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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2024**

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**

(Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice  
on January 27, 2017)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Freitas)

*A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 25.1-306 and 33.2-1020 of the Code of Virginia, relating to condemnation powers and proceedings; notice to owner or tenant.*

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

**1. That §§ 25.1-306 and 33.2-1020 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 25.1-306. Notice of intent to file certificate.**

The authorized condemnor shall, *no later than 15 days prior to the filing or recordation of any certificate pursuant to this chapter*, give notice to the owner or tenant, *if known*, of the freehold by registered mail; ~~if known~~, that a certificate will be filed *or recorded* with respect to such person's property.

**§ 33.2-1020. Payment of certificates of deposit; notice to owner.**

A. A certificate of deposit shall be deemed and held for the purpose of this article to be payment into the custody of such court. Payment against any certificate of deposit so issued and countersigned, when ordered by the court named therein, shall be paid by the State Treasurer on warrants of the Comptroller, issued on vouchers signed by the Commissioner of Highways.

B. A duplicate of each certificate of deposit so issued and countersigned shall be kept as a record in the office of the Commissioner of Highways and a copy thereof shall be filed with the State Treasurer.

C. The Commissioner of Highways shall give notice, *no later than 15 days prior to the filing or recordation of a certificate of deposit pursuant to this chapter*, to the owner or tenant, *if known*, of the freehold by registered mail; ~~if known~~, that a certificate of deposit will be filed *or recorded*.