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HOUSE BILL NO. 2209

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 33.1-13 of the Code of Virginia, relating to powers of the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner; outsourcing and privatization of Department of Transportation functions.*

Patrons—Wardrup, Athey, Cole, Cosgrove, Gear, Jones, S.C., Miller, J.H., Rust, Sherwood and Tata

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 33.1-13 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 33.1-13. General powers of Commissioner.

Except such powers as are conferred by law upon the Commonwealth Transportation Board, the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner shall have the power to do all acts necessary or convenient for constructing, improving and maintaining the roads embraced in the systems of state highways and to further the interests of the Commonwealth in the areas of public transportation, railways, seaports, and airports. And as executive head of the Transportation Department, the Commissioner is specifically charged with the duty of executing all orders and decisions of the Board and he may, subject to the provisions of this chapter, require that all appointees and employees perform their duties under this chapter.

In addition, the Commissioner, in order to maximize efficiency, shall take such steps as may be appropriate to outsource or privatize any of the Department's functions that might reasonably be provided by the private sector.

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