## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1999 SESSION

## **CHAPTER 352**

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 17 of Title 15.2 a section numbered 15.2-1730.1, relating to interjurisdictional law-enforcement authority.

[S 930]

Approved March 24, 1999

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 17 of Title 15.2 a section numbered 15.2-1730.1 as follows:

§ 15.2-1730.1. Authority and immunity of sheriffs and deputies.

In counties where no police department has been established and the sheriff is the chief law-enforcement officer, the sheriff may enter into agreements with any other governmental entity providing law-enforcement services in the Commonwealth, and may furnish and receive interjurisdictional law-enforcement assistance for all law-enforcement purposes, including those described in this chapter, and for purposes of Chapter 3.2 (§ 44-146.13 et seq.) of Title 44. Sheriffs and their deputies, providing or receiving such assistance, shall have all the authority, benefits, immunity from liability and exemptions from laws, ordinances and regulations as officers acting within their own jurisdictions.

2. That this act is declarative of existing law.