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HOUSE BILL NO. 1434

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee for Courts of Justice on February 14, 2011)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Garret)

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 4.1-225, 9.1-176.1, 15.2-907, 16.1-260, 16.1-278.8:01, 18.2-248.01, 18.2-251, 18.2-255, 18.2-255.1, 18.2-255.2, 18.2-258, 18.2-258.02, 18.2-258.1, 18.2-308, 18.2-308.1:5, 18.2-308.4, 18.2-474.1, 19.2-83.1, 19.2-187, 19.2-386.22 through 19.2-386.25, 22.1-277.08, 22.1-279.3:1, 24.2-233, 53.1-145, and 53.1-203 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-248.1:1, relating to penalties for transport, possession, sale or distribution, etc., of synthetic cannabinoids.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 4.1-225, 9.1-176.1, 15.2-907, 16.1-260, 16.1-278.8:01, 18.2-248.01, 18.2-251, 18.2-255, 18.2-255.1, 18.2-255.2, 18.2-258, 18.2-258.02, 18.2-258.1, 18.2-308, 18.2-308.1:5, 18.2-308.4, 18.2-474.1, 19.2-83.1, 19.2-187, 19.2-386.22 through 19.2-386.25, 22.1-277.08, 22.1-279.3:1, 24.2-233, 53.1-145, and 53.1-203 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-248.1:1 as follows:

§ 4.1-225. Grounds for which Board may suspend or revoke licenses.

The Board may suspend or revoke any license other than a brewery license, in which case the Board may impose penalties as provided in § 4.1-227, if it has reasonable cause to believe that:

1. The licensee, or if the licensee is a partnership, any general partner thereof, or if the licensee is an association, any member thereof, or a limited partner of 10 percent or more with voting rights, or if the licensee is a corporation, any officer, director, or shareholder owning 10 percent or more of its capital stock, or if the licensee is a limited liability company, any member-manager or any member owning 10 percent or more of the membership interest of the limited liability company:

a. Has misrepresented a material fact in applying to the Board for such license;

b. Has defrauded or attempted to defraud the Board, or any federal, state or local government or governmental agency or authority, by making or filing any report, document or tax return required by statute or regulation which is fraudulent or contains a false representation of a material fact; or has willfully deceived or attempted to deceive the Board, or any federal, state or local government, or governmental agency or authority, by making or maintaining business records required by statute or regulation which are false or fraudulent;

c. Within the five years immediately preceding the date of the hearing held in accordance with § 4.1-227, has (i) been convicted of a violation of any law, ordinance or regulation of the Commonwealth, of any county, city or town in the Commonwealth, of any state, or of the United States, applicable to the manufacture, transportation, possession, use or sale of alcoholic beverages; (ii) violated any provision of Chapter 3 (§ 4.1-300 et seq.) of this title; (iii) committed a violation of the Wine Franchise Act (§ 4.1-400 et seq.) or the Beer Franchise Act (§ 4.1-500 et seq.) in bad faith; (iv) violated or failed or refused to comply with any regulation, rule or order of the Board; or (v) failed or refused to comply with any of the conditions or restrictions of the license granted by the Board;

d. Has been convicted in any court of a felony or of any crime or offense involving moral turpitude under the laws of any state, or of the United States;

e. Is not the legitimate owner of the business conducted under the license granted by the Board, or other persons have ownership interests in the business which have not been disclosed;

f. Cannot demonstrate financial responsibility sufficient to meet the requirements of the business conducted under the license granted by the Board;

g. Has been intoxicated or under the influence of some self-administered drug while upon the licensed premises;

h. Has maintained the licensed premises in an unsanitary condition, or allowed such premises to become a meeting place or rendezvous for members of a criminal street gang as defined in § 18.2-46.1 or persons of ill repute, or has allowed any form of illegal gambling to take place upon such premises;

i. Knowingly employs in the business conducted under such license, as agent, servant, or employee, other than a busboy, cook or other kitchen help, any person who has been convicted in any court of a felony or of any crime or offense involving moral turpitude, or who has violated the laws of the Commonwealth, of any other state, or of the United States, applicable to the manufacture, transportation, possession, use or sale of alcoholic beverages;

j. Subsequent to the granting of his original license, has demonstrated by his police record a lack of respect for law and order;

k. Has allowed the consumption of alcoholic beverages upon the licensed premises by any person

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60 whom he knew or had reason to believe was (i) less than 21 years of age, (ii) interdicted, or (iii)
61 intoxicated, or has allowed any person whom he knew or had reason to believe was intoxicated to loiter
62 upon such licensed premises;

63 1. Has allowed any person to consume upon the licensed premises any alcoholic beverages except as
64 provided under this title;

65 m. Is physically unable to carry on the business conducted under such license or has been
66 adjudicated incapacitated;

67 n. Has allowed any obscene literature, pictures or materials upon the licensed premises;

68 o. Has possessed any illegal gambling apparatus, machine or device upon the licensed premises;

69 p. Has upon the licensed premises (i) illegally possessed, distributed, sold or used, or has knowingly
70 allowed any employee or agent, or any other person, to illegally possess, distribute, sell or use
71 marijuana, controlled substances, imitation controlled substances, drug paraphernalia or controlled
72 paraphernalia as those terms are defined in Articles 1 and 1.1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title
73 18.2 and the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) or *synthetic cannabinoids as defined in*
74 *§ 18.2-248.1:1*; (ii) laundered money in violation of § 18.2-246.3; or (iii) conspired to commit any
75 drug-related offense in violation of Articles 1 and 1.1 of Chapter 7 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Title 18.2 or
76 the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.). The provisions of this subdivision shall also apply to any
77 conduct related to the operation of the licensed business which facilitates the commission of any of the
78 offenses set forth herein; or

79 q. Has failed to take reasonable measures to prevent (i) the licensed premises, (ii) any premises
80 immediately adjacent to the licensed premises that are owned or leased by the licensee, or (iii) any
81 portion of public property immediately adjacent to the licensed premises from becoming a place where
82 patrons of the establishment commit criminal violations of Article 1 (§ 18.2-30 et seq.), 2 (§ 18.2-38 et
83 seq.), 2.1 (§ 18.2-46.1 et seq.), 2.2 (§ 18.2-46.4 et seq.), 3 (§ 18.2-47 et seq.), 4 (§ 18.2-51 et seq.), 5
84 (§ 18.2-58 et seq.), 6 (§ 18.2-59 et seq.), or 7 (§ 18.2-61 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2; Article 2
85 (§ 18.2-266 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2; Article 3 (§ 18.2-344 et seq.) or 5 (§ 18.2-372 et seq.) of
86 Chapter 8 of Title 18.2; or Article 1 (§ 18.2-404 et seq.), 2 (§ 18.2-415), or 3 (§ 18.2-416 et seq.) of
87 Chapter 9 of Title 18.2 and such violations lead to arrests that are so frequent and serious as to
88 reasonably be deemed a continuing threat to the public safety.

89 2. The place occupied by the licensee:

90 a. Does not conform to the requirements of the governing body of the county, city or town in which
91 such establishment is located, with respect to sanitation, health, construction or equipment, or to any
92 similar requirements established by the laws of the Commonwealth or by Board regulations;

93 b. Has been adjudicated a common nuisance under the provisions of this title or § 18.2-258; or

94 c. Has become a meeting place or rendezvous for illegal gambling, illegal users of narcotics, drunks,
95 prostitutes, pimps, panderers or habitual law violators or has become a place where illegal drugs are
96 regularly used or distributed. The Board may consider the general reputation in the community of such
97 establishment in addition to any other competent evidence in making such determination.

98 3. The licensee or any employee of the licensee discriminated against any member of the armed
99 forces of the United States by prices charged or otherwise.

100 4. The licensee, his employees, or any entertainer performing on the licensed premises has been
101 convicted of a violation of a local public nudity ordinance for conduct occurring on the licensed
102 premises and the licensee allowed such conduct to occur.

103 5. Any cause exists for which the Board would have been entitled to refuse to grant such license had
104 the facts been known.

105 6. Any other cause authorized by this title.

106 § 9.1-176.1. Duties and responsibilities of local community-based probation officers.

107 A. Each local community-based probation officer, for the localities served, shall:

108 1. Supervise and assist all local-responsible adult offenders, residing within the localities served and
109 placed on local community-based probation by any judge of any court within the localities served;

110 2. Ensure offender compliance with all orders of the court, including the requirement to perform
111 community service;

112 3. Conduct, when ordered by a court, substance abuse screenings, or conduct or facilitate the
113 preparation of assessments pursuant to state approved protocols;

114 4. Conduct, at his discretion, random drug and alcohol tests on any offender whom the officer has
115 reason to believe is engaged in the illegal use of controlled substances ~~or~~, marijuana, or *synthetic*
116 *cannabinoids* or the abuse of alcohol or prescribed medication;

117 5. Facilitate placement of offenders in substance abuse education or treatment programs and services
118 or other education or treatment programs and services based on the needs of the offender;

119 6. Seek a *capias* from any judicial officer in the event of failure to comply with conditions of local
120 community-based probation or supervision on the part of any offender provided that noncompliance
121 resulting from intractable behavior presents a risk of flight, or a risk to public safety or to the offender;

122 7. Seek a motion to show cause for offenders requiring a subsequent hearing before the court;
123 8. Provide information to assist any law-enforcement officer with the return to custody of defendants
124 placed on supervision for which a *capias* has been sought;

125 9. Keep such records and make such reports as required by the Department of Criminal Justice
126 Services; and

127 10. Determine by reviewing the Local Inmate Data System upon intake and again prior to discharge
128 whether a blood, saliva, or tissue sample has been taken for DNA analysis for each offender required to
129 submit a sample pursuant to Article 1.1 (§ 19.2-310.2 et seq.) of Chapter 18 of Title 19.2 and, if no
130 sample has been taken, require an offender to submit a sample for DNA analysis.

131 B. Each local probation officer may provide the following optional services, as appropriate and when
132 available resources permit:

133 1. Supervise local-responsible adult offenders placed on home incarceration with or without home
134 electronic monitoring as a condition of local community-based probation;

135 2. Investigate and report on any local-responsible adult offender and prepare or facilitate the
136 preparation of any other screening, assessment, evaluation, testing or treatment required as a condition of
137 probation;

138 3. Monitor placements of local-responsible adults who are required to perform court-ordered
139 community service at approved work sites;

140 4. Assist the courts, when requested, by monitoring the collection of court costs, fines and restitution
141 to the victims of crime for offenders placed on local probation; and

142 5. Collect supervision and intervention fees pursuant to § 9.1-182 subject to local approval and the
143 approval of the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

144 § 15.2-907. Authority to require removal, repair, etc., of buildings and other structures harboring
145 illegal drug use.

146 A. As used in this section:

147 "Affidavit" means the affidavit prepared by a locality in accordance with subdivision B 1 a hereof.

148 "Controlled substance" means illegally obtained controlled substances or marijuana, as defined in
149 § 54.1-3401, *or synthetic cannabinoids as defined in § 18.2-248.1:1*.

150 "Corrective action" means the taking of steps which are reasonably expected to be effective to abate
151 drug blight on real property, such as removal, repair or securing of any building, wall or other structure.

152 "Drug blight" means a condition existing on real property which tends to endanger the public health
153 or safety of residents of a locality and is caused by the regular presence on the property of persons
154 under the influence of controlled substances or the regular use of the property for the purpose of
155 illegally possessing, manufacturing or distributing controlled substances.

156 "Owner" means the record owner of real property.

157 "Property" means real property.

158 B. Any locality may, by ordinance, provide that:

159 1. The locality may undertake corrective action with respect to property in accordance with the
160 procedures described herein:

161 a. The locality shall execute an affidavit, citing this section, to the effect that (i) drug blight exists on
162 the property and in the manner described therein; (ii) the locality has used diligence without effect to
163 abate the drug blight; and (iii) the drug blight constitutes a present threat to the public's health, safety or
164 welfare.

165 b. The locality shall then send a notice to the owner of the property, to be sent by regular mail to
166 the last address listed for the owner on the locality's assessment records for the property, together with a
167 copy of such affidavit, advising that (i) the owner has up to ~~thirty~~ 30 days from the date thereof to
168 undertake corrective action to abate the drug blight described in such affidavit and (ii) the locality will,
169 if requested to do so, assist the owner in determining and coordinating the appropriate corrective action
170 to abate the drug blight described in such affidavit.

171 c. If no corrective action is undertaken during such ~~thirty~~ 30-day period, the locality shall send by
172 regular mail an additional notice to the owner of the property, at the address stated in the preceding
173 subdivision, stating the date on which the locality may commence corrective action to abate the drug
174 blight on the property, which date shall be no earlier than ~~fifteen~~ 15 days after the date of mailing of
175 the notice. Such additional notice shall also reasonably describe the corrective action contemplated to be
176 taken by the locality. Upon receipt of such notice, the owner shall have a right, upon reasonable notice
177 to the locality, to seek equitable relief, and the locality shall initiate no corrective action while a proper
178 petition for relief is pending before a court of competent jurisdiction.

179 2. If the locality undertakes corrective action with respect to the property after complying with the
180 provisions of subdivision B 1, the costs and expenses thereof shall be chargeable to and paid by the
181 owner of such property and may be collected by the locality as taxes are collected.

182 3. Every charge authorized by this section with which the owner of any such property has been

183 assessed and which remains unpaid shall constitute a lien against such property with the same priority as
184 liens for unpaid local taxes and enforceable in the same manner as provided in Articles 3 (§ 58.1-3940
185 et seq.) and 4 (§ 58.1-3965 et seq.) of Chapter 39 of Title 58.1.

186 C. If the owner of such property takes timely corrective action pursuant to such ordinance, the
187 locality shall deem the drug blight abated, shall close the proceeding without any charge or cost to the
188 owner and shall promptly provide written notice to the owner that the proceeding has been terminated
189 satisfactorily. The closing of a proceeding shall not bar the locality from initiating a subsequent
190 proceeding if the drug blight recurs.

191 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to abridge or waive any rights or remedies of an owner
192 of property at law or in equity.

193 § 16.1-260. Intake; petition; investigation.

