

2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

SENATE SUBSTITUTE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 2029

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on General Laws and Technology
on February 17, 2021)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Krizek)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 9.1-207.2, relating to Department of Fire Programs; prohibition on the use of certain oriented strand board in fire training activities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 9.1-207.2 as follows:

§ 9.1-207.2. Prohibition on use of certain oriented strand board.

A. As used in this section:

"Acquired structure" means a building or structure acquired by local government from a property owner for the purpose of conducting live fire training evolutions.

"Class A fuel materials" includes wood, straw, and paper products.

"Fire training activities" includes the utilization of live fire training structures designed for conducting live fire training evolutions on a repetitive basis. "Fire training activities" does not include the utilization of acquired structures for conducting live fire training evolutions.

"Local government" includes any locality, fire district, regional fire protection authority, or other special purpose district that provides firefighting services.

"Oriented strand board" means engineered wood manufactured with wood strands containing polymeric methylene diphenyl diisocyanate or any other synthetic resins or synthetic adhesives, which release toxic by-products when burned.

B. No person, local government, or agency of the Commonwealth shall burn Class A fuel materials that contain oriented strand board during live fire training activities.

C. No provision of this section shall restrict the manufacture, sale, use, or distribution of Class A fuel materials that contain oriented strand board for purposes outside of fire training activities.

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