4,000 pounds.

7. Thirteen Twenty-three dollars plus \$ 0.70 per 100 pounds or major fraction thereof for each motor 715 716 vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer used as a common carrier of interstate passengers if election is made to be 717 licensed under this subsection. An additional \$5 shall be charged if the motor vehicle weighs more than 4,000 pounds. In lieu of the foregoing fee of \$ 0.70 per 100 pounds, a motor carrier of passengers, 718 operating two or more vehicles both within and outside the Commonwealth and registered for insurance 719 720 purposes with the Surface Transportation Board of the United States Department of Transportation, 721 Federal Highway Administration, may apply to the Commissioner for prorated registration. Upon the 722 filing of such application, in such form as the Commissioner may prescribe, the Commissioner shall 723 apportion the registration fees provided in this subsection so that the total registration fees to be paid for 724 such vehicles of such carrier shall be that proportion of the total fees, if there were no apportionment, 725 that the total number of miles traveled by such vehicles of such carrier within the Commonwealth bears 726 to the total number of miles traveled by such vehicles within and outside the Commonwealth. Such total 727 mileage in each instance is the estimated total mileage to be traveled by such vehicles during the license year for which such fees are paid, subject to the adjustment in accordance with an audit to be made by 728 729 representatives of the Commissioner at the end of such license year, the expense of such audit to be 730 borne by the carrier being audited. Each vehicle passing into or through Virginia shall be registered and licensed in Virginia and the annual registration fee to be paid for each such vehicle shall not be less 731 732 than \$33 \$43. For the purpose of determining such apportioned registration fees, only those motor 733 vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers operated both within and outside the Commonwealth shall be subject to 734 inclusion in determining the apportionment provided for herein.

735 8. Thirteen Twenty-three dollars plus \$ 0.80 per 100 pounds or major fraction thereof for each motor
 736 vehicle, trailer or semitrailer kept or used for rent or for hire or operated under a lease without a

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737 chauffeur for the transportation of passengers. An additional fee of \$5 shall be charged if the vehicle738 weighs more than 4,000 pounds. This subsection does not apply to vehicles used as common carriers.

739 9. Twenty-three Thirty-three dollars for a taxicab or other vehicle which is kept for rent or hire
740 operated with a chauffeur for the transportation of passengers, and which operates or should operate
741 under permits issued by the Department as required by law. An additional fee of \$5 shall be charged if
742 the vehicle weighs more than 4,000 pounds. This subsection does not apply to vehicles used as common
743 carriers.

10. Eighteen *Twenty-eight* dollars for a motorcycle, with or without a sidecar. To this fee shall be added a surcharge of \$3 which shall be distributed as provided in § 46.2-1191.

746 11. Twenty-three *Thirty-three* dollars for a bus used exclusively for transportation to and from church
747 school, for the purpose of religious instruction, or church, for the purpose of divine worship. If the
748 empty weight of the vehicle exceeds 4,000 pounds, the fee shall be \$28 \$38.

**749** 12. Thirteen *Twenty-three* dollars plus \$ 0.70 per 100 pounds or major fraction thereof for other passenger-carrying vehicles.

751 13. An additional fee of \$4 per year shall be charged and collected at the time of registration of each 752 pickup or panel truck and each motor vehicle under subdivisions 1 through 12 of this subsection. All 753 funds collected pursuant to this subdivision shall be paid into the state treasury and shall be set aside as 754 a special fund to be used only for emergency medical service purposes. The moneys in the special fund 755 shall be distributed as follows:

a. Two percent shall be distributed to the State Department of Health to provide funding to the
Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads to be used solely for the purpose of conducting
volunteer recruitment, retention and training activities;

759 b. Thirty percent shall be distributed to the State Department of Health to support (i) emergency 760 medical services training programs (excluding advanced life support classes); (ii) advanced life support 761 training; (iii) recruitment and retention programs (all funds for such support shall be used to recruit and retain volunteer emergency medical services personnel only, including public awareness campaigns, 762 technical assistance programs, and similar activities); (iv) emergency medical services system development, initiatives, and priorities based on needs identified by the State Emergency Medical 763 764 765 Services Advisory Board; (v) local, regional, and statewide performance contracts for emergency medical services to meet the objectives stipulated in § 32.1-111.3; (vi) technology and radio communication 766 767 enhancements; and (vii) improved emergency preparedness and response. Any funds set aside for distribution under this provision and remaining undistributed at the end of any fiscal year shall revert to 768 769 the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund;

c. Thirty-two percent shall be distributed to the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund;

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d. Ten percent shall be available to the State Department of Health's Office of Emergency Medical
 Services for use in emergency medical services; and

e. Twenty-six percent shall be returned by the Comptroller to the locality wherein such vehicle is
registered, to provide funding for training of volunteer or salaried emergency medical service personnel
of licensed, nonprofit emergency medical services agencies and for the purchase of necessary equipment
and supplies for use in such locality for licensed, nonprofit emergency medical and rescue services.

777 The Comptroller shall clearly designate on the warrant, check, or other means of transmitting these 778 funds that such moneys are only to be used for purposes set forth in this subdivision. Such funds shall 779 be in addition to any local appropriations and local governing bodies shall not use these funds to 780 supplant local funds. Each local governing body shall report annually to the Board of Health on the use 781 of the funds returned to it pursuant to this section. In any case in which the local governing body grants 782 the funds to a regional emergency medical services council to be distributed to the licensed, nonprofit 783 emergency medical and rescue services, the local governing body shall remain responsible for the proper 784 use of the funds. If, at the end of any fiscal year, a report on the use of the funds returned to the 785 locality pursuant to this section for that year has not been received from a local governing body, any 786 funds due to that local governing body for the next fiscal year shall be retained until such time as the 787 report has been submitted to the Board.

788 B. All motor vehicles, trailers, and semitrailers registered as provided in subsection B of § 46.2-646
789 shall pay a registration fee equal to one-twelfth of all fees required by subsection A of this section or
790 § 46.2-697 for such motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, computed to the nearest cent, multiplied by the
791 number of months in the registration period for such motor vehicles, trailers, and semitrailers.

792 C. The manufacturer's shipping weight or scale weight shall be used for computing all fees required793 by this section to be based upon the weight of the vehicle.

D. The applicant for registration bears the burden of proof that the vehicle for which registration is
 sought is entitled by weight, design, and use to be registered at the fee tendered by the applicant to the
 Commissioner or to his authorized agent.

**797** § 46.2-694.1. Fees for trailers and semitrailers not designed and used for transportation of passengers.

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798 Unless otherwise specified in this title, the registration fees for trailers and semitrailers not designed 799 and used for the transportation of passengers on the highways in the Commonwealth shall be as follows:

800	Registered Gross Weight	1-Year Fee	2-Year Fee	Permanent Fee
801	0-1,500 lbs	<del>\$8.00</del> \$18	<del>\$16.00</del> \$26	<del>\$50.00</del> \$60
802	1,501-4,000 lbs	<del>\$18.50</del> \$28.50	<del>\$37.00</del> \$47	<del>\$50.00</del> \$60
803	4,001 lbs & above	<del>\$23.50</del> \$33.50	<del>\$47.00</del> \$57	<del>\$50.00</del> \$60

804 From the foregoing registration fees, the following amounts, regardless of weight category, shall be paid by the Department into the state treasury and set aside for the payment of the administrative costs 805 of the safety inspection program provided for in Article 21 (§ 46.2-1157 et seq.) of Chapter 10 of this 806 807 title: (i) from each one-year registration fee, one dollar and fifty cents; (ii) from each two-year 808 registration fee, three dollars; and (iii) from each permanent registration fee, four dollars. 809

§ 46.2-697. Fees for vehicles not designed or used for transportation of passengers.

810 A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the fee for registration of all motor vehicles not designed and used for the transportation of passengers shall be thirteen dollars \$23 plus an amount 811 determined by the gross weight of the vehicle or combination of vehicles of which it is a part, when 812 loaded to the maximum capacity for which it is registered and licensed, according to the schedule of 813 814 fees set forth in this section. For each 1,000 pounds of gross weight, or major fraction thereof, for 815 which any such vehicle is registered, there shall be paid to the Commissioner the fee indicated in the 816 following schedule immediately opposite the weight group and under the classification established by the provisions of subsection B of § 46.2-711 into which such vehicle, or any combination of vehicles of 817 818 which it is a part, falls when loaded to the maximum capacity for which it is registered and licensed. 819 The fee for a pickup or panel truck shall be twenty three dollars \$33 if its gross weight is 4,000 pounds 820 or less, and twenty eight dollars \$38 if its gross weight is 4,001 pounds through 6,500 pounds. The fee shall be twenty nine dollars \$39 for any motor vehicle with a gross weight of 6,501 pounds through 821 822 10,000 pounds.

823 Fee Per Thousand Pounds of Gross Weight

Gross Weight	Private For Rent or		
Groups (pounds)	Carriers For Hir	e Carriers	
	\$ <del>2.60</del> 3.17	\$ <del>1.75</del> 5.80	
11,001 - 12,000	$\frac{2.80}{2.42}$	4.905.98	
12,001 - 13,000	<del>3.00</del> 3.66	<del>5.15</del> 6.28	
13,001 - 14,000	<del>3.20</del> 3.90	<del>5.40</del> 6.59	
14,001 - 15,000	<del>3.40</del> 4.15	<del>5.65</del> 6.89	
15,001 - 16,000	<del>3.60</del> 4.39	<del>5.90</del> 7.20	
16,001 - 17,000	4.004.88	<del>6.15</del> 7.50	
17,001 - 18,000	<del>4.40</del> 5.37	<del>6.40</del> 7.81	
18,001 - 19,000	<del>4.80</del> 5.86	<del>7.50</del> 9.15	
19,001 - 20,000	<del>5.20</del> 6.34	<del>7.70</del> 9.39	
20,001 - 21,000	<del>5.60</del> 6.83	<del>7.90</del> 9.64	
21,001 - 22,000	<del>6.00</del> 7.32	<del>8.10</del> 9.88	
22,001 - 23,000	<del>6.40</del> 7.81	<del>8.30</del> 10.13	
23,001 - 24,000	<del>6.80</del> 8.30	<del>8.50</del> 10.37	
24,001 - 25,000	<del>6.90</del> 8.42	<del>8.70</del> 10.61	
25,001 - 26,000	<del>6.95</del> 8.48	<del>8.90</del> 10.86	
26,001 - 27,000	<del>8.25</del> 10.07	<del>10.35</del> 12.63	
27,001 - 28,000	<del>8.30</del> 10.13	<del>10.55</del> 12.87	
28,001 - 29,000	<del>8.35</del> 10.18	<del>10.75</del> 13.12	
29,001 - 40,000	<del>8.45</del> 10.31	<del>10.95</del> 13.36	
40,001 - 45,000	<del>8.55</del> 10.43	<del>11.15</del> 13.60	
45,001 - 50,000	<del>8.75</del> 10.68	<del>11.25</del> 13.73	
50,001 - 55,000	<del>9.25</del> 11.29	<del>13.25</del> 16.17	
55,001 - 76,000	$\frac{11.25}{13.73}$	<del>15.25</del> 18.61	
76,001 - 80,000	$\frac{13.25}{16.17}$		

For all such motor vehicles exceeding a gross weight of 6,500 pounds, an additional fee of five 853 854 dollars shall be imposed.

