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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 1776
2	AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
3	(Proposed by the House Committee on Appropriations)
4	(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Albo)
5	House Amendments in [] — February 9, 2015
6	A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 1-404, 2.2-221, 2.2-507, 2.2-509.1, 2.2-1119, 2.2-2696, 2.2-2818,
7	2.2-2905, 2.2-3705.3, 2.2-3705.7, 2.2-3711, 2.2-3802, 2.2-4024, 2.2-4345, 3.2-1010, 4.1-100, 4.1-101,
8	4.1-103, 4.1-103.1, 4.1-119, 4.1-121, 4.1-124, 4.1-128, 4.1-209.1, 4.1-212.1, 4.1-325, 9.1-101,
9	9.1-102, 9.1-400, 9.1-500, 9.1-801, 15.2-2288.3, 15.2-2288.3:1, 18.2-57, 18.2-246.6, 18.2-308,
10	18.2-308.03, 18.2-308.012, 18.2-371.2, 19.2-81, 19.2-386.21, 19.2-389, 22.1-206, 23-7.4:1, 32.1-357,
11	33.2-613, 48-17.1, 51.1-212, 58.1-3, 58.1-3651, 59.1-148.3, 65.2-402, and 65.2-402.1 of the Code of
12	Virginia; to amend and reenact the fourth enactments of Chapters 870 and 932 of the Acts of
13	Assembly of 2007; to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 4.1-101.01 through
14	4.1-101.011; and to repeal § 4.1-102 of the Code of Virginia, relating to alcoholic beverage control;
15 16	Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority Act of 2015. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
17	1. That $\$\$$ 1-404, 2.2-221, 2.2-507, 2.2-509.1, 2.2-1119, 2.2-2696, 2.2-2818, 2.2-2905, 2.2-3705.3,
18	1. That $\$\$$ 1-404, 2.2-221, 2.2-307, 2.2-307, 2.2-2090, 2.2-2010, 2.2-2010, 2.2-2003, 2.2-3705.7, 2.2-3705.7, 2.2-3711, 2.2-3802, 2.2-4024, 2.2-4345, 3.2-1010, 4.1-100, 4.1-101, 4.1-103, 4.1-103.1,
19	4.1-119, 4.1-121, 4.1-124, 4.1-128, 4.1-209.1, 4.1-212.1, 4.1-325, 9.1-101, 9.1-102, 9.1-400, 9.1-500,
20	9.1-801, 15.2-2288.3, 15.2-2288.3:1, 18.2-57, 18.2-246.6, 18.2-308, 18.2-308.03, 18.2-308.012,
2 1	18.2-371.2, 19.2-81, 19.2-386.21, 19.2-389, 22.1-206, 23-7.4:1, 32.1-357, 33.2-613, 48-17.1, 51.1-212,
22	58.1-3, 58.1-3651, 59.1-148.3, 65.2-402, and 65.2-402.1 of the Code of Virginia are amended and
23	reenacted and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding sections numbered 4.1-101.01
24	through 4.1-101.011 as follows:
25	§ 1-404. Licensing sale of mixed alcoholic beverages on lands ceded to or owned by United
26	States.
27	The Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority may license the sale of mixed alcoholic
28	beverages as defined in Chapter 1 (§ 4.1-100 et seq.) of Title 4.1 at places primarily engaged in the sale
29 30	of meals on lands ceded by the Commonwealth to the United States or owned by the government of the United States or any agency thereof provided that such lands are used as ports of entry or egress to and
30 31	from the United States, and provided that such lands lie within or partly within the boundaries of any
32	county in this Commonwealth which permits the lawful dispensing of mixed alcoholic beverages. The
33	Board is hereby authorized to of Directors of the Authority may adopt rules and regulations governing
34	the sale of such spirits, and to fix the fees for such licenses, within the limits fixed by general law.
35	§ 2.2-221. Position established; agencies for which responsible; additional powers and duties.
36	A. The position of Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security (the Secretary) is created. The
37	Secretary shall be responsible to the Governor for the following agencies: Department of the Virginia
38	Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority, Department of Corrections, Department of Juvenile Justice,
39	Department of Criminal Justice Services, Department of Forensic Science, Virginia Parole Board,
40	Department of Emergency Management, Department of Military Affairs, Department of State Police,
41	Department of Fire Programs, and the Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council. The Governor may,
42 43	by executive order, assign any other state executive agency to the Secretary, or reassign any agency listed above to another Secretary.
43 44	B. The Secretary shall by reason of professional background have knowledge of military affairs, law
45	enforcement, public safety, or emergency management and preparedness issues, in addition to familiarity
46	with the structure and operations of the federal government and of the Commonwealth.
47	Unless the Governor expressly reserves such power to himself, the Secretary shall:
48	1. Work with and through others, including federal, state, and local officials as well as the private
49	sector, to develop a seamless, coordinated security and preparedness strategy and implementation plan.
50	2. Serve as the point of contact with the federal Department of Homeland Security.
51	3. Provide oversight, coordination, and review of all disaster, emergency management, and terrorism
52	management plans for the state and its agencies in coordination with the Virginia Department of
53 54	Emergency Management and other applicable state agencies.
54 55	4. Work with federal officials to obtain additional federal resources and coordinate policy development and information exchange.
55 56	5. Work with and through appropriate members of the Governor's Cabinet to coordinate working
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	relationships between state agencies and take all actions necessary to ensure that available tederal and
58	relationships between state agencies and take all actions necessary to ensure that available federal and state resources are directed toward safeguarding Virginia and its citizens.

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60 preparedness federal grant requests from state agencies and localities are used to enhance interoperability. The Secretary shall ensure that the annual review and update of the statewide 61 interoperability strategic plan is conducted as required in § 2.2-222.2. The Commonwealth 62 63 Interoperability Coordinator shall establish an advisory group consisting of representatives of state and 64 local government and constitutional offices, broadly distributed across the Commonwealth, who are actively engaged in activities and functions related to communications interoperability. 65

66 7. Serve as one of the Governor's representatives on regional efforts to develop a coordinated security and preparedness strategy, including the National Capital Region Senior Policy Group organized 67 68 as part of the federal Urban Areas Security Initiative.

69 8. Serve as a direct liaison between the Governor and local governments and first responders on 70 issues of emergency prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery.

9. Educate the public on homeland security and overall preparedness issues in coordination with 71 72 applicable state agencies. 73

10. Serve as chairman of the Secure Commonwealth Panel.

11. Encourage homeland security volunteer efforts throughout the state.

75 12. Coordinate the development of an allocation formula for State Homeland Security Grant Program funds to localities and state agencies in compliance with federal grant guidance and constraints. The 76 77 formula shall be, to the extent permissible under federal constraints, based on actual risk, threat, and 78 need.

79 13. Work with the appropriate state agencies to ensure that regional working groups are meeting 80 regularly and focusing on regional initiatives in training, equipment, and strategy to ensure ready access to response teams in times of emergency and facilitate testing and training exercises for emergencies and 81 82 mass casualty preparedness.

83 14. Provide oversight and review of the Virginia Department of Emergency Management's annual 84 statewide assessment of local and regional capabilities, including equipment, training, personnel, 85 response times, and other factors.

15. Employ, as needed, consultants, attorneys, architects, engineers, accountants, financial experts, 86 87 investment bankers, superintendents, managers, and such other employees and agents as may be 88 necessary, and fix their compensation to be payable from funds made available for that purpose.

89 16. Receive and accept from any federal or private agency, foundation, corporation, association, or 90 person grants, donations of money, real property, or personal property for the benefit of the 91 Commonwealth, and receive and accept from the Commonwealth or any state, any municipality, county, 92 or other political subdivision thereof, or any other source, aid or contributions of money, property, or 93 other things of value, to be held, used, and applied for the purposes for which such grants and 94 contributions may be made.

95 17. Receive and accept from any source aid, grants, and contributions of money, property, labor, or 96 other things of value to be held, used, and applied to carry out these requirements subject to the 97 conditions upon which the aid, grants, or contributions are made.

98 18. Make grants to local governments, state and federal agencies, and private entities with any funds 99 of the Secretary available for such purpose.

100 19. Provide oversight and review of the law-enforcement operations of the Alcoholic Beverage 101 Control Authority.

102 20. Take any actions necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers granted or reasonably 103 implied to this Secretary and not otherwise inconsistent with the law of the Commonwealth. 104

§ 2.2-507. Legal service in civil matters.

A. All legal service in civil matters for the Commonwealth, the Governor, and every state 105 department, institution, division, commission, board, bureau, agency, entity, official, court, or judge, 106 including the conduct of all civil litigation in which any of them are interested, shall be rendered and 107 108 performed by the Attorney General, except as provided in this chapter and except for any litigation 109 concerning a justice or judge initiated by the Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission. No regular 110 counsel shall be employed for or by the Governor or any state department, institution, division, 111 commission, board, bureau, agency, entity, or official. The Attorney General may represent personally or 112 through one or more of his assistants any number of state departments, institutions, divisions, commissions, boards, bureaus, agencies, entities, officials, courts, or judges that are parties to the same 113 114 transaction or that are parties in the same civil or administrative proceeding and may represent multiple interests within the same department, institution, division, commission, board, bureau, agency, or entity. 115 116 The soil and water conservation district directors or districts may request legal advice from local, public, 117 or private sources; however, upon request of the soil and water conservation district directors or districts, 118 the Attorney General shall provide legal service in civil matters for such district directors or districts.

B. The Attorney General may represent personally or through one of his assistants any of the 119 120 following persons who are made defendant in any civil action for damages arising out of any matter 121 connected with their official duties:

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122 1. Members, agents, or employees of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority;

123 2. Agents inspecting or investigators appointed by the State Corporation Commission;

124 3. Agents, investigators, or auditors employed by the Department of Taxation;

125 4. Members, agents, or employees of the State Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental 126 Services, the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, the State Board of Health, 127 the State Department of Health, the Department of General Services, the State Board of Social Services, 128 the Department of Social Services, the State Board of Corrections, the Department of Corrections, the 129 State Board of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Virginia Parole Board, or the 130 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services;

131 5. Persons employed by the Commonwealth Transportation Board, the Department of Transportation, 132 or the Department of Rail and Public Transportation;

- 133 6. Persons employed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles;
- 134 7. Persons appointed by the Commissioner of Marine Resources;
- 135 8. Police officers appointed by the Superintendent of State Police;
- 136 9. Conservation police officers appointed by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries;
- 137 10. Hearing officers appointed to hear a teacher's grievance pursuant to § 22.1-311;

138 11. Staff members or volunteers participating in a court-appointed special advocate program pursuant 139 to Article 5 (§ 9.1-151 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1;

140 12. Any emergency medical service agency that is a licensee of the Department of Health in any 141 civil matter and any guardian ad litem appointed by a court in a civil matter brought against him for 142 alleged errors or omissions in the discharge of his court-appointed duties;

143 13. Conservation officers of the Department of Conservation and Recreation; or

144 14. A person appointed by written order of a circuit court judge to run an existing corporation or 145 company as the judge's representative, when that person is acting in execution of a lawful order of the 146 court and the order specifically refers to this section and appoints such person to serve as an agent of 147 the Commonwealth.

148 Upon request of the affected individual, the Attorney General may represent personally or through 149 one of his assistants any basic or advanced emergency medical care attendant or technician possessing a 150 valid certificate issued by authority of the State Board of Health in any civil matter in which a defense 151 of immunity from liability is raised pursuant to § 8.01-225.

152 C. If, in the opinion of the Attorney General, it is impracticable or uneconomical for such legal 153 service to be rendered by him or one of his assistants, he may employ special counsel for this purpose, 154 whose compensation shall be fixed by the Attorney General. The compensation for such special counsel 155 shall be paid out of the funds appropriated for the administration of the board, commission, division, or 156 department being represented or whose members, officers, inspectors, investigators, or other employees 157 are being represented pursuant to this section. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the 158 contrary, the Supreme Court may employ its own counsel in any matter arising out of its official duties 159 in which it, or any justice, is a party. 160

§ 2.2-509.1. Powers of investigators; enforcement of certain tobacco laws.

161 Investigators with the Office of the Attorney General as designated by the Attorney General shall be 162 authorized to seize cigarettes as defined in § 3.2-4200, which are sold, possessed, distributed, transported, imported, or otherwise held in violation of § 3.2-4207 or 58.1-1037. In addition, such 163 164 investigators shall be authorized to accompany and participate with special agents of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority or other law-enforcement officials engaging in an 165 166 enforcement action under § 3.2-4207 or 58.1-1037.

§ 2.2-1119. Cases in which purchasing through Division not mandatory.

167 168 A. Unless otherwise ordered by the Governor, the purchasing of materials, equipment, supplies, and 169 nonprofessional services through the Division shall not be mandatory in the following cases:

170 1. Materials, equipment and supplies incident to the performance of a contract for labor or for labor 171 and materials;

172 2. Manuscripts, maps, audiovisual materials, books, pamphlets and periodicals purchased for the use of The Library of Virginia or any other library in the Commonwealth supported in whole or in part by 173 174 state funds;

175 3. Perishable articles, provided that no article except fresh vegetables, fish, eggs or milk shall be 176 considered perishable within the meaning of this subdivision, unless so classified by the Division;

177 4. Materials, equipment and supplies needed by the Commonwealth Transportation Board; however, 178 this exception may include, office stationery and supplies, office equipment, janitorial equipment and 179 supplies, and coal and fuel oil for heating purposes shall not be included except when authorized in 180 writing by the Division;

181 5. Materials, equipment, and supplies needed by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; 182 however, this exception may include Authority, including office stationery and supplies, office

183 equipment, and janitorial equipment and supplies and; however, coal and fuel oil for heating purposes 184 shall not be included except when authorized in writing by the Division;

185 6. Binding and rebinding of the books and other literary materials of libraries operated by the 186 Commonwealth or under its authority;

187 7. Printing of the records of the Supreme Court; and

188 8. Financial services, including without limitation, underwriters, financial advisors, investment 189 advisors and banking services.

190 B. Telecommunications and information technology goods and services of every description shall be 191 procured as provided by § 2.2-2012.

192 § 2.2-2696. Substance Abuse Services Council.

193 A. The Substance Abuse Services Council (the Council) is established as an advisory council, within 194 the meaning of § 2.2-2100, in the executive branch of state government. The purpose of the Council is 195 to advise and make recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the State Board of 196 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services on broad policies and goals and on the coordination of 197 the Commonwealth's public and private efforts to control substance abuse, as defined in § 37.2-100.

198 B. The Council shall consist of 29 members. Four members of the House of Delegates shall be 199 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, in accordance with the principles of proportional 200 representation contained in the Rules of the House of Delegates, and two members of the Senate shall 201 be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules. The Governor shall appoint one member representing 202 the Virginia Sheriffs' Association, one member representing the Virginia Drug Courts Association, one 203 member representing the Substance Abuse Certification Alliance of Virginia, two members representing 204 the Virginia Association of Community Services Boards, and two members representing statewide consumer and advocacy organizations. The Council shall also include the Commissioner of Behavioral 205 Health and Developmental Services; the Commissioner of Health; the Commissioner of the Department 206 of Motor Vehicles; the Superintendent of Public Instruction; the Directors of the Departments of 207 Juvenile Justice, Corrections, Criminal Justice Services, Medical Assistance Services, and Social 208 209 Services; the Chief Operating Executive Officer of the Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 210 Control Authority; the Executive Director of the Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth or his designee; the Executive Director of the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program or his 211 designee; and the chairs or their designees of the Virginia Association of Drug and Alcohol Programs, 212 213 the Virginia Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors, and the Substance Abuse Council 214 and the Prevention Task Force of the Virginia Association of Community Services Boards.

215 C. Appointments of legislative members and heads of agencies or representatives of organizations 216 shall be for terms consistent with their terms of office. Beginning July 1, 2011, the Governor's 217 appointments of the seven nonlegislative citizen members shall be staggered as follows: two members 218 for a term of one year, three members for a term of two years, and two members for a term of three 219 years. Thereafter, appointments of nonlegislative members shall be for terms of three years, except an 220 appointment to fill a vacancy, which shall be for the unexpired term. The Governor shall appoint a 221 chairman from among the members for a two-year term. No member shall be eligible to serve more than 222 two consecutive terms as chairman.

223 No person shall be eligible to serve more than two successive terms, provided that a person 224 appointed to fill a vacancy may serve two full successive terms.

225 D. The Council shall meet at least four times annually and more often if deemed necessary or 226 advisable by the chairman.

227 E. Members of the Council shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed 228 for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided in 229 §§ 2.2-2813 and 2.2-2825. Funding for the cost of expenses shall be provided by the Department of 230 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. 231

F. The duties of the Council shall be:

232 1. To recommend policies and goals to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the State Board of 233 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services;

234 2. To coordinate agency programs and activities, to prevent duplication of functions, and to combine 235 all agency plans into a comprehensive interagency state plan for substance abuse services;

236 3. To review and comment on annual state agency budget requests regarding substance abuse and on 237 all applications for state or federal funds or services to be used in substance abuse programs;

238 4. To define responsibilities among state agencies for various programs for persons with substance 239 abuse and to encourage cooperation among agencies; and

240 5. To make investigations, issue annual reports to the Governor and the General Assembly, and make 241 recommendations relevant to substance abuse upon the request of the Governor.

G. Staff assistance shall be provided to the Council by the Office of Substance Abuse Services of the 242 243 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

244 § 2.2-2818. Health and related insurance for state employees.

245 A. The Department of Human Resource Management shall establish a plan, subject to the approval 246 of the Governor, for providing health insurance coverage, including chiropractic treatment, 247 hospitalization, medical, surgical and major medical coverage, for state employees and retired state 248 employees with the Commonwealth paying the cost thereof to the extent of the coverage included in 249 such plan. The same plan shall be offered to all part-time state employees, but the total cost shall be 250 paid by such part-time employees. The Department of Human Resource Management shall administer 251 this section. The plan chosen shall provide means whereby coverage for the families or dependents of 252 state employees may be purchased. Except for part-time employees, the Commonwealth may pay all or a 253 portion of the cost thereof, and for such portion as the Commonwealth does not pay, the employee, 254 including a part-time employee, may purchase the coverage by paying the additional cost over the cost of coverage for an employee. 255 256

Such contribution shall be financed through appropriations provided by law.

B. The plan shall:

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258 1. Include coverage for low-dose screening mammograms for determining the presence of occult 259 breast cancer. Such coverage shall make available one screening mammogram to persons age 35 through 39, one such mammogram biennially to persons age 40 through 49, and one such mammogram annually 260 261 to persons age 50 and over and may be limited to a benefit of \$50 per mammogram subject to such 262 dollar limits, deductibles, and coinsurance factors as are no less favorable than for physical illness 263 generally.

264 The term "mammogram" shall mean an X-ray examination of the breast using equipment dedicated 265 specifically for mammography, including but not limited to the X-ray tube, filter, compression device, 266 screens, film, and cassettes, with an average radiation exposure of less than one rad mid-breast, two 267 views of each breast.

268 In order to be considered a screening mammogram for which coverage shall be made available under 269 this section:

270 a. The mammogram shall be (i) ordered by a health care practitioner acting within the scope of his 271 licensure and, in the case of an enrollee of a health maintenance organization, by the health maintenance 272 organization provider; (ii) performed by a registered technologist; (iii) interpreted by a qualified 273 radiologist; and (iv) performed under the direction of a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery 274 and certified by the American Board of Radiology or an equivalent examining body. A copy of the 275 mammogram report shall be sent or delivered to the health care practitioner who ordered it;

276 b. The equipment used to perform the mammogram shall meet the standards set forth by the Virginia 277 Department of Health in its radiation protection regulations; and

278 c. The mammography film shall be retained by the radiologic facility performing the examination in 279 accordance with the American College of Radiology guidelines or state law.

280 2. Include coverage for postpartum services providing inpatient care and a home visit or visits that 281 shall be in accordance with the medical criteria, outlined in the most current version of or an official 282 update to the "Guidelines for Perinatal Care" prepared by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the 283 American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists or the "Standards for Obstetric-Gynecologic 284 Services" prepared by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Such coverage shall be 285 provided incorporating any changes in such Guidelines or Standards within six months of the publication 286 of such Guidelines or Standards or any official amendment thereto.

287 3. Include an appeals process for resolution of complaints that shall provide reasonable procedures 288 for the resolution of such complaints and shall be published and disseminated to all covered state 289 employees. The appeals process shall be compliant with federal rules and regulations governing 290 nonfederal, self-insured governmental health plans. The appeals process shall include a separate 291 expedited emergency appeals procedure that shall provide resolution within time frames established by 292 federal law. For appeals involving adverse decisions as defined in § 32.1-137.7, the Department shall 293 contract with one or more independent review organizations to review such decisions. Independent review organizations are entities that conduct independent external review of adverse benefit 294 295 determinations. The Department shall adopt regulations to assure that the independent review 296 organization conducting the reviews has adequate standards, credentials and experience for such review. 297 The independent review organization shall examine the final denial of claims to determine whether the 298 decision is objective, clinically valid, and compatible with established principles of health care. The 299 decision of the independent review organization shall (i) be in writing, (ii) contain findings of fact as to 300 the material issues in the case and the basis for those findings, and (iii) be final and binding if 301 consistent with law and policy.

Prior to assigning an appeal to an independent review organization, the Department shall verify that 302 303 the independent review organization conducting the review of a denial of claims has no relationship or 304 association with (i) the covered person or the covered person's authorized representative; (ii) the treating 305 health care provider, or any of its employees or affiliates; (iii) the medical care facility at which the

306 covered service would be provided, or any of its employees or affiliates; or (iv) the development or
307 manufacture of the drug, device, procedure or other therapy that is the subject of the final denial of a
308 claim. The independent review organization shall not be a subsidiary of, nor owned or controlled by, a
309 health plan, a trade association of health plans, or a professional association of health care providers.
310 There shall be no liability on the part of and no cause of action shall arise against any officer or
311 employee of an independent review organization for any actions taken or not taken or statements made
312 by such officer or employee in good faith in the performance of his powers and duties.

313 4. Include coverage for early intervention services. For purposes of this section, "early intervention 314 services" means medically necessary speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy and assistive technology services and devices for dependents from birth to age three who are certified by 315 316 the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services as eligible for services under Part H of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1471 et seq.). Medically necessary early 317 intervention services for the population certified by the Department of Behavioral Health and 318 Developmental Services shall mean those services designed to help an individual attain or retain the 319 capability to function age-appropriately within his environment, and shall include services that enhance 320 321 functional ability without effecting a cure.

For persons previously covered under the plan, there shall be no denial of coverage due to the existence of a preexisting condition. The cost of early intervention services shall not be applied to any contractual provision limiting the total amount of coverage paid by the insurer to or on behalf of the insured during the insured's lifetime.

5. Include coverage for prescription drugs and devices approved by the United States Food and DrugAdministration for use as contraceptives.

6. Not deny coverage for any drug approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for
use in the treatment of cancer on the basis that the drug has not been approved by the United States
Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of the specific type of cancer for which the drug has
been prescribed, if the drug has been recognized as safe and effective for treatment of that specific type
of cancer in one of the standard reference compendia.

7. Not deny coverage for any drug prescribed to treat a covered indication so long as the drug has
been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for at least one indication and the
drug is recognized for treatment of the covered indication in one of the standard reference compendia or
in substantially accepted peer-reviewed medical literature.

8. Include coverage for equipment, supplies and outpatient self-management training and education, including medical nutrition therapy, for the treatment of insulin-dependent diabetes, insulin-using diabetes, gestational diabetes and noninsulin-using diabetes if prescribed by a health care professional legally authorized to prescribe such items under law. To qualify for coverage under this subdivision, diabetes outpatient self-management training and education shall be provided by a certified, registered or licensed health care professional.

9. Include coverage for reconstructive breast surgery. For purposes of this section, "reconstructive breast surgery" means surgery performed on and after July 1, 1998, (i) coincident with a mastectomy performed for breast cancer or (ii) following a mastectomy performed for breast cancer to reestablish symmetry between the two breasts. For persons previously covered under the plan, there shall be no denial of coverage due to preexisting conditions.

348 10. Include coverage for annual pap smears, including coverage, on and after July 1, 1999, for349 annual testing performed by any FDA-approved gynecologic cytology screening technologies.

11. Include coverage providing a minimum stay in the hospital of not less than 48 hours for a patient
following a radical or modified radical mastectomy and 24 hours of inpatient care following a total
mastectomy or a partial mastectomy with lymph node dissection for treatment of breast cancer. Nothing
in this subdivision shall be construed as requiring the provision of inpatient coverage where the
attending physician in consultation with the patient determines that a shorter period of hospital stay is
appropriate.

112. Include coverage (i) to persons age 50 and over and (ii) to persons age 40 and over who are at high risk for prostate cancer, according to the most recent published guidelines of the American Cancer Society, for one PSA test in a 12-month period and digital rectal examinations, all in accordance with American Cancer Society guidelines. For the purpose of this subdivision, "PSA testing" means the analysis of a blood sample to determine the level of prostate specific antigen.

361 13. Permit any individual covered under the plan direct access to the health care services of a participating specialist (i) authorized to provide services under the plan and (ii) selected by the covered individual. The plan shall have a procedure by which an individual who has an ongoing special condition may, after consultation with the primary care physician, receive a referral to a specialist for such condition who shall be responsible for and capable of providing and coordinating the individual's primary and specialty care related to the initial specialty care referral. If such an individual to a specialist.

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For the purposes of this subdivision, "special condition" means a condition or disease that is (i) 368 369 life-threatening, degenerative, or disabling and (ii) requires specialized medical care over a prolonged 370 period of time. Within the treatment period authorized by the referral, such specialist shall be permitted to treat the individual without a further referral from the individual's primary care provider and may 371 372 authorize such referrals, procedures, tests, and other medical services related to the initial referral as the 373 individual's primary care provider would otherwise be permitted to provide or authorize. The plan shall 374 have a procedure by which an individual who has an ongoing special condition that requires ongoing 375 care from a specialist may receive a standing referral to such specialist for the treatment of the special 376 condition. If the primary care provider, in consultation with the plan and the specialist, if any, 377 determines that such a standing referral is appropriate, the plan or issuer shall make such a referral to a 378 specialist. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit the plan from requiring a participating specialist to 379 provide written notification to the covered individual's primary care physician of any visit to such 380 specialist. Such notification may include a description of the health care services rendered at the time of 381 the visit.

14. Include provisions allowing employees to continue receiving health care services for a period of
up to 90 days from the date of the primary care physician's notice of termination from any of the plan's
provider panels. The plan shall notify any provider at least 90 days prior to the date of termination of
the provider, except when the provider is terminated for cause.

i. For a period of at least 90 days from the date of the notice of a provider's termination from any of
the plan's provider panels, except when a provider is terminated for cause, a provider shall be permitted
by the plan to render health care services to any of the covered employees who (i) were in an active
course of treatment from the provider prior to the notice of termination and (ii) request to continue
receiving health care services from the provider.

391 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, any provider shall be permitted by the plan to 392 continue rendering health services to any covered employee who has entered the second trimester of 393 pregnancy at the time of the provider's termination of participation, except when a provider is terminated 394 for cause. Such treatment shall, at the covered employee's option, continue through the provision of 395 postpartum care directly related to the delivery.

396 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, any provider shall be permitted to continue 397 rendering health services to any covered employee who is determined to be terminally ill (as defined 398 under § 1861(dd)(3)(A) of the Social Security Act) at the time of a provider's termination of 399 participation, except when a provider is terminated for cause. Such treatment shall, at the covered 400 employee's option, continue for the remainder of the employee's life for care directly related to the 401 treatment of the terminal illness.

402 A provider who continues to render health care services pursuant to this subdivision shall be
 403 reimbursed in accordance with the carrier's agreement with such provider existing immediately before
 404 the provider's termination of participation.

405 15. Include coverage for patient costs incurred during participation in clinical trials for treatment
 406 studies on cancer, including ovarian cancer trials.

407 The reimbursement for patient costs incurred during participation in clinical trials for treatment
408 studies on cancer shall be determined in the same manner as reimbursement is determined for other
409 medical and surgical procedures. Such coverage shall have durational limits, dollar limits, deductibles,
410 copayments and coinsurance factors that are no less favorable than for physical illness generally.

411 For purposes of this subdivision:

"Cooperative group" means a formal network of facilities that collaborate on research projects and
have an established NIH-approved peer review program operating within the group. "Cooperative group"
includes (i) the National Cancer Institute Clinical Cooperative Group and (ii) the National Cancer
Institute Community Clinical Oncology Program.

416 "FDA" means the Federal Food and Drug Administration.

"Multiple project assurance contract" means a contract between an institution and the federal
Department of Health and Human Services that defines the relationship of the institution to the federal
Department of Health and Human Services and sets out the responsibilities of the institution and the
procedures that will be used by the institution to protect human subjects.

421 "NCI" means the National Cancer Institute.

422 "NIH" means the National Institutes of Health.

423 "Patient" means a person covered under the plan established pursuant to this section.

424 "Patient cost" means the cost of a medically necessary health care service that is incurred as a result 425 of the treatment being provided to a patient for purposes of a clinical trial. "Patient cost" does not 426 include (i) the cost of nonhealth care services that a patient may be required to receive as a result of the 427 treatment being provided for purposes of a clinical trial, (ii) costs associated with managing the research 428 associated with the clinical trial, or (iii) the cost of the investigational drug or device. 443

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429 Coverage for patient costs incurred during clinical trials for treatment studies on cancer shall be 430 provided if the treatment is being conducted in a Phase II, Phase III, or Phase IV clinical trial. Such 431 treatment may, however, be provided on a case-by-case basis if the treatment is being provided in a 432 Phase I clinical trial.

433 The treatment described in the previous paragraph shall be provided by a clinical trial approved by:

434 a. The National Cancer Institute:

435 b. An NCI cooperative group or an NCI center;

436 c. The FDA in the form of an investigational new drug application;

437 d. The federal Department of Veterans Affairs; or

438 e. An institutional review board of an institution in the Commonwealth that has a multiple project 439 assurance contract approved by the Office of Protection from Research Risks of the NCI.

440 The facility and personnel providing the treatment shall be capable of doing so by virtue of their 441 experience, training, and expertise. 442

Coverage under this subdivision shall apply only if:

(1) There is no clearly superior, noninvestigational treatment alternative;

444 (2) The available clinical or preclinical data provide a reasonable expectation that the treatment will 445 be at least as effective as the noninvestigational alternative; and

446 (3) The patient and the physician or health care provider who provides services to the patient under 447 the plan conclude that the patient's participation in the clinical trial would be appropriate, pursuant to 448 procedures established by the plan.

449 16. Include coverage providing a minimum stay in the hospital of not less than 23 hours for a 450 covered employee following a laparoscopy-assisted vaginal hysterectomy and 48 hours for a covered 451 employee following a vaginal hysterectomy, as outlined in Milliman & Robertson's nationally recognized guidelines. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed as requiring the provision of the total hours 452 453 referenced when the attending physician, in consultation with the covered employee, determines that a 454 shorter hospital stay is appropriate.

17. Include coverage for biologically based mental illness.

456 For purposes of this subdivision, a "biologically based mental illness" is any mental or nervous 457 condition caused by a biological disorder of the brain that results in a clinically significant syndrome 458 that substantially limits the person's functioning; specifically, the following diagnoses are defined as 459 biologically based mental illness as they apply to adults and children: schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder, major depressive disorder, panic disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, 460 461 attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, autism, and drug and alcoholism addiction.

462 Coverage for biologically based mental illnesses shall neither be different nor separate from coverage for any other illness, condition or disorder for purposes of determining deductibles, benefit year or 463 464 lifetime durational limits, benefit year or lifetime dollar limits, lifetime episodes or treatment limits, 465 copayment and coinsurance factors, and benefit year maximum for deductibles and copayment and 466 coinsurance factors.

