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SENATE BILL NO. 1037

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-1900 of the Code of Virginia, relating to eminent domain; definition of public uses.

Patrons—O'Brien and Hanger

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 15.2-1900 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 15.2-1900. Definition of public uses.

The term "public uses" mentioned in Article I, Section 11 of the Constitution of Virginia is hereby defined to embrace all uses which are necessary for public purposes.

"Public purposes" may include economic development; however, in any instance in which a substantial purpose of condemnation is economic development, a locality shall demonstrate that the condemnation is related to the redevelopment of an area that is at least two-thirds blighted.

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