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HOUSE BILL NO. 1812

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.2-220.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Secretary of Natural Resources; Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement; annual report.

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Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 2.2-220.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 2.2-220.1. Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement; annual report.

By November 1 of each year, the Secretary of Natural Resources, in consultation with appropriate state and federal agencies, shall report to the Governor and the Chairs of the House Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Its Tributaries, Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation, and Natural Resources, the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Finance, the Virginia delegation to the Chesapeake Bay Commission, and the Virginia Chesapeake Bay Partnership Council on specific progress made in implementing the provisions of the Chesapeake Bay 2000 Agreement. The report shall include, but not be limited to, a description of the programs, activities, and initiatives developed and implemented by state and local government agencies to meet each of the goals and commitments contained in the Agreement and an assessment of projected state funding necessary to meet the goals and commitments on the implementation of the 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement. The Secretary may use documents, reports, and other materials developed in cooperation with other signatories to the agreement, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and other relevant federal agencies or nongovernmental organizations, to fulfill this reporting requirement.