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*The
Virginia
Declaration
Of
Rights*

The Virginia Declaration of Rights was written by George Mason.

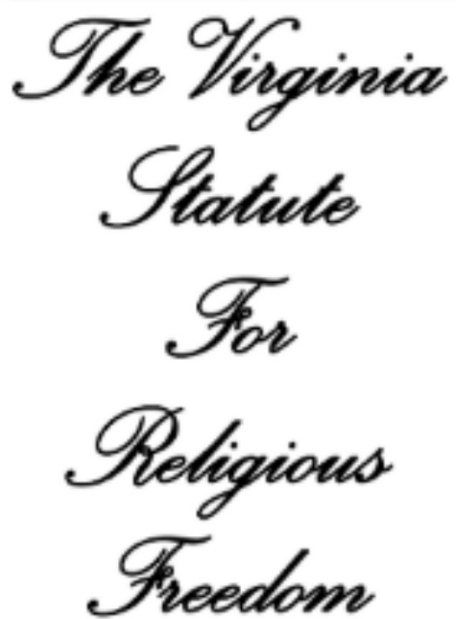
It says all Virginians should have certain rights.

People should have freedom of religion.

People should have freedom of the press.

This document became the basis for the Bill of Rights, part of the United States Constitution.

People should have the right to a trial by jury.



*The Virginia
Statute
For
Religious
Freedom*

The Virginia Statute
for Religious Freedom was written
by Thomas Jefferson

It states that all people should be
free to worship as they please.

This document was the basis for
the First Amendment to the
United States Constitution.

- Without James Madison's leadership guiding this bill through the General Assembly, the bill probably would not have passed.