2020 SESSION

SENATE SUBSTITUTE

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1	SENATE BILL NO. 106
2	AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
3	(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
4	on January 21, 2020)
5	(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Surovell)
6	A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 62.1-195.3, relating to hydraulic
7	fracturing; groundwater management area; prohibition.
8	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.). For purposes of this section, "hydraulic
14	fracturing" means the treatment of a well by the application of hydraulic fracturing fluid, including a
15	base fluid and any additive, under pressure for the express purpose of initiating or propagating
16	fractures in a target geologic formation to enhance production of oil or natural gas.