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SENATE BILL NO. 1455

Senate Amendments in [] — January 27, 2017

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 24.2-1004.1, relating to payments for registering to vote; penalties.

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Senator Black

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 24.2-1004.1 as follows:

§ 24.2-1004.1. Payments for registering to vote; penalties.

A. Any person who gives, offers, or promises any [monetary] payment to another in exchange for that person registering to vote is guilty of a Class [5 6] felony.

B. Any person who solicits or accepts any [monetary] payment from another in exchange for his registering to vote is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

2. That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment or commitment. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation cannot be determined for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities; therefore, Chapter 780 of the Acts of Assembly of 2016 requires the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission to assign a minimum fiscal impact of \$50,000. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation cannot be determined for periods of commitment to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice.

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