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HOUSE BILL NO. 597

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 37.2-405.2, relating to group homes; licensure; certain information required.*

Patron—Murphy

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 37.2-405.2 as follows:****§ 37.2-405.2. Certain information required of applicants to operate a group home.**

Every applicant for licensure or renewal of a license to establish, conduct, maintain, or operate or continue to operate a group home in the Commonwealth shall submit, together with an application for licensure:

1. A working budget showing projected revenue and expenses for the first year of operation, including a revenue plan;

2. Documentation of working capital to include (i) documentation of funds or a line of credit sufficient to cover at least 90 days of operating expenses if the provider is a corporation, an unincorporated organization or association, a sole proprietor, or a partnership or (ii) appropriated revenue if the provider is a state or local government agency, board, or commission;

3. Documentation of authority to conduct business in the Commonwealth;

4. A statement of (i) the legal name of the applicant and, if the applicant is an association, partnership, limited liability company, or corporation, the names and addresses of its officers, agents, sponsors, partners, shareholders, or members and (ii) the legal name under which the applicant, any entity that operates group homes that is affiliated with or under common ownership or control with the applicant, and any entity that operates group homes and that is affiliated with or under common ownership or control with any officer, agent, sponsor, partner, shareholder or member of the applicant to which a license to operate a group home has been issued in any other state, together with a list of the states in which such licenses have been issued and the dates for which such licenses were issued;

5. A statement of any previous disciplinary actions or sanctions against any license to operate a group home issued to the applicant or any entity affiliated with the applicant in any other state, including the dates and descriptions of such disciplinary actions or sanctions;

6. A description of the specific services to be offered by the applicant to residents of the group home that includes such elements as may be specified by the Department in regulations;

7. A staffing plan, including information regarding employee credentials and job descriptions, containing such elements as may be specified by the Department in regulations; and

8. A records management policy that contains such elements as may be specified by the Department in regulations.

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