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SENATE BILL NO. 176

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-185 of the Code of Virginia, relating to preliminary hearing; testimony reduced to writing.*

Patron—McDougle

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 19.2-185 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-185. Testimony may be reduced to writing and subscribed.

When the judge deems it proper, the testimony of the witnesses may be reduced to writing; and, if required by him, shall be signed by them respectively.

The judge of the court of record to which the case may be or has been certified, *or the district court judge conducting the preliminary hearing*, may order the testimony of the witnesses at the preliminary hearing to be reduced to writing.

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