B. In lieu of registering any motor vehicle referred to in this section for an entire licensing year, the 855 owner may elect to register the vehicle only for one or more quarters of a licensing year, and in such 856

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- 857 case, the fee shall be twenty-five percent of the annual fee plus five dollars for each quarter that the858 vehicle is registered.
- 859 C. When an owner elects to register and license a motor vehicle under subsection B of this section,860 the provisions of §§ 46.2-646 and 46.2-688 shall not apply.
- 861 D. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no vehicle designed, equipped, and used to tow
  862 disabled or inoperable motor vehicles shall be required to register in accordance with any gross weight
  863 other than the gross weight of the towing vehicle itself, exclusive of any vehicle being towed.
- E. All registrations and licenses issued for less than a full year shall expire on the date shown on the license and registration.
- **866** § 46.2-698. Fees for farm vehicles.

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- A. The fees for registration of farm motor vehicles having gross weights of 7,500 pounds or more,
  when such vehicles are used exclusively for farm use as defined in this section, shall be one-half of the
  fee per 1,000 pounds of gross weight for private carriers as calculated under the provisions of
  § 46.2-697 and one-half of the fee for overload permits under § 46.2-1128, but the annual registration
  fee to be paid for each farm vehicle shall not be less than \$15 \$25.
  - B. A farm motor vehicle is used exclusively for farm use:
- 873 1. When owned by a person who is engaged either as an owner, renter, or operator of a farm of a874 size reasonably requiring the use of such vehicle or vehicles and when such vehicle is:
- a. Used in the transportation of agricultural products of the farm he is working to market, or to other
  points for sale or processing, or when used to transport materials, tools, equipment, or supplies which
  are to be used or consumed on the farm he is working, or when used for any other transportation
  incidental to the regular operation of such farm;
- b. Used in transporting forest products, including forest materials originating on a farm or incident to
  the regular operation of a farm, to the farm he is working or transporting for any purpose forest
  products which originate on the farm he is working; or
- c. Used in the transportation of farm produce, supplies, equipment, or materials to a farm not workedby him, pursuant to a mutual cooperative agreement.
- 884 2. When the nonfarm use of such motor vehicle is limited to the personal use of the owner and his
  885 immediate family in attending church or school, securing medical treatment or supplies, or securing
  886 other household or family necessities.
- 887 C. As used in this section, the term "farm" means one or more areas of land used for the production, cultivation, growing, or harvesting of agricultural products, but does not include a tree farm that is not also a nursery or Christmas tree farm, unless it is part of what otherwise is a farm. As used in this section, the term "agricultural products" means any nursery plants; Christmas trees; horticultural, viticultural, and other cultivated plants and crops; aquaculture; dairy; livestock; poultry; bee; or other farm products.
- 893 D. The first application for registration of a vehicle under this section shall be made on forms894 provided by the Department and shall include:
- 1. The location and acreage of each farm on which the vehicle to be registered is to be used;
- 896 2. The type of agricultural commodities, poultry, dairy products or livestock produced on such farms897 and the approximate amounts produced annually;
- 898 3. A statement, signed by the vehicle's owner, that the vehicle to be registered will only be used for one or more of the purposes specified in subsection B of this section; and
- **900** 4. Other information required by the Department.
- **901** The above information is not required for the renewal of a vehicle's registration under this section.
- 902 E. The Department shall issue appropriately designated license plates for those motor vehicles
   903 registered under this section. The manner in which such license plates are designated shall be at the
   904 discretion of the Commissioner.
- 905 F. The owner of a farm vehicle shall inform the Commissioner within 30 days or at the time of his 906 next registration renewal, whichever comes first, when such vehicle is no longer used exclusively for 907 farm use as defined in this section, and shall pay the appropriate registration fee for the vehicle based 908 on its type of operation. It shall constitute a Class 2 misdemeanor to: (i) operate or to permit the 909 operation of any farm motor vehicle for which the fee for registration and license plates is herein 910 prescribed on any highway in the Commonwealth without first having paid the prescribed registration 911 fee; or (ii) operate or permit the operation of any motor vehicle, registered under this section, for 912 purposes other than as provided under subsection B of this section; or (iii) operate as a for-hire vehicle.
- **913** G. Nothing in this section shall affect the exemptions of agricultural and horticultural vehicles under **914** §§ 46.2-664 through 46.2-670.
- 915 H. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, vehicles licensed under this section may be used
  916 by volunteer rescue squad members and volunteer firefighters in responding to emergency calls, in
  917 reporting for regular duty, and in attending squad meetings and drills.

918 § 46.2-700. Fees for vehicles for transporting well-drilling machinery and specialized mobile 919 equipment.

920 A. The fee for registration of any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer on which well-drilling 921 machinery is attached and which is permanently used solely for transporting the machinery shall be \$15 922 \$25.

923 B. The fee for the registration of specialized mobile equipment shall be \$15 \$25. "Specialized mobile 924 equipment" shall mean any self-propelled motor vehicle manufactured for a specific purpose, other than 925 for the transportation of passengers or property, which is used on a job site and whose movement on 926 any highway is incidental to the purpose for which it was designed and manufactured. The vehicle must 927 be constructed to fall within all size and weight requirements as contained in §§ 46.2-1105, 46.2-1110, 928 46.2-1113 and Article 17 (§ 46.2-1122 et seq.) of Chapter 10 of this title and must be capable of maintaining sustained highway speeds of 40 miles per hour or more. Vehicles registered under this section shall be exempt from the requirements of § 46.2-1157. Nothing in this subsection shall be 929 930 931 construed as prohibiting the transportation on specialized mobile equipment of safety equipment, 932 including but not limited to highway traffic safety cones, to be used on a job site.

933 C. Specialized mobile equipment which cannot maintain a sustained highway speed in excess of 40 934 miles per hour, and trailers or semitrailers which are designed and manufactured for a specific purpose 935 and whose movement on the highway is incidental to the purpose for which it was manufactured and 936 which are not designed or used to transport persons or property, shall not be required to be registered 937 under this chapter. 938

§ 46.2-702.1. Distribution of certain revenue.

939 An amount equivalent to the net additional revenues generated by increases in the registration fees 940 under §§ 46.2-694, 46.2-694.1, 46.2-697, 46.2-698, 46.2-700, and 46.2-730 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006, shall be deposited by the Comptroller into the 941 942 Transportation Trust Fund established under § 33.1-23.03:1 and allocated pursuant to subsection B of 943 § 33.1-23.03:2. 944

§ 46.2-730. License plates for antique motor vehicles and antique trailers; fee.

945 A. On receipt of an application, the Commissioner shall issue appropriately designed license plates to 946 owners of antique motor vehicles and antique trailers. These license plates shall be valid so long as title 947 to the vehicle is vested in the applicant. The fee for the registration card and license plates of any of 948 these vehicles shall be \$10 \$20.

949 B. On receipt of an application, the Commissioner may authorize for use on antique motor vehicles 950 and antique trailers Virginia license plates manufactured prior to 1976 and designed for use without 951 decals, if such license plates are embossed with or are of the same year of issue as the model year of 952 the antique motor vehicle or antique trailer on which they are to be displayed. Original metal year tabs 953 issued in place of license plates for years 1943 and 1953 and used with license plates issued in 1942 954 and 1952, respectively, also may be authorized by the Commissioner for use on antique motor vehicles 955 and antique trailers that are of the same model year as the year the metal tab was originally issued. 956 These license plates and metal tabs shall remain valid so long as title to the vehicle is vested in the 957 applicant. The fee for the registration card and permission to use the license plates and metal tabs on 958 any of these vehicles shall be \$10 \$20.

959 C. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 46.2-711 and 46.2-715, antique motor vehicles may display 960 single license plates if the original manufacturer's design of the antique motor vehicles allows for the 961 use of only single license plates or if the license plate was originally issued in one of the following 962 years and is displayed in accordance with the provisions of subsection B of this section: 1906, 1907, 963 1908, 1909, 1945, or 1946.

964 D. Except as provided in subsection E of this section, motor vehicles and trailers registered with 965 license plates issued under this section shall not be used for general transportation purposes, including, 966 but not limited to, daily travel to and from the owner's place of employment, but shall only be used: 967

1. For participation in club activities, exhibits, tours, parades, and similar events; and

968 2. On the highways of the Commonwealth for the purpose of testing their operation, obtaining repairs 969 or maintenance, transportation to and from events as described in subdivision 1 of this subsection, and 970 for occasional pleasure driving not exceeding 250 miles from the residence of the owner.

971 E. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision of this section, antique motor vehicles and antique trailers 972 displaying license plates issued pursuant to subsections B and C of this section may be used for general 973 transportation purposes if the following conditions are met:

974 1. The physical condition of the vehicle's license plate or plates has been inspected and approved by 975 the Department; 976

2. The license plate or plates are registered to the specific vehicle by the Department;

977 3. The owner of the vehicle periodically registers the vehicle with the Department and pays a 978 registration fee for the vehicle equal to that which would be charged to obtain regular state license 979 plates for that vehicle;

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980 4. The vehicle passes a periodic safety inspection as provided in Article 21 (§ 46.2-1157 et seq.) of981 Chapter 10 of this title;

5. The vehicle displays current decals attached to the license plate, issued by the Department, indicating the valid registration period for the vehicle; and

6. When applicable, the vehicle meets the requirement of Article 22 (§ 46.2-1176 et seq.) of Chapter10 of this title.

986 If more than one request is made for use, as provided in this subsection, of license plates having the same number, the Department shall accept only the first such application. Only vehicles titled to the person seeking to use license plates as provided in this subsection shall be eligible to use license plates as provided in this subsection.

**990** F. Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting the use of an antique motor vehicle to tow a trailer or semitrailer.

992 § 46.2-752. Taxes and license fees imposed by counties, cities, and towns; limitations on amounts;
993 disposition of revenues; requiring evidence of payment of personal property taxes and certain fines;
994 prohibiting display of licenses after expiration; failure to display valid local license required by other
995 localities; penalty.

