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092443256 1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 2201** 2 AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE 3 (Proposed by the Senate Committee on General Laws and Technology 4 5 6 on February 18, 2009) (Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Vanderhye) A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 2.2-225, 2.2-225.1, 2.2-2218, 2.2-2219, 2.2-2220, 2.2-2221, 2.2-2233.1, 7 2.2-3705.6, 2.2-3711, and 23-4.4 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal §§ 2.2-2513 through 8 2.2-2517 of the Code of Virginia, relating to oversight of research and development in the 9 Commonwealth. 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: That §§ 2.2-225, 2.2-225.1, 2.2-2218, 2.2-2219, 2.2-2220, 2.2-2221, 2.2-2233.1, 2.2-3705.6, 11 1. 2.2-3711, and 23-4.4 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows: 12 13 § 2.2-225. Position established; agencies for which responsible; additional powers. 14 The position of Secretary of Technology (the Secretary) is created. The Secretary shall be responsible 15 to the Governor for the following agencies and boards: Information Technology Investment Board, Innovative Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority, Virginia Information 16 Technologies Agency, Virginia Geographic Information Network Advisory Board, and the Wireless 17 E-911 Services Board, and the Virginia Research and Technology Advisory Commission. The Governor, 18 by executive order, may assign any other state executive agency to the Secretary, or reassign any agency 19 20 listed in this section to another Secretary. 21 Unless the Governor expressly reserves such power to himself, the Secretary may, with regard to 22 strategy development, planning and budgeting for technology programs in the Commonwealth: 1. Monitor trends and advances in fundamental technologies of interest and importance to the 23 24 economy of the Commonwealth and direct and approve a stakeholder-driven technology strategy 25 development process that results in a comprehensive and coordinated view of research and development goals for industry, academia and government in the Commonwealth. This strategy shall be updated 26 27 biennially and submitted to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Delegates and the President Pro 28 Tempore of the Senate. 29 2. Work closely with the appropriate federal research and development agencies and program 30 managers to maximize the participation of Commonwealth industries and universities in these programs 31 consistent with agreed strategy goals. 32 3. Direct the development of plans and programs for strengthening the technology resources of the 33 Commonwealth's high technology industry sectors and for assisting in the strengthening and development of the Commonwealth's Regional Technology Councils. 34 35 4. Direct the development of plans and programs for improving access to capital for 36 technology-based entrepreneurs. 37 5. Assist the Joint Commission on Technology and Science created pursuant to § 30-85 in its efforts 38 to stimulate, encourage, and promote the development of technology in the Commonwealth. 39 6. Continuously monitor and analyze the technology investments and strategic initiatives of other 40 states to ensure the Commonwealth remains competitive. 41 7. Strengthen interstate and international partnerships and relationships in the public and private 42 sectors to bolster the Commonwealth's reputation as a global technology center. 8. Develop and implement strategies to accelerate and expand the commercialization of intellectual 43 44 property created within the Commonwealth. 9. Ensure the Commonwealth remains competitive in cultivating and expanding growth industries, 45 including life sciences, advanced materials and nanotechnology, biotechnology, and aerospace. 46 10. Monitor the trends in the availability and deployment of and access to broadband 47 communications services, which include, but are not limited to, competitively priced, high-speed data **48** services and Internet access services of general application, throughout the Commonwealth and 49 50 advancements in communications technology for deployment potential. The Secretary shall report 51 annually by December 1 to the Governor and General Assembly on those trends. § 2.2-225.1. (Expires July 1, 2018) Office of Telework Promotion and Broadband Assistance. 52 53 A. There is hereby established the Office of Telework Promotion and Broadband Assistance in the 54 office of the Secretary of Technology, consisting of a director, appointed by the Secretary of Technology, and such additional telework and broadband professionals as deemed necessary. The goals 55 of the Office are to encourage telework as a family-friendly, business-friendly public policy that 56 promotes workplace efficiency and reduces strain on transportation infrastructure. In conjunction with 57 efforts to promote telework, the Office shall work with public and private entities to develop widespread 58 59 access to broadband services. It shall be the duty of the director of the Office to advise the Secretary

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60 and the Board of Directors of the Innovative Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment 61 Authority, generally.

62 B. The director shall have the following duties:

63 1. Promote and encourage use of telework alternatives for public and private employees, including 64 but not limited to appropriate policy and legislative initiatives.

65 2. Assist state agencies in establishing telework policies.

66 3. Support the efforts of both public and private entities within the Commonwealth to enhance or facilitate the deployment of, and access to competitively priced, advanced electronic communications 67 services (commonly known as broadband) and Internet access services of general application throughout 68 69 the Commonwealth.

70 4. Specifically work towards establishing affordable, accessible broadband services to unserved areas 71 of the Commonwealth and monitor advancements in communication that will facilitate this goal.

72 5. Advocate for, and facilitate the development and deployment of, applications, programs, and services including, but not limited to telework, telemedicine, and e-learning that will bolster the usage of 73 74 and demand for broadband level telecommunications.

6. Serve as a broadband information and applications clearinghouse for the Commonwealth and a 75 76 coordination point for broadband-related services and programs in the Commonwealth. 77

7. Advise the Secretary on broadband adoption, deployment, and application issues.

78 8. Coordinate activities regarding telework with, and regularly report to, a panel consisting of the 79 Secretaries of Administration, Commerce and Trade, Finance, Technology, and Transportation. The Secretary of Technology shall serve as chair of the panel. Additional members may be designated by the 80 Governor. Staff support for the panel shall be provided by the offices of the Secretaries of Technology 81 and Transportation and the Governor shall designate additional agencies to provide staff support as 82 83 necessary.

