## 22104245D 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 1044** 2 3 4 5 Offered January 12, 2022 Prefiled January 12, 2022 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 1 of Title 44 an article numbered 14, consisting of a section numbered 44-122.1, relating to burial fees for military spouses. Patrons—Guzman, Clark, Convirs-Fowler, Jenkins, Kory, Maldonado, Murphy, Plum, Shin, Simon and Simonds 7 8 Referred to Committee on Appropriations 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 10 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 1 of Title 44 an article numbered 11 14, consisting of a section numbered 44-122.1, as follows: 12 13 Article 14. 14 Burial Fees for Military Spouses. 15

§ 44-122.1. Burial fee for military spouses.

From such funds as may be appropriated, the Commonwealth shall pay any burial fee charged for the burial of a spouse of an active duty member or veteran of the United States Armed Forces, or the surviving spouse of such member or veteran, at a veterans cemetery operated by the Department of Veteran Services. The Department of Veterans Services shall develop guidelines concerning the administration of this section.

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