

2018 SESSION

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SENATE BILL NO. 1

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-308.5:1, relating to a prohibition against mechanical devices designed to increase the rate of fire of firearms; penalty.*

Patrons—Ebbin, Wexton, Deeds, Edwards, Favola and Lewis; Delegate: Kory

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-308.5:1 as follows:

§ 18.2-308.5:1. Sale or possession of mechanical devices designed to increase rate of fire of firearms; penalty.

A. It is unlawful for any person to manufacture, import, sell, offer for sale, possess, transfer, or transport in the Commonwealth any mechanical device, including a trigger crank or a bump-fire device, that is designed to increase the rate of fire of any semi-automatic firearm to any rate beyond the capability of an unaided person to operate the trigger mechanism of that firearm.

B. A violation of this section shall be punishable as 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 is \$0 for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities and cannot be determined for periods of commitment to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice.

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