

HOUSE BILL NO. 912

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Public Safety

on _____)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Delegate Shin)

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 53.1-115.2 and 53.1-127.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to stores in regional jails and regional jail farms.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 53.1-115.2 and 53.1-127.1 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 53.1-115.2. Establishment of stores in regional jails and regional jail farms.

The superintendent of a regional jail or regional jail farm may, with the approval of the governing regional jail or jail farm board or jail authority, provide for the establishment and operation of stores or commissaries in regional jail or regional jail farm facilities to deal in such articles as he deems proper. The net profits from the operation of such stores shall be used within each facility respectively for educational, recreational, ~~or other beneficial purposes as may be prescribed by the superintendent or~~ rehabilitative purposes for the benefit of inmates.

§ 53.1-127.1. Establishment of stores in local correctional facilities.

Each sheriff who operates a correctional facility is authorized to provide for the establishment and operation of a store or commissary to deal in such articles and services as he deems proper. The net profits from the operation of such store that are generated from the inmates' accounts shall be used within the facility for educational, recreational or ~~other~~ rehabilitative purposes for the benefit of the inmates ~~as may be prescribed by the sheriff. Any other profits may be used for the general operation of the sheriff's office.~~ The sheriff shall be the purchasing agent in all matters involving the commissary and nonappropriated funds received from inmates. The funds from such operation of a store or commissary and from the inmate telephone services account shall be considered public funds.