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SENATE BILL NO. 657

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 19.2-223 of the Code of Virginia, relating to charging several acts of larceny or any offense deemed larceny.

Patron—Durant

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 19.2-223 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 19.2-223. Charging several acts of larceny or any offense deemed larceny; description of money.

In a prosecution against a person accused of embezzling or fraudulently converting to his own use bullion, money, bank notes or other security for money or items of personal property subject to larceny or any offense deemed larceny, it shall be lawful in the same indictment or accusation to charge and thereon to proceed against the accused for any number of distinct acts of such embezzlements or fraudulent conversions which larceny or any offense deemed larceny that may have been committed by him within six months from the first to the last of the acts charged in the indictment, and it shall be sufficient to allege the embezzlement or fraudulent conversion to be larceny or any offense deemed larceny is of money without specifying any particular money, gold, silver, note, or security. Such allegation, so far as it regards the description of the property, shall be sustained if the accused be is proved to have embezzled or acquired any bullion, money, bank note, or other security for money or items of personal property subject to larceny although the particular species be is not proved.

And in a prosecution for the larceny of United States currency or for obtaining United States currency by a false pretense or token, or for receiving United States currency knowing the same to have been stolen, it shall be sufficient if the accused be is proved guilty of the larceny of national bank notes or United States treasury notes, certificates for either gold or silver coin, fractional coin, currency, or any other form of money issued by the United States government, or of obtaining the same by false pretense or token, or of receiving the same knowing it to have been stolen although the particular species be is not proved.

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