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SENATE BILL NO. 1375

Offered January 17, 2007

A BILL to amend and reenact § 1-510 of the Code of Virginia, relating to official emblems and designations; official festival of the Commonwealth designated.

Patrons—Reynolds; Delegate: Armstrong

Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Whereas, the Jacks Creek Covered Bridge is a 48-foot span that was erected in 1914; and Whereas, the Bob White Covered Bridge, which was erected in 1921, is a very rare 80-foot span utilizing the "Burr truss" construction method; and

Whereas, the Jacks Creek and Bob White covered bridges are within one mile of each other; and Whereas, both bridges are listed on the Virginia Historic Landmark Register and the National Historic Landmark Register; and

Whereas, currently there are only eight covered bridges located in the Commonwealth that have attained historic landmark status; and

Whereas, the covered bridge has become a symbol for Patrick County and serves as the cornerstone for the County's future prosperity; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 1-510 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 1-510. Official emblems and designations.

The following are hereby designated official emblems and designations of the Commonwealth:

Artisan Center - "Virginia Artisans Center," located in the City of Waynesboro.

Bat - Virginia Big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus*).

Beverage - Milk.

Blue Ridge Folklore State Center - Blue Ridge Institute located in the village of Ferrum.

Boat - "Chesapeake Bay Deadrise."

Dog - American Foxhound.

Emergency medical services museum - "To The Rescue," located in the City of Roanoke.

Festival - Virginia Covered Bridge Festival held in Patrick County.

Fleet - Replicas of the three ships, Susan Constant, Godspeed, and Discovery, which comprised the Commonwealth's founding fleet that brought the first permanent English settlers to Jamestown in 1607, and which are exhibited at the Jamestown Settlement in Williamsburg.

Flower - American Dogwood (*Cornus florida*).

Folk dance - Square dancing, the American folk dance that traces its ancestry to the English Country Dance and the French Ballroom Dance, and is called, cued, or prompted to the dancers, and includes squares, rounds, clogging, contra, line, the Virginia Reel, and heritage dances.

Fossil - Chesapeake jeffersonius.

Gold mining interpretive center - Monroe Park, located in the County of Fauquier.

Insect - Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly (*Papilio glaucus* Linne).

Motor sports museum - "Wood Brothers Racing Museum and Virginia Motor Sports Hall of Fame," located in Patrick County.

Outdoor drama - "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine Outdoor Drama," adapted for the stage by Clara Lou Kelly and performed in the Town of Big Stone Gap.

Outdoor drama, historical - "The Long Way Home" based on the life of Mary Draper Ingles, adapted for the stage by Earl Hobson Smith, and performed in the City of Radford.

Shell - Oyster shell (*Crassostrea virginica*).

Song emeritus - "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia," by James A. Bland, as set out in the House Joint Resolution 10, adopted by the General Assembly of Virginia at the Session of 1940.

Sports hall of fame - "Virginia Sports Hall of Fame," located in the City of Portsmouth.

War memorial museum - "Virginia War Museum," (formerly known as the War Memorial Museum of Virginia), located in the City of Newport News.

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