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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend and reenact §§ 2.2-3705.6 and 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the
 3 Virginia Freedom of Information Act; Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Community
 4 Revitalization Commission.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

8 1. That §§ 2.2-3705.6 and 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:
 9 § 2.2-3705.6. Exclusions to application of chapter; proprietary records and trade secrets.

10 The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the 11 custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

12 1. Proprietary information gathered by or for the Virginia Port Authority as provided in § 62.1-132.413 or 62.1-134.1.

14 2. Financial statements not publicly available filed with applications for industrial development15 financings in accordance with Chapter 49 (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.) of Title 15.2.

3. Confidential proprietary records, voluntarily provided by private business pursuant to a promise of confidentiality from a public body, used by the public body for business, trade and tourism development or retention; and memoranda, working papers or other records related to businesses that are considering locating or expanding in Virginia, prepared by a public body, where competition or bargaining is involved and where, if such records are made public, the financial interest of the public body would be adversely affected.

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

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

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

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

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
 Chapter 10 of Title 32.1.

38 9. Proprietary, commercial or financial information, balance sheets, trade secrets, and revenue and 39 cost projections provided by a private transportation business to the Virginia Department of 40 Transportation and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the purpose of conducting 41 transportation studies needed to obtain grants or other financial assistance under the Transportation 42 Equity Act for the 21st Century (P.L. 105-178) for transportation projects, provided such information is 43 exempt under the federal Freedom of Information Act or the federal Interstate Commerce Act or other laws administered by the Surface Transportation Board or the Federal Railroad Administration with 44 45 respect to data provided in confidence to the Surface Transportation Board and the Federal Railroad Administration. However, the exemption provided by this subdivision shall not apply to any wholly 46 47 owned subsidiary of a public body.

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

51 11. a. Memoranda, staff evaluations, or other records prepared by the responsible public entity, its 52 staff, outside advisors, or consultants exclusively for the evaluation and negotiation of proposals filed 53 under the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et seq.) or the Public Private Education 54 Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002 (§ 56-575.1 et seq.), where (i) if such records were made public 55 prior to or after the execution of an interim or a comprehensive agreement, § 56-573.1:1 or 56-575.17 56 notwithstanding, the financial interest or bargaining position of the public entity would be adversely REENROLLED

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

59 b. Records provided by a private entity to a responsible public entity, affected jurisdiction, or 60 affected local jurisdiction pursuant to the provisions of the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 or the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002, to the extent that such records 61 62 contain (i) trade secrets of the private entity as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.); (ii) financial records of the private entity, including balance sheets and financial statements, that 63 64 are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise; or (iii) other 65 information submitted by the private entity, where, if the records were made public prior to the 66 execution of an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement, the financial interest or bargaining position of the public or private entity would be adversely affected. In order for the records specified in 67 68 clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the private entity shall make 69 a written request to the responsible public entity:

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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74 The responsible public entity shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is 75 necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the private entity. To protect other records 76 submitted by the private entity from disclosure, the responsible public entity shall determine whether 77 public disclosure prior to the execution of an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement would 78 adversely affect the financial interest or bargaining position of the public or private entity. The 79 responsible public entity shall make a written determination of the nature and scope of the protection to 80 be afforded by the responsible public entity under this subdivision. Once a written determination is made by the responsible public entity, the records afforded protection under this subdivision shall continue to 81 be protected from disclosure when in the possession of any affected jurisdiction or affected local 82 83 jurisdiction.

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

91 For the purposes of this subdivision, the terms "affected jurisdiction," "affected local jurisdiction," 92 "comprehensive agreement," "interim agreement," "qualifying project," "qualifying transportation 93 facility," "responsible public entity," and "private entity" shall mean the same as those terms are defined 94 in the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 or in the Public-Private Education Facilities and 95 Infrastructure Act of 2002.

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

102 13. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), or confidential proprietary records that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or 103 104 otherwise, provided by a (a) bidder or applicant for a franchise or (b) franchisee under Chapter 21 105 (§ 15.2-2100 et seq.) of Title 15.2 to the applicable franchising authority pursuant to a promise of confidentiality from the franchising authority, to the extent the records relate to the bidder's, applicant's, 106 107 or franchisee's financial capacity or provision of new services, adoption of new technologies or 108 implementation of improvements, where such new services, technologies or improvements have not been 109 implemented by the franchisee on a nonexperimental scale in the franchise area, and where, if such 110 records were made public, the competitive advantage or financial interests of the franchisee would be 111 adversely affected.

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

116 No bidder, applicant, or franchisee may invoke the exclusion provided by this subdivision if the 117 bidder, applicant, or franchisee is owned or controlled by a public body or if any representative of the 118 applicable franchising authority serves on the management board or as an officer of the bidder, 119 applicant, or franchisee.

