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HOUSE BILL NO. 2313

Offered January 23, 1995

A BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-3926 of the Code of Virginia, relating to requirements for admission to the bar; education.

Patrons—Griffith, Albo, Callahan, Dudley, Katzen, Moore, Phillips, Wardrup and Wilkins; Senator: Stolle

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 54.1-3926 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 54.1-3926. Preliminary proof of education required of applicant.

In addition to the certificate required by § 54.1-3925, before taking any examination under this article the applicant shall furnish to the Board satisfactory evidence that he has:

- 1. Completed all degree requirements from a law school approved by the American Bar Association or the Board: or
- 2. Received a bachelor's degree from a four-year accredited college or university and studied law for at least three years, in the office of an attorney practicing in this Commonwealth, whose full time is devoted to the practice of law, or studied law for at least three years partly in a law school approved by the American Bar Association or the Board and partly in the practicing attorney's office. The attorney in whose office the applicant intends to study shall be approved by the Board which shall prescribe reasonable conditions as to the course of study.