

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2003 SESSION

CHAPTER 590

An Act to amend and reenact § 2.2-126 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Governor; disposition of official correspondence and other records.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 2.2-126 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 2.2-126. Disposition of official correspondence.

A. Before the end of his term of office, the Governor shall have delivered to The Library of Virginia for safekeeping all correspondence and other records of his office during his term. This section shall not apply to correspondence or other records of a *strictly* personal or private nature, or active files necessary for the transaction of business by the Office of the Governor, the decision thereon to be made by the Governor *after consultation with the Librarian of Virginia*. Records delivered to The Library of Virginia shall be made accessible to the public, once cataloging has been completed.

B. Should any subsequent Governor need such records for the transaction of business of the Office of the Governor, the records may be reviewed at the Library and copied, if necessary, but the Governor and his staff shall ensure that the original records are preserved intact and remain in The Library of Virginia.