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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 231**

Offered January 15, 1998

A BILL for the relief of Teresa Irvin.

Patrons—Jackson; Senator: Reasor

Referred to Committee on Claims

Whereas, on October 25, 1996, at 9:20 p.m., Teresa Irvin was traveling in the northbound lane of Interstate 77 in Carroll County; and

Whereas, Teresa Irvin's car struck a boulder that had rolled into the roadway; and

Whereas, there was no protective guardrail at the site where the boulder rolled onto the roadway; and Whereas, as a result of striking the boulder, the car was damaged and had to be towed at a cost of \$100; and

Whereas, Teresa Irvin obtained an estimate of \$1,072 to repair the car; and

Whereas, Teresa Irvin submitted claim number A94-553-CL to the Department of Transportation for compensation for damages sustained from striking the boulder; and

Whereas, the claim was denied on the grounds that the Department of Transportation did not have prior knowledge of the boulder in the roadway; and

Whereas, Teresa Irvin has no other means to obtain relief except by action of this body; now, therefore.

## Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That there is hereby allocated from the Commonwealth Transportation fund appropriation to the Virginia Department of Transportation the sum of \$1,172 for the relief of Teresa Irvin, to be paid by check issued by the State Treasurer on warrant of the Comptroller to Teresa Irvin upon release by her of all claims against the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions, agencies, instrumentalities, officers, or employees in connection with, or arising out of, the aforesaid occurrence.