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Comment - Dear commission members, I am writing to urge you to approve Medicaid expansion; it's a smart move for Virginia. Obamacare has made affording health insurance possible for many Virginians, but some families and individuals are too poor to get coverage for themselves. A provision in the law allows states to expand Medicaid to cover more lower income families. This expansion will not cost Virginians a dollar for three years. Subsequent to the first three years, Virginia will pay a mere fraction of the expense of providing vital healthcare to senior citizens and parents and their children throughout our state. In addition, an independent study shows that Medicaid expansion would grow Virginia's economy by \$4 billion over six years and create 31,000 new jobs. The study also shows Virginia's spending on healthcare would be reduced by 7 percent. Thank you for your consideration of my comments. Respectfully yours, John B. Cobey Fredericksburg