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HOUSE BILL NO. 989

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 53.1-20.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to compensation of local jails for cost of incarceration.

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Committee Referral Pending

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 53.1-20.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 53.1-20.1. Compensation of local jails for cost of incarceration.

If the Director is unable to accommodate in a state correctional facility any convicted felon sentenced to the Department for a felony committed before January 1, 1995, whose sentence totals more than two years or who is convicted of a felony committed on or after January 1, 1995, and who is required to serve a total period of one year or more in a state correctional facility, the Department of Corrections shall compensate local jails for the cost of incarceration as provided for in the general appropriation act beginning on the sixty-first day following follows after the date of mailing by certified letter or electronic transmittal by the clerk of the committing court to the Director of the final order:

- 1. For the first 60 days of incarceration following such date, at the rate of \$12 per inmate per day;
- 2. For more than 60 but not more than 90 days of incarceration following such date, at the rate of \$40 per inmate per day; and
- 3. For more than 90 days of incarceration following such date, the actual cost of incarceration as calculated in the jail report prepared annually by the Compensation Board.