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013280872 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 1426** 2 AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE 3 (Proposed by the Senate Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 4 5 6 7 on December 8, 2000) (Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate O'Brien) A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 2.1-342.01, 53.1-41, 53.1-45.1 and 53.1-48 of the Code of Virginia, to 8 9 Corrections; Virginia Correctional Enterprises; the Freedom of Information Act. 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That §§ 2.1-342.01, 53.1-41, 53.1-45.1 and 53.1-48 of the Code of Virginia are amended and follows: 14 § 2.1-342.01. Exclusions to application of chapter. the custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law: Department, the Virginia Racing Commission, or the Charitable Gaming Commission. confidential records held pursuant to § 58.1-3. to any other person except a substitute. 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 the right of access may be asserted by the student. 35 36 37 public body shall open such records for inspection and copying. 38 39 40 41 for inspection and copying. 42 person would be injurious to the subject person's physical or mental health or well-being. chief medical officer of the facility to any person except the subject or except as provided by law. For the purposes of this chapter, statistical summaries of incidents and statistical data concerning

56 57 patient abuse as may be compiled by the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services shall be open to inspection and copying as provided in 58 59 § 2.1-342. No such summaries or data shall include any patient-identifying information. Where the

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amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 53.1-41.1, and to repeal §§ 2.1-453, 53.1-45 and 53.1-47 through 53.1-54 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Department of

11 reenacted, and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 53.1-41.1 as 12 13

15 A. The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by 16

17 1. Confidential records of all investigations of applications for licenses and permits, and all licensees and permittees made by or submitted to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, the State Lottery 18 19

20 2. State income, business, and estate tax returns, personal property tax returns, scholastic and 21

22 3. Scholastic records containing information concerning identifiable individuals, except that such 23 access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject thereof, or the parent or legal guardian of the 24 student. However, no student shall have access to (i) financial records of a parent or guardian or (ii) 25 records of instructional, supervisory, and administrative personnel and educational personnel ancillary thereto, which are in the sole possession of the maker thereof and which are not accessible or revealed 26 27

The parent or legal guardian of a student may prohibit, by written request, the release of any individual information regarding that student until the student reaches the age of eighteen years. For scholastic records of students under the age of eighteen years, the right of access may be asserted only by his legal guardian or parent, including a noncustodial parent, unless such parent's parental rights have been terminated or a court of competent jurisdiction has restricted or denied such access. For scholastic records of students who are emancipated or attending a state-supported institution of higher education,

Any person who is the subject of any scholastic record and who is eighteen years of age or older may waive, in writing, the protections afforded by this subdivision. If the protections are so waived, the

4. Personnel records containing information concerning identifiable individuals, except that access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject thereof. Any person who is the subject of any personnel record and who is eighteen years of age or older may waive, in writing, the protections afforded by this subdivision. If the protections are so waived, the public body shall open such records

43 5. Medical and mental records, except that such records may be personally reviewed by the subject 44 person or a physician of the subject person's choice. However, the subject person's mental records may not be personally reviewed by such person when the subject person's treating physician has made a part 45 of such person's records a written statement that in his opinion a review of such records by the subject 46 47

Where the person who is the subject of medical records is confined in a state or local correctional **48** 49 facility, the administrator or chief medical officer of such facility may assert such confined person's right of access to the medical records if the administrator or chief medical officer has reasonable cause to 50 51 believe that such confined person has an infectious disease or other medical condition from which other persons so confined need to be protected. Medical records shall only be reviewed and shall not be 52 53 copied by such administrator or chief medical officer. The information in the medical records of a 54 person so confined shall continue to be confidential and shall not be disclosed by the administrator or 55

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60 person who is the subject of medical and mental records is under the age of eighteen, his right of access

may be asserted only by his guardian or his parent, including a noncustodial parent, unless such parent's parental rights have been terminated or a court of competent jurisdiction has restricted or denied such access. In instances where the person who is the subject thereof is an emancipated minor or a student in a public institution of higher education, the right of access may be asserted by the subject person.

65 6. Working papers and correspondence of the Office of the Governor; Lieutenant Governor; the 66 Attorney General; the members of the General Assembly or the Division of Legislative Services; the 67 mayor or chief executive officer of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth; or the president or 68 other chief executive officer of any public institution of higher education. However, no record which is 69 otherwise open to inspection under this chapter shall be deemed exempt by virtue of the fact that it has 60 been attached to or incorporated within any working paper or correspondence.

