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SENATE BILL NO. 752

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Education and Health
on January 23, 2025)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Favola)

A *BILL to direct the Boards of Psychology and Medicine to jointly convene a work group to study the education, training, and qualifications of clinical psychologists licensed in the Commonwealth and assess under what conditions it may be appropriate for clinical psychologists to be granted prescriptive authority.*

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That the Boards of Psychology and Medicine shall jointly convene a work group to include two representatives of the Board of Psychology who are licensed clinical psychologists, two representatives of the Board of Medicine who are physicians, one representative of the Board of Pharmacy, two licensed clinical psychologists who are faculty at accredited institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth, two representatives from departments of psychiatry at schools of medicine located in the Commonwealth, a representative of the Virginia Academy of Clinical Psychologists, a representative of the Psychiatric Society of Virginia, and other stakeholders as deemed necessary to study the education, training, and qualifications of clinical psychologists licensed in the Commonwealth, including the level of education and training clinical psychologists receive in the area of pharmacology, and assess under what conditions it may be appropriate for clinical psychologists to be granted prescriptive authority. The work group shall report its findings to the Chairs of the House Committee on Health and Human Services and the Senate Committee on Education and Health by November 1, 2025.*

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