## **1999 SESSION**

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## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 8.01-6.2, relating to amendment
 of pleading; relation back to original pleading; confusion in trade name.

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## Approved

## 6 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

7 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 8.01-6.2 as follows:

§ 8.01-6.2. Amendment of pleading; relation back to original pleading; confusion in trade name.
A. A pleading which states a claim against a party whose trade name or corporate name is substantially similar to the trade name or corporate name of another entity may be amended at any time by inserting the correct party's name, if such party or its agent had actual notice of the claim prior to the expiration of the statute of limitations for filing the claim.

B. In the event that suit is filed against the estate of a decedent, and filed within the applicable
statute of limitations, naming the proper name of estate of the deceased and service is effected or
attempted on an individual or individuals as executor, administrator or other officers of the estate, such
filing tolls the statute of limitations for said claim in the event the executor, administrator or other

17 officers of the estate are unable to legally receive service at the time service was attempted, or defend

18 suit because their authority as executor, administrator or other officer of the estate excludes defending

19 said actions, or their duties as executor, administrator or other officer of the estate had expired at the

20 time of service or during the time of defending said action.

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