12102182D 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 976** 2 3 4 5 6 Offered January 11, 2012 Prefiled January 11, 2012 A BILL to require the Department of Social Services to annually review the amount of payments made to TANF recipients and index the amount of such payments to the Consumer Price Index. Patrons—Scott, J.M., Kory and Surovell 7 8 Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. § 1. That the Department of Social Services shall develop and implement a process for annually 11 reviewing the amount of assistance paid to eligible recipients through the Temporary Assistance for 12 Needy Families program and indexing the amount of such payments in an amount equal to the 13

percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for the year immediately preceding the year in which

the review occurs. The Department shall report to the Governor and the General Assembly on its

progress in implementing the provisions of this act no later than December 1, 2012.