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SENATE BILL NO. 603

Offered January 13, 2010

A *BILL to amend and reenact § 30-123 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the General Assembly Conflicts of Interests Act; penalties.*

Patron—Smith

Referred to Committee on Rules

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 30-123 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 30-123. Knowing violation of chapter a felony or misdemeanor.

Any legislator who knowingly violates any of the provisions of Articles 2 through 5 (§§ 30-102 through 30-111) of this chapter shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. *In addition, any legislator who knowingly violates any provision of § 30-103, and the violation involves a value in excess of \$250, shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony.* A knowing violation under this section is one in which the person engages in conduct, performs an act or refuses to perform an act when he knows that the conduct is prohibited or required by this chapter. There shall be no prosecution for a violation of § 30-108 or subsection C of § 30-110 unless the house in which the member sits has referred the matter to the Attorney General as provided in subdivision 4 of § 30-116.

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 is \$0 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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