84 C. The Office shall not have the power to consolidate or otherwise have authority over advanced 85 communications projects being conducted by public or private bodies outside of the executive branch of government. 86 87

§ 2.2-2218. Short title; definitions. 88

A. This article may be cited as the "Innovative Technology Authority Act of 1984, as amended."

89 B. As used in this article, unless the context requires a different meaning:

90 "Project" shall mean the construction, improvement, furnishing, maintenance, acquisition or operation 91 of any facility or the provision for or funding of any activity that will further the purposes described in 92 § 2.2-2219. 93

§ 2.2-2219. Declaration of public purpose; Authority created.

94 A. It is found and determined by the General Assembly that there exists in the Commonwealth of Virginia a need to (i) promote the economic development of the Commonwealth by attracting and 95 96 retaining high technology jobs and businesses in Virginia; (ii) increase industry competitiveness by 97 supporting the application of innovative technologies that improve productivity and efficiency; (iii) mobilize support for high technology industries to commercialize new products and processes, including 98 99 organizing assistance for small business and supporting select industry sectors and regional high technology efforts; (iv) enhance and expand the scientific and technological research and development 100 capabilities of the institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth and coordinate such capabilities 101 102 with the scientific and technological research and development activities and requirements of the public and private sectors, including transferring technological advances to the private sector; (v) expand 103 knowledge pertaining to scientific and technological research and development among public and private 104 entities; (vi) attract research and development (R&D) facilities and contracts from the federal 105 government and private sector, including coordinating efforts to identify and compete for large federal 106 and private sector R&D facilities, tracking federal technology initiatives and recommending state actions, 107 108 and developing a statewide strategy to compete for large R&D contracts; and (vii) facilitate and 109 coordinate the marketing, organization, utilization and development of scientific and technological 110 research and development in the Commonwealth.

111 B. To achieve the objectives of subsection A, there is created and constituted a political subdivision 112 of the Commonwealth to be known as "The Innovative Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority." The Authority's exercise of powers conferred by this article shall be deemed to 113 114 be the performance of an essential governmental function and matters of public necessity for which public moneys may be spent and private property acquired. 115 116

§ 2.2-2220. Board of directors; members; President.

117 The Authority shall be governed by a board of directors consisting of $13 \ 10$ members appointed by 118 the Governor as follows: (i) two members shall be the presidents of the major research universities state institutions of higher education, and one member shall represent president representing the other public 119 120 colleges or universities in Virginia. After the original appointments, all appointments of presidents shall be for terms of five years, except that appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired terms. 121

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122 No president shall be eligible to serve for more than two successive five year terms; however, after the 123 expiration of a term of four years or less, or after the expiration of the remainder of a term to which 124 appointed to fill a vacancy, two additional terms may be served by such member if appointed thereto. 125 The state institutions of higher education, appointed by the Governor; (ii) three nonlegislative citizen 126 members appointed by the Governor; (iii) three nonlegislative citizen members appointed by the Joint 127 Rules Committee from a list recommended by the Joint Commission on Technology and Science; and 128 (iv) the Secretary of Technology, who shall serve on the Board for a term coincident with his term of 129 office ex officio with full voting privileges. The Governor shall appoint the nine other members of the 130 Board who shall be nominated by established industry groups and technology councils within the 131 Commonwealth. These appointees shall include representatives of a variety of businesses, industries and 132 corporations of different types, sizes, locations and stages of development. All members of the Board 133 appointed by the Governor shall be confirmed by each house of the General Assembly.

One nonlegislative citizen member appointed by the Governor and one nonlegislative citizen member 134 135 appointed by the Joint Rules Committee shall each have experience as a founding member of a 136 technology company based upon intellectual property that has successfully secured a minimum of \$5 137 million of institutional venture capital. One nonlegislative citizen member appointed by the Governor 138 and one nonlegislative citizen member appointed by the Joint Rules Committee shall each have 139 experience as an institutional venture capital investment partner in a fund with a minimum of \$250 140 million of limited partner investment and a minimum of five years of fund operations. One nonlegislative 141 citizen member appointed by the Governor and one nonlegislative citizen member appointed by the Joint 142 Rules Committee shall each have experience as a senior executive in a technology or scientific research 143 and development company with annual revenues in excess of \$50 million.

144 The Secretary of Technology shall serve a term coincident with his term of office. After the original 145 appointments initial staggering of terms, the members of the Board nonlegislative citizen members and 146 presidents shall be appointed for terms of four two years. Vacancies in the membership of the Board 147 shall be filled by appointment of the Governor in the same manner as the original appointments for the unexpired portion of the term. No nonlegislative citizen member of the Board or president shall be 148 149 eligible to serve for more than two three successive two-year terms; however, after the expiration of a 150 term of four years or less one year, or after the expiration of the remainder of a term to which 151 appointed to fill a vacancy, two three additional terms may be served by such member if appointed 152 thereto. Members of the Board shall be subject to removal from office in like manner as are state, 153 county, town and district officers under the provisions of §§ 24.2-230 through 24.2-238. Immediately 154 after appointment, the members of the Board shall enter upon the performance of their duties.

The Board shall annually elect from among its members a chairman and a vice-chairman. The Board shall also elect annually a secretary, who need not be a member of the Board, and may also elect such other subordinate officers who need not be members of the Board, as it deems proper. The chairman, or in his absence, the vice-chairman, shall preside at all meetings of the Board. In the absence of both the chairman and vice-chairman, the Board shall appoint a chairman pro tempore, who shall preside at such meetings.

161 The Board shall employ a President of the Authority, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board, to 162 direct the day-to-day operations and activities of the Authority and carry out such of the powers and 163 duties conferred upon him by the Board. The President and employees of the Authority shall be 164 compensated in the manner provided by the Board and shall not be subject to the provisions of the 165 Virginia Personnel Act (§ 2.2-2900 et seq.) of this title.

166 § 2.2-2221. Powers of the Authority.

167 The Authority is granted all powers necessary or convenient for the carrying out of its statutory168 purposes, including, but not limited to, the following rights and powers to:

169 1. Sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, complain and defend in all courts.

170 2. Adopt, use, and alter at will a corporate seal.