996 A. Except as provided in § 46.2-755, counties, cities, and towns may levy and assess taxes and 997 charge license fees on motor vehicles, trailers, and semitrailers. However, none of these taxes and **998** license fees shall be assessed or charged by any county on vehicles owned by residents of any town 999 located in the county when such town constitutes a separate school district if the vehicles are already 1000 subject to town license fees and taxes, nor shall a town charge a license fee to any new resident of the 1001 town, previously a resident of a county within which all or part of the town is situated, who has 1002 previously paid a license fee for the same tax year to such county. The amount of the license fee or tax 1003 imposed by any county, city, or town on any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer shall not be greater than the amount of the license tax imposed by the Commonwealth on the motor vehicle, trailer, or 1004 1005 semitrailer. The license fees and taxes shall be imposed in such manner, on such basis, for such periods, 1006 and subject to proration for fractional periods of years, as the proper local authorities may determine. 1007 Local licenses may be issued free of charge for any or all of the following:

1008 1. Vehicles powered by clean special fuels as defined in § 46.2-749.3, including dual-fuel and bi-fuel vehicles,

**1010** 2. Vehicles owned by volunteer rescue squads,

**1011** 3. Vehicles owned by volunteer fire departments,

1012 4. Vehicles owned or leased by active members or active auxiliary members of volunteer rescue 1013 squads,

1014 5. Vehicles owned or leased by active members or active auxiliary members of volunteer fire 1015 departments,

**1016** 6. Vehicles owned or leased by auxiliary police officers,

**1017** 7. Vehicles owned or leased by volunteer police chaplains,

**1018** 8. Vehicles owned by surviving spouses of persons qualified to receive special license plates under **1019** § 46.2-739,

**1020** 9. Vehicles owned or leased by auxiliary deputy sheriffs or volunteer deputy sheriffs,

1021 10. Vehicles owned by persons qualified to receive special license plates under § 46.2-739,

1022 11. Vehicles owned by any of the following who served at least 10 years in the locality: former 1023 members of volunteer rescue squads, former members of volunteer fire departments, former auxiliary 1024 police officers, former volunteer police chaplains, and former volunteer special police officers appointed 1025 under § 15.2-1737. In the case of active members of volunteer rescue squads and volunteer fire 1026 departments, applications for such licenses shall be accompanied by written evidence, in a form 1027 acceptable to the locality, of their active membership, and no member shall be issued more than one 1028 such license free of charge, or

1029 12. All vehicles having a situs for the imposition of licensing fees under this section in the locality.

1030 The governing body of any county, city, or town issuing licenses under this section may by
1031 ordinance provide for a 50 percent reduction in the fee charged for the issuance of any such license
1032 issued for any vehicle owned or leased by any person who is 65 years old or older. No such discount,
1033 however, shall be available for more than one vehicle owned or leased by the same person.

1034 The governing body of any county, city, or town issuing licenses free of charge under this subsection 1035 may by ordinance provide for (i) the limitation, restriction, or denial of such free issuance to an 1036 otherwise qualified applicant, including without limitation the denial of free issuance to a taxpayer who 1037 has failed to timely pay personal property taxes due with respect to the vehicle and (ii) the grounds for 1038 such limitation, restriction, or denial.

1039 The situs for the imposition of licensing fees under this section shall in all cases, except as 1040 hereinafter provided, be the county, city, or town in which the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is normally garaged, stored, or parked. If it cannot be determined where the personal property is normally
garaged, stored, or parked, the situs shall be the domicile of its owner. In the event the owner of the
motor vehicle is a full-time student attending an institution of higher education, the situs shall be the
domicile of such student, provided the student has presented sufficient evidence that he has paid a
personal property tax on the motor vehicle in his domicile.

1046 B. The Except as provided in this subsection, subsection L, and § 46.2-753, all revenue derived from 1047 all county, city, or town taxes and license fees imposed on motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers shall 1048 be applied to general county, city, or town purposes. However, if a county, city, or town imposes a 1049 license fee or tax pursuant to this section in excess of the maximum amount authorized as of June 30, 2006, an amount approximately equal to one-half of the revenues collected by the county, city, or town 1050 1051 that are attributable to the increase in such fee or tax above such maximum amount shall be used by the county, city, or town solely for local or regional projects directly relating to transportation. Such 1052 1053 transportation projects may include debt service payments on obligations and other evidences of debt 1054 issued or entered into to finance or fund transportation projects, but only for such obligations or debt that has not been authorized and is not outstanding as of July 1, 2006. 1055

1056 C. A county, city, or town may require that no motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer shall be locally licensed until the applicant has produced satisfactory evidence that all personal property taxes on the 1057 1058 motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer to be licensed have been paid and satisfactory evidence that any 1059 delinquent motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer personal property taxes owing have been paid which 1060 have been properly assessed or are assessable against the applicant by the county, city, or town. A 1061 county, city, or town may also provide that no motor vehicle license shall be issued unless the tangible 1062 personal property taxes properly assessed or assessable by that locality on any tangible personal property 1063 used or usable as a dwelling titled by the Department of Motor Vehicles and owned by the taxpayer have been paid. Any county and any town within any such county may by agreement require that all 1064 1065 personal property taxes assessed by either the county or the town on any vehicle be paid before 1066 licensure of such vehicle by either the county or the town.

1067 C1. Any county having a population of at least 24,000, but no more than 24,600, or having a population of at least 39,550, but no more than 41,550, may, by ordinance or resolution adopted after 1068 1069 public notice and hearing and, with the consent of the treasurer, require that no license may be issued 1070 under this section unless the applicant has produced satisfactory evidence that all fees, including 1071 delinquent fees, payable to such county or local solid waste authority, for the disposal of solid waste pursuant to the Virginia Water and Waste Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5100 et seq.), or pursuant to 1072 1073 § 15.2-2159, have been paid in full. For purposes of this subsection, all fees, including delinquent fees, 1074 payable to a county for waste disposal services described herein, shall be paid to the treasurer of such 1075 county; however, in any county with a population between 39,550 and 41,550, the fee shall be paid to 1076 the county or its agent.

1077 D. The Counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William and towns within them and any 1078 city may require that no motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer shall be licensed by that jurisdiction unless 1079 all fines owed to the jurisdiction by the owner of the vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer for violation of the 1080 jurisdiction's ordinances governing parking of vehicles have been paid. The provisions of this subsection 1081 shall not apply to vehicles owned by firms or companies in the business of renting motor vehicles.

1082 E. If in any county imposing license fees and taxes under this section, a town therein imposes like 1083 fees and taxes on vehicles of owners resident in the town, the owner of any vehicle subject to the fees 1084 or taxes shall be entitled, on the owner's displaying evidence that he has paid the fees or taxes, to 1085 receive a credit on the fees or taxes imposed by the county to the extent of the fees or taxes he has paid 1086 to the town. Nothing in this section shall deprive any town now imposing these licenses and taxes from 1087 increasing them or deprive any town not now imposing them from hereafter doing so, but subject to the limitations provided in subsection D of this section. The governing body of any county and the 1088 1089 governing body of any town in that county wherein each imposes the license tax herein provided may 1090 provide mutual agreements so that not more than one license plate or decal in addition to the state plate 1091 shall be required.

1092 F. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection E of this section, in a consolidated county wherein a 1093 tier-city exists, the tier-city may, in accordance with the provisions of the agreement or plan of 1094 consolidation, impose license fees and taxes under this section in addition to those fees and taxes 1095 imposed by the county, provided that the combined county and tier-city rates do not exceed the 1096 maximum provided in subsection A of this section. No credit shall be allowed on the fees or taxes 1097 imposed by the county for fees or taxes paid to the tier-city, except as may be provided by the 1098 consolidation agreement or plan. The governing body of any county and the governing body of any 1099 tier-city in such county wherein each imposes the license tax herein may provide by mutual agreement 1100 that no more than one license plate or decal in addition to the state license plate shall be required.

1101 G. Any county, city, or town may by ordinance provide that it shall be unlawful for any owner or 1102 operator of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer (i) to fail to obtain and, if any required by such

1103 ordinance, to display the local license required by any ordinance of the county, city or town in which 1104 the vehicle is registered, or (ii) to display upon a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer any such local 1105 license, required by ordinance to be displayed, after its expiration date. The ordinance may provide that 1106 a violation shall constitute a misdemeanor the penalty for which shall not exceed that of a Class 4 1107 misdemeanor and may, in the case of a motor vehicle registered to a resident of the locality where such 1108 vehicle is registered, authorize the issuance by local law-enforcement officers of citations, summonses, 1109 parking tickets, or uniform traffic summonses for violations. Any such ordinance may also provide that 1110 a violation of the ordinance by the registered owner of the vehicle may not be discharged by payment of 1111 a fine except upon presentation of satisfactory evidence that the required license has been obtained. 1112 Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a county, city, or town to issue a decal or any other 1113 tangible evidence of a local license to be displayed on the licensed vehicle if the county's, city's or 1114 town's ordinance does not require display of a decal or other evidence of payment.

1115 H. Except as provided by subsections E and F, no vehicle shall be subject to taxation under the 1116 provisions of this section in more than one jurisdiction.

1117 I. Purchasers of new or used motor vehicles shall be allowed at least a 10-day grace period, 1118 beginning with the date of purchase, during which to pay license fees charged by local governments 1119 under authority of this section.

1120 J. Beginning October 1, 1992, the treasurer or director of finance of any county, city, or town may 1121 enter into an agreement with the Commissioner whereby the Commissioner will refuse to issue or renew 1122 any vehicle registration of any applicant therefor who owes to such county, city or town any local 1123 vehicle license fees or delinquent tangible personal property tax or parking citations issued only to residents of such county, city, or town. Before being issued any vehicle registration or renewal of such 1124 1125 license or registration by the Commissioner, the applicant shall first satisfy all such local vehicle license 1126 fees and delinquent taxes or parking citations and present evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that 1127 all such local vehicle license fees and delinquent taxes or parking citations have been paid in full. The 1128 Commissioner shall charge a reasonable fee to cover the costs of such enforcement action, and the 1129 treasurer or director of finance may add the cost of this fee to the delinquent tax bill or the amount of 1130 the parking citation. The treasurer or director of finance of any county, city, or town seeking to collect 1131 delinquent taxes or parking citations through the withholding of registration or renewal thereof by the 1132 Commissioner as provided for in this subsection shall notify the Commissioner in the manner provided 1133 for in his agreement with the Commissioner and supply to the Commissioner information necessary to 1134 identify the debtor whose registration or renewal is to be denied. Any agreement entered into pursuant to 1135 the provisions of this subsection shall provide the debtor notice of the intent to deny renewal of 1136 registration at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of a current vehicle registration. For the 1137 purposes of this subsection, notice by first-class mail to the registrant's address as maintained in the 1138 records of the Department of Motor Vehicles shall be deemed sufficient. In the case of parking 1139 violations, the Commissioner shall only refuse to issue or renew the vehicle registration of any applicant 1140 therefor pursuant to this subsection for the vehicle that incurred the parking violations. The provisions of 1141 this subsection shall not apply to vehicles owned by firms or companies in the business of renting motor 1142 vehicles.

