## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1995 SESSION

## **CHAPTER 417**

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 2.1-1.6, 9-6.25:1, 10.1-1414, 10.1-1415, 10.1-1416, 10.1-1422 and 58.1-1710 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 10.1-1422.01 through 10.1-1422.05 and by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-1705, relating to litter control and recycling.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That §§ 2.1-1.6, 9-6.25:1, 10.1-1414, 10.1-1415, 10.1-1416, 10.1-1422 and 58.1-1710 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding sections numbered 10.1-1422.01 through 10.1-1422.05 and by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-1705 as follows: § 2.1-1.6. State boards. A. There shall be, in addition to such others as may be established by law, the following permanent collegial bodies affiliated with a state agency within the executive branch: Accountancy, Board for Aging, Advisory Board on the Agriculture and Consumer Services, Board of Air Pollution, State Advisory Board on Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, Virginia Apple Board, Virginia State Appomattox State Scenic River Advisory Board Aquaculture Advisory Board Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects, State Board for Art and Architectural Review Board Athletic Board, Virginia Auctioneers Board Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology, Board of Aviation Board, Virginia Barbers, Board for Branch Pilots, Board for

Bright Flue-Cured Tobacco Board, Virginia

Building Code Technical Review Board, State

Catoctin Creek State Scenic River Advisory Board

Cattle Industry Board, Virginia

Cave Board

Certified Seed Board, State

Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Board

Chickahominy State Scenic River Advisory Board

Child Abuse and Neglect, Advisory Board on

Chippokes Plantation Farm Foundation, Board of Trustees

Clinch Scenic River Advisory Board

Coal Mining Examiners, Board of

Coal Research and Development Advisory Board, Virginia

Coal Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Board Conservation and Development of Public Beaches, Board on

Conservation and Recreation, Board of

Contractors, Board for

Corn Board, Virginia

Correctional Education, Board of

Corrections, State Board of

Cosmetology, Board for

Criminal Justice Services Board

Dark-Fired Tobacco Board, Virginia

Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, Advisory Board for the Department for the

Dentistry, Board of Education, State Board of

Egg Board, Virginia

**Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board** Employment Agency Advisory Board Farmers Market Board, Virginia Film Office Advisory Board Fire Services Board, Virginia Forensic Science Advisory Board Forestry, Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Board of Game and Inland Fisheries, Board of Geology, Board for Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Board Health Planning Board, Virginia Health Professions, Board of Health, State Board of Hearing Aid Specialists, Board for Hemophilia Advisory Board Historic Resources, Board of Housing and Community Development, Board of Industrial Development Services Advisory Board Insurance Advisory Board, State Irish Potato Board, Virginia Laboratory Services Advisory Board Litter Control and Recycling Fund Advisory Board Marine Products Board, Virginia Medical Advisory Board, Department of Motor Vehicles Medical Board of the Virginia Retirement System Medicare and Medicaid, Advisory Board on Medicine, Board of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Board, State Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Board Military Affairs, Board of Mineral Mining Examiners, Board of Minority Business Enterprise, Interdepartmental Board of the Department of Motor Vehicle Dealers' Advisory Board Networking Users Advisory Board, State Nottoway State Scenic River Advisory Board Nursing, Board of Nursing Home Administrators, Board of Occupational Therapy, Advisory Board on Oil and Gas Conservation Board, Virginia Opticians, Board for Optometry, Board of Peanut Board, Virginia Personnel Advisory Board Pesticide Control Board Pharmacy, Board of Physical Therapy to the Board of Medicine, Advisory Board on Plant Pollination Advisory Board Polygraph Examiners Advisory Board Pork Industry Board, Virginia Poultry Products Board, Virginia Private College Advisory Board Private Security Services Advisory Board Professional and Occupational Regulation, Board for Professional Counselors, Board of Professional Soil Scientists, Board for Psychiatric Advisory Board Psychology, Board of Public Buildings Board, Virginia Public Telecommunications Board, Virginia **Radiation Advisory Board** Real Estate Appraiser Board Real Estate Board Reciprocity Board, Department of Motor Vehicles

