

## 2022 SESSION

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### HOUSE BILL NO. 156

Offered January 12, 2022

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A *BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-4.1, relating to Department of Health; certain communication prohibited.*

Patrons—Byron, Avoli, Campbell, R.R., Ransone, Runion, Walker and Wright

Committee Referral Pending

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-4.1 as follows:

*§ 32.1-4.1. Certain communication with minors prohibited.*

*Except as otherwise required by law, no person employed by the Department or a local department of health or who has entered into a contract to provide services on behalf of the Department or a local department of health shall initiate communication regarding health-related matters with a minor on behalf of the Department or local department of health without the consent of the minor's parent.*

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