1143 K. The governing bodies of any two or more counties, cities, or towns may enter into compacts for 1144 the regional enforcement of local motor vehicle license requirements. The governing body of each 1145 participating jurisdiction may by ordinance require the owner or operator of any motor vehicle, trailer, 1146 or semitrailer to display on his vehicle a valid local license issued by another county, city, or town that 1147 is a party to the regional compact, provided that the owner or operator is required by the jurisdiction of 1148 situs, as provided in § 58.1-3511, to obtain and display such license. The ordinance may also provide 1149 that no motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer shall be locally licensed until the applicant has produced 1150 satisfactory evidence that (i) all personal property taxes on the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer to be 1151 licensed have been paid to all participating jurisdictions and (ii) any delinquent motor vehicle, trailer, or 1152 semitrailer personal property taxes that have been properly assessed or are assessable by any 1153 participating jurisdiction against the applicant have been paid. Any city and any county having the urban 1154 county executive form of government, the counties adjacent to such county and towns within them may 1155 require that no motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer shall be licensed by that jurisdiction or any other 1156 jurisdiction in the compact unless all fines owed to any participating jurisdiction by the owner of the 1157 vehicle for violation of any participating jurisdiction's ordinances governing parking of vehicles have 1158 been paid. The ordinance may further provide that a violation shall constitute a misdemeanor the penalty 1159 for which shall not exceed that of a Class 4 misdemeanor. Any such ordinance may also provide that a 1160 violation of the ordinance by the owner of the vehicle may not be discharged by payment of a fine 1161 except upon presentation of satisfactory evidence that the required license has been obtained. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to vehicles owned by firms or companies in the business of 1162 1163 renting motor vehicles.

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L. In addition to the taxes and license fees permitted in subsection A, counties, cities, and towns may 1164 charge a license fee of no more than \$1 per motor vehicle, trailer, and semitrailer. Except for the 1165 provisions of subsection B, such fee shall be subject to all other provisions of this section. All funds 1166 collected pursuant to this subsection shall be paid pursuant to § 51.1-1204 to the Volunteer Firefighters' 1167 1168 and Rescue Squad Workers' Service Award Fund to the accounts of all members of the Fund who are 1169 volunteers for fire departments or rescue squads within the jurisdiction of the particular county, city, or 1170 town.

§ 46.2-753. Additional license fees in certain localities.

1172 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the governing bodies of Alexandria, Arlington, Fairfax County, Fairfax City, and Falls Church are authorized to charge annual license fees, in addition to those 1173 specified in § 46.2-752, on passenger cars not used for the transportation of passengers for compensation. The additional fee shall be no more than five dollars. The total local license fee shall be 1174 1175 1176 no more than twenty-five dollars \$35 on any vehicle and this license fee shall not be imposed on any motor vehicle exempted under § 46.2-739. 1177

1178 The governing bodies are also authorized to charge additional annual license fees on the motor 1179 vehicles, trailers, and semitrailers as specified in § 46.2-697 in an amount of no more than five dollars 1180 for each such vehicle. This authorization shall not increase the maximum chargeable by more than five 1181 dollars or affect any existing exemption.

Any funds acquired in excess of those allowed by § 46.2-752, shall be allocated to the Northern 1182 1183 Virginia Transportation Commission to be a credit to that jurisdiction making the payment for its share of any operating deficit assigned to it by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. However, 1184 if any of such counties or cities charge a license fee pursuant to this section that is in excess of the 1185 maximum amount authorized as of June 30, 2006, an amount approximately equal to one-half of the 1186 1187 revenues collected by the county or city that is attributable to the increase in such license fee above 1188 such maximum amount shall be used by the county or city solely for local or regional projects directly 1189 relating to transportation. Such transportation projects may include debt service payments on obligations and other evidences of debt issued or entered into to finance or fund transportation projects, 1190 1191 but only for such obligations or debt that has not been authorized and is not outstanding as of July 1, 1192 2006. 1193

§ 46.2-1135. Liquidated damages for violation of weight limits.

A. Any person violating any weight limit as provided in this chapter or in any permit issued pursuant 1194 to Article 18 (§ 46.2-1139 et seq.) of this chapter by the Department or its designee or by local 1195 1196 authorities pursuant to this chapter shall be assessed liquidated damages. The amount of those damages 1197 shall be:

1198	Excess weight over Asse	essed
1199	the prescribed a	amount per
1200	or permitted pour	nd
1201	axle weight	
1202	limits	
1203	4,000 pounds or less 1,	per pound
1204	2,000 pounds or less 5 cents	s per pound
1205	2,001 to 4,000 pounds 10 cents	s per pound
1206	4,001 to 8,000 pounds 10,1	15 cents per pound
1207	8,001 to 12,000 pounds <del>20,</del> 2	25 cents per pound
1208	<b>1</b> 2,001 pounds or more <del>30,</del> 35 o	cents per pound
1209	Excess weight over Asse	essed
1210	the prescribed a	amount per
1211	gross weight g	pound
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1213	4,000 pounds or less 1, per	pound
1214	<u>4,001 to 8,000 pounds 5, r</u>	per pound
1215	2,000 pounds or less 5 cents	s per pound
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1217	· · · ·	15 cents per pound
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1219		ssessed \$.20 per pound over the permitted weight limit.
1220		herein, for every violation of any weight limit as provided in this
1221	1 21 1	nt to Article 18 (§ 46.2-1139 et seq.) of this chapter there shall
1222	be assessed additional liquidated damag	les of $\mathfrak{F}_2$ U.

1223 If a person has no prior violations under the motor vehicle weight laws, and the excess weight does

not exceed 2,5001,500 pounds, the general district court may waive the liquidated damages against such person. Except as provided by § 46.2-1138, such assessment shall be entered by the court or by the Department as a judgment for the Commonwealth, the entry of which shall constitute a lien upon the overweight vehicle. Except as provided by § 46.2-1138, such sums shall be paid to the Department or collected by the attorney for the Commonwealth and forwarded to the State Treasurer and allocated to the fund appropriated for the construction and maintenance of state highways.

B. If the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds lawful limits by at least 25 percent but no more than foregoing provisions of this section; if the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds lawful limits by more than 50 percent, the amount of the liquidated damages shall be two times the amount provided for in the foregoing provisions of this section; if the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds lawful limits by more than 50 percent, the amount of the liquidated damages shall be three times the amount provided for in the foregoing provisions of this section. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to pickup or panel trucks.

1236 C. The increases in the liquidated damages and the additional liquidated damages under subsection 1237 A pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006 shall not be applicable to 1238 any motor vehicle hauling forest products from the place where such products are first produced, cut, 1239 harvested, or felled to the location where they are first processed. Notwithstanding any other provision in this section, except as provided by § 46.2-1138, the revenues generated by the increases in the 1240 1241 liquidated damages and the additional liquidated damages under this section pursuant to enactments of 1242 a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006 shall be paid to the Department or collected by the 1243 attorney for the Commonwealth and forwarded to the State Treasurer and deposited into the 1244 Transportation Trust Fund established under § 33.1-23.03:1 and allocated pursuant to subsection B of 1245 § 33.1-23.03:2. For the revenues paid to the Department, the Commissioner of the Department shall 1246 make such written certifications as are necessary for the Comptroller to make the required deposit into 1247 the Transportation Trust Fund under this subsection as soon as practicable.

1248 § 58.1-605.1. Additional local sales tax.

1249 A. In addition to any other taxes, fees, or other charges imposed under law, the governing body of a 1250 county or city that is included in a regional transportation authority established pursuant to Chapter 1251 48.3 (§ 15.2-4841 et seq.) of Title 15.2 may by ordinance levy a local retail sales tax at the rate of 1252 0.50%, except as provided in subsection B, to generate revenue for transportation, provided that the 1253 governing body of the county or city authorizes the Tax Commissioner to transfer the revenues collected 1254 from such tax to the regional transportation authority of which it is a member. Such tax shall not be 1255 levied upon food purchased for human consumption as defined in § 58.1-611.1. Such tax shall be added 1256 to the rate of the local sales tax imposed pursuant to the authority granted under § 58.1-605 and shall 1257 be subject to all the provisions of this chapter and the rules and regulations published with respect 1258 thereto. No discount under § 58.1-622 shall be allowed for the tax described under this section. Such tax 1259 shall be administered and collected by the Tax Commissioner in the same manner and subject to the 1260 same penalties as provided for the state sales tax.

B. The tax described under subsection A shall be imposed at a rate of 1% in the following counties and cities that are (i) included in any regional transportation authority established pursuant to Chapter 48.3 (§ 15.2-4841 et seq.) of Title 15.2, and (ii) not included in any transportation authority described under clause (i) of § 15.2-4843: the Counties of Isle of Wight, James City, and York and the Cities of Chesapeake, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Poquoson, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, and Williamsburg.

1267 C. No ordinance adopted by a county or city pursuant to this section shall become effective unless 1268 all counties and cities included in the regional transportation authority adopt an ordinance levying the 1269 local retail sales tax authorized under this section. Any ordinance imposing the local retail sales tax 1270 authorized under this section shall be effective on the first day of the month that is at least 60 days 1271 subsequent to the adoption of the ordinance by all such counties and cities. A certified copy of each 1272 such ordinance shall be forwarded to the Tax Commissioner so that it will be received within 10 days 1273 after its adoption.

1274 D. The revenue generated and collected pursuant to the tax authorized under this section, less the 1275 applicable portion of any refunds to taxpayers, shall be deposited and held in a special trust fund under 1276 the control of the State Treasurer entitled "Special Sales and Use Tax Fund Account of the \_\_\_\_\_

1277 Regional Transportation Authority." The State Treasurer shall distribute the amounts deposited into such
1278 special trust fund monthly to the respective regional transportation authority. The regional
1279 transportation authority shall use such funds solely for the purposes as provided in Chapter 48.3
1280 (§ 15.2-4841 et seq.) of Title 15.2.

1281 E. No county or city imposing the local retail sales tax pursuant to this section shall cease to impose
1282 such tax so long as the respective regional transportation authority (i) is currently engaged in a
1283 transportation project within the boundaries of the county or city, (ii) has entered into a binding
1284 commitment to begin a transportation project within the boundaries of the county or city, or (iii) has

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1285 issued bonds or incurred other evidence of debt that has not been satisfied or paid in full and that 1286 relates to a transportation project undertaken by the regional transportation authority within the 1287 boundaries of the county or city.

1288 F. The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to any county or city that is (i) embraced by 1289 the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority established under § 15.2-4830, or (ii) included in any 1290 transportation authority described under clause (i) of § 15.2-4843.

§ 58.1-606.1. Additional local use tax.

