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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Thomas K. Norment

Co-Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

The Honorable Emmett W. Hanger, Jr. Co-Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

The Honorable Stephen D. Newman Chairman, Senate Education and Health

The Honorable S. Chris Jones

Chairman, House Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Robert Orrock, Sr.

Chairman, House Health, Welfare and Institutions

FROM: Cynthia B. Jones Cynthia Charles

SUBJECT: Status of the Report on the Estimated Costs of the State/Local Hospitalization

Program

Section 32.1-345 of the *Code of Virginia* requires the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to report on the estimated costs of the State/Local Hospitalization (SLH) program to the Senate Committees on Education and Health and Finance, and the House Committees on Health, Welfare and Institutions and Appropriations. The current Appropriation Act does not include funding for the SLH Program; therefore, there is no basis to compile the referenced report until funding may be restored.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at (804) 786-8099.

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cc: The Honorable William A. Hazel, Jr., MD, Secretary of Health and Human Resources