As used in this subdivision:

"Working papers" means those records prepared by or for an above-named public official for his personal or deliberative use.

74 "Office of the Governor" means the Governor; his chief of staff, counsel, director of policy, Cabinet
75 Secretaries, and the Director of the Virginia Liaison Office; and those individuals to whom the Governor
76 has delegated his authority pursuant to § 2.1-39.1.

77 7. Written advice of legal counsel to state, regional or local public bodies or public officials and any other records protected by the attorney-client privilege.

8. Legal memoranda and other work product compiled specifically for use in litigation or for use in an active administrative investigation concerning a matter which is properly the subject of a closed meeting under § 2.1-344.

82 9. Confidential letters and statements of recommendation placed in the records of educational agencies or institutions respecting (i) admission to any educational agency or institution, (ii) an application for employment, or (iii) receipt of an honor or honorary recognition.

85 10. Library records which can be used to identify both (i) any library patron who has borrowed86 material from a library and (ii) the material such patron borrowed.

87 11. Any test or examination used, administered or prepared by any public body for purposes of
88 evaluation of (i) any student or any student's performance, (ii) any employee or employment seeker's
89 qualifications or aptitude for employment, retention, or promotion, or (iii) qualifications for any license
90 or certificate issued by a public body.

As used in this subdivision, "test or examination" shall include (i) any scoring key for any such test or examination and (ii) any other document which would jeopardize the security of the test or examination. Nothing contained in this subdivision shall prohibit the release of test scores or results as provided by law, or limit access to individual records as provided by law. However, the subject of such employment tests shall be entitled to review and inspect all records relative to his performance on such employment tests.

97 When, in the reasonable opinion of such public body, any such test or examination no longer has any
98 potential for future use, and the security of future tests or examinations will not be jeopardized, the test
99 or examination shall be made available to the public. However, minimum competency tests administered
100 to public school children shall be made available to the public contemporaneously with statewide release
101 of the scores of those taking such tests, but in no event shall such tests be made available to the public
102 later than six months after the administration of such tests.

103 12. Applications for admission to examinations or for licensure and scoring records maintained by
104 the Department of Health Professions or any board in that department on individual licensees or
105 applicants. However, such material may be made available during normal working hours for copying, at
106 the requester's expense, by the individual who is the subject thereof, in the offices of the Department of
107 Health Professions or in the offices of any health regulatory board, whichever may possess the material.

108 13. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Health Professions or by any health regulatory board in the Commonwealth.

110 14. Records recorded in or compiled exclusively for use in closed meetings lawfully held pursuant to
§ 2.1-344. However, no record which is otherwise open to inspection under this chapter shall be deemed
exempt by virtue of the fact that it has been reviewed or discussed in a closed meeting.

113 15. Reports, documentary evidence and other information as specified in §§ 2.1-373.2 and 63.1-55.4.

114 16. Proprietary information gathered by or for the Virginia Port Authority as provided in 115 § 62.1-132.4 or § 62.1-134.1.

116 17. Contract cost estimates prepared for the confidential use of the Department of Transportation in
 awarding contracts for construction or the purchase of goods or services, and records and automated
 systems prepared for the Department's Bid Analysis and Monitoring Program.

119 18. Vendor proprietary information software which may be in the official records of a public body.
120 For the purpose of this subdivision, "vendor proprietary software" means computer programs acquired
121 from a vendor for purposes of processing data for agencies or political subdivisions of the

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123 19. Financial statements not publicly available filed with applications for industrial development124 financings.

20. Data, records or information of a proprietary nature produced or collected by or for faculty or
staff of public institutions of higher education, other than the institutions' financial or administrative
records, in the conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, scientific, technical or scholarly
issues, whether sponsored by the institution alone or in conjunction with a governmental body or a
private concern, where such data, records or information has not been publicly released, published,
copyrighted or patented.

131 21. Lists of registered owners of bonds issued by a political subdivision of the Commonwealth,
132 whether the lists are maintained by the political subdivision itself or by a single fiduciary designated by
133 the political subdivision.

134 22. Confidential proprietary records, voluntarily provided by private business pursuant to a promise 135 of confidentiality from the Department of Business Assistance, the Virginia Economic Development 136 Partnership, the Virginia Tourism Authority, or local or regional industrial or economic development 137 authorities or organizations, used by the Department, the Partnership, the Authority, or such entities for 138 business, trade and tourism development; and memoranda, working papers or other records related to 139 businesses that are considering locating or expanding in Virginia, prepared by the Partnership, where 140 competition or bargaining is involved and where, if such records are made public, the financial interest 141 of the governmental unit would be adversely affected.

