

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

An Act to provide for fire protection and emergency medical services.

[H 1399]

Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *Any county, city or town that, as of June 30, 2000, provided fire protection or emergency medical services for its citizens through the utilization of a fire department, emergency medical service personnel or fire protection personnel may not thereafter provide fire protection or emergency medical services by utilizing an entity that provides fire protection for the county, city or town for profit under contract or other agreement and that is not a county, city or town, or a department of a county, city or town, or a state or federal agency, unless first approved by a majority of voters at a referendum to be held on the date of the next general election. However, the provisions of this act shall not require a county, city, or town to obtain referendum approval prior to contracting for such services, for a period not exceeding twelve months, if the county, city or town has, by ordinance or resolution, declared a need to temporarily supplement its existing personnel.*