

A Lawyers Warning About Hate Crime Laws

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A Lawyer's Warning to Readers of *American Renaissance*

[I]t is important that your readers understand the danger posed by hate crime laws. In Virginia, as in other states, a simple assault (i.e. any unlawful touching) is a Class 1 misdemeanor punishable by up to 12 months in jail and a fine of up to \$2,500. A first-time defendant convicted of simple assault might expect to be sentenced to a modest fine or some hours of community service. In a serious case, he might get a suspended sentence. However, under the hate crime statute, if the defendant is found to have selected his victim because of race, religion, color, or national origin, the law imposes a mandatory minimum term of six months. Take a moment to let that sink in – six months in jail for the unlawful touching of a non-white. Believe me, this is your worst nightmare become reality. In northern Virginia non-white gangs run an assault scam to try to incite whites to commit assault against them. An argument



starts and most witnesses run away because no one wants to get involved. But one "neutral" witness stays behind to testify that you committed the assault, and that you uttered a racial slur. In short, hate crime laws put a weapon in the hands of minority criminals, giving them the means to destroy the lives of innocent whites and their families. Your readers should avoid arguments and physical contact with non-whites at all costs.

–A Virginia Attorney