

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 15.1-11.2:2, relating to authority*
3 *of certain local governments to remove or repair the defacement of certain public or private real*
4 *property.*

5 [H 2078]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 15.1-11.2:2 as follows:**

9 *§ 15.1-11.2:2. Authority of counties, cities and towns to remove or repair the defacement of*
10 *buildings, walls, fences and other structures.*

11 *The governing body of any county, city or town, by ordinance, may undertake or contract for the*
12 *removal or repair of the defacement of any public building, wall, fence or other structure or any private*
13 *building, wall, fence or other structure where such defacement is visible from any public right-of-way.*
14 *Prior to such removal, the locality shall seek the written permission of the property owner. Should the*
15 *property owner fail to provide such permission within ten days, the locality may maintain a public*
16 *nuisance action against the property owner in order to compel the property owner to allow removal or*
17 *repair of the defacement. After receiving the written permission or the appropriate court order, the*
18 *locality may undertake the removal or repair of the defacement. All such removal or repair shall be at*
19 *the expense of the locality.*

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