VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1998 SESSION

CHAPTER 583

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 15.2-912.1, relating to martial arts instruction; penalties.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 15.2-912.1 as follows: § 15.2-912.1. Regulation of martial arts instruction.

A. Any city with a population between 250,000 and 270,000 or between 150,000 and 160,000 may by ordinance require any person who operates a business providing martial arts instruction to have at the site where instruction is taking place a person who has current certification or, within the last two years, has received training in emergency first aid and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation.

Any person who violates such an ordinance may be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$50 for the first violation and \$100 for any subsequent violation.

B. As used in this section, "martial arts instruction" means any course of instruction for self defense, such as judo or karate.