

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2016 SESSION

CHAPTER 579

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 53.1-70.1, relating to local correctional facilities; transport of prisoners.

[S 781]

Approved March 29, 2016

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 53.1-70.1 as follows:

§ 53.1-70.1. *Transport of prisoners; authority.*

A. The sheriff or administrator in charge of a local or regional correctional facility where a prisoner is incarcerated and employees of such facility acting on the direction of such sheriff or administrator shall have the authority to transport the prisoner to another jurisdiction inside the Commonwealth for any lawful purpose and to retain authority over such prisoner.

B. Any person authorized to transport a prisoner under subsection A who has the need to travel with a prisoner through or to another state is authorized to travel through or to such state and retain authority over such prisoner as allowed by such state.