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## **SENATE BILL NO. 360**

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE (Proposed by the House Committee for Courts of Justice

on March 8, 2010)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Barker)

- A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 37.2-815 and 37.2-817 through 37.2-817.4 of the Code of Virginia, relating to mandatory outpatient treatment following involuntary admission.
  - Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

## 9 1. That §§ 37.2-815 and 37.2-817 through 37.2-817.4 of the Code of Virginia are amended and 10 reenacted as follows:

§ 37.2-815. Commitment hearing for involuntary admission; examination required.

A. Notwithstanding § 37.2-814, the district court judge or special justice shall require an examination 12 of the person who is the subject of the hearing by a psychiatrist or a psychologist who is licensed in 13 Virginia by the Board of Medicine or the Board of Psychology and is qualified in the diagnosis of 14 15 mental illness or, if such a psychiatrist or psychologist is not available, a mental health professional who (i) is licensed in Virginia through the Department of Health Professions as a clinical social worker, 16 17 professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, psychiatric nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist, (ii) is qualified in the assessment of mental illness, and (iii) has completed a certification 18 program approved by the Department. The examiner chosen shall be able to provide an independent 19 20 clinical evaluation of the person and recommendations for his placement, care, and treatment. The 21 examiner shall (a) not be related by blood or marriage to the person, (b) not be responsible for treating 22 the person, (c) have no financial interest in the admission or treatment of the person, (d) have no 23 investment interest in the facility detaining or admitting the person under this chapter, and (e) except for employees of state hospitals, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and community service boards, 24 25 not be employed by the facility. For purposes of this section, the term "investment interest" shall be as 26 defined in § 37.2-809.

27 B. The examination conducted pursuant to this section shall be a comprehensive evaluation of the 28 person conducted in-person or, if that is not practicable, by two-way electronic video and audio 29 communication system as authorized in § 37.2-804.1. Translation or interpreter services shall be provided 30 during the evaluation where necessary. The examination shall consist of (i) a clinical assessment that 31 includes a mental status examination; determination of current use of psychotropic and other 32 medications; a medical and psychiatric history; a substance use, abuse, or dependency determination; and 33 a determination of the likelihood that, as a result of mental illness, the person will, in the near future, 34 suffer serious harm due to his lack of capacity to protect himself from harm or to provide for his basic 35 human needs; (ii) a substance abuse screening, when indicated; (iii) a risk assessment that includes an 36 evaluation of the likelihood that, as a result of mental illness, the person will, in the near future, cause 37 serious physical harm to himself or others as evidenced by recent behavior causing, attempting, or 38 threatening harm and other relevant information, if any; (iv) an assessment of the person's capacity to 39 consent to treatment, including his ability to maintain and communicate choice, understand relevant 40 information, and comprehend the situation and its consequences; (v) a review of the temporary detention 41 facility's records for the person, including the treating physician's evaluation, any collateral information, 42 reports of any laboratory or toxicology tests conducted, and all admission forms and nurses' notes; (vi) a discussion of treatment preferences expressed by the person or contained in a document provided by the 43 44 person in support of recovery; (vii) an assessment of whether the person meets the criteria for an order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following a period of inpatient treatment pursuant to subsection C1 of § 37.2-817; (viii) an assessment of alternatives to involuntary inpatient 45 46 treatment; and (viii) (ix) recommendations for the placement, care, and treatment of the person. 47

C. All such examinations shall be conducted in private. The judge or special justice shall summons **48** 49 the examiner who shall certify that he has personally examined the person and state whether he has probable cause to believe that the person (i) has a mental illness and there is a substantial likelihood 50 that, as a result of mental illness, the person will, in the near future, (a) cause serious physical harm to 51 himself or others as evidenced by recent behavior causing, attempting, or threatening harm and other 52 53 relevant information, if any, or (b) suffer serious harm due to his lack of capacity to protect himself 54 from harm or to provide for his basic human needs, and (ii) requires involuntary inpatient treatment. The 55 judge or special justice shall not render any decision on the petition until the examiner has presented his report. The examiner may report orally at the hearing, but he shall provide a written report of his 56 examination prior to the hearing. The examiner's written certification may be accepted into evidence 57 unless objected to by the person or his attorney, in which case the examiner shall attend in person or by 58 59 electronic communication. When the examiner attends the hearing in person or by electronic

60 communication, the examiner shall not be excluded from the hearing pursuant to an order of 61 sequestration of witnesses. 62

§ 37.2-817. Involuntary admission and mandatory outpatient treatment orders.

