VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2017 RECONVENED SESSION

CHAPTER 812

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-3408.4, relating to prescription of buprenorphine without naloxone; limitation.

[S 1178]

Approved April 5, 2017

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 54.1-3408.4 as follows: § 54.1-3408.4. Prescription of buprenorphine without naloxone; limitation.

Prescriptions for products containing buprenorphine without naloxone shall be issued only (i) for patients who are pregnant, (ii) when converting a patient from methadone to buprenorphine containing naloxone for a period not to exceed seven days, or (iii) as permitted by regulations of the Board of Medicine, the Board of Nursing, or the Board of Veterinary Medicine.

2. That the provisions of this act shall expire on July 1, 2022.