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1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 989**

2 Offered January 14, 2026

3 Prefiled January 13, 2026

4 *A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-67.4:2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to sexual abuse of certain*
5 *children; penalty.*

6 Patron—Garrett

7 Committee Referral Pending

8 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**9 **1. That § 18.2-67.4:2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**10 **§ 18.2-67.4:2. Sexual abuse of a child under 15 years of age; penalty.**11 Any adult who, with lascivious intent, commits an act of sexual abuse, as defined in § 18.2-67.10, with
12 any child 13 years of age or older but under 15 years of age is guilty of a Class 4 ~~misdemeanor~~ 6 felony.13 **2. That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment or**
14 **commitment. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4 of the Code of Virginia, the estimated amount of the necessary**
15 **appropriation is at least \$766,778 for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities and**
16 **is \$0 for periods of commitment to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice.**

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