

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1999 SESSION

CHAPTER 131

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 53.1-109.01, relating to authority of regional jail officers.

[H 2636]

Approved March 16, 1999

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 53.1-109.01 as follows:

§ 53.1-109.01. Authority for regional jail officers to carry weapons.

It shall be lawful for any regional jail officer who has been designated by the superintendent, and who has completed the basic course in firearms for jailers and custodial officers pursuant to subdivision 7 of § 9-170, to carry and use sufficient weapons to prevent escapes, suppress rebellion, and defend or protect himself or others in the course of his assigned duties.