

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 46.2 a section*
3 *numbered 46.2-1215.1, relating to firearm in unattended motor vehicle; civil penalty.*

4 [H 1462]

5 Approved

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

7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 46.2 a**
8 **section numbered 46.2-1215.1 as follows:**

9 ***§ 46.2-1215.1. Firearm in unattended motor vehicle; civil penalty.***

10 *A. For purposes of this section, an "unattended motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is left*
11 *unattended on a public highway or other public property and the owner, operator, or any passenger of*
12 *such motor vehicle is unable to observe such motor vehicle.*

13 *B. No person shall leave, place, or store any handgun, as defined in § 18.2-307.1, in any unattended*
14 *motor vehicle when such handgun is visible to any person who is outside such motor vehicle.*

15 *C. Any person convicted of a violation of this section is subject to a civil penalty of no more than*
16 *\$500.*

17 *All penalties collected under this section shall be paid into the state treasury to be credited to the*
18 *Literary Fund as provided in § 46.2-114.*

19 *D. For purposes of § 46.2-1213, any violation of this section deems the vehicle as illegally parked*
20 *and such unattended motor vehicle may be subject to removal.*

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