171 3. Acquire, purchase, hold, use, lease or otherwise dispose of any project and property, real, personal 172 or mixed, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein necessary or desirable for carrying out the 173 purposes of the Authority, and, without limitation of the foregoing, to lease as lessee, any project and 174 any property, real, personal or mixed, or any interest therein, at such annual rental and on such terms 175 and conditions as may be determined by the Board and to lease as lessor to any person, any project and 176 any property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein, at any time acquired 177 by the Authority, whether wholly or partially completed, at such annual rental and on such terms and 178 conditions as may be determined by the Board, and to sell, transfer or convey any property, real, 179 personal or mixed, tangible or intangible or any interest therein, at any time acquired or held by the 180 Authority on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the board of the Authority.

4. Plan, develop, undertake, carry out, construct, improve, rehabilitate, repair, furnish, maintain, and operate projects.

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183 5. Adopt bylaws for the management and regulation of its affairs.

184 6. Establish and maintain satellite offices within the Commonwealth.

185 7. Fix, alter, charge, and collect rates, rentals, and other charges for the use of projects of, or for the sale of products of or for the services rendered by, the Authority, at rates to be determined by it for the purpose of providing for the payment of the expenses of the Authority, the planning, development, construction, improvement, rehabilitation, repair, furnishing, maintenance, and operation of its projects and properties, the payment of the costs accomplishing its purposes set forth in § 2.2-2219, the payment of the principal of and interest on its obligations, and to fulfill the terms and provisions of any agreements made with the purchasers or holders of any such obligations.

192 8. Borrow money, make and issue bonds including bonds as the Authority may determine to issue 193 for the purpose of accomplishing the purposes set forth in § 2.2-2219 or of refunding bonds previously issued by the Authority, and to secure the payment of all bonds, or any part thereof, by pledge or deed 194 195 of trust of all or any of its revenues, rentals, and receipts or of any project or property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein, and to make agreements with the purchasers or 196 197 holders of such bonds or with others in connection with any such bonds, whether issued or to be issued, 198 as the Authority deems advisable, and in general to provide for the security for the bonds and the rights 199 of holders thereof.

9. Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties, the furtherance of its purposes and the execution of its powers under this article, including agreements with any person or federal agency.

203 10. Employ, in its discretion, consultants, attorneys, architects, engineers, accountants, financial
 204 experts, investment bankers, superintendents, managers and such other employees and agents as may be
 205 necessary, and to fix their compensation to be payable from funds made available to the Authority.

11. Receive and accept from any federal or private agency, foundation, corporation, association or person grants to be expended in accomplishing the objectives of the Authority, and to receive and accept from the Commonwealth or any state, and any municipality, county or other political subdivision thereof and from any other source, aid or contributions of either money, property, or other things of value, to be held, used and applied only for the purposes for which such grants and contributions may be made.

12. Render advice and assistance, and to provide services, to institutions of higher education and to other persons providing services or facilities for scientific and technological research or graduate education, provided that credit towards a degree, certificate or diploma shall be granted only if such education is provided in conjunction with an institution of higher education authorized to operate in Virginia.

216 13. Develop, undertake and provide programs, alone or in conjunction with any person or federal 217 agency, for scientific and technological research, technology management, continuing education and in-service training, provided that credit towards a degree, certificate or diploma shall be granted only if 218 219 such education is provided in conjunction with an institution of higher education authorized to operate in 220 Virginia; to foster the utilization of scientific and technological research information, discoveries and 221 data and to obtain patents, copyrights and trademarks thereon; to coordinate the scientific and 222 technological research efforts of public institutions and private industry and to collect and maintain data 223 on the development and utilization of scientific and technological research capabilities. The universities 224 set forth in § 2.2-2220 shall be the principal leading universities in the research institutes.

14. Pledge or otherwise encumber all or any of the revenues or receipts of the Authority as securityfor all or any of the obligations of the Authority.

227 15. Receive, administer, and market any interest in patents, copyrights and materials that were 228 potentially patentable or copyrightable developed by or for state agencies, public institutions of higher 229 education and political subdivisions of the Commonwealth. The Authority shall return to the agency, 230 institution or political subdivision any revenue in excess of its administrative and marketing costs. When 231 general funds are used to develop the patent or copyright or material that was potentially patentable or 232 copyrightable, any state agency, except a public institution of higher education in Virginia, shall return 233 any revenues it receives from the Authority to the general fund unless the Governor authorizes a 234 percentage of the net royalties to be shared with the developer of the patented, copyrighted, or 235 potentially patentable or copyrightable property.

236 16. Develop a comprehensive research and development strategic roadmap for the Commonwealth to 237 identify research areas worthy of institutional focus. Such a roadmap shall incorporate the strategic 238 plan for each research university in the Commonwealth, identify common themes, and make 239 recommendations for alignment of research and development and economic growth in the 240 Commonwealth. In developing the strategic roadmap, the Authority shall solicit feedback from both 241 public and private institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth, as well as the private sector. 242 The Authority shall review and update the roadmap at least once every three years. The Authority shall 243 submit the roadmap, and any subsequent updates, to the Governor and the chairmen of the Senate Finance Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, the Senate Committee on General Laws and 244

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245 Technology, and the House Committee on Science and Technology, and the Joint Commission on 246 Technology and Science.

247 17. Foster innovative partnerships and relationships among the Commonwealth, the Commonwealth's 248 state institutions of higher education, the private sector, federal labs, and not-for-profit organizations to 249 improve research and development commercialization efforts.

250 18. Receive and review annual reports from state institutions of higher education regarding the 251 progress of projects funded through the Commonwealth Research Initiative or the Commonwealth 252 Technology Research Fund. The Authority shall develop guidelines, methodologies, and criteria for the 253 reports. The Authority shall aggregate the reports and submit an annual omnibus report on the status of 254 research and development initiatives in the Commonwealth to the Governor and the chairmen of the 255 Senate Finance Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, the Senate Committee on General 256 Laws and Technology, and the House Committee on Science and Technology, and the Joint Commission 257 on Technology and Science.

