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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1557**

Offered January 11, 1995

A BILL to amend and reenact § 8.01-248 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 8.01-247.1, relating to statutes of limitation.

Patrons—Johnson, Almand, Brickley, Jones, J.C., Melvin, Murphy, Phillips, Stump and Woodrum

Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 8.01-248 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 8.01-247.1 as follows:

§ 8.01-247.1. Limitation on action for defamation, etc.

Every action for injury resulting from libel, slander, insulting words or defamation shall be brought within one year after the cause of action accrues.

§ 8.01-248. Personal actions for which no other limitation is specified.

Every personal action accruing on or after July 1, 1995, for which no limitation is otherwise prescribed, shall be brought within one year two years after the right to bring such action has accrued.