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**SENATE BILL NO. 594**

Senate Amendments in [ ] - February 12, 2024

A *BILL to direct the Department of Health's Office of Emergency Medical Services [ ~~to convene a work group~~ EMS Advisory Board ] to examine requirements for emergency medical personnel joining a professional program addressing career fatigue and wellness.*

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Senator McPike

Referred to Committee on Rules

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

1. *§ 1. That the Department of Health's Office of Emergency Medical Services [ ~~(the Office)~~ shall convene a work group to EMS Advisory Board (the Board) shall ] examine the eligibility requirements for emergency medical personnel, both professional and volunteer, to join a professional program addressing career fatigue and wellness established or contracted for by a statewide association as described in subsection B of § 8.01-581.16 of the Code of Virginia. The [ ~~work group~~ Board ] shall examine the costs associated with joining or establishing such a program as well as make recommendations for payment of such costs. The [ ~~work group shall be composed of the Board~~ shall consult with ] representatives of the Medical Society of Virginia and all other stakeholders deemed relevant by the [ ~~Office. The work group~~ Board. The Board ] shall report its findings and recommendations to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Education and Health by October 1, 2024.*

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