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## SENATE BILL NO. 209

Offered January 14, 1998

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-19 of the Code of Virginia, relating to accessories after the fact; penalty.

Patrons—Stolle and Schrock

Referred to the Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-19 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-19. How accessories after the fact punished; certain exceptions.

In the case of every felony punishable by incarceration for a term of fewer than ten years, every accessory after the fact shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor; ~~provided, however~~. In the case of every felony punishable by incarceration for a term of ten years or more, every accessory after the fact shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony. However, no person in the relation of husband or wife, parent or grandparent, child or grandchild, brother or sister, by consanguinity or affinity, or servant to the offender, who, after the commission of a felony, shall aid or assist a principal felon or accessory before the fact to avoid or escape from prosecution or punishment, shall be deemed an accessory after the fact.

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 \$62,500.

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