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HOUSE BILL NO. 2129

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A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 5 of Chapter 20 of Title 15.2 a section numbered 15.2-2031, relating to exchange of items on roadways; ability of localities to prohibit.

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Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 5 of Chapter 20 of Title 15.2 a section numbered 15.2-2031 as follows:

§ 15.2-2031. Localities may prohibit exchange of items on roadways.

A. Localities may by ordinance prohibit pedestrians from exchanging, or attempting to exchange, any item with the occupant of a motor vehicle located on a roadway in such locality and prohibit an occupant of a motor vehicle located on a roadway in such locality from exchanging, or attempting to exchange, any item with a pedestrian.

B. The provisions of any such ordinance shall not apply:

- 1. When the motor vehicle is lawfully parked in a designated parking area;*
- 2. To the exchange of items during an emergency situation where such exchange is necessary for the safety or health of an individual;*
- 3. On private property; or*
- 4. To the exchange of items with law-enforcement officers, emergency personnel, or other government officials performing their official duties.*

C. Violation of any such ordinance may be made punishable by a fine of not more than \$50.

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