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HOUSE BILL NO. 248

Offered January 15, 1998

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-71.1, relating to destroying unborn child; penalty.

Patrons—Marshall, Davis and O'Brien

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-71.1 as follows:

§ 18.2-71.1. Destroying unborn child.

Whoever shall during parturition of the mother destroy the vitality or life in a child in a state of being born and before actual birth, which child would otherwise have been born alive, including the performance of an abortion by partially vaginally delivering a living fetus before killing the fetus and completing the delivery, 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.

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