

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 19.2-197 of the Code of Virginia, relating to foreman of grand jury;*
 3 *oaths of jurors and witnesses.*

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 5 Approved

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

7 **1. That § 19.2-197 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 **§ 19.2-197. Foreman of grand jury; oaths of jurors and witnesses.**

9 ~~From~~ *The court shall select a foreman from among the persons summoned who attend the court shall*
 10 ~~select a foreman who shall be sworn as follows: "You shall~~ *Do you solemnly swear (or affirm) that you*
 11 ~~will diligently inquire into, and true presentment make, of carefully consider all such matters as may be~~
 12 ~~given you in charge, or come to your knowledge, touching the~~ *that come to your attention concerning*
 13 ~~this present service. You shall present, and do you solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will indict no~~
 14 ~~person through prejudice or ill-will, nor leave any unrepresented unindicted through fear or favor, but in~~
 15 ~~all your presentments you shall will present the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth- So, (so~~
 16 ~~help you God-)." The other grand jurors shall afterwards be sworn as follows: "The same oath that your~~
 17 ~~foreman has taken on his part, do you and each of you shall solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will~~
 18 ~~observe and keep the same on your part- So, (so help you God-)." Any witness testifying before the~~
 19 ~~grand jury may be sworn by the foreman.~~

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