

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2000 SESSION

## CHAPTER 168

*An Act to amend and reenact § 32.1-17 of the Code of Virginia, relating to appointment of State Health Commissioner.*

[H 689]

Approved March 24, 2000

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 32.1-17 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 32.1-17. Appointment of Commissioner; qualifications; term.

A. There shall be a State Health Commissioner appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by each house of the General Assembly. The Commissioner shall be a physician licensed to practice medicine in this Commonwealth and shall be certified by the American Board of Preventive Medicine *or a recognized board in a primary care specialty as approved by the American Board of Medical Specialties*, experienced in public health duties, sanitary science and environmental health, and otherwise qualified to execute the duties incumbent upon him by law.

B. The Commissioner shall be appointed for a term coincident with that of the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.