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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1213**

House Amendments in [ ] - February 5, 2020

A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 15 of Title 15.2 a section numbered 15.2-1512.5, relating to authority of local government employees to issue summonses for [ misdemeanor ] violations of local ordinances.*

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Heretick

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 in Article 1 of Chapter 15 of Title 15.2 a section numbered 15.2-1512.5 as follows:**

*§ 15.2-1512.5. Authority of local government employees to issue summonses for [ misdemeanor ] violations of local ordinances.*

*Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a locality may appoint and train local government employees to enforce local ordinances by issuing summonses for [ misdemeanor ] violations of ordinances that are within the [ purview scope ] of the employee's employment. Such employees shall not have the power and authority of constables at common law [ ; but shall have the authority granted to conservators of the peace pursuant to subsection B of § 19.2-74 ; their power shall be limited to issuing such summonses in their locality ] .*

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