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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1834**

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*A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.2-1182 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the High Performance Building Act; use of certain forest products.*

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Patron—Poindexter

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Referred to Committee on General Laws

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

**1. That § 2.2-1182 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 2.2-1182. Short title; definitions.**

A. This article shall be known and may be cited as the High Performance Buildings Act.

B. As used in this article, unless the context requires a different meaning:

"High performance building certification program" means a public building design, construction, and renovation program that meets the requirements of VEES.

"VEES" means the Virginia Energy Conservation and Environmental Standards developed by the Department considering the U.S. Green Building Council (LEED) green building rating standard, the Green Building Initiative "Green Globes" building standard, and other appropriate requirements as determined by the Department, *which shall include certificate credits for forest products certified by the Forest Stewardship Council or certified under the Sustainable Forestry Initiative or the American Tree Farm System.*

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