

## 2009 SESSION

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### HOUSE BILL NO. 2632

Offered January 23, 2009

A *BILL to require the Department of Human Resource Management to develop a health insurance program for teachers similar in plan design and administration to the health insurance program for state employees.*

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Referred to Committee on General Laws

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

**1.** § 1. That the Department of Human Resource Management (Department) is instructed to develop a statewide health insurance program (program) for teachers, similar in plan design and administration to the health insurance program for state employees. The program will cover all teachers employed by local school boards throughout the Commonwealth. The program will be self-insured through premium payment from participants and employers and administered by the Department through contracts to be awarded through the procurement process. The Department shall also develop an alternative program that covers all eligible employees and retirees of local school boards.

School boards and existing administrators of health insurance programs provided to school boards are instructed to cooperate with the Department in the development of the health program for teachers, and the alternative program for all employees and retirees of local school boards; including providing census and claim information necessary for performing actuarial analyses, plan and premium information for existing health programs, and, as needed, access to school board administrators and school board employees for interview purposes.

The program that is developed shall not be implemented unless and until it is mandated by the General Assembly.

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