120 14. Documents and other information of a proprietary nature furnished by a supplier of charitable
 121 gaming supplies to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to subsection E of
 122 § 18.2-340.34.

123 15. Records and reports related to Virginia apple producer sales provided to the Virginia State Apple124 Board pursuant to § 3.2-1215.

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

128 17. Records submitted as a grant or loan application, or accompanying a grant or loan application, to 129 the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority pursuant to Article 3 (§ 2.2-2233.1 et seq.) of Chapter 22 of Title 2.2 or to the Commonwealth Health Research Board pursuant to Chapter 22 130 (§ 23-277 et seq.) of Title 23 to the extent such records contain proprietary business or research-related 131 132 information produced or collected by the applicant in the conduct of or as a result of study or research 133 on medical, rehabilitative, scientific, technical, technological, or scholarly issues, when such information 134 has not been publicly released, published, copyrighted, or patented, if the disclosure of such information 135 would be harmful to the competitive position of the applicant.

136 18. Confidential proprietary records and trade secrets developed and held by a local public body (i) 137 providing telecommunication services pursuant to § 56-265.4:4 and (ii) providing cable television 138 services pursuant to Article 1.1 (§ 15.2-2108.2 et seq.) of Chapter 21 of Title 15.2, to the extent that 139 disclosure of such records would be harmful to the competitive position of the locality. In order for 140 confidential proprietary information or trade secrets to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, 141 the locality in writing shall (i) invoke the protections of this subdivision, (ii) identify with specificity the 142 records or portions thereof for which protection is sought, and (iii) state the reasons why protection is 143 necessary.

144 19. Confidential proprietary records and trade secrets developed by or for a local authority created in 145 accordance with the Virginia Wireless Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) to provide 146 qualifying communications services as authorized by Article 5.1 (§ 56-484.7:1 et seq.) of Chapter 15 of 147 Title 56, where disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the 148 authority, except that records required to be maintained in accordance with § 15.2-2160 shall be 149 released.

20. Trade secrets as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.) or financial 150 151 records of a business, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available 152 to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, provided to the Department of Minority 153 Business Enterprise as part of an application for (i) certification as a small, women-owned, or minority-owned business in accordance with Chapter 14 (§ 2.2-1400 et seq.) of this title or (ii) a claim 154 155 made by a disadvantaged business or an economically disadvantaged individual against the Capital 156 Access Fund for Disadvantaged Businesses created pursuant to § 2.2-2311. In order for such trade 157 secrets or financial records to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the business shall (a) 158 invoke such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from 159 disclosure is sought, (b) identify the data or other materials for which protection is sought, and (c) state 160 the reasons why protection is necessary.

161 21. Documents and other information of a proprietary or confidential nature disclosed by a carrier to 162 the State Health Commissioner pursuant to § 32.1-276.5:1.

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

169 In order for the records specified in this subdivision to be excluded from the provisions of this 170 chapter, the private or nongovernmental entity shall make a written request to the Department:

171 1. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from172 disclosure is sought;

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

174 3. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

175 The Inspector General of the Virginia Department of Transportation shall determine whether the 176 requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the 177 private entity. The Virginia Department of Transportation shall make a written determination of the 178 nature and scope of the protection to be afforded by it under this subdivision. 179 23. Records submitted as a grant application, or accompanying a grant application, to the Virginia 180 Tobacco Indemnification and Community Revitalization Commission to the extent such records contain 181 (i) trade secrets as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), (ii) financial records 182 of a grant applicant that is not a public body, including balance sheets and financial statements, that 183 are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, or (iii) 184 research-related information produced or collected by the applicant in the conduct of or as a result of 185 study or research on medical, rehabilitative, scientific, technical, technological, or scholarly issues, when such information has not been publicly released, published, copyrighted, or patented, if the 186 disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the applicant; and 187 188 memoranda, staff evaluations, or other records prepared by the Commission or its staff exclusively for 189 the evaluation of grant applications. The exclusion provided by this subdivision shall apply to grants that are consistent with the powers of and in furtherance of the performance of the duties of the 190 Commission pursuant to § 3.2-3103. 191

192 In order for the records specified in this subdivision to be excluded from the provisions of this 193 chapter, the applicant shall make a written request to the Commission:

194 1. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from 195 disclosure is sought;

196 2. Identifying with specificity the data or records for which protection is sought; and

197 3. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

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198 The Commission shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to 199 protect the trade secrets, financial records or research-related information of the applicant. The 200 Commission shall make a written determination of the nature and scope of the protection to be afforded 201 by it under this subdivision. 202

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

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

204 1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public 205 officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or 206 207 schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve 208 discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present 209 during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that 210 involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the 211 teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board.

