

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2003 SESSION

CHAPTER 860

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 53.1-131.3, relating to defraying the cost of a prisoner's keep.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 53.1-131.3 as follows:

§ 53.1-131.3. Payment of costs associated with prisoner keep.

Any sheriff or jail superintendent may establish a program to charge inmates a reasonable fee, not to exceed \$1 per day, to defray the costs associated with the prisoners' keep. The Board shall develop a model plan and adopt regulations for such program, and shall provide assistance, if requested, to the sheriff or jail superintendent in the implementation of such program. Such funds shall be retained in the locality where the funds were collected and shall be used for general jail purposes.