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### SENATE BILL NO. 595

Offered January 19, 2012

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-885 of the Code of Virginia, relating to stopping of vehicles at railroad grade crossings.*

Patron—Lucas

Referred to Committee on Transportation

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

**1. That § 46.2-885 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 46.2-885. When vehicles to stop at railroad grade crossings.

A. Except in cities or towns, whenever any person driving a vehicle approaches a railroad grade crossing under any of the circumstances stated in this section, the driver of the vehicle shall stop within ~~fifty~~ 50 feet but not less than ~~fifteen~~ 15 feet from the nearest rail of such railroad, and shall not proceed until he can do so safely. The foregoing requirements shall apply when:

1. A clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device gives warning of the immediate approach of a train *or other track equipment, which shall mean any self-propelled machinery or automobile type vehicle traveling on a railroad track;*

2. A crossing gate is lowered or a flagman gives or continues to give a signal of the approach or passage of a train *or other track equipment;*

3. A train *or other track equipment* approaching such crossing gives the signals required by § 56-414;

4. An approaching train *or other track equipment* is plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to such crossing.

B. No person shall drive any vehicle through, around, or under any crossing gate or barrier at a railroad crossing while such gate or barrier is closed or is being opened or closed.

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