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HOUSE BILL NO. 625

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on General Laws
on February 28, 1996)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Diamonstein)

A BILL to amend and reenact § 36-115 of the Code of Virginia and to amend and reenact the second enactment of Chapter 53 of the 1995 Acts of Assembly, relating to housing.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 36-115 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 36-115. Subpoenas; witnesses; designation of subordinates.

In any matter before it on appeal for hearing and determination, the Review Board, or its designated subordinates, may compel the attendance of all needed witnesses in like manner as a circuit court, save the Review Board shall not have the power of imprisonment. In taking evidence, the chairman or any member of the Review Board, or its designated subordinates, shall have the power to administer oaths to witnesses. Where a designated subordinate of the Review Board presides over hearings on appeals, such subordinate shall submit recommended findings and a decision to the Review Board pursuant to § 9-6.14:12.

2. That the second enactment of Chapter 53 of the 1995 Acts of Assembly is amended and reenacted as follows:

2. That the provisions of this act shall become effective July 1, 1996 1997.

3. That the Virginia Housing Study Commission is directed to study the changes in the composition of the Board of Housing and Community Development that will become effective on July 1, 1997, pursuant to Chapter 53 of the 1995 Acts of Assembly. As part of its study, the Commission is also directed to consider any other changes in the composition or membership of the Board that the Commission deems appropriate for its consideration, such as those proposed by House Bill 625, as introduced in the 1996 Session. The Commission shall complete its work in time to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the 1997 Session of the General Assembly as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents.

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