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Recreational Fishing Advisory Board, Virginia Recreation Specialists, Board of Reforestation Board Rehabilitation Providers, Advisory Board on Rehabilitative Services, Board of Respiratory Therapy, Advisory Board on Retirement System Review Board Rockfish State Scenic River Advisory Board Safety and Health Codes Board Seed Potato Board Sewage Handling and Disposal Appeal Review Board, State Health Department Shenandoah State Scenic River Advisory Board Small Business Advisory Board Small Business Environmental Compliance Advisory Board Small Grains Board, Virginia Social Services, Board of Social Work, Board of Soil and Water Conservation Board, Virginia Soybean Board, Virginia State Air Pollution Control Board Substance Abuse Certification Board Surface Mining Review, Board of Sweet Potato Board, Virginia Teacher Education and Licensure, Advisory Board on Tourism and Travel Services Advisory Board Toxic Substances Advisory Board Transportation Board, Commonwealth Transportation Safety, Board of Treasury Board, The, Department of the Treasury Veterans' Affairs, Board on Veterinary Medicine, Board of Virginia Board for Asbestos Licensing Virginia Coal Mine Safety Board Virginia Correctional Enterprises Advisory Board Virginia Employment Commission, State Advisory Board for the (Effective July 1, 1996) Virginia Higher Education Tuition Trust Fund, Board of the Virginia Horse Industry Board Virginia Manufactured Housing Board Virginia Retirement System, Board of Trustees Virginia Waste Management Board Visually Handicapped, Virginia Board for the Voluntary Formulary Board, Virginia War Memorial Foundation, Virginia, Board of Trustees Waste Management Facility Operators, Board for Water Resources Research Center Statewide Advisory Board, Virginia Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators, Board for Well Review Board, Virginia Youth and Family Services, State Board of. B. Notwithstanding the definition for "board" as provided in § 2.1-1.2, the following entities shall be referred to as boards: **Compensation Board** State Board of Elections State Water Control Board Virginia Parole Board Virginia Veterans Care Center Board of Trustees. § 9-6.25:1. Advisory boards, commissions and councils. There shall be, in addition to such others as may be designated in accordance with § 9-6.25, the following advisory boards, commissions and councils within the executive branch: Advisory Board for the Department for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Advisory Board for the Department for the Aging Advisory Board on Child Abuse and Neglect Advisory Board on Medicare and Medicaid Advisory Board on Occupational Therapy Advisory Board on Physical Therapy to the Board of Medicine

Advisory Board on Rehabilitation Providers Advisory Board on Respiratory Therapy to the Board of Medicine Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure Advisory Council on Revenue Estimates Advisory Council on the Virginia Business-Education Partnership Program Appomattox State Scenic River Advisory Board Aquaculture Advisory Board Art and Architectural Review Board (Effective until July 1, 1995) Board for the Visually Handicapped Board of Directors, Virginia Truck and Ornamentals Research Station Board of Forestry **Board of Military Affairs** Board of Rehabilitative Services Board of Transportation Safety Board of Trustees of the Family and Children's Trust Fund Board of Visitors, Gunston Hall Plantation Board on Veterans' Affairs Catoctin Creek State Scenic River Advisory Board Cave Board Chickahominy State Scenic River Advisory Board Clinch Scenic River Advisory Board Coal Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Board Council on Indians Council on the Status of Women Debt Capacity Advisory Committee Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board Falls of the James Committee Film Office Advisory Board Forensic Science Advisory Board Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Board Governor's Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Problems Governor's Mined Land Reclamation Advisory Committee Hemophilia Advisory Board Human Services Information and Referral Advisory Council Industrial Development Services Advisory Board Interagency Coordinating Council on Housing for the Disabled Interdepartmental Board of the State Department of Minority Business Enterprise Laboratory Services Advisory Board Litter Control and Recycling Fund Advisory Board Local Advisory Board to the Blue Ridge Community College Local Advisory Board to the Central Virginia Community College Local Advisory Board to the Dabney S. Lancaster Community College Local Advisory Board to the Danville Community College Local Advisory Board to the Eastern Shore Community College Local Advisory Board to the Germanna Community College Local Advisory Board to the J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Local Advisory Board to the John Tyler Community College Local Advisory Board to the Lord Fairfax Community College Local Advisory Board to the Mountain Empire Community College Local Advisory Board to the New River Community College Local Advisory Board to the Northern Virginia Community College Local Advisory Board to the Patrick Henry Community College Local Advisory Board to the Paul D. Camp Community College Local Advisory Board to the Piedmont Virginia Community College Local Advisory Board to the Rappahannock Community College Local Advisory Board to the Southwest Virginia Community College Local Advisory Board to the Thomas Nelson Community College Local Advisory Board to the Tidewater Community College Local Advisory Board to the Virginia Highlands Community College Local Advisory Board to the Virginia Western Community College Local Advisory Board to the Wytheville Community College Long-Term Care Council Maternal and Child Health Council Medical Advisory Board, Department of Motor Vehicles

