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**HOUSE BILL NO. 350**

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*A BILL to amend and reenact § 8.01-341 of the Code of Virginia, relating to exemption from jury service; law-enforcement officers; fire marshals.*

Patron—McLaughlin

Committee Referral Pending

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

**1. That § 8.01-341 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 8.01-341. Who are exempt from jury service.**

The following shall be exempt from serving on juries in civil and criminal cases:

1. The President and Vice President of the United States,
2. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General of the Commonwealth,
3. The members of both houses of Congress,
4. The members of the General Assembly, while in session or during a period when the member would be entitled to a legislative continuance as a matter of right under § 30-5,
5. Licensed practicing attorneys,
6. The judge of any court, members of the State Corporation Commission, members of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission, and magistrates,
7. Sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, state police, ~~and~~ police in counties, cities, and towns, *and any other law-enforcement officer as defined in § 65.2-102,*
8. The superintendent of the penitentiary and his assistants and the persons composing the guard,
9. Superintendents and jail officers, as defined in § 53.1-1, of regional jails,
10. The elected clerk of any circuit court and such clerk's deputies,
11. *The State Fire Marshal as described in § 9.1-206 and any officer as appointed as a fire marshal pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 3 (§ 27-30 et seq.) of Title 27.*

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