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**HOUSE BILL NO. 298** 

Offered January 11, 2012 Prefiled January 10, 2012

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 35 of Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-3508.5, relating to machinery and tools tax; machinery and tools used in cleaning motor vehicles.

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Referred to Committee on Finance

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 35 of Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-3508.5 as follows:

§ 58.1-3508.5. Separate classification of machinery and tools used directly in cleaning motor vehicles.

Machinery and tools, including repair and replacement parts, used directly in cleaning motor vehicles by a motor vehicle cleaning business shall constitute a classification for local taxation separate from other classifications of machinery and tools as defined in § 58.1-3507. The governing body of any county, city, or town may levy a tax on such classification of property at a different rate from the tax levied on other machinery and tools. The rate of tax and the rate of assessment shall not exceed that applicable to the general class of machinery and tools.