

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 10.1-2210.1, relating to*  
3 *Department of Historic Resources; Green Book historic site designation.*

4 [H 1968]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 10.1-2210.1 as follows:**8 **§ 10.1-2210.1. *Green Book historic site designation.***

9 *A. For purposes of this section, "Green Book" means The Negro Motorist Green Book published by*  
10 *Victor Hugo Green to provide a list of hotels, guest houses, service stations, drug stores, taverns,*  
11 *barbershops, and restaurants known to be safe for traveling Black Americans during the Jim Crow era.*

12 *B. The Department, in partnership with the Virginia Tourism Corporation and the Department of*  
13 *Transportation, shall designate or approve historic site signs identifying locations and businesses*  
14 *identified in the Green Book. Such historic site signs shall be permanently affixed to existing markers*  
15 *approved by the Department as provided in § 10.1-2209. The Department shall establish a registry of*  
16 *verified locations and businesses in the Commonwealth identified in the Green Book and determine*  
17 *those locations or businesses that also have a historic site marker approved by the Department on or*  
18 *near such location or business. The Department of Transportation shall print, place, and maintain the*  
19 *Green Book historic site signs. Localities that maintain their own highways shall place and maintain the*  
20 *Green Book historic site signs for those sites within their boundaries. The Virginia Tourism Corporation*  
21 *shall design the signs and maintain an informational website (i) explaining the historical significance of*  
22 *the Green Book in making travel safer for Black Americans and (ii) listing the Green Book locations in*  
23 *the Commonwealth, as identified by the Department, and identifying those locations that have posted*  
24 *Green Book historic site signs as provided in this section. Such signs shall include an image, outline, or*  
25 *similar depiction of the Green Book and the words "Green Book Location."*

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