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HOUSE BILL NO. 1306

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE (Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice on February 3, 2010)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate LeMunyon)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 8.01-353.1, relating to identification of jurors.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 8.01-353.1 as follows:

§ 8.01-353.1. Jurors to provide identification.

Upon the request of a counsel of record or the clerk of the court, a juror, prior to being selected from the jury venire, shall verify his identity by presenting any of the following forms of identification: his Commonwealth of Virginia voter registration card; his social security card; his valid Virginia driver's license or any other identification card issued by a government agency of the Commonwealth, one of its political subdivisions, or the United States; or any valid employee identification card containing a photograph of the juror and issued by an employer of the juror in the ordinary course of the employer's business. If the juror is unable to present one of the forms of identification, he shall sign a statement, under penalty of perjury, stating whether or not he is the named juror.