**FARM BUILDING DEFINITION**

**(As approved by 1998 General Assembly Session)**

**HB 935**

**Uniform Statewide Building Code: definitions.** Amends Section 36-97 of the Code of Virginia by adding a specific definition of “farm building” or structure which states that such a building or structure is one that is not used for residential purposes, located on property where farming operation takes place, and used primarily for any of the following uses or combination thereof:

1. Storage, handling, production, display, sampling or sale of agricultural, horticultural, floricultural or silvicultural products produced on the farm;
2. Sheltering, raising, handling, processing or sale of agricultural animal or agricultural animal products;
3. Business or office uses relating to the farm operations;
4. Use of farm machinery or equipment or maintenance or storage of vehicles, machinery or equipment on the farm;
5. Storage or use of supplies and materials used on the farm; or
6. Implementation of best management practices associated with farm operation.

The bill also provides that “farm buildings or structures” shall be exempt from the provisions of the Building Code.

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(Applicant’s signature indicates that the above definition has been read and the structure named in the attached application does comply)

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