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HOUSE BILL NO. 2850

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Appropriations

on February 2, 2005)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Cox)

A BILL to authorize funding for expanding the capacity of the Sitter-Barefoot Veterans' Care Center in Richmond, Virginia.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. *§ 1. That the Governor is authorized to request federal funds to expand the capacity of the Sitter-Barefoot Veterans' Care Center located in Richmond, Virginia, by an additional 80 beds. After the United States Department of Veterans Affairs has confirmed that it has officially accepted the application of the 80-bed expansion, the State Treasurer shall advance a loan of \$2,800,000 to the Department of Veterans Services for the state share of the expansion's construction in the form of a short-term treasury loan, with no interest. The purpose of these funds shall be to move Virginia forward on the priority list of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for approval of the application.*

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