212 2. Discussion or consideration of admission or disciplinary matters or any other matters that would 213 involve the disclosure of information contained in a scholastic record concerning any student of any 214 Virginia public institution of higher education or any state school system. However, any such student, 215 legal counsel and, if the student is a minor, the student's parents or legal guardians shall be permitted to be present during the taking of testimony or presentation of evidence at a closed meeting, if such 216 student, parents, or guardians so request in writing and such request is submitted to the presiding officer 217 218 of the appropriate board.

219 3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the 220 disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect 221 the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. 222

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

223 5. Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business 224 or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in 225 locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

226 6. Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is 227 involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be 228 adversely affected.

229 7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual 230 or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the 231 negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or 232 retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such 233 counsel. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been 234 specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe 235 will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to 236 permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance 237 or is consulted on a matter.

238 8. In the case of boards of visitors of public institutions of higher education, discussion or 239 consideration of matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities, and grants and contracts 240 for services or work to be performed by such institution. However, the terms and conditions of any such 241 gifts, bequests, grants, and contracts made by a foreign government, a foreign legal entity, or a foreign 242 person and accepted by a public institution of higher education in Virginia shall be subject to public 243 disclosure upon written request to the appropriate board of visitors. For the purpose of this subdivision, 244 (i) "foreign government" means any government other than the United States government or the 245 government of a state or a political subdivision thereof; (ii) "foreign legal entity" means any legal entity 246 created under the laws of the United States or of any state thereof if a majority of the ownership of the 247 stock of such legal entity is owned by foreign governments or foreign persons or if a majority of the 248 membership of any such entity is composed of foreign persons or foreign legal entities, or any legal 249 entity created under the laws of a foreign government; and (iii) "foreign person" means any individual 250 who is not a citizen or national of the United States or a trust territory or protectorate thereof.

251 9. In the case of the boards of trustees of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the Virginia Museum 252 of Natural History, and The Science Museum of Virginia, discussion or consideration of matters relating 253 to specific gifts, bequests, and grants. 254

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

255 11. Discussion or consideration of tests, examinations, or other records excluded from this chapter 256 pursuant to subdivision 4 of § 2.2-3705.1.

257 12. Discussion, consideration, or review by the appropriate House or Senate committees of possible 258 disciplinary action against a member arising out of the possible inadequacy of the disclosure statement 259 filed by the member, provided the member may request in writing that the committee meeting not be 260 conducted in a closed meeting.

13. Discussion of strategy with respect to the negotiation of a hazardous waste siting agreement or to 261 262 consider the terms, conditions, and provisions of a hazardous waste siting agreement if the governing 263 body in open meeting finds that an open meeting will have an adverse effect upon the negotiating 264 position of the governing body or the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting 265 agreement, or both. All discussions with the applicant or its representatives may be conducted in a 266 closed meeting.

267 14. Discussion by the Governor and any economic advisory board reviewing forecasts of economic 268 activity and estimating general and nongeneral fund revenues.

269 15. Discussion or consideration of medical and mental records excluded from this chapter pursuant to 270 subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.5.

271 16. Deliberations of the State Lottery Board in a licensing appeal action conducted pursuant to 272 subsection D of § 58.1-4007 regarding the denial or revocation of a license of a lottery sales agent; and 273 discussion, consideration or review of State Lottery Department matters related to proprietary lottery 274 game information and studies or investigations exempted from disclosure under subdivision 6 of 275 § 2.2-3705.3 and subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.7.

276 17. Those portions of meetings by local government crime commissions where the identity of, or 277 information tending to identify, individuals providing information about crimes or criminal activities 278 under a promise of anonymity is discussed or disclosed.

18. Those portions of meetings in which the Board of Corrections discusses or discloses the identity 279 280 of, or information tending to identify, any prisoner who (i) provides information about crimes or 281 criminal activities, (ii) renders assistance in preventing the escape of another prisoner or in the 282 apprehension of an escaped prisoner, or (iii) voluntarily or at the instance of a prison official renders 283 other extraordinary services, the disclosure of which is likely to jeopardize the prisoner's life or safety.

19. Discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity and briefings by staff 284 members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement or emergency service officials concerning actions taken to 285 286 respond to such activity or a related threat to public safety; or discussion of reports or plans related to 287 the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such 288 facility, building or structure.

289 20. Discussion by the Board of the Virginia Retirement System, acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, or 290 of any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, or of the Rector and Visitors of the 291 University of Virginia, acting pursuant to § 23-76.1, or by the Board of the Virginia College Savings 292 Plan, acting pursuant to § 23-38.80, regarding the acquisition, holding or disposition of a security or 293 other ownership interest in an entity, where such security or ownership interest is not traded on a 294 governmentally regulated securities exchange, to the extent that such discussion (i) concerns confidential 295 analyses prepared for the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, prepared by the retirement 296 system or by the Virginia College Savings Plan or provided to the retirement system or the Virginia 297 College Savings Plan under a promise of confidentiality, of the future value of such ownership interest 298 or the future financial performance of the entity, and (ii) would have an adverse effect on the value of 299 the investment to be acquired, held or disposed of by the retirement system, the Rector and Visitors of 300 the University of Virginia, or the Virginia College Savings Plan. Nothing in this subdivision shall be

301 construed to prevent the disclosure of information relating to the identity of any investment held, the 302 amount invested or the present value of such investment.

