

2025 SESSION

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1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 2569**

2 Offered January 13, 2025

3 Prefiled January 12, 2025

4 *A BILL to direct the Virginia State Crime Commission to conduct a study on the petty crimes that are most*
5 *frequently committed by persons with mental illness; report.*

6 Patron—Leftwich

7 Referred to Committee on Rules

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

9 *1. § 1. The Virginia State Crime Commission (the Commission) shall, in collaboration with the Department*
10 *of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, conduct a study on the petty crimes that are most*
11 *frequently committed by persons with mental illness. The Commission shall (i) identify the petty crimes that*
12 *persons with mental illness are most likely to commit and (ii) determine the viability of lengthening*
13 *emergency custody, temporary detention, or any mandatory holding period for persons with mental illness*
14 *who commit such crimes. The Commission shall submit a report on its findings to the Chairs of the House C*
15 *ommittees for Courts of Justice and on Health and Human Services and the Senate Committees for Courts of*
16 *Justice and on Education and Health by November 1, 2025.*

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