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HOUSE BILL NO. 1665

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice  
on January 22, 2007)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Marshall, R.)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-71.2, relating to a prohibition on forced or coerced abortion; penalty.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-71.2 as follows:

§ 18.2-71.2. Forced or coerced abortion prohibited; penalty.

Any person who through force, threat or intimidation forces or coerces a pregnant female to have an abortion against her will is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. However, if the violation of this section is committed against a pregnant female who is less than 18 years of age, the person is 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 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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