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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 255**

Offered January 11, 2006 Prefiled January 4, 2006

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 4 of Title 9.1 a section numbered 9.1-407, relating to the Line of Duty Act; mandatory training.

Patron—Cosgrove

Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 4 of Title 9.1 a section numbered 9.1-407 as follows:

§ 9.1-407. Training.

Any person entitled to benefits under this Chapter shall receive a minimum of one hour of training concerning the benefits available to himself or his beneficiary in case of disability or death in the line of duty. The Secretary of Public Safety shall develop training information to be distributed to agencies and localities with employees subject to this Chapter. The agency or locality shall be responsible for providing the training. Such training shall count towards in-service training requirements for law-enforcement officers pursuant to § 9.1-102.