

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 3.2-6504.1, relating to civil*  
3 *immunity; companion animals left unattended in motor vehicles.*

4 [S 9]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 3.2-6504.1 as follows:**8 ***§ 3.2-6504.1. Civil immunity; forcible entry of motor vehicle to remove unattended companion***  
9 ***animal.***

10 *No law-enforcement officer as defined in § 9.1-101, firefighter as defined in § 65.2-102, emergency*  
11 *medical services personnel as defined in § 32.1-111.1, or animal control officer who in good faith*  
12 *forcibly enters a motor vehicle in order to remove an unattended companion animal that is at risk of*  
13 *serious bodily injury or death shall be liable for any property damage to the vehicle entered or injury to*  
14 *the animal resulting from such forcible entry and removal of the animal, unless such property*  
15 *damage or injury results from gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.*

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