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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 530
AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Rules
on February 19, 1999)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Griffith)

Directing the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, with the assistance of the Department of Historic Resources and in cooperation with the Virginia Association of Counties, the Virginia Municipal League, and other interested associations, to compile a list of sites where Revolutionary War veterans are buried.

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth provides for memorializing and protecting certain graves and cemeteries of veterans of the Confederate Army; and

WHEREAS, such provisions are found in Chapter 22 of Title 10.1 of the Code of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, no similar provision now exists in Virginia law for the restoration and maintenance of the burial grounds and graves of veterans of the Revolutionary War; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, with the assistance of the Department of Historic Resources and in cooperation with the Virginia Association of Counties, the Virginia Municipal League, the Virginia chapters of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Virginia chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and such other organizations as may register an interest with the Commission, be directed to compile a list of sites where Revolutionary War veterans are buried. The Commission shall also recommend a procedure for adding discovered grave sites to the list, and recommend a program to restore and preserve all such sites, including the role of public and private entities in such site restoration and preservation.

The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission shall provide its compiled list of sites where Revolutionary War veterans are buried in an interim report to the Governor and the 2000 Session of the General Assembly, and shall complete its work in time to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the 2001 Session of the General Assembly as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents.