

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-1219.3, relating to parking*
3 *of vehicles; electric vehicle charging spots; civil penalties.*

4 [S 278]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-1219.3 as follows:**8 **§ 46.2-1219.3. *Parking of vehicles in parking spaces reserved for charging electric vehicles; civil***
9 ***penalties.***10 *A. It shall constitute a traffic infraction for any person to park a vehicle that is not a plug-in electric*
11 *motor vehicle, as defined in § 56-1, in a parking space adjacent to an electric vehicle charging station*
12 *that is clearly marked as reserved for charging plug-in electric motor vehicles. A violation of this*
13 *subsection is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$50.*14 *B. No civil penalty shall be imposed pursuant to the provisions of this section or any local ordinance*
15 *adopted pursuant to this section unless the parking space reserved for charging plug-in electric motor*
16 *vehicles has a sign that includes the following language: "PENALTY, UP TO \$50." Such language may*
17 *be placed on a separate sign and attached below any sign indicating that the space is reserved for*
18 *charging plug-in electric motor vehicles. In the case of a local ordinance adopted pursuant to*
19 *subsection C, the sign shall indicate the amount of the civil penalty if such ordinance imposes a civil*
20 *penalty.*21 *C. The governing body of any county, city, or town may adopt an ordinance not inconsistent with the*
22 *provisions of this section. The civil penalty for violating any such ordinance shall not exceed the civil*
23 *penalties provided in subsection A.*24 *D. In the prosecution of an offense established under this section, prima facie evidence that the*
25 *vehicle described in the summons issued pursuant to this section was parked in violation of this section,*
26 *together with proof that the defendant was at the time of such violation the owner, lessee, or renter of*
27 *the vehicle, shall constitute in evidence a rebuttable presumption that such owner, lessee, or renter of*
28 *the vehicle was the person who committed the violation. A violation of this section may be charged on*
29 *the uniform traffic summons form.*