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HOUSE BILL NO. 278

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-2971.02, relating to prescription of opioids and benzodiazepines; urine drug screening.*

Patron—Miyares

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 54.1-2971.02 as follows:

§ 54.1-2971.02. Prescription of opioids.

Prior to initiating a course of treatment of a human patient that includes the prescription of opioids or benzodiazepines for a period that is expected to last more than 90 consecutive days, a physician shall establish the medical and treatment history of the patient, which shall include performing a physical examination of the patient and may include urine drug screening.

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