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HOUSE BILL NO. 1853

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Appropriations)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Cox)

House Amendments in [] — February 9, 2009

A BILL to require a plan to eliminate the Mental Retardation and IFDDS waiver waiting lists within ten years.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That the Governor shall develop a plan to eliminate the urgent care waiting list for services provided to individuals on the Mental Retardation Waiver and the waiting list for services provided to individuals on the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver by the 2018-2020 biennium. The plan shall include provisions to reduce the total number of individuals on the urgent care waiting list for the Mental Retardation Waiver by 10 percent in the 2008-2010 biennium. The plan shall also include provisions to reduce the total number of individuals on the urgent care waiting list for the Mental Retardation Waiver and to reduce the total number of individuals on the waiting list for the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver by 20 percent beginning in the 2010-2012 biennium. Waiting list reductions shall be measured by the number of individuals on these waiting lists as of July 1 of each biennium, with a goal of elimination by the 2018-2020 biennium. In developing the plan, the Governor shall review reports and recommendations from the Community Integration Advisory Commission related to the urgent care waiting list for the Mental Retardation Waiver and the waiting list for the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver. [The Governor shall submit the plan to the chairmen of the Joint Commission on Health Care and the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees by October 1, 2009.]

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