194 A. All matters alleged to be within the jurisdiction of the court shall be commenced by the filing of
195 a petition, except as provided in subsection H of this section and in § 16.1-259. The form and content of
196 the petition shall be as provided in § 16.1-262. No individual shall be required to obtain support services
197 from the Department of Social Services prior to filing a petition seeking support for a child. Complaints,
198 requests and the processing of petitions to initiate a case shall be the responsibility of the intake officer.
199 However, (i) the attorney for the Commonwealth of the city or county may file a petition on his own
200 motion with the clerk, (ii) designated nonattorney employees of the Department of Social Services may
201 complete, sign and file petitions and motions relating to the establishment, modification, or enforcement
202 of support on forms approved by the Supreme Court of Virginia with the clerk, and (iii) any attorney
203 may file petitions on behalf of his client with the clerk except petitions alleging that the subject of the
204 petition is a child alleged to be in need of services, in need of supervision or delinquent. Complaints
205 alleging abuse or neglect of a child shall be referred initially to the local department of social services
206 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 15 (§ 63.2-1500 et seq.) of Title 63.2. Motions and other
207 subsequent pleadings in a case shall be filed directly with the clerk. The intake officer or clerk with
208 whom the petition or motion is filed shall inquire whether the petitioner is receiving child support
209 services or public assistance. No individual who is receiving support services or public assistance shall
210 be denied the right to file a petition or motion to establish, modify or enforce an order for support of a
211 child. If the petitioner is seeking or receiving child support services or public assistance, the clerk, upon
212 issuance of process, shall forward a copy of the petition or motion, together with notice of the court
213 date, to the Division of Child Support Enforcement.

214 B. The appearance of a child before an intake officer may be by (i) personal appearance before the
215 intake officer or (ii) use of two-way electronic video and audio communication. If two-way electronic
216 video and audio communication is used, an intake officer may exercise all powers conferred by law. All
217 communications and proceedings shall be conducted in the same manner as if the appearance were in
218 person, and any documents filed may be transmitted by facsimile process. The facsimile may be served
219 or executed by the officer or person to whom sent, and returned in the same manner, and with the same
220 force, effect, authority, and liability as an original document. All signatures thereon shall be treated as
221 original signatures. Any two-way electronic video and audio communication system used for an
222 appearance shall meet the standards as set forth in subsection B of § 19.2-3.1.

223 When the court service unit of any court receives a complaint alleging facts which may be sufficient
224 to invoke the jurisdiction of the court pursuant to § 16.1-241, the unit, through an intake officer, may
225 proceed informally to make such adjustment as is practicable without the filing of a petition or may
226 authorize a petition to be filed by any complainant having sufficient knowledge of the matter to
227 establish probable cause for the issuance of the petition.

228 An intake officer may proceed informally on a complaint alleging a child is in need of services, in
229 need of supervision or delinquent only if the juvenile (i) is not alleged to have committed a violent
230 juvenile felony or (ii) has not previously been proceeded against informally or adjudicated delinquent for
231 an offense that would be a felony if committed by an adult. A petition alleging that a juvenile
232 committed a violent juvenile felony shall be filed with the court. A petition alleging that a juvenile is
233 delinquent for an offense that would be a felony if committed by an adult shall be filed with the court if
234 the juvenile had previously been proceeded against informally by intake or had been adjudicated
235 delinquent for an offense that would be a felony if committed by an adult.

236 If a juvenile is alleged to be a truant pursuant to a complaint filed in accordance with § 22.1-258 and
237 the attendance officer has provided documentation to the intake officer that the relevant school division
238 has complied with the provisions of § 22.1-258, then the intake officer shall file a petition with the
239 court. The intake officer may defer filing the complaint for 90 days and proceed informally by
240 developing a truancy plan. The intake officer may proceed informally only if the juvenile has not
241 previously been proceeded against informally or adjudicated in need of supervision for failure to comply
242 with compulsory school attendance as provided in § 22.1-254. The juvenile and his parent or parents,
243 guardian or other person standing in loco parentis must agree, in writing, for the development of a
244 truancy plan. The truancy plan may include requirements that the juvenile and his parent or parents,

245 guardian or other person standing in loco parentis participate in such programs, cooperate in such
 246 treatment or be subject to such conditions and limitations as necessary to ensure the juvenile's
 247 compliance with compulsory school attendance as provided in § 22.1-254. The intake officer may refer
 248 the juvenile to the appropriate public agency for the purpose of developing a truancy plan using an
 249 interagency interdisciplinary team approach. The team may include qualified personnel who are
 250 reasonably available from the appropriate department of social services, community services board, local
 251 school division, court service unit and other appropriate and available public and private agencies and
 252 may be the family assessment and planning team established pursuant to § 2.2-5207. If at the end of the
 253 90-day period the juvenile has not successfully completed the truancy plan or the truancy program, then
 254 the intake officer shall file the petition.

255 Whenever informal action is taken as provided in this subsection on a complaint alleging that a child
 256 is in need of services, in need of supervision or delinquent, the intake officer shall (i) develop a plan for
 257 the juvenile, which may include restitution and the performance of community service, based upon
 258 community resources and the circumstances which resulted in the complaint, (ii) create an official record
 259 of the action taken by the intake officer and file such record in the juvenile's case file, and (iii) advise
 260 the juvenile and the juvenile's parent, guardian or other person standing in loco parentis and the
 261 complainant that any subsequent complaint alleging that the child is in need of supervision or delinquent
 262 based upon facts which may be sufficient to invoke the jurisdiction of the court pursuant to § 16.1-241
 263 will result in the filing of a petition with the court.

264 C. The intake officer shall accept and file a petition in which it is alleged that (i) the custody,
 265 visitation or support of a child is the subject of controversy or requires determination, (ii) a person has
 266 deserted, abandoned or failed to provide support for any person in violation of law, (iii) a child or such
 267 child's parent, guardian, legal custodian or other person standing in loco parentis is entitled to treatment,
 268 rehabilitation or other services which are required by law, or (iv) family abuse has occurred and a
 269 protective order is being sought pursuant to § 16.1-253.1, 16.1-253.4, or 16.1-279.1. If any such
 270 complainant does not file a petition, the intake officer may file it. In cases in which a child is alleged to
 271 be abused, neglected, in need of services, in need of supervision or delinquent, if the intake officer
 272 believes that probable cause does not exist, or that the authorization of a petition will not be in the best
 273 interest of the family or juvenile or that the matter may be effectively dealt with by some agency other
 274 than the court, he may refuse to authorize the filing of a petition. The intake officer shall provide to a
 275 person seeking a protective order pursuant to § 16.1-253.1, 16.1-253.4, or 16.1-279.1 a written
 276 explanation of the conditions, procedures and time limits applicable to the issuance of protective orders
 277 pursuant to § 16.1-253.1, 16.1-253.4, or 16.1-279.1.

278 D. Prior to the filing of any petition alleging that a child is in need of supervision, the matter shall
 279 be reviewed by an intake officer who shall determine whether the petitioner and the child alleged to be
 280 in need of supervision have utilized or attempted to utilize treatment and services available in the
 281 community and have exhausted all appropriate nonjudicial remedies which are available to them. When
 282 the intake officer determines that the parties have not attempted to utilize available treatment or services
 283 or have not exhausted all appropriate nonjudicial remedies which are available, he shall refer the
 284 petitioner and the child alleged to be in need of supervision to the appropriate agency, treatment facility
 285 or individual to receive treatment or services, and a petition shall not be filed. Only after the intake
 286 officer determines that the parties have made a reasonable effort to utilize available community
 287 treatment or services may he permit the petition to be filed.

288 E. If the intake officer refuses to authorize a petition relating to an offense that if committed by an
 289 adult would be punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor or as a felony, the complainant shall be notified in
 290 writing at that time of the complainant's right to apply to a magistrate for a warrant. If a magistrate
 291 determines that probable cause exists, he shall issue a warrant returnable to the juvenile and domestic
 292 relations district court. The warrant shall be delivered forthwith to the juvenile court, and the intake
 293 officer shall accept and file a petition founded upon the warrant. If the court is closed and the magistrate
 294 finds that the criteria for detention or shelter care set forth in § 16.1-248.1 have been satisfied, the
 295 juvenile may be detained pursuant to the warrant issued in accordance with this subsection. If the intake
 296 officer refuses to authorize a petition relating to a child in need of services or in need of supervision, a
 297 status offense, or a misdemeanor other than Class 1, his decision is final.

298 Upon delivery to the juvenile court of a warrant issued pursuant to subdivision 2 of § 16.1-256, the
 299 intake officer shall accept and file a petition founded upon the warrant.

300 F. The intake officer shall notify the attorney for the Commonwealth of the filing of any petition
 301 which alleges facts of an offense which would be a felony if committed by an adult.

302 G. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 12 (§ 16.1-299 et seq.) of this chapter, the intake officer
 303 shall file a report with the division superintendent of the school division in which any student who is
 304 the subject of a petition alleging that such student who is a juvenile has committed an act, wherever
 305 committed, which would be a crime if committed by an adult, or that such student who is an adult has

306 committed a crime and is alleged to be within the jurisdiction of the court. The report shall notify the
 307 division superintendent of the filing of the petition and the nature of the offense, if the violation
 308 involves:

- 309 1. A firearm offense pursuant to Article 4 (§ 18.2-279 et seq.), 5 (§ 18.2-288 et seq.), 6 (§ 18.2-299
 310 et seq.), or 7 (§ 18.2-308 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2;
- 311 2. Homicide, pursuant to Article 1 (§ 18.2-30 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2;
- 312 3. Felonious assault and bodily wounding, pursuant to Article 4 (§ 18.2-51 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of
 313 Title 18.2;
- 314 4. Criminal sexual assault, pursuant to Article 7 (§ 18.2-61 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2;
- 315 5. Manufacture, sale, gift, distribution or possession of Schedule I or II controlled substances,
 316 pursuant to Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2;
- 317 6. Manufacture, sale or distribution of marijuana *or synthetic cannabinoids* pursuant to Article 1
 318 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2;
- 319 7. Arson and related crimes, pursuant to Article 1 (§ 18.2-77 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 18.2;
- 320 8. Burglary and related offenses, pursuant to §§ 18.2-89 through 18.2-93;
- 321 9. Robbery pursuant to § 18.2-58;
- 322 10. Prohibited criminal street gang activity pursuant to § 18.2-46.2;
- 323 11. Recruitment of other juveniles for a criminal street gang activity pursuant to § 18.2-46.3; or
- 324 12. An act of violence by a mob pursuant to § 18.2-42.1.

325 The failure to provide information regarding the school in which the student who is the subject of
 326 the petition may be enrolled shall not be grounds for refusing to file a petition.

327 The information provided to a division superintendent pursuant to this section may be disclosed only
 328 as provided in § 16.1-305.2.

329 H. The filing of a petition shall not be necessary:

330 1. In the case of violations of the traffic laws, including offenses involving bicycles, hitchhiking and
 331 other pedestrian offenses, game and fish laws or a violation of the ordinance of any city regulating
 332 surfing or any ordinance establishing curfew violations, animal control violations or littering violations.
 333 In such cases the court may proceed on a summons issued by the officer investigating the violation in
 334 the same manner as provided by law for adults. Additionally, an officer investigating a motor vehicle
 335 accident may, at the scene of the accident or at any other location where a juvenile who is involved in
 336 such an accident may be located, proceed on a summons in lieu of filing a petition.

337 2. In the case of seeking consent to apply for the issuance of a work permit pursuant to subsection H
 338 of § 16.1-241.

339 3. In the case of a violation of § 18.2-266 or 29.1-738, or the commission of any other
 340 alcohol-related offense, provided the juvenile is released to the custody of a parent or legal guardian
 341 pending the initial court date. The officer releasing a juvenile to the custody of a parent or legal
 342 guardian shall issue a summons to the juvenile and shall also issue a summons requiring the parent or
 343 legal guardian to appear before the court with the juvenile. Disposition of the charge shall be in the
 344 manner provided in § 16.1-278.8 or 16.1-278.9. If the juvenile so charged with a violation of
 345 § 18.2-51.4, 18.2-266, 18.2-266.1, 18.2-272, or 29.1-738 refuses to provide a sample of blood or breath
 346 or samples of both blood and breath for chemical analysis pursuant to §§ 18.2-268.1 through
 347 18.2-268.12 or 29.1-738.2, the provisions of these sections shall be followed except that the magistrate
 348 shall authorize execution of the warrant as a summons. The summons shall be served on a parent or
 349 legal guardian and the juvenile, and a copy of the summons shall be forwarded to the court in which the
 350 violation is to be tried.

351 4. In the case of offenses which, if committed by an adult, would be punishable as a Class 3 or
 352 Class 4 misdemeanor. In such cases the court may direct that an intake officer proceed as provided in
 353 § 16.1-237 on a summons issued by the officer investigating the violation in the same manner as
 354 provided by law for adults provided that notice of the summons to appear is mailed by the investigating
 355 officer within five days of the issuance of the summons to a parent or legal guardian of the juvenile.

356 I. Failure to comply with the procedures set forth in this section shall not divest the juvenile court of
 357 the jurisdiction granted it in § 16.1-241.

358 § 16.1-278.8:01. Juveniles found delinquent of first drug offense; screening; assessment; drug tests;
 359 costs and fees; education or treatment programs.

360 Whenever any juvenile who has not previously been found delinquent of any offense under Article 1
 361 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2 or under any statute of the United States or of any state
 362 relating to narcotic drugs, marijuana, *synthetic cannabinoids*, or stimulant, depressant or hallucinogenic
 363 drugs, or has not previously had a proceeding against him for a violation of such an offense dismissed
 364 as provided in § 18.2-251, is found delinquent of any offense concerning the use, in any manner, of
 365 drugs, controlled substances, narcotics, marijuana, *synthetic cannabinoids*, noxious chemical substances
 366 and like substances, the juvenile court or the circuit court shall require such juvenile to undergo a
 367 substance abuse screening pursuant to § 16.1-273 and to submit to such periodic substance abuse testing,

368 to include alcohol testing, as may be directed by the court. Such testing shall be conducted by a court
 369 services unit of the Department of Juvenile Justice, or by a locally operated court services unit or by
 370 personnel of any program or agency approved by the Department. The cost of such testing ordered by
 371 the court shall be paid by the Commonwealth from funds appropriated to the Department for this
 372 purpose. The court shall also order the juvenile to undergo such treatment or education program for
 373 substance abuse, if available, as the court deems appropriate based upon consideration of the substance
 374 abuse assessment. The treatment or education shall be provided by a program licensed by the
 375 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services or by a similar program available through
 376 a facility or program operated by or under contract to the Department of Juvenile Justice or a locally
 377 operated court services unit or a program funded through the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime
 378 Control Act (§ 16.1-309.2 et seq.).

