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HOUSE BILL NO. 1286

Offered January 20, 2012

A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-2230.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to local capital projects; utility relocation.

Patrons—Dudenhefer and Minchew

Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 15.2-2230.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 15.2-2230.1. Public facilities study.

In addition to reviewing the comprehensive plan, the planning commission may make a study of the public facilities, including existing facilities, which would be needed if the comprehensive plan is fully implemented. The study may include estimations of the annual prospective operating costs for such facilities and any revenues, including tax revenues, that may be generated by such facilities. For purposes of the study, public facilities may include but need not be limited to water and sewer lines and treatment plants, schools, public safety facilities, streets and highways. The planning commission may forward the study to the local governing body or any other local, regional, state or federal agency that the planning commission believes might benefit from its findings. The study may also be forwarded to any utility company that may be impacted by such public facilities. In any such instance, the utility shall relocate utilities in a timely manner as requested by the locality so as to accommodate capital projects approved pursuant to § 15.2-2239.