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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 43**

Offered January 10, 1996

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 21 and 27 of Chapter 721 of the Acts of Assembly of 1976, which provided a charter for the City of Manassas, and to amend Chapter 721 by repealing a section numbered 45, relating to ordinances; duties of city treasurer.

Patrons—Parrish; Senator: Colgan

Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 21 and 27 of Chapter 721 of the Acts of Assembly of 1976 are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 21. Penalty for ordinance violations.

Where, by provisions of this charter, or by general law, the council has authority to pass ordinances on any subject that may prescribe a penalty, such penalty for a violation thereof shall not exceed those any provided for in general law; provided, however, that such penalty shall not exceed the penalty authorized in general law for a like offense for a like offense. Such penalties may be prosecuted and recovered with costs in the name of the cityCity of Manassas.

§ 27. Specific duties of treasurer.

The city treasurer shall be charged with receiving and paying out of all monies of the city. He shall hold such monies and/or place same in such depositories as the council may by resolution direct, and he shall pay out such monies under such conditions and in such manner as the council may by resolution direct. The city treasurer shall keep the monies of the city in the name of the city. He shall keep books showing accurately all receipts and disbursements and separate records for the several funds or accounts of the city as may be prescribed by the council from time to time. His books shall be open at all reasonable times for inspection as required by law. The city treasurer is specifically charged with the preparation and delivery of all bills for tax levies and license taxes due the city and the prompt collection of such taxes. Should any tax or taxes become delinguent, the city treasurer shall promptly proceed to collect the same in such manner as prescribed by ordinance or law. The city treasurer shall furnish, in addition to any bond required of him by the Commonwealth of Virginia, a bond payable to the eityCity of Manassas in such amount as the council may prescribe and conditioned upon the faithful and true performance of all the duties placed upon the city treasurer by this charter. The city treasurer shall immediately deliver all such monies, records and other property in his possession to his duly appointed or elected successor and the bonds as herein provided shall remain in full force and effect until such monies, records and property have been so transferred and accounted for. He shall perform such other duties as may be required by the council.

2. That § 45 as amended of Chapter 721 of the Acts of Assembly of 1976 is repealed.