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21101731D 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 1351** 2 3 4 5 Offered January 13, 2021 Prefiled January 13, 2021 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 65.2-706.2, relating to workers' compensation; claims not barred. 6 Patrons—Lewis and Surovell 7 8 Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 65.2-706.2 as follows: 11 § 65.2-706.2. Claims not barred. 12 No order issued by the Commission awarding or denying benefits shall bar by res judicata any claim 13 14 by an employee or cause a waiver, abandonment, or dismissal of any claim by an employee if the order

does not expressly adjudicate such claim.