258 19. Develop guidelines for the award of funds from the Commonwealth Technology Research Fund pursuant to § 2.2-2233.1. 259 260

20. Do all acts and things necessary or convenient to carry out the powers granted to it by law.

§ 2.2-2233.1. Commonwealth Technology Research Fund; continued; purposes; report.

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262 A. From such funds as may be appropriated by the General Assembly and any gifts, grants, or 263 donations from public or private sources, there is created in the state treasury a special nonreverting, 264 permanent fund, to be known as the Commonwealth Technology Research Fund (the Fund), to be 265 administered by the Authority. The Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller. Interest 266 earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Any moneys remaining in 267 the Fund at the end of each fiscal year, including interest thereon, shall not revert to the general fund 268 but shall remain in the Fund. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund, which may consist of 269 grants or loans, shall be made by the State Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon 270 written request bearing the signature of the chairman or the vice-chairman of the Authority, or, if so 271 authorized by the Authority, bearing his facsimile signature, and the official seal of the Authority.

272 B. Moneys in the Fund shall be used for the sole purpose of attracting public and private research 273 funding for institutions of higher education, in order to increase technological and economic 274 development in Virginia. Awards from the Fund shall be made to Virginia public institutions of higher 275 education or to their associated intellectual property foundations.

276 C. For purposes of awards, the Fund shall have four components: (i) a matching funds program to 277 leverage federal and private research dollars; (ii) a strategic enhancement program to upgrade the 278 research capacity of those academic departments that have demonstrated the ability to perform 279 innovative research in technology fields that has strong potential to contribute to economic development 280 in the Commonwealth; (iii) a program to upgrade research capacity in key departments of the 281 institutions in order to attract specific companies to locate or expand in Virginia; and (iv) a program to 282 enhance the capability of the institutions of higher education to commercialize technologies developed 283 through their research.

284 Awards for the matching funds component shall be contingent upon the approval of the institution's grant proposal for federal or private funds. 285

286 Awards from the Fund shall be matched on at least a dollar-for-dollar basis by the respective 287 institution of higher education, with private funds, or combinations thereof. However, for good cause, 288 this requirement may be waived, in whole or in part, by the chairman of the Authority, provided that 289 such action is reported to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees at 290 least 10 days prior to the award or disbursement of such funds for such purpose.

291 D. Awards shall be based on scientific merit and economic development potential of research 292 programs in the following fields: aerospace, biotechnology, energy, environmental and information 293 technologies, high performance manufacturing, sensor sciences, telecommunications, and transportation. 294 However, for good cause, awards supporting research in other relevant fields or disciplines may be made 295 by the chairman of the Authority, provided that such action is reported to the Chairmen of the House 296 Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees at least 10 days prior to the award or disbursement of 297 such funds for such purpose.

298 Specific guidelines for the award of funds from this program shall be established and maintained by 299 the Authority, in consultation with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership and the State 300 Council of Higher Education. These guidelines shall address, at a minimum, the application process, and 301 the composition and operation of proposal review panels, and give special emphasis to fostering 302 collaboration between institutions of higher education and partnerships between institutions of higher 303 education and business and industry.

304 Awards from the Fund shall be made by the Authority. The chairman of the Authority shall coordinate the evaluation of proposals, to be conducted by and may form review panels with the 305

306 appropriate science and technology expertise, drawn from federal agencies and academic and industrial 307 research institutions across the country to assist in reviewing applicants for grants from the Fund.

308 Recommendations on the grants shall be made by representatives from the Virginia Research and Technology Advisory Commission pursuant to § 2.2-2515, the Virginia Economic Development 309 310 Partnership, and the State Council of Higher Education based on the recommendations of the review 311 panels.

312 E. The chairman of the Authority shall provide the Governor and the General Assembly with an 313 annual report to include a detailed list of awards committed, the amount of each approved award, a 314 description of the approved proposals, and the amount of federal or private matching funds anticipated where applicable, and an assessment of the effectiveness of the Fund in attracting public and private 315 316 research funding and increasing technological and economic development in Virginia. 317

§ 2.2-3705.6. Exclusions to application of chapter; proprietary records and trade secrets.

318 The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the 319 custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

320 1. Proprietary information gathered by or for the Virginia Port Authority as provided in § 62.1-132.4 321 or 62.1-134.1.

322 2. Financial statements not publicly available filed with applications for industrial development 323 financings in accordance with Chapter 49 (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.) of Title 15.2.

324 3. Confidential proprietary records, voluntarily provided by private business pursuant to a promise of 325 confidentiality from the Department of Business Assistance, the Virginia Economic Development 326 Partnership, the Virginia Tourism Authority, the Tobacco Indemnification and Community Revitalization 327 Commission, a nonprofit, nonstock corporation created pursuant to § 2.2-2240.1, or local or regional industrial or economic development authorities or organizations, used by the Department, the 328 Partnership, the Authority, or such entities for business, trade and tourism development; and memoranda. 329 330 working papers or other records related to businesses that are considering locating or expanding in Virginia, prepared by such entities, where competition or bargaining is involved and where, if such 331 332 records are made public, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected.

333 4. Information that was filed as confidential under the Toxic Substances Information Act (§ 32.1-239 334 et seq.), as such Act existed prior to July 1, 1992.

335 5. Fisheries data that would permit identification of any person or vessel, except when required by 336 court order as specified in § 28.2-204.

337 6. Confidential financial statements, balance sheets, trade secrets, and revenue and cost projections 338 provided to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, provided such information is exempt 339 under the federal Freedom of Information Act or the federal Interstate Commerce Act or other laws 340 administered by the Surface Transportation Board or the Federal Railroad Administration with respect to 341 data provided in confidence to the Surface Transportation Board and the Federal Railroad 342 Administration.

343 7. Confidential proprietary records related to inventory and sales, voluntarily provided by private 344 energy suppliers to the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, used by that Department for energy 345 contingency planning purposes or for developing consolidated statistical information on energy supplies.

