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HOUSE BILL NO. 453

Offered January 16, 1998

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-738.1, relating to special license plates; members of the Amateur Radio Relay League.

Patrons—Darner, Croshaw and Rhodes

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-738.1 as follows:

§ 46.2-738.1. Special license plates; members of the Amateur Radio Relay League.

On receipt of an application therefor and written evidence that the applicant is a member, the Commissioner shall issue special license plates to members of the Amateur Radio Relay League. When so requested and feasible, the license plates issued by the Commissioner under this section to any applicant who (i) is licensed by the federal government or an agency thereof as an amateur radio operator and (ii) has radio transmitting and receiving equipment permanently installed in the motor vehicle on which license plates issued under this section are to be displayed shall bear the applicant's official call letters and/or numbers. If more than one application is made under this section for license plates bearing the same combination of letters and/or numbers, the Department shall accept only the first such application.

License plates issued under this section shall be issued only to persons who are the titled owners of the vehicles on which the license plates are to be displayed and shall be displayed only on those vehicles.

The provisions of subdivisions 1 and 2 of subsection B of \S 46.2-725 shall not apply to license plates issued under this section.