1292 A. In addition to any other taxes, fees, or other charges imposed under law, the governing body of a 1293 county or city that is included in a regional transportation authority established pursuant to Chapter 1294 48.3 (§ 15.2-4841 et seq.) of Title 15.2 may by ordinance levy a local use tax at the rate of 0.50%, 1295 except as provided in subsection B, to generate revenue for transportation, provided that the governing 1296 body of the county or city authorizes the Tax Commissioner to transfer the revenues collected from such tax to the regional transportation authority of which it is a member. Such tax shall not be levied upon 1297 food purchased for human consumption as defined in § 58.1-611.1. Such tax shall be added to the rate 1298 1299 of the local use tax imposed pursuant to the authority granted under § 58.1-606 and shall be subject to 1300 all the provisions of this chapter and the rules and regulations published with respect thereto. No 1301 discount under § 58.1-622 shall be allowed for the tax described under this section. Such tax shall be 1302 administered and collected by the Tax Commissioner in the same manner and subject to the same 1303 penalties as provided for the state use tax.

1304 B. The tax described under subsection A shall be imposed at a rate of 1% in the following counties 1305 and cities that are (i) included in any regional transportation authority established pursuant to Chapter 48.3 (§ 15.2-4841 et seq.) of Title 15.2, and (ii) not included in any transportation authority described 1306 under clause (i) of § 15.2-4843: the Counties of Isle of Wight, James City, and York and the Cities of Chesapeake, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Poquoson, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, and 1307 1308 1309 Williamsburg.

1310 C. No ordinance adopted by a county or city pursuant to this section shall become effective unless 1311 all counties and cities included in the regional transportation authority adopt an ordinance levying the 1312 local use tax authorized under this section. Any ordinance imposing the local use tax authorized under 1313 this section shall be effective on the first day of the month that is at least 60 days subsequent to the 1314 adoption of the ordinance by all such counties and cities. A certified copy of each such ordinance shall 1315 be forwarded to the Tax Commissioner so that it will be received within 10 days after its adoption.

1316 D. The revenue generated and collected pursuant to the tax authorized under this section, less the 1317 applicable portion of any refunds to taxpayers, shall be deposited and held in a special trust fund under the control of the State Treasurer entitled "Special Sales and Use Tax Fund Account of the 1318 Regional Transportation Authority." The State Treasurer shall distribute the amounts deposited into such 1319 special trust fund monthly to the respective regional transportation authority. The regional 1320 transportation authority shall use such funds solely for the purposes as provided in Chapter 48.3 1321 1322 (§ 15.2-4841 et seq.) of Title 15.2.

1323 E. No county or city imposing the local use tax pursuant to this section shall cease to impose such 1324 tax so long as the respective regional transportation authority (i) is currently engaged in a 1325 transportation project within the boundaries of the county or city, (ii) has entered into a binding 1326 commitment to begin a transportation project within the boundaries of the county or city, or (iii) has 1327 issued bonds or incurred other evidence of debt that has not been satisfied or paid in full and that 1328 relates to a transportation project undertaken by the regional transportation authority within the 1329 boundaries of the county or city.

1330 F. The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to any county or city that is (i) embraced by 1331 the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority established under § 15.2-4830, or (ii) included in any 1332 transportation authority described under clause (i) of § 15.2-4843. 1333

§ 58.1-639.1. Exemptions for local sales and use tax.

1334 Any exemption set forth in this chapter, or established pursuant to the administrative process under 1335 § 58.1-609.11, for a state sales or use tax or a local sales or use tax under § 58.1-605 or 58.1-606 shall 1336 also apply to the taxes imposed pursuant to §§ 58.1-605.1 and 58.1-606.1. 1337

§ 58.1-802. Additional tax paid by grantor; collection.

A. In addition to any other tax imposed under the provisions of this chapter, a tax is hereby imposed 1338 1339 on each deed, instrument, or writing by which lands, tenements or other realty sold is granted, assigned, 1340 transferred, or otherwise conveyed to, or vested in the purchaser, or any other person, by such 1341 purchaser's direction. The rate of the tax, when the consideration or value of the interest exceeds \$100, 1342 shall be 50 cents for each \$500 10 cents for each \$100 or fraction thereof, exclusive of the value of any 1343 lien or encumbrance remaining thereon at the time of the sale, whether such lien is assumed or the 1344 realty is sold subject to such lien or encumbrance. No increase in the city or county recordation tax 1345 authorized by § 58.1-814 shall be deemed authorized by this section.

1346 The tax imposed by this section shall be paid by the grantor, or any person who signs on behalf of

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1347 the grantor, of any deed, instrument or writing subject to the tax imposed by this section.

1348 No such deed, instrument or other writing shall be admitted to record without certification of the
1349 clerk of the court wherein first recorded having been affixed thereto that the tax imposed by this section
1350 has been paid. The clerk shall include within the certificate the amount of such tax collected thereon.

B. Taxes imposed by this section shall be collected as provided in § 58.1-812 and the clerk shall
 return taxes collected hereunder one-half into the state treasury and one-half into the treasury of the
 locality.

1354 The local portion of the tax imposed by this section on property which is located in more than one 1355 jurisdiction shall be collected by the clerk in proportion to the value of the property located in each such 1356 locality when recorded therein.

Every clerk of court collecting taxes under this section for the county or city which he serves shallbe entitled to compensation for such service at five percent of the amount so collected and paid.

**1359** § 58.1-802.1. Local grantor's tax; collection.

A. In addition to the tax imposed by § 58.1-802 and any other fee, tax, or other charge imposed 1360 1361 under law, the council of any city and the governing body of any county, except as provided under subsection C, may, by ordinance, impose a tax on each deed, instrument, or writing by which lands, 1362 1363 tenements or other realty sold (located in the county or city) is granted, assigned, transferred, or 1364 otherwise conveyed to, or vested in the purchaser, or any other person, by such purchaser's direction. 1365 The rate of the tax, when the consideration or value of the interest exceeds \$100, shall be 30 cents for 1366 each \$100 or fraction thereof, exclusive of the value of any lien or encumbrance remaining thereon at 1367 the time of the sale, whether such lien is assumed or the realty is sold subject to such lien or 1368 encumbrance.

**1369** The tax imposed pursuant to the authority granted under this section shall be paid by the grantor (or **1370** any person who signs on behalf of the grantor) of any deed, instrument or writing that is subject to the **1371** tax imposed pursuant to this section.

1372 In any county or city in which such tax is imposed, no such deed, instrument or other writing shall
1373 be admitted to record without certification of the clerk of the court wherein first recorded having been
1374 affixed thereto that such tax has been paid. The clerk shall include within the certificate the amount of
1375 such tax collected thereon.

B. The tax shall be collected pursuant to subsection B of § 58.1-802. The clerk shall return any taxes collected hereunder into the treasury of the locality, and such funds shall be used for solely for local or regional projects directly relating to transportation. Such transportation projects may include debt service payments on obligations and other evidences of debt issued or entered into to finance or fund transportation projects, but only for such obligations or debt that has not been authorized and is not outstanding as of July 1, 2006.

1382 The tax imposed pursuant to the authority granted under this section on property which is located in
1383 more than one jurisdiction shall be collected by the clerk in proportion to the value of the property
1384 located in each such locality when recorded therein.

1385 C. If each of the governing bodies of the Counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince
1386 William, and the Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas, and Manassas Park are
1387 authorized elsewhere under this Code to impose the same tax as described under subsection A but at the
1388 rate of 10 cents for each \$100 or fraction thereof as determined under subsection A, no such county or
1389 city named in this subsection shall be authorized to impose any tax pursuant to this section.

**1390** D. No increase in the city or county recordation tax authorized by § 58.1-814 shall be deemed authorized by this section.

E. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the tax imposed pursuant to the authority granted
under this section shall be administered, enforced, and collected in the same manner as set forth in
Subtitle III of Title 58.1 for the administration, enforcement, and collection of local taxes.

**1395** § 58.1-811. Exemptions.

A. The taxes imposed by §§ 58.1-801 and 58.1-807 shall not apply to any deed conveying real estate real estate:

1398 1. To an incorporated college or other incorporated institution of learning not conducted for profit,
1399 where such real estate is intended to be used for educational purposes and not as a source of revenue or profit;

1401 2. To an incorporated church or religious body or to the trustee or trustees of any church or religious body, or a corporation mentioned in § 57-16.1, where such real estate is intended to be used exclusively
1403 for religious purposes, or for the residence of the minister of any such church or religious body;

1404 3. To the United States, the Commonwealth, or to any county, city, town, district or other political1405 subdivision of the Commonwealth;

**1406** 4. To the Virginia Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy;

1407 5. To any nonstock corporation organized exclusively for the purpose of owning or operating a

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1408 hospital or hospitals not for pecuniary profit;

1409 6. To a corporation upon its organization by persons in control of the corporation in a transaction 1410 which qualifies for nonrecognition of gain or loss pursuant to § 351 of the Internal Revenue Code as it 1411 exists at the time of the conveyance;

7. From a corporation to its stockholders upon complete or partial liquidation of the corporation in a 1412 1413 transaction which qualifies for income tax treatment pursuant to § 331, 332, 333 or 337 of the Internal 1414 Revenue Code as it exists at the time of liquidation;

1415 8. To the surviving or new corporation, partnership or limited liability company upon merger or 1416 consolidation of two or more corporations, partnerships or limited liability companies, or in a reorganization within the meaning of § 368 (a) (1) (C) and (F) of the Internal Revenue Code as 1417 1418 amended:

9. To a subsidiary corporation from its parent corporation, or from a subsidiary corporation to a 1419 1420 parent corporation, if the transaction qualifies for nonrecognition of gain or loss under the Internal 1421 Revenue Code as amended;

10. To a partnership or limited liability company, when the grantors are entitled to receive not less 1422 1423 than 50 percent of the profits and surplus of such partnership or limited liability company; provided that 1424 the transfer to a limited liability company is not a precursor to a transfer of control of the assets of the 1425 company to avoid recordation taxes;

1426 11. From a partnership or limited liability company, when the grantees are entitled to receive not less 1427 than 50 percent of the profits and surplus of such partnership or limited liability company; provided that 1428 the transfer from a limited liability company is not subsequent to a transfer of control of the assets of 1429 the company to avoid recordation taxes;

1430 12. To trustees of a revocable intervivos trust, when the grantors in the deed and the beneficiaries of 1431 the trust are the same persons, regardless of whether other beneficiaries may also be named in the trust 1432 instrument, when no consideration has passed between the grantor and the beneficiaries; and to the 1433 original beneficiaries of a trust from the trustees holding title under a deed in trust;

1434 13. When the grantor is the personal representative of a decedent's estate or trustee under a will or 1435 inter vivos trust of which the decedent was the settlor, other than a security trust defined in § 55-58.1, 1436 and the sole purpose of such transfer is to comply with a devise or bequest in the decedent's will or to transfer title to one or more beneficiaries after the death of the settlor in accordance with a dispositive 1437 1438 provision in the trust instrument; or

1439 14. When the grantor is an organization exempt from taxation under § 501 (c) (3) of the Internal 1440 Revenue Code that is organized and operated primarily to acquire land and purchase materials to erect 1441 or rehabilitate low-cost homes on such land, which homes are sold at cost to persons who otherwise 1442 would be unable to afford to buy a home through conventional means, located in a county with a 1443 population of not less than 28,500 and not more than 28,650 or a city with a population of not less than 1444 66,000 and not more than 70,000.

