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HOUSE BILL NO. 1568

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-250 of the Code of Virginia, relating to jurisdiction of corporate authorities; Frederick County.

Patron-Wiley

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 19.2-250 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-250. How far jurisdiction of corporate authorities extends.

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this article and except as provided in subsection B hereof, the jurisdiction of the corporate authorities of each town or city; in criminal cases involving offenses against the Commonwealth; shall extend within the Commonwealth one mile beyond the corporate limits of such town or city; except that such jurisdiction of the corporate authorities of towns situated in counties having a density of population in excess of 300 inhabitants per square mile, or in counties adjacent to cities having a population of 170,000 or more, shall extend for 300 yards beyond the corporate limits of such town or, in the case of the criminal jurisdiction of an adjacent county, for 300 yards within such town.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, the jurisdiction of the authorities of Chesterfield County and Henrico County, in criminal cases involving offenses against the Commonwealth, shall extend one mile beyond the limits of such county into the City of Richmond and the jurisdiction of the authorities of Frederick County in criminal cases involving offenses against the Commonwealth shall extend one mile beyond the limits of such county into the City of Winchester.