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17 18 **HOUSE BILL NO. 2383**

Offered January 20, 1997

A BILL to amend and reenact § 8.01-226.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to civil immunity for licensed architects.

Patrons-Woodrum and Wagner

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 8.01-226.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 8.01-226.2. Civil immunity for licensed professional engineers and licensed professional architects participating in rescue or relief assistance.

Any licensed professional engineer or licensed professional architect who, in good faith and without charge or compensation, utilizes his professional skills in providing rescue or relief assistance at the scene of or in connection with a natural or manmade disaster or other life-threatening emergency, shall not be liable for any civil damages for acts or omissions on his part resulting from the rendering of such assistance or professional services in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct.