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HOUSE BILL NO. 878

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety
on January 17, 2014)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate LaRock)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-295.1, relating to law-enforcement certification of certain firearms.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-295.1 as follows:

§ 18.2-295.1. Chief law-enforcement officer certification; certain firearms.

When a chief law-enforcement officer's certification is required by federal law or regulation for the transfer of a firearm, the chief law-enforcement officer shall, within 30 days of receipt of the request for certification, provide such certification if the applicant is not prohibited by law from receiving the firearm. If the applicant is prohibited by law from receiving the firearm, the chief law-enforcement officer or his designee shall provide written notification to the applicant that states the reason for the prohibition.

For purposes of this section, "firearm" shall have the same meaning as provided in the National Firearms Act, 26 U.S.C. § 5845 (a).

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