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SENATE BILL NO. 108

Senate Amendments in [] — January 29, 2018

A BILL to amend and reenact § 8.01-321 of the Code of Virginia, relating to orders of publication to enforce tax lien; limited-value property.

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Senator Lucas

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 8.01-321 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 8.01-321. Orders of publication in proceedings to enforce liens for taxes assessed upon real estate.

Whenever an order of publication is entered in any proceeding brought by any county, city, or town to enforce a lien for taxes assessed upon real estate, such order need not be published more than once a week for two successive weeks. In the event the property is assessed in the local tax records for \$50,000 or less, such order need not be published more than once. [Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when the real estate that is otherwise subject to an order of publication has an assessed value of \$10,000 or less, as reflected in the local tax assessment, the court may order any alternative form of and forum for publication that will reasonably provide notice to all interested parties. The party served by publication shall be required to appear and protect his interest by the date stated in the order of publication, which shall be not less than twenty-four 24 days after entry of such order. The publication shall in other respects conform to § 8.01-317, and when such publication so conforms, the provisions of § 8.01-318 shall apply.