142 23. Information which was filed as confidential under the Toxic Substances Information Act143 (§ 32.1-239 et seq.), as such Act existed prior to July 1, 1992.

144 24. Confidential records, including victim identity, provided to or obtained by staff in a rape crisis145 center or a program for battered spouses.

146 25. Computer software developed by or for a state agency, state-supported institution of higher147 education or political subdivision of the Commonwealth.

148 26. Investigator notes, and other correspondence and information, furnished in confidence with
149 respect to an active investigation of individual employment discrimination complaints made to the
150 Department of Human Resource Management. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the
151 disclosure of information taken from inactive reports in a form which does not reveal the identity of
152 charging parties, persons supplying the information or other individuals involved in the investigation.

153 27. Fisheries data which would permit identification of any person or vessel, except when required 154 by court order as specified in § 28.2-204.

28. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Medical Assistance
Services pursuant to Chapter 10 (§ 32.1-323 et seq.) of Title 32.1.

157 29. Records and writings furnished by a member of the General Assembly to a meeting of a standing
158 committee, special committee or subcommittee of his house established solely for the purpose of
159 reviewing members' annual disclosure statements and supporting materials filed under § 2.1-639.40 or of
160 formulating advisory opinions to members on standards of conduct, or both.

161 30. Customer account information of a public utility affiliated with a political subdivision of the
 162 Commonwealth, including the customer's name and service address, but excluding the amount of utility
 163 service provided and the amount of money paid for such utility service.

164 31. Investigative notes and other correspondence and information furnished in confidence with 165 respect to an investigation or conciliation process involving an alleged unlawful discriminatory practice 166 under the Virginia Human Rights Act (§ 2.1-714 et seq.) or under any local ordinance adopted in accordance with the authority specified in § 2.1-724, or adopted pursuant to § 15.2-965, or adopted prior 167 168 to July 1, 1987, in accordance with applicable law, relating to local human rights or human relations commissions. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the distribution of information taken from 169 170 inactive reports in a form which does not reveal the identity of the parties involved or other persons 171 supplying information.

172 32. Investigative notes; proprietary information not published, copyrighted or patented; information 173 obtained from employee personnel records; personally identifiable information regarding residents, 174 clients or other recipients of services; and other correspondence and information furnished in confidence 175 to the Department of Social Services in connection with an active investigation of an applicant or 176 licensee pursuant to Chapters 9 (§ 63.1-172 et seq.) and 10 (§ 63.1-195 et seq.) of Title 63.1. However, 177 nothing in this section shall prohibit disclosure of information from the records of completed 178 investigations in a form that does not reveal the identity of complainants, persons supplying information, 179 or other individuals involved in the investigation.

180 33. Personal information, as defined in § 2.1-379, (i) filed with the Virginia Housing Development
 181 Authority concerning individuals who have applied for or received loans or other housing assistance or
 182 who have applied for occupancy of or have occupied housing financed, owned or otherwise assisted by

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183 the Virginia Housing Development Authority; (ii) concerning persons participating in or persons on the 184 waiting list for federally funded rent-assistance programs; (iii) filed with any local redevelopment and 185 housing authority created pursuant to § 36-4 concerning persons participating in or persons on the 186 waiting list for housing assistance programs funded by local governments or by any such authority; or 187 (iv) filed with any local redevelopment and housing authority created pursuant to § 36-4 or any other 188 local government agency concerning persons who have applied for occupancy or who have occupied affordable dwelling units established pursuant to § 15.2-2304 or § 15.2-2305. However, access to one's 189 190 own information shall not be denied.

191 34. Records regarding the siting of hazardous waste facilities, except as provided in § 10.1-1441, if
192 disclosure of them would have a detrimental effect upon the negotiating position of a governing body or
193 on the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting agreement.

194 35. Appraisals and cost estimates of real property subject to a proposed purchase, sale or lease, prior195 to the completion of such purchase, sale or lease.

196 36. Records containing information on the site specific location of rare, threatened, endangered or otherwise imperiled plant and animal species, natural communities, caves, and significant historic and archaeological sites if, in the opinion of the public body which has the responsibility for such information, disclosure of the information would jeopardize the continued existence or the integrity of the resource. This exemption shall not apply to requests from the owner of the land upon which the resource is located.

