047366260 **HOUSE BILL NO. 1323** 1 2 Offered January 21, 2004 3 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 18.2-324.2, relating to interfering 4 with an employee's medical treatment; penalty. 5 Patrons—Callahan, Amundson, Barlow, Brink, Joannou, Moran, Plum, Sickles, Stump and Van Yahres; Senators: Deeds, Houck, Marsh, Puckett, Puller and Ticer 7 Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 8 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 10 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 18.2-324.2 as follows: § 18.2-324.2. Interfering with employee's medical treatment; penalty. 11 12 It is unlawful for a railroad company or any person employed by such company to: (i) deny, delay, or interfere with the medical treatment of an employee of such company who has been injured during 13 employment, or (ii) discipline or threaten to discipline such injured employee requesting medical 14 treatment. Any person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a felony and subject to a 15 term of imprisonment of not more than two years and a fine of not more than \$10,000, either or both. 16 2. That the provisions of this act may result in a net increase in periods of imprisonment or 17 18 commitment. Pursuant to § 30-19.1:4, the estimated amount of the necessary appropriation cannot 19 be determined for periods of imprisonment in state adult correctional facilities and is \$0 for

periods of commitment to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice.

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