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HOUSE BILL NO. 407

Offered January 21, 1994

A BILL to amend and reenact § 58.1-3971 of the Code of Virginia, relating to property improperly placed on delinquent land books.

Patrons—Copeland and Almand

Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 58.1-3971 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 58.1-3971. Property improperly placed on delinquent land books.

A. The attorney shall periodically report to the governing body employing him every parcel of real estate which he ascertains to be improperly placed on the delinquent land books and the governing body, upon satisfying itself of the correctness of the report, or correcting it to conform to the facts, shall certify the information to the proper clerk, and the clerk, on the order of the court of which he is clerk, treasurer who shall mark his delinquent land book accordingly.

B. If any parcel which is improperly placed on the delinquent land books is sold under the provisions of this article, the purchaser shall be entitled to a refund of the entire amount he paid for such parcel. The governing body shall reimburse the court or the appropriate party for costs and fees

allowed out of such payment.