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Dear Chair Maldonado and Members of the House Labor and Commerce Subcommittee #1,

My name is Ron Lanton and I am Government Affairs Director for the American Association of Clinical Urologists, Inc. (AACU)

The American Association of Clinical Urologists, Inc. (AACU) publicly supports Virginia HB2097 titled "*Health insurance; coverage requirements for prostate cancer screenings.*"

Founded in 1968 by urologists concerned by the government's increasing role in the practice of medicine, the AACU is a professional organization representing the interests of more than 3,700+ member urologists, and urologic societies engaged as advocacy affiliates across the United States. We are dedicated to developing and advancing health policy education as it affects urologic practice in order to preserve and promote the professional autonomy of our members and support the highest quality of care for patients.

AACU is in support of this legislation. This bill is consistent with our long standing principles and commitment to prostate screening by ensuring that high risk men get screened for prostate cancer without paying any out of pocket costs that can put much needed care out of reach for some patients. The AACU feels as though many men still are reluctant to get PSA screening and a lot of the time it's because of the cost of the test.

We have worked with several groups over the years to ensure that patients have access to this vital tool that both improves patient outcomes and lowers costs.

We stand with our partners like the American Urological Association (AUA), the Large Urology Group Practice Association (LUPGPA), ZERO and Johnson and Johnson in lending our continued support again for this important legislation to pass.



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We look forward to serving as a resource for your Committee and stand by ready to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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