379 § 18.2-248.01. Transporting controlled substances into the Commonwealth; penalty.

380 Except as authorized in the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.), it is unlawful for any person to
 381 transport into the Commonwealth by any means with intent to sell or distribute one ounce or more of
 382 cocaine, coca leaves or any salt, compound, derivative or preparation thereof as described in Schedule II
 383 of the Drug Control Act or one ounce or more of any other Schedule I or II controlled substance or five
 384 or more pounds of marijuana, *or five or more pounds of synthetic cannabinoids*. A violation of this
 385 section shall constitute a separate and distinct felony. Upon conviction, the person shall be sentenced to
 386 not less than five years nor more than 40 years imprisonment, three years of which shall be a mandatory
 387 minimum term of imprisonment, and a fine not to exceed \$1,000,000 *\$1 million*. A second or
 388 subsequent conviction hereunder shall be punishable by a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of
 389 10 years, which shall be served consecutively with any other sentence.

390 § 18.2-248.1:1. Penalties for possession, sale, gift, or distribution of or possession with intent to sell,
 391 give, or distribute synthetic cannabinoids; manufacturing.

392 A. For the purposes of this title, synthetic cannabinoids (also known as synthetic marijuana or Spice)
 393 means any substance that contains one or more of the following and any preparation, mixture, or
 394 substance containing, or mixed or infused with, any detectable amount of one or more of the following:

395 5-(1,1-Dimethylheptyl)-2-[3-hydroxycyclohexyl]-phenol (other name: CP 47,497);

396 5-(1,1-Dimethylhexyl)-2-[3-hydroxycyclohexyl]-phenol (other name: CP 47,497 C6 homolog);

397 5-(1,1-Dimethyloctyl)-2-[3-hydroxycyclohexyl]-phenol (other name: CP 47,497 C8 homolog);

398 5-(1,1-Dimethylnonyl)-2-[3-hydroxycyclohexyl]-phenol (other name: CP 47,497 C9 homolog);

399 1-pentyl-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (other name: JWH-018);

400 1-butyl-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (other name: JWH-073);

401 1-pentyl-3-(2-methoxyphenylacetyl)indole (other name: JWH-250);

402 1-hexyl-3-(naphthalen-1-oyl)indole (other name: JWH-019);

403 1-[2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl]-3-(1-naphthoyl)indole (other name JWH-200);

404 (6aR,10aR)-9-(hydroxymethyl)-6,6-dimethyl-3-(2-methyloctan-2-yl)-6a,7,10,10a-tetrahydrobenzo[c]chr-
 405 omen-1-ol (other name: HU-210).

406 B. It is unlawful for any person to knowingly or intentionally possess synthetic cannabinoids. Any
 407 person who violates this subsection is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

408 C. It is unlawful for any person to sell, give, distribute, or possess with intent to sell, give, or
 409 distribute synthetic cannabinoids. Any person who violates this subsection with respect to (i) not more
 410 than one-half ounce of synthetic cannabinoids is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor; (ii) more than
 411 one-half ounce but not more than five pounds of synthetic cannabinoids is guilty of a Class 5 felony;
 412 (iii) more than five pounds of synthetic cannabinoids is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment of
 413 not less than five nor more than 30 years.

414 D. Any person who manufactures synthetic cannabinoids or possesses synthetic cannabinoids with
 415 intent to manufacture such substance is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment of not less than
 416 five nor more than 30 years and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

417 E. Any drug not listed in this section or the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.), which is
 418 privately compounded, with the specific intent to circumvent the criminal penalties for synthetic
 419 cannabinoids, to emulate or simulate the effects of synthetic cannabinoids through chemical changes
 420 such as the addition, subtraction or rearranging of a radical or the addition, subtraction or rearranging
 421 of a substituent, shall be subject to the same criminal penalties as for synthetic cannabinoids.

422 F. Upon conviction, in addition to any other punishment, a person found guilty of a violation of this
 423 section shall be ordered by the court to make restitution, as the court deems appropriate, to any
 424 innocent property owner whose property is damaged, destroyed, or otherwise rendered unusable as a
 425 result of such synthetic cannabinoid production. This restitution may include the person's or his estate's
 426 estimated or actual expenses associated with cleanup, removal, or repair of the affected property.

427 § 18.2-251. Persons charged with first offense may be placed on probation; conditions; substance
 428 abuse screening, assessment treatment and education programs or services; drug tests; costs and fees;

429 violations; discharge.

430 Whenever any person who has not previously been convicted of any offense under this article or
431 under any statute of the United States or of any state relating to narcotic drugs, marijuana, *synthetic*
432 *cannabinoids*, or stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic drugs, or has not previously had a proceeding
433 against him for violation of such an offense dismissed as provided in this section, pleads guilty to or
434 enters a plea of not guilty to possession of a controlled substance under § 18.2-250 or to possession of
435 marijuana under § 18.2-250.1, *or to possession of synthetic cannabinoids under subsection B of*
436 *§ 18.2-248.1:1*, the court, upon such plea if the facts found by the court would justify a finding of guilt,
437 without entering a judgment of guilt and with the consent of the accused, may defer further proceedings
438 and place him on probation upon terms and conditions.

439 As a term or condition, the court shall require the accused to undergo a substance abuse assessment
440 pursuant to § 18.2-251.01 or 19.2-299.2, as appropriate, and enter treatment and/or education program or
441 services, if available, such as, in the opinion of the court, may be best suited to the needs of the accused
442 based upon consideration of the substance abuse assessment. The program or services may be located in
443 the judicial district in which the charge is brought or in any other judicial district as the court may
444 provide. The services shall be provided by (i) a program licensed by the Department of Behavioral
445 Health and Developmental Services, by a similar program which is made available through the
446 Department of Corrections, (ii) a local community-based probation services agency established pursuant
447 to § 9.1-174, or (iii) an ASAP program certified by the Commission on VASAP.

448 The court shall require the person entering such program under the provisions of this section to pay
449 all or part of the costs of the program, including the costs of the screening, assessment, testing, and
450 treatment, based upon the accused's ability to pay unless the person is determined by the court to be
451 indigent.

452 As a condition of probation, the court shall require the accused (i) to successfully complete treatment
453 or education program or services, (ii) to remain drug and alcohol free during the period of probation and
454 submit to such tests during that period as may be necessary and appropriate to determine if the accused
455 is drug and alcohol free, (iii) to make reasonable efforts to secure and maintain employment, and (iv) to
456 comply with a plan of at least 100 hours of community service for a felony and up to 24 hours of
457 community service for a misdemeanor. Such testing shall be conducted by personnel of the supervising
458 probation agency or personnel of any program or agency approved by the supervising probation agency.

459 The court shall, unless done at arrest, order the accused to report to the original arresting
460 law-enforcement agency to submit to fingerprinting.

461 Upon violation of a term or condition, the court may enter an adjudication of guilt and proceed as
462 otherwise provided. Upon fulfillment of the terms and conditions, the court shall discharge the person
463 and dismiss the proceedings against him. Discharge and dismissal under this section shall be without
464 adjudication of guilt and is a conviction only for the purposes of applying this section in subsequent
465 proceedings.

466 Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, whenever a court places an individual on
467 probation upon terms and conditions pursuant to this section, such action shall be treated as a conviction
468 for purposes of §§ 18.2-259.1, 22.1-315 and 46.2-390.1, and the driver's license forfeiture provisions of
469 those sections shall be imposed. The provisions of this paragraph shall not be applicable to any offense
470 for which a juvenile has had his license suspended or denied pursuant to § 16.1-278.9 for the same
471 offense.

472 § 18.2-255. Distribution of certain drugs to persons under 18 prohibited; penalty.

473 A. Except as authorized in the Drug Control Act, Chapter 34 (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) of Title 54.1, it
474 shall be unlawful for any person who is at least 18 years of age to knowingly or intentionally (i)
475 distribute any drug classified in Schedule I, II, III or IV ~~or~~, marijuana *or synthetic cannabinoids* to any
476 person under 18 years of age who is at least three years his junior or (ii) cause any person under 18
477 years of age to assist in such distribution of any drug classified in Schedule I, II, III or IV ~~or~~,
478 marijuana *or synthetic cannabinoids*. Any person violating this provision shall upon conviction be
479 imprisoned in a state correctional facility for a period not less than 10 nor more than 50 years, and fined
480 not more than \$100,000. Five years of the sentence imposed for a conviction under this section
481 involving a Schedule I or II controlled substance ~~or~~, one ounce or more of marijuana, *or one ounce or*
482 *more of synthetic cannabinoids* shall be a mandatory minimum sentence. Two years of the sentence
483 imposed for a conviction under this section involving less than one ounce of marijuana *or less than one*
484 *ounce of synthetic cannabinoids* shall be a mandatory minimum sentence.

485 B. It shall be unlawful for any person who is at least 18 years of age to knowingly or intentionally
486 (i) distribute any imitation controlled substance to a person under 18 years of age who is at least three
487 years his junior or (ii) cause any person under 18 years of age to assist in such distribution of any
488 imitation controlled substance. Any person violating this provision shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony.

489 § 18.2-255.1. Distribution, sale or display of printed material advertising instruments for use in
490 administering marijuana, synthetic cannabinoids, or controlled substances to minors; penalty.

491 It shall be a Class 1 misdemeanor for any person knowingly to sell, distribute, or display for sale to
 492 a minor any book, pamphlet, periodical or other printed matter which he knows advertises for sale any
 493 instrument, device, article, or contrivance for advertised use in unlawfully ingesting, smoking,
 494 administering, preparing or growing marijuana, *synthetic cannabinoids*, or a controlled substance.

495 § 18.2-255.2. Prohibiting the sale or manufacture of drugs on or near certain properties; penalty.

496 A. It shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture, sell or distribute or possess with intent to sell,
 497 give or distribute any controlled substance, imitation controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana *or synthetic*
 498 *cannabinoids* while:

499 (i) ~~upon~~ 1. Upon the property, including buildings and grounds, of any public or private elementary,
 500 secondary, or post secondary school, or any public or private two-year or four-year institution of higher
 501 education, or any clearly marked licensed child day center as defined in § 63.2-100;

502 (ii) ~~upon~~ 2. Upon public property or any property open to public use within 1,000 feet of the
 503 property described in ~~clause (i)~~ *subdivision 1*;

504 (iii) ~~on~~ 3. On any school bus as defined in § 46.2-100;

505 (iv) ~~upon~~ 4. Upon a designated school bus stop, or upon either public property or any property open
 506 to public use which is within 1,000 feet of such school bus stop, during the time when school children
 507 are waiting to be picked up and transported to or are being dropped off from school or a
 508 school-sponsored activity;

509 (v) ~~upon~~ 5. Upon the property, including buildings and grounds, of any publicly owned or publicly
 510 operated recreation or community center facility or any public library; or

511 (vi) ~~upon~~ 6. Upon the property of any state facility as defined in § 37.2-100 or upon public property
 512 or property open to public use within 1,000 feet of such an institution. It is a violation of the provisions
 513 of this section if the person possessed the controlled substance, imitation controlled substance ~~or~~,
 514 marijuana *or synthetic cannabinoids* on the property described in ~~clauses (i)~~ *subdivisions 1* through (vi)
 515 ~~of this subsection~~ 6, regardless of where the person intended to sell, give or distribute the controlled
 516 substance, imitation controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoids*. Nothing in this
 517 section shall prohibit the authorized distribution of controlled substances.

518 B. Violation of this section shall constitute a separate and distinct felony. Any person violating the
 519 provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be imprisoned for a term of not less than one year nor
 520 more than five years and fined not more than \$100,000. A second or subsequent conviction hereunder
 521 for an offense involving a controlled substance classified in Schedule I, II, or III of the Drug Control
 522 Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) or more than one-half ounce of marijuana *or more than one-half ounce of*
 523 *synthetic cannabinoids* shall be punished by a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of one year to
 524 be served consecutively with any other sentence. However, if such person proves that he sold such
 525 controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoids* only as an accommodation to another
 526 individual and not with intent to profit thereby from any consideration received or expected nor to
 527 induce the recipient or intended recipient of the controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic*
 528 *cannabinoids* to use or become addicted to or dependent upon such controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana,
 529 *or synthetic cannabinoids*, he shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

530 C. If a person commits an act violating the provisions of this section, and the same act also violates
 531 another provision of law that provides for penalties greater than those provided for by this section, then
 532 nothing in this section shall prohibit or bar any prosecution or proceeding under that other provision of
 533 law or the imposition of any penalties provided for thereby.

534 § 18.2-258. Certain premises deemed common nuisance; penalty.

535 Any office, store, shop, restaurant, dance hall, theater, poolroom, clubhouse, storehouse, warehouse,
 536 dwelling house, apartment, building of any kind, vehicle, vessel, boat, or aircraft, which with the
 537 knowledge of the owner, lessor, agent of any such lessor, manager, chief executive officer, operator, or
 538 tenant thereof, is frequented by persons under the influence of illegally obtained controlled substances or
 539 marijuana, as defined in § 54.1-3401, *or synthetic cannabinoids*, or for the purpose of illegally obtaining
 540 possession of, manufacturing or distributing controlled substances ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic*
 541 *cannabinoids*, or is used for the illegal possession, manufacture or distribution of controlled substances
 542 ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoids* shall be deemed a common nuisance. Any such owner, lessor,
 543 agent of any such lessor, manager, chief executive officer, operator, or tenant who knowingly permits,
 544 establishes, keeps or maintains such a common nuisance is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor and, for a
 545 second or subsequent offense, a Class 6 felony.

546 § 18.2-258.02. Maintaining a fortified drug house; penalty.

547 Any office, store, shop, restaurant, dance hall, theater, poolroom, clubhouse, storehouse, warehouse,
 548 dwelling house, apartment or building or structure of any kind which is (i) substantially altered from its
 549 original status by means of reinforcement with the intent to impede, deter or delay lawful entry by a
 550 law-enforcement officer into such structure, (ii) being used for the purpose of manufacturing or
 551 distributing controlled substances ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoids*, and (iii) the object of a valid

552 search warrant, shall be considered a fortified drug house. Any person who maintains or operates a
553 fortified drug house is guilty of a Class 5 felony.

