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## HOUSE BILL NO. 737

Offered January 23, 1998

*A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-917.3, relating to school bus drivers; cellular telephone use.*

Patrons—McQuigg, Albo, Callahan, Drake, Harris, Keating, Marshall, Parrish, Rollison and Watts;  
Senators: Barry, Chichester, Colgan, Gartlan and Howell

Referred to Committee on Transportation

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

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-917.3 as follows:**

*§ 46.2-917.3. School bus drivers; cellular telephone use prohibited.*

*No person shall use a cellular telephone while operating a school bus with passengers on board unless (i) the school bus experiences a mechanical breakdown which necessitates a call for assistance or (ii) an emergency arises which endangers the operator and the passengers aboard the school bus.*

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