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HOUSE BILL NO. 1646

Offered January 11, 2023 Prefiled January 8, 2023

A BILL to amend and reenact § 53.1-119 of the Code of Virginia, relating to court duties of sheriff; commitment hearings at locations other than a courthouse.

Patron—Anderson

Referred to Committee on Public Safety

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 53.1-119 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: § 53.1-119. Court duties of sheriff.

A. The sheriff shall provide officers to attend the courts within his jurisdiction while such courts are in session as the respective judges may require. The sheriff, or the superintendent of a regional jail or jail farm, shall receive into the jail facility all persons committed by the order of such courts, or under process issuing therefrom, and all persons committed by any other lawful authority.

B. When a judge or special justice in performance of his duties as authorized by § 37.2-803 conducts a commitment hearing at a location other than a courthouse, he may request that the sheriff of the appropriate jurisdiction provide a deputy to accompany him to such commitment hearing. Upon receiving such request, such sheriff shall provide a deputy to accompany such judge or special justice to such commitment hearing.