554 § 18.2-258.1. Obtaining drugs, procuring administration of controlled substances, etc., by fraud, deceit
555 or forgery.

556 A. It shall be unlawful for any person to obtain or attempt to obtain any drug or procure or attempt
557 to procure the administration of any controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoid*: (i) by
558 fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, embezzlement, or subterfuge; or (ii) by the forgery or alteration of a
559 prescription or of any written order; or (iii) by the concealment of a material fact; or (iv) by the use of
560 a false name or the giving of a false address.

561 B. It shall be unlawful for any person to furnish false or fraudulent information in or omit any
562 information from, or willfully make a false statement in, any prescription, order, report, record, or other
563 document required by Chapter 34 (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) of Title 54.1.

564 C. It shall be unlawful for any person to use in the course of the manufacture or distribution of a
565 controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoid* a license number which is fictitious,
566 revoked, suspended, or issued to another person.

567 D. It shall be unlawful for any person, for the purpose of obtaining any controlled substance ~~or~~,
568 marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoids* to falsely assume the title of, or represent himself to be, a
569 manufacturer, wholesaler, pharmacist, physician, dentist, veterinarian or other authorized person.

570 E. It shall be unlawful for any person to make or utter any false or forged prescription or false or
571 forged written order.

572 F. It shall be unlawful for any person to affix any false or forged label to a package or receptacle
573 containing any controlled substance.

574 G. This section shall not apply to officers and employees of the United States, of this
575 Commonwealth or of a political subdivision of this Commonwealth acting in the course of their
576 employment, who obtain such drugs for investigative, research or analytical purposes, or to the agents or
577 duly authorized representatives of any pharmaceutical manufacturer who obtain such drugs for
578 investigative, research or analytical purposes and who are acting in the course of their employment;
579 provided that such manufacturer is licensed under the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug and
580 Cosmetic Act; and provided further, that such pharmaceutical manufacturer, its agents and duly
581 authorized representatives file with the Board such information as the Board may deem appropriate.

582 H. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who shall violate any provision herein
583 shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony.

584 Whenever any person who has not previously been convicted of any offense under this article or
585 under any statute of the United States or of any state relating to narcotic drugs, marijuana, or stimulant,
586 depressant, or hallucinogenic drugs, or has not previously had a proceeding against him for violation of
587 such an offense dismissed, or reduced as provided in this section, pleads guilty to or enters a plea of not
588 guilty to the court for violating this section, upon such plea if the facts found by the court would justify
589 a finding of guilt, the court may place him on probation upon terms and conditions.

590 As a term or condition, the court shall require the accused to be evaluated and enter a treatment
591 and/or education program, if available, such as, in the opinion of the court, may be best suited to the
592 needs of the accused. This program may be located in the judicial circuit in which the charge is brought
593 or in any other judicial circuit as the court may provide. The services shall be provided by a program
594 certified or licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. The court
595 shall require the person entering such program under the provisions of this section to pay all or part of
596 the costs of the program, including the costs of the screening, evaluation, testing and education, based
597 upon the person's ability to pay unless the person is determined by the court to be indigent.

598 As a condition of supervised probation, the court shall require the accused to remain drug free during
599 the period of probation and submit to such tests during that period as may be necessary and appropriate
600 to determine if the accused is drug free. Such testing may be conducted by the personnel of any
601 screening, evaluation, and education program to which the person is referred or by the supervising
602 agency.

603 Unless the accused was fingerprinted at the time of arrest, the court shall order the accused to report
604 to the original arresting law-enforcement agency to submit to fingerprinting.

605 Upon violation of a term or condition, the court may enter an adjudication of guilt upon the felony
606 and proceed as otherwise provided. Upon fulfillment of the terms and conditions of probation, the court
607 shall find the defendant guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

608 § 18.2-308. Personal protection; carrying concealed weapons; when lawful to carry.

609 A. If any person carries about his person, hidden from common observation, (i) any pistol, revolver,
610 or other weapon designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind by action of an explosion of any
611 combustible material; (ii) any dirk, bowie knife, switchblade knife, ballistic knife, machete, razor,
612 slingshot, spring stick, metal knucks, or blackjack; (iii) any flailing instrument consisting of two or more
613 rigid parts connected in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as a nun

614 chahka, nun chuck, nunchaku, shuriken, or fighting chain; (iv) any disc, of whatever configuration,
615 having at least two points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may
616 be known as a throwing star or oriental dart; or (v) any weapon of like kind as those enumerated in this
617 subsection, he shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. A second violation of this section or a
618 conviction under this section subsequent to any conviction under any substantially similar ordinance of
619 any county, city, or town shall be punishable as a Class 6 felony, and a third or subsequent such
620 violation shall be punishable as a Class 5 felony. For the purpose of this section, a weapon shall be
621 deemed to be hidden from common observation when it is observable but is of such deceptive
622 appearance as to disguise the weapon's true nature.

623 B. This section shall not apply to any person while in his own place of abode or the curtilage
624 thereof.

625 Except as provided in subsection J1, this section shall not apply to:

626 1. Any person while in his own place of business;
627 2. Any law-enforcement officer, wherever such law-enforcement officer may travel in the
628 Commonwealth;

629 3. Any regularly enrolled member of a target shooting organization who is at, or going to or from,
630 an established shooting range, provided that the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped while being
631 transported;

632 4. Any regularly enrolled member of a weapons collecting organization who is at, or going to or
633 from, a bona fide weapons exhibition, provided that the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped
634 while being transported;

635 5. Any person carrying such weapons between his place of abode and a place of purchase or repair,
636 provided the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped while being transported;

637 6. Any person actually engaged in lawful hunting, as authorized by the Board of Game and Inland
638 Fisheries, under inclement weather conditions necessitating temporary protection of his firearm from
639 those conditions, provided that possession of a handgun while engaged in lawful hunting shall not be
640 construed as hunting with a handgun if the person hunting is carrying a valid concealed handgun permit;

641 7. Any State Police officer retired from the Department of State Police, any officer retired from the
642 Division of Capitol Police, any local law-enforcement officer, auxiliary police officer or animal control
643 officer retired from a police department or sheriff's office within the Commonwealth, any special agent
644 retired from the State Corporation Commission or the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, any
645 conservation police officer retired from the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, and any Virginia
646 Marine Police officer retired from the Law Enforcement Division of the Virginia Marine Resources
647 Commission, other than an officer or agent terminated for cause, (i) with a service-related disability; (ii)
648 following at least 15 years of service with any such law-enforcement agency, board or any combination
649 thereof; (iii) who has reached 55 years of age; or (iv) who is on long-term leave from such
650 law-enforcement agency or board due to a service-related injury, provided such officer carries with him
651 written proof of consultation with and favorable review of the need to carry a concealed handgun issued
652 by the chief law-enforcement officer of the last such agency from which the officer retired or the agency
653 that employs the officer or, in the case of special agents, issued by the State Corporation Commission or
654 the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. A copy of the proof of consultation and favorable review shall
655 be forwarded by the chief or the Board to the Department of State Police for entry into the Virginia
656 Criminal Information Network. The chief law-enforcement officer shall not without cause withhold such
657 written proof if the retired law-enforcement officer otherwise meets the requirements of this section. An
658 officer set forth in clause (iv) of this subdivision who receives written proof of consultation to carry a
659 concealed handgun shall surrender such proof of consultation upon return to work or upon termination
660 of employment with the law-enforcement agency. Notice of the surrender shall be forwarded to the
661 Department of State Police for entry into the Virginia Criminal Information Network. However, if such
662 officer retires on disability because of the service-related injury, and would be eligible under clause (i)
663 of this subdivision for written proof of consultation to carry a concealed handgun, he may retain the
664 previously issued written proof of consultation. A retired law-enforcement officer who receives proof of
665 consultation and favorable review pursuant to this subdivision is authorized to carry a concealed
666 handgun in the same manner as a law-enforcement officer authorized to carry a concealed handgun
667 pursuant to subdivision 2 of this subsection.

668 7a. Any person who is eligible for retirement with at least 20 years of service with a
669 law-enforcement agency or board mentioned in subdivision 7 who has resigned in good standing from
670 such law-enforcement agency or board to accept a position covered by a retirement system that is
671 authorized under Title 51.1, provided such person carries with him written proof of consultation with
672 and favorable review of the need to carry a concealed handgun issued by the chief law-enforcement
673 officer of the agency from which he resigned or, in the case of special agents, issued by the State
674 Corporation Commission or the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. A copy of the proof of consultation

675 and favorable review shall be forwarded by the chief, Board or Commission to the Department of State
676 Police for entry into the Virginia Criminal Information Network. The chief law-enforcement officer shall
677 not without cause withhold such written proof if the law-enforcement officer otherwise meets the
678 requirements of this section.

679 For purposes of applying the reciprocity provisions of subsection P, any person granted the privilege
680 to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to subdivision 7 or this subdivision, while carrying the proof of
681 consultation and favorable review required, shall be deemed to have been issued a concealed handgun
682 permit.

683 For purposes of complying with the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004, a retired
684 or resigned law-enforcement officer who receives proof of consultation and review pursuant to
685 subdivision 7 or this subdivision shall have the opportunity to annually participate, at the retired or
686 resigned law-enforcement officer's expense, in the same training and testing to carry firearms as is
687 required of active law-enforcement officers in the Commonwealth. If such retired or resigned
688 law-enforcement officer meets the training and qualification standards, the chief law-enforcement officer
689 shall issue the retired or resigned officer certification, valid one year from the date of issuance,
690 indicating that the retired or resigned officer has met the standards of the agency to carry a firearm;

691 8. Any State Police officer who is a member of the organized reserve forces of any of the armed
692 services of the United States, national guard, or naval militia, while such officer is called to active
693 military duty, provided such officer carries with him written proof of consultation with and favorable
694 review of the need to carry a concealed handgun issued by the Superintendent of State Police. The proof
695 of consultation and favorable review shall be valid as long as the officer is on active military duty and
696 shall expire when the officer returns to active law-enforcement duty. The issuance of the proof of
697 consultation and favorable review shall be entered into the Virginia Criminal Information Network. The
698 Superintendent of State Police shall not without cause withhold such written proof if the officer is in
699 good standing and is qualified to carry a weapon while on active law-enforcement duty.

700 For purposes of applying the reciprocity provisions of subsection P, any person granted the privilege
701 to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to this subdivision, while carrying the proof of consultation and
702 favorable review required, shall be deemed to have been issued a concealed handgun permit;

703 9. Any attorney for the Commonwealth or assistant attorney for the Commonwealth, wherever such
704 attorney may travel in the Commonwealth; and

705 10. Any person who may lawfully possess a firearm and is carrying a handgun while in a personal,
706 private motor vehicle or vessel and such handgun is secured in a container or compartment in the
707 vehicle or vessel.

708 C. This section shall also not apply to any of the following individuals while in the discharge of
709 their official duties, or while in transit to or from such duties:

- 710 1. Carriers of the United States mail;
- 711 2. Officers or guards of any state correctional institution;
- 712 3. [Repealed.]

713 4. Conservators of the peace, except that an attorney for the Commonwealth or assistant attorney for
714 the Commonwealth may carry a concealed handgun pursuant to subdivision B 9. However, the following
715 conservators of the peace shall not be permitted to carry a concealed handgun without obtaining a
716 permit as provided in subsection D hereof: (a) notaries public; (b) registrars; (c) drivers, operators or
717 other persons in charge of any motor vehicle carrier of passengers for hire; or (d) commissioners in
718 chancery;

719 5. Noncustodial employees of the Department of Corrections designated to carry weapons by the
720 Director of the Department of Corrections pursuant to § 53.1-29; and

721 6. Harbormaster of the City of Hopewell.

722 D. Any person 21 years of age or older may apply in writing to the clerk of the circuit court of the
723 county or city in which he resides, or if he is a member of the United States Armed Forces, the county
724 or city in which he is domiciled, for a five-year permit to carry a concealed handgun. There shall be no
725 requirement regarding the length of time an applicant has been a resident or domiciliary of the county or
726 city. The application shall be made under oath before a notary or other person qualified to take oaths
727 and shall be made only on a form prescribed by the Department of State Police, in consultation with the
728 Supreme Court, requiring only that information necessary to determine eligibility for the permit. The
729 clerk shall enter on the application the date on which the application and all other information required
730 to be submitted by the applicant is received. The court shall consult with either the sheriff or police
731 department of the county or city and receive a report from the Central Criminal Records Exchange. As a
732 condition for issuance of a concealed handgun permit, the applicant shall submit to fingerprinting if
733 required by local ordinance in the county or city where the applicant resides and provide personal
734 descriptive information to be forwarded with the fingerprints through the Central Criminal Records
735 Exchange to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the purpose of obtaining criminal history record
736 information regarding the applicant, and obtaining fingerprint identification information from federal

