

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to require the Board of Health to develop a certain needs-based allocation formula.*

3 [S 21]

4 Approved

5 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**6 1. §1. *Board of Health to develop certain formula.*7 A. *The Board of Health shall develop a proposed needs-based allocation formula for the calculation*  
8 *of the local shares of state funds to be appropriated for district and local health departments and*  
9 *allocated via the state/local cooperative budget. In developing the needs-based allocation formula, the*  
10 *Board shall consider local demographic factors, including, but not limited to, growth rates; population*  
11 *density; population characteristics, including the proportion of elderly; local wealth; mortality data;*  
12 *teen pregnancy rates; disease incidences; environmental concerns; and other factors influencing local*  
13 *public health costs and service delivery.*14 B. *The Board shall establish a task force consisting of local health department directors and local*  
15 *government representatives to recommend the proposed needs-based allocation formula required by*  
16 *subsection A of this section. Two-thirds of the task force membership shall be district or local health*  
17 *directors and one-third of the task force membership shall represent local government. All members of*  
18 *the task force shall be voting members. Half of the local government representatives shall be chosen by*  
19 *the Virginia Municipal League and half shall be chosen by the Virginia Association of Counties.*20 C. *The Commissioner shall report, on behalf of the Board, on the development of the needs-based*  
21 *allocation formula required by this section by September 30, 1996, to the Senate Committees on*  
22 *Education and Health and Finance and the House of Delegates Committees on Health, Welfare and*  
23 *Institutions and Appropriations, including the recommendations of the task force and any changes made*  
24 *by the Board in the task-force recommendations for the components of the formula, the scope of any*  
25 *no-loss provisions, the additional required appropriations, and the effects of the funding on the various*  
26 *district and local health departments as compared to the methods, totals, and percentages of the present*  
27 *formula.*28 D. *The formula required to be developed in this section shall not be utilized as the basis of any*  
29 *budget projections or allocations until such time as the General Assembly has, by legislative action, so*  
30 *authorized.*