

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2010 SESSION

CHAPTER 855

An Act to amend and reenact § 63.2-1224 of the Code of Virginia, relating to explanation of the adoption process to birth mother and father.

[H 1133]

Approved April 21, 2010

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 63.2-1224 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 63.2-1224. Explanation of process, legal effects of adoption required.

Prior to the placement of a child for adoption, the licensed child-placing agency or local board having custody of the child shall ~~counsel~~ *provide an explanation of the adoption process to the birth mother or* and, if reasonably available, ~~both birth parents, concerning the disposition of their child~~ *the man who is an acknowledged father pursuant to § 20-49.1, an adjudicated father pursuant to § 20-49.8, a presumed father pursuant to § 63.2-1202, or a putative father who has registered with the Putative Father Registry pursuant to Article 7 (§ 63.2-1249 et seq.) of this chapter.*