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SENATE BILL NO. 672

Offered January 22, 2010

A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 2.2-116.1, relating to compacts between the Commonwealth and federally recognized Virginia Indian tribes.*

Patron—Deeds

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 2.2-116.1 as follows:

§ 2.2-116.1. Compacts with federally recognized Virginia Indian tribes.

Subject to the approval of the General Assembly, the Governor may enter into a compact with any Virginia Indian tribe that has been officially recognized by the Commonwealth and has also obtained official recognition by the United States government as a self-governing community. Such compact shall encompass issues related to the tribe's right to self-governance and intercourse with the Commonwealth, including but not limited to taxation, zoning, and compliance with environmental laws.

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