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SENATE BILL NO. 1296

FLOOR AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by Delegate Cosgrove
on February 17, 2003)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Blevins)

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-1805 of the Code of Virginia, relating to professions and occupations; regulation of polygraph examiners.*

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 54.1-1805 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 54.1-1805. Instruments to be used; approval of other instruments by Director.

A. Each examiner shall use an instrument ~~which~~ *that* records permanently and simultaneously the subject's cardiovascular and respiratory patterns as minimum standards, but such an instrument may record additional physiological changes pertinent to the determination of truthfulness.

B. *In addition, the Director may approve the use of other instruments that record physiological changes pertinent to the determination of truthfulness or the verification of the truth of statements, including a computer voice stress analyzer, by examiners licensed under this chapter, including law-enforcement officials, under such conditions as determined by the Director. Such conditions shall include a provision requiring the examiner, prior to the use of such instrument, to (i) complete a Director-approved training course on its operation and (ii) be certified by the manufacturer on the use of such instrument.*

2. That the provisions of this act shall expire on July 1, 2005.