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**SENATE BILL NO. 791**

Senate Amendments in [ ] — February 7, 1995

*A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 21 of Chapter 3 of Title 8.01 a section numbered 8.01-226.5, relating to immunity from liability for poison control centers.*

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Patrons—Gartlan and Woods; Delegate: Connally

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Referred to the Committee for Courts of Justice**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 21 of Chapter 3 of Title 8.01 a section numbered 8.01-226.5 as follows:**

*§ 8.01-226.5. Immunity from liability for poison control centers.*

*No poison control center, entity operating a poison center, or employee of a poison control center, acting in good faith and in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct, shall be liable for any civil damages for acts or omissions resulting from advising individuals by telephone or other means of communication regarding the ingestion or application of any substance, regardless of whether a fee is charged for such advice.*

*[ For purposes of this section, "poison control center" means any such center established by the Board of Health pursuant to § 32.1-116.01. ]*

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