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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 158
AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Rules)
on February 14, 2000)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Schrock)

Encouraging the Governor, with the support and assistance of the General Assembly, to facilitate the establishment of the Virginia Long-Term Care Foundation.

WHEREAS, the population of the Commonwealth is rapidly aging; and

WHEREAS, Virginians over 85 are the fastest growing segment of the state's population; and

WHEREAS, the demand for long-term care services is expected to increase rapidly; and
WHEREAS, the Medicaid program finances the majority of nursing home care in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, there is a demonstrable need for innovative approaches to meeting the long-term care needs of Virginia's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the development of a public-private partnership would provide an effective approach to helping meet the long-term care needs of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Health Care Foundation has proven to be a successful model for promoting and providing financial support for innovative approaches in delivering primary care and improving access to health care throughout the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the Governor be encouraged to facilitate, with the support and assistance of the General Assembly, the establishment of the Virginia Long-Term Care Foundation as a private, nonprofit foundation to function as an integral component of the Commonwealth's efforts to meet the long-term care needs of Virginia's citizens; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the purpose of the Virginia Long-Term Care Foundation shall be to provide financial and technical support, in the form of grants, donations, or other assistance, for the promotion and development of innovative regional and local long-term care strategies and best practices; and be it

RESOLVED FINALLY, That the Commonwealth's long-term care and aging provider and advocacy organizations be encouraged to provide information, assistance, and support to the Governor and the General Assembly in the development of this initiative.

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