63 A. The district court judge or special justice shall render a decision on the petition for involuntary 64 admission after the appointed examiner has presented the report required by § 37.2-815, and after the 65 community services board that serves the county or city where the person resides or, if impractical, 66 where the person is located has presented a preadmission screening report with recommendations for that person's placement, care, and treatment pursuant to § 37.2-816. These reports, if not contested, may 67 constitute sufficient evidence upon which the district court judge or special justice may base his 68 69 decision. The examiner, if not physically present at the hearing, and the treating physician at the facility 70 of temporary detention shall be available whenever possible for questioning during the hearing through a two-way electronic video and audio or telephonic communication system as authorized in § 37.2-804.1. 71

72 B. Any employee or designee of the local community services board, as defined in § 37.2-809, 73 representing the community services board that prepared the preadmission screening report shall attend 74 the hearing in person or, if physical attendance is not practicable, shall participate in the hearing through 75 a two-way electronic video and audio or telephonic communication system as authorized in § 37.2-804.1. 76 Where a hearing is held outside of the service area of the community services board that prepared the 77 preadmission screening report, and it is not practicable for a representative of the board to attend or 78 participate in the hearing, arrangements shall be made by the board for an employee or designee of the 79 board serving the area in which the hearing is held to attend or participate on behalf of the board that prepared the preadmission screening report. The employee or designee of the local community services 80 board, as defined in § 37.2-809, representing the community services board that prepared the 81 82 preadmission screening report or attending or participating on behalf of the board that prepared the preadmission screening report shall not be excluded from the hearing pursuant to an order of 83 84 sequestration of witnesses. The community services board that prepared the preadmission screening 85 report shall remain responsible for the person subject to the hearing and, prior to the hearing, shall send 86 the preadmission screening report through certified mail, personal delivery, facsimile with return receipt 87 acknowledged, or other electronic means to the community services board attending the hearing. Where 88 a community services board attends the hearing on behalf of the community services board that prepared 89 the preadmission screening report, the attending community services board shall inform the community 90 services board that prepared the preadmission screening report of the disposition of the matter upon the conclusion of the hearing. In addition, the attending community services board shall transmit the 91 92 disposition through certified mail, personal delivery, facsimile with return receipt acknowledged, or other 93 electronic means.

94 At least 12 hours prior to the hearing, the court shall provide to the community services board that prepared the preadmission screening report the time and location of the hearing. If the representative of 95 96 the community services board will be present by telephonic means, the court shall provide the telephone 97 number to the board.

98 C. After observing the person and considering (i) the recommendations of any treating or examining 99 physician or psychologist licensed in Virginia, if available, (ii) any past actions of the person, (iii) any 100 past mental health treatment of the person, (iv) any examiner's certification, (v) any health records 101 available, (vi) the preadmission screening report, and (vii) any other relevant evidence that may have 102 been admitted, if the judge or special justice finds by clear and convincing evidence that (a) the person has a mental illness and there is a substantial likelihood that, as a result of mental illness, the person 103 104 will, in the near future, (1) cause serious physical harm to himself or others as evidenced by recent behavior causing, attempting, or threatening harm and other relevant information, if any, or (2) suffer 105 106 serious harm due to his lack of capacity to protect himself from harm or to provide for his basic human needs, and (b) all available less restrictive treatment alternatives to involuntary inpatient treatment, 107 108 pursuant to subsection D, that would offer an opportunity for the improvement of the person's condition have been investigated and determined to be inappropriate, the judge or special justice shall by written 109 110 order and specific findings so certify and order that the person be admitted involuntarily to a facility for a period of treatment not to exceed 30 days from the date of the court order. Such involuntary 111 112 admission shall be to a facility designated by the community services board that serves the city or 113 county in which the person was examined as provided in § 37.2-816. If the community services board 114 does not designate a facility at the commitment hearing, the person shall be involuntarily admitted to a facility designated by the Commissioner. Upon the expiration of an order for involuntary admission, the 115 116 person shall be released unless he is involuntarily admitted by further petition and order of a court, which shall be for a period not to exceed 180 days from the date of the subsequent court order, or such 117 118 person makes application for treatment on a voluntary basis as provided for in § 37.2-805 or is ordered 119 to mandatory outpatient treatment pursuant to subsection D.

