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HOUSE BILL NO. 685

Offered January 25, 1994

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-834 of the Code of Virginia, relating to signals by law-enforcement officers.

Patrons—Katzen, Albo, Callahan, Cantor, Dillard, Fisher, Forbes, Griffith, Hargrove, Howell, May, Mims, Purkey, Ruff, Sherwood and Way; Senators: Bell, Calhoun, Miller, K.G. and Potts

Referred to Committee on Roads and Internal Navigation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-834 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-834. Signals by law-enforcement officers and crossing guards.

A. Law-enforcement officers may assume control of traffic at any intersection, regardless of whether such intersection is controlled by lights, controlled by other traffic control devices, or uncontrolled. Whenever any law-enforcement officer so assumes control of traffic, all drivers of vehicles shall obey his signals.

B. Law-enforcement officers and uniformed school crossing guards may assume control of traffic otherwise controlled by lights, and in such event, signals by such officers and uniformed crossing guards shall take precedence over such traffic control devices.