202 37. Records, memoranda, working papers, graphics, video or audio tapes, production models, data 203 and information of a proprietary nature produced by or for or collected by or for the State Lottery 204 Department relating to matters of a specific lottery game design, development, production, operation, ticket price, prize structure, manner of selecting the winning ticket, manner of payment of prizes to 205 holders of winning tickets, frequency of drawings or selections of winning tickets, odds of winning, 206 207 advertising, or marketing, where such official records have not been publicly released, published, copyrighted or patented. Whether released, published or copyrighted, all game-related information shall 208 209 be subject to public disclosure under this chapter upon the first day of sales for the specific lottery game 210 to which it pertains.

38. Records of studies and investigations by the State Lottery Department of (i) lottery agents, (ii) lottery vendors, (iii) lottery crimes under §§ 58.1-4014 through 58.1-4018, (iv) defects in the law or regulations which cause abuses in the administration and operation of the lottery and any evasions of such provisions, or (v) the use of the lottery as a subterfuge for organized crime and illegal gambling where such official records have not been publicly released, published or copyrighted. All studies and investigations referred to under clauses (iii), (iv) and (v) shall be open to inspection and copying upon completion of the study or investigation.

39. Those portions of engineering and construction drawings and plans submitted for the sole purpose
of complying with the Building Code in obtaining a building permit which would identify specific trade
secrets or other information the disclosure of which would be harmful to the competitive position of the
owner or lessee. However, such information shall be exempt only until the building is completed.
Information relating to the safety or environmental soundness of any building shall not be exempt from
disclosure.

40. Records concerning reserves established in specific claims administered by the Department of the
Treasury through its Division of Risk Management as provided in Article 2.2 (§ 2.1-191.5 et seq.) of
Chapter 14 of this title, or by any county, city, or town.

41. Information and records collected for the designation and verification of trauma centers and other
specialty care centers within the Statewide Emergency Medical Services System and Services pursuant to
Article 2.1 (§ 32.1-111.1 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 32.1.

42. Reports and court documents required to be kept confidential pursuant to § 37.1-67.3.

231 43. Investigative notes, correspondence and information furnished in confidence, and records otherwise exempted by this chapter or any Virginia statute, provided to or produced by or for the (i) 232 233 Auditor of Public Accounts; (ii) Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission; (iii) Department of the 234 State Internal Auditor with respect to an investigation initiated through the State Employee Fraud, Waste 235 and Abuse Hotline; or (iv) committee or the auditor with respect to an investigation or audit conducted 236 pursuant to § 15.2-825. Records of completed investigations shall be disclosed in a form that does not 237 reveal the identity of the complainants or persons supplying information to investigators. Unless 238 disclosure is prohibited by this section, the records disclosed shall include, but not be limited to, the 239 agency involved, the identity of the person who is the subject of the complaint, the nature of the 240 complaint, and the actions taken to resolve the complaint. If an investigation does not lead to corrective 241 action, the identity of the person who is the subject of the complaint may be released only with the 242 consent of the subject person.

44. Data formerly required to be submitted to the Commissioner of Health relating to theestablishment of new or the expansion of existing clinical health services, acquisition of major medical

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245 equipment, or certain projects requiring capital expenditures pursuant to former § 32.1-102.3:4.

246 45. Documentation or other information which describes the design, function, operation or access 247 control features of any security system, whether manual or automated, which is used to control access to 248 or use of any automated data processing or telecommunications system.

249 46. Confidential financial statements, balance sheets, trade secrets, and revenue and cost projections 250 provided to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, provided such information is exempt 251 under the federal Freedom of Information Act or the federal Interstate Commerce Act or other laws 252 administered by the Surface Transportation Board or the Federal Railroad Administration with respect to 253 data provided in confidence to the Surface Transportation Board and the Federal Railroad 254 Administration.

255 47. In the case of corporations organized by the Virginia Retirement System (i) proprietary 256 information provided by, and financial information concerning, coventurers, partners, lessors, lessees, or 257 investors and (ii) records concerning the condition, acquisition, disposition, use, leasing, development, 258 coventuring, or management of real estate, the disclosure of which would have a substantial adverse 259 impact on the value of such real estate or result in a competitive disadvantage to the corporation or 260 subsidiary.

261 48. Confidential proprietary records related to inventory and sales, voluntarily provided by private 262 energy suppliers to the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, used by that Department for energy 263 contingency planning purposes or for developing consolidated statistical information on energy supplies.

264 49. Confidential proprietary information furnished to the Board of Medical Assistance Services or the 265 Medicaid Prior Authorization Advisory Committee pursuant to Article 4 (§ 32.1-331.12 et seq.) of 266 Chapter 10 of Title 32.1.

