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HOUSE BILL NO. 1344

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-416 of the Code of Virginia, relating to punishment for using abusive language to another.

Patrons—Bell and Scott, E.T.

Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-416 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-416. Punishment for using abusive language to another.

~~If any person shall~~Any person who, in the presence or hearing of another, ~~curse or abuse~~ curses or abuses such other person, including a law-enforcement officer, firefighter, or emergency medical personnel, or ~~use~~ uses any violent abusive language to such person concerning himself or any of his relations, or otherwise ~~use~~ uses such language, under circumstances reasonably calculated to provoke a breach of the peace, ~~he shall be~~ is guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.

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