

# HUMAN SERVICES – SAMPLE & FORM FOR NEW POSITION STATEMENTS

(Please complete this form for each new position statement.)

## **GENERAL SUBJECT AREA -- TITLE OF PROPOSAL:**

**PROPOSAL:** *(Provide brief description of legislative or funding position)*

*(Sample legislative position)* Support revisions to Virginia’s existing pedestrian legislation that would require motorists to stop for pedestrians in crosswalks and intersections on roads where the speed limit is 35 mph or less.

*(Sample funding position)* Support legislation and budget amendments to implement an annual inflation adjustment in Medicaid waiver reimbursement rates.

**SOURCE:** *(Provide the name of the agency, board, or commission generating the proposal and the date of the proposal)*

## **BACKGROUND:**

*(Briefly summarize why the position(s) is/are necessary to the County; list any pros/cons, note any previous Board of Supervisors action or previous General Assembly study or action on this issue; note any other helpful information. **This section should provide a synthesis of the proposal and should be no more than one paragraph, two if necessary; the Board wants concise information in the Legislative Program and Issue Paper. Please use “Additional Background Information” on the next page to more fully explain the proposal. If you are submitting more than one proposed position, please include background information for each position.)***

*(Sample background for legislative position)* People with physical and sensory disabilities are particularly at risk of being injured while crossing the street, and revising this legislation would make navigating the streets of Fairfax County, as well as throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia, safer and easier for people of all abilities. This position coincides with the Board’s 2009 legislative position.

*(Sample background for funding position)* While nursing homes receive annual cost of living adjustments, this rate adjustment is not available to providers of Medicaid waiver services. Virginia ranks 47<sup>th</sup> among the states in the provision of home and community based services. To reduce reliance on institutions such as nursing homes and state training centers, increase the source of less costly community-based services, and ensure the availability and quality of Medicaid providers for personal care and other Medicaid community based services, a fundamental rebalancing of reimbursements within Virginia’s Medicaid program is necessary.

## **ANY RELEVANT STATISTICS/DATA:**

*(Include your sources of information)*

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

*(Do not fill out-- This will be indicated by the Legislative Director and County Executive)*

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(Supplemental background information to be used by staff)

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**ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

*(Additional information may be necessary to fully develop the idea. Please assume that government relations staff may need additional technical information to fully explain the proposal and the necessity for the proposal.)*

**POSSIBLE SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION BY ORGANIZATIONS:**

*(List any organizations or groups, if any, which might be in favor of or against the proposed position)*

**STAFF CONTACT PERSON(S):**

*(Provide name and phone number of County staff person(s) best able to provide any additional research or necessary information)*