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HOUSE BILL NO. 1635

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 8.01-247.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to statute of limitation on defamation.

Patron—Albo

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 8.01-247.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 8.01-247.1. Limitation on action for defamation, etc.

Every action for injury resulting from libel, slander, insulting words, or defamation shall be brought within ~~one year~~ two years after the cause of action accrues.

For actions under this section involving defamation via the Internet, as defined in § 8.01-49.1, where the identity of the party against whom the action is being brought is unknown, the statute of limitations shall be tolled against an unknown defendant, on motion for good cause, any time after the case is filed.

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