

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1997 SESSION

CHAPTER 532

An Act to amend and reenact § 19.2-151 of the Code of Virginia, relating to satisfaction and discharge.

[H 150]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 19.2-151 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-151. Satisfaction and discharge of assault and similar charges.

When a person is in jail or under a recognizance to answer a charge of assault and battery or other misdemeanor, or has been indicted for an assault and battery or other misdemeanor, for which there is a remedy by civil action, unless the offense was committed (i) by or upon any law-enforcement officer, ~~or~~ (ii) riotously in violation of §§ 18.2-404 to 18.2-407, (iii) *against a family or household member in violation of § 18.2-57.2 and the person charged has before been convicted of a violation of § 18.2-57.2 or had a charge of such a violation dismissed pursuant to this section or by a nolle prosequi*, or (iv) with intent to commit a felony, if the ~~party~~ *person* injured ~~appear~~ *appears* before the ~~judge who~~ *court* which made the commitment or took the recognizance, or before the court in which the indictment is pending, and ~~acknowledge~~ *acknowledges* in writing that he has received satisfaction for the injury, ~~such judge, or~~ *the court may, in his or its discretion, by an order, supersede the commitment, discharge the recognizance, or dismiss the prosecution, upon payment by the defendant of costs accrued to the Commonwealth or any of its officers.*