

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 29.1 a section*
3 *numbered 29.1-530.3, relating to remote hunting; penalty.*

4 [H 2273]

5 Approved

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7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 29.1 a**
9 **section numbered 29.1-530.3 as follows:**

10 *§ 29.1-530.3. Remote hunting prohibited; penalty.*

11 *A. It is unlawful for any person to engage in computer-assisted remote hunting or provide or operate*
12 *a facility that allows others to engage in computer-assisted remote hunting if the wild animal or wild*
13 *bird being hunted or shot is located in the Commonwealth.*

14 *B. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. In addition to the*
15 *penalty prescribed herein, the court shall revoke all current hunting licenses, if any, of the person*
16 *convicted of violating this section and prohibit the issuance of any hunting license to that person for a*
17 *period of not less than three nor more than five years. Notification of the revocation or prohibition shall*
18 *be forwarded to the Department pursuant to subsections C and D of § 18.2-56.1.*

19 *C. For the purposes of this section "computer-assisted remote hunting" means the use of a computer*
20 *or other device, equipment, or software, to remotely control the aiming and discharge of a firearm or*
21 *other weapon, that allows a person, not physically present, to hunt or shoot any wild animal or wild*
22 *bird.*

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