

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Department of Taxation

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The Honorable John H. Chichester Chairman, Senate Finance Committee Post Office Box 904 Fredericksburg, Virginia 22404

The Honorable Vincent F. Callahan, Jr. Chairman, House Appropriations Committee Post Office Box 1173 McClean, Virginia 22101

The Honorable Harry J. Parrish Chairman, House Finance Committee 9009 Center Street Manassas, Virginia 20110

Dear Chairmen:

Section 15.2-5820 of the Code of Virginia requires me to submit a report to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Chairman of the House Finance Committee, and the Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, on the amount of the entitlement to sales tax revenues derived from a major league baseball stadium pursuant to § 15.2-5814.

In connection with the issuance of bonds by the Virginia Baseball Stadium Authority to finance a major league baseball stadium, the Code states "the Authority shall be entitled to all sales tax revenues that are generated by transactions taking place upon the premises of the major league baseball stadium." Presently, there has been no construction or acquisition of a stadium; thus, there are no revenues to report.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Tax Commissioner