Nothing shall preclude the undertaking of usual and customary procedures to determine the 467 468 appropriateness of, and medical necessity for, treatment of biologically based mental illnesses under this 469 option, provided that all such appropriateness and medical necessity determinations are made in the same 470 manner as those determinations made for the treatment of any other illness, condition or disorder 471 covered by such policy or contract.

472 18. Offer and make available coverage for the treatment of morbid obesity through gastric bypass 473 surgery or such other methods as may be recognized by the National Institutes of Health as effective for the long-term reversal of morbid obesity. Such coverage shall have durational limits, dollar limits, 474 475 deductibles, copayments and coinsurance factors that are no less favorable than for physical illness generally. Access to surgery for morbid obesity shall not be restricted based upon dietary or any other 476 477 criteria not approved by the National Institutes of Health. For purposes of this subdivision, "morbid 478 obesity" means (i) a weight that is at least 100 pounds over or twice the ideal weight for frame, age, 479 height, and gender as specified in the 1983 Metropolitan Life Insurance tables, (ii) a body mass index 480 (BMI) equal to or greater than 35 kilograms per meter squared with comorbidity or coexisting medical 481 conditions such as hypertension, cardiopulmonary conditions, sleep apnea, or diabetes, or (iii) a BMI of 482 40 kilograms per meter squared without such comorbidity. As used herein, "BMI" equals weight in 483 kilograms divided by height in meters squared.

484 19. Include coverage for colorectal cancer screening, specifically screening with an annual fecal 485 occult blood test, flexible sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy, or in appropriate circumstances radiologic 486 imaging, in accordance with the most recently published recommendations established by the American 487 College of Gastroenterology, in consultation with the American Cancer Society, for the ages, family histories, and frequencies referenced in such recommendations. The coverage for colorectal cancer 488 489 screening shall not be more restrictive than or separate from coverage provided for any other illness, 490 condition or disorder for purposes of determining deductibles, benefit year or lifetime durational limits,

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491 benefit year or lifetime dollar limits, lifetime episodes or treatment limits, copayment and coinsurance 492 factors, and benefit year maximum for deductibles and copayments and coinsurance factors.

493 20. On and after July 1, 2002, require that a prescription benefit card, health insurance benefit card, 494 or other technology that complies with the requirements set forth in § 38.2-3407.4:2 be issued to each 495 employee provided coverage pursuant to this section, and shall upon any changes in the required data 496 elements set forth in subsection A of § 38.2-3407.4:2, either reissue the card or provide employees 497 covered under the plan such corrective information as may be required to electronically process a 498 prescription claim.

499 21. Include coverage for infant hearing screenings and all necessary audiological examinations 500 provided pursuant to § 32.1-64.1 using any technology approved by the United States Food and Drug 501 Administration, and as recommended by the national Joint Committee on Infant Hearing in its most 502 current position statement addressing early hearing detection and intervention programs. Such coverage 503 shall include follow-up audiological examinations as recommended by a physician, physician assistant, 504 nurse practitioner or audiologist and performed by a licensed audiologist to confirm the existence or 505 absence of hearing loss.

506 22. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, every plan established in 507 accordance with this section shall comply with the provisions of § 2.2-2818.2.

508 C. Claims incurred during a fiscal year but not reported during that fiscal year shall be paid from 509 such funds as shall be appropriated by law. Appropriations, premiums and other payments shall be 510 deposited in the employee health insurance fund, from which payments for claims, premiums, cost 511 containment programs and administrative expenses shall be withdrawn from time to time. The funds of 512 the health insurance fund shall be deemed separate and independent trust funds, shall be segregated from 513 all other funds of the Commonwealth, and shall be invested and administered solely in the interests of 514 the employees and their beneficiaries. Neither the General Assembly nor any public officer, employee, 515 or agency shall use or authorize the use of such trust funds for any purpose other than as provided in 516 law for benefits, refunds, and administrative expenses, including but not limited to legislative oversight 517 of the health insurance fund.

D. For the purposes of this section:

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519 "Peer-reviewed medical literature" means a scientific study published only after having been critically 520 reviewed for scientific accuracy, validity, and reliability by unbiased independent experts in a journal 521 that has been determined by the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors to have met the 522 Uniform Requirements for Manuscripts submitted to biomedical journals. Peer-reviewed medical 523 literature does not include publications or supplements to publications that are sponsored to a significant 524 extent by a pharmaceutical manufacturing company or health carrier. 525

- "Standard reference compendia" means:
 - 1. American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information;
- 2. National Comprehensive Cancer Network's Drugs & Biologics Compendium; or

3. Elsevier Gold Standard's Clinical Pharmacology.

529 "State employee" means state employee as defined in § 51.1-124.3; employee as defined in 530 § 51.1-201; the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General; judge as defined in § 51.1-301 531 and judges, clerks and deputy clerks of regional juvenile and domestic relations, county juvenile and 532 domestic relations, and district courts of the Commonwealth; and interns and residents employed by the 533 School of Medicine and Hospital of the University of Virginia, and interns, residents, and employees of 534 the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority as provided in § 23-50.16:24; and 535 employees of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority as provided in § 4.1-101.05.

536 E. Provisions shall be made for retired employees to obtain coverage under the above plan, 537 including, as an option, coverage for vision and dental care. The Commonwealth may, but shall not be 538 obligated to, pay all or any portion of the cost thereof.

539 F. Any self-insured group health insurance plan established by the Department of Human Resource 540 Management that utilizes a network of preferred providers shall not exclude any physician solely on the 541 basis of a reprimand or censure from the Board of Medicine, so long as the physician otherwise meets 542 the plan criteria established by the Department.

543 G. The plan shall include, in each planning district, at least two health coverage options, each 544 sponsored by unrelated entities. No later than July 1, 2006, one of the health coverage options to be 545 available in each planning district shall be a high deductible health plan that would qualify for a health 546 savings account pursuant to § 223 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

547 In each planning district that does not have an available health coverage alternative, the Department 548 shall voluntarily enter into negotiations at any time with any health coverage provider who seeks to 549 provide coverage under the plan.

550 This subsection shall not apply to any state agency authorized by the Department to establish and 551 administer its own health insurance coverage plan separate from the plan established by the Department.

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552 H. Any self-insured group health insurance plan established by the Department of Human Resource 553 Management that includes coverage for prescription drugs on an outpatient basis may apply a formulary 554 to the prescription drug benefits provided by the plan if the formulary is developed, reviewed at least 555 annually, and updated as necessary in consultation with and with the approval of a pharmacy and 556 therapeutics committee, a majority of whose members are actively practicing licensed (i) pharmacists, 557 (ii) physicians, and (iii) other health care providers.

558 If the plan maintains one or more drug formularies, the plan shall establish a process to allow a 559 person to obtain, without additional cost-sharing beyond that provided for formulary prescription drugs 560 in the plan, a specific, medically necessary nonformulary prescription drug if, after reasonable investigation and consultation with the prescriber, the formulary drug is determined to be an 561 inappropriate therapy for the medical condition of the person. The plan shall act on such requests within 562 one business day of receipt of the request. 563

Any plan established in accordance with this section shall be authorized to provide for the selection 564 of a single mail order pharmacy provider as the exclusive provider of pharmacy services that are 565 delivered to the covered person's address by mail, common carrier, or delivery service. As used in this 566 subsection, "mail order pharmacy provider" means a pharmacy permitted to conduct business in the 567 568 Commonwealth whose primary business is to dispense a prescription drug or device under a prescriptive 569 drug order and to deliver the drug or device to a patient primarily by mail, common carrier, or delivery 570 service.

571 I. Any plan established in accordance with this section requiring preauthorization prior to rendering 572 medical treatment shall have personnel available to provide authorization at all times when such 573 preauthorization is required.

574 J. Any plan established in accordance with this section shall provide to all covered employees written 575 notice of any benefit reductions during the contract period at least 30 days before such reductions 576 become effective.

577 K. No contract between a provider and any plan established in accordance with this section shall 578 include provisions that require a health care provider or health care provider group to deny covered 579 services that such provider or group knows to be medically necessary and appropriate that are provided with respect to a covered employee with similar medical conditions. 580

581 L. The Department of Human Resource Management shall appoint an Ombudsman to promote and 582 protect the interests of covered employees under any state employee's health plan.

583 The Ombudsman shall:

584 1. Assist covered employees in understanding their rights and the processes available to them 585 according to their state health plan.

586 2. Answer inquiries from covered employees by telephone and electronic mail. 587

3. Provide to covered employees information concerning the state health plans.

588 4. Develop information on the types of health plans available, including benefits and complaint 589 procedures and appeals.

590 5. Make available, either separately or through an existing Internet web site utilized by the 591 Department of Human Resource Management, information as set forth in subdivision 4 and such 592 additional information as he deems appropriate.

593 6. Maintain data on inquiries received, the types of assistance requested, any actions taken and the 594 disposition of each such matter.

595 7. Upon request, assist covered employees in using the procedures and processes available to them from their health plan, including all appeal procedures. Such assistance may require the review of health 596 597 care records of a covered employee, which shall be done only in accordance with the federal Health 598 Insurance Portability and Accountability Act privacy rules. The confidentiality of any such medical 599 records shall be maintained in accordance with the confidentiality and disclosure laws of the 600 Commonwealth.

601 8. Ensure that covered employees have access to the services provided by the Ombudsman and that 602 the covered employees receive timely responses from the Ombudsman or his representatives to the 603 inquiries.

604 9. Report annually on his activities to the standing committees of the General Assembly having 605 jurisdiction over insurance and over health and the Joint Commission on Health Care by December 1 of 606 each year.

607 M. The plan established in accordance with this section shall not refuse to accept or make 608 reimbursement pursuant to an assignment of benefits made to a dentist or oral surgeon by a covered 609 employee.

For purposes of this subsection, "assignment of benefits" means the transfer of dental care coverage 610 reimbursement benefits or other rights under the plan. The assignment of benefits shall not be effective 611 612 until the covered employee notifies the plan in writing of the assignment.

N. Beginning July 1, 2006, any plan established pursuant to this section shall provide for an 613

614 identification number, which shall be assigned to the covered employee and shall not be the same as the615 employee's social security number.

616 O. Any group health insurance plan established by the Department of Human Resource Management that contains a coordination of benefits provision shall provide written notification to any eligible 617 618 employee as a prominent part of its enrollment materials that if such eligible employee is covered under 619 another group accident and sickness insurance policy, group accident and sickness subscription contract, 620 or group health care plan for health care services, that insurance policy, subscription contract or health 621 care plan may have primary responsibility for the covered expenses of other family members enrolled 622 with the eligible employee. Such written notification shall describe generally the conditions upon which 623 the other coverage would be primary for dependent children enrolled under the eligible employee's 624 coverage and the method by which the eligible enrollee may verify from the plan that coverage would 625 have primary responsibility for the covered expenses of each family member.

P. Any plan established by the Department of Human Resource Management pursuant to this section
shall provide that coverage under such plan for family members enrolled under a participating state
employee's coverage shall continue for a period of at least 30 days following the death of such state
employee.

Q. The plan established in accordance with this section that follows a policy of sending its payment
to the covered employee or covered family member for a claim for services received from a
nonparticipating physician or osteopath shall (i) include language in the member handbook that notifies
the covered employee of the responsibility to apply the plan payment to the claim from such
nonparticipating provider, (ii) include this language with any such payment sent to the covered employee
or covered family member, and (iii) include the name and any last known address of the
nonparticipating provider on the explanation of benefits statement.

R. The Department of Human Resource Management shall report annually, by November 30 of each year, on cost and utilization information for each of the mandated benefits set forth in subsection B, including any mandated benefit made applicable, pursuant to subdivision B 22, to any plan established pursuant to this section. The report shall be in the same detail and form as required of reports submitted pursuant to § 38.2-3419.1, with such additional information as is required to determine the financial impact, including the costs and benefits, of the particular mandated benefit.

643 § 2.2-2905. Certain officers and employees exempt from chapter.

644 The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to:

- 645 1. Officers and employees for whom the Constitution specifically directs the manner of selection;
- 646 2. Officers and employees of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals;

647 3. Officers appointed by the Governor, whether confirmation by the General Assembly or by either648 house thereof is required or not;

4. Officers elected by popular vote or by the General Assembly or either house thereof;

- **650** 5. Members of boards and commissions however selected;
- 651 6. Judges, referees, receivers, arbiters, masters and commissioners in chancery, commissioners of
 accounts, and any other persons appointed by any court to exercise judicial functions, and jurors and
 notaries public;

654 7. Officers and employees of the General Assembly and persons employed to conduct temporary or655 special inquiries, investigations, or examinations on its behalf;

656 8. The presidents and teaching and research staffs of state educational institutions;

657 9. Commissioned officers and enlisted personnel of the National Guard and the naval militia;

- 658 10. Student employees in institutions of learning and patient or inmate help in other state institutions;
- 659 11. Upon general or special authorization of the Governor, laborers, temporary employees, and employees compensated on an hourly or daily basis;
- 661 12. County, city, town, and district officers, deputies, assistants, and employees;
- 13. The employees of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission;
- 663 14. The officers and employees of the Virginia Retirement System;

664 15. Employees whose positions are identified by the State Council of Higher Education and the 665 boards of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, The Science Museum of Virginia, the 666 Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, the Frontier Culture Museum of Virginia, the Virginia Museum of 667 Natural History, the New College Institute, the Southern Virginia Higher Education Center, and The 668 Library of Virginia, and approved by the Director of the Department of Human Resource Management 669 as requiring specialized and professional training;

- 670 16. Employees of the Virginia Lottery;
- 671 17. Production workers for the Virginia Industries for the Blind Sheltered Workshop programs;
- 672 18. Employees of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority;

673 19. Employees of the University of Virginia Medical Center. Any changes in compensation plans for 674 such employees shall be subject to the review and approval of the Board of Visitors of the University of 675 Virginia. The University of Virginia shall ensure that its procedures for hiring University of Virginia
676 Medical Center personnel are based on merit and fitness. Such employees shall remain subject to the
677 provisions of the State Grievance Procedure (§ 2.2-3000 et seq.);

678 20. In executive branch agencies the employee who has accepted serving in the capacity of chief
679 deputy, or equivalent, and the employee who has accepted serving in the capacity of a confidential
680 assistant for policy or administration. An employee serving in either one of these two positions shall be
681 deemed to serve on an employment-at-will basis. An agency may not exceed two employees who serve
682 in this exempt capacity;

683 21. Employees of Virginia Correctional Enterprises. Such employees shall remain subject to the provisions of the State Grievance Procedure (§ 2.2-3000 et seq.);

685 22. Officers and employees of the Virginia Port Authority;

686 23. Employees of the Virginia College Savings Plan;

687 24. Directors of state facilities operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental
688 Services employed or reemployed by the Commissioner after July 1, 1999, under a contract pursuant to
689 § 37.2-707. Such employees shall remain subject to the provisions of the State Grievance Procedure
690 (§ 2.2-3000 et seq.);

691 25. Employees of the Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth. Such employees shall be treated as
692 state employees for purposes of participation in the Virginia Retirement System, health insurance, and
693 all other employee benefits offered by the Commonwealth to its classified employees;

694 26. Employees of the Virginia Indigent Defense Commission; and

695 27. Any chief of a campus police department that has been designated by the governing body of a public institution of higher education as exempt, pursuant to § 23-232; and

697 28. The Chief Executive Officer, agents, officers, and employees of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 698 Control Authority.

699 § 2.2-3705.3. Exclusions to application of chapter; records relating to administrative 700 investigations.

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

1. Confidential records of all investigations of applications for licenses and permits, and of all licensees and permittees, made by or submitted to the *Virginia* Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, the Virginia Lottery, the Virginia Racing Commission, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services relating to investigations and applications pursuant to Article 1.1:1 (§ 18.2-340.15 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2, or the Private Security Services Unit of the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

709 2. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Health Professions or by710 any health regulatory board in the Commonwealth.

711 3. Investigator notes, and other correspondence and information, furnished in confidence with respect 712 to an active investigation of individual employment discrimination complaints made to the Department 713 of Human Resource Management, to such personnel of any local public body, including local school 714 boards, as are responsible for conducting such investigations in confidence, or to any public institution 715 of higher education. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the disclosure of information taken 716 from inactive reports in a form that does not reveal the identity of charging parties, persons supplying 717 the information, or other individuals involved in the investigation.

718 4. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Medical Assistance719 Services pursuant to Chapter 10 (§ 32.1-323 et seq.) of Title 32.1.

5. Investigative notes and other correspondence and information furnished in confidence with respect to an investigation or conciliation process involving an alleged unlawful discriminatory practice under the Virginia Human Rights Act (§ 2.2-3900 et seq.) or under any local ordinance adopted in accordance with the authority specified in § 2.2-524, or adopted pursuant to § 15.2-965, or adopted prior to July 1, 1987, in accordance with applicable law, relating to local human rights or human relations commissions. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the distribution of information taken from inactive reports in a form that does not reveal the identity of the parties involved or other persons supplying information.

6. Records of studies and investigations by the Virginia Lottery of (i) lottery agents, (ii) lottery
vendors, (iii) lottery crimes under §§ 58.1-4014 through 58.1-4018, (iv) defects in the law or regulations
that cause abuses in the administration and operation of the lottery and any evasions of such provisions,
or (v) the use of the lottery as a subterfuge for organized crime and illegal gambling where such official
records have not been publicly released, published or copyrighted. All studies and investigations referred
to under clauses (iii), (iv), and (v) shall be open to inspection and copying upon completion of the study
or investigation.

735 7. Investigative notes, correspondence and information furnished in confidence, and records otherwiserate confidence, and records otherwise<

737 Public Accounts; (ii) the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission; (iii) an appropriate authority 738 as defined in § 2.2-3010 with respect to an allegation of wrongdoing or abuse under the Fraud and 739 Abuse Whistle Blower Protection Act (§ 2.2-3009 et seq.); (iv) the Office of the State Inspector General 740 with respect to an investigation initiated through the Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline or an investigation 741 initiated pursuant to Chapter 3.2 (§ 2.2-307 et seq.); (v) internal auditors appointed by the head of a 742 state agency or by any public institution of higher education; (vi) the committee or the auditor with 743 respect to an investigation or audit conducted pursuant to § 15.2-825; or (vii) the auditors, appointed by 744 the local governing body of any county, city, or town or a school board, who by charter, ordinance, or 745 statute have responsibility for conducting an investigation of any officer, department, or program of such 746 body. Records of completed investigations shall be disclosed in a form that does not reveal the identity 747 of the complainants or persons supplying information to investigators. Unless disclosure is prohibited by 748 this section, the records disclosed shall include, but not be limited to, the agency involved, the identity 749 of the person who is the subject of the complaint, the nature of the complaint, and the actions taken to 750 resolve the complaint. If an investigation does not lead to corrective action, the identity of the person 751 who is the subject of the complaint may be released only with the consent of the subject person. Local 752 governing bodies shall adopt guidelines to govern the disclosure required by this subdivision.

8. Information furnished in confidence to the Department of Human Resource Management with
respect to an investigation, consultation, or mediation under § 2.2-1202.1, and memoranda,
correspondence and other records resulting from any such investigation, consultation or mediation.
However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the distribution of information taken from inactive reports
in a form that does not reveal the identity of the parties involved or other persons supplying
information.

759 9. The names, addresses and telephone numbers of complainants furnished in confidence with respect
760 to an investigation of individual zoning enforcement complaints or complaints relating to the Uniform
761 Statewide Building Code (§ 36-97 et seq.) or the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (§ 27-94 et seq.) made
762 to a local governing body.

10. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Criminal Justice Services
pursuant to Article 4 (§ 9.1-138 et seq.), Article 4.1 (§ 9.1-150.1 et seq.), Article 11 (§ 9.1-185 et seq.),
and Article 12 (§ 9.1-186 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1.

11. Records furnished to or prepared by the Board of Education pursuant to subsection D of 766 § 22.1-253.13:3 in connection with the review or investigation of any alleged breach in security, 767 768 unauthorized alteration, or improper administration of tests by local school board employees responsible 769 for the distribution or administration of the tests. However, this section shall not prohibit the disclosure 770 of records to (i) a local school board or division superintendent for the purpose of permitting such board 771 or superintendent to consider or to take personnel action with regard to an employee or (ii) any 772 requester, after the conclusion of a review or investigation, in a form that (a) does not reveal the identity 773 of any person making a complaint or supplying information to the Board on a confidential basis and (b) 774 does not compromise the security of any test mandated by the Board.

775 12. Investigator notes, and other correspondence and information, furnished in confidence with 776 respect to an active investigation conducted by or for the Board of Education related to the denial, 777 suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses. However, this subdivision shall not prohibit the disclosure 778 of records to a local school board or division superintendent for the purpose of permitting such board or 779 superintendent to consider or to take personnel action with regard to an employee. Records of completed 780 investigations shall be disclosed in a form that does not reveal the identity of any complainant or person 781 supplying information to investigators. The records disclosed shall include information regarding the 782 school or facility involved, the identity of the person who was the subject of the complaint, the nature 783 of the complaint, and the actions taken to resolve the complaint. If an investigation fails to support a 784 complaint or does not lead to corrective action, the identity of the person who was the subject of the complaint may be released only with the consent of the subject person. No personally identifiable 785 786 information in the records regarding a current or former student shall be released except as permitted by 787 state or federal law.

13. Records, notes and information provided in confidence and related to an investigation by the
Attorney General under Article 1 (§ 3.2-4200 et seq.) or Article 3 (§ 3.2-4204 et seq.) of Chapter 42 of
Title 3.2, Article 10 (§ 18.2-246.6 et seq.) of Chapter 6 or Chapter 13 (§ 18.2-512 et seq.) of Title 18.2,
or Article 1 (§ 58.1-1000) of Chapter 10 of Title 58.1. However, records related to an investigation that
has been inactive for more than six months shall, upon request, be disclosed provided such disclosure is
not otherwise prohibited by law and does not reveal the identity of charging parties, complainants,
persons supplying information, witnesses, or other individuals involved in the investigation.

795 § 2.2-3705.7. Exclusions to application of chapter; records of specific public bodies and certain 796 other limited exemptions.

797 The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the

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798 custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

799 1. State income, business, and estate tax returns, personal property tax returns, scholastic and confidential records held pursuant to § 58.1-3.

801 2. Working papers and correspondence of the Office of the Governor; Lieutenant Governor; the
802 Attorney General; the members of the General Assembly, the Division of Legislative Services, or the
803 Clerks of the House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia; the mayor or chief executive officer of any
804 political subdivision of the Commonwealth; or the president or other chief executive officer of any
805 public institution of higher education in Virginia. However, no record, which is otherwise open to
806 inspection under this chapter, shall be deemed exempt by virtue of the fact that it has been attached to
807 or incorporated within any working paper or correspondence.

808 As used in this subdivision:

809 "Members of the General Assembly" means each member of the Senate of Virginia and the House of810 Delegates and their legislative aides when working on behalf of such member.

811 "Office of the Governor" means the Governor; his chief of staff, counsel, director of policy, Cabinet
812 Secretaries, and the Assistant to the Governor for Intergovernmental Affairs; and those individuals to
813 whom the Governor has delegated his authority pursuant to § 2.2-104.

814 "Working papers" means those records prepared by or for an above-named public official for his815 personal or deliberative use.

816 3. Library records that can be used to identify both (i) any library patron who has borrowed material817 from a library and (ii) the material such patron borrowed.

818 4. Contract cost estimates prepared for the confidential use of the Department of Transportation in awarding contracts for construction or the purchase of goods or services, and records and automated
820 systems prepared for the Department's Bid Analysis and Monitoring Program.

821 5. Lists of registered owners of bonds issued by a political subdivision of the Commonwealth,
822 whether the lists are maintained by the political subdivision itself or by a single fiduciary designated by
823 the political subdivision.

6. Records and writings furnished by a member of the General Assembly to a meeting of a standing
committee, special committee or subcommittee of his house established solely for the purpose of
reviewing members' annual disclosure statements and supporting materials filed under § 30-110 or of
formulating advisory opinions to members on standards of conduct, or both.

828 7. Customer account information of a public utility affiliated with a political subdivision of the
829 Commonwealth, including the customer's name and service address, but excluding the amount of utility
830 service provided and the amount of money paid for such utility service.

8. Personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, (i) filed with the Virginia Housing Development 831 832 Authority concerning individuals who have applied for or received loans or other housing assistance or 833 who have applied for occupancy of or have occupied housing financed, owned or otherwise assisted by 834 the Virginia Housing Development Authority; (ii) concerning persons participating in or persons on the waiting list for federally funded rent-assistance programs; (iii) filed with any local redevelopment and 835 836 housing authority created pursuant to § 36-4 concerning persons participating in or persons on the waiting list for housing assistance programs funded by local governments or by any such authority; or 837 838 (iv) filed with any local redevelopment and housing authority created pursuant to § 36-4 or any other 839 local government agency concerning persons who have applied for occupancy or who have occupied 840 affordable dwelling units established pursuant to § 15.2-2304 or 15.2-2305. However, access to one's 841 own information shall not be denied.

842 9. Records regarding the siting of hazardous waste facilities, except as provided in § 10.1-1441, if
843 disclosure of them would have a detrimental effect upon the negotiating position of a governing body or
844 on the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting agreement.

845 10. Records containing information on the site specific location of rare, threatened, endangered or
846 otherwise imperiled plant and animal species, natural communities, caves, and significant historic and
847 archaeological sites if, in the opinion of the public body that has the responsibility for such information,
848 disclosure of the information would jeopardize the continued existence or the integrity of the resource.
849 This exemption shall not apply to requests from the owner of the land upon which the resource is
850 located.

851 11. Records, memoranda, working papers, graphics, video or audio tapes, production models, data 852 and information of a proprietary nature produced by or for or collected by or for the Virginia Lottery 853 relating to matters of a specific lottery game design, development, production, operation, ticket price, prize structure, manner of selecting the winning ticket, manner of payment of prizes to holders of 854 winning tickets, frequency of drawings or selections of winning tickets, odds of winning, advertising, or 855 marketing, where such official records have not been publicly released, published, copyrighted or 856 patented. Whether released, published or copyrighted, all game-related information shall be subject to 857 858 public disclosure under this chapter upon the first day of sales for the specific lottery game to which it 859 pertains.

860 12. Records of the Virginia Retirement System, acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, or of a local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, or of the Rector and Visitors of the University of 861 862 Virginia, acting pursuant to § 23-76.1, or of the Virginia College Savings Plan, acting pursuant to § 23-38.77, relating to the acquisition, holding or disposition of a security or other ownership interest in 863 864 an entity, where such security or ownership interest is not traded on a governmentally regulated 865 securities exchange, to the extent that: (i) such records contain confidential analyses prepared for the 866 Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, prepared by the retirement system or the Virginia 867 College Savings Plan, or provided to the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan under a 868 promise of confidentiality, of the future value of such ownership interest or the future financial 869 performance of the entity; and (ii) disclosure of such confidential analyses would have an adverse effect 870 on the value of the investment to be acquired, held or disposed of by the retirement system, the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, or the Virginia College Savings Plan. Nothing in this 871 subdivision shall be construed to prevent the disclosure of records relating to the identity of any 872 873 investment held, the amount invested, or the present value of such investment.

874 13. Names and addresses of subscribers to Virginia Wildlife magazine, published by the Department
875 of Game and Inland Fisheries, provided the individual subscriber has requested in writing that the
876 Department not release such information.

877 14. Financial, medical, rehabilitative and other personal information concerning applicants for or recipients of loan funds submitted to or maintained by the Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority
879 under Chapter 11 (§ 51.5-53 et seq.) of Title 51.5.

880 15. Records of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority pertaining to any of 881 the following: an individual's qualifications for or continued membership on its medical or teaching 882 staffs; proprietary information gathered by or in the possession of the Authority from third parties 883 pursuant to a promise of confidentiality; contract cost estimates prepared for confidential use in awarding contracts for construction or the purchase of goods or services; data, records or information of 884 885 a proprietary nature produced or collected by or for the Authority or members of its medical or teaching 886 staffs; financial statements not publicly available that may be filed with the Authority from third parties; 887 the identity, accounts or account status of any customer of the Authority; consulting or other reports 888 paid for by the Authority to assist the Authority in connection with its strategic planning and goals; the 889 determination of marketing and operational strategies where disclosure of such strategies would be 890 harmful to the competitive position of the Authority; and data, records or information of a proprietary 891 nature produced or collected by or for employees of the Authority, other than the Authority's financial 892 or administrative records, in the conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, scientific, 893 technical or scholarly issues, whether sponsored by the Authority alone or in conjunction with a 894 governmental body or a private concern, when such data, records or information have not been publicly 895 released, published, copyrighted or patented.

896 16. Records of the Department of Environmental Quality, the State Water Control Board, State Air 897 Pollution Control Board or the Virginia Waste Management Board relating to (i) active federal 898 environmental enforcement actions that are considered confidential under federal law and (ii) 899 enforcement strategies, including proposed sanctions for enforcement actions. Upon request, such records 900 shall be disclosed after a proposed sanction resulting from the investigation has been proposed to the 901 director of the agency. This subdivision shall not be construed to prohibit the disclosure of records 902 related to inspection reports, notices of violation, and documents detailing the nature of any 903 environmental contamination that may have occurred or similar documents.

904 17. As it pertains to any person, records related to the operation of toll facilities that identify an
905 individual, vehicle, or travel itinerary including, but not limited to, vehicle identification data, vehicle
906 enforcement system information; video or photographic images; Social Security or other identification
907 numbers appearing on driver's licenses; credit card or bank account data; home addresses; phone
908 numbers; or records of the date or time of toll facility use.

909 18. Records of the Virginia Lottery pertaining to (i) the social security number, tax identification
910 number, state sales tax number, home address and telephone number, personal and lottery banking
911 account and transit numbers of a retailer, and financial information regarding the nonlottery operations
912 of specific retail locations; and (ii) individual lottery winners, except that a winner's name, hometown,
913 and amount won shall be disclosed.

914 19. Records of the Board for Branch Pilots relating to the chemical or drug testing of a person915 regulated by the Board, where such person has tested negative or has not been the subject of a916 disciplinary action by the Board for a positive test result.

917 20. Records, investigative notes, correspondence, and information pertaining to the planning,
918 scheduling and performance of examinations of holder records pursuant to the Uniform Disposition of
919 Unclaimed Property Act (§ 55-210.1 et seq.) prepared by or for the State Treasurer, his agents,
920 employees or persons employed to perform an audit or examination of holder records.

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921 21. Records of the Virginia Department of Emergency Management or a local governing body 922 relating to citizen emergency response teams established pursuant to an ordinance of a local governing 923 body, to the extent that such records reveal the name, address, including e-mail address, telephone or 924 pager numbers, or operating schedule of an individual participant in the program.

925 22. Records of state or local park and recreation departments and local and regional park authorities to the extent such records contain information identifying a person under the age of 18 years. However, 926 927 nothing in this subdivision shall operate to prohibit the disclosure of information defined as directory 928 information under regulations implementing the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. 929 § 1232g, unless the public body has undertaken the parental notification and opt-out requirements provided by such regulations. Access shall not be denied to the parent, including a noncustodial parent, 930 931 or guardian of such person, unless the parent's parental rights have been terminated or a court of competent jurisdiction has restricted or denied such access. For records of such persons who are 932 933 emancipated, the right of access may be asserted by the subject thereof. Any parent or emancipated 934 person who is the subject of the record may waive, in writing, the protections afforded by this 935 subdivision. If the protections are so waived, the public body shall open such records for inspection and 936 copying.

