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SENATE BILL NO. 1307

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-92 of the Code of Virginia, relating to issuance of Governor's warrant of arrest; extradition.

Patrons—Hurt; Delegate: Marshall, D.W.

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 19.2-92 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-92. Issuance of Governor's warrant of arrest; its recitals.

If the Governor decides that a demand for the extradition of a person, charged with, or convicted of, crime in another state should be complied with, he shall sign a warrant of arrest, which shall be sealed with the state seal, and be directed to the sheriff or sergeant police chief of any county or city or to any peace officer or other person whom he may think fit to entrust with the execution thereof. However, nothing herein shall prevent the sheriff or police chief of a county or city who has been directed to execute such warrant from authorizing a private citizen to perform such arrest. The warrant must shall substantially recite the facts necessary to the validity of its issuance. Any electronically transmitted facsimile of a Governor's warrant shall be treated as an original document, provided the original is received within four days of receipt of the facsimile.