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A BILL to direct the Department of Conservation and Recreation, in collaboration with other state agencies and localities, to develop and maintain a guidance document to assist localities in complying with the federal National Flood Insurance Program.

Patron—Hodges

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That the Department of Conservation and Recreation (the Department), in collaboration with the Department of Health, Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Transportation, Marine Resources Commission, Virginia Institute of Marine Science, representatives from localities, and any other state agency issuing permits in a floodplain, shall develop and maintain a comprehensive guidance document to assist localities in complying with the federal floodplain management requirements under the National Flood Insurance Program, authorized by the federal National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448. Such guidance document shall provide the proper implementation of enforcement provisions regulating development in floodplain management areas, including floodplain permitting requirements for all man-made development, within localities that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program. The Department shall review and revise the guidance document, with input from other state agencies and representatives of localities, at least every five years.*

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