- 267 50. Proprietary, commercial or financial information, balance sheets, trade secrets, and revenue and 268 cost projections provided by a private transportation business to the Virginia Department of 269 Transportation and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the purpose of conducting 270 transportation studies needed to obtain grants or other financial assistance under the Transportation 271 Equity Act for the 21st Century (P.L. 105-178) for transportation projects, provided such information is 272 exempt under the federal Freedom of Information Act or the federal Interstate Commerce Act or other 273 laws administered by the Surface Transportation Board or the Federal Railroad Administration with 274 respect to data provided in confidence to the Surface Transportation Board and the Federal Railroad 275 Administration. However, the exemption provided by this subdivision shall not apply to any wholly 276 owned subsidiary of a public body.
- 277 51. Names and addresses of subscribers to Virginia Wildlife magazine, published by the Department 278 of Game and Inland Fisheries, provided the individual subscriber has requested in writing that the 279 Department not release such information. 280
 - 52. Information required to be provided pursuant to § 54.1-2506.1.

281 53. Confidential information designated as provided in subsection D of § 11-52 as trade secrets or 282 proprietary information by any person who has submitted to a public body an application for 283 prequalification to bid on public construction projects in accordance with subsection B of § 11-46.

284 54. All information and records acquired during a review of any child death by the State Child 285 Fatality Review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.1, during a review of any child death by a local 286 or regional child fatality review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.2, and all information and 287 records acquired during a review of any death by a family violence fatality review team established 288 pursuant to § 32.1-283.3.

289 55. Financial, medical, rehabilitative and other personal information concerning applicants for or 290 recipients of loan funds submitted to or maintained by the Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority 291 under Chapter 11 (\S 51.5-53 et seq.) of Title 51.5.

292 56. Confidential proprietary records which are voluntarily provided by a private entity pursuant to a 293 proposal filed with a public entity under the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et 294 seq.), pursuant to a promise of confidentiality from the responsible public entity, used by the responsible 295 public entity for purposes related to the development of a qualifying transportation facility; and memoranda, working papers or other records related to proposals filed under the Public-Private 296 297 Transportation Act of 1995, where, if such records were made public, the financial interest of the public 298 or private entity involved with such proposal or the process of competition or bargaining would be 299 adversely affected. In order for confidential proprietary information to be excluded from the provisions 300 of this chapter, the private entity shall (i) invoke such exclusion upon submission of the data or other 301 materials for which protection from disclosure is sought, (ii) identify the data or other materials for which protection is sought, and (iii) state the reasons why protection is necessary. For the purposes of 302 this subdivision, the terms "public entity" and "private entity" shall be defined as they are defined in the 303 304 Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995.

305 57. Records of law-enforcement agencies, to the extent that such records contain specific tactical plans, the disclosure of which would jeopardize the safety or security of law-enforcement personnel or
 the general public; or records of emergency service agencies to the extent that such records contain
 specific tactical plans relating to antiterrorist activity.

58. All records of the University of Virginia or the University of Virginia Medical Center which
contain proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of the University of
Virginia Medical Center, including its business development or marketing strategies and its activities
with existing or future joint venturers, partners, or other parties with whom the University of Virginia
Medical Center has formed, or forms, any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of
such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the Medical Center.

59. Patient level data collected by the Board of Health and not yet processed, verified, and released,
pursuant to § 32.1-276.9, to the Board by the nonprofit organization with which the Commissioner of
Health has contracted pursuant to § 32.1-276.4.

318 60. Records of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority pertaining to any of 319 the following: an individual's qualifications for or continued membership on its medical or teaching 320 staffs; proprietary information gathered by or in the possession of the Authority from third parties pursuant to a promise of confidentiality; contract cost estimates prepared for confidential use in 321 awarding contracts for construction or the purchase of goods or services; data, records or information of 322 323 a proprietary nature produced or collected by or for the Authority or members of its medical or teaching 324 staffs; financial statements not publicly available that may be filed with the Authority from third parties; 325 the identity, accounts or account status of any customer of the Authority; consulting or other reports 326 paid for by the Authority to assist the Authority in connection with its strategic planning and goals; and 327 the determination of marketing and operational strategies where disclosure of such strategies would be harmful to the competitive position of the Authority; and data, records or information of a proprietary nature produced or collected by or for employees of the Authority, other than the Authority's financial 328 329 330 or administrative records, in the conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, scientific, technical or scholarly issues, whether sponsored by the Authority alone or in conjunction with a 331 332 governmental body or a private concern, when such data, records or information have not been publicly 333 released, published, copyrighted or patented.