346 8. Confidential proprietary information furnished to the Board of Medical Assistance Services or the Medicaid Prior Authorization Advisory Committee pursuant to Article 4 (§ 32.1-331.12 et seq.) of 347 Chapter 10 of Title 32.1. 348

349 9. Proprietary, commercial or financial information, balance sheets, trade secrets, and revenue and 350 cost projections provided by a private transportation business to the Virginia Department of 351 Transportation and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the purpose of conducting transportation studies needed to obtain grants or other financial assistance under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (P.L. 105-178) for transportation projects, provided such information is 352 353 354 exempt under the federal Freedom of Information Act or the federal Interstate Commerce Act or other 355 laws administered by the Surface Transportation Board or the Federal Railroad Administration with 356 respect to data provided in confidence to the Surface Transportation Board and the Federal Railroad 357 Administration. However, the exemption provided by this subdivision shall not apply to any wholly 358 owned subsidiary of a public body.

359 10. Confidential information designated as provided in subsection F of § 2.2-4342 as trade secrets or 360 proprietary information by any person who has submitted to a public body an application for prequalification to bid on public construction projects in accordance with subsection B of § 2.2-4317. 361

362 11. a. Memoranda, staff evaluations, or other records prepared by the responsible public entity, its staff, outside advisors, or consultants exclusively for the evaluation and negotiation of proposals filed 363 under the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et seq.) or the Public Private Education 364 Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002 (§ 56-575.1 et seq.), where (i) if such records were made public 365 prior to or after the execution of an interim or a comprehensive agreement, § 56-573.1:1 or 56-575.17 366 notwithstanding, the financial interest or bargaining position of the public entity would be adversely 367

368 affected, and (ii) the basis for the determination required in clause (i) is documented in writing by the 369 responsible public entity; and

370 b. Records provided by a private entity to a responsible public entity, affected jurisdiction, or 371 affected local jurisdiction pursuant to the provisions of the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 or 372 the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002, to the extent that such records 373 contain (i) trade secrets of the private entity as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et 374 seq.); (ii) financial records of the private entity, including balance sheets and financial statements, that 375 are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise; or (iii) other 376 information submitted by the private entity, where, if the records were made public prior to the execution of an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement, the financial interest or bargaining 377 378 position of the public or private entity would be adversely affected. In order for the records specified in 379 clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the private entity shall make 380 a written request to the responsible public entity:

381 1. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from 382 disclosure is sought; 383

2. Identifying with specificity the data or other materials for which protection is sought; and

3. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

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385 The responsible public entity shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is 386 necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the private entity. To protect other records 387 submitted by the private entity from disclosure, the responsible public entity shall determine whether 388 public disclosure prior to the execution of an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement would 389 adversely affect the financial interest or bargaining position of the public or private entity. The 390 responsible public entity shall make a written determination of the nature and scope of the protection to 391 be afforded by the responsible public entity under this subdivision. Once a written determination is made 392 by the responsible public entity, the records afforded protection under this subdivision shall continue to 393 be protected from disclosure when in the possession of any affected jurisdiction or affected local 394 jurisdiction.

395 Except as specifically provided in subdivision 11 a, nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to 396 authorize the withholding of (a) procurement records as required by § 56-573.1:1 or 56-575.17; (b) 397 information concerning the terms and conditions of any interim or comprehensive agreement, service 398 contract, lease, partnership, or any agreement of any kind entered into by the responsible public entity 399 and the private entity; (c) information concerning the terms and conditions of any financing arrangement 400 that involves the use of any public funds; or (d) information concerning the performance of any private 401 entity developing or operating a qualifying transportation facility or a qualifying project.

402 For the purposes of this subdivision, the terms "affected jurisdiction," "affected local jurisdiction," "comprehensive agreement," "interim agreement," "qualifying project," "qualifying transportation 403 facility," "responsible public entity," and "private entity" shall mean the same as those terms are defined **404** in the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 or in the Public-Private Education Facilities and 405 406 Infrastructure Act of 2002.

12. Confidential proprietary information or trade secrets, not publicly available, provided by a private 407 408 person or entity to the Virginia Resources Authority or to a fund administered in connection with 409 financial assistance rendered or to be rendered by the Virginia Resources Authority where, if such 410 information were made public, the financial interest of the private person or entity would be adversely 411 affected, and, after June 30, 1997, where such information was provided pursuant to a promise of 412 confidentiality.

413 13. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), or confidential 414 proprietary records that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or 415 otherwise, provided by a (a) bidder or applicant for a franchise or (b) franchisee under Chapter 21 416 (§ 15.2-2100 et seq.) of Title 15.2 to the applicable franchising authority pursuant to a promise of 417 confidentiality from the franchising authority, to the extent the records relate to the bidder's, applicant's, 418 or franchisee's financial capacity or provision of new services, adoption of new technologies or 419 implementation of improvements, where such new services, technologies or improvements have not been 420 implemented by the franchisee on a nonexperimental scale in the franchise area, and where, if such 421 records were made public, the competitive advantage or financial interests of the franchisee would be 422 adversely affected.

423 In order for trade secrets or confidential proprietary information to be excluded from the provisions 424 of this chapter, the bidder, applicant, or franchisee shall (i) invoke such exclusion upon submission of 425 the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought, (ii) identify the data or other 426 materials for which protection is sought, and (iii) state the reason why protection is necessary.

427 No bidder, applicant, or franchisee may invoke the exclusion provided by this subdivision if the 428 bidder, applicant, or franchisee is owned or controlled by a public body or if any representative of the 429 applicable franchising authority serves on the management board or as an officer of the bidder,430 applicant, or franchisee.

431 14. Documents and other information of a proprietary nature furnished by a supplier of charitable
432 gaming supplies to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to subsection E of
433 § 18.2-340.34.

434 15. Records and reports related to Virginia apple producer sales provided to the Virginia State Apple435 Board pursuant to §§ 3.1-622 and 3.1-624.

