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HOUSE BILL NO. 1747

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-2826 of the Code of Virginia, relating to regulation of public safety towing and recovery services by the Board of Towing and Recovery Operators.

Patron—Pogge

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-2826 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-2826. Public safety towing and recovery services.

The Board shall establish regulations required of Class A and Class B operators to provide public safety towing and recovery services. For the purposes of this section, "public safety towing and recovery services" shall be those towing and recovery and related services requested by a state of local law-enforcement agency. Such regulations shall establish minimum requirements, including qualifications, standards, necessary equipment, and public safety concerns necessary and appropriate to permit a Class A or Class B operator to provide public safety towing and recovery services. No operator shall provide public safety towing and recovery services unless they meet such criteria established by Board regulation applicable to public safety towing and recovery services. Upon submitting evidence to the Board of meeting such criteria, the Board shall maintain, on a timely basis, a list to be readily available to state and local law-enforcement agencies of Class A and Class B operators who meet the Board's criteria for providing public safety towing and recovery services.