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HOUSE BILL NO. 1861

House Amendments in [] — January 27, 1999

A BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-202 of the Code of Virginia, relating to professions and occupations; monetary penalty.

Patrons—McQuigg, Albo, Armstrong, Croshaw, Drake, Ingram, McDonnell, Nixon and Shuler; Senators: Edwards, Lambert, Lucas, Mims, Schrock, Stolle and Wampler

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 54.1-202 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 54.1-202. Monetary penalty.

Any person licensed or certified by a regulatory board who violates any statute or regulation pertaining to that regulatory board who is not criminally prosecuted shall be subject to the monetary penalty provided in this section. If a regulatory board determines that a respondent is guilty of the violation complained of, the board shall determine the amount of the monetary penalty for the violation, which shall not exceed \$1,000 [\$2,500] for each violation [*an amount equal to the maximum monetary penalty which may be imposed for a Class 1 misdemeanor*]. The penalty may be sued for and recovered in the name of the Commonwealth.

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