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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1199

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-2403.4, relating to requirements for prescribing oral contraceptives for minors; penalty.*

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Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

### Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 54.1-2403.4 as follows:

§ 54.1-2403.4. *Duties of practitioners prescribing oral contraceptives for minors; penalty.*

Whenever any practitioner having prescriptive authority pursuant to this subtitle shall prescribe an oral contraceptive to a minor without consent of a parent or legal guardian, he shall review the minor's drug profile and health record, including any drugs and conditions being treated by other practitioners, to determine that such drug profile and health record do not include any current prescriptions for or indicate the likelihood of the issuance of prescriptions for controlled substances to the minor that are known to interact with oral contraceptives such as, but not limited to, antibiotics.

If the minor receiving a prescription for an oral contraceptive, without a parent's or legal guardian's consent, suffers an interaction including, but not limited to, pregnancy, as a result of taking a prescription drug that the physician knew or should have known would be prescribed for her, the practitioner issuing the prescription for the oral contraceptive to the minor without a parent's or legal guardian's consent shall be guilty, upon conviction, of a Class 6 felony.

2. That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment or commitment. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation cannot be determined for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities and is \$0 for periods of commitment to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice.

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