

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 9 of Chapter 14 of Title 8.01 a section*  
3 *numbered 8.01-420.8, relating to protection of confidential information in court files.*

4 [H 952]

5 Approved

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

7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 9 of Chapter 14 of Title 8.01 a**  
8 **section numbered 8.01-420.8 as follows:**

9 **§ 8.01-420.8. Protection of confidential information in court files.**

10 *A. Whenever a party files, or causes to be filed, with the court a motion, pleading, subpoena, exhibit,*  
11 *or other document containing a social security number or other identification number appearing on a*  
12 *driver's license, credit card, debit card, bank account, or other electronic billing and payment system,*  
13 *the party shall make reasonable efforts to redact all but the last four digits of the identification number.*

14 *B. The provisions of subsection A apply to all civil actions in circuit and district court, unless there*  
15 *is a specific statute to the contrary that applies to the particular type of proceeding in which the party*  
16 *is involved.*

17 *C. Nothing in this section shall create a private cause of action against the party or lawyer who*  
18 *filed the document or any court personnel, the clerk, or any employees of the clerk's office who received*  
19 *it for filing.*

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