937 23. Records submitted for inclusion in the Statewide Alert Network administered by the Department 938 of Emergency Management, to the extent that they reveal names, physical addresses, email addresses, 939 computer or internet protocol information, telephone numbers, pager numbers, other wireless or portable 940 communications device information, or operating schedules of individuals or agencies, where the release 941 of such information would compromise the security of the Statewide Alert Network or individuals 942 participating in the Statewide Alert Network. 943

24. Records of the Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission made confidential by § 17.1-913.

25. Records of the Virginia Retirement System acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, of a local retirement 944 945 system acting pursuant to § 51.1-803 (hereinafter collectively referred to as the retirement system), or of 946 the Virginia College Savings Plan, acting pursuant to § 23-38.77 relating to:

947 a. Internal deliberations of or decisions by the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings 948 Plan on the pursuit of particular investment strategies, or the selection or termination of investment 949 managers, prior to the execution of such investment strategies or the selection or termination of such 950 managers, to the extent that disclosure of such records would have an adverse impact on the financial 951 interest of the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan; and

952 b. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), provided by a 953 private entity to the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan, to the extent disclosure of 954 such records would have an adverse impact on the financial interest of the retirement system or the 955 Virginia College Savings Plan.

956 For the records specified in subdivision b to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the 957 entity shall make a written request to the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan:

958 (1) Invoking such exclusion prior to or upon submission of the data or other materials for which 959 protection from disclosure is sought; 960

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

(3) Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

The retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan shall determine whether the requested 962 963 exclusion from disclosure meets the requirements set forth in subdivision b.

964 Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to authorize the withholding of the identity or amount 965 of any investment held or the present value and performance of all asset classes and subclasses. 966

26. Records of the Department of Corrections made confidential by § 53.1-233.

27. Records maintained by the Department of the Treasury or participants in the Local Government 967 968 Investment Pool (§ 2.2-4600 et seq.), to the extent such records relate to information required to be 969 provided by such participants to the Department to establish accounts in accordance with § 2.2-4602.

970 28. Personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, contained in the Veterans Care Center Resident Trust Funds concerning residents or patients of the Department of Veterans Services Care Centers, 971 972 except that access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject of the record.

973 29. Records maintained in connection with fundraising activities by the Veterans Services Foundation 974 pursuant to § 2.2-2716 to the extent that such records reveal the address, electronic mail address, 975 facsimile or telephone number, social security number or other identification number appearing on a 976 driver's license, or credit card or bank account data of identifiable donors, except that access shall not be 977 denied to the person who is the subject of the record. Nothing in this subdivision, however, shall be 978 construed to authorize the withholding of records relating to the amount, date, purpose, and terms of the 979 pledge or donation or the identity of the donor. The exclusion provided by this subdivision shall not 980 apply to protect from disclosure (i) the identities of sponsors providing grants to or contracting with the 981 foundation for the performance of services or other work or (ii) the terms and conditions of such grants 982 or contracts.

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983 30. Names, physical addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses contained in correspondence **984** between an individual and a member of the governing body, school board, or other public body of the 985 locality in which the individual is a resident, unless the correspondence relates to the transaction of 986 public business. However, no record that is otherwise open to inspection under this chapter shall be 987 deemed exempt by virtue of the fact that it has been attached to or incorporated within any such 988 correspondence.

989 31. Records of the Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council, to the extent such records are 990 prepared for and utilized by the Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council in the training of state 991 prosecutors or law-enforcement personnel, where such records are not otherwise available to the public 992 and the release of such records would reveal confidential strategies, methods or procedures to be 993 employed in law-enforcement activities, or materials created for the investigation and prosecution of a 994 criminal case.

995 32. Records provided to the Department of Aviation by other entities of the Commonwealth in 996 connection with the operation of aircraft, where the records would not be subject to disclosure by the 997 entity providing the records. The entity providing the records to the Department of Aviation shall **998** identify the specific portion of the records to be protected and the applicable provision of this chapter 999 that exempts the record or portions thereof from mandatory disclosure.

1000 33. Records created or maintained by or on the behalf of the judicial performance evaluation 1001 program related to an evaluation of any individual justice or judge made confidential by § 17.1-100.

1002 34. Records of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority to the extent such records contain 1003 (i) information of a proprietary nature gathered by or in the possession of the Authority from a private 1004 entity pursuant to a promise of confidentiality; (ii) trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade 1005 Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), of any private entity; (iii) financial records of a private entity, including 1006 balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available to the public through 1007 regulatory disclosure or otherwise; (iv) contract cost estimates prepared for the (a) confidential use in 1008 awarding contracts for construction or (b) purchase of goods or services; or (v) the determination of 1009 marketing and operational strategies where disclosure of such strategies would be harmful to the 1010 competitive position of the Authority.

1011 In order for the records identified in clauses (i) through (v) to be excluded from the provisions of 1012 this chapter, the private entity shall make a written request to the Authority:

1013 a. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from 1014 disclosure is sought;

1015 b. Identifying with specificity the data or other materials for which protection is sought; and

1016 c. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

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1017 The Authority shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to protect 1018 such records of the private entity. The Authority shall make a written determination of the nature and 1019 scope of the protection to be afforded it under this subdivision. 1020

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

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

1022 1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, 1023 appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public 1024 officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or 1025 schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve 1026 discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present 1027 during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that 1028 involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the 1029 teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board.

1030 2. Discussion or consideration of admission or disciplinary matters or any other matters that would 1031 involve the disclosure of information contained in a scholastic record concerning any student of any 1032 Virginia public institution of higher education or any state school system. However, any such student, 1033 legal counsel and, if the student is a minor, the student's parents or legal guardians shall be permitted to 1034 be present during the taking of testimony or presentation of evidence at a closed meeting, if such 1035 student, parents, or guardians so request in writing and such request is submitted to the presiding officer 1036 of the appropriate board.

1037 3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the 1038 disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect 1039 the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

1040 4. The protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business.

1041 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 1042 1043 locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

1044 6. Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is 1045 involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be 1046 adversely affected.

1047 7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual 1048 or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the 1049 negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or 1050 retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe 1051 1052 will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to 1053 1054 permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance 1055 or is consulted on a matter.

1056 8. In the case of boards of visitors of public institutions of higher education, discussion or 1057 consideration of matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities, and grants and contracts 1058 for services or work to be performed by such institution. However, the terms and conditions of any such 1059 gifts, bequests, grants, and contracts made by a foreign government, a foreign legal entity, or a foreign 1060 person and accepted by a public institution of higher education in Virginia shall be subject to public 1061 disclosure upon written request to the appropriate board of visitors. For the purpose of this subdivision, 1062 (i) "foreign government" means any government other than the United States government or the 1063 government of a state or a political subdivision thereof; (ii) "foreign legal entity" means any legal entity 1064 created under the laws of the United States or of any state thereof if a majority of the ownership of the 1065 stock of such legal entity is owned by foreign governments or foreign persons or if a majority of the membership of any such entity is composed of foreign persons or foreign legal entities, or any legal 1066 entity created under the laws of a foreign government; and (iii) "foreign person" means any individual 1067 1068 who is not a citizen or national of the United States or a trust territory or protectorate thereof.

1069 9. In the case of the boards of trustees of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the Virginia Museum 1070 of Natural History, the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, and The Science Museum of Virginia, 1071 discussion or consideration of matters relating to specific gifts, bequests, and grants. 1072

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

1073 11. Discussion or consideration of tests, examinations, or other records excluded from this chapter 1074 pursuant to subdivision 4 of § 2.2-3705.1.

1075 12. Discussion, consideration, or review by the appropriate House or Senate committees of possible 1076 disciplinary action against a member arising out of the possible inadequacy of the disclosure statement 1077 filed by the member, provided the member may request in writing that the committee meeting not be 1078 conducted in a closed meeting.

1079 13. Discussion of strategy with respect to the negotiation of a hazardous waste siting agreement or to 1080 consider the terms, conditions, and provisions of a hazardous waste siting agreement if the governing 1081 body in open meeting finds that an open meeting will have an adverse effect upon the negotiating 1082 position of the governing body or the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting 1083 agreement, or both. All discussions with the applicant or its representatives may be conducted in a 1084 closed meeting.

1085 14. Discussion by the Governor and any economic advisory board reviewing forecasts of economic activity and estimating general and nongeneral fund revenues. 1086

1087 15. Discussion or consideration of medical and mental health records excluded from this chapter 1088 pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.5.

16. Deliberations of the Virginia Lottery Board in a licensing appeal action conducted pursuant to 1089 1090 subsection D of § 58.1-4007 regarding the denial or revocation of a license of a lottery sales agent; and 1091 discussion, consideration or review of Virginia Lottery matters related to proprietary lottery game 1092 information and studies or investigations exempted from disclosure under subdivision 6 of § 2.2-3705.3 1093 and subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.7.

1094 17. Those portions of meetings by local government crime commissions where the identity of, or 1095 information tending to identify, individuals providing information about crimes or criminal activities 1096 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 1097 1098 of, or information tending to identify, any prisoner who (i) provides information about crimes or 1099 criminal activities, (ii) renders assistance in preventing the escape of another prisoner or in the 1100 apprehension of an escaped prisoner, or (iii) voluntarily or at the instance of a prison official renders other extraordinary services, the disclosure of which is likely to jeopardize the prisoner's life or safety. 1101

1102 19. Discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity and briefings by staff 1103 members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement or emergency service officials concerning actions taken to 1104 respond to such activity or a related threat to public safety; or discussion of reports or plans related to 1105 the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such

1106 facility, building or structure.

1107 20. Discussion by the Board of the Virginia Retirement System, acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, or 1108 of any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, or of the Rector and Visitors of the 1109 University of Virginia, acting pursuant to § 23-76.1, or by the Board of the Virginia College Savings 1110 Plan, acting pursuant to § 23-38.80, regarding the acquisition, holding or disposition of a security or 1111 other ownership interest in an entity, where such security or ownership interest is not traded on a 1112 governmentally regulated securities exchange, to the extent that such discussion (i) concerns confidential 1113 analyses prepared for the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, prepared by the retirement 1114 system or by the Virginia College Savings Plan or provided to the retirement system or the Virginia 1115 College Savings Plan under a promise of confidentiality, of the future value of such ownership interest 1116 or the future financial performance of the entity, and (ii) would have an adverse effect on the value of 1117 the investment to be acquired, held or disposed of by the retirement system, the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, or the Virginia College Savings Plan. Nothing in this subdivision shall be 1118 1119 construed to prevent the disclosure of information relating to the identity of any investment held, the 1120 amount invested or the present value of such investment.

1121 21. Those portions of meetings in which individual child death cases are discussed by the State Child
1122 Fatality Review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.1, and those portions of meetings in which
1123 individual child death cases are discussed by a regional or local child fatality review team established
1124 pursuant to § 32.1-283.2, and those portions of meetings in which individual death cases are discussed
1125 by family violence fatality review teams established pursuant to § 32.1-283.3.

1126 22. Those portions of meetings of the University of Virginia Board of Visitors or the Eastern 1127 Virginia Medical School Board of Visitors, as the case may be, and those portions of meetings of any 1128 persons to whom management responsibilities for the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern 1129 Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, have been delegated, in which there is discussed 1130 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 1131 1132 or marketing strategies and activities with existing or future joint venturers, partners, or other parties 1133 with whom the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case 1134 may be, has formed, or forms, any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of such 1135 information would adversely affect the competitive position of the Medical Center or Eastern Virginia 1136 Medical School, as the case may be.

1137 23. In the case of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority, discussion or 1138 consideration of any of the following: the acquisition or disposition of real or personal property where 1139 disclosure would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Authority; 1140 operational plans that could affect the value of such property, real or personal, owned or desirable for 1141 ownership by the Authority; matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities; grants and 1142 contracts for services or work to be performed by the Authority; marketing or operational strategies 1143 where disclosure of such strategies would adversely affect the competitive position of the Authority; 1144 members of its medical and teaching staffs and qualifications for appointments thereto; and qualifications 1145 or evaluations of other employees.

1146 24. Those portions of the meetings of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program Committee within
1147 the Department of Health Professions to the extent such discussions identify any practitioner who may
1148 be, or who actually is, impaired pursuant to Chapter 25.1 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1.

1149 25. Meetings or portions of meetings of the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan wherein
1150 personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, which has been provided to the Board or its employees
1151 by or on behalf of individuals who have requested information about, applied for, or entered into
1152 prepaid tuition contracts or savings trust account agreements pursuant to Chapter 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.)
1153 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.

1158 27. Those portions of disciplinary proceedings by any regulatory board within the Department of
1159 Professional and Occupational Regulation, Department of Health Professions, or the Board of
1160 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.

1164 28. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 11 of **1165** § 2.2-3705.6 by a responsible public entity or an affected locality or public entity, as those terms are **1166** defined in § 33.2-1800, or any independent review panel appointed to review information and advise the

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1167 responsible public entity concerning such records.

1168 29. Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including 1169 interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where 1170 discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of 1171 the public body.

1172 30. Discussion or consideration of grant or loan application records excluded from this chapter 1173 pursuant to subdivision 17 of § 2.2-3705.6 by (i) the Commonwealth Health Research Board or (ii) the 1174 Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority or the Research and Technology Investment Advisory Committee appointed to advise the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority. 1175

1176 31. Discussion or consideration by the Commitment Review Committee of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 9 of § 2.2-3705.2 relating to individuals subject to commitment as 1177 sexually violent predators under Chapter 9 (§ 37.2-900 et seq.) of Title 37.2. 1178 1179

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1180 33. Discussion or consideration of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets excluded from 1181 this chapter pursuant to subdivision 18 of $\S 2.2-3705.6$.

1182 34. Discussion or consideration by a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless 1183 Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets 1184 excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 19 of § 2.2-3705.6.

1185 35. Discussion or consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of voting 1186 security matters made confidential pursuant to § 24.2-625.1.

1187 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 1188 1189 this chapter pursuant to subdivision A 2 a of § 2.2-3706.

37. Discussion or consideration by the Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Program Awards 1190 1191 Committee of records or confidential matters excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of 1192 § 2.2-3705.4, and meetings of the Committee to deliberate concerning the annual maximum scholarship 1193 award, review and consider scholarship applications and requests for scholarship award renewal, and 1194 cancel, rescind, or recover scholarship awards.

1195 38. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Port Authority of records excluded from this chapter 1196 pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.6.

1197 39. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Retirement System acting 1198 pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, by the Investment Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 51.1-124.26, 1199 by any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, by the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan acting pursuant to § 23-38.80, or by the Virginia College Savings Plan's Investment 1200 1201 Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 23-38.79:1 of records excluded from this chapter pursuant 1202 to subdivision 25 of § 2.2-3705.7.

1203 40. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of 1204 § 2.2-3705.6.

1205 41. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Education of records relating to the denial, 1206 suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 12 of 1207 § 2.2-3705.3.

42. Those portions of meetings of the Virginia Military Advisory Council or any commission created 1208 1209 by executive order for the purpose of studying and making recommendations regarding preventing 1210 closure or realignment of federal military and national security installations and facilities located in Virginia and relocation of such facilities to Virginia, or a local or regional military affairs organization 1211 appointed by a local governing body, during which there is discussion of records excluded from this 1212 1213 chapter pursuant to subdivision 12 of § 2.2-3705.2.

43. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Veterans Services Foundation of 1214 1215 records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 29 of § 2.2-3705.7.

1216 44. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Community 1217 Revitalization Commission of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 23 of 1218 § 2.2-3705.6.

1219 45. Discussion or consideration by the board of directors of the Commercial Space Flight Authority 1220 of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 24 of § 2.2-3705.6.

1221 46. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 1222 Control Authority of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.3 or 1223 subdivision 34 of § 2.2-3705.7.

1224 B. No resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation or motion adopted, passed or agreed to in a 1225 closed meeting shall become effective unless the public body, following the meeting, reconvenes in open 1226 meeting and takes a vote of the membership on such resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation, or 1227 motion that shall have its substance reasonably identified in the open meeting.

1228 C. Public officers improperly selected due to the failure of the public body to comply with the other

- provisions of this section shall be de facto officers and, as such, their official actions are valid until theyobtain notice of the legal defect in their election.
- 1231 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the holding of conferences between two or
 1232 more public bodies, or their representatives, but these conferences shall be subject to the same
 1233 procedures for holding closed meetings as are applicable to any other public body.

1234 E. This section shall not be construed to (i) require the disclosure of any contract between the 1235 Department of Health Professions and an impaired practitioner entered into pursuant to Chapter 25.1 1236 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1 or (ii) require the board of directors of any authority created pursuant to the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond Act (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.), or any public body 1237 1238 empowered to issue industrial revenue bonds by general or special law, to identify a business or industry 1239 to which subdivision A 5 applies. However, such business or industry shall be identified as a matter of 1240 public record at least 30 days prior to the actual date of the board's authorization of the sale or issuance 1241 of such bonds.

- 1242 § 2.2-3802. Systems to which chapter inapplicable.
 - The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to personal information systems:
- 1244 1. Maintained by any court of the Commonwealth;

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1245 2. Which may exist in publications of general circulation;

3. Contained in the Criminal Justice Information System as defined in §§ 9.1-126 through 9.1-137 or
in the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry maintained by the Department of State Police
pursuant to Chapter 9 (§ 9.1-900 et seq.) of Title 9.1, except to the extent that information is required to
be posted on the Internet pursuant to § 9.1-913;

4. Contained in the Virginia Juvenile Justice Information System as defined in §§ 16.1-222 through
 16.1-225;

1252 5. Maintained by agencies concerning persons required by law to be licensed in the Commonwealth 1253 to engage in the practice of any profession, in which case the names and addresses of persons applying 1254 for or possessing the license may be disseminated upon written request to a person engaged in the 1255 providing the licensees of offering professional educational materials or courses for the sole purpose of 1256 providing the licensees or applicants for licenses with informational materials relating solely to available 1257 professional educational materials or courses, provided the disseminating agency is reasonably assured 1258 that the use of the information will be so limited;

1259 6. Maintained by the Parole Board, the Crime Commission, the Judicial Inquiry and Review
1260 Commission, the Virginia Racing Commission, and the Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage
1261 Control Authority;

7. Maintained by the Department of State Police; the police department of the Chesapeake Bay
Bridge and Tunnel Commission; police departments of cities, counties, and towns; and the campus
police departments of public institutions of higher education as established by Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et
seq.) of Title 23, and that deal with investigations and intelligence gathering relating to criminal activity;
and maintained by local departments of social services regarding alleged cases of child abuse or neglect
while such cases are also subject to an ongoing criminal prosecution;

8. Maintained by the Virginia Port Authority as provided in § 62.1-132.4 or 62.1-134.1;

9. Maintained by the Virginia Tourism Authority in connection with or as a result of the promotion of travel or tourism in the Commonwealth, in which case names and addresses of persons requesting information on those subjects may be disseminated upon written request to a person engaged in the business of providing travel services or distributing travel information, provided the Virginia Tourism Authority is reasonably assured that the use of the information will be so limited;

1274 10. Maintained by the Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services of the Department of General
1275 Services and the Department of Forensic Science, which deal with scientific investigations relating to
1276 criminal activity or suspected criminal activity, except to the extent that § 9.1-1104 may apply;

1277 11. Maintained by the Department of Corrections or the Office of the State Inspector General that
1278 deal with investigations and intelligence gathering by persons acting under the provisions of Chapter 3.2
1279 (§ 2.2-307 et seq.);

1280 12. Maintained by (i) the Office of the State Inspector General or internal audit departments of state
1281 agencies or institutions that deal with communications and investigations relating to the Fraud, Waste
1282 and Abuse Hotline or (ii) an auditor appointed by the local governing body of any county, city, or town
1283 or a school board that deals with local investigations required by § 15.2-2511.2;

1284 13. Maintained by the Department of Social Services or any local department of social services1285 relating to public assistance fraud investigations; and

1286 14. Maintained by the Department of Social Services related to child welfare, adult services or adult
1287 protective services, or public assistance programs when requests for personal information are made to
1288 the Department of Social Services. Requests for information from these systems shall be made to the
1289 appropriate local department of social services, which is the custodian of that record. Notwithstanding

1290 the language in this section, an individual shall not be prohibited from obtaining information from the central registry in accordance with the provisions of § 63.2-1515.

1292 § 2.2-4024. Hearing officers.

1293 A. In all formal hearings conducted in accordance with § 2.2-4020, the hearing shall be presided over 1294 by a hearing officer selected from a list prepared by the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court and 1295 maintained in the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court. Parties to informal 1296 fact-finding proceedings conducted pursuant to § 2.2-4019 may agree at the outset of the proceeding to 1297 have a hearing officer preside at the proceeding, such agreement to be revoked only by mutual consent. 1298 The Executive Secretary may promulgate rules necessary for the administration of the hearing officer 1299 system and shall have the authority to establish the number of hearing officers necessary to preside over 1300 administrative hearings in the Commonwealth.

1301 Prior to being included on the list, all hearing officers shall meet the following minimum standards:

- **1302** 1. Active membership in good standing in the Virginia State Bar;
- **1303** 2. Active practice of law for at least five years; and

3. Completion of a course of training approved by the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court. In order to comply with the demonstrated requirements of the agency requesting a hearing officer, the Executive Secretary may require additional training before a hearing officer shall be assigned to a proceeding before that agency.

B. On request from the head of an agency, the Executive Secretary shall name a hearing officer from
the list, selected on a rotation system administered by the Executive Secretary. Lists reflecting
geographic preference and specialized training or knowledge shall be maintained by the Executive
Secretary if an agency demonstrates the need.

C. A hearing officer shall voluntarily disqualify himself and withdraw from any case in which he cannot accord a fair and impartial hearing or consideration, or when required by the applicable rules governing the practice of law in the Commonwealth. Any party may request the disqualification of a hearing officer by filing an affidavit, prior to the taking of evidence at a hearing, stating with particularity the grounds upon which it is claimed that a fair and impartial hearing cannot be accorded, or the applicable rule of practice requiring disqualification.

1318 The issue shall be determined not less than 10 days prior to the hearing by the Executive Secretary 1319 of the Supreme Court.

1320 D. Any hearing officer empowered by the agency to provide a recommendation or conclusion in a 1321 case decision matter shall render that recommendation or conclusion within 90 days from the date of the 1322 case decision proceeding or from a later date agreed to by the named party and the agency. If the 1323 hearing officer does not render a decision within 90 days, then the named party to the case decision may 1324 provide written notice to the hearing officer and the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court that a 1325 decision is due. If no decision is made within 30 days from receipt by the hearing officer of the notice, 1326 then the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court shall remove the hearing officer from the hearing 1327 officer list and report the hearing officer to the Virginia State Bar for possible disciplinary action, unless 1328 good cause is shown for the delay.

E. The Executive Secretary shall remove hearing officers from the list, upon a showing of cause after
written notice and an opportunity for a hearing. When there is a failure by a hearing officer to render a
decision as required by subsection D, the burden shall be on the hearing officer to show good cause for
the delay. Decisions to remove a hearing officer may be reviewed by a request to the Executive
Secretary for reconsideration, followed by judicial review in accordance with this chapter.

1334 F. This section shall not apply to hearings conducted by (i) any commission or board where all of 1335 the members, or a quorum, are present; (ii) the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission, the State Corporation Commission, the Virginia 1336 Employment Commission, the Department of Motor Vehicles under Title 46.2 (§ 46.2-100 et seq.), 1337 1338 § 58.1-2409, or Chapter 27 (§ 58.1-2700 et seq.) of Title 58.1, or the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board under 1339 Chapter 15 (§ 46.2-1500 et seq.) of Title 46.2; or (iii) any panel of a health regulatory board convened 1340 pursuant to § 54.1-2400, including any panel having members of a relevant advisory board to the Board 1341 of Medicine. All employees hired after July 1, 1986, pursuant to §§ 65.2-201 and 65.2-203 by the 1342 Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission to conduct hearings pursuant to its basic laws shall meet 1343 the minimum qualifications set forth in subsection A. Agency employees who are not licensed to 1344 practice law in the Commonwealth, and are presiding as hearing officers in proceedings pursuant to 1345 clause (ii) shall participate in periodic training courses.

G. Notwithstanding the exemptions of subsection A of § 2.2-4002, this article shall apply to hearing officers conducting hearings of the kind described in § 2.2-4020 for the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Virginia Housing Development Authority, the Milk Commission, and the Virginia 1349
Resources Authority pursuant to their basic laws.

\$ 2.2-4345. Exemptions from competitive sealed bidding and competitive negotiation for certain
 transactions; limitations.

A. The following public bodies may enter into contracts without competitive sealed bidding orcompetitive negotiation:

1354 1. The Director of the Department of Medical Assistance Services for special services provided for 1355 eligible recipients pursuant to subsection H of § 32.1-325, provided that the Director has made a 1356 determination in advance after reasonable notice to the public and set forth in writing that competitive 1357 sealed bidding or competitive negotiation for such services is not fiscally advantageous to the public, or 1358 would constitute an imminent threat to the health or welfare of such recipients. The writing shall 1359 document the basis for this determination.

2. The State Health Commissioner for the compilation, storage, analysis, evaluation, and publication of certain data submitted by health care providers and for the development of a methodology to measure the efficiency and productivity of health care providers pursuant to Chapter 7.2 (§ 32.1-276.2 et seq.) of Title 32.1, if the Commissioner has made a determination in advance, after reasonable notice to the public and set forth in writing, that competitive sealed bidding or competitive negotiation for such services is not fiscally advantageous to the public. The writing shall document the basis for this determination. Such agreements and contracts shall be based on competitive principles.

1367 3. The Virginia Code Commission when procuring the services of a publisher, pursuant to §§ 30-1461368 and 30-148, to publish the Code of Virginia or the Virginia Administrative Code.

4. The Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority for the purchase of alcoholicbeverages.

- 1371 5. The Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services, for the administration of elder rights
 1372 programs, with (i) nonprofit Virginia corporations granted tax-exempt status under § 501(c)(3) of the
 1373 Internal Revenue Code with statewide experience in Virginia in conducting a state long-term care
 1374 ombudsman program or (ii) designated area agencies on aging.
- 1375 6. The Department of Health for (a) child restraint devices, pursuant to § 46.2-1097; (b) health care 1376 services with Virginia corporations granted tax-exempt status under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue 1377 Code and operating as clinics for the indigent and uninsured that are organized for the delivery of 1378 primary health care services in a community (i) as federally qualified health centers designated by the 1379 Health Care Financing Administration or (ii) at a reduced or sliding fee scale or without charge; or (c) 1380 contracts with laboratories providing cytology and related services if competitive sealed bidding and 1381 competitive negotiations are not fiscally advantageous to the public to provide quality control as 1382 prescribed in writing by the Commissioner of Health.
- 1383 7. Virginia Correctional Enterprises, when procuring materials, supplies, or services for use in and support of its production facilities, provided the procurement is accomplished using procedures that ensure as efficient use of funds as practicable and, at a minimum, includes obtaining telephone quotations. Such procedures shall require documentation of the basis for awarding contracts under this section.
- 1388 8. The Virginia Baseball Stadium Authority for the operation of any facilities developed under the provisions of Chapter 58 (§ 15.2-5800 et seq.) of Title 15.2, including contracts or agreements with respect to the sale of food, beverages and souvenirs at such facilities.
- 1391 9. With the consent of the Governor, the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation for the promotion of tourism through marketing with private entities provided a demonstrable cost savings, as reviewed by the Secretary of Education, can be realized by the Foundation and such agreements or contracts are based on competitive principles.
- 1395 10. The Chesapeake Hospital Authority in the exercise of any power conferred under Chapter 271, as
 amended, of the Acts of Assembly of 1966, provided that it does not discriminate against any person on
 the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions,
 age, marital status, or disability in the procurement of goods and services.
- 1399 11. Richmond Eye and Ear Hospital Authority, any authorities created under Chapter 53 (§ 15.2-5300
 1400 et seq.) of Title 15.2 and any hospital or health center commission created under Chapter 52
 1401 (§ 15.2-5200 et seq.) of Title 15.2 in the exercise of any power conferred under their respective authorizing legislation, provided that these entities shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, age, marital status, or disability in the procurement of goods and services.
- 1405 12. The Patrick Hospital Authority sealed in the exercise of any power conferred under the Acts of
 1406 Assembly of 2000, provided that it does not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color,
 1407 religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, age, marital status, or
 1408 disability in the procurement of goods and services.
- 1409 13. Public bodies for insurance or electric utility services if purchased through an association of
 1410 which it is a member if the association was formed and is maintained for the purpose of promoting the
 1411 interest and welfare of and developing close relationships with similar public bodies, provided such
 1412 association has procured the insurance or electric utility services by use of competitive principles and

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1413 provided that the public body has made a determination in advance after reasonable notice to the public 1414 and set forth in writing that competitive sealed bidding and competitive negotiation are not fiscally 1415 advantageous to the public. The writing shall document the basis for this determination.

1416 14. Public bodies administering public assistance and social services programs as defined in § 63.2-100, community services boards as defined in § 37.2-100, or any public body purchasing services 1417 1418 under the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth and Families (§ 2.2-5200 et seq.) or the 1419 Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (§ 16.1-309.2 et seq.) for goods or personal services for direct use by the recipients of such programs if the procurement is made for an individual recipient. 1420 Contracts for the bulk procurement of goods or services for the use of recipients shall not be exempted 1421 from the requirements of § 2.2-4303. 1422

1423 15. The Eastern Virginia Medical School in the exercise of any power conferred pursuant to Chapter 1424 471, as amended, of the Acts of Assembly of 1964.

1425 B. No contract for the construction of any building or for an addition to or improvement of an existing building by any local government or subdivision of local government for which state funds of 1426 1427 not more than \$50,000 in the aggregate or for the sum of all phases of a contract or project either by 1428 appropriation, grant-in-aid or loan, are used or are to be used for all or part of the cost of construction 1429 shall be let except after competitive sealed bidding or after competitive negotiation as provided under of 1430 subsection D of § 2.2-4303. The procedure for the advertising for bids or for proposals and for letting of 1431 the contract shall conform, mutatis mutandis, to this chapter. 1432

§ 3.2-1010. Enforcement of chapter; summons.

1433 Any conservation police officer or law-enforcement officer as defined in § 9.1-101, excluding certain members of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board members Authority, may enforce the 1434 provisions of this chapter and the regulations adopted hereunder as well as those who are so designated 1435 by the Commissioner. Those designated by the Commissioner may issue a summons to any person who 1436 1437 violates any provision of this chapter to appear at a time and place to be specified in such summons.

§ 4.1-100. Definitions.

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As used in this title unless the context requires a different meaning:

1440 "Alcohol" means the product known as ethyl or grain alcohol obtained by distillation of any 1441 fermented liquor, rectified either once or more often, whatever the origin, and shall include synthetic 1442 ethyl alcohol, but shall not include methyl alcohol and alcohol completely denatured in accordance with 1443 formulas approved by the government of the United States.

1444 "Alcohol vaporizing device" means any device, machine, or process that mixes any alcoholic 1445 beverages with pure oxygen or other gas to produce a vaporized product for the purpose of consumption 1446 by inhalation.

1447 "Alcoholic beverages" includes alcohol, spirits, wine, and beer, and any one or more of such varieties 1448 containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, including mixed alcoholic beverages, 1449 and every liquid or solid, patented or not, containing alcohol, spirits, wine, or beer and capable of being 1450 consumed by a human being. Any liquid or solid containing more than one of the four varieties shall be 1451 considered as belonging to that variety which has the higher percentage of alcohol, however obtained, 1452 according to the order in which they are set forth in this definition; except that beer may be 1453 manufactured to include flavoring materials and other nonbeverage ingredients containing alcohol, as 1454 long as no more than 49 percent of the overall alcohol content of the finished product is derived from 1455 the addition of flavors and other nonbeverage ingredients containing alcohol for products with an alcohol 1456 content of no more than six percent by volume; or, in the case of products with an alcohol content of 1457 more than six percent by volume, as long as no more than one and one-half percent of the volume of 1458 the finished product consists of alcohol derived from added flavors and other nonbeverage ingredients 1459 containing alcohol.

