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HOUSE BILL NO. 1406

Offered January 13, 2006

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-346 of the Code of Virginia, relating to solicitation of a minor for prostitution.

Patrons—Carrico and Shannon

Unanimous consent to introduce

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-346 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-346. Being a prostitute or prostitution.

A. Any person who, for money or its equivalent, commits adultery, fornication or any act in violation of § 18.2-361, or offers to commit adultery, fornication or any act in violation of § 18.2-361 and thereafter does any substantial act in furtherance thereof, ~~shall be~~ *is* guilty of being a prostitute, or prostitution, ~~which shall be~~ punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor.

B. Any person who offers money or its equivalent to another for the purpose of engaging in sexual acts as enumerated above and thereafter does any substantial act in furtherance thereof shall be guilty of solicitation of prostitution and ~~shall be~~ *is* guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

C. *Any adult who commits a violation of subsection B with a person under the age of 18 years is guilty of solicitation of a minor for prostitution, punishable as a Class 6 felony, in addition to any other criminal penalties that may apply.*

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.

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