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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 469

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Requesting the Virginia State Crime Commission to study the use of home electronic incarceration.

Patrons—Davies, Almand, Armstrong, Watkins, Way and Woodrum; Senators: Couric, Houck and Stolle

Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, the Code of Virginia provides certain criminal offenders can be assigned to home electronic incarceration; and

WHEREAS, in cities and counties that have home electronic incarceration, the court, with the sheriff or jail superintendent's approval, may place a defendant in home electronic incarceration pending trial; and

WHEREAS, after sentencing, individuals may be assigned to home electronic incarceration by the local sheriff or jail administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Corrections may prescribe regulations governing home electronic incarceration; and

WHEREAS, the director or administrator of a home electronic incarceration program is required to charge the offender a fee for participating in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Virginia is silent on the awarding of good conduct credit for home electronic incarceration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the Virginia State Crime Commission conduct a study of home electronic incarceration, including, but not limited to, the examination of the use of home electronic incarceration in the Commonwealth and the use of good conduct credit with the program, and compare the costs associated with the program and the costs associated with time served in jail.

All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the Commission, upon request.

The Commission shall complete its work in time to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the 1998 Session of the General Assembly as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents.

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