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## HOUSE BILL NO. 929

Offered January 22, 1996

*A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 3.1-796.127:1, relating to a prohibition on hybrid canines; penalty.*

Patrons—Grayson and Shuler

Referred to Committee on Agriculture

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

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 3.1-796.127:1 as follows:**

*§ 3.1-796.127:1. Prohibiting breeding, sale or purchase of hybrid canines.*

*A. No person shall breed, offer for sale, sell, trade, give away, purchase, offer to purchase or otherwise acquire a hybrid canine. For the purposes of this section a hybrid canine is the offspring of a *Canis familiaris* and another species.*

*B. Any person owning or possessing a hybrid canine shall have it surgically sterilized on or before January 1, 1997.*

*C. A violation of any provision of this section shall be a Class 3 misdemeanor.*

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