Medical Board of the Virginia Retirement System Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Board Motor Vehicle Dealer's Advisory Board Nottoway State Scenic River Advisory Board Personnel Advisory Board Plant Pollination Advisory Board Private College Advisory Board Private Enterprise Commission Private Security Services Advisory Board Psychiatric Advisory Board Radiation Advisory Board Rappahannock Scenic River Advisory Board Recreational Fishing Advisory Board, Virginia Reforestation Board Retirement System Review Board Rockfish State Scenic River Advisory Board Shenandoah State Scenic River Advisory Board Small Business Advisory Board Small Business Environmental Compliance Advisory Board St. Mary's Scenic River Advisory Committee State Advisory Board on Air Pollution State Advisory Board for the Virginia Employment Commission State Building Code Technical Review Board State Council on Local Debt State Health Benefits Advisory Council State Insurance Advisory Board State Land Evaluation Advisory Council State Networking Users Advisory Board State Public Records Advisory Council Statewide Independent Living Council Statewide Rehabilitation Advisory Council Statewide Rehabilitation Advisory Council for the Blind Staunton Scenic River Advisory Committee Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Board Tourism and Travel Services Advisory Board Toxic Substances Advisory Board Virginia Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations Virginia Advisory Council for Adult Education and Literacy Virginia Coal Mine Safety Board Virginia Coal Research and Development Advisory Board Virginia Commission for the Arts Virginia Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution Virginia Correctional Enterprises Advisory Board Virginia Council on Coordinating Prevention Virginia Equal Employment Opportunity Council Virginia Interagency Coordinating Council Virginia Military Advisory Council Virginia Public Buildings Board Virginia Recycling Markets Development Council Virginia Technology Council Virginia Transplant Council Virginia Water Resources Research Center, Statewide Advisory Board Virginia Winegrowers Advisory Board. § 10.1-1414. Definitions. As used in this article, unless the context requires a different meaning: "Advisory Board" means the Litter Control and Recycling Fund Advisory Board; "Disposable package" or "container" means all packages or containers intended or used to contain solids, liquids or materials and so designated; "Fund" means the Litter Control and Recycling Fund;

"Litter" means all waste material disposable packages or containers but not including the wastes of the primary processes of mining, logging, sawmilling, farming, or manufacturing;

"Litter bag" means a bag, sack, or durable material which is large enough to serve as a receptacle for litter inside a vehicle or watercraft which is similar in size and capacity to a state approved litter bag;

"Litter receptacle" means containers acceptable to the Department for the depositing of litter;

"Person" means any natural person, *corporation*, association, firm, receiver, guardian, trustee, executor, administrator, fiduciary, representative or group of individuals or entities of any kind;

"Public place" means any area that is used or held out for use by the public, whether owned or operated by public or private interests;

"Recycling" means the process of separating a given waste material from the waste stream and processing it so that it may be used again as a raw material for a product which may or may not be similar to the original product;

"Sold within the Commonwealth" or "sales of the business within the Commonwealth" means all sales of retailers engaged in business within the Commonwealth and in the case of manufacturers and wholesalers, sales of products for use and consumption within the Commonwealth;

"Vehicle" includes every device capable of being moved upon a public highway and in, upon, or by which any person or property may be transported upon a public highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks; and

"Watercraft" means any boat, ship, vessel, barge, or other floating craft.

§ 10.1-1415. Litter Control Program.

The Director Department shall establish within the Department a Division of Litter Control and Recycling to conduct a continuous program support local, regional and statewide programs to control, prevent and eliminate litter from the Commonwealth and to encourage the recycling of discarded materials to the maximum practical extent. He shall appoint a qualified person to direct the work of the Division. The Department shall administer such program with funds generated from litter control taxes and from such other funds as may be appropriated. Litter control taxes shall include the taxes increased by Chapter 616 of the 1977 Acts of Assembly and the taxes imposed under §§ 58.1-1700 through 58.1-1710. Every department of state government and all governmental units and agencies of the Commonwealth shall cooperate with the Department in the administration and enforcement of this article.

This article is intended to add to and coordinate existing litter control removal and recycling efforts, and not to terminate existing efforts nor, except as specifically stated, to repeal or affect any state law governing or prohibiting litter or the control and disposition of waste.