120 C1. In the order for involuntary admission, the judge or special justice may authorize the treating 121 physician to discharge the person to mandatory outpatient treatment not to exceed the length of such 122 order under a discharge plan developed pursuant to subsection C2, if the judge or special justice 123 further finds by clear and convincing evidence that (i) the person has a history of lack of compliance 124 with treatment for mental illness that at least twice within the past 36 months has resulted in the person 125 being subject to an order for involuntary admission pursuant to subsection C; (ii) in view of the 126 person's treatment history and current behavior, the person is in need of mandatory outpatient treatment 127 following inpatient treatment in order to prevent a relapse or deterioration that would be likely to result 128 in the person meeting the criteria for involuntary inpatient treatment; (iii) as a result of mental illness, 129 the person is unlikely to voluntarily participate in outpatient treatment unless the court enters an order 130 authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment; and (iv) the 131 person is likely to benefit from mandatory outpatient treatment.

132 C2. Prior to discharging the person to mandatory outpatient treatment under a discharge plan as 133 authorized pursuant to subsection C1 of this section, the treating physician shall determine, based upon 134 his professional judgment, that (1) the person (a) in view of the person's treatment history and current 135 behavior, no longer needs inpatient hospitalization, (b) requires mandatory outpatient treatment at the 136 time of discharge to prevent relapse or deterioration of his condition that would likely result in his 137 meeting the criteria for involuntary inpatient treatment, (c) has sufficient capacity to understand the 138 stipulations of his treatment, (d) has expressed an interest in living in the community and has agreed to 139 abide by his discharge plan, (e) is deemed to have the capacity to comply with the discharge plan and 140 understand and adhere to conditions and requirements of the treatment and services, and (f) the ordered 141 treatment can be delivered on an outpatient basis by the community services board or designated 142 provider; and (2) at the time of discharge, services are actually available in the community and 143 providers of services have actually agreed to deliver the services. In no event shall the treating 144 physician discharge a person to mandatory outpatient treatment under a discharge plan as authorized 145 pursuant to subsection C1 if the person meets the criteria for involuntary commitment set forth in 146 subsection C. The discharge plan developed by the treating physician and facility staff in conjunction 147 with the community services board and the person shall serve as and shall contain all the components 148 of the comprehensive mandatory outpatient treatment plan set forth in subsection G, and no initial mandatory outpatient treatment plan set forth in subsection F shall be required. The discharge plan 149 150 shall be submitted to the court for approval and, upon approval by the court, shall be filed and 151 incorporated into the order entered pursuant to subsection C1. The discharge plan shall be provided to 152 the person by the community services board at the time of the person's discharge from the inpatient 153 facility. The community services board where the person resides upon discharge shall monitor the 154 person's compliance with the discharge plan and report any material noncompliance to the court in 155 *accordance with* § *37.2-817.1.* 

156 D. After observing the person and considering (i) the recommendations of any treating or examining 157 physician or psychologist licensed in Virginia, if available, (ii) any past actions of the person, (iii) any 158 past mental health treatment of the person, (iv) any examiner's certification, (v) any health records 159 available, (vi) the preadmission screening report, and (vii) any other relevant evidence that may have 160 been admitted, if the judge or special justice finds by clear and convincing evidence that (a) the person has a mental illness and that there exists a substantial likelihood that, as a result of mental illness, the 161 162 person will, in the near future, (1) cause serious physical harm to himself or others as evidenced by recent behavior causing, attempting, or threatening harm and other relevant information, if any, or (2) 163 164 suffer serious harm due to his lack of capacity to protect himself from harm or to provide for his basic 165 human needs; (b) less restrictive alternatives to involuntary inpatient treatment that would offer an 166 opportunity for improvement of his condition have been investigated and are determined to be appropriate; and (c) the person (A) has sufficient capacity to understand the stipulations of his treatment, 167 168 (B) has expressed an interest in living in the community and has agreed to abide by his treatment plan, 169 and (C) is deemed to have the capacity to comply with the treatment plan and understand and adhere to 170 conditions and requirements of the treatment and services; and (d) the ordered treatment can be 171 delivered on an outpatient basis by the community services board or designated provider, the judge or 172 special justice shall by written order and specific findings so certify and order that the person be 173 admitted involuntarily to mandatory outpatient treatment. Less restrictive alternatives shall not be 174 determined to be appropriate unless the services are actually available in the community and providers 175 of the services have actually agreed to deliver the services.

