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## HOUSE BILL NO. 2084

House Amendments in [ ] — February 2, 1995

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 32.1-126.3 and 36-99.9:1, relating to fire suppression systems in hospitals.

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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 sections numbered 32.1-126.3 and 36-99.9:1 as follows:***§ 32.1-126.3. Fire suppression systems required in hospitals.**After January 1, 1997, the Commissioner shall not issue a license to or renew the license of any hospital, regardless of when such facility was constructed, unless the hospital is equipped with a fire suppression system which complies with the regulations of the Board of Housing and Community Development.**§ 36-99.9:1. Standards for fire suppression systems in hospitals.**The Board of Housing and Community Development shall promulgate regulations [ to be effective ] by October 1, 1995, in accordance with the Administrative Process Act (§ 9-6.14:1 et seq.), establishing standards for fire suppression systems in hospitals, regardless of when such facilities were constructed. In the development of these standards, the Board shall seek input from relevant state [ ~~agencies~~ and local agencies as well as affected institutions ] .*

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