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HOUSE BILL NO. 179

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 63.1-325 of the Code of Virginia, relating to donations of professional services.

Patrons—Sherwood, Athey and McQuigg

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 63.1-325 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 63.1-325. Donations of professional services.

A. A sole proprietor, partnership or limited liability company engaged in the business of providing professional services shall be eligible for a tax credit under this chapter based on the time spent by the proprietor or a partner or member, respectively, who renders professional services to a program which has received an allocation of tax credits from the Commissioner of Social Services or his designee. The value of the professional services, for purposes of determining the amount of the tax credit allowable, rendered by the proprietor or a partner or member to an approved program shall not exceed the lesser of (i) the reasonable cost for similar services from other providers or (ii) \$125 per hour.

B. A business firm shall be eligible for a tax credit under this chapter for the time spent by a salaried employee who renders professional services to an approved program. The value of the professional services, for purposes of determining the amount of tax credit allowed to a business firm for time spent by its salaried employee in rendering professional services to an approved project, shall be equal to the salary that such employee was actually paid for the period of time that such employee

rendered professional services to the approved program.

C. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter limiting eligibility for tax credits to business firms, physicians, dentists, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, optometrists, dental hygienists and pharmacists licensed pursuant to Title 54.1 who provide health care services within the scope of their licensure, without charge, at a clinic which has received an allocation of tax credits from the Commissioner of Social Services or his designee and is organized in whole or in part for the delivery of health care services without charge, or to a clinic operated not for profit providing health care services for charges not exceeding those set forth in a scale prescribed by the State Board of Health pursuant to § 32.1-11 for charges to be paid by persons based upon ability to pay, shall be eligible for a tax credit pursuant to § 63.1-324 based on the time spent in providing health care services at such clinic. The value of such services, for purposes of determining the amount of the tax credit allowable, rendered by the physician, dentist, nurse, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, optometrist, dental hygienist, or pharmacist, shall not exceed the lesser of (i) the reasonable cost for similar services from other providers or (ii) \$125 per hour.