E. Mandatory outpatient treatment may include day treatment in a hospital, night treatment in a hospital, outpatient involuntary treatment with anti-psychotic medication pursuant to Chapter 11
(§ 37.2-1100 et seq.), or other appropriate course of treatment as may be necessary to meet the needs of the person. The community services board that serves the city or county in which the person resides shall recommend a specific course of treatment and programs for the provision of mandatory outpatient treatment. The duration of mandatory outpatient treatment shall be determined by the court based on recommendations of the community services board, but shall not exceed 90 days. Upon expiration of an

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183 order for mandatory outpatient treatment, the person shall be released from the requirements of the order 184 unless the order is continued in accordance with § 37.2-817.4.

185 F. Any order for mandatory outpatient treatment entered pursuant to subsection D shall include an 186 initial mandatory outpatient treatment plan developed by the community services board that completed 187 the preadmission screening report. The plan shall, at a minimum, (i) identify the specific services to be 188 provided, (ii) identify the provider who has agreed to provide each service, (iii) describe the 189 arrangements made for the initial in-person appointment or contact with each service provider, and (iv) 190 include any other relevant information that may be available regarding the mandatory outpatient 191 treatment ordered. The order shall require the community services board to monitor the implementation 192 of the mandatory outpatient treatment plan and report any material noncompliance to the court.

G. No later than five days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays, after an order for 193 194 mandatory outpatient treatment has been entered pursuant to this section subsection D, the community 195 services board where the person resides that is responsible for monitoring compliance with the order 196 shall file a comprehensive mandatory outpatient treatment plan. The comprehensive mandatory outpatient 197 treatment plan shall (i) identify the specific type, amount, duration, and frequency of each service to be 198 provided to the person, (ii) identify the provider that has agreed to provide each service included in the 199 plan, (iii) certify that the services are the most appropriate and least restrictive treatment available for the person, (iv) certify that each provider has complied and continues to comply with applicable 200 201 provisions of the Department's licensing regulations, (v) be developed with the fullest possible 202 involvement and participation of the person and his family, with the person's consent, and reflect his 203 preferences to the greatest extent possible to support his recovery and self-determination, (vi) specify the 204 particular conditions with which the person shall be required to comply, and (vii) describe how the 205 community services board shall monitor the person's compliance with the plan and report any material noncompliance with the plan. The community services board shall submit the comprehensive mandatory 206 207 outpatient treatment plan to the court for approval. Upon approval by the court, the comprehensive mandatory outpatient treatment plan shall be filed with the court and incorporated into the order of 208 209 mandatory outpatient treatment. Any subsequent substantive modifications to the plan shall be filed with 210 the court for review and attached to any order for mandatory outpatient treatment.

211 H. If the community services board responsible for developing the comprehensive mandatory 212 outpatient treatment plan determines that the services necessary for the treatment of the person's mental 213 illness are not available or cannot be provided to the person in accordance with the order for mandatory outpatient treatment, it shall notify the court within five business days of the entry of the order for 214 215 mandatory outpatient treatment. Within two business days of receiving such notice, the judge or special 216 justice, after notice to the person, the person's attorney, and the community services board responsible 217 for developing the comprehensive mandatory outpatient treatment plan shall hold a hearing pursuant to 218 § 37.2-817.2.

219 I. Upon entry of any order for mandatory outpatient treatment *entered pursuant to subsection D*, the 220 clerk of the court shall provide a copy of the order to the person who is the subject of the order, to his 221 attorney, and to the community services board required to monitor compliance with the plan. The 222 community services board shall acknowledge receipt of the order to the clerk of the court on a form 223 established by the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court and provided by the court for 224 this purpose.

225 J. The court may transfer jurisdiction of the case to the district court where the person resides at any 226 time after the entry of the mandatory outpatient treatment order. The community services board 227 responsible for monitoring compliance with the mandatory outpatient treatment plan or discharge plan 228 shall remain responsible for monitoring the person's compliance with the plan until the community 229 services board serving the locality to which jurisdiction of the case has been transferred acknowledges 230 the transfer and receipt of the order to the clerk of the court on a form established by the Office of the 231 Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court and provided by the court for this purpose.

232 K. Any order entered pursuant to this section shall provide for the disclosure of medical records pursuant to § 37.2-804.2. This subsection shall not preclude any other disclosures as required or 233 234 permitted by law. 235

§ 37.2-817.1. Monitoring mandatory outpatient treatment; petition for hearing.

236 A. The community services board where the person resides shall monitor the person's compliance 237 with the mandatory outpatient treatment plan or discharge plan ordered by the court pursuant to 238 § 37.2-817. Monitoring compliance shall include (i) contacting the service providers to determine if the 239 person is complying with the mandatory outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to 240 mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment and (ii) notifying the court of the person's 241 material noncompliance with the mandatory outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to 242 mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment. Providers of services identified in the plan 243 shall report any material noncompliance to the community services board.

