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HOUSE BILL NO. 538

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

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

on _____)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Delegate Clark)

A BILL to require the Department of Health to convene a work group to develop guidelines regarding implicit bias training for certain health care providers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. The Department of Health and the Department of Health Professions shall convene a work group to develop guidelines regarding implicit bias training for health care providers in hospitals, including perinatal health care providers. The work group shall include representatives of hospitals, the provider community, experts in implicit bias training, and other stakeholders. The work group shall develop guidelines by December 15, 2022, and shall provide those guidelines to hospitals.

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