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## HOUSE BILL NO. 923

Offered January 22, 1996

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-267 of the Code of Virginia, relating to expert testimony in criminal cases.*

Patrons—Robinson, Davies and McDonnell; Senators: Earley and Edwards

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

### Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

#### 1. That § 19.2-267 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-267. Provisions applicable to witnesses in criminal as well as civil cases; obligation to attend; summons.

Sections 8.01-396.1, 8.01-401.1, 8.01-402, 8.01-405 and 8.01-407 to 8.01-410, inclusive, shall apply to a criminal as well as a civil case in all respects, except that a witness in a criminal case shall be obliged to attend, and may be proceeded against for failing to do so, although there may not previously have been any payment, or tender to him of anything for attendance, mileage, or tolls. In a criminal case a summons for a witness may be issued by the attorney for the Commonwealth or other attorney charged with the responsibility for the prosecution of a violation of any ordinance; however, any attorney who issues such a summons shall, at the time of the issuance, file with the clerk of the court the names and addresses of such witnesses.

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