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SENATE BILL NO. 578

Senate Amendments in [] — February 5, 1998

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 15.2-2108.1, relating to open video systems.

Patrons-Whipple, Barry, Howell and Ticer; Delegates: Darner, Hull, Keating and Scott

Referred to the Committee on Local Government

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 15.2-2108.1 as follows:

§ 15.2-2108.1. Regulation of open video systems.

A locality may regulate an open video system authorized pursuant to 47 USC § 573 to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, including without limitation the (i) imposition of a gross revenues fee [, if such locality has not adopted a currently effective ordinance imposing a Video Programming Excise Tax pursuant to § 58.1-3818.3, and (ii) requirement of the provision and support of public, educational and governmental access channels on any such system.