

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 18.2-426 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal §§ 18.2-424 and*  
3 *18.2-425 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the punishment for misuse of telephone party lines;*  
4 *penalty.*

5 [H 2126]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That § 18.2-426 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

9 § 18.2-426. "Emergency call" and "emergency personnel" defined.

10 As used in this article:

11 "Emergency call" means a call to report a fire or summon police, or for medical aid or ambulance  
12 service, in a situation where human life or property is in jeopardy and the prompt summoning of aid is  
13 essential.14 "Emergency personnel" means any persons, paid or volunteer, who receive calls for dispatch of  
15 police, fire, or emergency medical service personnel, and includes law-enforcement officers, firefighters,  
16 including special forest wardens designated pursuant to § 10.1-1135, and emergency medical service  
17 personnel.18 "~~Telephone party line~~" means a subscribers' line circuit consisting of two or more main telephone  
19 stations connected therewith, each station with a distinctive ring or telephone number.20 **2. That §§ 18.2-424 and 18.2-425 of the Code of Virginia are repealed.**

ENROLLED

HB2126ER