1460 "Arts venue" means a commercial or nonprofit establishment that is open to the public and in which 1461 works of art are sold or displayed. 1462

"Authority" means the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority created pursuant to this title.

"Barrel" means any container or vessel having a capacity of more than 43 ounces.

1464 "Bed and breakfast establishment" means any establishment (i) having no more than 15 bedrooms; 1465 (ii) offering to the public, for compensation, transitory lodging or sleeping accommodations; and (iii) offering at least one meal per day, which may but need not be breakfast, to each person to whom 1466 1467 overnight lodging is provided.

1468 "Beer" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of an infusion or decoction of 1469 barley, malt, and hops or of any similar products in drinkable water and containing one-half of one 1470 percent or more of alcohol by volume. 1471

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority.

1472 "Bottle" means any vessel intended to contain liquids and having a capacity of not more than 43 1473 ounces.

1474 "Canal boat operator" means any nonprofit organization that operates tourism-oriented canal boats for

recreational purposes on waterways declared nonnavigable by the United States Congress pursuant to 33U.S.C. § 59ii.

1477 "Club" means any private nonprofit corporation or association which is the owner, lessee, or 1478 occupant of an establishment operated solely for a national, social, patriotic, political, athletic, or other 1479 like purpose, but not for pecuniary gain, the advantages of which belong to all of the members. It also 1480 means the establishment so operated. A corporation or association shall not lose its status as a club 1481 because of the conduct of charitable gaming conducted pursuant to Article 1.1:1 (§ 18.2-340.15 et seq.) 1482 of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2 in which nonmembers participate frequently or in large numbers, provided 1483 that no alcoholic beverages are served or consumed in the room where such charitable gaming is being 1484 conducted while such gaming is being conducted and that no alcoholic beverages are made available 1485 upon the premises to any person who is neither a member nor a bona fide guest of a member.

1486 Any such corporation or association which has been declared exempt from federal and state income taxes as one which is not organized and operated for pecuniary gain or profit shall be deemed a nonprofit corporation or association.

1489 "Container" means any barrel, bottle, carton, keg, vessel or other receptacle used for holding alcoholic beverages.

1491 "Contract winemaking facility" means the premises of a licensed winery or farm winery that obtains 1492 grapes, fruits, and other agricultural products from a person holding a farm winery license and crushes, 1493 processes, ferments, bottles, or provides any combination of such services pursuant to an agreement with 1494 the farm winery licensee. For all purposes of this title, wine produced by a contract winemaking facility 1495 for a farm winery shall be considered to be wine owned and produced by the farm winery that supplied 1496 the grapes, fruits, or other agricultural products used in the production of the wine. The contract 1497 winemaking facility shall have no right to sell the wine so produced, unless the terms of payment have 1498 not been fulfilled in accordance with the contract. The contract winemaking facility may charge the farm 1499 winery for its services.

1500 "Convenience grocery store" means an establishment which (i) has an enclosed room in a permanent
1501 structure where stock is displayed and offered for sale and (ii) maintains an inventory of edible items
1502 intended for human consumption consisting of a variety of such items of the types normally sold in
1503 grocery stores.

1504 "Day spa" means any commercial establishment that offers to the public both massage therapy,
1505 performed by persons certified in accordance with § 54.1-3029, and barbering or cosmetology services
1506 performed by persons licensed in accordance with Chapter 7 (§ 54.1-700 et seq.) of Title 54.1.

1507 "Designated area" means a room or area approved by the Board for on-premises licensees.

1508 "Dining area" means a public room or area in which meals are regularly served.

1509 "Establishment" means any place where alcoholic beverages of one or more varieties are lawfully1510 manufactured, sold, or used.

1511 "Farm winery" means an establishment (i) located on a farm in the Commonwealth with a producing 1512 vineyard, orchard, or similar growing area and with facilities for fermenting and bottling wine on the 1513 premises where the owner or lessee manufactures wine that contains not more than 18 percent alcohol 1514 by volume or (ii) located in the Commonwealth with a producing vineyard, orchard, or similar growing 1515 area or agreements for purchasing grapes or other fruits from agricultural growers within the 1516 Commonwealth, and with facilities for fermenting and bottling wine on the premises where the owner or 1517 lessee manufactures wine that contains not more than 18 percent alcohol by volume. As used in this 1518 definition, the terms "owner" and "lessee" shall include a cooperative formed by an association of 1519 individuals for the purpose of manufacturing wine. In the event such cooperative is licensed as a farm 1520 winery, the term "farm" as used in this definition includes all of the land owned or leased by the 1521 individual members of the cooperative as long as such land is located in the Commonwealth.

1522 "Gift shop" means any bona fide retail store selling, predominantly, gifts, books, souvenirs, specialty 1523 items relating to history, original and handmade arts and products, collectibles, crafts, and floral 1524 arrangements, which is open to the public on a regular basis. Such shop shall be a permanent structure 1525 where stock is displayed and offered for sale and which has facilities to properly secure any stock of 1526 wine or beer. Such shop may be located (i) on the premises or grounds of a government registered 1527 national, state or local historic building or site or (ii) within the premises of a museum. The Board shall 1528 consider the purpose, characteristics, nature, and operation of the shop in determining whether it shall be 1529 considered a gift shop.

1530 "Gourmet brewing shop" means an establishment which sells to persons to whom wine or beer may
1531 lawfully be sold, ingredients for making wine or brewing beer, including packaging, and rents to such
1532 persons facilities for manufacturing, fermenting and bottling such wine or beer.

1533 "Gourmet shop" means an establishment provided with adequate inventory, shelving, and storage
1534 facilities, where, in consideration of payment, substantial amounts of domestic and imported wines and
1535 beers of various types and sizes and related products such as cheeses and gourmet foods are habitually

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1536 furnished to persons.

1537 "Government store" means a store established by the Board Authority for the sale of alcoholic 1538 beverages.

1539 "Hotel" means any duly licensed establishment, provided with special space and accommodation, 1540 where, in consideration of payment, food and lodging are habitually furnished to persons, and which has 1541 four or more bedrooms. It shall also mean the person who operates such hotel.

1542 "Interdicted person" means a person to whom the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited by order 1543 pursuant to this title.

1544 "Internet wine retailer" means a person who owns or operates an establishment with adequate 1545 inventory, shelving, and storage facilities, where, in consideration of payment, internet or telephone 1546 orders are taken and shipped directly to consumers and which establishment is not a retail store open to 1547 the public.

1548 'Intoxicated" means a condition in which a person has drunk enough alcoholic beverages to 1549 observably affect his manner, disposition, speech, muscular movement, general appearance or behavior. 1550

"Licensed" means the holding of a valid license issued granted by the Board Authority.

"Licensee" means any person to whom a license has been granted by the Board Authority.

1552 "Liqueur" means any of a class of highly flavored alcoholic beverages that do not exceed an alcohol 1553 content of 25 percent by volume.

1554 "Low alcohol beverage cooler" means a drink containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol 1555 by volume, but not more than seven and one-half percent alcohol by volume, and consisting of spirits 1556 mixed with nonalcoholic beverages or flavoring or coloring materials; it may also contain water, fruit juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, preservatives or other similar products manufactured by 1557 1558 fermenting fruit or fruit juices. Low alcohol beverage coolers shall be treated as wine for all purposes of this title; except that low alcohol beverage coolers shall not be sold in localities that have not approved 1559 1560 the sale of mixed beverages pursuant to § 4.1-124. In addition, low alcohol beverage coolers shall not be 1561 sold for on-premises consumption other than by mixed beverage licensees.

1562 "Meal-assembly kitchen" means any commercial establishment that offers its customers, for 1563 off-premises consumption, ingredients for the preparation of meals and entrees in professional kitchen 1564 facilities located at the establishment.

1565 "Meals" means, for a mixed beverage license, an assortment of foods commonly ordered in bona 1566 fide, full-service restaurants as principal meals of the day. Such restaurants shall include establishments 1567 specializing in full course meals with a single substantial entree.

1568 "Member of a club" means (i) a person who maintains his membership in the club by the payment of 1569 monthly, quarterly, or annual dues in the manner established by the rules and regulations thereof or (ii) 1570 a person who is a member of a bona fide auxiliary, local chapter, or squadron composed of direct lineal 1571 descendants of a bona fide member, whether alive or deceased, of a national or international 1572 organization to which an individual lodge holding a club license is an authorized member in the same 1573 locality. It shall also mean a lifetime member whose financial contribution is not less than 10 times the 1574 annual dues of resident members of the club, the full amount of such contribution being paid in advance 1575 in a lump sum.

1576 "Mixed beverage" or "mixed alcoholic beverage" means a drink composed in whole or in part of 1577 spirits.

1578 "Mixer" means any prepackaged ingredients containing beverages or flavoring or coloring materials, 1579 and which may also contain water, fruit juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, or preservatives 1580 which are not commonly consumed unless combined with alcoholic beverages, whether or not such 1581 ingredients contain alcohol. Such specialty beverage product shall be manufactured or distributed by a 1582 Virginia corporation.

Place or premises" means the real estate, together with any buildings or other improvements thereon, 1583 1584 designated in the application for a license as the place at which the manufacture, bottling, distribution, 1585 use or sale of alcoholic beverages shall be performed, except that portion of any such building or other 1586 improvement actually and exclusively used as a private residence.

1587 "Principal stockholder" means any person who individually or in concert with his spouse and 1588 immediate family members beneficially owns or controls, directly or indirectly, five percent or more of 1589 the equity ownership of any person that is a licensee of the Authority, or who in concert with his spouse 1590 and immediate family members has the power to vote or cause the vote of five percent or more of any 1591 such equity ownership. "Principal stockholder" does not include a broker-dealer registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that holds in inventory shares for sale on the financial 1592 1593 markets for a publicly traded corporation holding, directly or indirectly, a license from the Authority.

1594 "Public place" means any place, building, or conveyance to which the public has, or is permitted to 1595 have, access, including restaurants, soda fountains, hotel dining areas, lobbies and corridors of hotels, 1596 and any park, place of public resort or amusement, highway, street, lane, or sidewalk adjoining any 1597 highway, street, or lane.

1598 The term shall not include (i) hotel or restaurant dining areas or ballrooms while in use for private 1599 meetings or private parties limited in attendance to members and guests of a particular group, 1600 association or organization; (ii) restaurants licensed by the Board Authority in office buildings or 1601 industrial or similar facilities while such restaurant is closed to the public and in use for private 1602 meetings or parties limited in attendance to employees and nonpaying guests of the owner or a lessee of 1603 all or part of such building or facility; (iii) offices, office buildings or industrial facilities while closed to 1604 the public and in use for private meetings or parties limited in attendance to employees and nonpaying 1605 guests of the owner or a lessee of all or part of such building or facility; or (iv) private recreational or 1606 chartered boats which are not licensed by the Board and on which alcoholic beverages are not sold.

1607 "Residence" means any building or part of a building or structure where a person resides, but does 1608 not include any part of a building which is not actually and exclusively used as a private residence, nor 1609 any part of a hotel or club other than a private guest room thereof.

"Resort complex" means a facility (i) with a hotel owning year-round sports and recreational facilities 1610 1611 located contiguously on the same property or (ii) owned by a nonstock, nonprofit, taxable corporation 1612 with voluntary membership which, as its primary function, makes available golf, ski and other 1613 recreational facilities both to its members and the general public. The hotel or corporation shall have a 1614 minimum of 140 private guest rooms or dwelling units contained on not less than 50 acres. The Board Authority may consider the purpose, characteristics, and operation of the applicant establishment in 1615 1616 determining whether it shall be considered as a resort complex. All other pertinent qualifications established by the Board for a hotel operation shall be observed by such licensee. 1617

1618 "Restaurant" means, for a beer, or wine and beer license or a limited mixed beverage restaurant 1619 license, any establishment provided with special space and accommodation, where, in consideration of 1620 payment, meals or other foods prepared on the premises are regularly sold.

"Restaurant" means, for a mixed beverage license other than a limited mixed beverage restaurant 1621 1622 license, an established place of business (i) where meals with substantial entrees are regularly sold and 1623 (ii) which has adequate facilities and sufficient employees for cooking, preparing, and serving such 1624 meals for consumption at tables in dining areas on the premises, and includes establishments specializing 1625 in full course meals with a single substantial entree.

1626 "Sale" and "sell" includes soliciting or receiving an order for; keeping, offering or exposing for sale; 1627 peddling, exchanging or bartering; or delivering otherwise than gratuitously, by any means, alcoholic 1628 beverages.

1629 "Sangria" means a drink consisting of red or white wine mixed with some combination of 1630 sweeteners, fruit, fruit juice, soda, or soda water that may also be mixed with brandy, triple sec, or other 1631 similar spirits.

1632 "Special agent" means an employee of the Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control 1633 Authority whom the Board has designated as a law-enforcement officer pursuant to § 4.1-105.

1634 "Special event" means an event sponsored by a duly organized nonprofit corporation or association 1635 and conducted for an athletic, charitable, civic, educational, political, or religious purpose.

1636 "Spirits" means any beverage which contains alcohol obtained by distillation mixed with drinkable 1637 water and other substances, in solution, and includes, among other things, brandy, rum, whiskey, and 1638 gin, or any one or more of the last four named ingredients; but shall not include any such liquors 1639 completely denatured in accordance with formulas approved by the United States government.

1640 "Wine" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation of the natural sugar content of 1641 fruits or other agricultural products containing (i) sugar, including honey and milk, either with or 1642 without additional sugar; (ii) one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume; and (iii) no product 1643 of distillation. The term includes any wine to which wine spirits have been added, as provided in the 1644 Internal Revenue Code, to make products commonly known as "fortified wine" which do not exceed an 1645 alcohol content of 21 percent by volume.

1646 "Wine cooler" means a drink containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, and 1647 not more than three and two-tenths percent of alcohol by weight or four percent by volume consisting of 1648 wine mixed with nonalcoholic beverages or flavoring or coloring materials, and which may also contain 1649 water, fruit juices, fruit adjuncts, sugar, carbon dioxide, or preservatives and shall include other similar 1650 products manufactured by fermenting fruit or fruit juices. Wine coolers and similar fermented fruit juice 1651 beverages shall be treated as wine for all purposes except for taxation under § 4.1-236.

1652 "With or without meals" means the selling and serving of alcoholic beverages by retail licensees for 1653 on-premises consumption whether or not accompanied by food so long as the total food-beverage ratio 1654 required by § 4.1-210, or the monthly food sale requirement established by Board regulation, is met by 1655 such retail licensee. 1656

§ 4.1-101. Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority created; public purpose.

1657 A. The General Assembly has determined that there exists in the Commonwealth a need to control the possession, sale, transportation, distribution, and delivery of alcoholic beverages in the 1658

1659 Commonwealth. Further, the General Assembly determines that the creation of an authority for this 1660 purpose is in the public interest, serves a public purpose, and will promote the health, safety, welfare, 1661 convenience, and prosperity of the people of the Commonwealth. To achieve this objective, there is 1662 hereby created an independent political subdivision of the Commonwealth, exclusive of the legislative, 1663 executive, or judicial branches of state government, to be known as the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 1664 Control Authority. The Authority's exercise of powers and duties conferred by this title shall be deemed 1665 the performance of an essential governmental function and a matter of public necessity for which public 1666 moneys may be spent. The Board of Directors of the Authority is vested with control of the possession, sale, transportation, distribution, and delivery of alcoholic beverages in the Commonwealth, with 1667 plenary power to prescribe and enforce regulations and conditions under which alcoholic beverages are 1668 possessed, sold, transported, distributed, and delivered, so as to prevent any corrupt, incompetent, 1669 1670 dishonest, or unprincipled practices and to promote the health, safety, welfare, convenience, and 1671 prosperity of the people of the Commonwealth. The exercise of the powers granted by this title shall be 1672 in all respects for the benefit of the citizens of the Commonwealth and for the promotion of their safety, 1673 health, welfare, and convenience. No part of the assets or net earnings of the Authority shall inure to 1674 the benefit of, or be distributable to, any private individual, except that reasonable compensation may be 1675 paid for services rendered to or for the Authority affecting one or more of its purposes, and benefits may be conferred that are in conformity with said purposes, and no private individual shall be entitled 1676 1677 to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the Authority.

1678 B. The Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control is created and Authority shall consist of 1679 the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, and the agents and employees of the Authority. The Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority shall be deemed 1680 successor in interest to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control and the Alcoholic Beverage 1681 1682 *Control* Board.

1683 C. Nothing contained in this title shall be construed as a restriction or limitation upon any powers 1684 that the Board of Directors of the Authority might otherwise have under any other law of the 1685 Commonwealth. 1686

§ 4.1-101.01. Board of Directors; membership; terms; compensation.

1687 A. The Authority shall be governed by a Board of Directors, which shall consist of three citizens at 1688 large appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the affirmative vote of a majority of those voting in 1689 each house of the General Assembly. Each appointee shall (i) have been a resident of the 1690 Commonwealth for a period of at least three years next preceding his appointment, and his continued 1691 residency shall be a condition of his tenure in office; (ii) hold, at a minimum, a baccalaureate degree in 1692 business or a related field of study; and (iii) possess a minimum of seven years of demonstrated 1693 experience or expertise in the direct management, supervision, or control of a business or legal affairs. 1694 Appointees shall be subject to a background check in accordance with § 4.1-101.03.

1695 B. After the initial staggering of terms, members shall be appointed for a term of four years. All 1696 members shall serve until their successors are appointed. Any appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for 1697 the unexpired term. No member appointed by the Governor shall be eligible to serve more than two 1698 consecutive terms; however, a member appointed to fill a vacancy may serve two additional consecutive 1699 terms. Members of the Board may be removed from office by the Governor for cause, including the 1700 improper use of its police powers, malfeasance, misfeasance, incompetence, misconduct, neglect of duty, 1701 absenteeism, conflict of interests, failure to carry out the policies of the Commonwealth as established in 1702 the Constitution or by the General Assembly, or refusal to carry out a lawful directive of the Governor.

1703 C. The Board shall elect annually from its membership a chairman and a vice-chairman and may 1704 also elect other subordinate officers, who need not be members of the Board. The Board may also form 1705 committees and advisory councils, which may include representatives who are not members of the 1706 Board, to undertake more extensive study and discussion of the issues before the Board. A majority of 1707 the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the Authority's business, and no vacancy in 1708 the membership shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise the rights and perform all duties of the 1709 Authority.

1710 D. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the exercise of judicial, legislative, and 1711 discretionary functions of the Board, whether there be a vacancy in the Board or not, but a quorum 1712 shall not be necessary for the exercise of its administrative functions.

1713 E. Members of the Board shall each annually receive such salary as shall be fixed from time to time 1714 in the appropriation act. Members of the Board shall devote their full time to the performance of their 1715 official duties and shall not be engaged in any other profession or occupation.

1716 F. The provisions of the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.) 1717 shall apply to the members of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer of the Authority, and the employees 1718 of the Authority.

1719 § 4.1-101.02. Appointment, salary, and powers of Chief Executive Officer.

1720 A. The Board shall appoint the Chief Executive Officer, who shall not be a member of the Board and

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1721 who shall hold, at a minimum, a baccalaureate degree in business or a related field of study and shall 1722 possess a minimum of seven years of demonstrated experience or expertise in the direct management, 1723 supervision, or control of a business or legal affairs. The Chief Executive Officer shall receive a salary 1724 as determined by the Board, including any performance bonuses or incentives as the Board deems 1725 advisable. The Chief Executive Officer shall be subject to a background check in accordance with 1726 § 4.1-101.03. The Chief Executive Officer shall (i) serve at the pleasure of the Board, (ii) carry out the 1727 powers and duties conferred upon him by the Board, and (iii) meet performance measures or targets set 1728 by the Board.

1729 B. The Chief Executive Officer shall devote his full time to the performance of his official duties and 1730 shall not be engaged in any other profession or occupation.

1731 C. The Chief Executive Officer shall supervise and administer the operations of the Authority in 1732 accordance with this title.

1733 D. The Chief Executive Officer shall:

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1734 1. Serve as the secretary to the Board and keep a true and full record of all proceedings of the 1735 Authority and preserve at the Authority's general office all books, documents, and papers of the 1736 Authority;

1737 2. Exercise and perform such powers and duties as may be delegated to him by the Board or as may 1738 be conferred or imposed upon him by law:

1739 3. Appoint a chief financial officer and employ or retain such agents or employees subordinate to the 1740 Chief Executive Officer as may be necessary to fulfill the duties of the Authority conferred upon the 1741 Chief Executive Officer, subject to the Board's approval; and

1742 4. Make recommendations to the Board for legislative and regulatory changes.

1743 E. Neither the Chief Executive Officer nor the spouse or any member of the immediate family of the 1744 Chief Executive Officer shall make any contribution to a candidate for office or officeholder at the local 1745 or state level or cause such a contribution to be made on his behalf.

§ 4.1-101.03. Background investigations of Board members and Chief Executive Officer.

1747 All members of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer shall be fingerprinted before, and as a 1748 condition of, appointment. These fingerprints shall be submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation 1749 for a national criminal history records search and to the Department of State Police for a Virginia 1750 criminal history records search. The Department of State Police shall be reimbursed by the Authority 1751 for the cost of investigations conducted pursuant to this section. No person shall be appointed to the 1752 Board or appointed by the Board who (i) has defrauded or attempted to defraud any federal, state, or 1753 local government or governmental agency or authority by making or filing any report, document, or tax 1754 return required by statute or regulation that is fraudulent or contains a false representation of a 1755 material fact; (ii) has willfully deceived or attempted to deceive any federal, state, or local government 1756 or governmental agency or governmental authority by making or maintaining business records required 1757 by statute or regulation that are false and fraudulent; or (iii) has been convicted of (a) a felony or a 1758 crime involving moral turpitude or (b) a violation of any law applicable to the manufacture, 1759 transportation, possession, use, or sale of alcoholic beverages within the five years immediately 1760 preceding appointment.

1761 § 4.1-101.04. Financial interests of Board, employees, and family members prohibited.

1762 No Board member or employee of the Authority shall (i) be a principal stockholder or (ii) otherwise 1763 have any financial interest, direct or indirect, in any licensee subject to the provisions of this title or in 1764 any entity that has submitted an application for a license under Chapter 2 (§ 4.1-200 et seq.). No Board 1765 member and no spouse or immediate family member of a Board member shall make any contribution to 1766 a candidate for office or officeholder at the local or state level or cause such a contribution to be made 1767 on his behalf. 1768

§ 4.1-101.05. Employees of the Authority.

1769 A. Employees of the Authority shall be considered employees of the Commonwealth. Employees of the 1770 Authority shall be eligible for membership in the Virginia Retirement System and participation in all 1771 health and related insurance and other benefits, including premium conversion and flexible benefits, 1772 available to state employees as provided by law. Employees of the Authority shall be employed on such 1773 terms and conditions as established by the Board. The Board shall develop and adopt policies and 1774 procedures that afford its employees grievance rights, ensure that employment decisions shall be based 1775 upon the merit and fitness of applicants, and prohibit discrimination because of race, color, religion, 1776 national origin, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, age, marital status, or 1777 disability.

1778 B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Authority shall give preference in hiring to 1779 employees of the former Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control. The Authority shall issue a written 1780 notice to all persons whose employment at the former Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control will be 1781 transferred to the Authority. The date upon which such written notice is issued shall be referred to

1782 herein as the "Option Date." Each person whose employment will be transferred to the Authority may, 1783 by written request made within 180 days of the Option Date, elect not to become employed by the 1784 Authority. Any employee of the former Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control who (i) elects not to 1785 become employed by the Authority and who is not reemployed by any department, institution, board, 1786 commission, or agency of the Commonwealth; (ii) is not offered the opportunity to transfer to 1787 employment by the Authority; or (iii) is not offered a position with the Authority for which the employee 1788 is qualified or is offered a position that requires relocation or a reduction in salary, shall be eligible for 1789 the severance benefits conferred by the provisions of the Workforce Transition Act (§ 2.2-3200 et seq.). 1790 Any employee who accepts employment with the Authority shall not be considered to be involuntarily 1791 separated from state employment and shall not be eligible for the severance benefits conferred by the 1792 provisions of the Workforce Transition Act.

1793 C. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any person whose employment is 1794 transferred to the Authority as a result of this section and who is a member of any plan for providing 1795 health insurance coverage pursuant to Chapter 28 (§ 2.2-2800 et seq.) of Title 2.2 shall continue to be a 1796 member of such health insurance plan under the same terms and conditions as if no transfer had 1797 occurred.

1798 D. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any person whose employment is 1799 transferred to the Authority as a result of this section and who is a member of the Virginia Retirement 1800 System or other retirement plan as authorized by Article 4 (§ 51.1-125 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 1801 51.1 shall continue to be a member of the Virginia Retirement System or other such authorized retirement plan under the same terms and conditions as if no transfer had occurred. 1802 1803

§ 4.1-101.06. Moneys of Authority.

1804 All moneys of the Authority, from whatever source derived, shall be paid in accordance with 1805 § 4.1-116. 1806

§ 4.1-101.07. Forms of accounts and records; audit; annual report.

1807 The accounts and records of the Authority showing the receipt and disbursement of funds from 1808 whatever source derived shall be in a form prescribed by the Auditor of Public Accounts. The Auditor of 1809 Public Accounts or his legally authorized representatives shall annually examine the accounts and books 1810 of the Authority. The Authority shall submit an annual report to the Governor and General Assembly on 1811 or before November 1 of each year. Such report shall contain the audited annual financial statements of 1812 the Authority for the year ending the previous June 30. The Authority shall also submit a six-year plan 1813 detailing its assumed revenue forecast, assumed operating costs, number of retail facilities, capital costs, 1814 including lease payments, major acquisitions of services and tangible or intangible property, any 1815 material changes to the policies and procedures issued by the Authority related to procurement or 1816 personnel, and any proposed marketing activities. 1817

§ 4.1-101.08. Leases of property.

1818 The Authority shall be exempt from the provisions of \S 2.2-1149 and from any rules, regulations, and 1819 guidelines of the Division of Engineering and Buildings in relation to leases of real property into which 1820 it enters. 1821

§ 4.1-101.09. Exemptions from taxes or assessments.

The exercise of the powers granted by this chapter shall be in all respects for the benefit of the 1822 1823 people of the Commonwealth, for the increase of their commerce and prosperity, and for the 1824 improvement of their living conditions, and as the undertaking of activities in the furtherance of the 1825 purposes of the Authority constitutes the performance of essential governmental functions, the Authority 1826 shall not be required to pay any taxes or assessments upon any property acquired or used by the 1827 Authority under the provisions of this article or upon the income therefrom, including sales and use 1828 taxes on the tangible personal property used in the operations of the Authority. The exemption granted 1829 in this section shall not be construed to extend to persons conducting on the premises of any property of 1830 the Authority businesses for which local or state taxes would otherwise be required.

1831 § 4.1-101.010. Exemption of Authority from personnel and procurement procedures; information 1832 systems.

1833 The provisions of the Virginia Personnel Act (§ 2.2-2900 et seq.) and the Virginia Public 1834 Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq.) shall not apply to the Authority in the exercise of any power 1835 conferred under this title. Nor shall the provisions of Chapter 20.1 (§ 2.2-2005 et seq.) of Title 2.2 1836 apply to the Authority in the exercise of any power conferred under this title. 1837

§ 4.1-101.011. Reversion to the Commonwealth.

1838 In the event of the dissolution of the Authority, all assets of the Authority, after satisfaction of 1839 creditors, shall revert to the Commonwealth.

1840 § 4.1-103. General powers of Board.

1841 The Board shall have the power to:

- 1842 1. Sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, and complain and defend in all courts;
- 1843 2. Adopt, use, and alter at will a common seal;

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1844 3. Fix, alter, charge, and collect rates, rentals, fees, and other charges for the use of property of, the
1845 sale of products of, or services rendered by the Authority at rates to be determined by the Authority for
1846 the purpose of providing for the payment of the expenses of the Authority;

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4. Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of
1848 its duties, the furtherance of its purposes, and the execution of its powers under this title, including
1849 agreements with any person or federal agency;

1850 5. Employ, at its discretion, consultants, researchers, architects, engineers, accountants, financial experts, investment bankers, superintendents, managers, and such other employees and agents as may be necessary and fix their compensation to be payable from funds made available to the Authority. Legal services for the Authority shall be provided by the Attorney General in accordance with Chapter 5 (§ 2.2-500 et seq.) of Title 2.2;

1855 6. Receive and accept from any federal or private agency, foundation, corporation, association, or 1856 person grants or other aid to be expended in accomplishing the objectives of the Authority, and receive 1857 and accept from the Commonwealth or any state and any municipality, county, or other political 1858 subdivision thereof or from any other source aid or contributions of either money, property, or other 1859 things of value, to be held, used, and applied only for the purposes for which such grants and 1860 contributions may be made. All federal moneys accepted under this section shall be accepted and 1861 expended by the Authority upon such terms and conditions as are prescribed by the United States and 1862 as are consistent with state law, and all state moneys accepted under this section shall be expended by 1863 the Authority upon such terms and conditions as are prescribed by the Commonwealth;

1864 7. Adopt, alter, and repeal bylaws, rules, and regulations governing the manner in which its business
1865 shall be transacted and the manner in which the powers of the Authority shall be exercised and its
1866 duties performed;

1867 8. Conduct or engage in any lawful business, activity, effort, or project consistent with the **1868** Authority's purposes or necessary or convenient to exercise its powers;

1869 9. Develop policies and procedures generally applicable to the procurement of goods, services, and construction, based upon competitive principles [. Notwithstanding § 4.1-101.010, such policies and procedures shall be in accordance with the provisions of § 2.2-4310];

1872 10. Develop policies and procedures consistent with Article 4 (§ 2.2-4347 et seq.) of Chapter 43 of 1873 Title 2.2;

1874 11. Buy, import and sell alcoholic beverages other than beer and wine not produced by farm wineries, and to have alcoholic beverages other than beer and wine not produced by farm wineries in its possession for sale;

1877 $\frac{2}{2}$ 12. Buy and sell any mixers;

1878 3. *13.* Control the possession, sale, transportation and delivery of alcoholic beverages;

1879 4. 14. Determine, subject to § 4.1-121, the localities within which government stores shall be established or operated and the location of such stores;

1881 5. 15. Maintain warehouses for alcoholic beverages and control the storage and delivery of alcoholic beverages to and from such warehouses;

1883 6. Lease, 16. Acquire, purchase, hold, use, lease, or otherwise dispose of any property, real, personal 1884 or mixed, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein necessary or desirable for carrying out the 1885 purposes of the Authority; lease as lessee any property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, 1886 or any interest therein, at such annual rental and on such terms and conditions as may be determined 1887 by the Board; lease as lessor to any person any property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or 1888 intangible, or any interest therein, at any time acquired by the Authority, whether wholly or partially 1889 completed, at such annual rental and on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board; 1890 sell, transfer, or convey any property, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, or any interest 1891 therein, at any time acquired or held by the Authority on such terms and conditions as may be 1892 determined by the Board; and occupy and improve any land or building required for the purposes of 1893 this title;

1894 7. 17. Purchase or otherwise acquire title to any land or building required for the purposes of this title and sell and convey the same by proper deed, with the consent of the Governor;

8. 18. Purchase, lease or acquire the use of, by any manner, any plant or equipment which may be considered necessary or useful in carrying into effect the purposes of this title, including rectifying, blending and processing plants. The Board may purchase, build, lease, and operate distilleries and manufacture alcoholic beverages;

1900 9. 19. Determine the nature, form and capacity of all containers used for holding alcoholic beverages
1901 to be kept or sold under this title, and prescribe the form and content of all labels and seals to be placed
1902 thereon;

1903 10. 20. Appoint every agent and employee required for its operations; require any or all of them to give bonds payable to the Commonwealth in such penalty as shall be fixed by the Board; and engage

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1905 the services of experts and professionals;

1906 11. 21. Hold and conduct hearings; issue subpoenas requiring the attendance of witnesses and the 1907 production of records, memoranda, papers and other documents before the Board or any agent of the 1908 Board; and administer oaths and take testimony thereunder. The Board may authorize any Board 1909 member or agent of the Board to hold and conduct hearings, issue subpoenas, administer oaths and take 1910 testimony thereunder, and make summary decisions, subject to final decision by the Board, on 1911 application of any party aggrieved;

1912 12. 22. Make a reasonable charge for preparing and furnishing statistical information and 1913 compilations to persons other than (i) officials, including court and police officials, of the 1914 Commonwealth and of its subdivisions if the information requested is for official use and (ii) persons 1915 who have a personal or legal interest in obtaining the information requested if such information is not to 1916 be used for commercial or trade purposes;

1917 13. 23. Promulgate regulations in accordance with the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et 1918 seq.) and § 4.1-111 of this chapter;

1919 14. 24. Grant, suspend, and revoke licenses for the manufacture, bottling, distribution, importation, 1920 and sale of alcoholic beverages;

1921 15. 25. Assess and collect civil penalties and civil charges for violations of this title and Board 1922 regulations: 1923

16. 26. Maintain actions to enjoin common nuisances as defined in 4.1-317;

17. 27. Establish minimum food sale requirements for all retail licensees; and

28. Review and approve any proposed legislative or regulatory changes suggested by the Chief 1925 1926 Executive Officer as the Board deems appropriate;

1927 29. Report quarterly to the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security on the law-enforcement 1928 activities undertaken to enforce the provisions of this title; and

1929 18. 30. Do all acts necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this title.

