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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1241

House Amendments in [ ] — February 6, 2014

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-336 of the Code of Virginia, relating to issuing original driver's licenses to minors.*

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Webert

Referred to Committee on Transportation

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 46.2-336 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 46.2-336. Manner of issuing original driver's licenses to minors.**

The Department shall forward all original driver's licenses issued to persons under the age of 18 years to the judge of the juvenile and domestic relations court in the city or county in which the licensee resides. The judge or a substitute judge shall issue to each person to be licensed the license so forwarded, and shall, at the time of issuance, conduct a formal, appropriate ceremony, in which he shall illustrate to the licensee the responsibility attendant on the privilege of driving a motor vehicle. Any judge who presides over such ceremony [ ~~shall, at least 7 days in advance, issue a written notice to the attorney for the Commonwealth who serves the jurisdiction in where the ceremony is to be conducted of the time, date and location of the ceremony and~~ ] [ ~~shall~~ may ] afford the attorney for the Commonwealth [ ~~where the ceremony is to be conducted~~ ] the opportunity to participate in such ceremony and to address the prospective licensees and the below enumerated persons who may be accompanying them as to matters of enforcement, prosecutions, applicable punishments, and the responsibility of drivers generally. If the licensee is under the age of 18 years at the time his ceremony is held, he shall be accompanied at the ceremony by a parent, his guardian, spouse, or other person in loco parentis. However, the judge, for good cause shown, may mail or otherwise deliver the driver's license to any person who is a student at any educational institution outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia at the time such license is received by the judge as prescribed in this section.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to the issuance of Virginia driver's licenses to persons who hold valid driver's licenses issued by other states.

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