HOUSE BILL NO. 1598

Offered January 13, 1999

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-878.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to speed limits in certain residence districts.

Patrons—Parrish; Senator: Colgan

Referred to Committee on Finance

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-878.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-878.2. Maximum speed limits in certain residence districts; penalty.

Operation of any motor vehicle in excess of a maximum speed limit established for a highway in a residence district, when indicated by appropriately placed signs displaying the maximum speed limit and the penalty for violations, shall be unlawful and constitute a traffic infraction punishable by a fine of not more than \$200, in addition to other penalties provided by law. The Commonwealth Transportation Board shall develop criteria for the overall applicability for the installation of such signage signs. Such criteria shall not exclude highways, functionally classified as minor arterials, serving areas that either (i) were built as residential developments or (ii) have grown to resemble residential developments, provided, in either case, (i) such highways are experiencing documented speeding problems and (ii) the local community supports the application of this section to such highway.