

2020 SPECIAL SESSION I

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SENATE BILL NO. 5054

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-423.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to displaying noose on property of another or a highway or other public place with intent to intimidate; penalty.

Patron—Reeves

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 18.2-423.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 18.2-423.2. Displaying noose on property of another or a highway or other public place with intent to intimidate; penalty.

A. Any person who, with the intent of intimidating any person or group of persons, displays a noose on the private property of another without permission is guilty of a ~~Class 6 felony~~ *Class 4 felony*.

B. Any person who, with the intent of intimidating any person or group of persons, displays a noose on a highway or other public place in a manner having a direct tendency to place another person in reasonable fear or apprehension of death or bodily injury is guilty of a ~~Class 6 felony~~ *Class 4 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 of the Code of Virginia, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation is \$0 for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities and cannot be determined for periods of commitment to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice.

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