10102539D 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 344** 2 3 4 5 Offered January 13, 2010 Prefiled January 12, 2010 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 56-585.1:1, relating to the installation of voltage regulation technology devices. 6 Patron—Hanger 7 8 Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 56-585.1:1 as follows: 11 § 56-585.1:1. Installation of voltage regulation technologies. 12 Notwithstanding the provisions of §56-585.1 that address cost recovery and the rate of return on 13 equity, each investor-owned incumbent electric utility may recover the costs and earn a 15 percent rate 14 of return from their ratepayers on investments and installations of voltage regulation technologies which 15 reduce energy consumption, improve grid efficiency, raise or lower voltage dynamically and are 99 16

percent or more efficient across at least 90 percent of the load curve.