

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2006 SESSION

## CHAPTER 685

*An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-3703 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the practice of social work.*

[H 1146]

Approved April 5, 2006

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 54.1-3703 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 54.1-3703. Board of Social Work; members.

The Board of Social Work shall regulate the practice of social work.

The Board shall be composed of ~~seven~~ *nine nonlegislative citizen* members *appointed by the Governor*, ~~five~~ *seven* of whom shall be licensed social workers who have been in active practice of social work for at least five years prior to appointment and two of whom shall be *nonlegislative* citizen members *at large*. The terms of the members of the Board shall be four years.

**2. That the Board of Social Work shall consult with relevant stakeholders, including educators, professionals, and appropriate agencies and organizations, to determine (i) if current education and training requirements for social workers are adequate to assure the public of professional competency and (ii) whether current exemptions from the requirements for licensure best serve the citizens of the Commonwealth.**