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## **SENATE BILL NO. 225**

## AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE (Proposed by the House Committee on Corporations, Insurance and Banking

on February 29, 2000)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Stolle)

- 234567 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 6 of Chapter 15 of Title 56 a section numbered 56-484.12, relating to blocking caller identification to State Police access telephone 8 number for wireless telephone usage.
- 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
- 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 6 of Chapter 15 of Title 56 a section 10 11 numbered 56-484.12, as follows:
- 12 § 56-484.12. Designation of official State Police access number; blocking caller identification 13 prohibited.
- 14 A. Telephone number "#77" is hereby designated as an official access number for wireless telephone usage in the Commonwealth for access to designated offices of the Department of State Police and shall 15 16 be used solely for official business.

B. No caller shall block caller identification or other essential information on calls made to 17 telephone number "#77." Where technically feasible, wireline and wireless telephone providers shall 18 provide calling party number identification for all wireless #77 calls. Any provider of 19 20 telecommunications service, as defined in § 58.1-3812, including mobile service, in this Commonwealth 21 shall not be liable for any civil damages for any act or omission resulting from rendering such service with or without charge related to #77 calls unless such act or omission was the result of such service 22 23 provider's gross negligence or willful misconduct.