

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

*An Act to amend and reenact § 18.2-198.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to offenses relating to credit cards; venue.*

[H 2484]

Approved

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

**1. That § 18.2-198.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 18.2-198.1. Venue.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of § 19.2-244, a prosecution for a violation of this article may be had in any county or city in which (i) any act in furtherance of the crime was committed ~~or~~; (ii) an issuer or acquirer, or an agent of either, sustained a financial loss as a result of the offense; *or (iii) the cardholder resides*. A prosecution for a violation of § 18.2-192 may be had in any county or city where a credit card number is used, is attempted to be used, or is possessed with intent to violate § 18.2-193, 18.2-195, or 18.2-197.