

2018 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL NO. 819

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-308.5:1, relating to a prohibition against mechanical devices designed to increase the rate of fire of firearms; penalty.*

Patron—Kory (By Request)

Referred to Committee on Rules

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-308.5:1 as follows:

§ 18.2-308.5:1. Sale or possession of mechanical devices designed to increase rate of fire of firearms; penalty.

A. It is unlawful for any person to manufacture, import, sell, offer for sale, possess, transfer, or transport in the Commonwealth any mechanical device, including a trigger crank or a bump-fire device, that is designed to increase the rate of fire of any semi-automatic firearm to any rate beyond the capability of an unaided person to operate the trigger mechanism of that firearm.

B. A violation of this section shall be punishable as 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; therefore, Chapter 836 of the Acts of Assembly of 2017 requires the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission to assign a minimum fiscal impact of \$50,000. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation cannot be determined for periods of commitment to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice.

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