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SENATE BILL NO. 945

Offered January 13, 2020

A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.2-1172 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Department of General Services; Division of Support Services; parking facilities; cell phone service.

Patrons—Chase, Bell and Morrissey

Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 2.2-1172 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:****§ 2.2-1172. Parking of vehicles in Capitol Square; parking facilities for state officers and employees; violations.**

A. Except as provided in this section, all parking in the Capitol Square of motor vehicles and animal-drawn vehicles is prohibited. However, during the recess of the General Assembly, the Division may cause to be marked off certain portions of the driveways in the Capitol Square and permit vehicles to be parked there under such regulations as may be prescribed. Parking areas on the west of the Capitol shall be reserved at all times for parking by members of the General Assembly.

B. During sessions of the General Assembly, parking in the Capitol Square shall be subject to rules and regulations adopted jointly by the Speaker of the House of Delegates and the chairman of the Senate Committee on Rules.

C. The Division may, with the approval of the Governor, utilize any property owned by the Commonwealth and located in the Richmond area for the purpose of providing parking facilities for officers and employees of the Commonwealth, and to allocate spaces therein. The Division may fix and collect fees for the use of the parking facilities. The Division may adopt regulations for the parking facilities, which regulations shall include the enforcement provisions required by §§ 46.2-1225 through 46.2-1229.

D. *The Division shall install and maintain industrial cell phone signal boosters in any parking facility for officers and employees of the Commonwealth. For purposes of this subsection, "industrial cell phone signal boosters" means any device approved by the Federal Communications Commission as an industrial signal booster and that extends cell phone coverage to an area that would otherwise have a weak cell phone signal.*

E. Any person parking any vehicle contrary to the rules and regulations referred to in subsection B or contrary to the other provisions of this section, or contrary to any parking sign or "No Parking" sign erected by the Division pursuant to regulations adopted by it, shall be subject to a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than twenty-five dollars for each offense.

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