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Governor signs REALTOR® health insurance into law

RICHMOND – Gov. Glenn Youngkin on Monday approved House Bill 768 and Senate Bill 335, opening the door for Virginia REALTORS® to explore offering health insurance options to membership.

The law, which goes into effect on July 1, 2022, is the first step in a process of negotiating plans with potential insurance providers. The legislation passed the General Assembly with nearly unanimous, bipartisan support, racking up a final passage tally of 272 “yes” votes to four “no” votes.

“With much gratitude for the many years of leadership from Virginia REALTORS® and many supporters in the General Assembly, we are thrilled to share that the governor has signed our healthcare bill into law. Though there are challenges ahead of us, this is great progress toward ensuring our members have access to quality health care programs at affordable rates,” said Hampton Roads REALTORS® Association Chairman of the Board Barbara Sgueglia.

“Each member who took the time to take part in the Calls to Action, contributed to RPAC and had important conversations with their legislators deserves a huge ‘thank you!’ Monumental times like these are when our united voices and advocacy efforts are felt the most. I hope each and every member feels the REALTOR® pride today. This win will change so much for so many. My sincerest thank you to every single person who worked for this. Together, we did it!”

The law comes after three years of tireless advocacy by the Virginia REALTORS® Government Relations team and statewide REALTOR® response to Calls for Action.

According to National Association of REALTORS® surveys, 28% to 33% of REALTORS® have no healthcare coverage in any given year. An association health plan allows the self-employed to purchase much-needed health insurance through a professional or trade association.

With the milestone passage and Governor’s signing achieved, Virginia REALTORS® has created a [REALTOR® Health Insurance Resource Page](#), including a REALTOR® Health Insurance FAQ, to help members stay abreast of resources, updates and clarifications.

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