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HOUSE BILL NO. 483

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 66-23.1, relating to confinement in juvenile correctional centers; appointment of counsel.*

Patrons—BaCote; Senators: Locke and Miller, Y.B.

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 66-23.1 as follows:

§ 66-23.1. Appointment of counsel for individuals confined in juvenile correctional centers.

The judge of a juvenile and domestic relations district court in whose county or city a state juvenile correctional facility is located shall, on motion of the attorney for the Commonwealth for such county or city, when the attorney for the Commonwealth is requested to do so by the superintendent of a state juvenile correctional center, appoint for a period of no less than 30 days nor more than one year, one or more discreet and competent attorneys-at-law to counsel and assist individuals confined therein regarding any legal matter relating to their incarceration. An attorney so appointed shall be paid as directed by the court from the criminal fund reasonable compensation on an hourly basis and necessary expenses based upon monthly reports to be furnished the court by the attorney.

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