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

439 17. Records submitted as a grant application, or accompanying a grant application, to the Innovative 440 Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority pursuant to Article 3 (§ 2.2-2233.1 et 441 seq.) of Chapter 22 of Title 2.2 or to the Commonwealth Health Research Board pursuant to Chapter 22 442 (§ 23-277 et seq.) of Title 23 to the extent such records contain proprietary business or research-related 443 information produced or collected by the applicant in the conduct of or as a result of study or research 444 on medical, rehabilitative, scientific, technical, technological, or scholarly issues, when such information 445 has not been publicly released, published, copyrighted, or patented, if the disclosure of such information 446 would be harmful to the competitive position of the applicant.

18. Confidential proprietary records and trade secrets developed and held by a local public body (i) providing telecommunication services pursuant to § 56-265.4:4 and (ii) providing cable television services pursuant to Article 1.1 (§ 15.2-2108.2 et seq.) of Chapter 21 of Title 15.2, to the extent that disclosure of such records would be harmful to the competitive position of the locality. In order for confidential proprietary information or trade secrets to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the locality in writing shall (i) invoke the protections of this subdivision, (ii) identify with specificity the records or portions thereof for which protection is sought, and (iii) state the reasons why protection is necessary.

455 19. Confidential proprietary records and trade secrets developed by or for a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) to provide qualifying communications services as authorized by Article 5.1 (§ 56-484.7:1 et seq.) of Chapter 15 of Title 56, where disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the authority, except that records required to be maintained in accordance with § 15.2-2160 shall be released.

461 20. Trade secrets as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.) or financial 462 records of a business, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, provided to the Department of Minority 463 464 Business Enterprise as part of an application for (i) certification as a small, women- or minority-owned 465 business in accordance with Chapter 14 (§ 2.2-1400 et seq.) of this title or (ii) a claim made by a 466 disadvantaged business or an economically disadvantaged individual against the Capital Access Fund for Disadvantaged Businesses created pursuant to § 2.2-2311. In order for such trade secrets or financial 467 468 records to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the business shall (a) invoke such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought, (b) 469 470 identify the data or other materials for which protection is sought, and (c) state the reasons why 471 protection is necessary.

472 21. Documents and other information of a proprietary or confidential nature disclosed by a carrier to473 the State Health Commissioner pursuant to § 32.1-276.5:1.

474 22. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), including, but
475 not limited to, financial records, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally
476 available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, and revenue and cost projections
477 supplied by a private or nongovernmental entity to the Inspector General of the Virginia Department of
478 Transportation for the purpose of an audit, special investigation, or any study requested by the Inspector
479 General's Office in accordance with law.

480 In order for the records specified in this subdivision to be excluded from the provisions of this481 chapter, the private or nongovernmental entity shall make a written request to the Department:

482 1. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought;

2. Identifying with specificity the data or other materials for which protection is sought; and

3. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

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The Inspector General of the Virginia Department of Transportation shall determine whether the
requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the
private entity. The Virginia Department of Transportation shall make a written determination of the
nature and scope of the protection to be afforded by it under this subdivision.

490 § 2.2-3711. Closed meetings authorized for certain limited purposes.

491 A. Public bodies may hold closed meetings only for the following purposes:

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492 1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, 493 appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public 494 officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or 495 schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve 496 discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present 497 during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that 498 involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the 499 teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board.

500 2. Discussion or consideration of admission or disciplinary matters or any other matters that would 501 involve the disclosure of information contained in a scholastic record concerning any student of any 502 Virginia public institution of higher education or any state school system. However, any such student, 503 legal counsel and, if the student is a minor, the student's parents or legal guardians shall be permitted to 504 be present during the taking of testimony or presentation of evidence at a closed meeting, if such 505 student, parents, or guardians so request in writing and such request is submitted to the presiding officer 506 of the appropriate board.

507 3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the 508 disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect 509 the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

4. The protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business.

511 5. Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in 512 513 locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

514 6. Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is 515 involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be 516 adversely affected.

517 7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual 518 or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the 519 negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or 520 retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such 521 counsel. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been 522 specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe 523 will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to 524 permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance 525 or is consulted on a matter.

526 8. In the case of boards of visitors of public institutions of higher education, discussion or 527 consideration of matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities, and grants and contracts 528 for services or work to be performed by such institution. However, the terms and conditions of any such 529 gifts, bequests, grants, and contracts made by a foreign government, a foreign legal entity, or a foreign 530 person and accepted by a public institution of higher education in Virginia shall be subject to public 531 disclosure upon written request to the appropriate board of visitors. For the purpose of this subdivision, (i) "foreign government" means any government other than the United States government or the 532 533 government of a state or a political subdivision thereof; (ii) "foreign legal entity" means any legal entity 534 created under the laws of the United States or of any state thereof if a majority of the ownership of the 535 stock of such legal entity is owned by foreign governments or foreign persons or if a majority of the 536 membership of any such entity is composed of foreign persons or foreign legal entities, or any legal 537 entity created under the laws of a foreign government; and (iii) "foreign person" means any individual 538 who is not a citizen or national of the United States or a trust territory or protectorate thereof.

539 9. In the case of the boards of trustees of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the Virginia Museum 540 of Natural History, and The Science Museum of Virginia, discussion or consideration of matters relating 541 to specific gifts, bequests, and grants. 542

10. Discussion or consideration of honorary degrees or special awards.

543 11. Discussion or consideration of tests, examinations, or other records excluded from this chapter 544 pursuant to subdivision 4 of § 2.2-3705.1.

545 12. Discussion, consideration, or review by the appropriate House or Senate committees of possible 546 disciplinary action against a member arising out of the possible inadequacy of the disclosure statement 547 filed by the member, provided the member may request in writing that the committee meeting not be 548 conducted in a closed meeting.