737 records pursuant to criminal investigations by state and local law-enforcement agencies. However, no
 738 local ordinance shall require an applicant to submit to fingerprinting if the applicant has an existing
 739 concealed handgun permit issued pursuant to this section and is applying for a new five-year permit
 740 pursuant to subsection I. Where feasible and practical, the local law-enforcement agency may transfer
 741 information electronically to the State Police instead of inked fingerprint cards. Upon completion of the
 742 criminal history records check, the State Police shall return the fingerprint cards to the submitting local
 743 agency or, in the case of scanned fingerprints, destroy the electronic record. The local agency shall then
 744 promptly notify the person that he has 21 days from the date of the notice to request return of the
 745 fingerprint cards, if any. All fingerprint cards not claimed by the applicant within 21 days of notification
 746 by the local agency shall be destroyed. All optically scanned fingerprints shall be destroyed upon
 747 completion of the criminal history records check without requiring that the applicant be notified.
 748 Fingerprints taken for the purposes described in this section shall not be copied, held or used for any
 749 other purposes. The court shall issue the permit and notify the State Police of the issuance of the permit
 750 within 45 days of receipt of the completed application unless it is determined that the applicant is
 751 disqualified. A court may authorize the clerk to issue concealed handgun permits, without judicial
 752 review, to applicants who have submitted complete applications, for whom the criminal history records
 753 check does not indicate a disqualification and, after consulting with either the sheriff or police
 754 department of the county or city, about which there are no outstanding questions or issues concerning
 755 the application. The court clerk shall be immune from suit arising from any acts or omissions relating to
 756 the issuance of concealed handgun permits without judicial review pursuant to this section unless the
 757 clerk was grossly negligent or engaged in willful misconduct. This subsection shall not be construed to
 758 limit, withdraw, or overturn any defense or immunity already existing in statutory or common law, or to
 759 affect any cause of action accruing prior to July 1, 2010. Upon denial of the application, the clerk shall
 760 provide the person with notice, in writing, of his right to an ore tenus hearing. Upon request of the
 761 applicant made within 21 days, the court shall place the matter on the docket for an ore tenus hearing.
 762 The applicant may be represented by counsel, but counsel shall not be appointed, and the rules of
 763 evidence shall apply. The final order of the court shall include the court's findings of fact and
 764 conclusions of law. Any order denying issuance of the permit shall state the basis for the denial of the
 765 permit and the applicant's right to and the requirements for perfecting an appeal of such order pursuant
 766 to subsection L. Only a circuit court judge may deny issuance of a permit. An application is deemed
 767 complete when all information required to be furnished by the applicant is delivered to and received by
 768 the clerk of court before or concomitant with the conduct of a state or national criminal history records
 769 check. If the court has not issued the permit or determined that the applicant is disqualified within 45
 770 days of the date of receipt noted on the application, the clerk shall certify on the application that the
 771 45-day period has expired, and send a copy of the certified application to the applicant. The certified
 772 application shall serve as a de facto permit, which shall expire 90 days after issuance, and shall be
 773 recognized as a valid concealed handgun permit when presented with a valid government-issued photo
 774 identification pursuant to subsection H, until the court issues a five-year permit or finds the applicant to
 775 be disqualified. If the applicant is found to be disqualified after the de facto permit is issued, the
 776 applicant shall surrender the de facto permit to the court and the disqualification shall be deemed a
 777 denial of the permit and a revocation of the de facto permit. If the applicant is later found by the court
 778 to be disqualified after a five-year permit has been issued, the permit shall be revoked. The clerk of
 779 court may withhold from public disclosure the social security number contained in a permit application
 780 in response to a request to inspect or copy any such permit application, except that such social security
 781 number shall not be withheld from any law-enforcement officer acting in the performance of his official
 782 duties.

783 E. The following persons shall be deemed disqualified from obtaining a permit:

784 1. An individual who is ineligible to possess a firearm pursuant to § 18.2-308.1:1, 18.2-308.1:2 or
 785 18.2-308.1:3 or the substantially similar law of any other state or of the United States.

786 2. An individual who was ineligible to possess a firearm pursuant to § 18.2-308.1:1 and who was
 787 discharged from the custody of the Commissioner pursuant to § 19.2-182.7 less than five years before
 788 the date of his application for a concealed handgun permit.

789 3. An individual who was ineligible to possess a firearm pursuant to § 18.2-308.1:2 and whose
 790 competency or capacity was restored pursuant to § 37.2-1012 less than five years before the date of his
 791 application for a concealed handgun permit.

792 4. An individual who was ineligible to possess a firearm under § 18.2-308.1:3 and who was released
 793 from commitment less than five years before the date of this application for a concealed handgun
 794 permit.

795 5. An individual who is subject to a restraining order, or to a protective order and prohibited by
 796 § 18.2-308.1:4 from purchasing or transporting a firearm.

797 6. An individual who is prohibited by § 18.2-308.2 from possessing or transporting a firearm, except

798 that a permit may be obtained in accordance with subsection C of that section.

799 7. An individual who has been convicted of two or more misdemeanors within the five-year period
800 immediately preceding the application, if one of the misdemeanors was a Class 1 misdemeanor, but the
801 judge shall have the discretion to deny a permit for two or more misdemeanors that are not Class 1.
802 Traffic infractions and misdemeanors set forth in Title 46.2 shall not be considered for purposes of this
803 disqualification.

804 8. An individual who is addicted to, or is an unlawful user or distributor of, marijuana, *synthetic*
805 *cannabinoids*, or any controlled substance.

806 9. An individual who has been convicted of a violation of § 18.2-266 or a substantially similar local
807 ordinance, or of public drunkenness, or of a substantially similar offense under the laws of any other
808 state, the District of Columbia, the United States, or its territories within the three-year period
809 immediately preceding the application, or who is a habitual drunkard as determined pursuant to
810 § 4.1-333.

811 10. An alien other than an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.

812 11. An individual who has been discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States under
813 dishonorable conditions.

814 12. An individual who is a fugitive from justice.

815 13. An individual who the court finds, by a preponderance of the evidence, based on specific acts by
816 the applicant, is likely to use a weapon unlawfully or negligently to endanger others. The sheriff, chief
817 of police, or attorney for the Commonwealth may submit to the court a sworn written statement
818 indicating that, in the opinion of such sheriff, chief of police, or attorney for the Commonwealth, based
819 upon a disqualifying conviction or upon the specific acts set forth in the statement, the applicant is
820 likely to use a weapon unlawfully or negligently to endanger others. The statement of the sheriff, chief
821 of police, or the attorney for the Commonwealth shall be based upon personal knowledge of such
822 individual or of a deputy sheriff, police officer, or assistant attorney for the Commonwealth of the
823 specific acts, or upon a written statement made under oath before a notary public of a competent person
824 having personal knowledge of the specific acts.

825 14. An individual who has been convicted of any assault, assault and battery, sexual battery,
826 discharging of a firearm in violation of § 18.2-280 or 18.2-286.1 or brandishing of a firearm in violation
827 of § 18.2-282 within the three-year period immediately preceding the application.

828 15. An individual who has been convicted of stalking.

829 16. An individual whose previous convictions or adjudications of delinquency were based on an
830 offense which would have been at the time of conviction a felony if committed by an adult under the
831 laws of any state, the District of Columbia, the United States or its territories. For purposes of this
832 disqualifier, only convictions occurring within 16 years following the later of the date of (i) the
833 conviction or adjudication or (ii) release from any incarceration imposed upon such conviction or
834 adjudication shall be deemed to be "previous convictions."

835 17. An individual who has a felony charge pending or a charge pending for an offense listed in
836 subdivision 14 or 15.

837 18. An individual who has received mental health treatment or substance abuse treatment in a
838 residential setting within five years prior to the date of his application for a concealed handgun permit.

839 19. An individual not otherwise ineligible pursuant to this section, who, within the three-year period
840 immediately preceding the application for the permit, was found guilty of any criminal offense set forth
841 in Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of this title or of a criminal offense of illegal possession
842 or distribution of marijuana, *synthetic cannabinoids*, or any controlled substance, under the laws of any
843 state, the District of Columbia, or the United States or its territories.

844 20. An individual, not otherwise ineligible pursuant to this section, with respect to whom, within the
845 three-year period immediately preceding the application, upon a charge of any criminal offense set forth
846 in Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of this title or upon a charge of illegal possession or
847 distribution of marijuana, *synthetic cannabinoids*, or any controlled substance under the laws of any
848 state, the District of Columbia, or the United States or its territories, the trial court found that the facts
849 of the case were sufficient for a finding of guilt and disposed of the case pursuant to § 18.2-251 or the
850 substantially similar law of any other state, the District of Columbia, or the United States or its
851 territories.

852 F. The making of a materially false statement in an application under this section shall constitute
853 perjury, punishable as provided in § 18.2-434.

854 G. The court shall require proof that the applicant has demonstrated competence with a handgun and
855 the applicant may demonstrate such competence by one of the following, but no applicant shall be
856 required to submit to any additional demonstration of competence, nor shall any proof of demonstrated
857 competence expire:

858 1. Completing any hunter education or hunter safety course approved by the Department of Game
859 and Inland Fisheries or a similar agency of another state;

860 2. Completing any National Rifle Association firearms safety or training course;
861 3. Completing any firearms safety or training course or class available to the general public offered
862 by a law-enforcement agency, junior college, college, or private or public institution or organization or
863 firearms training school utilizing instructors certified by the National Rifle Association or the
864 Department of Criminal Justice Services;
865 4. Completing any law-enforcement firearms safety or training course or class offered for security
866 guards, investigators, special deputies, or any division or subdivision of law enforcement or security
867 enforcement;
868 5. Presenting evidence of equivalent experience with a firearm through participation in organized
869 shooting competition or current military service or proof of an honorable discharge from any branch of
870 the armed services;
871 6. Obtaining or previously having held a license to carry a firearm in the Commonwealth or a
872 locality thereof, unless such license has been revoked for cause;
873 7. Completing any firearms training or safety course or class, including an electronic, video, or
874 on-line course, conducted by a state-certified or National Rifle Association-certified firearms instructor;
875 8. Completing any governmental police agency firearms training course and qualifying to carry a
876 firearm in the course of normal police duties; or
877 9. Completing any other firearms training which the court deems adequate.
878 A photocopy of a certificate of completion of any of the courses or classes; an affidavit from the
879 instructor, school, club, organization, or group that conducted or taught such course or class attesting to
880 the completion of the course or class by the applicant; or a copy of any document which shows
881 completion of the course or class or evidences participation in firearms competition shall constitute
882 evidence of qualification under this subsection.
883 H. The permit to carry a concealed handgun shall specify only the following information: name,
884 address, date of birth, gender, height, weight, color of hair, color of eyes, and signature of the permittee;
885 the signature of the judge issuing the permit, of the clerk of court who has been authorized to sign such
886 permits by the issuing judge, or of the clerk of court who has been authorized to issue such permits
887 pursuant to subsection D; the date of issuance; and the expiration date. The permit to carry a concealed
888 handgun shall be no larger than two inches wide by three and one-fourth inches long and shall be of a
889 uniform style prescribed by the Department of State Police. The person issued the permit shall have
890 such permit on his person at all times during which he is carrying a concealed handgun and shall
891 display the permit and a photo-identification issued by a government agency of the Commonwealth or
892 by the United States Department of Defense or United States State Department (passport) upon demand
893 by a law-enforcement officer.
894 H1. If a permit holder is a member of the Virginia National Guard, Armed Forces of the United
895 States, or the Armed Forces reserves of the United States, and his five-year permit expires during an
896 active-duty military deployment outside of the permittee's county or city of residence, such permit shall
897 remain valid for 90 days after the end date of the deployment. In order to establish proof of continued
898 validity of the permit, such a permittee shall carry with him and display, upon request of a
899 law-enforcement officer, a copy of the permittee's deployment orders or other documentation from the
900 permittee's commanding officer that order the permittee to travel outside of his county or city of
901 residence and that indicate the start and end date of such deployment.
902 I. Persons who previously have held a concealed handgun permit shall be issued, upon application as
903 provided in subsection D, and upon receipt by the circuit court of criminal history record information as
904 provided in subsection D, a new five-year permit unless it is found that the applicant is subject to any
905 of the disqualifications set forth in subsection E. Persons who previously have been issued a concealed
906 handgun permit pursuant to subsection D shall not be required to appear in person to apply for a new
907 five-year permit pursuant to this subsection, and the application for the new permit may be submitted
908 via the United States mail. The circuit court that receives the application shall promptly notify an
909 applicant if the application is incomplete or if the fee submitted for the permit pursuant to subsection K
910 is incorrect. If the new five-year permit is issued while an existing permit remains valid, the new
911 five-year permit shall become effective upon the expiration date of the existing permit, provided that the
912 application is received by the court at least 90 days but no more than 180 days prior to the expiration of
913 the existing permit. If the circuit court denies the permit, the specific reasons for the denial shall be
914 stated in the order of the court denying the permit. Upon denial of the application, the clerk shall
915 provide the person with notice, in writing, of his right to an ore tenus hearing. Upon request of the
916 applicant made within 21 days, the court shall place the matter on the docket for an ore tenus hearing.
917 The applicant may be represented by counsel, but counsel shall not be appointed, and the rules of
918 evidence shall apply. The final order of the court shall include the court's findings of fact and
919 conclusions of law.
920 J. Any person convicted of an offense that would disqualify that person from obtaining a permit

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921 under subsection E or who violates subsection F shall forfeit his permit for a concealed handgun and
922 surrender it to the court. Upon receipt by the Central Criminal Records Exchange of a record of the
923 arrest, conviction or occurrence of any other event that would disqualify a person from obtaining a
924 concealed handgun permit under subsection E, the Central Criminal Records Exchange shall notify the
925 court having issued the permit of such disqualifying arrest, conviction or other event. Upon receipt of
926 such notice of a conviction, the court shall revoke the permit of a person disqualified pursuant to this
927 subsection, and shall promptly notify the State Police and the person whose permit was revoked of the
928 revocation.

929 J1. Any person permitted to carry a concealed handgun, who is under the influence of alcohol or
930 illegal drugs while carrying such handgun in a public place, shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.
931 Conviction of any of the following offenses shall be prima facie evidence, subject to rebuttal, that the
932 person is "under the influence" for purposes of this section: manslaughter in violation of § 18.2-36.1,
933 maiming in violation of § 18.2-51.4, driving while intoxicated in violation of § 18.2-266, public
934 intoxication in violation of § 18.2-388, or driving while intoxicated in violation of § 46.2-341.24. Upon
935 such conviction that court shall revoke the person's permit for a concealed handgun and promptly notify
936 the issuing circuit court. A person convicted of a violation of this subsection shall be ineligible to apply
937 for a concealed handgun permit for a period of five years.

938 J2. An individual who has a felony charge pending or a charge pending for an offense listed in
939 subdivision E 14 or E 15, holding a permit for a concealed handgun, may have the permit suspended by
940 the court before which such charge is pending or by the court that issued the permit.

941 J3. No person who carries a concealed handgun onto the premises of any restaurant or club as
942 defined in § 4.1-100 for which a license to sell and serve alcoholic beverages for on-premises
943 consumption has been granted by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board under Title 4.1 of the
944 Code of Virginia may consume an alcoholic beverage while on the premises. A person who carries a
945 concealed handgun onto the premises of such a restaurant or club and consumes alcoholic beverages is
946 guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor. However, nothing in this subsection shall apply to a federal, state, or
947 local law-enforcement officer.

948 J4. The court shall revoke the permit of any individual for whom it would be unlawful to purchase,
949 possess or transport a firearm under § 18.2-308.1:2 or 18.2-308.1:3, and shall promptly notify the State
950 Police and the person whose permit was revoked of the revocation.