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

308 22. Those portions of meetings of the University of Virginia Board of Visitors or the Eastern 309 Virginia Medical School Board of Visitors, as the case may be, and those portions of meetings of any 310 persons to whom management responsibilities for the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern 311 Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, have been delegated, in which there is discussed 312 proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, including business development 313 or marketing strategies and activities with existing or future joint venturers, partners, or other parties 314 315 with whom the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case 316 may be, has formed, or forms, any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of such information would adversely affect the competitive position of the Medical Center or Eastern Virginia 317 318 Medical School, as the case may be.

319 23. In the case of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority, discussion or 320 consideration of any of the following: the acquisition or disposition of real or personal property where 321 disclosure would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Authority; 322 operational plans that could affect the value of such property, real or personal, owned or desirable for 323 ownership by the Authority; matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities; grants and 324 contracts for services or work to be performed by the Authority; marketing or operational strategies 325 where disclosure of such strategies would adversely affect the competitive position of the Authority; 326 members of its medical and teaching staffs and qualifications for appointments thereto; and qualifications 327 or evaluations of other employees.

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

25. Meetings or portions of meetings of the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan wherein
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
prepaid tuition contracts or savings trust account agreements pursuant to Chapter 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.)
of Title 23 is discussed.

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

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

346 28. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 11 of
347 § 2.2-3705.6 by a responsible public entity or an affected local jurisdiction, as those terms are defined in
348 § 56-557, or any independent review panel appointed to review information and advise the responsible
349 public entity concerning such records.

29. Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including
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
the public body.

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

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

361 32. [Expired.]

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- 362 33. Discussion or consideration of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets excluded from363 this chapter pursuant to subdivision 18 of § 2.2-3705.6.
- 364 34. Discussion or consideration by a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless
 365 Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets
 366 excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 19 of § 2.2-3705.6.
- 367 35. Discussion or consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of voting368 security matters made confidential pursuant to § 24.2-625.1.
- 369 36. Discussion or consideration by the Forensic Science Board or the Scientific Advisory Committee
 370 created pursuant to Article 2 (§ 9.1-1109 et seq.) of Chapter 11 of Title 9.1 of records excluded from
 371 this chapter pursuant to subdivision F 1 of § 2.2-3706.
- 372 37. Discussion or consideration by the Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Program Awards
 373 Committee of records or confidential matters excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of
 374 § 2.2-3705.4, and meetings of the Committee to deliberate concerning the annual maximum scholarship
 375 award, review and consider scholarship applications and requests for scholarship award renewal, and
 376 cancel, rescind, or recover scholarship awards.
- 377 38. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Port Authority of records excluded from this chapter378 pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.6.
- 379 39. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Retirement System acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, by the Investment Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 51.1-124.26, by any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, by the Board of the Virginia College
 381 Savings Plan acting pursuant to § 23-38.80, or by the Virginia College Savings Plan's Investment Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 23-38.79:1 of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 25 of § 2.2-3705.7.
- 40. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of§ 2.2-3705.6.
- 387 41. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Education of records relating to the denial,
 388 suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 13 of
 389 § 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.
- 394 43. Discussion or consideration by the advisory committee for veterans care centers established by
 395 the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Veterans Services pursuant to § 2.2-2004.1 of records
 396 excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 28 of § 2.2-3705.7.
- 44. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Veterans Services Foundation of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 29 of § 2.2-3705.7.
- **399** 45. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Community **400** Revitalization Commission of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 23 of **401** § 2.2-3705.6.
- 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.
- 406 C. Public officers improperly selected due to the failure of the public body to comply with the other
 407 provisions of this section shall be de facto officers and, as such, their official actions are valid until they
 408 obtain notice of the legal defect in their election.
- 409 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the holding of conferences between two or
 410 more public bodies, or their representatives, but these conferences shall be subject to the same
 411 procedures for holding closed meetings as are applicable to any other public body.
- 412 E. This section shall not be construed to (i) require the disclosure of any contract between the 413 Department of Health Professions and an impaired practitioner entered into pursuant to Chapter 25.1 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1 or (ii) require the board of directors of any authority created pursuant 414 to the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond Act (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.), or any public body 415 empowered to issue industrial revenue bonds by general or special law, to identify a business or industry 416 417 to which subdivision A 5 applies. However, such business or industry shall be identified as a matter of 418 public record at least 30 days prior to the actual date of the board's authorization of the sale or issuance 419 of such bonds.