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SENATE BILL NO. 941**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**

(Proposed by the House Committee on Appropriations
on February 11, 2015)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Stuart)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 9.1 of Title 19.2 a section numbered 19.2-152.12, relating to protective orders; compensation for required representation of respondents.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 9.1 of Title 19.2 a section numbered 19.2-152.12 as follows:

§ 19.2-152.12. Compensation for required representation of respondents.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when, in a proceeding pursuant to this chapter, representation of a respondent by counsel is required under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. App. § 501 et seq.) or a guardian ad litem is required by law and there is no other provision for the compensation of counsel or a guardian ad litem, the court may order such counsel or guardian ad litem to be compensated for services pursuant to § 19.2-163.

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