951 K. No fee shall be charged for the issuance of such permit to a person who has retired from service
952 (i) as a magistrate in the Commonwealth; (ii) as a special agent with the Alcoholic Beverage Control
953 Board or as a law-enforcement officer with the Department of State Police, the Department of Game and
954 Inland Fisheries, or a sheriff or police department, bureau or force of any political subdivision of the
955 Commonwealth, after completing 15 years of service or after reaching age 55; (iii) as a law-enforcement
956 officer with the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and
957 Firearms, Secret Service Agency, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Citizenship and
958 Immigration Services, Customs Service, Department of State Diplomatic Security Service, U.S. Marshals
959 Service or Naval Criminal Investigative Service, after completing 15 years of service or after reaching
960 age 55; (iv) as a law-enforcement officer with any police or sheriff's department within the United
961 States, the District of Columbia or any of the territories of the United States, after completing 15 years
962 of service; (v) as a law-enforcement officer with any combination of the agencies listed in clauses (ii)
963 through (iv), after completing 15 years of service; or (vi) as a designated boarding team member or
964 boarding officer of the United States Coast Guard, after completing 15 years of service or after reaching
965 age 55. The clerk shall charge a fee of \$10 for the processing of an application or issuing of a permit,
966 including his costs associated with the consultation with law-enforcement agencies. The local
967 law-enforcement agency conducting the background investigation may charge a fee not to exceed \$35 to
968 cover the cost of conducting an investigation pursuant to this section. The \$35 fee shall include any
969 amount assessed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for providing criminal history record
970 information, and the local law-enforcement agency shall forward the amount assessed by the Federal
971 Bureau of Investigation to the State Police with the fingerprints taken from the applicant. The State
972 Police may charge a fee not to exceed \$5 to cover their costs associated with processing the application.
973 The total amount assessed for processing an application for a permit shall not exceed \$50, with such
974 fees to be paid in one sum to the person who accepts the application. Payment may be made by any
975 method accepted by that court for payment of other fees or penalties. No payment shall be required until
976 the application is accepted by the court as a complete application. The order issuing such permit, or the
977 copy of the permit application certified by the clerk as a de facto permit pursuant to subsection D, shall
978 be provided to the State Police and the law-enforcement agencies of the county or city. The State Police
979 shall enter the permittee's name and description in the Virginia Criminal Information Network so that
980 the permit's existence and current status will be made known to law-enforcement personnel accessing the
981 Network for investigative purposes. The State Police shall withhold from public disclosure permittee
982 information submitted to the State Police for purposes of entry into the Virginia Criminal Information

983 Network, except that such information shall not be withheld from any law-enforcement agency, officer,
 984 or authorized agent thereof acting in the performance of official law-enforcement duties, nor shall such
 985 information be withheld from an entity that has a valid contract with any local, state, or federal
 986 law-enforcement agency for the purpose of performing official duties of the law-enforcement agency.
 987 However, nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the release of (a) records by the State
 988 Police concerning permits issued to nonresidents of the Commonwealth pursuant to subsection P1, or (b)
 989 statistical summaries, abstracts, or other records containing information in an aggregate form that does
 990 not identify any individual permittees.

991 K1. The clerk of a circuit court that issued a valid concealed handgun permit shall, upon presentation
 992 of the valid permit and proof of a new address of residence by the permit holder, issue a replacement
 993 permit specifying the permit holder's new address. The clerk of court shall forward the permit holder's
 994 new address of residence to the State Police. The State Police may charge a fee not to exceed \$5, and
 995 the clerk of court issuing the replacement permit may charge a fee not to exceed \$5. The total amount
 996 assessed for processing a replacement permit pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed \$10, with such
 997 fees to be paid in one sum to the person who accepts the information for the replacement permit.

998 L. Any person denied a permit to carry a concealed handgun under the provisions of this section
 999 may present a petition for review to the Court of Appeals. The petition for review shall be filed within
 1000 60 days of the expiration of the time for requesting an ore tenus hearing pursuant to subsection I, or if
 1001 an ore tenus hearing is requested, within 60 days of the entry of the final order of the circuit court
 1002 following the hearing. The petition shall be accompanied by a copy of the original papers filed in the
 1003 circuit court, including a copy of the order of the circuit court denying the permit. Subject to the
 1004 provisions of subsection B of § 17.1-410, the decision of the Court of Appeals or judge shall be final.
 1005 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the decision to deny the permit is reversed upon appeal,
 1006 taxable costs incurred by the person shall be paid by the Commonwealth.

1007 M. For purposes of this section:

1008 "Handgun" means any pistol or revolver or other firearm, except a machine gun, originally designed,
 1009 made and intended to fire a projectile by means of an explosion of a combustible material from one or
 1010 more barrels when held in one hand.

1011 "Law-enforcement officer" means those individuals defined as a law-enforcement officer in § 9.1-101,
 1012 campus police officers appointed pursuant to Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23, law-enforcement
 1013 agents of the Armed Forces of the United States, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, and federal
 1014 agents who are otherwise authorized to carry weapons by federal law. "Law-enforcement officer" shall
 1015 also mean any sworn full-time law-enforcement officer employed by a law-enforcement agency of the
 1016 United States or any state or political subdivision thereof, whose duties are substantially similar to those
 1017 set forth in § 9.1-101.

1018 "Lawfully admitted for permanent residence" means the status of having been lawfully accorded the
 1019 privilege of residing permanently in the United States as an immigrant in accordance with the
 1020 immigration laws, such status not having changed.

1021 "Personal knowledge" means knowledge of a fact that a person has himself gained through his own
 1022 senses, or knowledge that was gained by a law-enforcement officer or prosecutor through the
 1023 performance of his official duties.

1024 N. As used in this article:

1025 "Ballistic knife" means any knife with a detachable blade that is propelled by a spring-operated
 1026 mechanism.

1027 "Spring stick" means a spring-loaded metal stick activated by pushing a button which rapidly and
 1028 forcefully telescopes the weapon to several times its original length.

1029 O. The granting of a concealed handgun permit shall not thereby authorize the possession of any
 1030 handgun or other weapon on property or in places where such possession is otherwise prohibited by law
 1031 or is prohibited by the owner of private property.

1032 P. A valid concealed handgun or concealed weapon permit or license issued by another state shall
 1033 authorize the holder of such permit or license who is at least 21 years of age to carry a concealed
 1034 handgun in the Commonwealth, provided (i) the issuing authority provides the means for instantaneous
 1035 verification of the validity of all such permits or licenses issued within that state, accessible 24 hours a
 1036 day, and (ii) except for the age of the permit or license holder and the type of weapon authorized to be
 1037 carried, the requirements and qualifications of that state's law are adequate to prevent possession of a
 1038 permit or license by persons who would be denied a permit in the Commonwealth under this section.
 1039 The Superintendent of State Police shall (a) in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General
 1040 determine whether states meet the requirements and qualifications of this section, (b) maintain a registry
 1041 of such states on the Virginia Criminal Information Network (VCIN), and (c) make the registry available
 1042 to law-enforcement officers for investigative purposes. The Superintendent of the State Police, in
 1043 consultation with the Attorney General, may also enter into agreements for reciprocal recognition with

1044 any state qualifying for recognition under this subsection.

1045 P1. Nonresidents of the Commonwealth 21 years of age or older may apply in writing to the
1046 Virginia Department of State Police for a five-year permit to carry a concealed handgun. Every applicant
1047 for a nonresident concealed handgun permit shall submit two photographs of a type and kind specified
1048 by the Department of State Police for inclusion on the permit and shall submit fingerprints on a card
1049 provided by the Department of State Police for the purpose of obtaining the applicant's state or national
1050 criminal history record. As a condition for issuance of a concealed handgun permit, the applicant shall
1051 submit to fingerprinting by his local or state law-enforcement agency and provide personal descriptive
1052 information to be forwarded with the fingerprints through the Central Criminal Records Exchange to the
1053 Federal Bureau of Investigation for the purpose of obtaining criminal history record information
1054 regarding the applicant and obtaining fingerprint identification information from federal records pursuant
1055 to criminal investigations by state and local law-enforcement agencies. The application shall be made
1056 under oath before a notary or other person qualified to take oaths on a form provided by the Department
1057 of State Police, requiring only that information necessary to determine eligibility for the permit. If the
1058 permittee is later found by the Department of State Police to be disqualified, the permit shall be revoked
1059 and the person shall return the permit after being so notified by the Department of State Police. The
1060 permit requirement and restriction provisions of subsections E and F shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to
1061 the provisions of this subsection.

1062 The applicant shall demonstrate competence with a handgun by one of the following:

1063 1. Completing a hunter education or hunter safety course approved by the Virginia Department of
1064 Game and Inland Fisheries or a similar agency of another state;

1065 2. Completing any National Rifle Association firearms safety or training course;

1066 3. Completing any firearms safety or training course or class available to the general public offered
1067 by a law-enforcement agency, junior college, college, or private or public institution or organization or
1068 firearms training school utilizing instructors certified by the National Rifle Association or the
1069 Department of Criminal Justice Services or a similar agency of another state;

1070 4. Completing any law-enforcement firearms safety or training course or class offered for security
1071 guards, investigators, special deputies, or any division or subdivision of law enforcement or security
1072 enforcement;

1073 5. Presenting evidence of equivalent experience with a firearm through participation in organized
1074 shooting competition approved by the Department of State Police or current military service or proof of
1075 an honorable discharge from any branch of the armed services;

1076 6. Obtaining or previously having held a license to carry a firearm in the Commonwealth or a
1077 locality thereof, unless such license has been revoked for cause;

1078 7. Completing any firearms training or safety course or class, including an electronic, video, or
1079 on-line course, conducted by a state-certified or National Rifle Association-certified firearms instructor;

1080 8. Completing any governmental police agency firearms training course and qualifying to carry a
1081 firearm in the course of normal police duties; or

1082 9. Completing any other firearms training that the Virginia Department of State Police deems
1083 adequate.

1084 A photocopy of a certificate of completion of any such course or class, an affidavit from the
1085 instructor, school, club, organization, or group that conducted or taught such course or class attesting to
1086 the completion of the course or class by the applicant, or a copy of any document which shows
1087 completion of the course or class or evidences participation in firearms competition shall satisfy the
1088 requirement for demonstration of competence with a handgun.

1089 The Department of State Police may charge a fee not to exceed \$100 to cover the cost of the
1090 background check and issuance of the permit. Any fees collected shall be deposited in a special account
1091 to be used to offset the costs of administering the nonresident concealed handgun permit program. The
1092 Department of State Police shall enter the permittee's name and description in the Virginia Criminal
1093 Information Network so that the permit's existence and current status are known to law-enforcement
1094 personnel accessing the Network for investigative purposes.

1095 The permit to carry a concealed handgun shall contain only the following information: name,
1096 address, date of birth, gender, height, weight, color of hair, color of eyes, and photograph of the
1097 permittee; the signature of the Superintendent of the Virginia Department of State Police or his designee;
1098 the date of issuance; and the expiration date. The person to whom the permit is issued shall have such
1099 permit on his person at all times when he is carrying a concealed handgun in the Commonwealth and
1100 shall display the permit on demand by a law-enforcement officer.

1101 The Superintendent of the State Police shall promulgate regulations, pursuant to the Administrative
1102 Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.), for the implementation of an application process for obtaining a
1103 nonresident concealed handgun permit.

1104 Q. A valid concealed handgun permit issued by the State of Maryland shall be valid in the
1105 Commonwealth provided, (i) the holder of the permit is licensed in the State of Maryland to perform

1106 duties substantially similar to those performed by Virginia branch pilots licensed pursuant to Chapter 9
1107 (§ 54.1-900 et seq.) of Title 54.1 and is performing such duties while in the Commonwealth, and (ii) the
1108 holder of the permit is 21 years of age or older.

1109 R. For the purposes of participation in concealed handgun reciprocity agreements with other
1110 jurisdictions, the official government-issued law-enforcement identification card issued to an active-duty
1111 law-enforcement officer in the Commonwealth who is exempt from obtaining a concealed handgun
1112 permit under this section shall be deemed a concealed handgun permit.

1113 S. For the purposes of understanding the law relating to the use of deadly and lethal force, the
1114 Department of State Police, in consultation with the Supreme Court on the development of the
1115 application for a concealed handgun permit under this section, shall include a reference to the Virginia
1116 Supreme Court website address or the Virginia Reports on the application.

1117 § 18.2-308.1:5. Purchase or transportation of firearm by persons convicted of certain drug offenses
1118 prohibited.

1119 Any person who, within a thirty-six consecutive month period, has been convicted of two
1120 misdemeanor offenses under § subsection B of § 18.2-248.1:1, 18.2-250, or §—18.2-250.1 shall be
1121 ineligible to purchase or transport a handgun. However, upon expiration of a period of five years from
1122 the date of the second conviction and provided the person has not been convicted of any such offense
1123 within that period, the ineligibility shall be removed.

1124 § 18.2-308.4. Possession of firearms while in possession of certain substances.

1125 A. It shall be unlawful for any person unlawfully in possession of a controlled substance classified in
1126 Schedule I or II of the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) of Title 54.1 to simultaneously with
1127 knowledge and intent possess any firearm. A violation of this subsection is a Class 6 felony and
1128 constitutes a separate and distinct felony.

1129 B. It shall be unlawful for any person unlawfully in possession of a controlled substance classified in
1130 Schedule I or II of the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) to simultaneously with knowledge and
1131 intent possess any firearm on or about his person. A violation of this subsection is a Class 6 felony and
1132 constitutes a separate and distinct felony and any person convicted hereunder shall be sentenced to a
1133 mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of two years. Such punishment shall be separate and apart
1134 from, and shall be made to run consecutively with, any punishment received for the commission of the
1135 primary felony.

1136 C. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess, use, or attempt to use any pistol, shotgun, rifle, or
1137 other firearm or display such weapon in a threatening manner while committing or attempting to commit
1138 the illegal manufacture, sale, distribution, or the possession with the intent to manufacture, sell, or
1139 distribute a controlled substance classified in Schedule I or Schedule II of the Drug Control Act
1140 (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) of Title 54.1 or more than one pound of marijuana or more than one pound of
1141 synthetic cannabinoids. A violation of this subsection is a Class 6 felony, and constitutes a separate and
1142 distinct felony and any person convicted hereunder shall be sentenced to a mandatory minimum term of
1143 imprisonment of five years. Such punishment shall be separate and apart from, and shall be made to run
1144 consecutively with, any punishment received for the commission of the primary felony.

