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SENATE BILL NO. 730

Offered January 21, 2022

A BILL to amend and reenact § 17.1-618 of the Code of Virginia, relating to jurors; compensation.

Patrons-Lewis and Spruill; Delegate: Williams Graves

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

8 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

9 1. That § 17.1-618 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

10 § 17.1-618. Allowances for jurors; expenses of keeping jury together; fees of jury commissioners 11 and commissioner in chancery for drawing of juries.

Every person summoned as a juror in a civil or criminal case shall be entitled to thirty dollars \$100 12 for each day of attendance upon the court for expenses of travel incident to jury service and other 13 necessary and reasonable costs as the court may direct. Jurors summoned from another political 14 subdivision pursuant to § 8.01-363 may be allowed by the court, in addition to the above allowance, 15 their actual expenses. When kept together overnight under the supervision of the court, the jurors and 16 the sheriff or his deputies keeping the jury shall be furnished suitable board and lodging. Reimbursement 17 for board and lodging shall be set by the judge in an amount not to exceed the amount authorized by 18 travel regulations promulgated pursuant to § 2.2-2823. Allowances and other costs will be allowed a 19 20 juror in only one case the same day.

Every person serving as a jury commissioner and every person serving as a commissioner in chancery for the drawing of juries for a circuit court of this Commonwealth may be allowed, by the court appointing him, a fee not exceeding thirty dollars \$30 per day for the time actually engaged in such work and such other necessary and reasonable costs as the court may direct.