VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend and reenact § 55-66.01 and to repeal § 55-66.1:01 of the Code of Virginia, relating to deeds of trust.

4 [S 925] 5 Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

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1. That § 55-66.01 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 55-66.01. Protection of assignees or transferees of debts secured by real estate; form of certificate of transfer.

Whenever a debt or other obligation secured by a deed of trust, mortgage or vendor's lien on real estate has been assigned, at the option of the assignor or assignee, the assignment may be reflected of record by recordation the assignor or the assignee, at its option, may cause the instrument of assignment to be recorded in the clerk's office of the circuit court where the such deed of trust, mortgage or vendor's lien is recorded of the provided such instrument of assignment provided it is otherwise in recordable form or by recordation of, or may cause a certificate of transfer which substantially conforms to the following: signed by the assignor to be recorded in such clerk's office, and such instrument of assignment or certificate of transfer, upon recordation, shall operate as a notice of such assignment. The instrument of assignment or certificate of transfer shall be indexed in the name of the assignor and in the names of the obligor or maker, and the trustees, as applicable, all of whose names shall be set forth in such instrument or certificate. The certificate of transfer shall conform substantially to the following:

22 CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER 23 Place of Record: Clerk's Office of the Circuit 24 Court of the of 25 Virginia 26 Date of [Deed of Trust/ 27 Mortgage/Vendor's Lien]: 28 Deed Book: 29 30 Name of Obligor or Maker: 31 Name(s) of Trustee(s) 32 [if a Deed of Trust]: 33 34 Name of Original Maker 35 or Obligor: 36 Payee or Obligee: 37 Original Amount Secured 38 [if applicable]: 39 \$......... 40 The undersigned, the original payee or obligee [or the 41 subsequent assignee] of the obligation secured by the above-mentioned 42 [Deed of Trust/Mortgage/Vendor's Lien], hereby certifies that the 43 obligation secured by the above mentioned Deed of Trust/Mortgage/ 44 Vendor's Lien has been assigned to..... obligations secured 45 thereby have been assigned to..... 46 47 Given under [my/our] hand(s) as of the 48 day of....., 49 **50** (ASSIGNOR)(Assignor) 51 52 of 53 To-wit

54	COUNTY/CITY OF
55	County/City of to wit:
56	Subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me by
57	this day of 19
58	My commission expires :
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60	NOTARY PUBLIC Notary Public

For purposes of this statute, the word "assigned" shall include endorsed, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise transferred. Nothing in this statute shall be deemed to invalidate any other form or notice of assignment that may have been heretofore recorded. Nothing in this statute shall imply that recordation of the instrument of assignment or a certificate of transfer is necessary in order to transfer to an assignee the benefit of the security provided by the deed of trust, mortgage or vendor's lien.

2. That § 55-66.1:01 of the Code of Virginia is repealed.