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## HOUSE BILL NO. 479

Offered January 24, 1994

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-26 of the Code of Virginia, relating to attempted second degree murder.*

Patrons—Scott, Almand, Armstrong, Callahan, Cohen, Connally, Davies, Dickinson, Dillard, Grayson, Heilig, Hull, Jackson, Jones, J.C., Keating, Mayer, Melvin, Mims, Moore, Murphy, O'Brien, Phillips, Plum, Puller and Van Landingham; Senators: Calhoun, Gartlan, Howell, Saslaw and Waddell

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

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

#### **1. That § 18.2-26 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 18.2-26. Attempts to commit noncapital felonies; how punished.

Every person who attempts to commit an offense which is a noncapital felony shall be punished as follows:

(1) If the felony attempted is punishable by a maximum punishment of life imprisonment *or a term of years in excess of twenty years*, an attempt thereat shall be punishable as a Class 4 felony.

(2) If the felony attempted is punishable by a maximum punishment of twenty years' imprisonment, an attempt thereat shall be punishable as a Class 5 felony.

(3) If the felony attempted is punishable by a maximum punishment of less than twenty years' imprisonment, an attempt thereat shall be punishable as a Class 6 felony.

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