

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 62.1-195.3, relating to hydraulic*
3 *fracturing; groundwater management area; prohibition.*

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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 62.1-195.3 as follows:**

8 **§ 62.1-195.3. Hydraulic fracturing; groundwater management area.**

9 *No person shall conduct any hydraulic fracturing in any well that has been drilled through any*
10 *portion of a groundwater management area declared by regulation prior to January 1, 2020, pursuant*
11 *to the provisions of the Ground Water Management Act of 1992 (§ 62.1-254 et seq.). For purposes of*
12 *this section, "hydraulic fracturing" means the treatment of a well by the application of hydraulic*
13 *fracturing fluid, including a base fluid and any additive, under pressure for the express purpose of*
14 *initiating or propagating fractures in a target geologic formation to enhance production of oil or*
15 *natural gas.*

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