## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1995 SESSION

## **CHAPTER 304**

An Act to amend and reenact § 16.1-346.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to predischarge plan.

[H 1818]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 16.1-346.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 16.1-346.1. Predischarge plan.

Prior to discharge of any minor admitted to inpatient treatment, a predischarge plan shall be formulated, provided and explained to the minor, and copies thereof shall be sent (i) to the minor's parents or, (ii) if the minor is in the custody of the local department of social services, to the department's director or the director's designee or (iii) to the minor's parents and (a) if the juvenile is to be housed in a detention home upon discharge, to the court in which the petition has been filed and the facility superintendent, or (b) if the minor is in custody of the local department of social services, to the department. If the minor was admitted to a state facility, the predischarge plan shall be prepared and implemented in accordance with § 37.1-98.2. The plan shall, at a minimum, (i) specify the services required by the released patient in the community to meet the minor's needs for treatment, housing, nutrition, physical care, and safety; (ii) specify any income subsidies for which the minor is eligible; (iii) identify all local and state agencies which will be involved in providing treatment and support to the minor; and (iv) specify services which would be appropriate for the minor's treatment and support in the community but which are currently unavailable.