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## SENATE BILL NO. 1178

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
(Proposed by the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions
on February 14, 2017)
(Patron Prior to Substitute-Senator Chafin)
A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-3408.4, relating to prescription of buprenorphine without naloxone; limitation.
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 or the Board of Nursing.
2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.
