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HOUSE BILL NO. 1566

Offered January 19, 2018

A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 62.1-44.15:27.2, relating to plan review; acceptance of plan by professional engineer in lieu of review.*

Patron—Hodges

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 62.1-44.15:27.2 as follows:
§ 62.1-44.15:27.2. Acceptance of plan by professional engineer in lieu of local plan review.

A. Any locality, whether or not it administers a VSMP or VESCP pursuant to § 62.1-44.15:27, may require that a licensed professional engineer retained by the applicant prepare and submit a set of plans and supporting calculations for a land-disturbing activity of greater than one acre in extent.

B. Such professional engineer shall be licensed to engage in practice in the Commonwealth under Chapter 4 (§ 54.1-400 et seq.) of Title 54.1 and shall hold a certificate of competence in the appropriate subject area, as provided in § 62.1-44.15:30.

C. Such plans and supporting calculations shall be appropriately signed and stamped by the professional engineer.

D. The locality shall accept such signed and stamped plans in satisfaction of the requirement of this article that, for a land-disturbing activity of greater than one acre in extent, it retain a local certified plan reviewer or conduct a local plan review. This section shall not excuse any applicable performance bond requirement pursuant to § 62.1-44.15:34 or 62.1-44.15:57.

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