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HOUSE BILL NO. 1055

Offered January 24, 2000

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 2 of Title 32.1 an article numbered 13, consisting of a section numbered 32.1-73.5, relating to reporting of certain complications.

Patron—Marshall

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 2 of Title 32.1 an article numbered 13 , consisting of a section numbered 32.1-73.5 as follows:

§ 32.1-73.5. Reporting of abortion complications.

In the exercise of its authority for health planning pursuant to Chapter 4 (§ 32.1-102.1 et seq.) and for regulation of facilities and services pursuant to Chapter 5 (§ 32.1-123 et seq.) of this title, the Board of Health shall require reporting of, compile, and analyze data on complications resulting from any abortion procedure. Any physician, regardless of whether he performed the abortion, who treats a patient experiencing complications from an abortion procedure which occur within sixty days of the performance of the procedure shall report to the Board on such complications in accordance with the Board's regulations. The Board's regulations shall address, among other complications, any infections, perforations, long-term reproductive dysfunction, and psychological problems which have resulted from abortions.

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