B. If the community services board determines that the person materially failed to comply with the

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order, it shall petition the court for a review of the mandatory outpatient treatment order or order *authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment* as provided in
§ 37.2-817.2. The community services board shall petition the court for a review of the mandatory
outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following
inpatient treatment within three days of making that determination, or within 24 hours if the person is
being detained under a temporary detention order, and shall recommend an appropriate disposition.
Copies of the petition shall be sent to the person and the person's attorney.

252 C. If the community services board determines that the person is not materially complying with the 253 mandatory outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment 254 following inpatient treatment or for any other reason, and there is a substantial likelihood that, as a 255 result of the person's mental illness that the person will, in the near future, (i) cause serious physical 256 harm to himself or others as evidenced by recent behavior causing, attempting or threatening harm and 257 other relevant information, if any, or (ii) suffer serious harm due to his lack of capacity to protect 258 himself from harm or to provide for his basic human needs, it shall immediately request that the 259 magistrate issue an emergency custody order pursuant to § 37.2-808 or a temporary detention order 260 pursuant to § 37.2-809.

**261** § 37.2-817.2. Court review of mandatory outpatient treatment plan or discharge plan.

262 A. The district court judge or special justice shall hold a hearing within five days after receiving the 263 petition for review of the mandatory outpatient treatment plan or discharge plan; however, if the fifth 264 day is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the hearing shall be held by the close of business on the 265 next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. If the person is being detained under a 266 temporary detention order, the hearing shall be scheduled within the same time frame provided for a commitment hearing under § 37.2-814. The clerk shall provide notice of the hearing to the person, the 267 268 community services board, all treatment providers listed in the comprehensive mandatory outpatient 269 treatment order or discharge plan, and the original petitioner for the person's involuntary treatment. If 270 the person is not represented by counsel, the court shall appoint an attorney to represent the person in 271 this hearing and any subsequent hearings under §§ 37.2-817.3 and 37.2-817.4, giving consideration to 272 appointing the attorney who represented the person at the proceeding that resulted in the issuance of the 273 mandatory outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment 274 following inpatient treatment. The same judge or special justice that presided over the hearing resulting 275 in the mandatory outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient 276 treatment following inpatient treatment need not preside at the noncompliance hearing or any subsequent 277 hearings. The community services board shall offer to arrange the person's transportation to the hearing 278 if the person is not detained and has no other source of transportation.

279 B. If requested by the person, the community services board, a treatment provider listed in the 280 comprehensive mandatory outpatient treatment plan or discharge plan, or the original petitioner for the 281 person's involuntary treatment, the court shall appoint an examiner in accordance with § 37.2-815 who 282 shall personally examine the person and certify to the court whether or not he has probable cause to 283 believe that the person meets the criteria for involuntary inpatient admission or mandatory outpatient 284 treatment as specified in subsections C, Cl and C2, and D of § 37.2-817. The examination shall include 285 all applicable requirements of § 37.2-815. The certification of the examiner may be admitted into 286 evidence without the appearance of the examiner at the hearing if not objected to by the person or his 287 attorney. If the person is not detained in an inpatient facility, the community services board shall arrange 288 for the person to be examined at a convenient location and time. The community services board shall 289 offer to arrange for the person's transportation to the examination, if the person has no other source of 290 transportation and resides within the service area or an adjacent service area of the community services 291 board. If the person refuses or fails to appear, the community services board shall notify the court, or a 292 magistrate if the court is not available, and the court or magistrate shall issue a mandatory examination 293 order and capias directing the primary law-enforcement agency in the jurisdiction where the person 294 resides to transport the person to the examination. The person shall remain in custody until a temporary 295 detention order is issued or until the person is released, but in no event shall the period exceed four 296 hours.

C. If the person fails to appear for the hearing, the court shall, after consideration of any evidence from the person, from the community services board, or from any treatment provider identified in the mandatory outpatient treatment plan *or discharge plan* regarding why the person failed to appear at the hearing, either (i) reschedule the hearing pursuant to subsection A, (ii) issue an emergency custody order pursuant to § 37.2-808, or (iii) issue a temporary detention order pursuant to § 37.2-809.

