VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2022 SESSION

CHAPTER 109

An Act to direct the Rockingham Circuit Court to establish a pilot program for an index of wills.

[S 221]

Approved April 6, 2022

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. Pursuant to an order of the Rockingham Circuit Court in accordance with subsection F of § 64.2-409 of the Code of Virginia authorizing the clerk to lodge wills for safekeeping, the clerk of the Rockingham Circuit Court may establish a pilot project for an index of wills lodged for safekeeping, with a searchable database available to the public. Such database shall protect the privacy of information contained in wills so lodged with the clerk in accordance with § 17.1-293 of the Code of Virginia. The clerk shall pay all costs associated with the pilot project. The clerk shall make a written report of findings and recommendations regarding the pilot project to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary and the House Committee for Courts of Justice no later than November 1, 2026.