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HOUSE BILL NO. 632

Offered January 14, 2004 Prefiled January 13, 2004

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-3310.1, relating to unlawful procurement of prescription drugs for others; penalty.

Patrons—O'Bannon, Baskerville, Ebbin, Jones, S.C., Keister, Marrs, McDonnell, Morgan, Rapp and Welch

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 54.1-3310.1 as follows:

§ 54.1-3310.1. Unlawful to assist individuals in procuring prescription drugs.

Unless otherwise specifically authorized by law, it shall be unlawful for any person to directly or indirectly assist another in procuring for remuneration prescription drugs from a pharmacy or other source not licensed, registered or permitted by the Board. Any person who directly or indirectly assists another in procuring for remuneration prescription drugs from a pharmacy or other source not licensed, registered or permitted by the Board 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 or commitment. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation is \$0 for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities and is \$0 for periods of commitment to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice.