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13102987D 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 1135** Offered January 9, 2013 2 3 4 Prefiled January 9, 2013 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 5 of Chapter 15 of Title 19.2 a section 5 numbered 19.2-266.3, relating to continuances; appearances. 6 Patron—Norment 7 8 Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 5 of Chapter 15 of Title 19.2 a section numbered 19.2-266.3 as follows: 11 12 § 19.2-266.3. Continuances; appearances of parties. 13 14 When the court grants a continuance in advance of the date of the originally scheduled trial or **15** hearing, the court cannot require the parties or their counsel to appear at the originally scheduled

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hearing.