

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2008 SESSION

CHAPTER 846

An Act to amend and reenact § 53.1-153 of the Code of Virginia, relating to unavailability of parole for jail inmates for offenses committed on or after July 1, 2008.

[H 934]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 53.1-153 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 53.1-153. Eligibility of persons sentenced to jails for more than twelve months.

Persons convicted of felonies or misdemeanors who are sentenced to jails and not eligible for parole under § 53.1-152, shall be eligible for parole in the same manner as provided in § 53.1-151 when the total sentences to be served, exclusive of fines, are more than twelve months. *However, a person convicted of misdemeanors and sentenced to serve a total active sentence of more than 12 months in jail shall not be eligible for parole nor subject to the provisions of § 53.1-159 upon conviction of any offenses committed on or after July 1, 2008.*

The Virginia Parole Board shall have the same powers and duties to carry out the provisions of this section as are set forth in § 53.1-136.