

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1994 SESSION

## CHAPTER 474

*An Act to amend and reenact § 2.1-504.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to state acquisition of real property.*

[H 763]

Approved April 8, 1994

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 2.1-504.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 2.1-504.2. Department to review proposed acquisitions of real property; approval by the Governor; exceptions.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no state department, agency or institution shall acquire real property by gift, lease, purchase or any other means whatsoever, without *following guidelines promulgated by the Department of General Services and obtaining the prior approval of the Governor. Real property may be acquired for open space preservation pursuant to the purposes of §§ 10.1-1800 and 10.1-2204 (4) if it does not require as a condition of acceptance an appropriation of any state funds for the continued maintenance of such property.* The Department of General Services shall review every proposed acquisition of real property by gift, lease, purchase or any other means whatsoever by any department, agency or institution of ~~this~~ *the Commonwealth. Upon the completion of its review, the Department shall* and recommend either approval or disapproval of such transactions to the Governor *based on cost, demonstrated need, and compliance with the aforesaid guidelines. Such review and approval shall not be required for* *The provisions of this section shall not apply to the acquisition of real property for open space preservations as provided for in this section, or pursuant to the purposes of §§ 10.1-1800 and 10.1-2204 (4), if it does not require as a condition of acceptance, an appropriation of any state funds for the continued maintenance of such property, for the acquisition through the temporary lease or donation of real property on a temporary basis for periods less than a period of six months or less duration, or for the construction, improvement or maintenance of highways and transportation facilities and purposes incidental thereto by the Department of Transportation; however, acquisitions of real property by the Department of Transportation for office space, district offices, residencies, area headquarters, and correctional facilities shall be subject to such review and approval.*