



HUD/Section 8 Housing Vouchers

Effective July 1, 2020, Source of Income is a protected class in Virginia

Exemptions For Owners/Landlords

HB 6 (Bourne) adds discrimination based on a person's source of funds to the list of unlawful discriminatory housing practices.

Legislation was amended to **exempt owners**, or the owner's managing agent, **if the owner does not own more than four rental dwelling units**; or if they have no more than a 10% interest in more than four rental dwelling units in Virginia.

If the source of funds is not approved within 15 days of the request for tenancy, the owner may deny the applicant.

Source of income is defined as lawfully provided funds including any assistance, benefit or subsidy program, whether administered by a governmental or non-governmental entity.