1145 § 18.2-474.1. Delivery of drugs, firearms, explosives, etc., to prisoners.

1146 Notwithstanding the provisions of § 18.2-474, any person who shall willfully in any manner deliver,
1147 attempt to deliver, or conspire with another to deliver to any prisoner confined under authority of the
1148 Commonwealth of Virginia, or of any political subdivision thereof, any drug which is a controlled
1149 substance regulated by the Drug Control Act in Chapter 34 of Title 54.1, synthetic cannabinoids or
1150 marijuana, shall be guilty of a Class 5 felony. Any person who shall willfully in any manner so deliver
1151 or attempt to deliver or conspire to deliver to any such prisoner, firearms, ammunitions, or explosives of
1152 any nature shall be guilty of a Class 3 felony.

1153 Nothing herein contained shall be construed to repeal or amend § 18.2-473.

1154 § 19.2-83.1. Report of arrest of school employees and adult students for certain offenses.

1155 A. Every state official or agency and every sheriff, police officer, or other local law-enforcement
1156 officer or conservator of the peace having the power to arrest for a felony, upon arresting a person who
1157 is known or discovered by the arresting official to be a full-time, part-time, permanent, or temporary
1158 teacher or other employee in any public school division in this Commonwealth for a felony or a Class 1
1159 misdemeanor or an equivalent offense in another state shall file a report of such arrest with the division
1160 superintendent of the employing division as soon as practicable. The contents of the report required
1161 pursuant to this section shall be utilized by the local school division solely to implement the provisions
1162 of subsection B of § 22.1-296.2 and § 22.1-315.

1163 B. Every state official or agency and every sheriff, police officer, or other local law-enforcement
1164 officer or conservator of the peace having the power to arrest for a felony, shall file a report, as soon as
1165 practicable, with the division superintendent of the school division in which the student is enrolled upon
1166 arresting a person who is known or discovered by the arresting official to be a student age 18 or older

1167 in any public school division in this Commonwealth for:

1168 1. A firearm offense pursuant to Article 4 (§ 18.2-279 et seq.), 5 (§ 18.2-288 et seq.), 6 (§ 18.2-299
1169 et seq.), or 7 (§ 18.2-308 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2;

1170 2. Homicide, pursuant to Article 1 (§ 18.2-30 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2;

1171 3. Felonious assault and bodily wounding, pursuant to Article 4 (§ 18.2-51 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of
1172 Title 18.2;

1173 4. Criminal sexual assault, pursuant to Article 7 (§ 18.2-61 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2;

1174 5. Manufacture, sale, gift, distribution or possession of Schedule I or II controlled substances,
1175 pursuant to Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2;

1176 6. Manufacture, sale or distribution of marijuana *or synthetic cannabinoids* pursuant to Article 1
1177 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2;

1178 7. Arson and related crimes, pursuant to Article 1 (§ 18.2-77 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 18.2;

1179 8. Burglary and related offenses, pursuant to §§ 18.2-89 through 18.2-93;

1180 9. Robbery pursuant to § 18.2-58;

1181 10. Prohibited criminal street gang activity pursuant to § 18.2-46.2; or

1182 11. Recruitment of juveniles for criminal street gang pursuant to § 18.2-46.3.

1183 § 19.2-187. Admission into evidence of certain certificates of analysis.

1184 In any hearing or trial of any criminal offense or in any proceeding brought pursuant to Chapter 22.1
1185 (§ 19.2-386.1 et seq.) of this title, a certificate of analysis of a person performing an analysis or

1186 examination, duly attested by such person, shall be admissible in evidence as evidence of the facts
1187 therein stated and the results of the analysis or examination referred to therein, provided (i) the

1188 certificate of analysis is filed with the clerk of the court hearing the case at least seven days prior to the
1189 proceeding if the attorney for the Commonwealth intends to offer it into evidence in a preliminary

1190 hearing or the accused intends to offer it into evidence in any hearing or trial, or (ii) the requirements of
1191 subsection A of § 19.2-187.1 have been satisfied and the accused has not objected to the admission of

1192 the certificate pursuant to subsection B of § 19.2-187.1, when any such analysis or examination is
1193 performed in any laboratory operated by the Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services or the

1194 Department of Forensic Science or authorized by such Department to conduct such analysis or
1195 examination, or performed by a person licensed by the Department of Forensic Science pursuant to

1196 § 18.2-268.9 or 46.2-341.26:9 to conduct such analysis or examination, or performed by the Federal
1197 Bureau of Investigation, the federal Postal Inspection Service, the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco

1198 and Firearms, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, the National Fish and Wildlife Forensics
1199 Laboratory, the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, or the United States Secret Service

1200 Laboratory.

1201 In a hearing or trial in which the provisions of subsection A of § 19.2-187.1 do not apply, a copy of
1202 such certificate shall be mailed or delivered by the clerk or attorney for the Commonwealth to counsel

1203 of record for the accused at no charge at least seven days prior to the hearing or trial upon request made
1204 by such counsel to the clerk with notice of the request to the attorney for the Commonwealth. The

1205 request to the clerk shall be on a form prescribed by the Supreme Court and filed with the clerk at least
1206 10 days prior to the hearing or trial. In the event that a request for a copy of a certificate is filed with

1207 the clerk with respect to a case that is not yet before the court, the clerk shall advise the requester that
1208 he must resubmit the request at such time as the case is properly before the court in order for such

1209 request to be effective. If, upon proper request made by counsel of record for the accused, a copy of
1210 such certificate is not mailed or delivered by the clerk or attorney for the Commonwealth to counsel of

1211 record for the accused in a timely manner in accordance with this section, the accused shall be entitled
1212 to continue the hearing or trial.

1213 The certificate of analysis of any examination conducted by the Department of Forensic Science
1214 relating to a controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoid as defined in § 18.2-248.1:1*

1215 shall be mailed or forwarded by personnel of the Department of Forensic Science to the attorney for the
1216 Commonwealth of the jurisdiction where such offense may be heard. The attorney for the

1217 Commonwealth shall acknowledge receipt of the certificate on forms provided by the laboratory.

1218 Any such certificate of analysis purporting to be signed by any such person shall be admissible as
1219 evidence in such hearing or trial without any proof of the seal or signature or of the official character of
1220 the person whose name is signed to it.

1221 For the purposes of this section and §§ 19.2-187.01, 19.2-187.1, and 19.2-187.2, the term "certificate
1222 of analysis" includes reports of analysis and results of laboratory examination.

1223 § 19.2-386.22. Seizure of property used in connection with or derived from illegal drug transactions.

1224 A. The following property shall be subject to lawful seizure by any officer charged with enforcing
1225 the provisions of Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2: (i) all money, medical

1226 equipment, office equipment, laboratory equipment, motor vehicles, and all other personal and real
1227 property of any kind or character, used in substantial connection with (a) the illegal manufacture, sale or

1228 distribution of controlled substances or possession with intent to sell or distribute controlled substances

1229 in violation of § 18.2-248, (b) the sale or distribution of marijuana or possession with intent to distribute
 1230 marijuana in violation of subdivisions (a) (2), (a) (3) and (c) of § 18.2-248.1, ~~or~~ (c) *the sale or*
 1231 *distribution of synthetic cannabinoids or possession with intent to distribute or manufacture synthetic*
 1232 *cannabinoids in violation of subsections C and D of § 18.2-248.1:1, or (d) a drug-related offense in*
 1233 violation of § 18.2-474.1; (ii) everything of value furnished, or intended to be furnished, in exchange for
 1234 a controlled substance in violation of § 18.2-248 or for marijuana in violation of § 18.2-248.1 *or for*
 1235 *synthetic cannabinoids in violation of § 18.2-248.1:1* or for a controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or*
 1236 *synthetic cannabinoids* in violation of § 18.2-474.1; and (iii) all moneys or other property, real or
 1237 personal, traceable to such an exchange, together with any interest or profits derived from the investment
 1238 of such money or other property. Under the provisions of clause (i), real property shall not be subject to
 1239 lawful seizure unless the minimum prescribed punishment for the violation is a term of not less than
 1240 five years.

1241 B. All seizures and forfeitures under this section shall be governed by the procedures contained in
 1242 Chapter 22.1 (§ 19.2-386.1 et seq.) of this title.

1243 § 19.2-386.23. Disposal of seized controlled substances, marijuana, synthetic cannabinoids, and
 1244 paraphernalia.

1245 A. All controlled substances, imitation controlled substances, marijuana, *synthetic cannabinoids as*
 1246 *defined in § 18.2-248.1:1*, or paraphernalia, the lawful possession of which is not established or the title
 1247 to which cannot be ascertained, which have come into the custody of a peace officer or have been
 1248 seized in connection with violations of Chapter 7 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Title 18.2, shall be forfeited
 1249 and disposed of as follows:

1250 1. Upon written application by the Department of Forensic Science the court may order the forfeiture
 1251 of any such substance or paraphernalia to the Department for research and training purposes and for
 1252 destruction pursuant to regulations of the United States Department of Justice Drug Enforcement
 1253 Administration and of the Board of Pharmacy once these purposes have been fulfilled.

1254 2. In the event no application is made under subdivision 1 of this subsection, the court shall order
 1255 the destruction of all such substances or paraphernalia, which order shall state the existence and nature
 1256 of the substance or paraphernalia, the quantity thereof, the location where seized, the person or persons
 1257 from whom the substance or paraphernalia was seized, if known, and the manner whereby such item
 1258 shall be destroyed. However, the court may order that paraphernalia identified in subdivision 5 of
 1259 § 18.2-265.1 not be destroyed and that it be given to a person or entity that makes a showing to the
 1260 court of sufficient need for the property and an ability to put the property to a lawful and publicly
 1261 beneficial use. A return under oath, reporting the time, place and manner of destruction shall be made to
 1262 the court and to the Board of Pharmacy by the officer to whom the order is directed. A copy of the
 1263 order and affidavit shall be made a part of the record of any criminal prosecution in which the substance
 1264 or paraphernalia was used as evidence and shall, thereafter, be prima facie evidence of its contents. In
 1265 the event a law-enforcement agency recovers, seizes, finds, is given or otherwise comes into possession
 1266 of any such substances or paraphernalia that are not evidence in a trial in the Commonwealth, the chief
 1267 law-enforcement officer of the agency or his designee may, with the written consent of the appropriate
 1268 attorney for the Commonwealth, order destruction of same; provided that, a statement under oath,
 1269 reporting a description of the substances and paraphernalia destroyed, and the time, place and manner of
 1270 destruction is made to the chief law-enforcement officer and to the Board of Pharmacy by the officer to
 1271 whom the order is directed.

1272 B. No such substance or paraphernalia used or to be used in a criminal prosecution under Chapter 7
 1273 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Title 18.2 shall be disposed of as provided by this section until all rights of
 1274 appeal have been exhausted, except as provided in § 19.2-386.24.

1275 § 19.2-386.24. Destruction of seized controlled substances, marijuana, or synthetic cannabinoids prior
 1276 to trial.

1277 Where seizures of controlled substances ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoids* are made in excess
 1278 of 10 pounds in connection with any prosecution or investigation under Chapter 7 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of
 1279 Title 18.2, the appropriate law-enforcement agency may retain 10 pounds of the substance randomly
 1280 selected from the seized substance for representative purposes as evidence and destroy the remainder of
 1281 the seized substance.

1282 Before any destruction is carried out under this section, the law-enforcement agency shall cause the
 1283 material seized to be photographed with identification case numbers or other means of identification and
 1284 shall prepare a report identifying the seized material. It shall also notify the accused, or other interested
 1285 party, if known, or his attorney, at least five days in advance that the photography will take place and
 1286 that they may be present. Prior to any destruction under this section, the law-enforcement agency shall
 1287 also notify the accused or other interested party, if known, and his attorney at least seven days prior to
 1288 the destruction of the time and place the destruction will occur. Any notice required under the
 1289 provisions of this section shall be by first-class mail to the last known address of the person required to

1290 be notified. In addition to the substance retained for representative purposes as evidence, all photographs
1291 and records made under this section and properly identified shall be admissible in any court proceeding
1292 for any purposes for which the seized substance itself would have been admissible.

1293 § 19.2-386.25. Judge may order law-enforcement agency to maintain custody of controlled
1294 substances, etc.

1295 Upon request of the clerk of any court, a judge of the court may order a law-enforcement agency to
1296 take into its custody or to maintain custody of substantial quantities of any controlled substances,
1297 imitation controlled substances, chemicals, marijuana, *synthetic cannabinoids* or paraphernalia used or to
1298 be used in a criminal prosecution under Chapter 7 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Title 18.2. The court in its
1299 order may make provision for ensuring integrity of these items until further order of the court.

1300 § 22.1-277.08. Expulsion of students for certain drug offenses.

1301 A. School boards shall expel from school attendance any student whom such school board has
1302 determined, in accordance with the procedures set forth in this article, to have brought a controlled
1303 substance, imitation controlled substance, ~~or~~ marijuana as defined in § 18.2-247, *or synthetic*
1304 *cannabinoid as defined in § 18.2-248.1:1* onto school property or to a school-sponsored activity. A
1305 school board may, however, determine, based on the facts of the particular case, that special
1306 circumstances exist and another disciplinary action is appropriate. In addition, a school board may, by
1307 regulation, authorize the division superintendent or his designee to conduct a preliminary review of such
1308 cases to determine whether a disciplinary action other than expulsion is appropriate. Such regulations
1309 shall ensure that, if a determination is made that another disciplinary action is appropriate, any such
1310 subsequent disciplinary action is to be taken in accordance with the procedures set forth in this article.

1311 B. Each school board shall revise its standards of student conduct to incorporate the requirements of
1312 this section no later than three months after the date on which this act becomes effective.

1313 § 22.1-279.3:1. Reports of certain acts to school authorities.