549 13. Discussion of strategy with respect to the negotiation of a hazardous waste siting agreement or to 550 consider the terms, conditions, and provisions of a hazardous waste siting agreement if the governing body in open meeting finds that an open meeting will have an adverse effect upon the negotiating 551

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position of the governing body or the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting
agreement, or both. All discussions with the applicant or its representatives may be conducted in a
closed meeting.

555 14. Discussion by the Governor and any economic advisory board reviewing forecasts of economic 556 activity and estimating general and nongeneral fund revenues.

557 15. Discussion or consideration of medical and mental records excluded from this chapter pursuant to558 subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.5.

16. Deliberations of the State Lottery Board in a licensing appeal action conducted pursuant to subsection D of § 58.1-4007 regarding the denial or revocation of a license of a lottery sales agent; and discussion, consideration or review of State Lottery Department matters related to proprietary lottery game information and studies or investigations exempted from disclosure under subdivision 6 of § 2.2-3705.3 and subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.7.

564 17. Those portions of meetings by local government crime commissions where the identity of, or
565 information tending to identify, individuals providing information about crimes or criminal activities
566 under a promise of anonymity is discussed or disclosed.

567 18. Those portions of meetings in which the Board of Corrections discusses or discloses the identity
568 of, or information tending to identify, any prisoner who (i) provides information about crimes or
569 criminal activities, (ii) renders assistance in preventing the escape of another prisoner or in the
570 apprehension of an escaped prisoner, or (iii) voluntarily or at the instance of a prison official renders
571 other extraordinary services, the disclosure of which is likely to jeopardize the prisoner's life or safety.

572 19. Discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity and briefings by staff 573 members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement or emergency service officials concerning actions taken to 574 respond to such activity or a related threat to public safety; or discussion of reports or plans related to 575 the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such 576 facility, building or structure.

577 20. Discussion by the Board of the Virginia Retirement System, acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, or 578 of any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, or of the Rector and Visitors of the 579 University of Virginia, acting pursuant to § 23-76.1, regarding the acquisition, holding or disposition of 580 a security or other ownership interest in an entity, where such security or ownership interest is not 581 traded on a governmentally regulated securities exchange, to the extent that such discussion (i) concerns 582 confidential analyses prepared for the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, prepared by the 583 retirement system or provided to the retirement system under a promise of confidentiality, of the future 584 value of such ownership interest or the future financial performance of the entity, and (ii) would have an adverse effect on the value of the investment to be acquired, held or disposed of by the retirement 585 system or the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia. Nothing in this subdivision shall be 586 587 construed to prevent the disclosure of information relating to the identity of any investment held, the 588 amount invested or the present value of such investment.

589 21. Those portions of meetings in which individual child death cases are discussed by the State Child
590 Fatality Review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.1, and those portions of meetings in which
591 individual child death cases are discussed by a regional or local child fatality review team established
592 pursuant to § 32.1-283.2, and those portions of meetings in which individual death cases are discussed
593 by family violence fatality review teams established pursuant to § 32.1-283.3.

594 22. Those portions of meetings of the University of Virginia Board of Visitors or the Eastern 595 Virginia Medical School Board of Visitors, as the case may be, and those portions of meetings of any 596 persons to whom management responsibilities for the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern 597 Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, have been delegated, in which there is discussed 598 proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of the University of Virginia 599 Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, including business development 600 or marketing strategies and activities with existing or future joint venturers, partners, or other parties 601 with whom the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case 602 may be, has formed, or forms, any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of such 603 information would adversely affect the competitive position of the Medical Center or Eastern Virginia **604** Medical School, as the case may be.

23. In the case of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority, discussion or 605 606 consideration of any of the following: the acquisition or disposition of real or personal property where 607 disclosure would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Authority; 608 operational plans that could affect the value of such property, real or personal, owned or desirable for ownership by the Authority; matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities; grants and 609 contracts for services or work to be performed by the Authority; marketing or operational strategies 610 611 where disclosure of such strategies would adversely affect the competitive position of the Authority; members of its medical and teaching staffs and qualifications for appointments thereto; and qualifications 612 613 or evaluations of other employees.

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614 24. Those portions of the meetings of the Intervention Program Committee within the Department of 615 Health Professions to the extent such discussions identify any practitioner who may be, or who actually is, impaired pursuant to Chapter 25.1 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1. 616

25. Meetings or portions of meetings of the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan wherein 617 618 personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, which has been provided to the Board or its employees by or on behalf of individuals who have requested information about, applied for, or entered into 619 620 prepaid tuition contracts or savings trust account agreements pursuant to Chapter 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.) 621 of Title 23 is discussed.

622 26. Discussion or consideration, by the Wireless Carrier E-911 Cost Recovery Subcommittee created 623 pursuant to § 56-484.15, of trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et 624 seq.), submitted by CMRS providers as defined in § 56-484.12, related to the provision of wireless 625 E-911 service.

626 27. Those portions of disciplinary proceedings by any regulatory board within the Department of 627 Professional and Occupational Regulation, Department of Health Professions, or the Board of 628 Accountancy conducted pursuant to § 2.2-4019 or 2.2-4020 during which the board deliberates to reach 629 a decision or meetings of health regulatory boards or conference committees of such boards to consider 630 settlement proposals in pending disciplinary actions or modifications to previously issued board orders as 631 requested by either of the parties.

632 28. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 11 of 633 § 2.2-3705.6 by a responsible public entity or an affected local jurisdiction, as those terms are defined in 634 § 56-557, or any independent review panel appointed to review information and advise the responsible 635 public entity concerning such records.

636 29. Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including 637 interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of 638 639 the public body.

640 30. Discussion or consideration of grant application records excluded from this chapter pursuant to 641 subdivision 17 of § 2.2-3705.6 by (i) the Commonwealth Health Research Board or (ii) the Innovative 642 Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority or a grant allocation committee 643 appointed to advise the Innovative Technology Authority on the grant applications.

