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HOUSE BILL NO. 712

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A BILL to direct the Board of Medicine to amend its regulations regarding office-based buprenorphine treatment to require providers to offer counseling or referral to counseling.

Patron—Wachsmann

Committee Referral Pending

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That the Board of Medicine shall amend its regulations regarding office-based buprenorphine treatment to require providers to offer counseling or referral to counseling to each patient as clinically necessary and mutually agreed-upon. Under such regulations, a patient's refusal shall not preclude the patient from receiving office-based buprenorphine treatment for opioid use disorder.*

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