1	SENATE BILL NO. 712				
2	AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE				
3	(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources				
4	on February 6, 2024)				
5	(Patron Prior to SubstituteSenator Marsden)				
6	A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 18.2-132.1 and 46.2-889 of the Code of Virginia, relating to release of				
7	hunting dogs; state or local roadway.				
8	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:				
9	1. That §§ 18.2-132.1 and 46.2-889 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:				
10	\S 18.2-132.1. Trespass by hunters using dogs on lands of another or on state or local roadway;				
11	penalties.				
12	A. Any person who intentionally releases hunting dogs on the lands of another which that have				
13	been posted in accordance with the provisions of § 18.2-134.1 to hunt without the consent of the landowner				
14	or his agent is guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor. A second or subsequent violation of this section subsection				
15	within three years is a Class 1 misdemeanor and, upon conviction, the court shall revoke such person's				
16	hunting or trapping license for a period of one year. The fact that hunting dogs are present on the lands of				
17	another alone is not sufficient evidence to prove that the person acted intentionally.				
18	B. Any person who releases hunting dogs on or within 15 feet of the edge of a roadway owned or				
19	maintained by the Department of Transportation or a local government is guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.				
20	A second or subsequent violation of this subsection is a Class 1 misdemeanor.				
21	§ 46.2-889. Location of parked vehicles.				
22	No vehicle shall be stopped except close to and parallel to the right edge of the curb or roadway,				
23	except that a vehicle may be stopped close to and parallel to the left curb or edge of the roadway on one-				
24	way streets or may be parked at an angle where permitted by the Commonwealth Transportation Board				
25	the Department, or local authorities with respect to highways under their jurisdiction.				

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26	Nothing in this section shall prevent the retrieval of a companion animal as defined in § 3.2-650
27	from a highway or area adjacent to a highway.
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