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## SENATE BILL NO. 1102

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-331.04, relating to Department of Medical Assistance Services; personal care aides; orientation program.*

Patrons—Locke and McClellan; Delegate: Hope

Referred to Committee on Education and Health

### Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-331.04 as follows:

#### § 32.1-331.04. *Personal care aides; orientation program.*

The Department shall establish within its Long-Term Care Division a program to provide an orientation program for all personal care aides who provide self-directed services through the Medicaid program. The program shall have the following requirements:

1. Attendance shall be mandatory for all personal care aides, and attendance shall be limited to personal care aides, consumers that utilize the services of personal care aides, and worker advocacy organizations that represent personal care aides;

2. Orientations shall be held at least quarterly, and personal care aides shall be required to attend at least one such orientation per calendar year; and

3. The orientation curriculum shall include content addressing operational procedures and recordkeeping, including pay and benefits, roles and responsibilities in self-direction, transparency and fraud, and worker rights and responsibilities.

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