

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 45.2-1647 of the Code of Virginia, relating to groundwater management*
3 *areas; bioslurry injections in wells prohibited.*

4 [S 784]
5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. That § 45.2-1647 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 **§ 45.2-1647. Hydraulic fracturing; bioslurry injections; groundwater management area.**

9 *A. For the purposes of this section, "bioslurry injection" means the underground injection of agricultural*
10 *waste, food waste, manure, paper sludge, or sewage sludge.*

11 *B. No person shall conduct any hydraulic fracturing or bioslurry injection in any well that has been drilled*
12 *through any portion of a groundwater management area declared by regulation prior to January 1, 2020,*
13 *pursuant to the provisions of the Ground Water Management Act of 1992 (§ 62.1-254 et seq.). For purposes*
14 *of this section, "hydraulic fracturing" means the treatment of a well by the application of hydraulic fracturing*
15 *fluid, including a base fluid and any additive, under pressure for the express purpose of initiating or*
16 *propagating fractures in a target geologic formation to enhance production of natural gas or oil.*

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