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HOUSE BILL NO. 1570

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Education and Health
on February 10, 2005)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Purkey)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 32.1-35.1, relating to information on nosocomial infections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 32.1-35.1 as follows:

§ 32.1-35.1. Information on nosocomial infections.

Acute care hospitals shall report information about nosocomial infections to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Healthcare Safety Network. Such hospitals shall release their infection data to the Board of Health. The specific infections to be reported, the hospitals required to report, and patient populations to be included shall be prescribed by Board regulation. Such hospital infection rate data may be released to the public by the Board, upon request.

2. That the provisions of this act shall become effective on July 1, 2008.

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