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HOUSE BILL NO. 327

Offered January 12, 2000

A BILL to amend and reenact § 32.1-289.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to prohibiting sale of body parts; penalty.

Patrons—Black and Marshall

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 32.1-289.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 32.1-289.1. Sale of body parts prohibited; exceptions; penalty.

With the exception of hair, ova, blood, and other self-replicating body fluids, it shall be unlawful for any person to sell, to offer to sell, to buy, to offer to buy, or to procure through purchase any natural body part for any reason including, but not limited to, medical and scientific uses such as transplantation, implantation, infusion, or injection. *It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, to offer to sell, to buy, to offer to buy, or to procure through purchase any natural body part of an aborted child.* Nothing in this section shall prohibit the reimbursement of expenses associated with the removal and preservation of any natural body parts for medical and scientific purposes. This section shall not apply to any transaction pursuant to Article 3 (§ 32.1-298 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of this title.

Any person engaging in any of these prohibited activities shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony.

2. That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state correctional facilities. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation is \$0 in FY 2010.

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