B. The taxes imposed by §§ 58.1-803 and 58.1-804 shall not apply to any deed of trust or mortgage:

1446 1. Given by an incorporated college or other incorporated institution of learning not conducted for 1447 profit;

1448 2. Given by the trustee or trustees of a church or religious body or given by an incorporated church 1449 or religious body, or given by a corporation mentioned in § 57-16.1;

1450 3. Given by any nonstock corporation organized exclusively for the purpose of owning and/or 1451 operating a hospital or hospitals not for pecuniary profit;

1452 4. Given by any local governmental entity or political subdivision of the Commonwealth to secure a 1453 debt payable to any other local governmental entity or political subdivision; or

1454 5. Securing a loan made by an organization described in subdivision 14 of subsection A of this 1455 section. 1456

C. The tax taxes imposed by §§ 58.1-802 and 58.1-802.1 shall not apply to any:

1. Transaction described in subdivisions 6 through 13 of subsection A of this section;

2. Instrument or writing given to secure a debt;

1459 3. Deed conveying real estate from an incorporated college or other incorporated institution of 1460 learning not conducted for profit;

4. Deed conveying real estate from the United States, the Commonwealth or any county, city, town, 1461 1462 district or other political subdivision thereof;

1463 5. Conveyance of real estate to the Commonwealth or any county, city, town, district or other 1464 political subdivision thereof, if such political unit is required by law to reimburse the parties taxable pursuant to § 58.1-802 or 58.1-802.1; or 1465

1466 6. Deed conveying real estate from the trustee or trustees of a church or religious body or from an 1467 incorporated church or religious body, or from a corporation mentioned in § 57-16.1.

1468 D. No recordation tax shall be required for the recordation of any deed of gift between a grantor or 1469 grantors and a grantee or grantees when no consideration has passed between the parties. Such deed

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1470 shall state therein that it is a deed of gift.

1471 E. The tax imposed by § 58.1-807 shall not apply to any lease to the United States, the 1472 Commonwealth, or any county, city, town, district or other political subdivision of the Commonwealth.

1473 F. The taxes imposed by §§ 58.1-801, 58.1-802, 58.1-802.1, 58.1-807, 58.1-808 and 58.1-814 shall 1474 not apply to (i) any deed of gift conveying real estate or any interest therein to The Nature Conservancy 1475 or (ii) any lease of real property or any interest therein to The Nature Conservancy, where such deed of 1476 gift or lease of real estate is intended to be used exclusively for the purpose of preserving wilderness, 1477 natural or open space areas.

1478 G. The words "trustee" or "trustees," as used in subdivision 2 of subsection A, subdivision 2 of 1479 subsection B, and subdivision 6 of subsection C, include the trustees mentioned in § 57-8 and the 1480 ecclesiastical officers mentioned in § 57-16.

1481 H. No recordation tax levied pursuant to this chapter shall be levied on the release of a contractual 1482 right, if the release is contained within a single deed that performs more than one function, and at least 1483 one of the other functions performed by the deed is subject to the recordation tax.

1484 I. No recordation tax levied pursuant to this chapter shall be levied on a deed, lease, easement, 1485 release, or other document recorded in connection with a concession pursuant to the Public-Private 1486 Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et seq.) or similar federal law.

1487 § 58.1-812. Payment prerequisite to recordation; exceptions; assessment and collection of tax; penalty 1488 for misrepresentation.

1489 A. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, no deed, deed of trust, contract or other instrument 1490 shall be admitted to record without the payment of the tax imposed thereon by law and the fee pursuant to § 58.1-817, as applicable. However, after payment of the tax imposed by this chapter and any tax 1491 1492 imposed pursuant to the authority granted under § 58.1-802.1, when an instrument is first offered for 1493 recordation, such instrument may thereafter be recorded in the office of any other clerk without the 1494 payment of any tax except any local recordation tax as provided in Article 1 (§ 58.1-3800 et seq.) of 1495 Chapter 38 of this title. Any instrument may also be recorded free of tax and fee in the office of the 1496 clerk where such instrument was originally recorded when the record containing such instrument has 1497 been destroyed.

1498 B. The tax on every deed, deed of trust, contract or other instrument shall be determined and 1499 collected by the clerk in whose office the instrument is first offered for recordation. The clerk may 1500 ascertain the consideration of the deed or of the instrument, the actual value of the property conveyed, 1501 and the qualification of the deed or instrument for any exemption claimed by inquiry, affidavit, 1502 declaration or other extrinsic evidence acceptable to the clerk. The fee shall be \$1 on every recorded 1503 deed pursuant to § 58.1-817 and shall be collected by the clerk in whose office the deed is offered for 1504 recordation.

1505 C. Any person who knowingly misrepresents any of the information requested by the clerk of court 1506 pursuant to this section shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor. 1507

§ 58.1-813. Collection of tax by Department.

1508 The Department may assess and collect any tax imposed by this chapter or imposed pursuant to the 1509 authority granted under § 58.1-802.1, which has remained uncollected for thirty days. The Department, 1510 prior to collecting such tax, shall give notice to the clerk of court in whose office the tax was to be 1511 collected. The Department may then proceed to assess and collect the unpaid tax in the same manner 1512 and by the same methods used for the collection of any state tax administered by the Department.

1513 Any local tax collected hereunder in conjunction with the collection of a state tax by the Department 1514 shall be deposited into the state treasury. The Comptroller shall, by warrant drawn on the Treasurer of 1515 Virginia, remit to the proper city or county any amounts due to such city or county. 1516

§ 58.1-2217. Taxes levied; rate.

1517 A. There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of seventeen and one-half cents per gallon on gasoline and 1518 gasohol.

1519 B. There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of sixteen seventeen and one-half cents per gallon on 1520 diesel fuel.

1521 C. Blended fuel that contains gasoline shall be taxed at the rate levied on gasoline. Blended fuel that 1522 contains diesel fuel shall be taxed at the rate levied on diesel fuel.

1523 D. There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of five cents per gallon on aviation gasoline. Any person, 1524 whether or not licensed under this chapter, who uses, acquires for use, sells or delivers for use in 1525 highway vehicles any aviation gasoline shall be liable for the tax at the rate of seventeen and one-half 1526 cents per gallon, along with any penalties and interest that may accrue.

1527 E. There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of five cents per gallon on aviation jet fuel purchased or 1528 acquired for use by a user of aviation fuel other than an aviation consumer. There is hereby levied a tax 1529 at the rate of five cents per gallon upon the first 100,000 gallons of aviation jet fuel, excluding bonded 1530 aviation jet fuel, purchased or acquired for use by any aviation consumer in any fiscal year. There is

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1531 hereby levied a tax at the rate of one-half cent per gallon on all aviation jet fuel, excluding bonded 1532 aviation jet fuel, purchased or acquired for use by an aviation consumer in excess of 100,000 gallons in any fiscal year. Any person, whether or not licensed under this chapter, who uses, acquires for use, sells 1533 1534 or delivers for use in highway vehicles any aviation jet fuel taxable under this chapter shall be liable for 1535 the tax imposed at the rate of sixteen seventeen and one-half cents per gallon, along with any penalties 1536 and interest that may accrue.

1537 F. In accordance with § 62.1-44.34:13, a storage tank fee is imposed on each gallon of gasoline, 1538 aviation gasoline, diesel fuel (including dyed diesel fuel), blended fuel, and heating oil sold and 1539 delivered or used in the Commonwealth. 1540

§ 58.1-2249. Tax on alternative fuel.

1541 A. There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of sixteen seventeen and one-half cents per gallon on 1542 liquid alternative fuel used to operate a highway vehicle by means of a vehicle supply tank that stores 1543 fuel only for the purpose of supplying fuel to operate the vehicle. There is hereby levied a tax at a rate 1544 equivalent to sixteen seventeen and one-half cents per gallon on all other alternative fuel used to operate 1545 a highway vehicle. The Commissioner shall determine the equivalent rate applicable to such other 1546 alternative fuels.

1547 B. In addition to any tax imposed by this article, there is hereby levied an annual license tax of fifty 1548 dollars \$70 per vehicle on each highway vehicle that is fueled from a private source if the alternative 1549 fuels tax levied under this article has not been paid on fuel used in the vehicle. If such a highway 1550 vehicle is not in operation by January 1 of any year, the license tax shall be reduced by one-twelfth for 1551 each complete month which shall have elapsed since the beginning of such year. 1552

§ 58.1-2289. Disposition of tax revenue generally.

1553 A. Unless Except as otherwise provided in subsection F and elsewhere in this section, all taxes and 1554 fees, including civil penalties, collected by the Commissioner pursuant to this chapter, less a reasonable 1555 amount to be allocated for refunds, shall be promptly paid into the state treasury and shall constitute 1556 special funds within the Commonwealth Transportation Fund. Any balances remaining in these funds at the end of the year shall be available for use in subsequent years for the purposes set forth in this 1557 1558 chapter, and any interest income on such funds shall accrue to these funds. Except as provided in subsection F and § 33.1-23.03:1, no portion of the revenue derived from taxes collected pursuant to 1559 1560 §§ 58.1-2217, 58.1-2249 or § 58.1-2701, and remaining after authorized refunds for nonhighway use of 1561 fuel, shall be used for any purpose other than the construction, reconstruction or maintenance of the 1562 roads and projects comprising the State Highway System, the Interstate System and the secondary 1563 system of state highways and expenditures directly and necessarily required for such purposes, including 1564 the retirement of revenue bonds.

1565 Revenues Except as provided in subsection F, revenues collected under this chapter may be also used 1566 for (i) contributions toward the construction, reconstruction or maintenance of streets in cities and towns 1567 of such sums as may be provided by law and (ii) expenditures for the operation and maintenance of the 1568 Department of Transportation, the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, the Department of 1569 Aviation, the Virginia Port Authority, and the Department of Motor Vehicles as may be provided by 1570 law.

1571 The Governor is hereby authorized to transfer out of such fund an amount necessary for the 1572 inspection of gasoline and motor grease measuring and distributing equipment, and for the inspection 1573 and analysis of gasoline for purity.

1574 B. The Except as provided in subsection F, the tax collected on each gallon of aviation fuel sold and 1575 delivered or used in this Commonwealth, less refunds, shall be paid into a special fund of the state treasury. Proceeds of this special fund within the Commonwealth Transportation Fund shall be disbursed 1576 1577 upon order of the Department of Aviation, on warrants of the Comptroller, to defray the cost of the 1578 administration of the laws of this Commonwealth relating to aviation, for the construction, maintenance 1579 and improvement of airports and landing fields to which the public now has or which it is proposed 1580 shall have access, and for the promotion of aviation in the interest of operators and the public generally.

