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HOUSE BILL NO. 1240

Offered January 20, 2012

A *BILL to require the Commissioner of Health to accept applications and to authorize the Commissioner to issue certificates of public need to establish a psychiatric service and the addition of psychiatric inpatient beds.*

Patrons—Purkey, Iaquinto, Knight and Stolle

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 32.1-102.3 and 32.1-102.3:2 of the Code of Virginia, any regulations of the Board of Health, or any provisions of any current Request for Applications issued pursuant to § 32.1-102.3:2 of the Code of Virginia, the Commissioner of Health shall accept applications, shall review such applications in any certificate of public need Batch Group C review cycle, and may issue a certificate of public need for the establishment of a psychiatric service and the addition of up to 30 psychiatric inpatient beds, provided that (i) the psychiatric service to be established shall be located in a general acute care hospital licensed as of December 31, 2011, and located in Planning District 20 and (ii) the psychiatric beds to be approved shall result entirely from the conversion of acute care beds licensed as of December 31, 2011, and located at the general acute care hospital where the psychiatric service and beds are to be located or at another acute care hospital in Planning District 20 that is part of the same system as the hospital where the psychiatric service and psychiatric beds are to be located.

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