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House Bill 2527

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- 1 A BILL to amend and reenact §29-22-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
- 2 to forgery and other crimes concerning lottery tickets; requiring any sentencing be by
- 3 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 and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or be imprisoned in the penitentiary <u>a state correctional facility</u> for <u>a</u> <u>determinate period of</u> not less than one year, <u>nor more than five years</u>, or both fined and imprisoned
- 5 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.