HOUSE BILL NO. 1870

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-857 of the Code of Virginia, relating to operation of two motorcycles abreast in a single lane.

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-857 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-857. Driving two abreast in a single lane.

A person shall be guilty of reckless driving who drives any motor vehicle, including any motorcycle, so as to be abreast of another vehicle in a lane designed for one vehicle, or drives any motor vehicle, including any motorcycle, so as to travel abreast of any other vehicle traveling in a lane designed for one vehicle. However, nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit two motorcycles from traveling abreast while traveling in a lane designated for one vehicle. In addition, this section shall not apply to any validly authorized parade, motorcade, or motorcycle escort, nor shall it apply to a motor vehicle traveling in the same lane of traffic as a bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, or moped.