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HOUSE BILL NO. 1623

Offered January 16, 2020

A BILL to amend and reenact § 58.1-817 of the Code of Virginia, relating to fee for open-space preservation.

Patrons—Plum, Lopez and Mugler

Referred to Committee on Finance

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 58.1-817 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 58.1-817. Fee for open-space preservation.

In addition to all other taxes and fees imposed by this chapter, beginning July 1, 2004 2020, there is hereby imposed a \$4 \$3 fee on every deed writing, document, and instrument admitted to record in those jurisdictions in which open-space easements are held by the Virginia Outdoors Foundation. The fee shall be collected as provided in § 58.1-812 and the clerk shall deposit all fees collected hereunder into a special fund within the state treasury which shall be created on the books of the Comptroller for this revenue. On a monthly basis, the Comptroller shall distribute all revenue collected from such fee to the Virginia Outdoors Foundation, which shall accept, hold, and administer such funds in accordance with its purpose and powers as set forth in Chapter 18 (§ 10.1-1800 et seq.) of Title 10.1.

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