

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 10.1-1184.1, relating to Regional*
3 *Greenhouse Gas Initiative; prohibition on participation by Commonwealth.*

4 [H 2611]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 10.1-1184.1 as follows:**8 ***§ 10.1-1184.1. Participation in Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative prohibited.***

9 *A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, neither the Governor nor any state agency, including*
10 *the State Air Pollution Control Board, the Department, or any commission or political subdivision of the*
11 *Commonwealth, shall adopt any regulation, rule, or guidance document that establishes a carbon*
12 *dioxide cap-and-trade program or brings about the participation by the Commonwealth in a regional*
13 *market for the trading of carbon dioxide allowances, whether such market is established through the*
14 *Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, a successor organization, or another carbon program.*

15 *B. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, the Commonwealth shall be allowed to participate*
16 *in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative or other carbon dioxide cap-and-trade program if the House*
17 *of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia each adopt by a two-thirds vote a resolution that specifically*
18 *references and approves the regulatory text that is proposed for adoption by a state agency.*

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