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HOUSE BILL NO. 919

Offered January 24, 2000

A BILL to amend and reenact § 16.1-126 of the Code of Virginia, relating to trial of misdemeanors by circuit courts.

Patrons—Dickinson and Cranwell; Senator: Houck

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 16.1-126 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 16.1-126. Certain courts of record may try misdemeanors; procedure.

~~Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the~~ The circuit court of any county or city having criminal jurisdiction, shall have jurisdiction to try any person for any misdemeanor for which a presentment or indictment is brought in or for which an information is filed *only on appeal from a district court;* ~~or such~~ Such court ~~may~~ shall certify the presentment, indictment or information for trial to the court not of record which would otherwise have jurisdiction of the offense; in which event the presentment, indictment or information shall be in lieu of any warrant, petition or other pleading which might otherwise be required by law.

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