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## **SENATE BILL NO. 406**

Offered January 21, 2000

A BILL to amend and reenact § 4, as amended, of Chapter 46 of the Acts of Assembly of 1952, which created the presently named Peninsula Ports Authority of Virginia.

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Referred to Committee on Local Government

## 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

11 1. That § 4, as amended, of Chapter 46 of the Acts of Assembly of 1952 is amended and reenacted 12 as follows:

§ 4. The Authority shall be governed by a commission composed of nine seven commissioners. All 13 14 powers and duties of the Authority shall be exercised and performed by the commission. The nine 15 incumbent members of the commission are declared to be and are the lawfully constituted members of the commission, and their appointments to office, qualification and terms of office, being March 1, 1964 16 for two members, March 1, 1965 for two other members, March 1, 1966 for two other members and 17 March 1, 1967 for the remaining three members, are hereby ratified, validated and confirmed. Each of 18 such incumbent members shall continue in office until his successor shall be duly appointed and 19 20 qualified. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the successor of each member of the commission 21 shall be a resident of the city or county that he is appointed to represent and shall be appointed for a 22 term of four years one year and until his successor shall be duly appointed and qualified, except that any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the unexpired term. Members of the 23 24 commission may be appointed for no more than successive one-year terms. Two of the successors to the 25 six current All members residing in the City of Newport News of the commission shall be residents of 26 the City of Hampton, the City of Newport News, the City of Poquoson, the City of Williamsburg, the County of Gloucester, the County of James City, or the County of York and shall be jointly appointed by 27 28 the council of the City of Newport News. One of the successors to the remaining four current members 29 residing in the City of Newport News shall be appointed by city council of the City of Newport News 30 from the City of Williamsburg and the Counties of York, James City, and Gloucester upon the recommendation of the city council or board of supervisors of the city or county they are to represent. 31 32 Two of the successors to the three members residing in the City of Hampton shall be appointed by the 33 and the city council of the City of Hampton. The successor to the other current member residing in the 34 City of Hampton shall be appointed by city council of the City of Hampton from the City of Poquoson 35 upon the recommendation of the Poquoson city council. Thereafter the city council or board of 36 supervisors of the respective city or county shall appoint the member to represent their city or county. 37 Each member of the commission shall, before entering upon the discharge of his duties, take and 38 subscribe the oath of office required by § 34 of the Constitution of Virginia.

Any member who shall cease to reside within the city from which he was appointed shall thereuponbe disqualified from holding office as a member of the commission.

Five members of the commission shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of five members shall be necessary for any action taken by the commission. No vacancy in the membership of the commission shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of the commission.

45 2. That the provisions of this act shall not effect appointments to the commission of the Peninsula

- 46 Ports Authority of Virginia made prior to March 1, 2000.
- 47 3. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.