

2023 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL NO. 683

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 53.1-39.2 and by adding in Chapter 2 of Title 66 a section numbered 66-25.2:2, relating to use of canines in correctional facilities; prohibited acts.*

Patron—Kory

Referred to Committee on Public Safety

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 53.1-39.2 and by adding in Chapter 2 of Title 66 a section numbered 66-25.2:2 as follows:

§ 53.1-39.2. Use of canines in state and local correctional facilities; prohibited acts.

Except where there is a threat of death or serious bodily injury to any prisoner or any officer or employee, it is unlawful for any correctional officer, jail officer, or other employee of a state or local correctional facility who is permitted to handle canines to use a canine to extract a prisoner from his cell.

§ 66-25.2:2. Use of canines in juvenile correctional facilities; prohibited acts.

Except where there is a threat of death or serious bodily injury to any juvenile or any officer or employee, it is unlawful for any juvenile correctional officer or other employee of a juvenile correctional facility who is permitted to handle canines to use a canine to extract a juvenile from his cell.

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