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24101764D 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 644** Offered January 10, 2024 2 3 4 5 Prefiled January 9, 2024 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 15.2-918.1, relating to local prohibition or regulation of gas-powered leaf blowers; civil penalty. 6 Patrons—Sullivan, Bennett-Parker, Hope and Tran 7 8 Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 15.2-918.1 as follows: 11 12 § 15.2-918.1. Local prohibition or regulation of use of gas-powered leaf blowers; civil penalty. Any locality may by ordinance prohibit or regulate the use of gas-powered leaf blowers within its 13 jurisdiction. The locality may authorize a civil penalty for violations in an amount to be set out in the 14 ordinance. Civil penalties assessed under this section shall be paid into the treasury of the locality

where the violation occurred.