

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to implement the federal Medicare Part D benefit and to convene a task force on prescription*
3 *drug assistance for low-income Virginians.*

4 [S 841]

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7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 1. *§ 1. Implementation of the Medicare Part D benefit.*9 A. *The Board of Medical Assistance Services shall promulgate necessary regulations to implement*
10 *the provisions of the Medicare Part D prescription drug benefit that becomes effective January 1, 2006.*11 B. *Upon the implementation of the Medicare Part D program, the Department of Medical Assistance*
12 *Services shall convene a task force of public and private stakeholders to assist the Department in*
13 *evaluating the Medicare Part D benefit and to make recommendations for enhancing, coordinating, and*
14 *integrating the existing pharmacy assistance programs for low-income Virginians and the Medicare Part*
15 *D benefit. The Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the*
16 *General Assembly no later than November 1, 2006.*17 2. **That the Board of Medical Assistance Services shall promulgate regulations to implement the**
18 **provisions of this act to be effective within 280 days of its enactment.**

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