

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1996 SESSION

## CHAPTER 359

*An Act to amend Chapter 779 of the Acts of Assembly of 1993, which provided a charter for the County of James City by adding a section numbered 3.8, relating to the office of sheriff.*

[S 42]

Approved March 31, 1996

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

**1. That Chapter 779 of the Acts of Assembly of 1993 is amended by adding a section numbered 3.8 as follows:**

*§ 3.8. Additional powers; consolidation of sheriff's office.*

*The board of supervisors may, in concurrence with the city council of the City of Williamsburg, petition the circuit court asking that a referendum be held in accordance with the provisions of § 15.1-40.2 of the Code of Virginia on the question of whether the two localities may share the office of sheriff; provided, rather than by a petition of qualified voters, the petition may be initiated by the two governing bodies upon the written concurrence of the sheriffs of James City County and the City of Williamsburg and following a public hearing and adoption by each governing body of a resolution in favor of the consolidation of the two offices.*