61. Confidential proprietary information or trade secrets, not publicly available, provided by a private
person or entity to the Virginia Resources Authority or to a fund administered in connection with
financial assistance rendered or to be rendered by the Virginia Resources Authority where, if such
information were made public, the financial interest of the private person or entity would be adversely
affected, and, after June 30, 1997, where such information was provided pursuant to a promise of
confidentiality.

340 62. Confidential proprietary records which are provided by a franchisee under § 15.2-2108 to its franchising authority pursuant to a promise of confidentiality from the franchising authority which 341 342 relates to the franchisee's potential provision of new services, adoption of new technologies or 343 implementation of improvements, where such new services, technologies or improvements have not been 344 implemented by the franchisee on a nonexperimental scale in the franchise area, and where, if such 345 records were made public, the competitive advantage or financial interests of the franchisee would be adversely affected. In order for confidential proprietary information to be excluded from the provisions 346 347 of this chapter, the franchisee shall (i) invoke such exclusion upon submission of the data or other 348 materials for which protection from disclosure is sought, (ii) identify the data or other materials for 349 which protection is sought, and (iii) state the reason why protection is necessary.

350 63. Records of the Intervention Program Committee within the Department of Health Professions, to
351 the extent such records may identify any practitioner who may be, or who is actually, impaired to the
352 extent disclosure is prohibited by § 54.1-2517.

353 64. Records submitted as a grant application, or accompanying a grant application, to the 354 Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative Advisory Board pursuant to Article 12 (§ 32.1-73.1 et seq.) of 355 Chapter 2 of Title 32.1, to the extent such records contain (i) medical or mental records, or other data 356 identifying individual patients or (ii) proprietary business or research-related information produced or 357 collected by the applicant in the conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, rehabilitative, 358 scientific, technical or scholarly issues, when such information has not been publicly released, published, 359 copyrighted or patented, if the disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive 360 position of the applicant.

361 65. Information which would disclose the security aspects of a system safety program plan adopted
362 pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 659 by the Commonwealth's designated Rail Fixed Guideway Systems Safety
363 Oversight agency; and information in the possession of such agency, the release of which would
364 jeopardize the success of an ongoing investigation of a rail accident or other incident threatening railway
365 safety.

366 66. Documents and other information of a proprietary nature furnished by a supplier of charitable367 gaming supplies to the Charitable Gaming Commission pursuant to subsection E of § 18.2-340.34.

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368 67. Personal information, as defined in § 2.1-379, provided to the Board of the Virginia College
369 Savings Plan or its employees by or on behalf of individuals who have requested information about,
applied for, or entered into prepaid tuition contracts or savings trust account agreements pursuant to
Chapter 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.) of Title 23. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit
disclosure or publication of information in a statistical or other form which does not identify individuals
arg provide personal information. Individuals shall be provided access to their own personal information.

68. Any record copied, recorded or received by the Commissioner of Health in the course of an examination, investigation or review of a managed care health insurance plan licensee pursuant to \$\$ 32.1-137.4 and 32.1-137.5, including books, records, files, accounts, papers, documents, and any or all computer or other recordings.

378 69. Engineering and architectural drawings, operational, procedural, tactical planning or training 379 manuals, or staff meeting minutes or other records, the disclosure of which would reveal surveillance 380 techniques, personnel deployments, alarm systems or technologies, or operational and transportation 381 plans or protocols, to the extent such disclosure would jeopardize the security or employee safety of (i) 382 the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts or any of its warehouses; (ii) any government store or warehouse 383 controlled by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control; (iii) any courthouse, jail, detention or 384 law-enforcement facility; or (iv) any correctional or juvenile facility or institution under the supervision 385 of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice.

386 70. Records and reports related to Virginia apple producer sales provided to the Virginia State Apple
 387 Board pursuant to §§ 3.1-622 and 3.1-624.

