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HOUSE BILL NO. 340

Offered January 15, 1998

A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-1200 of the Code of Virginia, relating to taxing powers of counties.

Patron—Davies

Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 15.2-1200 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 15.2-1200. General powers of counties.

A. Any county may adopt such measures as it deems expedient to secure and promote the health, safety and general welfare of its inhabitants which are not inconsistent with the general laws of the Commonwealth. Such power shall include, but shall not be limited to, the adoption of quarantine regulations affecting both persons and animals, the adoption of necessary regulations to prevent the spread of contagious diseases among persons or animals and the adoption of regulations for the prevention of the pollution of water which is dangerous to the health or lives of persons residing in the county.

B. Any contrary provision of law notwithstanding, counties shall have all the powers of taxation granted to municipalities in § 15.2-1104, including the authority to raise annually by taxes and assessments on property, persons and other subjects of taxation, which are not prohibited by law, such sums of money as in the judgment of the county are necessary to pay the debts, defray the expenses, accomplish the purposes and perform the functions of the county, in such manner as the county deems necessary or expedient.

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