## **2025 SESSION**

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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 2344
2	Offered January 13, 2025
3	Prefiled January 8, 2025
4	A BILL to direct the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to implement the federal
5	extension option for the federal Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities to
6	allow children four years of age or younger to receive services through such program.
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9	Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
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11	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
12	1. § 1. That the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) shall implement
13	the federal extension option for the federal Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with
14	Disabilities to allow children four years of age or younger to receive services through such program. In
15	doing so, DBHDS shall take all steps necessary to implement such extension option, including indicating the
16	intention to implement the federal extension on its annual IDEA Part C grant application, developing a joint
17	policy with the Department of Education and the federal Office of Special Education Programs, and review
18	ing and revising current policies as necessary.

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