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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1440** 

Offered January 8, 2003 Prefiled November 14, 2002

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-600 of the Code of Virginia, relating to registration of motor vehicles, trailers, and semitrailers; information to be provided to Department of Motor Vehicles.

Patron—Carrico

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-600 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-600. Owner to secure registration and certificate of title or certificate of ownership.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter every person who owns a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer, or his authorized attorney-in-fact, shall, before it is operated on any highway in the Commonwealth, register with the Department and obtain from the Department the registration card and certificate of title for the vehicle. Persons applying for registration shall provide the Department with either the home or business street address of the residence of the owner of the motor vehicle being registered and, if the vehicle is being registered as an insured motor vehicle as defined in § 46.2-705, the name of the insurance carrier providing coverage for the vehicle.

Unless he has previously applied for registration and a certificate of title or he is exempted under §§ 46.2-619, 46.2-631, and 46.2-1206, every person residing in the Commonwealth who owns a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or his duly authorized attorney-in-fact, shall, within thirty days of the

purchase or transfer, apply to the Department for a certificate of ownership.