## 2020 SESSION

## **INTRODUCED**

20105319D 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 985 2 3** Offered January 15, 2020 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 8.01-223.3, relating to 4 unconstitutional laws; attorney fees and costs. 5 Patron—DeSteph 6 7 Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 8 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 8.01-223.3 as follows: 10 11 § 8.01-223.3. Unconstitutional laws; attorney fees and costs. In any litigation in which (i) the constitutionality of a law of the Commonwealth is at issue and (ii) 12 13 the court finds that the law is unconstitutional, the Commonwealth shall reimburse the aggrieved party for attorney fees and costs.