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HOUSE BILL NO. 1557

Offered January 20, 2006

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-370.3, relating to employment and volunteer activity prohibitions for certain sex offenders; penalty.

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Unanimous consent to introduce

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-370.3 as follows:

§ 18.2-370.3. Sex offenses prohibiting certain employment or volunteer activity; penalty.

A. Any adult who has been convicted of § 18.2-61, 18.2-67.1, or 18.2-67.2 who works or engages in any volunteer activity on property he knows or has reason to know is a public or private elementary or secondary school or child day center property is guilty of a Class 6 felony.

B. Both the person who employs or procures volunteer activity by a convicted person who violates this section and the school or child day center where the violation of this section occurs are immune from civil liability related to the violation unless they had actual knowledge that such person had been convicted of an offense set forth in subsection A.

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 cannot be determined 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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