

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to require the Board of Pharmacy to develop public awareness of proper methods of drug*
3 *disposal.*

4 [H 1531]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. § 1.** *That the Board of Pharmacy shall determine methods to enhance public awareness of proper*
8 *drug disposal methods, which may include requirements for pharmacies or hospitals or clinics with an*
9 *on-site pharmacy to provide such information to customers and the public through the provision of*
10 *informative pamphlets, the posting of signs in public areas of the pharmacy, and the posting of*
11 *information on public-facing websites. The Board of Pharmacy shall also assemble a group of*
12 *stakeholders to develop strategies to increase the number of permissible drug disposal sites and options*
13 *for the legal disposal of drugs, including pharmacies and hospitals and clinics with an on-site pharmacy*
14 *that are authorized collectors and other sites legally permitted for drug disposal, and the legal return of*
15 *unused drugs by mail. Such stakeholders shall include the Virginia Pharmacists Association, the*
16 *Virginia Association of Free Clinics, the Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association, the Virginia*
17 *Society of Health System Pharmacists, the Virginia Association of Drug Stores, and any other relevant*
18 *stakeholders. Strategies developed by the Board of Pharmacy and stakeholders shall take into account*
19 *the geographic proximity and availability of drug disposal sites in localities across the Commonwealth*
20 *and existing resources. The Board shall report its findings and recommendations to the Chairmen of the*
21 *House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Education and*
22 *Health no later than November 15, 2020.*

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