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SENATE BILL NO. 1199

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 2.2-229 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Intermodal Office of the Secretary of Transportation.*

Patrons—Houck, Deeds, Herring, Norment, Reynolds, Watkins and Williams

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 2.2-229 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 2.2-229. Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment of the Secretary of Transportation.

There is hereby established the ~~Intermodal~~ *Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment* of the Secretary of Transportation, consisting of a director, appointed by the Secretary of Transportation, and such additional transportation professionals as the Secretary of Transportation shall determine. *The goals of the Office are to provide solutions that link existing systems; reduce congestion; improve safety, mobility, and accessibility; and provide for greater travel options.* It shall be the duty of the director of the office to advise the Secretary and the Commonwealth Transportation Board on intermodal issues, generally.

The purpose of the Office shall be:

1. *To coordinate and oversee major multimodal corridor studies as directed by the Secretary;*
 2. *To assist the Commonwealth Transportation Board in the Development of the Statewide Transportation Plan pursuant to § 33.1-23.03;*
 3. To advocate multimodal planning solutions as part of the six-year improvement program;
 24. To work with and coordinate action of the Virginia Department of Transportation, the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, the Virginia Port Authority, and the Virginia Department of Aviation to promote intermodal and multimodal solutions in each agency's strategic and long-range plans;
 35. To work with and review plans of regional transportation agencies and authorities to promote intermodal and multimodal solutions;
 46. To assess implementation of intermodal planning, including periodic comparisons between and among statewide and regional multimodal plans;
 7. *To work with and coordinate actions of the agencies of the transportation Secretariat to assess freight movements and promote intermodal and multimodal solutions to address freight needs;*
 8. *To assess and coordinate transportation safety needs related to passenger and freight movements by all transportation modes;*
 9. *To coordinate the adequate accommodation of pedestrian, bicycle, and other forms of nonmotorized transportation in the six-year improvement program and other state and regional transportation plans;*
 510. To develop transportation performance measures and prepare an annual performance report on state and regional efforts; ~~and~~
 611. To inventory and assess intermodal facilities of statewide importance, prioritize new facilities, and recommend facilities for consideration in the six-year improvement program; ~~and~~
 12. *To identify and facilitate public and private partnerships to achieve the goals of state and regional plans.*
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