## 2020 SESSION

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SB451

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1	SENATE BILL NO. 451
2	Offered January 8, 2020
3	Prefiled January 7, 2020
4	A BILL to amend and reenact § 16.1-278.19 of the Code of Virginia, relating to juvenile and domestic
5	relations district court; award of attorney fees and costs.
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	Patron—Surovell
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8	Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
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10	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
11	1. That § 16.1-278.19 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:
12	§ 16.1-278.19. Attorney fees.
13	In any matter properly before the court, the court may award attorneys' attorney fees and costs on
14	behalf of any party as the court deems appropriate based on the relative financial ability of the parties
15	and any other relevant factors to attain equity.