

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1997 SESSION

CHAPTER 123

An Act to amend and reenact § 53.1-128 of the Code of Virginia, relating to local prison work force.

[H 1585]

Approved March 6, 1997

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 53.1-128 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 53.1-128. Work forces.

The local governing body of any county, city or town may establish work forces in the county, city or town under such conditions as it may prescribe. Such work forces are authorized to work on public property or works owned, leased or operated by the county, city or town *or on a privately operated national park on federal land*, whether the same be located within such county, city or town, or elsewhere. Every person eighteen years of age or older who is convicted and confined for any violation of a local ordinance and who is confined as a punishment or for failure to pay a required fine, shall be liable to work in such work force. Every person eighteen years of age or older who is confined pending disposition of a nonviolent criminal offense or an offense under Chapter 5 (§ 20-61 et seq.) of Title 20 may work in such work force on a voluntary basis with the approval of and under the supervision of the sheriff.