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HOUSE BILL NO. 1639

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An Act to require the Department of Medical Assistance Services to implement a process for payments for certain services to hospice patients.

Patron—Head

Referred to Committee on Appropriations

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall, to the extent permitted by federal law, implement a process for payment of the nursing facility or ICF/MR share of payments directly to the nursing facility or ICF/MR rather than to the hospice care provider for hospice services furnished to an individual who is a resident of a nursing facility or ICF/MR and who would be eligible under the Commonwealth's program of medical assistance for nursing facility services or services in an ICF/MR had he not elected hospice care. Payments made directly to a nursing facility or ICF/MR shall be the full amount that would be paid to the nursing facility or ICF/MR if the individual was not receiving hospice services, and shall not reflect any discount to such rates.*

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