2020 SESSION

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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend and reenact § 32.1-68 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Department of Health; sickle
 3 cell anemia; adult and pediatric comprehensive sickle cell clinic network.

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Approved

6 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

7 1. That § 32.1-68 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 § 32.1-68. Commissioner to establish screening and treatment program; review by Board;
9 program to include education and post-screening counseling; laboratory tests.

10 A. The Commissioner, in cooperation with local health directors, shall establish a voluntary program 11 for the screening of individuals *adults and children* for the disease of sickle cell anemia or the sickle 12 cell trait and for such other genetically related diseases and genetic traits and inborn errors of 13 metabolism as the Board may deem necessary.

14 B. The Board shall review the program from time to time to determine the appropriate age and the 15 method of screening for such conditions or traits in the light of technological changes.

16 C. The screening program shall include provisions for education concerning the nature and treatment
17 of sickle cell anemia, other genetically related diseases and inborn errors of metabolism and a
18 post-screening counseling program for the treatment of any person determined to have such a condition.
19 D. The program may include the provision of laboratory testing.

20 E. The Board shall adopt regulations to implement an adult and pediatric comprehensive sickle cell 21 clinic network. HB907ER

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