1930 § 4.1-103.1. Criminal history records check required on certain employees; reimbursement of 1931 costs.

1932 On or after July 1, 1994, all All persons hired by the Board Authority whose job duties involve 1933 access to or handling of departmental funds or merchandise shall be subject to a criminal history records 1934 check before, and as a condition of, employment.

1935 No person who has been convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude shall be 1936 employed or appointed by the Authority.

1937 The Department of State Police shall be reimbursed by the Board Authority for the cost of 1938 investigations conducted pursuant to this section. 1939

§ 4.1-119. Operation of government stores.

A. Subject to the requirements of §§ 4.1-121 and 4.1-122, the Board may establish, maintain and 1940 1941 operate government stores for the sale of alcoholic beverages, other than beer and wine not produced by farm wineries, vermouth, mixers, and products used in connection with distilled spirits, including any 1942 1943 garnish or garnishment applied to the rim of a glass of distilled spirits, as may be approved by the 1944 Board from time to time, in such counties, cities, and towns considered advisable by the Board. The 1945 Board may discontinue any such store.

B. With respect to the sale of wine produced by farm wineries, the Board may give preference to 1946 1947 farm wineries that produce 2,500 cases or less of wine per year.

1948 C. The Board shall fix the wholesale and retail prices at which the various classes, varieties and 1949 brands of alcoholic beverages and other Board-approved products that are sold in government stores. 1950 Differences in the cost of operating stores, and market competition and conditions may be reflected in 1951 the sale price of alcoholic beverages sold at government stores. The Board may sell alcoholic beverages 1952 to federal instrumentalities (i) authorized and operating under the laws of the United States and 1953 regulations of the United States Department of Defense and (ii) located within the boundaries of federal 1954 enclaves or reservations over which the United States has acquired jurisdiction, at prices which may be 1955 greater or less than the wholesale price charged other authorized purchasers. Nothing in this subsection 1956 shall be construed to limit the authority of the Board to fix the retail price of alcoholic beverages sold 1957 at government stores, which retail price may include promotional, volume, or other discounts deemed 1958 appropriate by the Board.

1959 D. Alcoholic beverages at government stores shall be sold by employees of the Board Authority who 1960 shall carry out the provisions of this title and Board regulations governing the operation of government 1961 stores and the sale of alcoholic beverages, except that the Board may appoint the holder of a distiller's license or its officers and employees as agents of the Board for the sale of spirits, manufactured by or 1962 1963 for, or blended by such licensee on the licensed premises, at government stores established by the Board 1964 on the distiller's licensed premises, provided:

1965 1. At least 51 percent of the agricultural products used by such licensee to manufacture the spirits are 1966 grown on the licensee's farm or land in Virginia leased by the licensee and no more than 25 percent of

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1967 the agricultural products are grown or produced outside the Commonwealth. However, upon petition by 1968 the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Board may permit the use of a lesser 1969 percentage of products grown on the licensee's farm if unusually severe weather or disease conditions 1970 cause a significant reduction in the availability of agricultural products grown on the farm to 1971 manufacture the spirits during a given license year;

1972 2. Such licensee is a duly organized nonprofit association holding title to real property, together with 1973 improvements thereon that are significant in American history, under a charter from the Commonwealth 1974 to preserve such property, and which association accepts no federal, state, or local funds;

1975 3. Such licensee operates a museum whose licensed premises is located on the grounds of a local 1976 historic building or site;

1977 4. Such licensee is an independently certified organic distillery, with such certification by a 1978 USDA-accredited certification agency;

1979 5. Such licensee is employing traditional distilling techniques, including the use of copper or stainless 1980 steel pot stills to blend or produce spirits in any county with a population of less than 20,000; or

1981 6. Such licensee is employing traditional techniques, including the maceration of natural fruits, nuts, 1982 grains, beans, and spices in neutral grain spirits to extract natural flavors used to produce or blend 1983 liqueurs and spirits.

1984 Such agents shall sell the spirits in accordance with the provisions of this title, Board regulations, 1985 and the terms of the agency agreement between the Board Authority and the licensed distiller.

1986 For the purposes of this subsection, "blended" means the receipt by a licensed distiller of deliveries 1987 and shipments of alcoholic beverages, other than wine and beer, in accordance with subdivision 6 1988 § 4.1-201 to be (i) additionally aged by the receiving distillery in order to increase the quality and flavor 1989 of such alcoholic beverages and (ii) bottled by the receiving distillery.

1990 E. No Class 1 neutral grain spirit or alcohol, as defined by federal regulations, that is without 1991 distinctive character, aroma, taste or color shall be sold in government stores at a proof greater than 101 1992 except upon permits issued by the Board for industrial, commercial, culinary, or medical use.

1993 F. All alcoholic beverages sold in government stores, except for tasting samples pursuant to 1994 subsection G sold in government stores established by the Board on a distiller's licensed premises, shall 1995 be in closed containers, sealed and affixed with labels prescribed by the Board.

1996 G. No alcoholic beverages shall be consumed in a government store by any person unless it is part 1997 of an organized tasting event conducted by (i) an employee of a manufacturer of distilled spirits or farm 1998 winery or (ii) an authorized representative of a manufacturer of distilled spirits or farm winery with a 1999 permit issued by the Board pursuant to subdivision A 15 of § 4.1-212, and the samples of alcoholic 2000 beverages provided to any consumer do not exceed the limits for spirits or wine set forth in subdivision 2001 A 5 of § 4.1-201.1. No sample may be consumed by any individual to whom alcoholic beverages may 2002 not lawfully be sold pursuant to § 4.1-304. The Board shall establish guidelines governing tasting events 2003 conducted pursuant to this subsection.

2004 H. With respect to purchases by licensees at government stores, the Board Authority shall (i) accept 2005 in payment for any purchase or series of purchases cash, electronic fund transfer, credit or debit card, or 2006 check payable to the Board Authority, in the exact amount of any such purchase or series of purchases 2007 and (ii) provide notice to licensees on Board policies relating to the assignment of government stores 2008 from which licensees may purchase products and any procedure for the licensee to elect to make 2009 purchases from an alternative government store.

2010 I. With respect to purchases by consumers at government stores, the Board Authority shall accept 2011 cash in payment for any purchase or series of purchases. The Board may adopt regulations which 2012 provide for accepting a credit card or debit card as payment. Such regulations may provide for the 2013 collection, where appropriate, of related fees, penalties and service charges for the use of a credit card or 2014 debit card by any consumer.

2015 J. Before the Authority implements any increase in the markup on distilled spirits or any change to 2016 the markup formula for distilled spirits pursuant to § 4.1-325 that would result in an increase in the 2017 retail price of distilled spirits sold to the public, the Authority shall (i) provide at least 45 days' public 2018 notice before such a price increase takes effect; (ii) provide the opportunity for submission of written 2019 comments regarding the proposed price increase; (iii) conduct a public meeting for the purpose of 2020 receiving verbal comment regarding the proposed price increase; and (iv) consider any written or 2021 verbal comments before implementing such a price increase. 2022

§ 4.1-121. Referendum on establishment of government stores.

2023 A. The qualified voters of any county, city, or town having a population of 1,000 or more may file a 2024 petition with the circuit court of the county or city, or of the county wherein the town or the greater 2025 part thereof is situated, asking that a referendum be held on the question of whether the sale by the 2026 Board of Virginia Alcoholic Beverages Beverage Control Authority, other than beer and wine not 2027 produced by farm wineries, should be permitted within that jurisdiction. The petition shall be signed by

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2028 qualified voters equal in number to at least ten 10 percent of the number registered in the jurisdiction on 2029 January 1 preceding its filing or by at least 100 qualified voters, whichever is greater. Upon the filing of 2030 a petition, the court shall order the election officials of the county, city, or town, on the date fixed in 2031 the order, to conduct a referendum on the question. The clerk of the circuit court shall publish notice of 2032 the referendum in a newspaper of general circulation in the county, city, or town once a week for three 2033 consecutive weeks prior to the referendum.

2034 The question on the ballot shall be:

2035 "Shall the sale by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority of alcoholic beverages, 2036 other than beer and wine not produced by farm wineries, be permitted in (name of county, 2037 city, or town)?"

2038 The referendum shall be ordered and held and the results certified as provided in § 24.2-684. 2039 Thereupon the court shall enter of record an order certified by the clerk of the court to be transmitted to 2040 the Board and to the governing body of the county, city, or town.

2041 B. Once a referendum has been held, no other referendum on the same question shall be held in the 2042 county, city, or town within four years of the date of the prior referendum. However, a town shall not 2043 be prescribed from holding a referendum within such period although an election has been held in the 2044 county in which the town or a part thereof is located less than four years prior thereto. 2045

§ 4.1-124. Referendum on the sale of mixed beverages.

2046 A. The provisions of this title relating to the sale of mixed beverages shall not become effective in 2047 any town, county, or supervisor's election district of a county until a majority of the voters voting in a 2048 referendum vote affirmatively on the question of whether mixed alcoholic beverages should be sold by 2049 restaurants licensed under this title. The qualified voters of a town, county, or supervisor's election 2050 district of a county may file a petition with the circuit court of the county asking that a referendum be held on the question of whether the sale of mixed beverages by restaurants licensed by the Board should 2051 2052 be permitted within that jurisdiction. The petition shall be signed by qualified voters equal in number to 2053 at least 10 percent of the number registered in the town, county, or supervisor's election district on 2054 January 1 preceding its filing or at least 100 qualified voters, whichever is greater.

2055 Petition requirements for any county shall be based on the number of registered voters in the county, 2056 including the number of registered voters in any town having a population in excess of 1,000 located 2057 within such county. Upon the filing of a petition, and under no other circumstances, the court shall order 2058 the election officials of the county to conduct a referendum on the question.

2059 The clerk of the circuit court of the county shall publish notice of the referendum in a newspaper of 2060 general circulation in the town, county, or supervisor's election district once a week for three consecutive 2061 weeks prior to the referendum. 2062

The question on the ballot shall be:

2063 "Shall the sale of mixed alcoholic beverages by restaurants licensed by the Virginia Alcoholic 2064 Beverage Control Board Authority be permitted in (name of town, county, or supervisor's election 2065 district of county)?"

2066 The referendum shall be ordered and held and the results certified as provided in Article 5 2067 (§ 24.2-681 et seq.) of Chapter 6 of Title 24.2. Thereupon the court shall enter of record an order 2068 certified by the clerk of the court to be transmitted to the Board and to the governing body of the town 2069 or county. Mixed beverages permitted to be sold by such referendum may in accordance with this title 2070 be sold by restaurants licensed by the Board within the town, county, or supervisor's election district of 2071 a county on or after 30 days following the entry of the order if a majority of the voters voting in the 2072 referendum have voted "Yes.'

2073 The provisions of this section shall be applicable to towns having a population in excess of 1,000 to 2074 the same extent and subject to the same conditions and limitations as are otherwise applicable to 2075 counties under this section. Such towns shall be treated as separate local option units, and only residents 2076 of any such town shall be eligible to vote in any referendum held pursuant to this section for any such 2077 town. Residents of towns having a population in excess of 1,000, however, shall also be eligible to vote 2078 in any referendum held pursuant to this section for any county in which the town is located.

2079 The provisions of this section shall not require any town created as a result of a city-to-town 2080 reversion pursuant to Chapter 41 (§ 15.2-4100 et seq.) of Title 15.2 to hold a referendum on the same 2081 question if a majority of the voters voting in the former city had previously approved the sale of mixed 2082 beverages by restaurants licensed by the Board in such city.

2083 B. Once a referendum has been held, no other referendum on the same question shall be held in the 2084 town, county, or supervisor's election district of a county for a period of 23 months.

2085 C. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, the sale of mixed beverages shall be allowed on 2086 property dedicated for industrial or commercial development and controlled through the provision of 2087 public utilities and covenanting of the land by any multijurisdictional industrial development authority, 2088 as set forth under Chapter 49 (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.) of Title 15.2, provided that (i) such authority 2089 operates under a partnership agreement between three or more counties, cities, or towns and such

2090 jurisdictions participate administratively and financially in the authority and (ii) the sale of mixed 2091 beverages is permitted in one of the member counties, cities, towns, or a supervisor's election district of 2092 one of the counties and that the governing board of the authority authorizes an establishment located 2093 within the confines of such property to apply to the Board for such license. The appropriate license fees 2094 shall be paid for this privilege.

2095 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A of this section and subsection C of \S 4.1-122, the 2096 sale of mixed beverages by licensees, and the sale of alcoholic beverages other than beer and wine not 2097 produced by farm wineries by the Board, shall be allowed in any city in the Commonwealth.

2098 E. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, the Board may grant a mixed beverage restaurant 2099 license to a restaurant located on the premises of and operated by a private club exclusively for its 2100 members and their guests, subject to the qualifications and restrictions on the issuance of such license 2101 imposed by § 4.1-210. However, no license authorized by this subsection shall be granted if the private 2102 club restricts its membership on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin or sex. 2103

§ 4.1-128. Local ordinances or resolutions regulating or taxing alcoholic beverages.

2104 A. No county, city, or town shall, except as provided in § 4.1-205 or § 4.1-129, adopt any ordinance 2105 or resolution which regulates or prohibits the manufacture, bottling, possession, sale, wholesale 2106 distribution, handling, transportation, drinking, use, advertising or dispensing of alcoholic beverages in 2107 the Commonwealth. Nor shall any county, city, or town adopt an ordinance or resolution that prohibits 2108 or regulates the storage, warehousing, and wholesaling of wine in accordance with Title 4.1, regulations 2109 of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, and federal law at a licensed farm winery.

2110 No provision of law, general or special, shall be construed to authorize any county, city or town to adopt any ordinance or resolution that imposes a sales or excise tax on alcoholic beverages, other than 2111 2112 the taxes authorized by §§ § 58.1-605, 58.1-3833 or § 58.1-3840. The foregoing limitation shall not 2113 affect the authority of any county, city or town to impose a license or privilege tax or fee on a business 2114 engaged in whole or in part in the sale of alcoholic beverages if the license or privilege tax or fee (i) is 2115 based on an annual or per event flat fee specifically authorized by general law or (ii) is an annual 2116 license or privilege tax specifically authorized by general law, which includes alcoholic beverages in its 2117 taxable measure and treats alcoholic beverages the same as if they were nonalcoholic beverages.

2118 B. However, the governing body of any county, city, or town may adopt an ordinance which (i) 2119 prohibits the acts described in subsection A of § 4.1-308 subject to the provisions of subsection B of 2120 § 4.1-308, or the acts described in § 4.1-309 and may provide a penalty for violation thereof and (ii) 2121 subject to subsection C of § 4.1-308, regulates or prohibits the possession of opened alcoholic beverage 2122 containers in its local public parks, playgrounds, public streets, and any sidewalk adjoining any public 2123 street.

2124 C. Except as provided in this section, all local acts, including charter provisions and ordinances of 2125 cities and towns, inconsistent with any of the provisions of this title, are repealed to the extent of such 2126 inconsistency. 2127

§ 4.1-209.1. Direct shipment of wine and beer; shipper's license.

2128 A. Holders of wine shippers' licenses and beer shippers' licenses issued pursuant to this section may sell and ship not more than two cases of wine per month nor more than two cases of beer per month to 2129 2130 any person in Virginia to whom alcoholic beverages may be lawfully sold. All such sales and shipments 2131 shall be for personal consumption only and not for resale. A case of wine shall mean any combination 2132 of packages containing not more than nine liters of wine. A case of beer shall mean any combination of 2133 packages containing not more than 288 ounces of beer. Any winery or farm winery located within or 2134 outside the Commonwealth may apply to the Board for issuance of a wine shipper's license that shall 2135 authorize the shipment of brands of wine and farm wine identified in such application. Any brewery 2136 located within or outside the Commonwealth may apply to the Board for issuance of a beer shipper's 2137 license that shall authorize the shipment of brands of beer identified in such application. Any person 2138 located within or outside the Commonwealth who is authorized to sell wine or beer at retail in their 2139 state of domicile and who is not a winery, farm winery, or brewery may nevertheless apply for a wine 2140 or beer shipper's license, or both, if such person satisfies the requirements of this section. Any brewery, 2141 winery, or farm winery that applies for a shipper's license or authorizes any other person, other than a 2142 retail off-premises licensee, to apply for a license to ship such brewery's, winery's or farm winery's 2143 brands of wine or beer shall notify any wholesale licensees that have been authorized to distribute such 2144 brands that an application has been filed for a shipper's license. The notice shall be in writing and in a 2145 form prescribed by the Board. The Board may adopt such regulations as it reasonably deems necessary 2146 to implement the provisions of this section, including regulations that permit the holder of a shipper's 2147 license to amend the same by, among other things, adding or deleting any brands of wine, farm wine, or 2148 beer identified in such shipper's license.

2149 B. Any applicant for a wine or beer shipper's license that does not own or have the right to control 2150 the distribution of the brands of wine, farm wine, or beer identified in such person's application may be 2151 issued a shipper's license for wine or beer or both, if the applicant has obtained and filed with its 2152 application for a shipper's license, and with any subsequent application for renewal thereof, the written consent of either (i) the winery, farm winery, or brewery whose brands of wine, farm wine, or beer are 2153 2154 identified therein or (ii) any wholesale distributor authorized to distribute the wine or beer produced by 2155 the winery, farm winery or brewery. Any winery, farm winery, or brewery, or its wholesale distributor, 2156 that has provided written authorization to a shipper licensed pursuant to this section to sell and ship its 2157 brand or brands of wine, farm wine, or beer shall not be restricted by any provision of this section from 2158 withdrawing such authorization at any time. If such authorization is withdrawn, the winery, farm winery, 2159 or brewery shall promptly notify such shipper licensee and the Board in writing of its decision to 2160 withdraw from such shipper licensee the authority to sell and ship any of its brands, whereupon such 2161 shipper licensee shall promptly file with the Board an amendment to its license eliminating any such withdrawn brand or brands from the shipper's license. 2162

2163 C. The direct shipment of beer and wine by holders of licenses issued pursuant to this section shall 2164 be by approved common carrier only. The Board shall develop regulations pursuant to which common 2165 carriers may apply for approval to provide common carriage of wine or beer, or both, shipped by 2166 holders of licenses issued pursuant to this section. Such regulations shall include provisions that require 2167 (i) the recipient to demonstrate, upon delivery, that he is at least 21 years of age; (ii) the recipient to 2168 sign an electronic or paper form or other acknowledgement of receipt as approved by the Board; and 2169 (iii) the Board-approved common carrier to submit to the Board such information as the Board may 2170 prescribe. The Board-approved common carrier shall refuse delivery when the proposed recipient appears 2171 to be under the age of 21 years and refuses to present valid identification. All licensees shipping wine or 2172 beer pursuant to this section shall affix a conspicuous notice in 16-point type or larger to the outside of each package of wine or beer shipped within or into the Commonwealth, in a conspicuous location stating: "CONTAINS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; SIGNATURE OF PERSON AGED 21 YEARS OR 2173 2174 OLDER REQUIRED FOR DELIVERY." Any delivery of alcoholic beverages to a minor by a common 2175 2176 carrier shall constitute a violation by the common carrier. The common carrier and the shipper licensee 2177 shall be liable only for their independent acts.

D. For purposes of §§ 4.1-234 and 4.1-236 and Chapter 6 (§ 58.1-600 et seq.) of Title 58.1, each shipment of wine or beer by a wine shipper licensee or a beer shipper licensee shall constitute a sale in Virginia. The licensee shall collect the taxes due to the Commonwealth and remit any excise taxes monthly to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority and any sales taxes to the Department of Taxation.

2183 E. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 4.1-203, the holder of a wine shipper license or beer shipper 2184 license may solicit and receive applications for subscription to a wine-of-the-month or beer-of-the-month 2185 club at in-state or out-of-state locations for which a license for on-premises consumption has been 2186 issued, other than the place where the licensee carries on the business for which the license is granted. 2187 For the purposes of this subsection, "wine-of-the-month club" or "beer-of-the-month club" shall mean an 2188 agreement between an in-state or out-of-state holder of a wine shipper license or beer shipper license 2189 and a consumer in Virginia to whom alcoholic beverages may be lawfully sold that the shipper will sell 2190 and ship to the consumer and the consumer will purchase a lawful amount of wine or beer each month 2191 for an agreed term of months.

2192 F. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 4.1-203, a wine or beer shipper licensee may ship wine or 2193 beer as authorized by this section through the use of the services of an approved fulfillment warehouse. 2194 For the purposes of this section, a "fulfillment warehouse" means a business operating a warehouse and 2195 providing storage, packaging, and shipping services to wineries or breweries. The Board shall develop 2196 regulations pursuant to which fulfillment warehouses may apply for approval to provide storage, packaging, and shipping services to holders of licenses issued pursuant to this section. Such regulations 2197 shall include provisions that require (i) the fulfillment warehouse to demonstrate that it is appropriately 2198 2199 licensed for the services to be provided by the state in which its place of business is located, (ii) the 2200 Board-approved fulfillment warehouse to maintain such records and to submit to the Board such 2201 information as the Board may prescribe, and (iii) the fulfillment warehouse and each wine or beer 2202 shipper licensed under this section to whom services are provided to enter into a contract designating the 2203 fulfillment warehouse as the agent of the shipper for purposes of complying with the provisions of this 2204 section.

2205 G. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 4.1-203, a wine or beer shipper licensee may sell wine or 2206 beer as authorized by this section through the use of the services of an approved marketing portal. For the purposes of this section, a "marketing portal" means a business organized as an agricultural 2207 2208 cooperative association under the laws of a state, soliciting and receiving orders for wine or beer and 2209 accepting and processing payment of such orders as the agent of a licensed wine or beer shipper. The 2210 Board shall develop regulations pursuant to which marketing portals may apply for approval to provide 2211 marketing services to holders of licenses issued pursuant to this section. Such regulations shall include 2212 provisions that require (i) the marketing portal to demonstrate that it is appropriately organized as an

2213 agricultural cooperative association and licensed for the services to be provided by the state in which its 2214 place of business is located, (ii) the Board-approved marketing portal to maintain such records and to 2215 submit to the Board such information as the Board may prescribe, and (iii) the marketing portal and 2216 each wine or beer shipper licensed under this section to whom services are provided to enter into a 2217 contract designating the marketing portal as the agent of the shipper for purposes of complying with the 2218 provisions of this section.

§ 4.1-212.1. Permits; delivery of wine and beer; regulations of Board.

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2220 A. Any brewery, winery, or farm winery located within or outside the Commonwealth that is 2221 authorized to engage in the retail sale of wine or beer for off-premises consumption may apply to the 2222 Board for issuance of a delivery permit that shall authorize the delivery of the brands of beer, wine, and 2223 farm wine produced by the same brewery, winery, or farm winery in closed containers to consumers 2224 within the Commonwealth for personal consumption.

2225 B. Any person located within or outside the Commonwealth who is authorized to sell wine or beer at 2226 retail for off-premises consumption in their state of domicile, and who is not a brewery, winery, or farm 2227 winery, may apply for a delivery permit that shall authorize the delivery of any brands of beer, wine, 2228 and farm wine it is authorized to sell in its state of domicile, in closed containers, to consumers within 2229 the Commonwealth for personal consumption.

2230 C. All such deliveries shall be to consumers within the Commonwealth for personal consumption 2231 only, and not for resale. All such deliveries of beer, wine, or farm wine shall be performed by the 2232 owner or any agent, officer, director, shareholder or employee of the permittee. No more than four cases 2233 of wine nor more than four cases of beer may be delivered at one time to any person in Virginia to whom alcoholic beverages may be lawfully sold; except that the permittee may deliver more than four 2234 2235 cases of wine or more than four cases of beer if he notifies the Department in writing at least one 2236 business day in advance of any such delivery, which notice contains the name and address of the 2237 intended recipient. The Board may adopt such regulations as it reasonably deems necessary to implement 2238 the provisions of this section. Such regulations shall include provisions that require (i) the recipient to 2239 demonstrate, upon delivery, that he is at least 21 years of age; and (ii) the recipient to sign an electronic 2240 or paper form or other acknowledgement of receipt as approved by the Board.

2241 D. For purposes of §§ 4.1-234 and 4.1-236 and Chapter 6 (§ 58.1-600 et seq.) of Title 58.1, each 2242 delivery of wine or beer by a permittee shall constitute a sale in Virginia. The permittee shall collect the 2243 taxes due to the Commonwealth and remit any excise taxes monthly to the Department of Alcoholic 2244 Beverage Control Authority and any sales taxes to the Department of Taxation. 2245

§ 4.1-325. Prohibited acts by mixed beverage licensees; penalty.

2246 A. In addition to § 4.1-324, no mixed beverage licensee nor any agent or employee of such licensee 2247 shall: 2248

1. Sell or serve any alcoholic beverage other than as authorized by law;

2249 2. Sell any authorized alcoholic beverage to any person or at any place except as authorized by law;

2250 3. Allow at the place described in his license the consumption of alcoholic beverages in violation of 2251 this title;

2252 4. Keep at the place described in his license any alcoholic beverage other than that which he is 2253 licensed to sell; 2254

5. Misrepresent the brand of any alcoholic beverage sold or offered for sale;

2255 6. Keep any alcoholic beverage other than in the bottle or container in which it was purchased by 2256 him except (i) for a frozen alcoholic beverage, which may include alcoholic beverages in a frozen drink 2257 dispenser of a type approved by the Board; (ii) in the case of wine, in containers of a type approved by the Board pending automatic dispensing and sale of such wine; and (iii) as otherwise provided by Board 2258 2259 regulation. Neither this subdivision nor any Board regulation shall prohibit any mixed beverage licensee 2260 from pre-mixing containers of sangria to be served and sold for consumption on the licensed premises;

2261 7. Refill or partly refill any bottle or container of alcoholic beverage or dilute or otherwise tamper 2262 with the contents of any bottle or container of alcoholic beverage, except as provided by Board 2263 regulation adopted pursuant to subdivision B 11 of § 4.1-111 \oplus 11;

2264 8. Sell or serve any brand of alcoholic beverage which is not the same as that ordered by the 2265 purchaser without first advising such purchaser of the difference;

2266 9. Remove or obliterate any label, mark or stamp affixed to any container of alcoholic beverages 2267 offered for sale;

2268 10. Deliver or sell the contents of any container if the label, mark or stamp has been removed or 2269 obliterated;

2270 11. Allow any obscene conduct, language, literature, pictures, performance or materials on the 2271 licensed premises;

2272 12. Allow any striptease act on the licensed premises;

2273 13. Allow persons connected with the licensed business to appear nude or partially nude; 2292

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2274 14. Consume or allow the consumption by an employee of any alcoholic beverages while on duty 2275 and in a position that is involved in the selling or serving of alcoholic beverages to customers.

2276 The provisions of this subdivision shall not prohibit any retail licensee or his designated employee 2277 from (i) consuming product samples or sample servings of (a) beer or wine provided by a representative 2278 of a licensed beer or wine wholesaler or manufacturer or (b) a distilled spirit provided by a permittee of 2279 the Board who represents a distiller, if such samples are provided in accordance with Board regulations 2280 and the retail licensee or his designated employee does not violate the provisions of subdivision 1 f of 2281 § 4.1-225 or (ii) tasting an alcoholic beverage that has been or will be delivered to a customer for 2282 quality control purposes;

2283 15. Deliver to a consumer an original bottle of an alcoholic beverage purchased under such license 2284 whether the closure is broken or unbroken except in accordance with § 4.1-210. 2285

The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to the delivery of:

2286 a. "Soju." For the purposes of this clause subdivision, "soju" means a traditional Korean alcoholic beverage distilled from rice, barley or sweet potatoes; or 2287

2288 b. Spirits, provided (i) the original container is no larger than 375 milliliters, (ii) the alcohol content 2289 is no greater than 15 percent by volume, and (iii) the contents of the container are carbonated and 2290 perishable; 2291

16. Be intoxicated while on duty or employ an intoxicated person on the licensed premises;

17. Conceal any sale or consumption of any alcoholic beverages;

2293 18. Fail or refuse to make samples of any alcoholic beverages available to the Board upon request or 2294 obstruct special agents of the Board in the discharge of their duties;

2295 19. Store alcoholic beverages purchased under the license in any unauthorized place or remove any 2296 such alcoholic beverages from the premises;

20. Knowingly employ in the licensed business any person who has the general reputation as a 2297 2298 prostitute, panderer, habitual law violator, person of ill repute, user or peddler of narcotics, or person 2299 who drinks to excess or engages in illegal gambling;

2300 21. Keep on the licensed premises a slot machine or any prohibited gambling or gaming device, 2301 machine or apparatus;

2302 22. Make any gift of an alcoholic beverage, other than as a gift made (i) to a personal friend, as a 2303 matter of normal social intercourse, so long as the gift is in no way a shift or device to evade the 2304 restriction set forth in this subdivision; (ii) to a person responsible for the planning, preparation or 2305 conduct on any conference, convention, trade show or event held or to be held on the premises of the 2306 licensee, when such gift is made in the course of usual and customary business entertainment and is in 2307 no way a shift or device to evade the restriction set forth in this subdivision; (iii) pursuant to subsection 2308 C of § 4.1-209; or (iv) pursuant to subdivision A 12 of § 4.1-201. Any gift permitted by this subdivision 2309 shall be subject to the taxes imposed by this title on sales of alcoholic beverages. The licensee shall 2310 keep complete and accurate records of gifts given in accordance with this subdivision; or

23. Establish any normal or customary pricing of its alcoholic beverages that is intended as a shift or 2311 2312 device to evade any "happy hour" regulations adopted by the Board; however, a licensee may increase 2313 the volume of an alcoholic beverage sold to a customer if there is a commensurate increase in the normal or customary price charged for the same alcoholic beverage. 2314 2315

B. Any person convicted of a violation of this section shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

2316 C. The provisions of subdivisions A 12 and A 13 shall not apply to persons operating theaters, 2317 concert halls, art centers, museums, or similar establishments that are devoted primarily to the arts or theatrical performances, when the performances that are presented are expressing matters of serious 2318 2319 literary, artistic, scientific, or political value. 2320

§ 9.1-101. Definitions.