§ 10.1-1416. Collection and survey of litter.

Collections and surveys of the kinds of litter that are discarded in violation of the laws of the Commonwealth shall be conducted as the need is determined by the Department, *after receipt of the recommendations of the Advisory Board*, or as directed by the General Assembly. The survey shall include litter found throughout the Commonwealth, including standard metropolitan statistical areas and rural and recreational areas. To the fullest extent possible, in standard metropolitan statistical areas the Department of Transportation shall make use of local litter and trash collection services through arrangements with local governing bodies and appropriate agencies, in the discharge of the duties imposed by this section. The Department of Transportation shall report to the Governor, the General Assembly and the Department as to the amount of litter collected pursuant to this section and shall include in its report an analysis of litter types, their weights and volumes, and, where practicable, the recyclability of the types of products, packages, wrappings and containers which compose the principal amounts of the litter collected. The products whose packages, wrappings and containers constitute the litter shall include, but not be limited to the following categories:

1. Food for human or pet consumption;

- 2. Groceries;
- 3. Cigarettes and tobacco products;
- 4. Soft drinks and carbonated waters;
- 5. Beer and other malt beverages;
- 6. Wine;
- 7. Newspapers and magazines;
- 8. Paper products and household paper;
- 9. Glass containers;
- 10. Metal containers;
- 11. Plastic or fiber containers made of synthetic material;
- 12. Cleaning agents and toiletries;
- 13. Nondrug drugstore sundry products;
- 14. Distilled spirits; and
- 15. Motor vehicle parts.

§ 10.1-1422. Further duties of Department.

In addition to the foregoing duties the Department shall:

1. Serve as the coordinating agency between the various industry and business organizations seeking to aid in the recycling and anti-litter effort;

2. Recommend to local governing bodies that they adopt ordinances similar to the provisions of this article;

3. Cooperate with all local governments to accomplish coordination of local recycling and anti-litter

efforts;

4. Encourage, organize, and coordinate all voluntary local recycling and anti-litter campaigns seeking to focus the attention of the public on the programs of the Commonwealth to control and remove litter and encourage recycling;

5. Investigate the availability of, and apply for, funds available from any private or public source to be used in the program provided for in this article;

6. Allocate funds annually for the study of available research and development in recycling and litter control, removal, and disposal, as well as study methods for implementation in the Commonwealth of such research and development. In addition, such funds may be used for the development of public educational programs concerning the litter problem and recycling. Grants shall be made available for these purposes to those persons deemed appropriate and qualified by the Board or the Department;

7. Investigate the methods and success of other techniques in recycling and the control of litter, and develop, encourage and coordinate programs in the Commonwealth to utilize successful techniques in recycling and the control and elimination of litter; *and* 

8. Promulgate regulations for making either direct or matching grants to localities to promote enforcement of anti-litter statutes and ordinances and to enhance local recycling and litter control programs; and

9. 8. Expend, after receiving the recommendations of the Advisory Board, at least fifty seventy-five percent of the funds allocated deposited annually to the Litter Control and Recycling Program into the Fund pursuant to contracts with localities. The Department may enter into contracts with planning district commissions for the receipt and expenditure of funds attributable to localities which designate in writing to the Department a planning district commission as the agency to receive and expend funds hereunder.

§ 10.1-1422.01. Litter Control and Recycling Fund established; use of moneys; purpose of Fund.

A. All moneys collected from the taxes imposed under §§ 58.1-1700 through 58.1-1710 and by the taxes increased by Chapter 616 of the 1977 Acts of Assembly, shall be paid into the treasury and credited to a special nonreverting fund known as the Litter Control and Recycling Fund, which is hereby established. The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller. Any moneys remaining in the Fund shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in the Fund. Interest earned on such moneys shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. The Director is authorized to release money from the Fund on warrants issued by the Comptroller after receiving and considering the recommendations of the Advisory Board for the purposes enumerated in subsection B of this section.

B. Moneys from the Fund shall be expended, according to the allocation formula established in subsection C of this section, for the following purposes:

1. Local litter prevention and recycling grants to localities that meet the criteria established in § 10.1-1422.04;

2. Statewide and regional litter prevention and recycling educational program grants to persons meeting the criteria established in § 10.1-1422.05; and

3. Payment to (i) the Department to process the grants authorized by this article and (ii) the administrative costs of the Advisory Board. The Director shall assign one person in the Department to serve as a contact for persons interested in the Fund.

