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053620252 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 2366** 2 3 4 5 Offered January 12, 2005 Prefiled January 12, 2005 A BILL relating to hospital and nursing home licensure; Board of Health regulations on design and construction. 6 Patrons-Bryant; Senator: Newman 7 8 Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1.§ 1. Certain design and construction standards to be incorporated in hospital and nursing home 11 12 licensure regulations. 13 Notwithstanding any law or regulation to the contrary, the Board of Health shall promulgate regulations pursuant to § 32.1-127 of the Code of Virginia for the licensure of hospitals and nursing 14 homes that shall include minimum standards for the design and construction of hospitals, nursing 15 homes, and certified nursing facilities identical to the then current edition of the Guidelines for Design 16 and Construction of Hospital and Health Care Facilities issued by the American Institute of Architects 17 Academy of Architecture for Health. 18

19 2. That the Board of Health shall promulgate regulations to implement the provisions of this act to 20 be effective within 280 days of its enactment.

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