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HOUSE BILL NO. 2269

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1220 of the Code of Virginia, relating to parking.

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

10 1. That § 46.2-1220 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

\$ 46.2-1220. Parking, stopping, and standing regulations in cities, towns, and certain counties;
parking meters; presumption as to violation of ordinances; penalty.

The governing bodies of Albemarle, Arlington, Campbell, Chesterfield, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Greene, 13 14 Hanover, Henrico, Henry, Isle of Wight, James City, King George, Loudoun, Pittsylvania, Prince George, Prince William, Roanoke, Rockbridge, Scott, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Tazewell Counties and 15 the governing body of any Any county, city or town may by ordinance provide for the regulation of 16 parking, stopping, and standing of vehicles within its limits, including requirements for parking permits 17 18 in designated areas of the locality and including the installation and maintenance of parking meters. The ordinance may require the deposit of a coin of a prescribed denomination, determine the length of time 19 20 a vehicle may be parked, and designate a department, official, or employee of the local government to 21 administer the provisions of the ordinance. The ordinance may delegate to that department, official, or 22 employee the authority to make and enforce any additional regulations concerning parking that may be 23 required, including, but not limited to, penalties for violations, deadlines for the payment of fines, and 24 late payment penalties for fines not paid when due. In a city having a population of at least 100,000, the 25 ordinance may also provide that a summons or parking ticket for the violation of the ordinance or regulations may be issued by law-enforcement officers, other uniformed city employees, or by uniformed 26 27 personnel serving under contract with the city. The governing bodies of Augusta, Bath, and Rockingham Counties may by ordinance provide for the regulation of parking, stopping, and standing of vehicles 28 29 within their limits, but no such ordinance shall authorize or provide for the installation and maintenance 30 of parking meters.

No ordinance adopted under the provisions of this section shall prohibit the parking of two2
motorcycles in single parking spaces designated, marked, and sized for four4-wheel vehicles. The
governing body of any county, city, or town may, by ordinance, permit the parking of three3 or more
motorcycles in single parking spaces designated, marked, and sized for four4-wheel vehicles.

35 If any ordinance regulates parking on an interstate highway or any arterial highway or any extension36 of an arterial highway, it shall be subject to the approval of the Transportation Commissioner.

37 In any prosecution charging a violation of the ordinance or regulation, proof that the vehicle 38 described in the complaint, summons, parking ticket citation, or warrant was parked in violation of the 39 ordinance or regulation, together with proof that the defendant was at the time the registered owner of the vehicle, as required by Chapter 6 (§ 46.2-600 et seq.) of this title, shall constitute in evidence a 40 prima facie presumption that the registered owner of the vehicle was the person who committed the 41 violation. Violators of local ordinances adopted by Chesterfield County pursuant to this section shall be 42 subject to a civil penalty not to exceed seventy-five dollars \$75, the proceeds from which shall be paid 43 into the locality's general fund. 44