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SENATE BILL NO. 717

Offered January 17, 2008

A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 10.1-1402.02, relating to public notice and meeting requirements prior to issuance of certain projects.*

Patron—Edwards

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 10.1-1402.02 as follows:

§ 10.1-1402.02. Public notice and meeting requirements of applicants for certain projects.

The Department shall not approve any project for the use of fossil fuel combustion products as structural fill under the Coal Combustion Byproduct Regulations (9VAC 20-85), until the applicant has:

1. Published public notice once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality in which the proposed permitted activity is to occur;

2. Specified in the notice the nature of the approval being sought and a general description of the project;

3. Held at least one public meeting at which citizens may speak and submit written comments. The applicant and his consulting engineer or technical advisor shall be present at the meeting to respond to questions and provide information regarding the proposed project; and

4. Submitted to the Department minutes of the public meeting as well as any written comments from the public, which shall be included in the application for approval.

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