388 71. Records of the Department of Environmental Quality, the State Water Control Board, State Air 389 Pollution Control Board or the Virginia Waste Management Board relating to (i) active federal 390 environmental enforcement actions that are considered confidential under federal law and (ii) 391 enforcement strategies, including proposed sanctions for enforcement actions. Upon request, such records 392 shall be disclosed after a proposed sanction resulting from the investigation has been proposed to the 393 director of the agency. This subdivision shall not be construed to prohibit the disclosure of records 394 related to inspection reports, notices of violation, and documents detailing the nature of any environmental contamination that may have occurred or similar documents. 395

396 72. As it pertains to any person, records related to the operation of toll facilities that identify an
397 individual, vehicle, or travel itinerary including, but not limited to, vehicle identification data, vehicle
and an endocrement system information; video or photographic images; Social Security or other identification
an numbers appearing on driver's licenses; credit card or bank account data; home addresses; phone
an numbers; or records of the date or time of toll facility use.

401 73. Records of the Department for Rights of Virginians with Disabilities consisting of documentary 402 evidence received or maintained by the Department or its agents in connection with specific complaints 403 or investigations, and records of communications between employees and agents of the Department and its clients or prospective clients concerning specific complaints, investigations or cases. Upon the conclusion of an investigation of a complaint, this exclusion shall no longer apply, but the Department 404 405 406 may not at any time release the identity of any complainant or person with mental illness, mental 407 retardation, developmental disabilities or other disability, unless (i) such complainant or person or his 408 legal representative consents in writing to such identification or (ii) such identification is required by 409 court order.

74. Information furnished in confidence to the Department of Employment Dispute Resolution with
respect to an investigation, consultation, or mediation under Chapter 10.01 (§ 2.1-116.01 et seq.) of this
title, and memoranda, correspondence and other records resulting from any such investigation,
consultation or mediation. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the distribution of information
taken from inactive reports in a form which does not reveal the identity of the parties involved or other
persons supplying information.

416 75. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.) of Title 59.1,
417 submitted by CMRS providers as defined in § 56-484.12 to the Wireless Carrier E-911 Cost Recovery
418 Subcommittee created pursuant to § 56-484.15, relating to the provision of wireless E-911 service.

419 76. Customer lists and records, production models, data, balance sheets, revenue and cost
420 projections and information of a proprietary nature produced by or for or collected by or for Virginia
421 Correctional Enterprises relating to matters of production, sales or marketing of goods and services
422 produced by inmates.

B. Neither any provision of this chapter nor any provision of Chapter 26 (§ 2.1-377 et seq.) of this
title shall be construed as denying public access to (i) contracts between a public official and a public
body, other than contracts settling public employee employment disputes held confidential as personnel
records under subdivision 4 of subsection A; (ii) records of the position, job classification, official salary
or rate of pay of, and records of the allowances or reimbursements for expenses paid to any officer,
official or employee of a public body; or (iii) the compensation or benefits paid by any corporation

429 organized by the Virginia Retirement System or its officers or employees. The provisions of this 430 subsection, however, shall not require public access to records of the official salaries or rates of pay of 431 public employees whose annual rate of pay is \$10,000 or less.

432 C. No provision of this chapter shall be construed to afford any rights to any person incarcerated in a 433 state, local or federal correctional facility, whether or not such facility is (i) located in the 434 Commonwealth or (ii) operated pursuant to the Corrections Private Management Act (§ 53.1-261 et 435 seq.). However, this subsection shall not be construed to prevent an incarcerated person from exercising 436 his constitutionally protected rights, including, but not limited to, his rights to call for evidence in his 437 favor in a criminal prosecution. 438

§ 53.1-41. Opportunities for work and vocational training.

439 A. To the extent feasible, it shall be the duty of the Director to provide persons sentenced to the 440 Department with opportunities to work and to participate in vocational training programs as operated by 441 the Department of Correctional Education in accordance with § 22.1-339 et seq. Such work opportunities 442 may include business, industrial, agricultural, highway maintenance and construction, and work release 443 programs as hereafter specified in this article. In addition, prisoners may be employed to improve, 444 repair, work on or cultivate public property or buildings.

445 B. Virginia Correctional Enterprises (VCE) shall be established as an enterprise organization within 446 the Department of Corrections to prepare inmates for future employment through job training and skill 447 acquisition. It shall do so by promoting, producing, manufacturing and selling, both to public bodies 448 and private purchasers, articles and services produced, manufactured or provided, in whole or in part 449 by inmates sentenced to state correctional facilities.

