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HOUSE BILL NO. 478

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions
on February 1, 1996)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Puller)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 63.1-198.03:1, relating to complaints against child-welfare agencies.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 63.1-198.03:1 as follows:

§ 63.1-198.03:1. Retaliation against reports of child abuse or neglect.

No child-welfare agency may retaliate in any manner against any person who in good faith reports child abuse or neglect pursuant to § 63.1-248.1 et seq.

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