

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 15.2-915.5, relating to disposition
3 of firearms.

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6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 15.2-915.5 as follows:**

8 *§ 15.2-915.5. Disposition of firearms acquired by localities.*

9 *A. No locality or agent of such locality may participate in any program in which individuals are*
10 *given a thing of value provided by another individual or other entity in exchange for surrendering a*
11 *firearm to the locality or agent of such locality unless the governing body of the locality has enacted an*
12 *ordinance, pursuant to § 15.2-1425, authorizing the participation of the locality or agent of such locality*
13 *in such program.*

14 *B. Any ordinance enacted pursuant to this section shall require that any firearm received, except a*
15 *firearm of the type defined in § 18.2-288 or 18.2-299 or a firearm the transfer for which is prohibited*
16 *by federal law, shall be offered for sale by public auction or sealed bids to a person licensed as a*
17 *dealer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 921 et seq. Notice of the date, time, and place of sale shall be given by*
18 *advertisement in at least two newspapers published and having general circulation in the*
19 *Commonwealth, at least one of which shall have general circulation in the locality in which the*
20 *property to be sold is located. At least 30 days shall elapse between publication of the notice and the*
21 *auction or the date on which sealed bids will be opened. Any firearm remaining in possession of the*
22 *locality or agent of the locality after attempts to sell at public auction or by sealed bids shall be*
23 *disposed of in a manner the locality deems proper, which may include destruction of the firearm or,*
24 *subject to any registration requirements of federal law, sale of the firearm to a licensed dealer.*

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