450 C. The Department shall report by December 1 of each year to the Governor and General Assembly 451 on the number of inmates participating in work and vocational training programs and the activities of 452 VCE for the preceding fiscal year. Such report shall include a description of the types of vocational 453 training programs offered by the Department of Correctional Education, the number of inmates participating in those programs, and the number of hours of instruction. The report shall also include 454 455 the number of inmates employed, hours of labor, and types of jobs for inmates employed in business, 456 industrial, agricultural, highway maintenance, construction, work release, and other work programs. The 457 activities of VCE shall be reported separately and shall include a complete financial statement in a form 458 approved by the Auditor of Public Accounts, and an annual assessment of the performance of each cost 459 center, business, industry, product, or service. 460

§ 53.1-41.1. Virginia Correctional Enterprises; exemptions; bidding practices; procurement.

461 A. To facilitate its operations, VCE shall be exempt from the provisions of § 2.1-116, Article 3 (§ 2.1-435 et seq.) of Chapter 32 of Title 2.1 and travel regulations promulgated by the state 462 comptroller. Personnel actions shall be taken without regard to race, sex, color, national origin, 463 464 religion, age, handicap or political affiliation.

465 B. VCE shall be subject to the provisions of Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 11-35 et seq.) when 466 bidding or offering goods or services for purchase. In addition, VCE shall not use any practices not 467 available to other bidders or offerors, or employ certified interior designers.

468 C. VCE shall be exempt from Chapter 7 (§ 11-35 et seq.) of Title 11, with the exception of Article 4 469 (§ 11-72 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 11, when procuring materials, supplies, or services for use in and 470 support of its production facilities provided such procurement is accomplished using procedures that 471 ensure the most efficient use of funds as practicable, and at a minimum, shall include obtaining 472 telephone quotations. Such procedures shall require documentation of the basis of awarding contracts 473 under this section. 474

§ 53.1-45.1. Work programs; agreements with other entities.

475 A. The Director, with the prior approval of the Governor, may enter into an agreement with a public 476 or private entity to operate a work program in a state correctional facility for prisoners confined therein.

477 B. The provisions of any proposed agreement shall be submitted for review to the Virginia 478 Correctional Enterprises Advisory Board established pursuant to § 53.1-45.2.

479 C. The Board shall promulgate regulations governing the form and review process for proposed 480 agreements.

D. Articles produced or manufactured and services provided by prisoners participating in such a **481** 482 program may be purchased as provided in § 53.1-47 and may be bought, sold or acquired by exchange 483 on the open market through the participating public or private entity.

484 E. C. The Director shall arrange for compensation for such employment. Wages earned by prisoners 485 shall be paid to the Director who shall, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Board, deduct 486 from such wages, in the following order of priority, an amount to:

487 1. Meet the obligation of any judicial or administrative order to provide support and such funds shall 488 be disbursed according to the terms of such order;

2. Pay any fines, restitution or costs as ordered by the court; and 489

490 3. Defray a portion of the prisoner's keep.

- 491 The balance shall be credited to the prisoner's account in accordance with § 53.1-42.
- **492** § 53.1-48. Exceptions as to purchases.

493 The A. Prior to July 1, 2006, only the Director of the Division of Purchases and Supply may shall be authorized to exempt a department, institution or agency of the Commonwealth from the provisions **494** 495 of § 53.1-47 in any case where, in the opinion of the Director, the article so produced or manufactured 496 does not meet the reasonable requirements of such department, institution or agency, or the requisition 497 made cannot be complied with on account of an insufficient supply of the articles or supplies required, 498 or otherwise. Determinations regarding requests for exemptions from the provisions of § 53.1-47 shall be 499 made within thirty days of receipt by the Director of Purchases and Supply. In any case where the 500 Director of Purchases and Supply grants an exemption from the provisions of § 53.1-47, he shall submit 501 a written justification for the exemption to the Director of the Department of Corrections.

- 502 B. Institutions of higher education shall be exempt from the requirement to purchase goods and 503 services from persons confined in state correctional facilities when purchasing goods less than \$ 5,000 504 in value.
- 505 2. That the Department of Corrections shall report to the Governor and General Assembly
- 506 regarding the status and progress made toward elimination of the mandatory source requirement
- 507 provided in § 53.1-47 on or before December 1, in each of the following years: 2001, 2002, 2003, 508 2004 and 2005.
- 509 3. That the Director of the Division of Purchases and Supply shall adopt and publish guidelines 510 for reviewing requests for exemptions from the provisions of § 53.1-47 on or before July 1, 2001.
- 510 101 reviewing requests for exemptions from the provisions of § 55.1-47 on of before 50 511 4. That §§ 2.1-453, 53.1-45, 53.1-53 and 53.1-54 of the Code of Virginia are repealed.
- 512 5. That §§ 53.1-47 through 53.1-52 are repealed effective July 1, 2006.