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HOUSE BILL NO. 138

Offered January 8, 2014

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-44 of the Code of Virginia, relating to magistrates; territorial jurisdiction.*

Patron—Pogge

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 19.2-44 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:****§ 19.2-44. Territorial jurisdiction.**

A magistrate shall be authorized to exercise the powers conferred by this title only in the magisterial region or regions for which he is appointed, *except that a magistrate may issue search warrants in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5 (§ 19.2-52 et seq.) throughout the Commonwealth.* ~~However,~~ a A magistrate may exercise ~~these all~~ powers conferred by this title throughout the Commonwealth when so authorized by the Executive Secretary upon a determination that such assistance is necessary.

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