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HOUSE BILL NO. 587

Offered January 9, 2008

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-305.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the payment of restitution by juvenile convicts.*

Patron—Marsden

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 19.2-305.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-305.2. Amount of restitution; enforcement.

A. The court, when ordering restitution pursuant to § 19.2-305.1, may require that such defendant, in the case of an offense resulting in damage to or loss or destruction of property of a victim of the offense (i) return the property to the owner or (ii) if return of the property is impractical or impossible, pay an amount equal to the greater of the value of the property at the time of the offense or the value of the property at the time of sentencing.

B. *If the court orders restitution in the case of a juvenile convict, the court may not order restitution in an amount more than \$2,500 if the juvenile is under 16 years of age. The court may, in any case where the court orders a juvenile to pay restitution, order the juvenile's parents to pay the restitution.*

BC. An order of restitution may be docketed as provided in § 8.01-446 when so ordered by the court or upon written request of the victim and may be enforced by a victim named in the order to receive the restitution in the same manner as a judgment in a civil action.

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