REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES ON

THE EXTENT OF USE AND FAIRNESS OF THE SEVERAL "LAND USE" TAX INCENTIVE PROGRAMS CURRENTLY EXISTING IN VIRGINIA

TO THE GOVERNOR AND
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA



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## <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: The Honorable George Allen, Governor of Virginia Members of the General Assembly of Virginia

House Joint Resolution No. 669, agreed to by the General Assembly in 1993, requests the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to study, cooperatively with the Departments of Conservation and Recreation, Forestry and Taxation:

"the extent of use and fairness of the several "land use" tax incentive programs currently existing in Virginia..."

Delegate Gladys B. Keating, the patron of House Joint Resolution No. 669 and the cooperating agencies identified above, have determined that while additional study of the Commonwealth's various land use programs is most likely worthwhile, the current economic situation and costs associated with such a study prevent further analysis of these programs at this time. This will serve as the final report as required by the resolution.

On behalf of the staff of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, I wish to express our appreciation for the cooperation and assistance provided by the Departments of Conservation and Recreation, Forestry and Taxation for their efforts in completing the interim report.

Respectfully submitted,

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