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HOUSE BILL NO. 17

Offered January 14, 1998 Prefiled December 12, 1997

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-311.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to handgun serial number; penalty.

Patron-Mims

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-311.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-311.1. Removing, altering, etc., serial number or other identification on firearm; sale of altered firearm.

Any person, firm, association or corporation who or which intentionally removes, defaces, alters, changes, destroys or obliterates in any manner or way or who or which causes to be removed, defaced, altered, changed, destroyed or obliterated in any manner or way the name of the maker, model, manufacturer's or serial number, or any other mark or identification on any pistol, shotgun, rifle, machine gun or any other firearm, and any licensed firearms dealer who knowingly and intentionally sells, trades or otherwise transfers any such altered firearm shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.