

2015 SESSION

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1573

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice
on February 4, 2015)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Pogge)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 2.2-507.3, relating to the duty of the Attorney General to represent the Commonwealth.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 2.2-507.3 as follows:

§ 2.2-507.3. Duty to represent the Commonwealth.

Except in cases where it would be improper for the Attorney General's office to render legal services due to a conflict of interests, the Attorney General or his designee has the duty to represent the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof in any proceeding in the Court of Appeals of Virginia, the Supreme Court of Virginia, or any federal court in which the constitutionality or validity of a provision of the Constitution of Virginia or of any law or regulation of the Commonwealth is contested or at issue, unless a party to the proceeding is represented by an attorney for the Commonwealth or an attorney representing a political subdivision.

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