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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2463**

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**

(Proposed by the House Committee on General Laws

on January 27, 2005)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Nixon)

*A BILL to amend and reenact the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 9.1-914.1, relating to requirement that licensed professionals give notice of their sex offender registration to customers, clients, or patients; penalty.*

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 9.1-914.1 as follows:**

*§ 9.1-914.1. Licensed professionals to give notice of registration to customers, clients or patients; penalty.*

*Any person (i) who is required to register and reregister under § 9.1-901; (ii) whose profession is required to be licensed by the Commonwealth to engage in the profession; and (iii) who on any occasion has or may have a customer, client, or patient under the age of 18 years, or who may reasonably be expected during the course of his profession to encounter or contact a person under the age of 18 years shall, on and after January 1, 2006, provide verbal and written notice to (a) each adult customer, client or patient and (b) the parent, legal guardian, or person standing in loco parentis to a minor or person under a disability who is his customer, client or patient, that he is included in the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry. Any such offender who fails to provide such notice is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.*

*The Department of State Police shall develop a uniform procedure of notification of customers, clients, or patients by the offenders who are the subject of this section. It shall be the responsibility of the appropriate licensing authorities that issue professional licenses to implement the procedure developed by the State Police.*

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