

## 2023 SESSION

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### SENATE BILL NO. 936

Offered January 11, 2023

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A *BILL directing the Department of Emergency Management to develop a comprehensive extreme heat emergency response plan.*

Patrons—Hashmi and McClellan; Delegate: Kory

Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

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

**1. § 1.** *That the Department of Emergency Management (the Department) shall develop a comprehensive extreme heat emergency response plan as part of its comprehensive emergency management planning by November 1, 2023. In preparing such plan, the Department shall consider and include criteria for: (i) developing a heat adaptation plan, (ii) convening a heat emergency team to facilitate coordination across state agencies, (iii) establishing public cooling spaces, (iv) developing heat health warning systems and protocols, (v) establishing partnerships with community-based organizations to provide services and support to all communities, and (vi) examining housing cooling needs.*

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