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SENATE BILL NO. 197

Senate Amendments in [] — February 11, 2000

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 18.2-10 and 18.2-11 of the Code of Virginia, to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-370.2, relating to offense prohibiting proximity to children; penalty.

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Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 18.2-10 and 18.2-11 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted, and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-370.2 as follows:

§ 18.2-10. Punishment for conviction of felony.

The authorized punishments for conviction of a felony are:

(a) For Class 1 felonies, death, or imprisonment for life and, subject to subdivision (g), a fine of not more than \$100,000.

(b) For Class 2 felonies, imprisonment for life or for any term not less than twenty years and, subject to subdivision (g), a fine of not more than \$100,000.

(c) For Class 3 felonies, a term of imprisonment of not less than five years nor more than twenty years and, subject to subdivision (g), a fine of not more than \$100,000.

(d) For Class 4 felonies, a term of imprisonment of not less than two years nor more than ten years and, subject to subdivision (g), a fine of not more than \$100,000.

(e) For Class 5 felonies, a term of imprisonment of not less than one year nor more than ten years, or in the discretion of the jury or the court trying the case without a jury, confinement in jail for not more than twelve months and a fine of not more than \$2,500, either or both.

(f) For Class 6 felonies, a term of imprisonment of not less than one year nor more than five years, or in the discretion of the jury or the court trying the case without a jury, confinement in jail for not more than twelve months and a fine of not more than \$2,500, either or both.

(g) Except as specifically authorized in subdivision (e) or (f), or in Class 1 felonies for which a sentence of death is imposed, the court shall impose either a sentence of imprisonment together with a fine, or imprisonment only. However, if the defendant is not a natural person, the court shall impose only a fine.

For any felony offense committed on or after January 1, 1995, the court may impose an additional term of not less than six months nor more than three years, which shall be suspended conditioned upon successful completion of a period of post-release supervision pursuant to § 19.2-295.2 and compliance with such other terms as the sentencing court may require. However, such additional term may only be imposed when the sentence includes an active term of incarceration in a correctional facility.

For a felony offense prohibiting proximity to children as described in subsection A of § 18.2-370.2, the sentencing court is authorized to impose the punishment set forth in subsection B of that section [in addition to any other penalty provided by law] .

§ 18.2-11. Punishment for conviction of misdemeanor.

The authorized punishments for conviction of a misdemeanor are:

(a) For Class 1 misdemeanors, confinement in jail for not more than twelve months and a fine of not more than \$2,500, either or both.

(b) For Class 2 misdemeanors, confinement in jail for not more than six months and a fine of not more than \$1,000, either or both.

(c) For Class 3 misdemeanors, a fine of not more than \$500.

(d) For Class 4 misdemeanors, a fine of not more than \$250.

For a misdemeanor offense prohibiting proximity to children as described in subsection A of § 18.2-370.2, the sentencing court is authorized to impose the punishment set forth in subsection B of that section [in addition to any other penalty provided by law] .

§ 18.2-370.2. Sex offenses prohibiting proximity to children.

A. "Offense prohibiting proximity to children" means a violation or an attempt to commit a violation of (i) subsection A of § 18.2-47, clause (ii) or (iii) of § 18.2-48, subsection B of § 18.2-361, or subsection B of § 18.2-366, where the victim of one of the foregoing offenses was a minor, or (ii) clause A (iii) of § 18.2-61, § 18.2-63, § 18.2-64.1, subdivision A 1 of § 18.2-67.1, subdivision A 1 of § 18.2-67.2, or subdivision A 1 or A 2 (a) of § 18.2-67.3, or §§ 18.2-370, 18.2-370.1, 18.2-371, 18.2-374.1, 18.2-374.1:1 or § 18.2-379.

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60 *B. For every person who is convicted of an offense prohibiting proximity to children where the*
61 *offense occurred on or after July 1, 2000, shall as part of his sentence be forever prohibited from*
62 *loitering within 100 feet of the premises of any place he knows or has reason to know is a primary,*
63 *secondary or high school. A violation of this section is punishable as a Class 6 felony.*
64 **2. That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state**
65 **correctional facilities. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation**
66 **is \$0 in FY 2010.**