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House Bill 2253

By Delegate Steele

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A BILL to amend and reenact §29-22-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to forgery and other crimes concerning lottery tickets; requiring any sentencing be by determinate sentence.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 22. STATE LOTTERY ACT.

§29-22-12. Crimes; forgery, counterfeiting, etc. of lottery tickets; penalties.

Any person who, with intent to defraud, falsely makes, alters, forges, utters, passes or counterfeits a lottery ticket is guilty of a ~~felony~~ misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than $1,000, or be imprisoned in ~~the penitentiary~~ a state correctional facility for ~~not less~~ not more than one year, or both fined and imprisoned.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require that any sentence for violation of this statute be for a determinate period.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.