

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 17.1-606 of the Code of Virginia, relating to inability to pay fees or*
3 *costs on account of poverty; guidelines.*

4 [H 2328]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 17.1-606 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 17.1-606. Persons allowed services without fees or costs.**

9 Any person, who is (i) a plaintiff in a civil action in a court of the Commonwealth and a resident of
10 this the Commonwealth or (ii) a defendant in a civil action in a court of the Commonwealth, and who is
11 on account of his poverty is unable to pay fees or costs, may be allowed by a court to sue or defend a
12 suit therein, without paying fees or costs; whereupon he shall have, from any counsel whom the court
13 may assign him, and from all officers, all needful services and process, without any fees, except what
14 may be included in the costs recovered from the opposite party. *In determining a person's inability to*
15 *pay fees or costs on account of his poverty, the court shall consider the factors set forth in subsection B*
16 *of § 19.2-159.*

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