2321 As used in this chapter or in Chapter 23 (§ 19.2-387 et seq.) of Title 19.2, unless the context requires 2322 a different meaning:

2323 "Administration of criminal justice" means performance of any activity directly involving the 2324 detection, apprehension, detention, pretrial release, post-trial release, prosecution, adjudication, 2325 correctional supervision, or rehabilitation of accused persons or criminal offenders or the collection, 2326 storage, and dissemination of criminal history record information. 2327

"Board" means the Criminal Justice Services Board.

2328 "Conviction data" means information in the custody of any criminal justice agency relating to a 2329 judgment of conviction, and the consequences arising therefrom, in any court.

2330 Correctional status information" means records and data concerning each condition of a convicted 2331 person's custodial status, including probation, confinement, work release, study release, escape, or 2332 termination of custody through expiration of sentence, parole, pardon, or court decision.

"Criminal history record information" means records and data collected by criminal justice agencies 2333 2334 on adult individuals consisting of identifiable descriptions and notations of arrests, detentions, 2335 indictments, informations, or other formal charges, and any disposition arising therefrom. The term shall

2336 not include juvenile record information which is controlled by Chapter 11 (§ 16.1-226 et seq.) of Title 2337 16.1, criminal justice intelligence information, criminal justice investigative information, or correctional 2338 status information.

2339 "Criminal justice agency" means (i) a court or any other governmental agency or subunit thereof 2340 which as its principal function performs the administration of criminal justice and any other agency or 2341 subunit thereof which performs criminal justice activities, but only to the extent that it does so; (ii) for 2342 the purposes of Chapter 23 (§ 19.2-387 et seq.) of Title 19.2, any private corporation or agency which, 2343 within the context of its criminal justice activities, employs special conservators of the peace appointed 2344 under Chapter 2 (§ 19.2-12 et seq.) of Title 19.2, provided that (a) such private corporation or agency 2345 requires its officers or special conservators to meet compulsory training standards established by the 2346 Criminal Justice Services Board and submits reports of compliance with the training standards and (b) 2347 the private corporation or agency complies with the provisions of Article 3 (§ 9.1-126 et seq.), but only 2348 to the extent that the private corporation or agency so designated as a criminal justice agency performs 2349 criminal justice activities; and (iii) the Office of the Attorney General, for all criminal justice activities 2350 otherwise permitted under clause (i) and for the purpose of performing duties required by the Civil 2351 Commitment of Sexually Violent Predators Act (§ 37.2-900 et seq.).

2352 "Criminal justice agency" includes any program certified by the Commission on VASAP pursuant to 2353 § 18.2-271.2.

"Criminal justice agency" includes the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

"Criminal justice agency" includes the Virginia State Crime Commission.

2356 "Criminal justice information system" means a system including the equipment, facilities, procedures, agreements, and organizations thereof, for the collection, processing, preservation, or dissemination of 2357 2358 criminal history record information. The operations of the system may be performed manually or by 2359 using electronic computers or other automated data processing equipment.

2360 "Department" means the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

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2361 "Dissemination" means any transfer of information, whether orally, in writing, or by electronic 2362 means. The term shall not include access to the information by officers or employees of a criminal 2363 justice agency maintaining the information who have both a need and right to know the information.

2364 "Law-enforcement officer" means any full-time or part-time employee of a police department or 2365 sheriff's office which is a part of or administered by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision 2366 thereof, and who is responsible for the prevention and detection of crime and the enforcement of the 2367 penal, traffic or highway laws of the Commonwealth, and shall include any (i) special agent of the 2368 Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority; (ii) police agent appointed under the 2369 provisions of § 56-353; (iii) officer of the Virginia Marine Police; (iv) conservation police officer who is 2370 a full-time sworn member of the enforcement division of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries; 2371 (v) investigator who is a full-time sworn member of the security division of the Virginia Lottery; (vi) 2372 conservation officer of the Department of Conservation and Recreation commissioned pursuant to 2373 § 10.1-115; (vii) full-time sworn member of the enforcement division of the Department of Motor 2374 Vehicles appointed pursuant to § 46.2-217; (viii) animal protection police officer employed under 2375 § 15.2-632; or (ix) campus police officer appointed under Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23. 2376 Part-time employees are those compensated officers who are not full-time employees as defined by the 2377 employing police department or sheriff's office.

2378 "School resource officer" means a certified law-enforcement officer hired by the local 2379 law-enforcement agency to provide law-enforcement and security services to Virginia public elementary 2380 and secondary schools.

2381 "School security officer" means an individual who is employed by the local school board for the 2382 singular purpose of maintaining order and discipline, preventing crime, investigating violations of school 2383 board policies, and detaining students violating the law or school board policies on school property or at 2384 school-sponsored events and who is responsible solely for ensuring the safety, security, and welfare of 2385 all students, faculty, staff, and visitors in the assigned school. 2386

§ 9.1-102. Powers and duties of the Board and the Department.

2387 The Department, under the direction of the Board, which shall be the policy-making body for 2388 carrying out the duties and powers hereunder, shall have the power and duty to:

2389 1. Adopt regulations, pursuant to the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.), for the 2390 administration of this chapter including the authority to require the submission of reports and 2391 information by law-enforcement officers within the Commonwealth. Any proposed regulations 2392 concerning the privacy, confidentiality, and security of criminal justice information shall be submitted 2393 for review and comment to any board, commission, or committee or other body which may be 2394 established by the General Assembly to regulate the privacy, confidentiality, and security of information 2395 collected and maintained by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof;

2396 2. Establish compulsory minimum training standards subsequent to employment as a law-enforcement

officer in (i) permanent positions, and (ii) temporary or probationary status, and establish the time 2397 2398 required for completion of such training;

2399 3. Establish minimum training standards and qualifications for certification and recertification for 2400 law-enforcement officers serving as field training officers;

2401 4. Establish compulsory minimum curriculum requirements for in-service and advanced courses and 2402 programs for schools, whether located in or outside the Commonwealth, which are operated for the 2403 specific purpose of training law-enforcement officers;

2404 5. Establish (i) compulsory minimum training standards for law-enforcement officers who utilize 2405 radar or an electrical or microcomputer device to measure the speed of motor vehicles as provided in 2406 § 46.2-882 and establish the time required for completion of the training and (ii) compulsory minimum 2407 qualifications for certification and recertification of instructors who provide such training;

2408 6. Establish compulsory training courses for law-enforcement officers in laws and procedures relating 2409 to entrapment, search and seizure, evidence, and techniques of report writing, which training shall be 2410 completed by law-enforcement officers who have not completed the compulsory training standards set 2411 out in subdivision 2, prior to assignment of any such officers to undercover investigation work. Failure 2412 to complete the training shall not, for that reason, constitute grounds to exclude otherwise properly 2413 admissible testimony or other evidence from such officer resulting from any undercover investigation;

2414 7. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service and advanced training standards for those 2415 persons designated to provide courthouse and courtroom security pursuant to the provisions of 2416 § 53.1-120, and to establish the time required for completion of such training;

2417 8. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service and advanced training standards for deputy sheriffs designated to serve process pursuant to the provisions of § 8.01-293, and establish the time 2418 2419 required for the completion of such training;

9. Establish compulsory minimum entry-level, in-service, and advanced training standards, as well as 2420 2421 the time required for completion of such training, for persons employed as deputy sheriffs and jail 2422 officers by local criminal justice agencies, correctional officers employed by the Department of 2423 Corrections under the provisions of Title 53.1, and juvenile correctional officers employed at a juvenile 2424 correctional facility as the term is defined in § 66-25.3;

2425 10. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for all dispatchers employed by or in any local 2426 or state government agency, whose duties include the dispatching of law-enforcement personnel. Such 2427 training standards shall apply only to dispatchers hired on or after July 1, 1988;

2428 11. Establish compulsory minimum training standards for all auxiliary police officers employed by or 2429 in any local or state government agency. Such training shall be graduated and based on the type of 2430 duties to be performed by the auxiliary police officers. Such training standards shall not apply to 2431 auxiliary police officers exempt pursuant to § 15.2-1731;

2432 12. Consult and cooperate with counties, municipalities, agencies of the Commonwealth, other state 2433 and federal governmental agencies, and with universities, colleges, community colleges, and other 2434 institutions, whether located in or outside the Commonwealth, concerning the development of police training schools and programs or courses of instruction; 2435

2436 13. Approve institutions, curricula and facilities, whether located in or outside the Commonwealth, for school operation for the specific purpose of training law-enforcement officers; but this shall not 2437 2438 prevent the holding of any such school whether approved or not;

2439 14. Establish and maintain police training programs through such agencies and institutions as the 2440 Board deems appropriate;

2441 15. Establish compulsory minimum qualifications of certification and recertification for instructors in 2442 criminal justice training schools approved by the Department;

2443 16. Conduct and stimulate research by public and private agencies which shall be designed to 2444 improve police administration and law enforcement; 2445

17. Make recommendations concerning any matter within its purview pursuant to this chapter;

2446 18. Coordinate its activities with those of any interstate system for the exchange of criminal history record information, nominate one or more of its members to serve upon the council or committee of any 2447 2448 such system, and participate when and as deemed appropriate in any such system's activities and 2449 programs;

2450 19. Conduct inquiries and investigations it deems appropriate to carry out its functions under this 2451 chapter and, in conducting such inquiries and investigations, may require any criminal justice agency to 2452 submit information, reports, and statistical data with respect to its policy and operation of information 2453 systems or with respect to its collection, storage, dissemination, and usage of criminal history record 2454 information and correctional status information, and such criminal justice agencies shall submit such 2455 information, reports, and data as are reasonably required; 2456

20. Conduct audits as required by § 9.1-131;

2457 21. Conduct a continuing study and review of questions of individual privacy and confidentiality of 2458 criminal history record information and correctional status information;

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2459 22. Advise criminal justice agencies and initiate educational programs for such agencies with respect 2460 to matters of privacy, confidentiality, and security as they pertain to criminal history record information 2461 and correctional status information;

23. Maintain a liaison with any board, commission, committee, or other body which may be 2462 2463 established by law, executive order, or resolution to regulate the privacy and security of information 2464 collected by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof;

2465 24. Adopt regulations establishing guidelines and standards for the collection, storage, and 2466 dissemination of criminal history record information and correctional status information, and the privacy, 2467 confidentiality, and security thereof necessary to implement state and federal statutes, regulations, and 2468 court orders;

2469 25. Operate a statewide criminal justice research center, which shall maintain an integrated criminal 2470 justice information system, produce reports, provide technical assistance to state and local criminal 2471 justice data system users, and provide analysis and interpretation of criminal justice statistical 2472 information;

2473 26. Develop a comprehensive, statewide, long-range plan for strengthening and improving law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice throughout the Commonwealth, and periodically 2474 2475 update that plan;

2476 27. Cooperate with, and advise and assist, all agencies, departments, boards and institutions of the 2477 Commonwealth, and units of general local government, or combinations thereof, including planning 2478 district commissions, in planning, developing, and administering programs, projects, comprehensive 2479 plans, and other activities for improving law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice 2480 throughout the Commonwealth, including allocating and subgranting funds for these purposes;

2481 28. Define, develop, organize, encourage, conduct, coordinate, and administer programs, projects and 2482 activities for the Commonwealth and units of general local government, or combinations thereof, in the 2483 Commonwealth, designed to strengthen and improve law enforcement and the administration of criminal 2484 justice at every level throughout the Commonwealth;

2485 29. Review and evaluate programs, projects, and activities, and recommend, where necessary, 2486 revisions or alterations to such programs, projects, and activities for the purpose of improving law 2487 enforcement and the administration of criminal justice;

2488 30. Coordinate the activities and projects of the state departments, agencies, and boards of the 2489 Commonwealth and of the units of general local government, or combination thereof, including planning 2490 district commissions, relating to the preparation, adoption, administration, and implementation of 2491 comprehensive plans to strengthen and improve law enforcement and the administration of criminal 2492 justice;

2493 31. Do all things necessary on behalf of the Commonwealth and its units of general local 2494 government, to determine and secure benefits available under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe 2495 Streets Act of 1968 (P.L. 90-351, 82 Stat. 197), as amended, and under any other federal acts and 2496 programs for strengthening and improving law enforcement, the administration of criminal justice, and 2497 delinquency prevention and control;

2498 32. Receive, administer, and expend all funds and other assistance available to the Board and the 2499 Department for carrying out the purposes of this chapter and the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe 2500 Streets Act of 1968, as amended;

2501 33. Apply for and accept grants from the United States government or any other source in carrying 2502 out the purposes of this chapter and accept any and all donations both real and personal, and grants of 2503 money from any governmental unit or public agency, or from any institution, person, firm or 2504 corporation, and may receive, utilize and dispose of the same. Any arrangements pursuant to this section 2505 shall be detailed in the annual report of the Board. Such report shall include the identity of the donor, 2506 the nature of the transaction, and the conditions, if any. Any moneys received pursuant to this section 2507 shall be deposited in the state treasury to the account of the Department. To these ends, the Board shall 2508 have the power to comply with conditions and execute such agreements as may be necessary;

2509 34. Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of 2510 its duties and execution of its powers under this chapter, including but not limited to, contracts with the 2511 United States, units of general local government or combinations thereof, in Virginia or other states, and 2512 with agencies and departments of the Commonwealth;

2513 35. Adopt and administer reasonable regulations for the planning and implementation of programs 2514 and activities and for the allocation, expenditure and subgranting of funds available to the 2515 Commonwealth and to units of general local government, and for carrying out the purposes of this 2516 chapter and the powers and duties set forth herein; 2517

36. Certify and decertify law-enforcement officers in accordance with §§ 15.2-1706 and 15.2-1707;

2518 37. Establish training standards and publish a model policy for law-enforcement personnel in the 2519 handling of family abuse, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking cases, including standards for 2520 determining the predominant physical aggressor in accordance with § 19.2-81.3. The Department shall 2521 provide technical support and assistance to law-enforcement agencies in carrying out the requirements 2522 set forth in § 9.1-1301 and shall by December 1, 2009, submit a report on the status of implementation 2523 of these requirements to the chairmen of the House and Senate Courts of Justice Committees;

2524 38. Establish training standards and publish a model policy for law-enforcement personnel in 2525 communicating with and facilitating the safe return of individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease;

2526 39. Establish compulsory training standards for basic training and the recertification of 2527 law-enforcement officers to ensure sensitivity to and awareness of cultural diversity and the potential for 2528 biased policing;

2529 40. Review and evaluate community-policing programs in the Commonwealth, and recommend where 2530 necessary statewide operating procedures, guidelines, and standards which strengthen and improve such 2531 programs, including sensitivity to and awareness of cultural diversity and the potential for biased 2532 policing;

2533 41. Publish and disseminate a model policy or guideline that may be used by state and local agencies 2534 to ensure that law-enforcement personnel are sensitive to and aware of cultural diversity and the 2535 potential for biased policing;

2536 42. Establish a Virginia Law-Enforcement Accreditation Center. The Center may, in cooperation with 2537 Virginia law-enforcement agencies, provide technical assistance and administrative support, including 2538 staffing, for the establishment of voluntary state law-enforcement accreditation standards. The Center 2539 may provide accreditation assistance and training, resource material, and research into methods and 2540 procedures that will assist the Virginia law-enforcement community efforts to obtain Virginia 2541 accreditation status;

2542 43. Promote community policing philosophy and practice throughout the Commonwealth by providing community policing training and technical assistance statewide to all law-enforcement 2543 2544 agencies, community groups, public and private organizations and citizens; developing and distributing 2545 innovative policing curricula and training tools on general community policing philosophy and practice 2546 and contemporary critical issues facing Virginia communities; serving as a consultant to Virginia 2547 organizations with specific community policing needs; facilitating continued development and 2548 implementation of community policing programs statewide through discussion forums for community 2549 policing leaders, development of law-enforcement instructors; promoting a statewide community policing 2550 initiative; and serving as a statewide information source on the subject of community policing including, 2551 but not limited to periodic newsletters, a website and an accessible lending library;

2552 44. Establish, in consultation with the Department of Education and the Virginia State Crime 2553 Commission, compulsory minimum standards for employment and job-entry and in-service training 2554 curricula and certification requirements for school security officers, which training and certification shall 2555 be administered by the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety pursuant to § 9.1-184. Such 2556 training standards shall include, but shall not be limited to, the role and responsibility of school security 2557 officers, relevant state and federal laws, school and personal liability issues, security awareness in the 2558 school environment, mediation and conflict resolution, disaster and emergency response, and student 2559 behavioral dynamics. The Department shall establish an advisory committee consisting of local school 2560 board representatives, principals, superintendents, and school security personnel to assist in the 2561 development of these standards and certification requirements;

2562 45. Establish training standards and publish a model policy and protocols for local and regional 2563 sexual assault response teams;

2564 46. License and regulate property bail bondsmen and surety bail bondsmen in accordance with 2565 Article 11 (§ 9.1-185 et seq.); 2566

47. License and regulate bail enforcement agents in accordance with Article 12 (§ 9.1-186 et seq.);

2567 48. In conjunction with the Virginia State Police and the State Compensation Board, advise criminal 2568 justice agencies regarding the investigation, registration, and dissemination of information requirements 2569 as they pertain to the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry Act (§ 9.1-900 et seq.);

2570 49. Establish minimum standards for (i) employment, (ii) job-entry and in-service training curricula, 2571 and (iii) certification requirements for campus security officers. Such training standards shall include, but 2572 not be limited to, the role and responsibility of campus security officers, relevant state and federal laws, 2573 school and personal liability issues, security awareness in the campus environment, and disaster and 2574 emergency response. The Department shall provide technical support and assistance to campus police 2575 departments and campus security departments on the establishment and implementation of policies and 2576 procedures, including but not limited to: the management of such departments, investigatory procedures, judicial referrals, the establishment and management of databases for campus safety and security 2577 2578 information sharing, and development of uniform record keeping for disciplinary records and statistics, such as campus crime logs, judicial referrals and Clery Act statistics. The Department shall establish an 2579 2580 advisory committee consisting of college administrators, college police chiefs, college security 2581 department chiefs, and local law-enforcement officials to assist in the development of the standards and

2582 certification requirements and training pursuant to this subdivision;

2583 50. Establish compulsory training standards and publish a model policy for law-enforcement2584 personnel regarding death notification;

2585 51. Assess and report, in accordance with § 9.1-190, the crisis intervention team programs established pursuant to § 9.1-187;

2587 52. Establish, publish, and disseminate a model policy or guideline for law-enforcement personnel for questioning individuals suspected of driving while intoxicated concerning the physical location of that individual's last consumption of an alcoholic beverage and for communicating that information to the *Virginia* Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority;

2591 53. Establish training standards and publish a model policy for law-enforcement personnel assigned
2592 to vehicle patrol duties that embody current best practices for pursuits and for responding to emergency
2593 calls;

2594 54. Establish training standards and publish a model policy for law-enforcement personnel involved
2595 in criminal investigations that embody current best practices for conducting photographic and live
2596 lineups;

55. In conjunction with the Office of the Attorney General, advise law-enforcement agencies and attorneys for the Commonwealth regarding the identification, investigation, and prosecution of human trafficking offenses using the common law and existing criminal statutes in the Code of Virginia. The Department shall publish and disseminate a model policy or guideline for law-enforcement personnel involved in criminal investigations or assigned to vehicle or street patrol duties to ensure that law-enforcement personnel are sensitive to and aware of human trafficking offenses and the identification of victims of human trafficking offenses;

2604 56. Register tow truck drivers in accordance with § 46.2-116 and carry out the provisions of **2605** § 46.2-117; and

2606 57. Perform such other acts as may be necessary or convenient for the effective performance of its duties.

§ 9.1-400. Title of chapter; definitions.

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A. This chapter shall be known and designated as the Line of Duty Act.

2610 B. As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

2611 "Beneficiary" means the spouse of a deceased person and such persons as are entitled to take under the will of a deceased person if testate, or as his heirs at law if intestate.

2613 "Deceased person" means any individual whose death occurs on or after April 8, 1972, as the direct 2614 or proximate result of the performance of his duty, including the presumptions under §§ 27-40.1, 2615 27-40.2, 51.1-813, and 65.2-402, as a law-enforcement officer of the Commonwealth or any of its 2616 political subdivisions; a correctional officer as defined in § 53.1-1; a jail officer; a regional jail or jail 2617 farm superintendent; a sheriff, deputy sheriff, or city sergeant or deputy city sergeant of the City of 2618 Richmond; a police chaplain; a member of any fire company or department or rescue squad that has 2619 been recognized by an ordinance or a resolution of the governing body of any county, city or town of 2620 the Commonwealth as an integral part of the official safety program of such county, city or town; a member of any fire company providing fire protection services for facilities of the Virginia National 2621 2622 Guard; a member of the Virginia National Guard or the Virginia Defense Force while such member is 2623 serving in the Virginia National Guard or the Virginia Defense Force on official state duty or federal 2624 duty under Title 32 of the United States Code; any special agent of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 2625 Control Board Authority; any regular or special conservation police officer who receives compensation 2626 from a county, city or town or from the Commonwealth appointed pursuant to the provisions of 2627 § 29.1-200; any commissioned forest warden appointed under the provisions of § 10.1-1135; any 2628 member or employee of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission granted the power of arrest 2629 pursuant to § 28.2-900; any Department of Emergency Management hazardous materials officer; any 2630 other employee of the Department of Emergency Management who is performing official duties of the 2631 agency, when those duties are related to a major disaster or emergency, as defined in § 44-146.16, that 2632 has been or is later declared to exist under the authority of the Governor in accordance with § 44-146.28; any employee of any county, city, or town performing official emergency management or 2633 2634 emergency services duties in cooperation with the Department of Emergency Management, when those 2635 duties are related to a major disaster or emergency, as defined in § 44-146.16, that has been or is later 2636 declared to exist under the authority of the Governor in accordance with § 44-146.28 or a local 2637 emergency, as defined in § 44-146.16, declared by a local governing body; any nonfirefighter regional 2638 hazardous materials emergency response team member; any conservation officer of the Department of 2639 Conservation and Recreation commissioned pursuant to § 10.1-115; or any full-time sworn member of 2640 the enforcement division of the Department of Motor Vehicles appointed pursuant to § 46.2-217.

2641 "Disabled person" means any individual who, as the direct or proximate result of the performance of his duty in any position listed in the definition of deceased person in this section, has become mentally 2649

2643 or physically incapacitated so as to prevent the further performance of duty where such incapacity is 2644 likely to be permanent. The term shall also include any state employee included in the definition of a 2645 deceased person who was disabled on or after January 1, 1966.

2646 "Line of duty" means any action the deceased or disabled person was obligated or authorized to 2647 perform by rule, regulation, condition of employment or service, or law.

2648 § 9.1-500. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

2650 "Agency" means the Department of State Police, the Division of Capitol Police, the Virginia Marine 2651 Resources Commission, the Virginia Port Authority, the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the 2652 Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, or the Department of Motor Vehicles; or the political subdivision or the campus police 2653 department of any public institution of higher education of the Commonwealth employing the 2654 2655 law-enforcement officer.

2656 "Law-enforcement officer" means any person, other than a Chief of Police or the Superintendent of the Department of State Police, who, in his official capacity, is (i) authorized by law to make arrests and 2657 2658 (ii) a nonprobationary officer of one of the following agencies:

2659 a. The Department of State Police, the Division of Capitol Police, the Virginia Marine Resources 2660 Commission, the Virginia Port Authority, the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Department 2661 of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority, the Department of Motor Vehicles, or the Department 2662 of Conservation and Recreation;

2663 b. The police department, bureau or force of any political subdivision or the campus police 2664 department of any public institution of higher education of the Commonwealth where such department, 2665 bureau or force has ten 10 or more law-enforcement officers; or

2666 c. Any conservation police officer as defined in § 9.1-101.

2667 For the purposes of this chapter, "law-enforcement officer" shall not include the sheriff's department of any city or county. 2668 2669

§ 9.1-801. Public safety officer defined.

2670 As used in this chapter, the term "public safety officer" includes a law-enforcement officer of this Commonwealth or any of its political subdivisions; a correctional officer as defined in § 53.1-1; a 2671 2672 correctional officer employed at a juvenile correctional facility as the term is defined in § 66-25.3; a jail 2673 officer; a regional jail or jail farm superintendent; a member of any fire company or department or 2674 rescue squad that has been recognized by an ordinance or resolution of the governing body of any 2675 county, city or town of this Commonwealth as an integral part of the official safety program of such 2676 county, city or town; an arson investigator; a member of the Virginia National Guard or the Virginia Defense Force while such a member is serving in the Virginia National Guard or the Virginia Defense 2677 Force on official state duty or federal duty under Title 32 of the United States Code; any special agent 2678 2679 of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority; any police agent appointed under the provisions of § 56-353; any regular or special conservation police officer who receives compensation 2680 2681 from a county, city or town or from the Commonwealth appointed pursuant to § 29.1-200; any 2682 commissioned forest warden appointed pursuant to § 10.1-1135; any member or employee of the 2683 Virginia Marine Resources Commission granted the power to arrest pursuant to § 28.2-900; any 2684 Department of Emergency Management hazardous materials officer; any nonfirefighter regional 2685 hazardous materials emergency response team member; any investigator who is a full-time sworn 2686 member of the security division of the Virginia Lottery; any full-time sworn member of the enforcement division of the Department of Motor Vehicles meeting the Department of Criminal Justice Services 2687 qualifications, when fulfilling duties pursuant to § 46.2-217; any campus police officer appointed under 2688 the provisions of Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23; and any conservation officer of the Department of Conservation and Recreation commissioned pursuant to § 10.1-115. 2689 2690 2691

§ 15.2-2288.3. Licensed farm wineries; local regulation of certain activities.

2692 A. It is the policy of the Commonwealth to preserve the economic vitality of the Virginia wine 2693 industry while maintaining appropriate land use authority to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the 2694 citizens of the Commonwealth, and to permit the reasonable expectation of uses in specific zoning 2695 categories. Local restriction upon such activities and events of farm wineries licensed in accordance with 2696 Title 4.1 to market and sell their products shall be reasonable and shall take into account the economic 2697 impact on the farm winery of such restriction, the agricultural nature of such activities and events, and 2698 whether such activities and events are usual and customary for farm wineries throughout the 2699 Commonwealth. Usual and customary activities and events at farm wineries shall be permitted without 2700 local regulation unless there is a substantial impact on the health, safety, or welfare of the public. No 2701 local ordinance regulating noise, other than outdoor amplified music, arising from activities and events 2702 at farm wineries shall be more restrictive than that in the general noise ordinance. In authorizing outdoor 2703 amplified music at a farm winery, the locality shall consider the effect on adjacent property owners and 2704 nearby residents.

2705 B, C. [Expired.]

2706 D. No locality may treat private personal gatherings held by the owner of a licensed farm winery 2707 who resides at the farm winery or on property adjacent thereto that is owned or controlled by such 2708 owner at which gatherings wine is not sold or marketed and for which no consideration is received by 2709 the farm winery or its agents differently from private personal gatherings by other citizens.

2710 E. No locality shall regulate any of the following activities of a farm winery licensed in accordance 2711 with subdivision 5 of § 4.1-207:

2712 1. The production and harvesting of fruit and other agricultural products and the manufacturing of 2713 wine;

2714 2. The on-premises sale, tasting, or consumption of wine during regular business hours within the 2715 normal course of business of the licensed farm winery;

2716 3. The direct sale and shipment of wine by common carrier to consumers in accordance with Title 2717 4.1 and regulations of the Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board 2718 Authority;

2719 4. The sale and shipment of wine to the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, licensed wholesalers, and out-of-state purchasers in accordance with Title 4.1, regulations of the Board 2720 2721 of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, and federal law;

2722 5. The storage, warehousing, and wholesaling of wine in accordance with Title 4.1, regulations of the 2723 *Board of Directors of the Virginia* Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, and federal law; or

2724 6. The sale of wine-related items that are incidental to the sale of wine. 2725

§ 15.2-2288.3:1. Limited brewery license; local regulation of certain activities.

2726 A. It is the policy of the Commonwealth to preserve the economic vitality of the Virginia beer industry while maintaining appropriate land use authority to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the 2727 2728 citizens of the Commonwealth and to permit the reasonable expectation of uses in specific zoning 2729 categories. Local restriction upon such activities and public events of breweries licensed pursuant to 2730 subdivision 2 of § 4.1-208 to market and sell their products shall be reasonable and shall take into 2731 account the economic impact on such licensed brewery of such restriction, the agricultural nature of 2732 such activities and events, and whether such activities and events are usual and customary for such 2733 licensed breweries. Usual and customary activities and events at such licensed breweries shall be 2734 permitted unless there is a substantial impact on the health, safety, or welfare of the public. No local 2735 ordinance regulating noise, other than outdoor amplified music, arising from activities and events at such 2736 licensed breweries shall be more restrictive than that in the general noise ordinance. In authorizing 2737 outdoor amplified music at such licensed brewery, the locality shall consider the effect on adjacent 2738 property owners and nearby residents.

2739 **B.** No locality shall regulate any of the following activities of a brewery licensed under subdivision 2 2740 of § 4.1-208:

2741 1. The production and harvesting of barley, other grains, hops, fruit, or other agricultural products 2742 and the manufacturing of beer;

2743 2. The on-premises sale, tasting, or consumption of beer during regular business hours within the 2744 normal course of business of such licensed brewery;

2745 3. The direct sale and shipment of beer in accordance with Title 4.1 and regulations of the Board of 2746 Directors of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority;

2747 4. The sale and shipment of beer to licensed wholesalers and out-of-state purchasers in accordance 2748 with Title 4.1, regulations of the *Board of Directors of the* Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, 2749 and federal law;

2750 5. The storage and warehousing of beer in accordance with Title 4.1, regulations of the Board of 2751 Directors of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, and federal law; or 2752

6. The sale of beer-related items that are incidental to the sale of beer.

2753 C. Any locality may exempt any brewery licensed in accordance with subdivision 2 of § 4.1-208 on 2754 land zoned agricultural from any local regulation of minimum parking, road access, or road upgrade 2755 requirements. 2756

§ 18.2-57. Assault and battery; penalty.

2757 A. Any person who commits a simple assault or assault and battery is guilty of a Class 1 2758 misdemeanor, and if the person intentionally selects the person against whom a simple assault is 2759 committed because of his race, religious conviction, color or national origin, the penalty upon conviction 2760 shall include a term of confinement of at least six months, 30 days of which shall be a mandatory 2761 minimum term of confinement.

2762 B. However, if a person intentionally selects the person against whom an assault and battery resulting 2763 in bodily injury is committed because of his race, religious conviction, color or national origin, the 2764 person is guilty of a Class 6 felony, and the penalty upon conviction shall include a term of confinement of at least six months, 30 days of which shall be a mandatory minimum term of 2765

2766 confinement.

