

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to require the Department of Health to convene a work group to develop a plan for*
3 *implementation of a program for screening infants for critical congenital cyanotic heart disease.*

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5 Approved

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

7 **1.** *§ 1. That the Department of Health shall convene a work group, which shall include, but not be*
8 *limited to, representatives of the Department of Health, the Department of Health Professions, the*
9 *Virginia Commonwealth University Health System, the University of Virginia Health System, Eastern*
10 *Virginia Medical School, the American Heart Association, the Children's National Medical Center, the*
11 *March of Dimes Virginia Chapter, the Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the*
12 *Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association, the Medical Society of Virginia, Inova Fairfax Hospital,*
13 *Carilion Clinic, and the Virginia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology, to develop a plan for*
14 *implementation of a program for screening infants for critical congenital cyanotic heart disease using*
15 *pulse oximetry monitoring and providing appropriate early intervention services to infants identified as*
16 *having critical congenital cyanotic heart disease to reduce rates of death or disability among such*
17 *children. The plan shall include: provisions for implementing the screening program in all hospitals*
18 *providing maternity services statewide; a process for referring infants identified as having critical*
19 *congenital cyanotic heart disease to appropriate health care services; provisions for public education*
20 *regarding the symptoms of critical congenital cyanotic heart disease and options for diagnosis and*
21 *treatment of critical congenital cyanotic heart disease; and provisions for training health care providers*
22 *regarding the diagnosis and treatment of critical congenital cyanotic heart disease. The plan shall also*
23 *include the estimated cost of the program and shall identify potential sources of funding for the*
24 *program.*

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