

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2003 SESSION

CHAPTER 231

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 30-10 and 30-34.2:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to attendance of witnesses before and production of evidence to certain legislative bodies.

[S 1343]

Approved March 16, 2003

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 30-10 and 30-34.2:1 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 30-10. Attendance of witnesses; production of evidence.

When the Senate or House of Delegates, a joint committee *or commission* thereof, or any committee of either house authorized to send for persons and papers, shall order the attendance of any witness, or the production of any paper as evidence, a summons shall be issued accordingly by the clerk of such house ~~or committee~~, directed to the sheriff or other officer of any county or ~~corporation~~, city, or the chief officer of the Virginia Capitol Police, or his designee, and, when served, obedience thereto may be enforced by attachment, fine and imprisonment in jail, at the discretion of the house which, or the committee of which, caused the summons to issue, or in the case of a joint committee *or commission*, at the discretion of such joint committee *or commission* or as the two houses may determine by joint resolution.

§ 30-34.2:1. Powers, duties and functions of Capitol Police.

The Capitol Police may exercise within the limits of the Capitol Square and, when assigned to any other property owned or controlled by the Commonwealth or any agency, department, institution or commission thereof, all the powers, duties and functions which are exercised by the police of the city, or the police or sheriff of the county within which said property is located. The jurisdiction of the Capitol Police shall further extend 300 feet beyond the boundary of any property they are required to protect, such jurisdiction to be concurrent with that of other law-enforcement officers of the locality in which such property is located. Additionally, the Capitol Police shall have concurrent jurisdiction with law-enforcement officers of the City of Richmond and of any county contiguous thereto in any case involving the theft or misappropriation of the personal property of any member or employee of the General Assembly. Members of the Capitol Police, when assigned to accompany the Governor, members of the Governor's family, the Lieutenant Governor, the Attorney General, members of the General Assembly, or members of the Virginia Supreme Court, *or when directed to serve a summons issued by the Clerk of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Delegates, a joint committee or commission thereof or any committee of either house* shall be vested with all the powers and authority of a law-enforcement officer of any city or county in which they are required to be. All members of the Capitol Police shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 5 (§ 9.1-500 et seq.) of Title 9.1 and to the provisions of Chapter 10 (§ 2.2-1000 et seq.) of Title 2.2.