

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2010 SESSION

CHAPTER 565

An Act to amend and reenact § 18.2-427 of the Code of Virginia, relating to use of profane, threatening, or indecent language using email or by texting; penalty.

[H 741]

Approved April 11, 2010

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-427 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-427. Use of profane, threatening, or indecent language over public airways or by other methods.

If ~~any person shall use~~ Any person who uses obscene, vulgar, profane, lewd, lascivious, or indecent language, or ~~make~~ makes any suggestion or proposal of an obscene nature, or ~~threaten~~ threatens any illegal or immoral act with the intent to coerce, intimidate, or harass any person, over any telephone or citizens band radio, in this Commonwealth, ~~he shall be~~ is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

"Over any telephone" includes, for purposes of this section, any electronically transmitted message that is received or transmitted by telephone.