

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act relating to the use of natural cut Christmas trees in the common areas of places of worship and*  
3 *in apartment dwelling units that do not have automatic sprinkler systems.*

4 [H 622]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 1. § 1. *The use of natural cut Christmas trees in places of worship and in apartment dwelling units.*

8 *The Board of Housing and Community Development shall promulgate regulations in accordance with*  
9 *the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq. of the Code of Virginia) to permit the use of natural*  
10 *cut Christmas trees in places of worship and apartment dwelling units without an approved automatic*  
11 *sprinkler system. In the development of the regulations, the Board of Housing and Community*  
12 *Development shall seek input from state and local fire code officials, local building code officials,*  
13 *representatives of apartment owners and managers, and representatives of places of worship.*

14 2. **That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.**

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