302 D. After hearing the evidence regarding the person's material noncompliance with the mandatory
 303 outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following
 304 inpatient treatment and the person's current condition, and any other relevant information referenced in
 305 subsection C of § 37.2-817, the judge or special justice shall make one of the following dispositions:

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306 1. Upon finding by clear and convincing evidence that the person meets the criteria for involuntary 307 admission and treatment specified in subsection C of § 37.2-817, the judge or special justice shall order 308 the person's involuntary admission to a facility designated by the community services board for a period 309 of treatment not to exceed 30 days;

310 2. Upon finding that the person continues to meet the criteria for mandatory outpatient treatment 311 specified in subsection C1 and C2, or D of § 37.2-817, and that a continued period of mandatory 312 outpatient treatment appears warranted, the judge or special justice shall renew the order for mandatory 313 outpatient treatment, making any necessary modifications that are acceptable to the community services 314 board or treatment provider responsible for the person's treatment. In determining the appropriateness of 315 outpatient treatment, the court may consider the person's material noncompliance with the previous 316 mandatory treatment order; or

3. Upon finding that neither of the above dispositions is appropriate, the judge or special justice shall 317 318 rescind the order for mandatory outpatient treatment or order authorizing discharge to mandatory 319 outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment.

320 Upon entry of an order for involuntary inpatient admission, transportation shall be provided in 321 accordance with § 37.2-829.

§ 37.2-817.3. Rescission of mandatory outpatient treatment order.

A. If the community services board determines at any time prior to the expiration of the mandatory 323 324 outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following 325 inpatient treatment that the person has complied with the order and no longer meets the criteria for 326 involuntary treatment, or that continued mandatory outpatient treatment is no longer necessary for any 327 other reason, it shall file a petition to rescind the order with the court that entered the order or to which venue has been transferred. If the court agrees with the community services board's determination, the 328 329 court shall rescind the order. Otherwise, the court shall schedule a hearing and provide notice of the 330 hearing in accordance with subsection A of § 37.2-817.2.

331 B. At any time after 30 days from entry of the mandatory outpatient treatment order or from the 332 discharge of the person from involuntary inpatient treatment pursuant to an order authorizing discharge 333 to mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment, the person may petition the court to 334 rescind the order on the grounds that he no longer meets the criteria for mandatory outpatient treatment as specified in subsection C1 or D of § 37.2-817. The court shall schedule a hearing and provide notice 335 336 of the hearing in accordance with subsection A of § 37.2-817.2. The community services board required 337 to monitor the person's compliance with the mandatory outpatient treatment order or order authorizing 338 discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment shall provide a preadmission 339 screening report as required in § 37.2-816. After observing the person, and considering the person's 340 current condition, any material noncompliance with the mandatory outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment on the part of the 341 342 person, and any other relevant evidence referred to in subsection C of § 37.2-817, shall make one of the 343 dispositions specified in subsection D of § 37.2-817.2. The person may not file a petition to rescind the 344 order more than once during a 90-day period. 345

§ 37.2-817.4. Continuation of mandatory outpatient treatment order.

A. At any time within 30 days prior to the expiration of a mandatory outpatient treatment order or 346 347 order authorizing discharge to mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment, the 348 community services board that is required to monitor the person's compliance with the order, the treating 349 physician, or other responsible person may petition the court to continue the order for a period not to 350 exceed 180 days.

351 B. If the person who is the subject of the order and the monitoring community services board, if it did not initiate the petition, join the petition, the court shall grant the petition and enter an appropriate 352 353 order without further hearing. If either the person or the monitoring community services board does not 354 join the petition, the court shall schedule a hearing and provide notice of the hearing in accordance with 355 subsection A of § 37.2-817.2.

356 C. Upon receipt of the petition, the court shall appoint an examiner who shall personally examine the 357 person pursuant to subsection B of § 37.2-815. The community services board required to monitor the person's compliance with the mandatory outpatient treatment order or order authorizing discharge to 358 359 mandatory outpatient treatment following inpatient treatment shall provide a preadmission screening 360 report as required in § 37.2-816.

361 D. If, after observing the person, reviewing the preadmission screening report and considering the appointed examiner's certification and any other relevant evidence, including any relevant evidence referenced in subsection D of § 37.2-817, the court shall make one of the dispositions specified in 362 363 subsection D of § 37.2-817.2. If the court finds that a continued period of mandatory outpatient 364 treatment is warranted, it may continue the order for a period not to exceed 180 days. Any order of 365 mandatory outpatient treatment that is in effect at the time a petition for continuation of the order is 366 367 filed shall remain in effect until the disposition of the hearing.