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**HOUSE BILL NO. 547** Offered January 18, 1996

A BILL to amend and reenact § 53.1-27 of the Code of Virginia, relating to correctional stores.

Patrons—Wardrup, Baker, Crouch, Fisher, Hamilton, McDonnell, Melvin, Mims, Nixon and Purkey

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 53.1-27 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 53.1-27. Establishment of stores in state correctional facilities. The Director is hereby authorized to provide for the establishment and operation of stores or commissaries in state correctional facilities to deal in such articles as he deems proper. The net profits from the operation of such stores shall be used within each institution respectively for educational, recreational or other beneficial purposes as may be prescribed by the Director.