

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 15.1-132.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to reimbursement for*
3 *expenses of driving while impaired.*

4 [H 1431]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 15.1-132.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 15.1-132.1. Reimbursement for expenses of driving while impaired.

9 Any *county*, city ~~with a population of 350,000 or greater~~ or town may provide by ordinance that any
10 person who is convicted of a violation of § 18.2-266 or § 29.1-738, or a similar ordinance, when his
11 operation of a motor vehicle, engine, train or watercraft while so impaired is the proximate cause of any
12 accident or incident resulting in an appropriate emergency response, may be liable in a separate civil
13 action to the *county*, city or town or to any volunteer rescue squad, or both, which may provide such
14 emergency response for the expenses thereof, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 in the aggregate for a
15 particular accident or incident occurring in such *county*, city or town. As used in this section,
16 "appropriate emergency response" includes all costs of providing law-enforcement, fire-fighting, rescue,
17 and emergency medical services. The provisions of this section shall not preempt or limit any remedy
18 available to the Commonwealth, to the *county*, city or town, or to any volunteer rescue squad to recover
19 the reasonable expenses of an emergency response to an accident or incident not involving impaired
20 driving or operation of a vehicle as set forth herein.

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