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HOUSE BILL NO. 1107

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

on _____)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Delegate McQuinn)

A BILL to require the Department of Health to develop recommendations for protocols for hospitals that provide obstetrical services related to admission and readmission of patients.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That the Department of Health (the Department) shall develop recommendations for protocols for hospitals that provide obstetrical services for (i) admission or transfer of any pregnant woman who presents herself while in labor and (ii) direct readmission to the hospital of any patient who (a) received obstetrical services from the hospital, (b) experiences postpartum complications requiring immediate medical care, and (c) is referred to the hospital for direct readmission by the patient's health care provider. The Department shall make such recommendations available to every hospital in the Commonwealth that provides obstetrical services by December 15, 2022.

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