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HOUSE BILL NO. 1259

Offered January 20, 2016

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-603.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Auctioneers Board; continuing education; exception.*

Patron—O'Quinn (By Request)

Referred to Committee on General Laws**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:****1. That § 54.1-603.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:****§ 54.1-603.1. Continuing education.**

A. The Board shall promulgate regulations governing continuing education requirements for auctioneers licensed by the Board. Such regulations shall require the completion of the equivalent of at least six hours of Board-approved continuing education courses for any license renewal or reinstatement, *except that no continuing education shall be required for any auctioneer licensed by the Board who is 70 years of age or older.* The Board shall establish criteria for continuing education courses, including, but not limited to (i) content and subject matter of continuing education courses; (ii) curriculum of required continuing education courses; (iii) standards and procedures for the approval of courses, course sponsors, and course instructors; (iv) methods of instruction for continuing education courses; and (v) the computation of course credit. Any continuing education courses completed by an auctioneer pursuant to a requirement of the Certified Auctioneer's Auctioneers Institute or participation in the educational programs sponsored by the National Auctioneer's Auctioneers Association or Virginia Auctioneer's Auctioneers Association shall satisfy the continuing education requirement of this section.

B. The Board may grant exemptions or waive or reduce the number of continuing education hours required in cases of certified illness or undue hardship.

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