

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 3.2-3305 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Dairy Producer Margin*
 3 *Coverage Premium Assistance Program; emergency.*

4 [H 828]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 3.2-3305 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 3.2-3305. (Expires July 1, 2023) Dairy Producer Margin Coverage Premium Assistance**
 9 **Program.**10 A. The Commissioner shall establish and administer the Dairy Producer Margin Coverage Premium
 11 Assistance Program to assist dairy producers that participate in the federal coverage program.12 B. Any dairy producer in the Commonwealth that participates in the federal coverage program at the
 13 first tier coverage level and (i) has a resource management plan and has been certified as having
 14 implemented such plan by, or is in the process of having such plan reviewed by, DCR or a local soil
 15 and water conservation district, (ii) *has an approved Natural Resource Conservation Service nutrient*
 16 *management or soil health plan developed by an approved planner, or* ~~(ii)~~ (iii) has a nutrient
 17 management plan that has been approved by, or is currently being reviewed by, DCR shall be eligible to
 18 apply to participate in the Program. An eligible dairy producer shall apply to the Department by
 19 ~~February 1~~ *May 15* of each year to participate.20 C. Any participating dairy producer that has paid an annual federal premium payment at the tier I
 21 level in accordance with the Farm Act and provides proof of such payment to the Department shall have
 22 the amount of such premium reimbursed by the Department. Such reimbursement shall be provided on a
 23 first-come, first-served basis and shall be subject to availability of funds expressly appropriated for the
 24 purposes set forth in this chapter.25 **2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.**

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