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## **SENATE BILL NO. 109**

Offered January 10, 1996

A BILL to amend and reenact § 14.1-70 of the Code of Virginia, relating to number of deputies.

Patrons-Holland, Chichester, Goode, Hawkins, Houck, Marye, Potts and Stolle

Referred to the Committee on Finance

## 8 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

## 10 1. That § 14.1-70 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 14.1-70. Number of deputies.

Except as provided in § 15.1-48 of the Code of Virginia, the respective number of full-time deputies 12 appointed by the sheriff of a county or city shall be fixed by the Compensation Board after receiving 13 such recommendation of the board of supervisors of the county or the council of the city, as the case 14 15 may be, as the board of supervisors or city council may desire to make. Such recommendation, if any, shall be made to the Compensation Board on or before April 1 of each year. In any county without a 16 police force, upon the request of the board of supervisors of such county, the number of such 17 law-enforcement deputies shall be fixed at not less than one such deputy for each 2,000 1,500 18 population in such county excluding the population served by state educational institution police 19 20 departments if the sheriff's department does not provide the majority of the law-enforcement activities to 21 such population according to uniform crime reports compiled by the Department of State Police. The Compensation Board shall also consider any agreement the sheriff may have pursuant to § 15.1-131.3 22 23 and any obligation he may have pursuant to this section to provide law enforcement for towns in fixing 24 the number of deputies. The governing body of any county or city may employ a greater number of 25 law-enforcement deputies than fixed by the Compensation Board, provided that the county or city shall pay the total compensation and all employer costs for such additional deputies. 26