31. Discussion or consideration by the Commitment Review Committee of records excluded from 644 645 this chapter pursuant to subdivision 9 of § 2.2-3705.2 relating to individuals subject to commitment as 646 sexually violent predators under Chapter 9 (§ 37.2-900 et seq.) of Title 37.2. 647

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648 33. Discussion or consideration of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets excluded from 649 this chapter pursuant to subdivision 18 of § 2.2-3705.6.

650 34. Discussion or consideration by a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless 651 Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets 652 excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 19 of § 2.2-3705.6.

653 35. Discussion or consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of voting 654 security matters made confidential pursuant to § 24.2-625.1.

655 36. Discussion or consideration by the Forensic Science Board or the Scientific Advisory Committee created pursuant to Article 2 (§ 9.1-1109 et seq.) of Chapter 11 of Title 9.1 of records excluded from 656 657 this chapter pursuant to subdivision F 1 of § 2.2-3706.

658 37. Discussion or consideration by the Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Program Awards 659 Committee of records or confidential matters excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of 660 § 2.2-3705.4, and meetings of the Committee to deliberate concerning the annual maximum scholarship 661 award, review and consider scholarship applications and requests for scholarship award renewal, and 662 cancel, rescind, or recover scholarship awards.

38. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Port Authority of records excluded from this chapter 663 664 pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.6.

665 39. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Retirement System acting 666 pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, or the Investment Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 51.1-124.26, or by any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803 of records excluded from this chapter 667 pursuant to subdivision 25 of § 2.2-3705.7. 668

40. Discussion or consideration by the Department of Business Assistance, the Virginia Economic 669 670 Development Partnership, the Virginia Tourism Authority, the Tobacco Indemnification and Community 671 Revitalization Commission, a nonprofit, nonstock corporation created pursuant to § 2.2-2240.1, or local 672 or regional industrial or economic development authorities or organizations of records excluded from 673 this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of § $\overline{2.2-3705.6}$.

674 41. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Education of records relating to the denial, 699

675 suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 13 of § 2.2-3705.3.

42. Those portions of meetings of the Virginia Military Advisory Council, the Virginia National
Defense Industrial Authority, or a local or regional military affairs organization appointed by a local
governing body, during which there is discussion of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to
subdivision 12 of § 2.2-3705.2.

B. No resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation or motion adopted, passed or agreed to in a
closed meeting shall become effective unless the public body, following the meeting, reconvenes in open
meeting and takes a vote of the membership on such resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation, or
motion that shall have its substance reasonably identified in the open meeting.

685 C. Public officers improperly selected due to the failure of the public body to comply with the other
686 provisions of this section shall be de facto officers and, as such, their official actions are valid until they
687 obtain notice of the legal defect in their election.

688 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the holding of conferences between two or
 689 more public bodies, or their representatives, but these conferences shall be subject to the same
 690 procedures for holding closed meetings as are applicable to any other public body.

691 E. This section shall not be construed to (i) require the disclosure of any contract between the Intervention Program Committee within the Department of Health Professions and an impaired **692** 693 practitioner entered into pursuant to Chapter 25.1 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1 or (ii) require the **694** board of directors of any authority created pursuant to the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond 695 Act (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.), or any public body empowered to issue industrial revenue bonds by general or special law, to identify a business or industry to which subdivision A 5 applies. However, such business 696 or industry shall be identified as a matter of public record at least 30 days prior to the actual date of the 697 698 board's authorization of the sale or issuance of such bonds.

§ 23-4.4. Authorization to transfer interest; Governor's approval required under certain circumstances.

700 A. The boards of visitors, the State Board for Community Colleges, or their designees are authorized 701 to assign any interest they possess in intellectual property or in materials in which the institution claims 702 an interest, provided such assignment is in accordance with the terms of the institution's intellectual 703 property policies adopted pursuant to subsection A of § 23-4.3. However, the Governor's prior written 704 approval shall be required for transfers of such property developed wholly or predominately through the 705 use of state general funds, exclusive of capital assets, and either (i) such property was developed by an 706 employee of the institution acting within the scope of his assigned duties, or (ii) such property is to be 707 transferred to an entity other than the Innovative Technology Innovation and Entrepreneurship 708 Investment Authority, an entity whose purpose is to manage intellectual properties on behalf of nonprofit organizations, colleges and universities, or an entity whose purpose is to benefit the respective 709 710 institutions. The Governor may attach conditions to these transfers as he deems necessary. In the event 711 the Governor does not approve such transfer, the materials shall remain the property of the respective 712 institutions and may be used and developed in any manner permitted by law.

713 B. The president of each state-supported institution of higher education, including the chancellor of
714 the Virginia Community College System, shall report annually to the Governor and the Joint
715 Commission on Technology and Science regarding the assignment of any intellectual property interests
716 by that institution.

717 2. That §§ 2.2-2513 through 2.2-2517 of the Code of Virginia are repealed.

718 3. That all appointments to the Innovative Technology Authority, as it exists June 30, 2009, shall 719 expire on July 1, 2009. New appointments shall be made to the Innovation and Entrepreneurship 720 Investment Authority, its successor in interest, pursuant to the provisions of this act. The initial appointment of members in accordance with this act shall be staggered as follows: one of the 721 722 presidents of a major research state institution of higher education and the president representing 723 other state institutions of higher education for a term of one year; one president of a major 724 research state institution of higher education for a term of two years; the Governor's appointees 725 with entrepreneurial and investment experience for a term of one year; the Governor's appointee 726 with industry experience for a term of two years; Joint Rules' appointee with industry experience 727 for a term of one year; and Joint Rules' appointees with entrepreneurial and investment 728 experience for a term of two years.

4. That as of the effective date of this act, the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment
Authority shall be deemed the successor in interest to the Innovative Technology Authority.
Without limiting the foregoing, all right, title and interest in and to any real or tangible personal
property vested in the Innovative Technology Authority as of the effective date of this act shall be
transferred to and taken as standing in the name of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship
Investment Authority.