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HOUSE BILL NO. 1353

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A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 9 of Title 9.1 a section numbered 9.1-923, relating to the supplement to the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry.

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Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 9 of Title 9.1 a section numbered 9.1-923 as follows:

§ 9.1-923. Supplement to the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry established.

A. The Superintendent of State Police shall establish, organize, and maintain within the Department of State Police a computerized supplement to the Registry as a database of information regarding persons convicted of offenses for which registration is required by § 9.1-902 but who are not required to register for that offense.

B. Any attorney for the Commonwealth or law-enforcement officer may submit a request to the Department of State Police that a person be included on the supplement to the Registry and shall submit a set of the person's fingerprints. Upon receipt of a request and the person's fingerprints, the Department of State Police shall confirm that the person's state and federal criminal history establish that he has been convicted of an offense for which registration is required by § 9.1-902 but is not required to register for that offense. Upon confirmation, the Department of State Police shall include the person's information on the supplement to the Registry.

C. Information on the supplement to the Registry shall include the name and address of the offender at the time of conviction as well as the offense for which the offender was convicted and the date and place of conviction. Access to the supplement to the Registry shall be made available to the public on the website of the Department of State Police.

D. Nothing in this section shall impose an affirmative duty on the Department of State Police to identify persons to be included on the supplement to the Registry in absence of a request received pursuant to subsection B.

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