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HOUSE BILL NO. 2208

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice

on _____)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Delegate Kilgore)

A BILL to address discrimination against persons of Jewish faith or ethnicity.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. As used in §§ 2.2-3900 and 2.2-3902 of the Code of Virginia, "race," "religion," or "national origin" shall include persons of the Jewish faith or ethnicity. As used in § 8.01-42.1 of the Code of Virginia, "racial, religious, or ethnic animosity" shall include animosity toward the Jewish faith or ethnicity. As used in §§ 8.01-49.1, 18.2-57, and 18.2-121 of the Code of Virginia, "race," "religious conviction," or "national origin" shall include persons of the Jewish faith or ethnicity. As used in § 52-8.5 of the Code of Virginia, "race," "religion," or "ethnic or national origin" shall include persons of the Jewish faith or ethnicity.

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