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HOUSE BILL NO. 1651

Offered January 16, 2020

A *BILL to direct the Department of Corrections to issue a Request for Proposals for a subscription-based supply of hepatitis C antiviral medication.*

Patrons—Adams, D.M., Hope, Rasoul and Samirah; Senator: Morrissey

Referred to Committee on Public Safety

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That the Department of Corrections (the Department) shall issue a Request for Proposals to pharmaceutical manufacturers for the purchase of an unrestricted five-year supply of hepatitis C antiviral medication and any necessary ancillary services at an annual fixed rate to be administered as necessary to inmates confined in state correctional facilities. The cost of such subscription-based agreement shall not exceed the amount spent by the Department on hepatitis C treatment during the previous fiscal year. The Department shall report to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 30, 2020, and by November 30 during each year of the contract regarding the status of the contract, whether the contract has lowered the Department's hepatitis C treatment costs, and inmate health outcomes resulting from the contract.

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