1581 C. One-half cent of the tax collected on each gallon of fuel on which the a refund has been paid at 1582 the rate of seventeen cents per gallon, or in the case of diesel fuel, fifteen and one-half cents per gallon 1583 for gasoline, gasohol, diesel fuel, blended fuel, and alternative fuel, for fuel consumed in tractors and 1584 unlicensed equipment used for agricultural purposes shall be paid into a special fund of the state 1585 treasury, known as the Virginia Agricultural Foundation Fund, to be disbursed to make certain refunds 1586 and defray the costs of the research and educational phases of the agricultural program, including 1587 supplemental salary payments to certain employees at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Virginia Truck and Ornamentals Research 1588 1589 Station, including reasonable expenses of the Virginia Agricultural Council.

D. One and one-half cents of the tax collected on each gallon of fuel used to propel a commercial 1590 1591 watercraft upon which a refund has been paid shall be paid to the credit of the Game Protection Fund of 1592 the state treasury to be made available to the Board of Game and Inland Fisheries until expended for the

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purposes provided generally in subsection C of § 29.1-701, including acquisition, construction, 1593 1594 improvement and maintenance of public boating access areas on the public waters of this 1595 Commonwealth and for other activities and purposes of direct benefit and interest to the boating public 1596 and for no other purpose. However, one and one-half cents per gallon on fuel used by commercial 1597 fishing, oystering, clamming, and crabbing boats shall be paid to the Department of Transportation to be 1598 used for the construction, repair, improvement and maintenance of the public docks of this 1599 Commonwealth used by said commercial watercraft. Any expenditures for the acquisition, construction, 1600 improvement and maintenance of the public docks shall be made according to a plan developed by the 1601 Virginia Marine Resources Commission.

1602 From the tax collected pursuant to the provisions of this chapter from the sales of gasoline used for 1603 the propelling of watercraft, after deduction for the additional applicable revenues generated by 1604 increases in the rates of taxes under this chapter pursuant to enactments of a Session of the General Assembly held in 2006 and after deduction for lawful refunds, there shall be paid into the state treasury 1605 1606 for use by the Marine Resources Commission, the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board, the 1607 State Water Control Board, and the Commonwealth Transportation Board to (i) improve the public 1608 docks as specified in this section, (ii) improve commercial and sports fisheries in Virginia's tidal waters, 1609 (iii) make environmental improvements including, without limitation, fisheries management and habitat 1610 enhancement in the Chesapeake and its tributaries, and (iv) further the purposes set forth in § 33.1-223, 1611 a sum as established by the General Assembly.

1612 E. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, there shall be transferred from moneys collected 1613 pursuant to this section to a special fund within the Commonwealth Transportation Fund in the state 1614 treasury, to be used to meet the necessary expenses of the Department of Motor Vehicles, an amount 1615 equal to one percent of a sum to be calculated as follows: the tax revenues collected pursuant to this 1616 chapter, at the tax rates in effect on December 31, 1986, less refunds authorized by this chapter and less 1617 taxes collected for aviation fuels.

1618 F. An amount equivalent to the net additional revenues, as determined by the Commissioner, 1619 generated by increases in the rates of taxes under this chapter pursuant to enactments of a Session of 1620 the General Assembly held in 2006 shall be deposited by the Comptroller into the Transportation Trust 1621 Fund established under § 33.1-23.03:1 and allocated pursuant to subsection B of § 33.1-23.03:2.

1622 The Commissioner shall provide a monthly certification to the Comptroller reporting such net 1623 additional revenues generated in the preceding month. The certification for each month shall be 1624 provided to the Comptroller no later than the twentieth of the immediately following month. The 1625 Comptroller shall make the required deposits into the Transportation Trust Fund for each month's 1626 revenues no later than the last day of the immediately following month. 1627

§ 58.1-2402. Levy.

1628 A. There is hereby levied, in addition to all other taxes and fees of every kind now imposed by law, 1629 a tax upon the sale or use of motor vehicles in Virginia, other than (i) vehicles with a gross vehicle 1630 weight rating or gross combination weight rating of 26,001 pounds or more, or (ii) a sale to or use by a 1631 person for rental as an established business or part of an established business or incidental or germane to 1632 such business.

1633 There shall also be levied a tax upon the rental of a motor vehicle in Virginia, without regard to 1634 whether such vehicle is required to be licensed by the Commonwealth. However, such tax shall not be 1635 levied upon a rental to a person for re-rental as an established business or part of an established 1636 business, or incidental or germane to such business.

1637 The amount of the tax to be collected shall be determined by the Commissioner by the application of 1638 the following rates against the gross sales price or gross proceeds:

1639 1. Three percent and one-quarter percent through midnight on June 30, 2007, 3.5% beginning July 1640 1, 2007, through midnight on June 30, 2008, and 3.75% beginning on and after July 1, 2008, of the sale price of each motor vehicle sold in Virginia. If such motor vehicle is a manufactured home as 1641 1642 defined in § 36-85.3, the tax shall be three percent of the sale price of each such manufactured home 1643 sold in this Commonwealth; if such vehicle is a mobile office as defined in § 58.1-2401, the tax shall be two percent of the sale price of each mobile office sold in this Commonwealth. 1644

1645 2. Three percent and one-quarter percent through midnight on June 30, 2007, 3.5% beginning July 1646 1, 2007, through midnight on June 30, 2008, and 3.75% beginning on and after July 1, 2008, of the 1647 sale price of each motor vehicle, or three percent of the sale price of each manufactured home as 1648 defined in § 36-85.3, or two percent of the sale price of each mobile office as defined in § 58.1-2401, 1649 not sold in Virginia but used or stored for use in this Commonwealth; or 3% of the sale price of each 1650 manufactured home as defined in § 36-85.3 or 2% of the sale price of each mobile office as defined in 1651 § 58.1-2401, not sold in Virginia but used or stored for use in this Commonwealth. When any such 1652 motor vehicle or manufactured home is first used or stored for use in Virginia six months or more after 1653 its acquisition, the tax shall be based on its current market value.

1654 3. Four percent of the gross proceeds from the rental in Virginia of any motor vehicle, except those 1655 with a gross vehicle weight rating or gross combination weight rating of 26,001 pounds or more.

1656 4. In addition to the tax levied pursuant to subdivision A 3, a tax of four percent of the gross 1657 proceeds shall be levied on the rental in Virginia of any daily rental vehicle, whether or not such vehicle is required to be licensed in the Commonwealth. 1658

1659 5. In addition to all other applicable taxes and fees, a fee of two percent of the gross proceeds shall 1660 be imposed on the rental in Virginia of any daily rental vehicle, whether or not such vehicle is required 1661 to be licensed in the Commonwealth. For purposes of this chapter, the rental fee shall be implemented, enforced, and collected in the same manner that rental taxes are implemented, enforced, and collected. 1662

6. The minimum tax levied on the sale of any motor vehicle in the Commonwealth shall be \$35, 1663 except as provided by those exemptions defined in § 58.1-2403. 1664

B. A transaction taxed under subdivision A 1 shall not also be taxed under subdivision A 2, nor shall 1665 the same transaction be taxed more than once under either subdivision. A motor vehicle subject to the 1666 1667 tax imposed under subdivision A 3 shall be subject to the tax under either subdivision A 1 or A 2 when it ceases to be used for rental as an established business or part of an established business, or incidental 1668 1669 or germane to such business.

1670 C. Any motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer exempt from this tax under subdivision 1 or 2 of 1671 § 58.1-2403 shall be subject to the tax, based on the current market value when such vehicle is no 1672 longer owned, rented or used by the United States government or any governmental agency, or the 1673 Commonwealth of Virginia or any political subdivision thereof. Further, any motor vehicle, trailer or 1674 semitrailer exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter under subdivision 11 of § 58.1-2403 or 1675 §§ 46.2-663 through 46.2-674 shall be subject to the tax, based on the current market value, when such 1676 vehicle is subsequently licensed to operate on the highways of this Commonwealth.

D. Any person who with intent to evade or to aid another person to evade the tax provided for 1677 1678 herein, falsely states the selling price of a vehicle on a bill of sale, assignment of title, application for 1679 title, or any other document or paper submitted to the Commissioner pursuant to any provisions of this 1680 title or Title 46.2, shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.

E. Effective January 1, 1997, any amount designated as a "processing fee" and any amount charged 1681 1682 by a dealer for processing a transaction, which is required to be included on a buyer's order pursuant to 1683 subdivision 10 of § 46.2-1530, shall be subject to the tax. 1684

§ 58.1-2425. Disposition of revenues.

A. All funds collected hereunder by the Commissioner shall be forthwith paid into the state treasury. 1685 1686 Except as otherwise provided in this section, these funds shall constitute special funds within the Commonwealth Transportation Fund. Any balances remaining in these funds at the end of the year shall 1687 be available for use in subsequent years for the purposes set forth in this chapter, and any interest 1688 income on such funds shall accrue to these funds. The revenue so derived, after refunds have been 1689 1690 deducted, is hereby allocated for the construction, reconstruction and maintenance of highways and the 1691 regulation of traffic thereon and for no other purpose. However, (i) all funds collected pursuant to the 1692 provisions of this chapter from manufactured homes, as defined in § 46.2-100, shall be distributed to the 1693 city, town, or county wherein such manufactured home is to be situated as a dwelling; (ii) all funds 1694 collected from the additional tax imposed by subdivision A 4 of § 58.1-2402 on the rental of daily rental 1695 vehicles shall be distributed quarterly to the city, town, or county wherein such vehicle was delivered to 1696 the rentee; (iii) effective January 1, 1987, an amount equivalent to the net additional revenues generated 1697 by enactments of the 1986 Special Session of the Virginia General Assembly which amended §§ 46.2-694, 46.2-697, 58.1-2401, 58.1-2402 and this section shall be distributed to and paid into the 1698 1699 Transportation Trust Fund, a special fund within the Commonwealth Transportation Fund, and are 1700 hereby appropriated to the Commonwealth Transportation Board for transportation needs; (iv) except as otherwise provided in clause (iii) of this sentence, all moneys collected from the tax on the gross 1701 1702 proceeds from the rental in Virginia of any motor vehicle pursuant to subdivision A 3 of § 58.1-2402 at 1703 the tax rate in effect on December 31, 1986, shall be paid by the Commissioner into the state treasury 1704 and shall be paid into the Rail Enhancement Fund established by § 33.1-221.1:1.1; and (v) all additional revenues resulting from the fee imposed under subdivision A 5 of § 58.1-2402 as enacted by the 2004 1705 1706 Session of the General Assembly shall be used to pay the debt service on the bonds issued by the 1707 Virginia Public Building Authority for the Statewide Agencies Radio System (STARS) for the 1708 Department of State Police pursuant to the authority granted by the 2004 Session of the General 1709 Assembly; and (vi) an amount equivalent to the net additional revenues generated by increases in the rates of taxes under subdivisions A 1 and A 2 of § 58.1-2402 pursuant to enactments of a Session of the 1710 General Assembly held in 2006 shall be deposited by the Comptroller into the Transportation Trust 1711 Fund established under § 33.1-23.03:1 and allocated pursuant to subsection B of § 33.1-23.03:2. 1712

1713 B. As provided in subsection A of § 58.1-638, of the funds becoming part of the Transportation Trust Fund pursuant to clause (iii) of subsection A of this section, an aggregate of 4.2 percent shall be 1714 set aside as the Commonwealth Port Fund; an aggregate of 2.4 percent shall be set aside as the 1715

Commonwealth Airport Fund; and an aggregate of 14.5 percent in fiscal year 1998-1999 and 14.7 1716 1717 percent in fiscal year 1999-2000 and thereafter shall be set aside as the Commonwealth Mass Transit 1718 Fund.

