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HOUSE BILL NO. 2319

Offered January 12, 2017

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 2.2 a section numbered 2.2-220.4 and by adding in Chapter I of Title 15.2 a section numbered 15.2-111, relating to National Flood Insurance Program; report.

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Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 2.2 a section numbered 2.2-220.4 and by adding in Chapter 1 of Title 15.2 a section numbered 15.2-111 as follows:

§ 2.2-220.4. National Flood Insurance Program; annual report.

A. The Secretary shall report compliance by affected localities with the flood insurance requirement in § 15.2-111 to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than November 1 of each year. The report shall list any affected locality that is not in compliance and recommend any legislation necessary to ensure compliance.

B. The Secretary shall report participation by affected localities in the Community Rating System (CRS) of the National Flood Insurance Program (42 U.S.C. § 4001 et seq.) to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than November 1, 2018. The report shall list any affected locality that does not participate in the CRS, determine the costs and benefits to localities of participation in the CRS, and recommend any legislation necessary to encourage participation.

§ 15.2-111. Certain localities required to participate in National Flood Insurance Program.

Any locality any part of whose inhabited land is located in a floodplain as depicted on a current Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Boundary Rate Map or Flood Insurance Rate Map shall participate in and maintain good standing with the National Flood Insurance Program (42 U.S.C. § 4001 et seg.).