20103276D 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 1616** 2 House Amendments in [] - February 10, 2020 3 A BILL to amend and reenact § 2 of Chapter XVIII of Chapter 431 of the Acts of Assembly of 1950, 4 which provided a charter for the City of Hopewell, relating to the issuance of bonds. 5 Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Coyner 6 7 Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 8 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That § 2 of Chapter XVIII of Chapter 431 of the Acts of Assembly of 1950 is amended and 10 reenacted as follows: 11 12 § 2. Exemption. 13 The following bonds shall be exempted from the requirement to be approved by a referendum of 14 voters: 15 (i) bonds (a) Bonds issued for improvements to the construction, improvement, expansion, or 16 replacement of [existing] public buildings or facilities; [the city may replace existing buildings or facilities on an alternative site: 1 17 (ii) bonds (b) Bonds not exceeding \$10 million, as adjusted for inflation based upon increases in the 18 19 annual All Items Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers, as published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor

Statistics, issued for economic development purposes as determined by the city council;

(iii) revenue (c) Revenue bonds; (iv) refunding (d) Refunding bonds; and

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(v) tax (e) Tax and revenue anticipation obligations that mature within one year from the date of their issue.

Such bonds so excepted exempted may be issued upon an affirmative vote of a majority of all members of city council.