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[H 2647]

An Act to allow lighting level regulation in Augusta County.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That the County of Augusta may provide by ordinance for the regulation of maximum upward exterior illumination levels of buildings and property zoned or used for commercial or business purposes. Such ordinance shall only apply to lighting installed after the effective date of the ordinance and shall not affect or be applied to agricultural or silvicultural operations. Further, such ordinance shall not apply to (i) any outdoor advertising signs owned by a person in the business of outdoor advertising licensed by the Department of Transportation pursuant to § 33.1-361, (ii) temporary construction or maintenance activities performed by the Department of Transportation or its agents or contractors, (iii) utility companies, (iv) facilities owned by the Department of Corrections, (v) lighting regulated by the Uniform Statewide Building Code, or (vi) premise security lighting used for properties whose primary usage is for multi-family residential or commercial office purposes.

2. That if Augusta County has not adopted an ordinance pursuant to this act prior to July 1,

2005, the provisions of this act shall expire on July 1, 2005.