# 2012 SESSION

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## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-51.6, relating to 3 strangulation; penalty.

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### Approved

#### Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 6

7 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-51.6 as follows:

8 § 18.2-51.6. Strangulation of another; penalty.

9 Any person who, without consent, impedes the blood circulation or respiration of another person by 10 knowingly, intentionally and unlawfully applying pressure to the neck of such person, resulting in the wounding or bodily injury of such person is guilty of strangulation, a Class 6 felony. 11

That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment or 12 2.

commitment. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation cannot 13

be determined for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities; therefore, Chapter 14

890 of the Acts of Assembly of 2011 requires the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission to 15

assign a minimum fiscal impact of \$50,000. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the 16

necessary appropriation cannot be determined for periods of commitment to the custody of the 17 18 **Department of Juvenile Justice.** 

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