1719 § 58.1-2531. Distribution of certain revenue.

1720 A. Beginning with the Commonwealth's 2006-2007 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, all 1721 revenues collected by the Commission from the tax imposed under this chapter shall be deposited by the 1722 Comptroller into the Transportation Trust Fund established under § 33.1-23.03:1 until the amount 1723 deposited into the Fund pursuant to this section equals the revenues collected from such tax for the 1724 immediately preceding calendar year that were attributable to any policy of motor vehicle insurance as 1725 defined in § 38.2-124, including any motor vehicle insurance included in a combination policy as 1726 defined in § 38.2-1921.

1727 All revenues deposited to the Transportation Trust Fund pursuant to this section shall be allocated 1728 pursuant to subsection B of § 33.1-23.03:2.

1729 B. For purposes of the Comptroller's deposits under this section, the Commissioner of the Bureau of Insurance shall, no later than July 15 of each year, provide a written certification to the Comptroller that reports the amounts to be deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund in the fiscal year as 1730 1731 1732 required under this section. After the required amount has been deposited into such Fund, the 1733 Comptroller shall deposit all remaining revenues collected in the fiscal year from the taxes imposed 1734 under this chapter into the general fund of the state treasury. The Comptroller shall make all deposits 1735 under this section as soon as practicable.

1736 No refund of the tax imposed under this chapter shall be paid from the revenues designated for 1737 deposit to the Transportation Trust Fund under this section.

1738 § 58.1-2701. Amount of tax.

1739 A. Except as provided in subsection B, every motor carrier shall pay a road tax equivalent to 1740 nineteen and one-half twenty-one cents per gallon calculated on the amount of motor fuel, diesel fuel or 1741 liquefied gases (which would not exist as liquids at a temperature of sixty degrees Fahrenheit and a 1742 pressure of 14.7 pounds per square inch absolute), used in its operations within the Commonwealth.

1743 The tax imposed by this chapter shall be in addition to all other taxes of whatever character imposed 1744 on a motor carrier by any other provision of law.

1745 B. In lieu of the tax imposed in subsection A, motor carriers registering qualified highway vehicles 1746 that are not registered under the International Registration Plan shall pay a fee of  $\frac{100}{100}$  per year 1747 for each qualified highway vehicle. The fee is due and payable when the vehicle registration fees are 1748 paid pursuant to the provisions of Article 7 (§ 46.2-685 et seq.) of Chapter 6 of Title 46.2.

1749 If a vehicle becomes a qualified highway vehicle before the end of its registration period, the fee due 1750 at the time the vehicle becomes a qualified highway vehicle shall be prorated monthly to the registration 1751 expiration month. Fees paid under this subsection shall not be refunded unless a full refund of the 1752 registration fee paid is authorized by law.

1753 C. All taxes and fees paid under the provisions of this chapter shall be credited to the Highway 1754 Maintenance and Operating Fund, a special fund within the Commonwealth Transportation Fund. 1755

§ 58.1-2706. Credit for payment of motor fuel, diesel fuel or liquefied gases tax.

1756 A. Every motor carrier subject to the road tax shall be entitled to a credit on such tax equivalent to 1757 sixteen seventeen and one-half cents per gallon on all motor fuel, diesel fuel and liquefied gases 1758 purchased by such carrier within the Commonwealth for use in its operations either within or without 1759 the Commonwealth and upon which the motor fuel, diesel fuel or liquefied gases tax imposed by the 1760 laws of the Commonwealth has been paid by such carrier. Evidence of the payment of such tax in such 1761 form as may be required by, or is satisfactory to, the Department shall be furnished by each carrier 1762 claiming the credit herein allowed.

1763 B. When the amount of the credit to which any motor carrier is entitled for any quarter exceeds the 1764 amount of the tax for which such carrier is liable for the same quarter, the excess may: (i) be allowed as 1765 a credit on the tax for which such carrier would be otherwise liable for any of the eight succeeding 1766 quarters or (ii) be refunded, upon application, duly verified and presented and supported by such 1767 evidence as may be satisfactory to the Department.

1768 C. The Department may allow a refund upon receipt of proper application and review. It shall be at 1769 the discretion of the Department to determine whether an audit is required.

1770 D. The refund may be allowed without a formal hearing if the amount of refund is agreed to by the 1771 applicant. Otherwise, a formal hearing on the application shall be held by the Department after notice of 1772 not less than ten days to the applicant and the Attorney General.

1773 E. Whenever any refund is ordered it shall be paid out of the Highway Maintenance and 1774 Construction Fund.

1775 F. Whenever a person operating under lease to a motor carrier to perform transport services on 1776 behalf of the carrier purchases motor fuel, diesel fuel or liquefied gases relating to such services, such

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payments or purchases may, at the discretion of the Department, be considered payment or purchases bythe carrier.

1779 § 58.1-3825.1. Additional transient occupancy tax in certain counties and cities included in regional
1780 transportation authorities.

A. In addition to such transient occupancy taxes as are authorized by this chapter, the governing body of a county or city that is included in a regional transportation authority established pursuant to Chapter 48.3 (§ 15.2-4841 et seq.) of Title 15.2 may impose an additional transient occupancy tax at the rate of 1% of the amount of charge for the occupancy of any room or space occupied, provided that the county or city transfers the revenues collected from such tax to the regional transportation authority of which it is a member as soon as practical for use solely for the purposes as provided in Chapter 48.3 (§ 15.2-4841 et seq.) of Title 15.2.

1788 No ordinance adopted by a county or city pursuant to this section shall become effective unless all counties and cities included in the regional transportation authority adopt an ordinance levying the tax authorized under this section.

B. No county or city imposing the tax pursuant to this section shall cease to impose such tax so long as the respective regional transportation authority (i) is currently engaged in a transportation project within the boundaries of the county or city, (ii) has entered into a binding commitment to begin a transportation project within the boundaries of the county or city, or (iii) has issued bonds or incurred other evidence of debt that has not been satisfied or paid in full and that relates to a transportation project undertaken by the regional transportation authority within the boundaries of the county or city.

**1797** *C.* The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to any county or city that is (i) embraced by **1798** the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority established under § 15.2-4830, or (ii) included in any transportation authority described under clause (i) of § 15.2-4843.

**1800** § 58.1-3825.2. Additional transient occupancy tax for counties and cities included in any **1801** transportation authority for Hampton Roads.

A. In addition to such transient occupancy taxes as are authorized by this chapter, the governing body of a county or city that is included in any transportation authority described under clause (i) of \$15.2-4843 may impose an additional transient occupancy tax at the rate of 1% of the amount of charge for the occupancy of any room or space occupied, provided that the county or city transfers the revenues collected from such tax to such transportation authority as soon as practical. Such revenues shall be used solely for transportation projects in the county or city from which such revenue is generated.

B. No county or city imposing the tax pursuant to this section shall cease to impose such tax so long as the transportation authority described in subsection A (i) is currently engaged in a transportation project within the boundaries of the county or city, (ii) has entered into a binding commitment to begin a transportation project within the boundaries of the county or city, or (iii) has issued bonds or incurred other evidence of debt that has not been satisfied or paid in full and that relates to a transportation project undertaken by the regional transportation authority within the boundaries of the county or city.

1816 C. The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to any county or city that is authorized to
1817 impose the tax under § 58.1-3825.1 or that is embraced by the Northern Virginia Transportation
1818 Authority established under § 15.2-4830.

1819 2. That each county or city that imposes the tax under § 58.1-605.1, 58.1-606.1, 58.1-802.1, 1820 58.1-3825.1, or 58.1-3825.2 of the Code of Virginia pursuant to the provisions of this act shall for 1821 each fiscal year in which it imposes such tax expend or disburse for transportation purposes an 1822 amount (computed without regard to any revenues generated in the fiscal year from such tax) that 1823 is at least equal to the total amount expended or disbursed for transportation purposes by the 1824 county or city in its fiscal year that began in calendar year 2005.

1825 3. That any revenues distributed to a regional transportation authority pursuant to § 58.1-605.1, 1826 58.1-606.1, 58.1-3825.1, or 58.1-3825.2 of the Code of Virginia, or collected by a county or city 1827 pursuant to § 58.1-802.1 of the Code of Virginia, shall not be used to calculate or reduce the share 1828 of local, federal, and state revenues otherwise available to any county or city imposing such taxes. 1829 Further, such revenues and moneys shall not be included in any computation of, or formula for, a 1830 locality's ability to pay for public education, upon which appropriations of state revenues to local 1831 governments for public education are determined.

1832 4. That the tenth enactment clauses of Chapter 1019 and Chapter 1044 of the Acts of Assembly of1833 2000 are repealed.

1834 5. That no provision of this act shall become effective unless under legislation passed by a session 1835 of the General Assembly held in 2006 that becomes law provides in part that (i) each of the 1836 Counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William, and the Cities of Alexandria, 1837 Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas, and Manassas Park are authorized to impose a local 0.50%

1837 retail sales tax, in addition to the tax set forth under § 58.1-605 of the Code of Virginia, with the

- 1839 revenues therefrom required to be transferred to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority 1840 established under § 15.2-4830 of the Code of Virginia and (ii) a transportation authority is created 1841 for the Hampton Roads region and such authority would become effective January 1, 2007, but 1842 only if at least eight counties and cities authorized under such legislation to adopt by ordinance a 1843 local 1% retail sales tax (that is in addition to the tax set forth under § 58.1-605 of the Code of 1844 Virginia) in fact adopt such ordinance by November 30, 2006.
- 1845 [ 6. That any person or entity subject to the fee imposed under § 33.1-23.05 of the Code of 1846 Virginia who includes such fee in the rates or charges it collects for blended fuel, diesel fuel, or 1847 gasoline, as such terms are defined in § 33.1-23.05, shall be subject to an annual penalty as
- 1848 determined by the tax commissioner. ]