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SENATE BILL NO. 997

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice
on February 15, 2013)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Barker)

A *BILL* to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 63.2-1606.1, relating to the use of
photographs, X-rays and medical imaging of incapacitated persons.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 63.2-1606.1 as follows:

§ 63.2-1606.1. Photographs, X-rays and medical imaging of incapacitated persons; use as evidence.

*In any case of suspected abuse of an incapacitated person, photographs, X-rays and appropriate
medical imaging of such incapacitated person may be taken as a part of the medical evaluation without
the consent of the person responsible for the incapacitated person. Such images shall not be used in lieu
of medical evaluation.*

*Such photographs, X-rays and medical imaging may be introduced into evidence in any civil or
criminal proceeding. The court receiving such evidence may impose such restrictions as to the
confidentiality of photographs, X-rays and medical imaging of any incapacitated person as it deems
appropriate.*

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