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HOUSE BILL NO. 1559

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice
on February 3, 2006)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Bell)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 8.01-226.11, relating to civil immunity for witnesses in criminal cases.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 8.01-226.11 as follows:

§ 8.01-226.11. No civil liability for witness in a criminal case.

No person shall be liable in a civil action for any testimony against or identification of a person in a criminal investigation or proceeding as long as the testimony or identification was done with the good faith belief in its veracity and authenticity.

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