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HOUSE BILL NO. 385

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A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19.2 a section numbered 19.2-192.2, relating to grand juries; witness testimony.

Patron—Dance

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19.2 a section numbered 19.2-192.2, as follows:

§ 19.2-192.2. Witness testimony to grand jury.

A judge shall permit an individual who wishes to testify before a regular grand jury or a special grand jury to do so unless the judge makes a written finding that the testimony of that individual would present a substantial physical danger to the grand jurors or would likely invalidate any true bills issued by the grand jury. The judge's written finding may be appealed to the Court of Appeals.

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