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**SENATE BILL NO. 63**

Offered January 13, 2016

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*A BILL to amend and reenact § 17.1-271 of the Code of Virginia, relating to clerks of court; deposits.*

Patrons—Ruff; Delegate: Wright

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

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

**1. That § 17.1-271 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 17.1-271. Deposit of money in bank.**

Whenever any clerk of a court receives or collects any money for or on account of the Commonwealth or any county, city, town, or person, he shall, within a reasonable time, deposit the same in *an interest-bearing account in* such bank ~~or banks~~ selected by him to the credit of an official account, and in the event of the failure or insolvency of such bank, the clerk shall not be responsible for any loss of funds resulting from such failure or insolvency.

Any such officer who deposits any such money in his personal account, knowingly intermingles any of the same with his personal funds, or otherwise violates any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. However, prosecution hereunder shall not preclude criminal prosecution under any other section of this Code.

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