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HOUSE BILL NO. 2271

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Rules

on January 22, 2021)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Samirah)

A BILL to require the Joint Commission on Health Care to enter into a contract for a study of options for financing universal health care in the Commonwealth.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That the Joint Commission on Health Care shall enter into a contract with a qualified entity to study options for financing universal health care in the Commonwealth, including (i) a publicly funded single-payer model administered by the Commonwealth for the delivery of health care that is decoupled from employment and (ii) a publicly funded single-payer model administered by private entities pursuant to a contract with the Commonwealth that is decoupled from employment. Such study shall include an analysis of financing mechanisms and costs associated with each model and analysis of legal and logistical barriers to implementation of each model, including identification of any waivers that may be necessary to allow use of federal funds available pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1315 and 42 U.S.C. § 18052 to finance a model administered by the Commonwealth. The Joint Commission on Health Care shall report the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the qualified entity to the General Assembly by December 1, 2021.*

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