HOUSE BILL NO. 260

Offered January 14, 2004 Prefiled January 8, 2004 A BILL to amend and reenact § 6.1-330.54 of the Code of Virginia, relating to interest rates on

Patron—Jones, D.C. (By Request)

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 6.1-330.54 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 6.1-330.54. Judgment rate of interest.

The judgment rate of interest shall be an annual rate of nine six percent, except that a money judgment entered in an action arising from a contract shall carry interest at the rate lawfully charged on such contract, or at ninesix percent annually, whichever is higher. Interest at the judgment rate, where no rate is fixed by the contract, shall apply to both prejudgment interest pursuant to § 8.01-382 and to post-judgment interest If the contract or other instrument does not fix an interest rate, the court shall apply the judgment rate of six percent to calculate prejudgment interest pursuant to § 8.01-382 and to calculate post-judgment interest.