C. All moneys deposited into the Fund shall be expended pursuant to the following allocation formula:

1. Seventy-five percent for grants made to localities pursuant to subdivision B 1 of this section;

2. Twenty percent for statewide and regional educational program grants made pursuant to subdivision B 2 of this section; and

3. Five percent for the administrative expenditures authorized pursuant to subdivision B 3 of this section.

§ 10.1-1422.02. Litter Control and Recycling Fund Advisory Board established; duties and responsibilities.

There is hereby created the Litter Control and Recycling Fund Advisory Board. The Advisory Board shall:

1. Review applications received by the Department for grants from the Fund and make recommendations to the Director for the award of all grants authorized pursuant to § 10.1-1422.01;

2. Promote the control, prevention and elimination of litter from the Commonwealth and encourage the recycling of discarded materials to the maximum practical extent; and

3. Advise the Director on such other litter control and recycling matters as may be requested by the Director or any other state agency.

§ 10.1-1422.03. Membership, meetings, and staffing.

A. The Advisory Board shall consist of five persons appointed by the Governor. Three members shall represent persons paying the taxes which are deposited into the Fund and shall include one member appointed from nominations submitted by recognized industry associations representing retailers; one member appointed from nominations submitted by recognized industry associations representing soft drink distributors; and one member appointed from nominations submitted from nominations submitted by recognized industry associations representing soft drink distributors; and one member appointed from nominations submitted by recognized industry associations for the submitted by recognized industry associations representing soft drink distributors; and one member appointed from nominations submitted by recognized industry associations for the submitted by recognited industry associatity associations for the s

associations representing beer distributors. One member shall be a local litter or recycling coordinator. One member shall be from the general public.

B. Members shall serve four-year terms unless found to violate subsection E of this section. They shall not receive a per diem, compensation for their service, or travel expenses.

C. The Advisory Board shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman annually from among its members. The Advisory Board shall meet at least twice annually on such dates and at such times as they determine. Three members of the Advisory Board shall constitute a quorum.

D. Staff support and associated administrative expenses of the Advisory Board shall be provided by the Department from funds allocated from the Fund.

E. Any member who is absent from three consecutive meetings of the Advisory Board, as certified by the Chairman of the Advisory Board to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, shall be dismissed as a member of the Advisory Board. The replacement of any dismissed member shall be appointed pursuant to subsection A of this section and meet the same membership criteria as the member who has been dismissed.

§ 10.1-1422.04. Local litter prevention and recycling grants; eligibility and funding process.

The Director shall award local litter prevention and recycling grants to localities that apply for such grants and meet the eligibility requirements established in the Department's Guidelines for Litter Prevention and Recycling Grants (DEQ-LPR-2) which were in effect on January 1, 1995, and as may be amended by the Advisory Board after notice and opportunity to be heard by persons interested in grants awarded pursuant to this section. Grants awarded by the Director shall total the amount of Litter Control and Recycling Funds available annually as provided in subdivision B 1 of § 10.1-1422.01.

§ 10.1-1422.05. Statewide and regional litter control and recycling grants.

The Director, after receiving the recommendations of the Advisory Board, shall award statewide and regional litter prevention and recycling grants to persons for the public purpose of the development and implementation of statewide and regional litter prevention and recycling educational programs. For purposes of this section, the term "person" includes any nonprofit entity that the Director finds has a experience and success in statewide litter control and recycling educational programs and has a membership that represents the Commonwealth at large as well as any person meeting the definition of "person" in § 10.1-1414. Grants awarded by the Director pursuant to this section shall total the amount of litter control and recycling funds available annually as provided in subdivision B 2 of § 10.1-1422.01.

§ 58.1-1705. Disposition of proceeds.

All moneys collected pursuant to this article, minus the necessary expenses of the Department of Taxation for the administration of this tax, as certified by the Commissioner, shall be deposited into the Litter Control and Recycling Fund established pursuant to § 10.1-1422.01.

§ 58.1-1710. Disposition of proceeds.

All moneys collected pursuant to this article, minus the necessary expenses of the Department of Taxation for the administration of this tax, as certified by the Commissioner, shall be deposited into the general fund of the state treasury Litter Control and Recycling Fund established pursuant to § 10.1-1422.01.

2. That the provisions of §§ 10.1-1422.02 and 10.1-1422.03 of the Code of Virginia shall become effective on July 1, 1995, and the other provisions of the first enactment shall become effective on July 1, 1996.