

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 28.2-551.1, relating to*
3 *reestablishing Baylor Survey lines.*

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5 Approved

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6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 28.2-551.1 as follows:**

8 **§ 28.2-551.1. *Continuing or reestablishing historic Baylor Survey lines.***

9 *When private leaseholds granted by the Commission or its predecessors appear within the Baylor*
10 *Survey continuing pursuant to § 28.2-551 or as reestablished pursuant to § 28.2-553, if it shall be*
11 *established to the satisfaction of the Commission, by petition duly filed prior to January 1, 2015, that*
12 *the present or former leaseholders or their predecessors in title were granted the leaseholds within the*
13 *area shown on "Atlantic Coast Chart No. 25" of the "Public Oyster Grounds, State of Virginia, 1895" in*
14 *good faith more than five years previously and have made substantial improvements in such leasehold*
15 *bottoms since that time, the Commission shall reestablish the lines of the Baylor Survey along the survey*
16 *lines between the private leaseholds previously approved. Any notice to vacate such leaseholds shall be*
17 *of no effect.*

18 *In reestablishing Baylor Survey lines pursuant to this section, the Commission may adjust the*
19 *boundaries to facilitate ease of protection for the public grounds, provided that such adjustment shall*
20 *neither reduce nor enlarge the area of public grounds, nor materially reduce or increase the value of*
21 *the private grounds whose boundaries are being adjusted.*

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