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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1174**

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**

(Proposed by the House Committee on Rules

on January 29, 2008)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Lingamfelter)

*A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 63.2-209.1, relating to Office of Immigrant Assistance.*

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 63.2-209.1 as follows:**

*§ 63.2-209.1. Office of Immigrant Assistance.*

*There is created in the Department of Social Services an Office of Immigrant Assistance, to assist persons lawfully entering the United States and the Commonwealth for the purpose of becoming citizens. The Office shall (i) provide advice and assistance regarding the citizenship application process, and (ii) provide assistance with finding and securing employment, housing, and services for which such persons may be eligible.*

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