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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2109**
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*A BILL to amend and reenact § 9.1-500 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the scope of the*
*Law-Enforcement Officers Procedural Guarantee Act.*
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Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety
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**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**
**1. That § 9.1-500 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**
§ 9.1-500. Definitions.
As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:
"Agency" means the Department of State Police, the Division of Capitol Police, the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, the Virginia Port Authority, the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, or the Department of Motor Vehicles; or the political subdivision or the campus police department of any public institution of higher education of the Commonwealth employing the law-enforcement officer.
"Law-enforcement officer" means any person, other than a Chief of Police or the Superintendent of the Department of State Police, who, in his official capacity, is (i) authorized by law to make arrests and (ii) a nonprobationary officer of one of the following agencies:
a. The Department of State Police, the Division of Capitol Police, the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, the Virginia Port Authority, the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, or the Department of Motor Vehicles;
b. The police department, bureau or force of any political subdivision or the campus police department of any public institution of higher education of the Commonwealth where such department, bureau or force has ten or more law-enforcement officers; or
c. Any game warden as defined in § 9.1-101.
~~For the purposes of this chapter, "law-enforcement officer" shall not include the sheriff's department of any city or county.~~