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## HOUSE BILL NO. 2798

Offered January 20, 1997

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 14.1-141 of the Code of Virginia, relating to office expenses of circuit court clerks.*

Patrons—Moran, Darner, Jackson, Johnson, Moore, Phillips, Putney, Stump and Watts

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

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

**1. That § 14.1-141 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 14.1-141. Deputies, office expenses, premiums on bonds, etc.

The State Compensation Board shall determine: (1i) *How many the number of* deputies and assistants, if any, ~~are~~ necessary to the efficient performance of the duties of the office of the officer filing a report required by § 14.1-136, (2ii) ~~what should be~~ the compensation of such deputies and assistants, (3iii) ~~what any~~ allowance, if any, ~~should be made~~ for office expenses and premiums on official bonds, *except that the cost of security copies made by circuit court clerks pursuant to § 42.1-86 shall be reimbursed by the Board, subject to an appropriation set out in the appropriation act,* and (4iv) the manner ~~in which of payment of~~ such compensation ~~should be paid or such allowance made~~. Each of such officers shall, on or before ~~the first day of~~ November ~~in each year 1~~, report *annually* to the Board, on official ~~estimate~~ blanks; furnished for such purpose, an *itemized* estimate ~~in itemized form~~ showing the amount of expenses expected to be incurred in the operation and maintenance of his office for the ensuing year; ~~and all~~. All such expenses must be approved in advance by the Board in order to be deductible under § 14.1-140; ~~provided, however, that~~ nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting the State Compensation Board from increasing at any time in the year allowances for such expenses as provided in § 14.1-142. The State Compensation Board shall report annually to the Governor on the expenses of such office.

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