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HOUSE BILL NO. 557

Offered January 19, 1996

A BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-11.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to victim-witness assistance programs.

Patrons—McDonnell, Albo, Almand, Callahan, Cantor, Davies, Drake, Dudley, Hamilton, Katzen, Mims, O'Brien, Wagner, Wardrup and Weatherholtz; Senators: Martin, Stolle and Williams

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 19.2-11.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-11.1. Establishment of crime victim-witness assistance programs; funding; minimum standards. Any local governmental body which establishes, operates and maintains a crime victim and witness assistance program, whose funding is provided in whole or part by grants administered by the Department of Criminal Justice Services pursuant to § 9-173.3, shall operate the program in accordance with ~~regulations~~ *guidelines* which shall be established by the Department to implement the provisions of this chapter and other applicable laws establishing victims' rights.

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