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HOUSE BILL NO. 1567

Offered January 19, 2018

A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 38 of Title 58.1 an article numbered 14, consisting of a section numbered 58.1-3855, relating to optional county watercraft fee.*

Patron—Hodges

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 Chapter 38 of Title 58.1 an article numbered 14, consisting of a section numbered 58.1-3855, as follows:

Article 14.

Optional County Watercraft Fee.

§ 58.1-3855. Optional county watercraft fee.

Any county may adopt an ordinance imposing an annual fee upon the owner of any watercraft, as defined in § 58.1-1401, or boat, whether motorized or nonmotorized, that is (i) privately owned, (ii) used solely for recreational purposes, and (iii) operated, docked, stored, or kept within county limits for more than 180 days per year. Such ordinance shall provide that the annual fee shall be calculated based on the length of the watercraft or boat, measured along the centerline, as follows:

1. For a boat or watercraft that measures less than 16 feet, \$20;
2. For a boat or watercraft that measures at least 16 feet but less than 20 feet, \$40;
3. For a boat or watercraft that measures at least 20 feet but less than 40 feet, \$75; and
4. For a boat or watercraft that measures 40 feet or more, \$150.

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