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SENATE SUBSTITUTE

20107751D 1 **SENATE BILL NO. 53** 234567 AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE (Proposed by the Senate Committee on Education and Health on February 6, 2020) (Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Stanley) A BILL to direct the Board of Social Work to pursue the establishment of reciprocal agreements with jurisdictions that are contiguous with the Commonwealth for the licensure of social workers. 8 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 9 1. § 1. That the Board of Social Work shall pursue the establishment of reciprocal agreements with jurisdictions that are contiguous with the Commonwealth for the licensure of baccalaureate social 10 workers, master's social workers, and clinical social workers. Reciprocal agreements shall require that a 11 12 person hold a comparable, current, unrestricted license in the other jurisdiction and that no grounds exist for denial based on the Code of Virginia and regulations of the Board. 13

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