1314 A. Reports shall be made to the division superintendent and to the principal or his designee on all
1315 incidents involving (i) the assault or assault and battery, without bodily injury, of any person on a
1316 school bus, on school property, or at a school-sponsored activity; (ii) the assault and battery that results
1317 in bodily injury, sexual assault, death, shooting, stabbing, cutting, or wounding of any person, or
1318 stalking of any person as described in § 18.2-60.3, on a school bus, on school property, or at a
1319 school-sponsored activity; (iii) any conduct involving alcohol, marijuana, *synthetic cannabinoids as*
1320 *defined in § 18.2-248.1:1*, a controlled substance, imitation controlled substance, or an anabolic steroid
1321 on a school bus, on school property, or at a school-sponsored activity, including the theft or attempted
1322 theft of student prescription medications; (iv) any threats against school personnel while on a school bus,
1323 on school property or at a school-sponsored activity; (v) the illegal carrying of a firearm, as defined in
1324 § 22.1-277.07, onto school property; (vi) any illegal conduct involving firebombs, explosive materials or
1325 devices, or hoax explosive devices, as defined in § 18.2-85, or explosive or incendiary devices, as
1326 defined in § 18.2-433.1, or chemical bombs, as described in § 18.2-87.1, on a school bus, on school
1327 property, or at a school-sponsored activity; (vii) any threats or false threats to bomb, as described in
1328 § 18.2-83, made against school personnel or involving school property or school buses; or (viii) the
1329 arrest of any student for an incident occurring on a school bus, on school property, or at a
1330 school-sponsored activity, including the charge therefor.

1331 B. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 12 (§ 16.1-299 et seq.) of Chapter 11 of Title 16.1,
1332 local law-enforcement authorities shall report, and the principal or his designee and the division
1333 superintendent shall receive such reports, on offenses, wherever committed, by students enrolled at the
1334 school if the offense would be a felony if committed by an adult or would be a violation of the Drug
1335 Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) and occurred on a school bus, on school property, or at a
1336 school-sponsored activity, or would be an adult misdemeanor involving any incidents described in
1337 clauses (i) through (viii) of subsection A, and whether the student is released to the custody of his
1338 parent or, if 18 years of age or more, is released on bond. As part of any report concerning an offense
1339 that would be an adult misdemeanor involving an incident described in clauses (i) through (viii) of
1340 subsection A, local law-enforcement authorities and attorneys for the Commonwealth shall be authorized
1341 to disclose information regarding terms of release from detention, court dates, and terms of any
1342 disposition orders entered by the court, to the superintendent of such student's school division, upon
1343 request by the superintendent, if, in the determination of the law-enforcement authority or attorney for
1344 the Commonwealth, such disclosure would not jeopardize the investigation or prosecution of the case.
1345 No disclosures shall be made pursuant to this section in violation of the confidentiality provisions of
1346 subsection A of § 16.1-300 or the record retention and redisclosure provisions of § 22.1-288.2. Further,
1347 any school superintendent who receives notification that a juvenile has committed an act that would be a
1348 crime if committed by an adult pursuant to subsection G of § 16.1-260 shall report such information to
1349 the principal of the school in which the juvenile is enrolled.

1350 C. The principal or his designee shall submit a report of all incidents required to be reported
1351 pursuant to this section to the superintendent of the school division. The division superintendent shall

1352 annually report all such incidents to the Department of Education for the purpose of recording the
 1353 frequency of such incidents on forms that shall be provided by the Department and shall make such
 1354 information available to the public.

1355 In submitting reports of such incidents, principals and division superintendents shall accurately
 1356 indicate any offenses, arrests, or charges as recorded by law-enforcement authorities and required to be
 1357 reported by such authorities pursuant to subsection B.

1358 A division superintendent who knowingly fails to comply or secure compliance with the reporting
 1359 requirements of this subsection shall be subject to the sanctions authorized in § 22.1-65. A principal who
 1360 knowingly fails to comply or secure compliance with the reporting requirements of this section shall be
 1361 subject to sanctions prescribed by the local school board, which may include, but need not be limited to,
 1362 demotion or dismissal.

1363 The principal or his designee shall also notify the parent of any student involved in an incident
 1364 required pursuant to this section to be reported, regardless of whether disciplinary action is taken against
 1365 such student or the nature of the disciplinary action. Such notice shall relate to only the relevant
 1366 student's involvement and shall not include information concerning other students.

1367 Whenever any student commits any reportable incident as set forth in this section, such student shall
 1368 be required to participate in such prevention and intervention activities as deemed appropriate by the
 1369 superintendent or his designee. Prevention and intervention activities shall be identified in the local
 1370 school division's drug and violence prevention plans developed pursuant to the federal Improving
 1371 America's Schools Act of 1994 (Title IV - Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act).

1372 D. Except as may otherwise be required by federal law, regulation, or jurisprudence, the principal
 1373 shall immediately report to the local law-enforcement agency any act enumerated in clauses (ii) through
 1374 (vii) of subsection A that may constitute a criminal offense and may report to the local law-enforcement
 1375 agency any incident described in clause (i) of subsection A.

1376 Further, except as may be prohibited by federal law, regulation, or jurisprudence, the principal shall
 1377 also immediately report any act enumerated in clauses (ii) through (v) of subsection A that may
 1378 constitute a criminal offense to the parents of any minor student who is the specific object of such act.
 1379 Further, the principal shall report that the incident has been reported to local law enforcement as
 1380 required by law and that the parents may contact local law enforcement for further information, if they
 1381 so desire.

1382 E. A statement providing a procedure and the purpose for the requirements of this section shall be
 1383 included in school board policies required by § 22.1-253.13:7.

1384 The Board of Education shall promulgate regulations to implement this section, including, but not
 1385 limited to, establishing reporting dates and report formats.

1386 F. For the purposes of this section, "parent" or "parents" means any parent, guardian or other person
 1387 having control or charge of a child.

1388 G. This section shall not be construed to diminish the authority of the Board of Education or to
 1389 diminish the Governor's authority to coordinate and provide policy direction on official communications
 1390 between the Commonwealth and the United States government.

1391 § 24.2-233. Removal of elected and certain appointed officers by courts.

1392 Upon petition, a circuit court may remove from office any elected officer or officer who has been
 1393 appointed to fill an elective office, residing within the jurisdiction of the court:

1394 1. For neglect of duty, misuse of office, or incompetence in the performance of duties when that
 1395 neglect of duty, misuse of office, or incompetence in the performance of duties has a material adverse
 1396 effect upon the conduct of the office, or

1397 2. Upon conviction of a misdemeanor pursuant to Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) or Article 1.1
 1398 (§ 18.2-265.1 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2 and after all rights of appeal have terminated involving
 1399 the:

1400 a. Manufacture, sale, gift, distribution, or possession with intent to manufacture, sell, give, or
 1401 distribute a controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoid as defined in § 18.2-248.1:1*, or

1402 b. Sale, possession with intent to sell, or placing an advertisement for the purpose of selling drug
 1403 paraphernalia, or

1404 c. Possession of any controlled substance ~~or~~, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoid as defined in*
 1405 *§ 18.2-248.1:1*, and such conviction under a, b, or c has a material adverse effect upon the conduct of
 1406 such office, or

1407 3. Upon conviction, and after all rights of appeal have terminated, of a misdemeanor involving a
 1408 "hate crime" as that term is defined in § 52-8.5 when the conviction has a material adverse effect upon
 1409 the conduct of such office.

1410 The petition must be signed by a number of registered voters who reside within the jurisdiction of
 1411 the officer equal to ten percent of the total number of votes cast at the last election for the office that
 1412 the officer holds.

1413 Any person removed from office under the provisions of subdivision 2 or 3 may not be subsequently
 1414 subject to the provisions of this section for the same criminal offense.

1415 § 53.1-145. Powers and duties of probation and parole officers.

1416 In addition to other powers and duties prescribed by this article, each probation and parole officer
 1417 shall:

1418 1. Investigate and report on any case pending in any court or before any judge in his jurisdiction
 1419 referred to him by the court or judge;

1420 2. Supervise and assist all persons within his territory placed on probation, secure, as appropriate and
 1421 when available resources permit, placement of such persons in a substance abuse treatment program
 1422 which may include utilization of acupuncture and other treatment modalities, and furnish every such
 1423 person with a written statement of the conditions of his probation and instruct him therein; if any such
 1424 person has been committed to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services under
 1425 the provisions of Chapter 9 (§ 37.2-900 et seq.) of Title 37.2, the conditions of probation shall include
 1426 the requirement that the person comply with all conditions given him by the Department of Behavioral
 1427 Health and Developmental Services, and that he follow all of the terms of his treatment plan;

1428 3. Supervise and assist all persons within his territory released on parole or postrelease supervision,
 1429 secure, as appropriate and when available resources permit, placement of such persons in a substance
 1430 abuse treatment program which may include utilization of acupuncture and other treatment modalities,
 1431 and, in his discretion, assist any person within his territory who has completed his parole, postrelease
 1432 supervision, or has been mandatorily released from any correctional facility in the Commonwealth and
 1433 requests assistance in finding a place to live, finding employment, or in otherwise becoming adjusted to
 1434 the community;

1435 4. Arrest and recommit to the place of confinement from which he was released, or in which he
 1436 would have been confined but for the suspension of his sentence or of its imposition, for violation of
 1437 the terms of probation, post-release supervision pursuant to § 19.2-295.2 or parole, any probationer,
 1438 person subject to post-release supervision or parolee under his supervision, or as directed by the
 1439 Chairman, Board member or the court, pending a hearing by the Board or the court, as the case may be;

1440 5. Keep such records, make such reports, and perform other duties as may be required of him by the
 1441 Director or by regulations prescribed by the Board of Corrections, and the court or judge by whom he
 1442 was authorized;

1443 6. Order and conduct, in his discretion, drug and alcohol screening tests of any probationer, person
 1444 subject to post-release supervision pursuant to § 19.2-295.2 or parolee under his supervision who the
 1445 officer has reason to believe is engaged in the illegal use of controlled substances ~~or~~, marijuana, *or*
 1446 *synthetic cannabinoids* or the abuse of alcohol. The cost of the test may be charged to the person under
 1447 supervision. Regulations governing the officer's exercise of this authority shall be promulgated by the
 1448 Board;

1449 7. Have the power to carry a concealed weapon in accordance with regulations promulgated by the
 1450 Board and upon the certification of appropriate training and specific authorization by a judge of a circuit
 1451 court;

1452 8. Provide services in accordance with any contract entered into between the Department of
 1453 Corrections and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services pursuant to
 1454 § 37.2-912;

1455 9. Pursuant to any contract entered into between the Department of Corrections and the Department
 1456 of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, probation and parole officers shall have the power to
 1457 provide intensive supervision services to persons placed on conditional release, regardless of whether the
 1458 person has any time remaining to serve on any criminal sentence, pursuant to Chapter 9 (§ 37.2-900 et
 1459 seq.);

1460 10. Determine by reviewing the Local Inmate Data System upon intake and again prior to release
 1461 whether a blood, saliva, or tissue sample has been taken for DNA analysis for each person placed on
 1462 probation or parole required to submit a sample pursuant to Article 1.1 (§ 19.2-310.2 et seq.) of Chapter
 1463 18 of Title 19.2 and, if no sample has been taken, require a person placed on probation or parole to
 1464 submit a sample for DNA analysis; and

1465 11. For every offender accepted pursuant to the Interstate Compact for the Supervision of Adult
 1466 Offenders (§ 53.1-176.1 et seq.) who has been convicted of an offense that, if committed in Virginia,
 1467 would be considered a felony, take a sample or verify that a sample has been taken and accepted into
 1468 the data bank for DNA analysis in the Commonwealth.

1469 Nothing in this article shall require probation and parole officers to investigate or supervise cases
 1470 before general district or juvenile and domestic relations district courts.

1471 § 53.1-203. Felonies by prisoners; penalties.

1472 It shall be unlawful for a prisoner in a state, local or community correctional facility or in the
 1473 custody of an employee thereof to:

1474 1. Escape from a correctional facility or from any person in charge of such prisoner;

1475 2. Willfully break, cut or damage any building, furniture, fixture or fastening of such facility or any
 1476 part thereof for the purpose of escaping, aiding any other prisoner to escape therefrom or rendering such
 1477 facility less secure as a place of confinement;

1478 3. Make, procure, secrete or have in his possession any instrument, tool or other thing for the
 1479 purpose of escaping from or aiding another to escape from a correctional facility or employee thereof;

1480 4. Make, procure, secrete or have in his possession a knife, instrument, tool or other thing not
 1481 authorized by the superintendent or sheriff which is capable of causing death or bodily injury;

1482 5. Procure, sell, secrete or have in his possession any chemical compound which he has not lawfully
 1483 received;

1484 6. Procure, sell, secrete or have in his possession a controlled substance classified in Schedule III of
 1485 the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) *ø*, marijuana, *or synthetic cannabinoids as defined in*
 1486 *§ 18.2-248.1:1;*

1487 7. Introduce into a correctional facility or have in his possession firearms or ammunition for
 1488 firearms;

1489 8. Willfully burn or destroy by use of any explosive device or substance, in whole or in part, or
 1490 cause to be so burned or destroyed, any personal property, within any correctional facility;

1491 9. Willfully tamper with, damage, destroy, or disable any fire protection or fire suppression system,
 1492 equipment, or sprinklers within any correctional facility; or

1493 10. Conspire with another prisoner or other prisoners to commit any of the foregoing acts.

1494 For violation of any of the provisions of this section, except subdivision 6, the prisoner shall be
 1495 guilty of a Class 6 felony. For a violation of subdivision 6, he shall be guilty of a Class 5 felony. If the
 1496 violation is of subdivision 1 of this section and the escapee is a felon, he shall be sentenced to a
 1497 mandatory minimum term of confinement of one year, which shall be served consecutively with any
 1498 other sentence. The prisoner shall, upon conviction of escape, immediately commence to serve such
 1499 escape sentence, and he shall not be eligible for parole during such period. Any prisoner sentenced to
 1500 life imprisonment who escapes shall not be eligible for parole. No part of the time served for escape
 1501 shall be credited for the purpose of parole toward the sentence or sentences, the service of which is
 1502 interrupted for service of the escape sentence, nor shall it be credited for such purpose toward any other
 1503 sentence.

1504 **2. That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment or**
 1505 **commitment. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation cannot**
 1506 **be determined for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities; therefore, Chapter**
 1507 **874 of the Acts of Assembly of 2010 requires the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission to**
 1508 **assign a minimum fiscal impact of \$50,000. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the**
 1509 **necessary appropriation cannot be determined for periods of commitment to the custody of the**
 1510 **Department of Juvenile Justice.**