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20106341D **SENATE BILL NO. 106** 1 AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE 234567 (Proposed by the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources on January 21, 2020) (Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Surovell) Senate Amendments in [] - January 24, 2020 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 62.1-195.3, relating to hydraulic 8 fracturing; groundwater management area; prohibition. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 9 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 62.1-195.3 as follows: 10 § 62.1-195.3. Hydraulic fracturing; groundwater management area. 11 No person shall conduct any hydraulic fracturing in any well that has been drilled through any 12 portion of a groundwater management area declared by regulation pursuant to the provisions of the 13 Ground Water Management Act of 1992 (§ 62.1-254 et seq.) [prior to January 1, 2020]. For purposes 14 of this section, "hydraulic fracturing" means the treatment of a well by the application of hydraulic 15 fracturing fluid, including a base fluid and any additive, under pressure for the express purpose of 16

17 initiating or propagating fractures in a target geologic formation to enhance production of oil or 18 natural gas.

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