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SENATE BILL NO. 1501

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance on February 4, 2009)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Barker)

A BILL relating to the waiting lists for the Mental Retardation and Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities and Support Medicaid Waivers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. It is the intent of the General Assembly to eliminate the waiting lists for services pursuant to the Mental Retardation Medicaid Waiver and the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities and Support Medicaid Waiver.

§ 2. In furtherance of the intent set forth in § 1, beginning with the Commonwealth's fiscal year starting on July 1, 2010, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall add (i) at least an additional 400 funded slots in the fiscal year for the Mental Retardation Medicaid Waiver, and (ii) at least an additional 67 funded slots in the fiscal year for the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities and Support Medicaid Waiver until the waiting list has been eliminated for the respective Medicaid Waiver program. If fewer than 400 funded slots are needed in a fiscal year to eliminate the waiting list for the Mental Retardation Medicaid Waiver, then the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall add the number of funded slots necessary to eliminate the waiting list for such Medicaid Waiver program. If fewer than 67 funded slots are needed in a fiscal year to eliminate the waiting list for the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities and Support Medicaid Waiver, then the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall add the number of funded slots necessary to eliminate the waiting list for such Medicaid Waiver program.

§ 3. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall work with the Department of Planning and Budget to incorporate the additional costs pursuant to this act in the estimate of Medicaid expenditures

required pursuant to § 32.1-323.1 of the Code of Virginia.