

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2023 SESSION

CHAPTER 386

An Act to direct the Department of Health and the Department of General Services to convene a work group to evaluate the current funding model for the Commonwealth's newborn screening program.

[H 2224]

Approved March 23, 2023

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That the Department of Health and the Department of General Services shall convene a work group to evaluate the current funding model for the Commonwealth's newborn screening program. In conducting its evaluation, the work group shall analyze the appropriateness of the Commonwealth's current fee-for-service funding model for newborn birthing providers. The work group shall survey and evaluate alternative funding models, including those utilized by other states. From its analysis, the work group shall prepare alternative funding models to the current model for review by the Chairmen of the House Committees on Appropriations and Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Chairmen of the Senate Committees on Education and Health and Finance and Appropriations. The work group shall be composed of representatives from the Department of Health and the Department of General Services, the Department of Medical Assistance Services, the Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association, certified nurse midwife stakeholder groups, and such other stakeholders as deemed appropriate. The Department of Health and the Department of General Services shall report their findings and recommendations to the Chairmen of the House Committees on Appropriations and Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Chairmen of the Senate Committees on Education and Health and Finance and Appropriations by December 1, 2023.*