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SENATE BILL NO. 134

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A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 37.1-179.2, relating to notice of application for licensure to operate methadone clinics.

Patrons—Edwards; Delegates: Fralin and Ware, O.

Referred to Committee on Education and Health

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 37.1-179.2 as follows:

§ 37.1-179.2. Notice of application for licensure to operate methadone clinics required.

Upon receiving notice of a proposal or an application to obtain initial licensure to operate a facility for the provision of detoxification, treatment or rehabilitation of drug addicts through the use of the controlled substance methadone or other such controlled substances, the Commissioner shall, within 15 days of such receipt, notify the local governing body of the jurisdiction in which the facility is to be located of such proposal or application and its proposed location.

Local governing bodies may submit to the Commissioner comments on such proposals or applications within 30 days from the date of the notice on the suitability of the proposed location of the clinic and its conformance with the locality's comprehensive plan and its compliance with relevant local ordinances.