## 2022 SESSION

## HOUSE SUBSTITUTE

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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 1270
2	AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
3	(Proposed by the Joint Conference Committee
4	on March 12, 2022)
5	(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Sickles)
6	A BILL to require the Department of Social Services to convene a work group to develop a waiver
7	proposal that would allow inmates to apply for SNAP benefits prior to release.
8	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
9	1. § 1. That the Department of Social Services (the Department) shall convene a work group to analyze
10	and develop a proposal to request a waiver of the provisions of 7 C.F.R. § $273.1(b)(7)(vi)$ by the U.S.
11	Department of Agriculture to allow individuals in the custody of state or local correctional facilities in
12	the Commonwealth to apply for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits prior to release
13	from custody. The Department shall report the work group's findings and recommendations, including
14	the waiver proposal, to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 1, 2022.