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**SENATE BILL NO. 94**

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**

(Proposed by the Senate Committee for Courts of Justice  
on February 8, 2016)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Marsden)

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 53.1-165.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to parole eligibility for certain offenders convicted of felony offenses committed while juveniles.*

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 53.1-165.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 53.1-165.1. Limitation on the application of parole statutes; exceptions.**

A. The provisions of this article, except §§ 53.1-160 and 53.1-160.1, shall not apply to any sentence imposed or to any prisoner incarcerated upon a conviction for a felony offense committed on or after January 1, 1995. Any person sentenced to a term of incarceration for a felony offense committed on or after January 1, 1995, shall not be eligible for parole upon that offense.

B. *Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A or any other provisions of this article to the contrary, any person sentenced to a term of life imprisonment, or who has active sentences that total more than 20 years, for a single felony or multiple felonies committed while the person was a juvenile and who has served 20 or more years of such sentence shall be eligible for parole.*

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