

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1997 SESSION

CHAPTER 311

An Act to amend and reenact § 18.2-287.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the wearing of body armor while committing a crime; penalty.

[S 747]

Approved March 13, 1997

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-287.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-287.2. Wearing of body armor while committing a crime; penalty.

Any person who, while committing a crime of violence as ~~described~~ *defined* in § 18.2-288 (2) *or a felony violation of § 18.2-248 or subdivision (a) 2 or 3 of § 18.2-248.1*, has in his possession a firearm or knife and is wearing body armor designed to diminish the effect of the impact of a bullet or projectile shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.

2. That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state correctional facilities. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation is \$0.