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HOUSE BILL NO. 105

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE (Proposed by the House Committee on Appropriations on February 7, 2022)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Rasoul)

A BILL to direct the Department of General Services, in cooperation with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, to study the feasibility of transforming Catawba Hospital into a facility at which a continuum of substance abuse treatment and recovery services is provided; report.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That, in recognition of prevailing trends in mental health and substance abuse treatment needs in the Commonwealth, the Department of General Services, in cooperation with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, shall study the feasibility of transforming Catawba Hospital into a state-of-the-art facility at which a continuum of substance abuse treatment and recovery services, including long-term, short-term, acute, and outpatient services, is provided in addition to the array of behavioral health and other services currently provided to geriatric individuals in need of mental health care. The Department of General Services shall report its findings, conclusions, and recommendations to the Governor, the Chairmen of the Senate Committees on Education and Health and Finance and Appropriations and the House Committees on Appropriations and Health, Welfare and Institutions by December 1, 2022.