1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 15.2-958.5, relating to community revitalization activities in the City of Richmond.

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Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

- 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 15.2-958.5 as follows:
 - § 15.2-958.5. Local funding for community revitalization.
- A. The City of Richmond may by ordinance provide for the creation of a community revitalization fund for the purpose of preventing neighborhood deterioration. The community revitalization fund shall be exclusively comprised of appropriated local moneys.
- B. Any such community fund established pursuant to this section shall be used for one or more of the following purposes:
- 1. Loans or grants to for-profit and nonprofit organizations for the construction, renovation, and demolition of residential structures in the City;
 - 2. Infrastructure improvements; and

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- 3. Acquisition of blighted structures in accordance with § 36-49.1:1.
- C. Such ordinance shall establish (i) qualifying income guidelines for participants and the communities in which community revitalization funds may be expended and (ii) criteria for participation by for-profit and nonprofit organizations that may be eligible for loans or grants pursuant to the provisions of this section.