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HOUSE BILL NO. 2158

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE (Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice on February 4, 2011)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Iaquinto)

A BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-136 of the Code of Virginia, relating to how bonds in recognizances are payable.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 19.2-136 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-136. How bonds in recognizances payable; penalty.

Bonds in recognizances in criminal or juvenile cases, where the violation is committed against the Commonwealth or where the Commonwealth is a party, shall be payable to the Commonwealth of Virginia. Bonds in recognizances in criminal cases where the violation is a violation of a county, city or town ordinance, shall be payable to such the county, city or town wherein the recognizance was taken. The Treasurer or Director of Finance of such county, city or town may engage in collection activity regarding the judgment of default rendered pursuant to § 19.2-143. Any responses to the judgment of default rendered pursuant to § 19.2-143 shall be filed with the court, with notice given to the county, city or town wherein the recognizance was taken. Every bond under this title shall be in such sum as the court or officer requiring it may direct.