

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2007 SESSION

CHAPTER 798

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 8.01-223.2, relating to immunity of persons at public hearings.

[S 1250]

Approved March 23, 2007

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 8.01-223.2 as follows:

§ 8.01-223.2. Immunity of persons at public hearing.

A person shall be immune from civil liability for a violation of § 18.2-499 or a claim of tortious interference with an existing contract or a business or contractual expectancy based solely on statements made by that person at a public hearing before the governing body of any locality or other political subdivision, or the boards, commissions, agencies and authorities thereof, and other governing bodies of any local governmental entity concerning matters properly before such body. The immunity provided by this section shall not apply to any statements made with knowledge that they are false, or reckless disregard for whether they are false.