076082303 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 2445** 2 3 4 5 Offered January 10, 2007 Prefiled January 9, 2007 A BILL to amend and reenact § 20-14 of the Code of Virginia, relating to a waiting period between the application for a marriage license and its issuance. 6 Patron—Frederick 7 8 Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That § 20-14 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 11 12 § 20-14. By whom license to be issued. Every license for a marriage shall be issued by the clerk or deputy clerk of a circuit court of any 13 county or city. If from any cause neither the clerk nor his deputy is able to issue the license, it may be 14 **15** issued by the judge of the circuit court of such county, or city, who shall make return thereof to the 16 clerk as soon as there may be one.

No license shall be issued under this section unless 72 hours have elapsed between the application for a marriage license and its issuance.

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