16101566D 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 553** 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Senate Amendments in [] — February 15, 2016 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 32.1-138.01, relating to nursing facilities; electronic monitoring. Patron Prior to Engrossment—Senator Cosgrove Referred to Committee on Education and Health 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 32.1-138.01 as follows: 11 § 32.1-138.01. Requests for electronic monitoring. 12

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No nursing facility shall refuse a request made by a resident who is capable of making an informed decision or, if a resident is not capable of making an informed decision, by his authorized representative for [electronic audio visual] monitoring [at the resident's cost] of such resident's [private] room.