

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to develop guidelines addressing nursing facility transfer and discharge procedures.*

3 [H 1274]

4 Approved

5 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

6 **1. § 1.** *The Commissioner of Health shall convene a work group, utilizing to the extent practicable*
7 *any ongoing work group, to clarify state and federal requirements and develop guidelines applicable to*
8 *nursing facility resident transfers and discharges, including but not limited to related notice*
9 *requirements and transfer procedures for inpatient medical care. The work group shall consist of five*
10 *representatives of the Virginia Elder Rights Coalition; a total of five representatives of providers*
11 *designated jointly by the Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association, the Virginia Health Care*
12 *Association and the Virginia Association of Nonprofit Homes for the Aging; two representatives of the*
13 *Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; one representative of community services*
14 *boards; one representative of the Department of Medical Assistance Services; one representative of the*
15 *Virginia Academy of Emergency Physicians; and a representative of the Virginia Bar Association. The*
16 *Commissioner will report the work group's progress to the Secretary of Health and Human Resources*
17 *and the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Education and Health and the House Committee on*
18 *Health, Welfare and Institutions by December 1, 2012.*

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