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HOUSE BILL NO. 504

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A BILL to delay proposed modifications to the discretionary sentencing guidelines; possession of child pornography.

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Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. The proposed modifications to the discretionary sentencing guidelines for convictions related to the possession of child pornography in violation of subsections A and B of § 18.2-374.1:1 of the Code of Virginia adopted by the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 17.1-803 of the Code of Virginia and contained in the Commission's 2013 Annual Report pursuant to subdivision 10 of § 17.1-803 shall not become effective until July 1, 2015. The Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission shall review the discretionary sentencing guidelines recommendations for convictions related to the possession of child pornography in violation of subsections A and B of § 18.2-374.1:1 and complete its review by December 1, 2014. Any proposed modification to the discretionary sentencing guidelines for such convictions contained in the Commission's 2014 Annual Report shall supersede the proposed modifications contained in the Commission's 2013 Annual Report unless otherwise provided by law.