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SENATE BILL NO. 508

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-264 of the Code of Virginia, relating to inhaling drugs or other noxious chemical substances; penalty.

Patron—Reynolds

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-264 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-264. Inhaling drugs or other noxious chemical substances or causing, etc., others to do so.

A. It shall be unlawful, except under the direction of a practitioner as defined in § 54.1-3401, for any person deliberately to smell or inhale any drugs or any other noxious chemical substances including but not limited to fingernail polish or model airplane glue, containing any ketones, aldehydes, organic acetates, ether, chlorinated hydrocarbons or vapors, with the intent to become intoxicated, inebriated, excited, stupefied or to dull the brain or nervous system.

Any person violating the provisions of this subsection shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

B. It shall be unlawful for any person, other than one duly licensed, deliberately to cause, invite or induce any person to smell or inhale any drugs or any other noxious substances or chemicals containing any ketone, aldehydes, organic acetates, ether, chlorinated hydrocarbons or vapors with the intent to intoxicate, inebriate, excite, stupefy or to dull the brain or nervous system of such person.

Any person violating the provisions of this subsection shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.

C. *It shall be unlawful for any person, other than one duly licensed, to sell to any person under age eighteen any drugs or any other noxious substances or chemicals containing any ketone, aldehydes, organic acetates, ether, chlorinated hydrocarbons or vapors that he knows or has reason to know will be inhaled or smelled by the person under age eighteen to intoxicate, inebriate, excite, stupefy or to dull the brain or nervous system of such person.*

Any person violating the provisions of this subsection shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.

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