2767 C. In addition, if any person commits an assault or an assault and battery against another knowing or 2768 having reason to know that such other person is a judge, a magistrate, a law-enforcement officer as 2769 defined in subsection F, a correctional officer as defined in § 53.1-1, a person directly involved in the 2770 care, treatment, or supervision of inmates in the custody of the Department of Corrections or an 2771 employee of a local or regional correctional facility directly involved in the care, treatment, or 2772 supervision of inmates in the custody of the facility, a person directly involved in the care, treatment, or 2773 supervision of persons in the custody of or under the supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice, 2774 an employee or other individual who provides control, care, or treatment of sexually violent predators 2775 committed to the custody of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, a firefighter as defined in § 65.2-102, or a volunteer firefighter or any emergency medical services 2776 2777 personnel member who is employed by or is a volunteer of an emergency medical services agency or as 2778 a member of a bona fide volunteer fire department or volunteer emergency medical services agency, 2779 regardless of whether a resolution has been adopted by the governing body of a political subdivision 2780 recognizing such firefighters or emergency medical services personnel as employees, engaged in the 2781 performance of his public duties, such person is guilty of a Class 6 felony, and, upon conviction, the 2782 sentence of such person shall include a mandatory minimum term of confinement of six months.

2783 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to affect the right of any person charged with a 2784 violation of this section from asserting and presenting evidence in support of any defenses to the charge 2785 that may be available under common law.

D. In addition, if any person commits a battery against another knowing or having reason to know 2786 2787 that such other person is a full-time or part-time employee of any public or private elementary or 2788 secondary school and is engaged in the performance of his duties as such, he is guilty of a Class 1 2789 misdemeanor and the sentence of such person upon conviction shall include a sentence of 15 days in 2790 jail, two days of which shall be a mandatory minimum term of confinement. However, if the offense is 2791 committed by use of a firearm or other weapon prohibited on school property pursuant to § 18.2-308.1, 2792 the person shall serve a mandatory minimum sentence of confinement of six months.

2793 E. In addition, any person who commits a battery against another knowing or having reason to know 2794 that such individual is a health care provider as defined in § 8.01-581.1 who is engaged in the 2795 performance of his duties as an emergency health care provider in an emergency room of a hospital or 2796 clinic or on the premises of any other facility rendering emergency medical care is guilty of a Class 1 2797 misdemeanor. The sentence of such person, upon conviction, shall include a term of confinement of 15 2798 days in jail, two days of which shall be a mandatory minimum term of confinement. 2799

F. As used in this section:

2800 "Judge" means any justice or judge of a court of record of the Commonwealth including a judge 2801 designated under § 17.1-105, a judge under temporary recall under § 17.1-106, or a judge pro tempore 2802 under § 17.1-109, any member of the State Corporation Commission, or of the Virginia Workers' 2803 Compensation Commission, and any judge of a district court of the Commonwealth or any substitute 2804 judge of such district court.

2805 "Law-enforcement officer" means any full-time or part-time employee of a police department or 2806 sheriff's office that is part of or administered by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof 2807 who is responsible for the prevention or detection of crime and the enforcement of the penal, traffic or 2808 highway laws of the Commonwealth, any conservation officer of the Department of Conservation and 2809 Recreation commissioned pursuant to § 10.1-115, any special agent of the Department of Virginia 2810 Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority, conservation police officers appointed pursuant to § 29.1-200, and 2811 full-time sworn members of the enforcement division of the Department of Motor Vehicles appointed 2812 pursuant to § 46.2-217, and such officer also includes jail officers in local and regional correctional 2813 facilities, all deputy sheriffs, whether assigned to law-enforcement duties, court services or local jail 2814 responsibilities, auxiliary police officers appointed or provided for pursuant to §§ 15.2-1731 and 15.2-1733, auxiliary deputy sheriffs appointed pursuant to § 15.2-1603, police officers of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority pursuant to § 5.1-158, and fire marshals appointed pursuant 2815 2816 2817 to § 27-30 when such fire marshals have police powers as set out in §§ 27-34.2 and 27-34.2:1.

2818 'School security officer'' means an individual who is employed by the local school board for the 2819 purpose of maintaining order and discipline, preventing crime, investigating violations of school board 2820 policies and detaining persons violating the law or school board policies on school property, a school 2821 bus or at a school-sponsored activity and who is responsible solely for ensuring the safety, security and 2822 welfare of all students, faculty and staff in the assigned school.

G. "Simple assault" or "assault and battery" shall not be construed to include the use of, by any school security officer or full-time or part-time employee of any public or private elementary or 2823 2824 2825 secondary school while acting in the course and scope of his official capacity, any of the following: (i) 2826 incidental, minor or reasonable physical contact or other actions designed to maintain order and control; 2827 (ii) reasonable and necessary force to quell a disturbance or remove a student from the scene of a

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2828 disturbance that threatens physical injury to persons or damage to property; (iii) reasonable and 2829 necessary force to prevent a student from inflicting physical harm on himself; (iv) reasonable and 2830 necessary force for self-defense or the defense of others; or (v) reasonable and necessary force to obtain 2831 possession of weapons or other dangerous objects or controlled substances or associated paraphernalia 2832 that are upon the person of the student or within his control.

2833 In determining whether a person was acting within the exceptions provided in this subsection, due 2834 deference shall be given to reasonable judgments that were made by a school security officer or 2835 full-time or part-time employee of any public or private elementary or secondary school at the time of 2836 the event.

2837 § 18.2-246.6. Definitions.

- 2838 For purposes of this article:
- 2839 "Adult" means a person who is at least the legal minimum purchasing age.
- 2840 "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority.

2841 "Consumer" means an individual who is not permitted as a wholesaler pursuant to § 58.1-1011 or 2842 who is not a retailer.

2843 "Delivery sale" means any sale of cigarettes to a consumer in the Commonwealth regardless of 2844 whether the seller is located in the Commonwealth where either (i) the purchaser submits the order for 2845 such sale by means of a telephonic or other method of voice transmission, the mails or any other 2846 delivery service, or the Internet or other online service; or (ii) the cigarettes are delivered by use of the 2847 mails or a delivery service. A sale of cigarettes not for personal consumption to a person who is a 2848 wholesale dealer or retail dealer, as such terms are defined in § 58.1-1000, shall not be a delivery sale. 2849 A delivery of cigarettes, not through the mail or by a common carrier, to a consumer performed by the 2850 owner, employee or other individual acting on behalf of a retailer authorized to sell such cigarettes shall 2851 not be a delivery sale.

2852 "Delivery service" means any person who is engaged in the commercial delivery of letters, packages, 2853 or other containers.

2854 "Legal minimum purchasing age" is the minimum age at which an individual may legally purchase 2855 cigarettes in the Commonwealth.

2856 "Mails" or "mailing" means the shipment of cigarettes through the United States Postal Service.

2857 "Shipping container" means a container in which cigarettes are shipped in connection with a delivery 2858 sale.

2859 "Shipping documents" means bills of lading, airbills, or any other documents used to evidence the 2860 undertaking by a delivery service to deliver letters, packages, or other containers. 2861

§ 18.2-308. Carrying concealed weapons; exceptions; penalty.

2862 A. If any person carries about his person, hidden from common observation, (i) any pistol, revolver, 2863 or other weapon designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind by action of an explosion of any combustible material; (ii) any dirk, bowie knife, switchblade knife, ballistic knife, machete, razor, 2864 2865 slingshot, spring stick, metal knucks, or blackjack; (iii) any flailing instrument consisting of two or more 2866 rigid parts connected in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as a nun 2867 chahka, nun chuck, nunchaku, shuriken, or fighting chain; (iv) any disc, of whatever configuration, 2868 having at least two points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may 2869 be known as a throwing star or oriental dart; or (v) any weapon of like kind as those enumerated in this 2870 subsection, he is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. A second violation of this section or a conviction 2871 under this section subsequent to any conviction under any substantially similar ordinance of any county, 2872 city, or town shall be punishable as a Class 6 felony, and a third or subsequent such violation shall be 2873 punishable as a Class 5 felony. For the purpose of this section, a weapon shall be deemed to be hidden 2874 from common observation when it is observable but is of such deceptive appearance as to disguise the 2875 weapon's true nature. It shall be an affirmative defense to a violation of clause (i) regarding a handgun, 2876 that a person had been issued, at the time of the offense, a valid concealed handgun permit.

2877 B. This section shall not apply to any person while in his own place of abode or the curtilage 2878 thereof.

C. Except as provided in subsection A of § 18.2-308.012, this section shall not apply to:

2880 1. Any person while in his own place of business;

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2881 2. Any law-enforcement officer, wherever such law-enforcement officer may travel in the 2882 Commonwealth;

2883 3. Any person who is at, or going to or from, an established shooting range, provided that the 2884 weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped while being transported;

2885 4. Any regularly enrolled member of a weapons collecting organization who is at, or going to or 2886 from, a bona fide weapons exhibition, provided that the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped 2887 while being transported;

2888 5. Any person carrying such weapons between his place of abode and a place of purchase or repair, **2889** provided the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped while being transported;

2890 6. Any person actually engaged in lawful hunting, as authorized by the Board of Game and Inland 2891 Fisheries, under inclement weather conditions necessitating temporary protection of his firearm from 2892 those conditions, provided that possession of a handgun while engaged in lawful hunting shall not be 2893 construed as hunting with a handgun if the person hunting is carrying a valid concealed handgun permit; 2894 7. Any State Police officer retired from the Department of State Police, any officer retired from the 2895 Division of Capitol Police, any local law-enforcement officer, auxiliary police officer or animal control 2896 officer retired from a police department or sheriff's office within the Commonwealth, any special agent 2897 retired from the State Corporation Commission or the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board 2898 Authority, any conservation police officer retired from the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, 2899 any Virginia Marine Police officer retired from the Law Enforcement Division of the Virginia Marine 2900 Resources Commission, any campus police officer appointed under Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of 2901 Title 23 retired from a campus police department, any retired member of the enforcement division of the 2902 Department of Motor Vehicles appointed pursuant to § 46.2-217, and any retired investigator of the 2903 security division of the Virginia Lottery, other than an officer or agent terminated for cause, (i) with a 2904 service-related disability; (ii) following at least 15 years of service with any such law-enforcement 2905 agency, board or any combination thereof; (iii) who has reached 55 years of age; or (iv) who is on 2906 long-term leave from such law-enforcement agency or board due to a service-related injury, provided 2907 such officer carries with him written proof of consultation with and favorable review of the need to 2908 carry a concealed handgun issued by the chief law-enforcement officer of the last such agency from 2909 which the officer retired or the agency that employs the officer or, in the case of special agents, issued 2910 by the State Corporation Commission or the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority. A 2911 copy of the proof of consultation and favorable review shall be forwarded by the chief or the Board to the Department of State Police for entry into the Virginia Criminal Information Network. The chief 2912 2913 law-enforcement officer shall not without cause withhold such written proof if the retired 2914 law-enforcement officer otherwise meets the requirements of this section. An officer set forth in clause 2915 (iv) who receives written proof of consultation to carry a concealed handgun shall surrender such proof 2916 of consultation upon return to work or upon termination of employment with the law-enforcement 2917 agency. Notice of the surrender shall be forwarded to the Department of State Police for entry into the 2918 Virginia Criminal Information Network. However, if such officer retires on disability because of the 2919 service-related injury, and would be eligible under clause (i) for written proof of consultation to carry a 2920 concealed handgun, he may retain the previously issued written proof of consultation. A retired 2921 law-enforcement officer who receives proof of consultation and favorable review pursuant to this 2922 subdivision is authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the same manner as a law-enforcement officer 2923 authorized to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to subdivision 2;

7a. Any person who is eligible for retirement with at least 20 years of service with a 2924 2925 law-enforcement agency or board mentioned in subdivision 7 who has resigned in good standing from 2926 such law-enforcement agency or board to accept a position covered by a retirement system that is 2927 authorized under Title 51.1, provided such person carries with him written proof of consultation with 2928 and favorable review of the need to carry a concealed handgun issued by the chief law-enforcement 2929 officer of the agency from which he resigned or, in the case of special agents, issued by the State 2930 Corporation Commission or the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority. A copy of the 2931 proof of consultation and favorable review shall be forwarded by the chief, Board or Commission to the 2932 Department of State Police for entry into the Virginia Criminal Information Network. The chief 2933 law-enforcement officer shall not without cause withhold such written proof if the law-enforcement 2934 officer otherwise meets the requirements of this section.

2935 For purposes of applying the reciprocity provisions of § 18.2-308.014, any person granted the privilege to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to subdivision 7 or this subdivision, while carrying the proof of consultation and favorable review required, shall be deemed to have been issued a concealed handgun permit.

For purposes of complying with the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004, a retired 2939 2940 or resigned law-enforcement officer who receives proof of consultation and review pursuant to 2941 subdivision 7 or this subdivision shall have the opportunity to annually participate, at the retired or 2942 resigned law-enforcement officer's expense, in the same training and testing to carry firearms as is 2943 required of active law-enforcement officers in the Commonwealth. If such retired or resigned 2944 law-enforcement officer meets the training and qualification standards, the chief law-enforcement officer 2945 shall issue the retired or resigned officer certification, valid one year from the date of issuance, 2946 indicating that the retired or resigned officer has met the standards of the agency to carry a firearm;

8. Any State Police officer who is a member of the organized reserve forces of any of the armed
services of the United States, national guard, or naval militia, while such officer is called to active
military duty, provided such officer carries with him written proof of consultation with and favorable
review of the need to carry a concealed handgun issued by the Superintendent of State Police. The proof

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2951 of consultation and favorable review shall be valid as long as the officer is on active military duty and 2952 shall expire when the officer returns to active law-enforcement duty. The issuance of the proof of 2953 consultation and favorable review shall be entered into the Virginia Criminal Information Network. The 2954 Superintendent of State Police shall not without cause withhold such written proof if the officer is in 2955 good standing and is qualified to carry a weapon while on active law-enforcement duty.

2956 For purposes of applying the reciprocity provisions of § 18.2-308.014, any person granted the 2957 privilege to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to this subdivision, while carrying the proof of 2958 consultation and favorable review required, shall be deemed to have been issued a concealed handgun 2959 permit;

2960 9. Any attorney for the Commonwealth or assistant attorney for the Commonwealth, wherever such 2961 attorney may travel in the Commonwealth;

- 2962 10. Any person who may lawfully possess a firearm and is carrying a handgun while in a personal, 2963 private motor vehicle or vessel and such handgun is secured in a container or compartment in the 2964 vehicle or vessel; and
- 2965 11. Any enrolled participant of a firearms training course who is at, or going to or from, a training 2966 location, provided that the weapons are unloaded and securely wrapped while being transported.
- 2967 D. This section shall also not apply to any of the following individuals while in the discharge of 2968 their official duties, or while in transit to or from such duties:
- 2969 1. Carriers of the United States mail;

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- 2970 2. Officers or guards of any state correctional institution;
- 2971 3. Conservators of the peace, except that an attorney for the Commonwealth or assistant attorney for 2972 the Commonwealth may carry a concealed handgun pursuant to subdivision C 9. However, the following 2973 conservators of the peace shall not be permitted to carry a concealed handgun without obtaining a 2974 permit as provided in this article: (i) notaries public; (ii) registrars; (iii) drivers, operators or other 2975 persons in charge of any motor vehicle carrier of passengers for hire; or (iv) commissioners in chancery; 2976 4. Noncustodial employees of the Department of Corrections designated to carry weapons by the
- 2977 Director of the Department of Corrections pursuant to § 53.1-29; and 2978
 - 5. Harbormaster of the City of Hopewell.

§ 18.2-308.03. Fees for concealed handgun permits.

2980 A. The clerk shall charge a fee of \$10 for the processing of an application or issuing of a permit, 2981 including his costs associated with the consultation with law-enforcement agencies. The local 2982 law-enforcement agency conducting the background investigation may charge a fee not to exceed \$35 to 2983 cover the cost of conducting an investigation pursuant to this article. The \$35 fee shall include any 2984 amount assessed by the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation for providing criminal history record 2985 information, and the local law-enforcement agency shall forward the amount assessed by the U.S. 2986 Federal Bureau of Investigation to the State Police with the fingerprints taken from any nonresident 2987 applicant. The State Police may charge a fee not to exceed \$5 to cover its costs associated with 2988 processing the application. The total amount assessed for processing an application for a permit shall not 2989 exceed \$50, with such fees to be paid in one sum to the person who receives the application. Payment 2990 may be made by any method accepted by that court for payment of other fees or penalties. No payment 2991 shall be required until the application is received by the court as a complete application.

2992 B. No fee shall be charged for the issuance of such permit to a person who has retired from service 2993 (i) as a magistrate in the Commonwealth; (ii) as a special agent with the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 2994 Control Board Authority or as a law-enforcement officer with the Department of State Police, the 2995 Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, or a sheriff or police department, bureau, or force of any 2996 political subdivision of the Commonwealth, after completing 15 years of service or after reaching age 2997 55; (iii) as a law-enforcement officer with the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol, 2998 Tobacco and Firearms, Secret Service Agency, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States 2999 Citizenship and Immigration Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of State Diplomatic Security Service, U.S. Marshals Service, or Naval Criminal Investigative Service, after 3000 3001 completing 15 years of service or after reaching age 55; (iv) as a law-enforcement officer with any 3002 police or sheriff's department within the United States, the District of Columbia, or any of the territories 3003 of the United States, after completing 15 years of service; (v) as a law-enforcement officer with any 3004 combination of the agencies listed in clauses (ii) through (iv), after completing 15 years of service; (vi) 3005 as a designated boarding team member or boarding officer of the United States Coast Guard, after 3006 completing 15 years of service or after reaching age 55; or (vii) as a correctional officer as defined in 3007 § 53.1-1 after completing 15 years of service.

3008 § 18.2-308.012. Prohibited conduct.

3009 A. Any person permitted to carry a concealed handgun who is under the influence of alcohol or 3010 illegal drugs while carrying such handgun in a public place is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Conviction of any of the following offenses shall be prima facie evidence, subject to rebuttal, that the 3011

3012 person is "under the influence" for purposes of this section: manslaughter in violation of § 18.2-36.1, 3013 maiming in violation of § 18.2-51.4, driving while intoxicated in violation of § 18.2-266, public 3014 intoxication in violation of § 18.2-388, or driving while intoxicated in violation of § 46.2-341.24. Upon 3015 such conviction that court shall revoke the person's permit for a concealed handgun and promptly notify 3016 the issuing circuit court. A person convicted of a violation of this subsection shall be ineligible to apply 3017 for a concealed handgun permit for a period of five years.

3018 B. No person who carries a concealed handgun onto the premises of any restaurant or club as 3019 defined in § 4.1-100 for which a license to sell and serve alcoholic beverages for on-premises 3020 consumption has been granted by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority under Title 3021 4.1 may consume an alcoholic beverage while on the premises. A person who carries a concealed 3022 handgun onto the premises of such a restaurant or club and consumes alcoholic beverages is guilty of a 3023 Class 2 misdemeanor. However, nothing in this subsection shall apply to a federal, state, or local 3024 law-enforcement officer.

\$ 18.2-371.2. Prohibiting purchase or possession of tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, and alternative nicotine products by minors or sale of tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, and alternative nicotine products to minors.

3028 A. No person shall sell to, distribute to, purchase for, or knowingly permit the purchase by any
3029 person less than 18 years of age, knowing or having reason to believe that such person is less than 18
3030 years of age, any tobacco product, nicotine vapor product, or alternative nicotine product.

Tobacco products may be sold from a vending machine only if the machine is (i) posted with a
notice, in a conspicuous manner and place, indicating that the purchase or possession of tobacco
products by minors is unlawful and (ii) located in a place which is not open to the general public and is
not generally accessible to minors. An establishment which prohibits the presence of minors unless
accompanied by an adult is not open to the general public.

B. No person less than 18 years of age shall attempt to purchase, purchase, or possess any tobacco
product, nicotine vapor product, or alternative nicotine product. The provisions of this subsection shall
not be applicable to the possession of tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, or alternative nicotine
products by a person less than 18 years of age making a delivery of tobacco products, nicotine vapor
products, or alternative nicotine products in pursuance of his employment. This subsection shall not
apply to purchase, attempt to purchase, or possession by a law-enforcement officer or his agent when
the same is necessary in the performance of his duties.

3043 C. No person shall sell a tobacco product, nicotine vapor product, or alternative nicotine product to 3044 any individual who does not demonstrate, by producing a driver's license or similar photo identification 3045 issued by a government agency, that the individual is at least 18 years of age. Such identification is not 3046 required from an individual whom the person has reason to believe is at least 18 years of age or who 3047 the person knows is at least 18 years of age. Proof that the person demanded, was shown, and 3048 reasonably relied upon a photo identification stating that the individual was at least 18 years of age shall 3049 be a defense to any action brought under this subsection. In determining whether a person had reason to 3050 believe an individual is at least 18 years of age, the trier of fact may consider, but is not limited to, 3051 proof of the general appearance, facial characteristics, behavior, and manner of the individual.

3052 This subsection shall not apply to mail order or Internet sales, provided that the person offering the 3053 tobacco product, nicotine vapor product, or alternative nicotine product for sale through mail order or 3054 the Internet (i) prior to the sale of the tobacco product, nicotine vapor product, or alternative nicotine product verifies that the purchaser is at least 18 years of age through a commercially available database 3055 3056 that is regularly used by businesses or governmental entities for the purpose of age and identity verification and (ii) uses a method of mailing, shipping, or delivery that requires the purchaser's 3057 3058 signature before the tobacco product, nicotine vapor product, or alternative nicotine product will be 3059 released to the purchaser.

3060 D. A violation of subsection A or C by an individual or by a separate retail establishment that
3061 involves a nicotine vapor product, alternative nicotine product, or tobacco product other than a bidi is
3062 punishable by a civil penalty not to exceed \$100 for a first violation, a civil penalty not to exceed \$200 for a second violation, and a civil penalty not to exceed \$500 for a third or subsequent violation.

3064 A violation of subsection A or C by an individual or by a separate retail establishment that involves 3065 the sale, distribution, or purchase of a bidi is punishable by a civil penalty in the amount of \$500 for a 3066 first violation, a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000 for a second violation, and a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,500 for a third or subsequent violation. Where a defendant retail establishment offers 3067 3068 proof that it has trained its employees concerning the requirements of this section, the court shall suspend all of the penalties imposed hereunder. However, where the court finds that a retail 3069 3070 establishment has failed to so train its employees, the court may impose a civil penalty not to exceed 3071 \$1,000 in lieu of any penalties imposed hereunder for a violation of subsection A or C involving a 3072 nicotine vapor product, alternative nicotine product, or tobacco product other than a bidi.

3073 A violation of subsection B is punishable by a civil penalty not to exceed \$100 for a first violation

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and a civil penalty not to exceed \$250 for a second or subsequent violation. A court may, as an alternative to the civil penalty, and upon motion of the defendant, prescribe the performance of up to 20 hours of community service for a first violation of subsection B and up to 40 hours of community service for a second or subsequent violation. If the defendant fails or refuses to complete the community service as prescribed, the court may impose the civil penalty. Upon a violation of subsection B, the judge may enter an order pursuant to subdivision A 9 of § 16.1-278.8.

3080 Any attorney for the Commonwealth of the county or city in which an alleged violation occurred
3081 may bring an action to recover the civil penalty, which shall be paid into the state treasury. Any
3082 law-enforcement officer may issue a summons for a violation of subsection A, B, or C.

E. 1. Cigarettes shall be sold only in sealed packages provided by the manufacturer, with the 3083 3084 required health warning. The proprietor of every retail establishment that offers for sale any tobacco 3085 product, nicotine vapor product, or alternative nicotine product shall post in a conspicuous manner and 3086 place a sign or signs indicating that the sale of tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, or alternative 3087 nicotine products to any person under 18 years of age is prohibited by law. Any attorney for the county, 3088 city, or town in which an alleged violation of this subsection occurred may enforce this subsection by civil action to recover a civil penalty not to exceed \$50. The civil penalty shall be paid into the local 3089 3090 treasury. No filing fee or other fee or cost shall be charged to the county, city, or town which instituted 3091 the action.

3092 2. For the purpose of compliance with regulations of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health
3093 Services Administration published at 61 Federal Register 1492, the Department of Agriculture and
3094 Consumer Services may promulgate regulations which allow the Department to undertake the activities
3095 necessary to comply with such regulations.

3096 3. Any attorney for the county, city, or town in which an alleged violation of this subsection occurred may enforce this subsection by civil action to recover a civil penalty not to exceed \$100. The civil penalty shall be paid into the local treasury. No filing fee or other fee or cost shall be charged to the county, city, or town which instituted the action.

F. Nothing in this section shall be construed to create a private cause of action.

3101 G. Agents of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority designated pursuant to **3102** § 4.1-105 may issue a summons for any violation of this section.

3103 H. As used in this section:

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3104 "Alternative nicotine product" means any noncombustible product containing nicotine that is intended
3105 for human consumption, whether chewed, absorbed, dissolved, or ingested by any other means.
3106 "Alternative nicotine product" does not include any nicotine vapor product, tobacco product, or product
3107 regulated as a drug or device by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) under Chapter V (21
3108 U.S.C. § 351 et seq.) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

3109 "Bidi" means a product containing tobacco that is wrapped in temburni leaf (diospyros melanoxylon)
3110 or tendu leaf (diospyros exculpra), or any other product that is offered to, or purchased by, consumers as
3111 a bidi or beedie.

3112 "Nicotine vapor product" means any noncombustible product containing nicotine that employs a 3113 heating element, power source, electronic circuit, or other electronic, chemical, or mechanical means, 3114 regardless of shape or size, that can be used to produce vapor from nicotine in a solution or other form. 3115 "Nicotine vapor product" includes any electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic 3116 pipe, or similar product or device and any cartridge or other container of nicotine in a solution or other 3117 form that is intended to be used with or in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, 3118 electronic pipe, or similar product or device. "Nicotine vapor product" does not include any product 3119 regulated by the FDA under Chapter V (21 U.S.C. § 351 et seq.) of the Federal Food, Drug, and 3120 Cosmetic Act.

3121 "Tobacco product" means any product made of tobacco and includes cigarettes, cigars, smokeless
3122 tobacco, pipe tobacco, bidis, and wrappings. "Tobacco product" does not include any nicotine vapor
3123 product, alternative nicotine product, or product that is regulated by the FDA under Chapter V (21
3124 U.S.C. § 351 et seq.) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

3125 "Wrappings" includes papers made or sold for covering or rolling tobacco or other materials for 3126 smoking in a manner similar to a cigarette or cigar.

3127 § 19.2-81. Arrest without warrant authorized in certain cases.

3128 A. The following officers shall have the powers of arrest as provided in this section:

3129 1. Members of the State Police force of the Commonwealth;

3130 2. Sheriffs of the various counties and cities, and their deputies;

3131 3. Members of any county police force or any duly constituted police force of any city or town of the Commonwealth;

4. The Commissioner, members and employees of the Marine Resources Commission granted thepower of arrest pursuant to § 28.2-900;

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3135 5. Regular conservation police officers appointed pursuant to § 29.1-200;

3136 6. United States Coast Guard and United States Coast Guard Reserve commissioned, warrant, and 3137 petty officers authorized under § 29.1-205 to make arrests;

3138 7. Conservation officers appointed pursuant to § 10.1-115;

3139 8. Full-time sworn members of the enforcement division of the Department of Motor Vehicles 3140 appointed pursuant to § 46.2-217;

3141 9. Special agents of the Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority; and

3142 10. Campus police officers appointed under Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23.

B. Such officers may arrest without a warrant any person who commits any crime in the presence of 3143 3144 the officer and any person whom he has reasonable grounds or probable cause to suspect of having 3145 committed a felony not in his presence.

3146 Such officers may arrest without a warrant any person whom the officer has probable cause to 3147 suspect of operating any watercraft or motorboat while (i) intoxicated in violation of subsection B of 3148 § 29.1-738 or a substantially similar ordinance of any county, city, or town in the Commonwealth or (ii) 3149 in violation of an order issued pursuant to § 29.1-738.4 and may thereafter transfer custody of the 3150 person arrested to another officer, who may obtain a warrant based upon statements made to him by the 3151 arresting officer.

3152 C. Any such officer may, at the scene of any accident involving a motor vehicle, watercraft as 3153 defined in § 29.1-733.2 or motorboat, or at any hospital or medical facility to which any person 3154 involved in such accident has been transported, or in the apprehension of any person charged with the 3155 theft of any motor vehicle, on any of the highways or waters of the Commonwealth, upon reasonable 3156 grounds to believe, based upon personal investigation, including information obtained from eyewitnesses, 3157 that a crime has been committed by any person then and there present, apprehend such person without a warrant of arrest. For purposes of this section, "the scene of any accident" shall include a reasonable 3158 3159 location where a vehicle or person involved in an accident has been moved at the direction of a 3160 law-enforcement officer to facilitate the clearing of the highway or to ensure the safety of the motoring 3161 public.

D. Such officers may, within three hours of the alleged offense, arrest without a warrant at any 3162 location any person whom the officer has probable cause to suspect of driving or operating a motor 3163 3164 vehicle, watercraft or motorboat while intoxicated in violation of § 18.2-266, 18.2-266.1, 46.2-341.24, or 3165 subsection B of § 29.1-738; or a substantially similar ordinance of any county, city, or town in the 3166 Commonwealth, whether or not the offense was committed in such officer's presence. Such officers may, within three hours of the alleged offense, arrest without a warrant at any location any person whom the 3167 3168 officer has probable cause to suspect of operating a watercraft or motorboat in violation of an order 3169 issued pursuant to § 29.1-738.4, whether or not the offense was committed in such officer's presence.

3170 E. Such officers may arrest, without a warrant or a capias, persons duly charged with a crime in 3171 another jurisdiction upon receipt of a photocopy of a warrant or a capias, telegram, computer printout, 3172 facsimile printout, a radio, telephone or teletype message, in which photocopy of a warrant, telegram, 3173 computer printout, facsimile printout, radio, telephone or teletype message shall be given the name or a 3174 reasonably accurate description of such person wanted and the crime alleged.

3175 F. Such officers may arrest, without a warrant or a capias, for an alleged misdemeanor not 3176 committed in his presence when the officer receives a radio message from his department or other 3177 law-enforcement agency within the Commonwealth that a warrant or capias for such offense is on file.

3178 G. Such officers may also arrest without a warrant for an alleged misdemeanor not committed in 3179 their presence involving (i) shoplifting in violation of § 18.2-96 or 18.2-103 or a similar local ordinance, (ii) carrying a weapon on school property in violation of § 18.2-308.1, (iii) assault and battery, (iv) 3180 brandishing a firearm in violation of § 18.2-282, or (v) destruction of property in violation of 3181 § 18.2-137, when such property is located on premises used for business or commercial purposes, or a 3182 3183 similar local ordinance, when any such arrest is based on probable cause upon reasonable complaint of 3184 the person who observed the alleged offense. The arresting officer may issue a summons to any person 3185 arrested under this section for a misdemeanor violation involving shoplifting. 3186

§ 19.2-386.21. Forfeiture of counterfeit and contraband cigarettes.

Counterfeit cigarettes possessed in violation of § 18.2-246.14 and cigarettes possessed in violation of 3187 3188 § 58.1-1017 or 58.1-1017.1 shall be subject to seizure, forfeiture, and destruction or court-ordered 3189 assignment for use by a law-enforcement undercover operation by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 3190 Control Board Authority or any law-enforcement officer of the Commonwealth. However, any 3191 undercover operation that makes use of counterfeit cigarettes shall ensure that the counterfeit cigarettes 3192 remain under the control and command of law enforcement and shall not be distributed to a member of 3193 the general public who is not the subject of a criminal investigation. All fixtures, equipment, materials, and personal property used in substantial connection with (i) the sale or possession of counterfeit 3194 3195 cigarettes in a knowing and intentional violation of Article 10 (§ 18.2-246.6 et seq.) of Chapter 6 of 3196 Title 18.2 or (ii) the sale or possession of cigarettes in a knowing and intentional violation of

3197 § 58.1-1017 or 58.1-1017.1 shall be subject to seizure and forfeiture according to the procedures 3198 contained in Chapter 22.1 (§ 19.2-386.1 et seq.), applied mutatis mutandis.

