1995 SESSION

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| 1 | HOUSE BILL NO. 2067 |
| 2 | AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE |
| 3 | (Proposed by the House Committee on Labor and Commerce |
| 4 | on February 1, 1995) |
| 5 | (Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Phillips) |
| 6 | A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 65.2-401.1, relating to workers' |
| 7 | compensation; presumption as to definition of disease. |
| 8 | Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: |
| 9 | 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 65.2-401.1 as follows: |
| 10 | § 65.2-401.1. Presumption as to definition of disease for carpal tunnel syndrome and hearing loss. |
| 11 | For the purposes of claims for benefits pursuant to §§ 65.2-400 and 65.2-401, carpal tunnel |
| 12 | syndrome or hearing loss shall be presumed to be medically defined as a disease, unless such |
| 13 | presumption of disease is overcome by a preponderance of competent evidence to the contrary. The |
| 14 | presumption pursuant to this section shall in no way alter the claimant's burden of proof or other |
| 15 | requirements set forth in §§ 65.2-400 and 65.2-401. This section shall not be construed to exclude any |
| 16 | other ailments from potential coverage pursuant to §§ 65.2-400 and 65.2-401. |

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