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HOUSE BILL NO. 95

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1224 of the Code of Virginia, relating to ordinances prohibiting parking in streets and highways.

Patrons-Devolites: Senator: Howell

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-1224 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-1224. County and town ordinances prohibiting certain parking in streets and highways. 13

14 A. The governing body of any county may, by ordinance, prohibit any person from parking any 15 motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer on or adjacent to the highways in the county when such person 16 parks any such motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer for commercial purposes. The provisions of any such 17 ordinance shall not apply to motor vehicle carriers when picking up or discharging passengers.

B. The governing bodybodies of any county with a population greater than 500,000 and of towns 18 located therein may, by ordinance, prohibit any person from parking any commercial vehicle, as defined 19 20 in this section, on the highways of the county or town in areas zoned for residential use. For the purposes of this section, the term "commercial vehicle" may include: (i) any solid waste collection vehicle, tractor truck or tractor truck/semitrailer or tractor truckrailer combination, dump truck, concrete 21 22 23 mixer truck, towing and recovery vehicle with a registered gross weight of 12,000 pounds or more, and 24 any heavy construction equipment, whether located on the highway or on a truck, trailer, or semitrailer; 25 (ii) any trailer, semitrailer, or other vehicle in which food or beverages are stored or sold; (iii) any trailer or semitrailer used for transporting landscaping or lawn-care equipment whether or not such 26 trailer or semitrailer is attached to another vehicle; and (iv) any vehicle licensed by the Commonwealth 27 28 for use as a common or contract carrier or as a limousine. Such ordinance shall permit, however, one 29 resident of each single-family dwelling unit zoned for residential use to park one vehicle licensed as a 30 taxicab or limousine on such highways, provided other vehicles are permitted to park thereon. The 31 provisions of any such ordinance shall not apply to a commercial vehicle when picking up or 32 discharging passengers or when temporarily parked pursuant to the performance of work or service at a 33 particular location. 34

C. Any violation of the provisions of any such ordinance shall be a traffic infraction.

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