VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2019 SESSION

CHAPTER 776

An Act to amend regulations governing licensed providers; Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to require disclosure of certain information.

[H 2652]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall amend regulations governing licensed providers to require that every licensed provider provide a statement regarding a current or past employee or other individual currently or previously associated with the provider in a capacity that requires a criminal history background check pursuant to § 37.2-416 or 37.2-506 of the Code of Virginia to any other licensed provider with which the current or past employee has applied for employment or to fill a role that requires a criminal history background check pursuant to § 37.2-416 or 37.2-506 of the Code of Virginia. The statement shall address the character, ability, and fitness for employment in or to otherwise fill the role for which the person has applied and shall be provided upon receipt of a request for such information from the other licensed provider and written consent to the disclosure of such information executed by the current or past employee or other individual currently or previously associated with the provider in a capacity that requires a criminal history background check pursuant to § 37.2-416 or 37.2-506 of the Code of Virginia. Nothing in the amended regulations shall require disclosure of information subject to privilege or confidentiality pursuant to § 8.01-581.16, 8.01-581.17, or 32.1-127.1:03 of the Code of Virginia or federal law.