§ 19.2-389. Dissemination of criminal history record information. 3199

3200 A. Criminal history record information shall be disseminated, whether directly or through an 3201 intermediary, only to:

3202 1. Authorized officers or employees of criminal justice agencies, as defined by § 9.1-101, for 3203 purposes of the administration of criminal justice and the screening of an employment application or 3204 review of employment by a criminal justice agency with respect to its own employees or applicants, and 3205 dissemination to the Virginia Parole Board, pursuant to this subdivision, of such information on all state-responsible inmates for the purpose of making parole determinations pursuant to subdivisions 1, 2, 3206 3207 3, and 5 of § 53.1-136 shall include collective dissemination by electronic means every 30 days;

3208 2. Such other individuals and agencies that require criminal history record information to implement 3209 a state or federal statute or executive order of the President of the United States or Governor that 3210 expressly refers to criminal conduct and contains requirements or exclusions expressly based upon such 3211 conduct, except that information concerning the arrest of an individual may not be disseminated to a 3212 noncriminal justice agency or individual if an interval of one year has elapsed from the date of the 3213 arrest and no disposition of the charge has been recorded and no active prosecution of the charge is 3214 pending;

3215 3. Individuals and agencies pursuant to a specific agreement with a criminal justice agency to provide 3216 services required for the administration of criminal justice pursuant to that agreement which shall 3217 specifically authorize access to data, limit the use of data to purposes for which given, and ensure the 3218 security and confidentiality of the data;

3219 4. Individuals and agencies for the express purpose of research, evaluative, or statistical activities 3220 pursuant to an agreement with a criminal justice agency that shall specifically authorize access to data, 3221 limit the use of data to research, evaluative, or statistical purposes, and ensure the confidentiality and 3222 security of the data;

3223 5. Agencies of state or federal government that are authorized by state or federal statute or executive 3224 order of the President of the United States or Governor to conduct investigations determining 3225 employment suitability or eligibility for security clearances allowing access to classified information; 3226

6. Individuals and agencies where authorized by court order or court rule;

3227 7. Agencies of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth, public transportation companies 3228 owned, operated or controlled by any political subdivision, and any public service corporation that 3229 operates a public transit system owned by a local government for the conduct of investigations of 3230 applicants for employment, permit, or license whenever, in the interest of public welfare or safety, it is 3231 necessary to determine under a duly enacted ordinance if the past criminal conduct of a person with a 3232 conviction record would be compatible with the nature of the employment, permit, or license under 3233 consideration;

3234 7a. Commissions created pursuant to the Transportation District Act of 1964 (§ 33.2-1900 et seq.) of 3235 Title 33.2 and their contractors, for the conduct of investigations of individuals who have been offered a 3236 position of employment whenever, in the interest of public welfare or safety and as authorized in the 3237 Transportation District Act of 1964, it is necessary to determine if the past criminal conduct of a person 3238 with a conviction record would be compatible with the nature of the employment under consideration;

3239 8. Public or private agencies when authorized or required by federal or state law or interstate 3240 compact to investigate (i) applicants for foster or adoptive parenthood or (ii) any individual, and the 3241 adult members of that individual's household, with whom the agency is considering placing a child or 3242 from whom the agency is considering removing a child due to abuse or neglect, on an emergency, 3243 temporary, or permanent basis pursuant to §§ 63.2-901.1 and 63.2-1505, subject to the restriction that 3244 the data shall not be further disseminated to any party other than a federal or state authority or court as 3245 may be required to comply with an express requirement of law;

3246 9. To the extent permitted by federal law or regulation, public service companies as defined in 3247 § 56-1, for the conduct of investigations of applicants for employment when such employment involves 3248 personal contact with the public or when past criminal conduct of an applicant would be incompatible 3249 with the nature of the employment under consideration;

3250 10. The appropriate authority for purposes of granting citizenship and for purposes of international 3251 travel, including, but not limited to, issuing visas and passports;

3252 11. A person requesting a copy of his own criminal history record information as defined in 3253 § 9.1-101 at his cost, except that criminal history record information shall be supplied at no charge to a 3254 person who has applied to be a volunteer with (i) a Virginia affiliate of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of 3255 America; (ii) a volunteer fire company; (iii) the Volunteer Emergency Families for Children; (iv) any affiliate of Prevent Child Abuse, Virginia; (v) any Virginia affiliate of Compeer; or (vi) any board 3256 3257 member or any individual who has been offered membership on the board of a Crime Stoppers, Crime

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3258 Solvers or Crime Line program as defined in § 15.2-1713.1;

3259 12. Administrators and board presidents of and applicants for licensure or registration as a child 3260 welfare agency as defined in § 63.2-100 for dissemination to the Commissioner of Social Services' 3261 representative pursuant to § 63.2-1702 for the conduct of investigations with respect to employees of and volunteers at such facilities, caretakers, and other adults living in family day care homes or homes 3262 3263 approved by family day care systems, and foster and adoptive parent applicants of private child-placing 3264 agencies, pursuant to §§ 63.2-1719, 63.2-1720, and 63.2-1721, subject to the restriction that the data shall not be further disseminated by the facility or agency to any party other than the data subject, the 3265 3266 Commissioner of Social Services' representative or a federal or state authority or court as may be required to comply with an express requirement of law for such further dissemination; 3267

3268 13. The school boards of the Commonwealth for the purpose of screening individuals who are offered or who accept public school employment and those current school board employees for whom a report of arrest has been made pursuant to § 19.2-83.1;

3271 14. The Virginia Lottery for the conduct of investigations as set forth in the Virginia Lottery Law
3272 (§ 58.1-4000 et seq.), and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the conduct of investigations as set forth in Article 1.1:1 (§ 18.2-340.15 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2;

3274 15. Licensed nursing homes, hospitals and home care organizations for the conduct of investigations
3275 of applicants for compensated employment in licensed nursing homes pursuant to § 32.1-126.01, hospital
3276 pharmacies pursuant to § 32.1-126.02, and home care organizations pursuant to § 32.1-162.9:1, subject to
3277 the limitations set out in subsection E;

3278 16. Licensed homes for adults, licensed district homes for adults, and licensed adult day care centers
3279 for the conduct of investigations of applicants for compensated employment in licensed homes for adults
3280 pursuant to § 63.2-1720, in licensed district homes for adults pursuant to § 63.1-189.1, and in licensed
3281 adult day care centers pursuant to § 63.2-1720, subject to the limitations set out in subsection F;

3282 17. The *Virginia* Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority for the conduct of investigations as set
3283 forth in § 4.1-103.1;

3284 18. The State Board of Elections and authorized officers and employees thereof and general registrars
3285 appointed pursuant to § 24.2-110 in the course of conducting necessary investigations with respect to
3286 voter registration, limited to any record of felony convictions;

3287 19. The Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for those individuals who are committed to the custody of the Commissioner pursuant to §§ 19.2-169.2, 19.2-169.6, 19.2-182.2, 19.2-182.3, 19.2-182.8, and 19.2-182.9 for the purpose of placement, evaluation, and treatment planning;

3290 20. Any alcohol safety action program certified by the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety
3291 Action Program for (i) assessments of habitual offenders under § 46.2-360, (ii) interventions with first
3292 offenders under § 18.2-251, or (iii) services to offenders under § 18.2-51.4, 18.2-266, or 18.2-266.1;

3293 21. Residential facilities for juveniles regulated or operated by the Department of Social Services, the
3294 Department of Education, or the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for the
3295 purpose of determining applicants' fitness for employment or for providing volunteer or contractual
3296 services;

3297 22. The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and facilities operated by the
 3298 Department for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment pursuant to
 3299 departmental instructions;

3300 23. Pursuant to § 22.1-296.3, the governing boards or administrators of private or religious
3301 elementary or secondary schools which are accredited by a statewide accrediting organization
3302 recognized, prior to January 1, 1996, by the State Board of Education or a private organization
3303 coordinating such records information on behalf of such governing boards or administrators pursuant to
a written agreement with the Department of State Police;

3305 24. Public and nonprofit private colleges and universities for the purpose of screening individuals3306 who are offered or accept employment;

3307 25. Members of a threat assessment team established by a public institution of higher education
3308 pursuant to § 23-9.2:10 or by a private nonprofit institution of higher education, for the purpose of
3309 assessing or intervening with an individual whose behavior may present a threat to safety; however, no
3310 member of a threat assessment team shall redisclose any criminal history record information obtained
3311 pursuant to this section or otherwise use any record of an individual beyond the purpose that such
3312 disclosure was made to the threat assessment team;

3313 26. Executive directors of community services boards or the personnel director serving the community services board for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment 3315 pursuant to §§ 37.2-506 and 37.2-607;

3316 27. Executive directors of behavioral health authorities as defined in § 37.2-600 for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment pursuant to §§ 37.2-506 and 37.2-607;

3318 28. The Commissioner of Social Services for the purpose of locating persons who owe child support3319 or who are alleged in a pending paternity proceeding to be a putative father, provided that only the

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3320 name, address, demographics and social security number of the data subject shall be released;

3321 29. Authorized officers or directors of agencies licensed pursuant to Article 2 (§ 37.2-403 et seq.) of
3322 Chapter 4 of Title 37.2 by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for the
3323 purpose of determining if any applicant who accepts employment in any direct care position has been
3324 convicted of a crime that affects his fitness to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of
3325 individuals with mental illness, intellectual disability, or substance abuse pursuant to §§ 37.2-416,
3326 37.2-506, and 37.2-607;

3327 30. The Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, for the purpose of evaluating applicants
3328 for and holders of a motor carrier certificate or license subject to the provisions of Chapters 20
3329 (§ 46.2-2000 et seq.) and 21 (§ 46.2-2100 et seq.) of Title 46.2;

3330 31. The chairmen of the Committees for Courts of Justice of the Senate or the House of Delegates
3331 for the purpose of determining if any person being considered for election to any judgeship has been convicted of a crime;

32. Heads of state agencies in which positions have been identified as sensitive for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment in positions designated as sensitive under Department of Human Resource Management policies developed pursuant to § 2.2-1201.1. Dissemination of criminal history record information to the agencies shall be limited to those positions generally described as directly responsible for the health, safety and welfare of the general populace or protection of critical infrastructures;

3339 33. The Office of the Attorney General, for all criminal justice activities otherwise permitted under
subdivision A 1 and for purposes of performing duties required by the Civil Commitment of Sexually
Violent Predators Act (§ 37.2-900 et seq.);

3342 34. Shipyards, to the extent permitted by federal law or regulation, engaged in the design,
3343 construction, overhaul, or repair of nuclear vessels for the United States Navy, including their subsidiary
3344 companies, for the conduct of investigations of applications for employment or for access to facilities,
3345 by contractors, leased laborers, and other visitors;

3346 35. Any employer of individuals whose employment requires that they enter the homes of others, for3347 the purpose of screening individuals who apply for, are offered, or have accepted such employment;

36. Public agencies when and as required by federal or state law to investigate (i) applicants as
providers of adult foster care and home-based services or (ii) any individual with whom the agency is
considering placing an adult on an emergency, temporary, or permanent basis pursuant to § 63.2-1601.1,
subject to the restriction that the data shall not be further disseminated by the agency to any party other
than a federal or state authority or court as may be required to comply with an express requirement of
aw for such further dissemination, subject to limitations set out in subsection G;

37. The Department of Medical Assistance Services, or its designee, for the purpose of screening
individuals who, through contracts, subcontracts, or direct employment, volunteer, apply for, are offered,
or have accepted a position related to the provision of transportation services to enrollees in the
Medicaid Program or the Family Access to Medical Insurance Security (FAMIS) Program, or any other
program administered by the Department of Medical Assistance Services;

3359 38. The State Corporation Commission for the purpose of investigating individuals who are current or proposed members, senior officers, directors, and principals of an applicant or person licensed under Chapter 16 (§ 6.2-1600 et seq.) or Chapter 19 (§ 6.2-1900 et seq.) of Title 6.2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if an application is denied based in whole or in part on information obtained from the Central Criminal Records Exchange pursuant to Chapter 16 or 19 of Title 6.2, the Commissioner of Financial Institutions or his designee may disclose such information to the applicant or its designee;

3366 39. The Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation for the purpose of investigating3367 individuals for initial licensure pursuant to § 54.1-2106.1;

40. The Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services and the Department for the Blind and
Vision Impaired for the purpose of evaluating an individual's fitness for various types of employment
and for the purpose of delivering comprehensive vocational rehabilitation services pursuant to Article 11
(§ 51.5-170 et seq.) of Chapter 14 of Title 51.5 that will assist the individual in obtaining employment;

41. Bail bondsmen, in accordance with the provisions of § 19.2-120;

42. The State Treasurer for the purpose of determining whether a person receiving compensation for wrongful incarceration meets the conditions for continued compensation under § 8.01-195.12;

3375 43. The Department of Social Services and directors of local departments of social services for the purpose of screening individuals seeking to enter into a contract with the Department of Social Services or a local department of social services for the provision of child care services for which child care subsidy payments may be provided; and

3379 44. Other entities as otherwise provided by law.

3380 Upon an ex parte motion of a defendant in a felony case and upon the showing that the records

3381 requested may be relevant to such case, the court shall enter an order requiring the Central Criminal 3382 Records Exchange to furnish the defendant, as soon as practicable, copies of any records of persons 3383 designated in the order on whom a report has been made under the provisions of this chapter.

3384 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, upon a written request sworn to 3385 before an officer authorized to take acknowledgments, the Central Criminal Records Exchange, or the 3386 criminal justice agency in cases of offenses not required to be reported to the Exchange, shall furnish a 3387 copy of conviction data covering the person named in the request to the person making the request; 3388 however, such person on whom the data is being obtained shall consent in writing, under oath, to the 3389 making of such request. A person receiving a copy of his own conviction data may utilize or further 3390 disseminate that data as he deems appropriate. In the event no conviction data is maintained on the data 3391 subject, the person making the request shall be furnished at his cost a certification to that effect.

3392 B. Use of criminal history record information disseminated to noncriminal justice agencies under this 3393 section shall be limited to the purposes for which it was given and may not be disseminated further.

3394 C. No criminal justice agency or person shall confirm the existence or nonexistence of criminal 3395 history record information for employment or licensing inquiries except as provided by law.

3396 D. Criminal justice agencies shall establish procedures to query the Central Criminal Records 3397 Exchange prior to dissemination of any criminal history record information on offenses required to be 3398 reported to the Central Criminal Records Exchange to ensure that the most up-to-date disposition data is 3399 being used. Inquiries of the Exchange shall be made prior to any dissemination except in those cases 3400 where time is of the essence and the normal response time of the Exchange would exceed the necessary 3401 time period. A criminal justice agency to whom a request has been made for the dissemination of 3402 criminal history record information that is required to be reported to the Central Criminal Records Exchange may direct the inquirer to the Central Criminal Records Exchange for such dissemination. 3403 3404 Dissemination of information regarding offenses not required to be reported to the Exchange shall be made by the criminal justice agency maintaining the record as required by § 15.2-1722. 3405

E. Criminal history information provided to licensed nursing homes, hospitals and to home care 3406 3407 organizations pursuant to subdivision A 15 shall be limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange 3408 for any offense specified in §§ 32.1-126.01, 32.1-126.02, and 32.1-162.9:1.

3409 F. Criminal history information provided to licensed assisted living facilities, licensed district homes 3410 for adults, and licensed adult day care centers pursuant to subdivision A 16 shall be limited to the 3411 convictions on file with the Exchange for any offense specified in § 63.1-189.1 or 63.2-1720.

3412 G. Criminal history information provided to public agencies pursuant to subdivision A 36 shall be 3413 limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange for any offense specified in § 63.2-1719.

3414 H. Upon receipt of a written request from an employer or prospective employer, the Central Criminal 3415 Records Exchange, or the criminal justice agency in cases of offenses not required to be reported to the 3416 Exchange, shall furnish at the employer's cost a copy of conviction data covering the person named in 3417 the request to the employer or prospective employer making the request, provided that the person on 3418 whom the data is being obtained has consented in writing to the making of such request and has 3419 presented a photo-identification to the employer or prospective employer. In the event no conviction data 3420 is maintained on the person named in the request, the requesting employer or prospective employer shall 3421 be furnished at his cost a certification to that effect. The criminal history record search shall be 3422 conducted on forms provided by the Exchange. 3423

§ 22.1-206. Instruction concerning drugs, alcohol, and substance abuse.

3424 A. Instruction concerning drugs and drug abuse shall be provided by the public schools as prescribed 3425 by the Board of Education.

3426 B. Instruction concerning the public safety hazards and dangers of alcohol abuse, underage drinking, 3427 and drunk driving shall be provided in the public schools. The Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority shall provide educational materials to the Department of Education. The 3428 3429 Department of Education shall review and shall distribute such materials as are approved to the public 3430 schools.

3431 § 23-7.4:1. Waiver of tuition and certain charges and fees for eligible children and spouses of 3432 certain military service members, eligible children and spouses of certain public safety personnel, 3433 and certain foreign students.

3434 A. There is hereby established the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program. 3435 Qualified survivors and dependents of military service members, who have been admitted to any public 3436 institution of higher education or other public accredited postsecondary institution granting a degree, 3437 diploma, or certificate in the Commonwealth of Virginia, upon certification to the Commissioner of the 3438 Department of Veterans Services of eligibility under this subsection, shall be admitted free of tuition and 3439 all required fees.

3440 The Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program shall be implemented pursuant 3441 to the following:

3442 1. For the purposes of this subsection, "qualified survivors and dependents" means the spouse or a

3443 child between the ages of 16 and 29 of a military service member who, while serving as an active duty 3444 member in the United States Armed Forces, United States Armed Forces Reserves, the Virginia National 3445 Guard, or Virginia National Guard Reserve, during military operations against terrorism, on a 3446 peacekeeping mission, as a result of a terrorist act, or in any armed conflict subsequent to December 6, 3447 1941, was killed or is missing in action or is a prisoner of war, or of a veteran who, due to such 3448 service, has been rated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as totally and permanently 3449 disabled or at least 90% disabled, and has been discharged or released under conditions other than 3450 dishonorable. However, the Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Services may certify 3451 dependents above the age of 29 in those cases in which extenuating circumstances prevented the dependent child from using his benefits before the age of 30. 3452

3453 2. Such qualified survivors and dependents shall be eligible for the benefits conferred by this 3454 subsection if the military service member who was killed, is missing in action, is a prisoner of war, or is disabled (i) was a bona fide domiciliary of Virginia at the time of entering such active military 3455 service or called to active duty as a member of the Armed Forces Reserves or Virginia National Guard 3456 3457 Reserve; (ii) is and has been a bona fide domiciliary of Virginia for at least five years immediately prior 3458 to, or has had a physical presence in Virginia for at least five years immediately prior to, the date on which the admission application was submitted by or on behalf of such qualified survivor or dependent 3459 3460 for admission to such institution of higher education or other public accredited postsecondary institution; 3461 (iii) if deceased, was a bona fide domiciliary of Virginia on the date of his death and had been a bona 3462 fide domiciliary of Virginia for at least five years immediately prior to his death or had a physical 3463 presence in Virginia on the date of his death and has had a physical presence in Virginia for at least 3464 five years immediately prior to his death; (iv) in the case of a qualified child, is deceased and the 3465 surviving parent had been, at some time previous to marrying the deceased parent, a bona fide 3466 domiciliary of Virginia for at least five years or is and has been a bona fide domiciliary of Virginia for 3467 at least five years immediately prior to or has had a physical presence in Virginia for at least five years 3468 immediately prior to the date on which the admission application was submitted by or on behalf of such 3469 child; or (v) in the case of a qualified spouse, is deceased and the surviving spouse had been, at some 3470 time previous to marrying the deceased spouse, a bona fide domiciliary of Virginia for at least five 3471 years or is and has been a bona fide domiciliary of Virginia for at least five years or has had a physical 3472 presence in Virginia for at least five years prior to the date on which the admission application was 3473 submitted by such qualified spouse.

3. From such funds as may be appropriated and from such gifts, bequests, and any gifts, grants, or
3475 donations from public or private sources, there is hereby established the Virginia Military Survivors and
3476 Dependents Education Fund for the sole purpose of providing financial assistance, in an amount (i) up
3477 to \$2,000 or (ii) as provided in the appropriation act, for board and room charges, books and supplies,
3478 and other expenses at any public institution of higher education or other public accredited postsecondary
3479 institution granting a degree, diploma, or certificate in the Commonwealth of Virginia for the use and
3480 benefit of qualified survivors and dependents.

3481 Each year, from the funds available in the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education
3482 Fund, the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and its member institutions shall determine the
amount and the manner in which financial assistance shall be made available to beneficiaries and shall
3484 make that information available to the Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Services for
3485 distribution.

3486 The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia shall be responsible for disbursing to the institutions the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by the Commonwealth of Virginia to support the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Fund and shall report to the Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Services the beneficiaries' completion rate.

3490 The maximum amount to be expended for each such survivor or dependent pursuant to this
3491 subsection shall not exceed, when combined with any other form of scholarship, grant, or waiver, the
3492 actual costs related to the survivor's or dependent's educational expenses allowed under this subsection.

3493 4. The Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Services shall designate a senior-level official 3494 who shall be responsible for developing and implementing the agency's strategy for disseminating information about the Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program to those spouses and 3495 3496 dependents who may qualify. The Department of Veterans Services shall coordinate with the United 3497 States Department of Veterans Affairs to identify veterans and qualified survivors and dependents. The 3498 Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Services shall report annually to the Governor and the 3499 General Assembly as to the agency's policies and strategies relating to dissemination of information 3500 about the Program. The report shall also include the number of current beneficiaries, the educational 3501 institutions attended by beneficiaries, and the completion rate of the beneficiaries.

B. The surviving spouse and any child between the ages of 16 and 25 whose parent or whose spouse has been killed in the line of duty while employed or serving as a law-enforcement officer, including as

3504 a campus police officer appointed under Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.), sworn law-enforcement officer, 3505 firefighter, special forest warden pursuant to § 10.1-1135, member of a rescue squad, special agent of the Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority, state correctional, regional or local 3506 jail officer, regional jail or jail farm superintendent, sheriff, or deputy sheriff, member of the Virginia 3507 National Guard while serving on official state duty or federal duty under Title 32 of the United States 3508 3509 Code, or member of the Virginia Defense Force while serving on official state duty, and any person 3510 whose spouse was killed in the line of duty while employed or serving in any of such occupations, shall 3511 be entitled to free undergraduate tuition and the payment of required fees at any public institution of 3512 higher education or other public accredited postsecondary institution granting a degree, diploma, or 3513 certificate in Virginia under the following conditions:

1. The chief administrative officer Chief Executive Officer of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, emergency medical services agency, law-enforcement agency, or other appropriate agency or the Superintendent of State Police certifies that the deceased parent or spouse was employed or serving as a law-enforcement officer, sworn law-enforcement officer, firefighter, special forest warden pursuant to § 10.1-1135, or member of a rescue squad or in any other capacity as specified in this section and was killed in the line of duty while serving or living in the Commonwealth; and

3521 2. The child or spouse shall have been offered admission to such public institution of higher 3522 education or other public accredited postsecondary institution. Any child or spouse who believes he is 3523 eligible shall apply to the public institution of higher education or other accredited postsecondary 3524 institution to which he has been admitted for the benefits provided by this subsection. The institution 3525 shall determine the eligibility of the applicant for these benefits and shall also ascertain that the recipients are in attendance and are making satisfactory progress. The amounts payable for tuition, 3526 3527 institutional charges and required fees, and books and supplies for the applicants shall be waived by the 3528 institution accepting the students.

3529 C. For the purposes of subsection B, user fees, such as room and board charges, shall not beincluded in this authorization to waive tuition and fees. However, all required educational and auxiliaryincluded in this authorization to waive tuition.

D. Tuition and required fees may be waived for a student from a foreign country enrolled in a public
institution of higher education through a student exchange program approved by such institution,
provided the number of foreign students does not exceed the number of students paying full tuition and
required fees to the institution under the provisions of the exchange program for a given three-year
period.

3537 E. Each public institution of higher education and other public accredited postsecondary institution
3538 granting a degree, diploma, or certificate in Virginia shall include in its catalogue or equivalent
3539 publication a statement describing the benefits provided by subsections A and B.

3540 § 32.1-357. Board of Trustees; appointment; officers; quorum; executive committee; 3541 compensation and expenses.

3542 A. The Foundation shall be governed and administered by a Board of Trustees consisting of 23 3543 members. Two members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates from among the membership of the House of Delegates, one representing rural interests and one representing urban 3544 3545 interests; two members shall be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, one representing rural 3546 interests and one representing urban interests, from among the membership of the Senate; two members 3547 shall be the Commissioner of the Department of Health or his designee and the Chairman of the Board 3548 of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority or his designee; and 17 3549 nonlegislative citizen members shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the 3550 General Assembly, as follows: (i) five designated representatives of public health organizations, such as the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, Virginia Pediatric Society, Virginia Academy of Family Physicians, Virginia Dental Association, American Lung Association of Virginia, Medical Society of Virginia, Virginia Association of School Nurses, Virginia Nurses Association, and the 3551 3552 3553 3554 Virginia Thoracic Society; (ii) four health professionals in the fields of oncology, cardiology, pulmonary 3555 medicine, and pediatrics; and (iii) eight citizens at large, including two youths. Of the eight citizen at 3556 large members, three adults shall be appointed by the Governor from a list of six provided by members 3557 of the General Assembly appointed to the Foundation and one member who is under the age of 18 years 3558 shall be appointed by the Governor from a list of three provided by the members of the General 3559 Assembly appointed to the Foundation.

Legislative members and the Commissioner of the Department of Health and the Chairman *of the Board of Directors* of the *Virginia* Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority shall serve terms coincident with their terms of office. Following the initial staggering of terms, nonlegislative citizen members shall serve four-year terms. Vacancies in the membership of the Board shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired portion of the term. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments. Legislative members may be reappointed for successive terms. No nonlegislative

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3566 citizen member shall be eligible to serve for more than two successive four-year terms; however, after 3567 the expiration of a term of three years or less, or after the expiration of the remainder of a term to 3568 which he was appointed to fill a vacancy, two additional terms may be served by such member if 3569 appointed thereto. Immediately after such appointment, the members shall enter upon the performance of 3570 their duties.

3571 B. The Foundation shall appoint from the membership of the Board a chairman and vice-chairman, 3572 both of whom shall serve in such capacities at the pleasure of the Foundation. The chairman, or in his 3573 absence, the vice-chairman, shall preside at all meetings of the Board. A majority of the members of the 3574 Board serving at any one time shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Board shall meet annually or more frequently at the call of the chairman. 3575

3576 The Board may establish an executive committee composed of the chairman, vice-chairman, and 3577 three additional members elected by the Board from its membership. The chairman of the Board shall 3578 serve as the chairman of the executive committee and shall preside over its meetings. In the absence of 3579 the chairman, the vice-chairman shall preside. The executive committee may exercise the powers and 3580 transact the business of the Board in the absence of the Board or when otherwise directed or authorized 3581 by the Board. A majority of the members of the executive committee shall constitute a quorum for the 3582 transaction of business. Any actions or business conducted by the executive committee shall be acted 3583 upon by the full board as soon as practicable.

3584 C. Legislative members shall receive such compensation as provided in § 30-19.12 and nonlegislative 3585 citizen members shall receive compensation as provided in § 2.2-2813 for their services. All members 3586 shall be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties 3587 as provided by §§ 2.2-2813 and 2.2-2825. Such compensation and expenses shall be paid from the Fund.

3588 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, no officer or employee of the Commonwealth 3589 shall be deemed to have forfeited or shall forfeit his office or employment by reason of his acceptance 3590 of membership on the Board or his service to the Foundation.

3591 E. Members of the Board and employees of the Foundation shall be subject to the standards of 3592 conduct set forth in the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.) and 3593 may be removed from office for misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance, neglect of duty, or misconduct 3594 in the manner set forth therein. 3595

§ 33.2-613. Free use of toll facilities by certain state officers and employees; penalties.

3596 A. Vehicles transporting two or more persons, including the driver, may be permitted toll-free use of 3597 the Dulles Toll Road during rush hours by the Board; however, notwithstanding the provisions of 3598 subdivision B 1 of § 56-543 said vehicles shall not be permitted toll-free use of a roadway as defined 3599 pursuant to the Virginia Highway Corporation Act of 1988 (§ 56-535 et seq.). Upon presentation of a 3600 toll pass issued pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Board, the following persons may use all toll 3601 bridges, toll ferries, toll tunnels, and toll roads in the Commonwealth without the payment of toll while 3602 in the performance of their official duties:

- 3603 1. The Commissioner of Highways:
- 3604 2. Members of the Commonwealth Transportation Board;
- 3605 3. Employees of the Department of Transportation;
- 3606 4. The Superintendent of the Department of State Police;
- 3607 5. Officers and employees of the Department of State Police;
- 3608 6. Members of the *Board of Directors of the Virginia* Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority;

3609 7. Employees of the regulatory and hearings divisions of the Department of Virginia Alcoholic 3610 Beverage Control Authority and special agents of the Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 3611 Control *Authority*;

- 3612 8. The Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles;
- 3613 9. Employees of the Department of Motor Vehicles;
- 3614 10. Local police officers;
- 3615 11. Sheriffs and their deputies;
- 3616 12. Regional jail officials;
- 3617 13. Animal wardens;
- 3618 14. The Director and officers of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries;
- 3619 15. Persons operating firefighting equipment and ambulances owned by a political subdivision of the 3620 Commonwealth or a nonprofit association or corporation;
- 3621 16. Operators of school buses being used to transport pupils to or from schools;
- 17. Operators of (i) commuter buses having a capacity of 20 or more passengers, including the 3622 3623 driver, and used to regularly transport workers to and from their places of employment and (ii) public 3624 transit buses;
- 3625 18. Employees of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation;
- 19. Employees of any transportation facility created pursuant to the Virginia Highway Corporation 3626

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3627 Act of 1988; and

3628 20. Law-enforcement officers of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission.

3629 B. Notwithstanding the provision of subsection A requiring presentation of a toll pass for toll-free 3630 use of such facilities, in cases of emergency and circumstances of concern for public safety on the highways of the Commonwealth, the Department of Transportation shall, in order to alleviate an actual 3631 3632 or potential threat or risk to the public's safety, facilitate the flow of traffic on or within the vicinity of 3633 the toll facility by permitting the temporary suspension of toll collection operations on its facilities.

1. The assessment of the threat to public safety shall be performed and the decision temporarily to 3634 suspend toll collection operations shall be made by the Commissioner of Highways or his designee. 3635

3636 2. Major incidents that may require the temporary suspension of toll collection operations shall include (i) natural disasters such as hurricanes, tornadoes, fires, and floods; (ii) accidental releases of 3637 3638 hazardous materials such as chemical spills; (iii) major traffic accidents, such as multivehicle collisions; and (iv) other incidents deemed to present a risk to public safety. 3639

3640 3. In any judicial proceeding in which a person is found to be criminally responsible or civilly liable 3641 for any incident resulting in the suspension of toll collections as provided in this subsection, the court 3642 may assess against the person an amount equal to lost toll revenue as a part of the costs of the 3643 proceeding and order that such amount, not to exceed \$2,000 for any individual incident, be paid to the 3644 Department of Transportation for deposit into the toll road fund.

3645 C. Any tollgate keeper who refuses to permit the persons listed in subsection A to use any toll bridge, toll ferry, toll tunnel, or toll road upon presentation of such a toll pass is guilty of a 3646 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$50 and not less than \$2.50. Any person other than 3647 3648 those listed in subsection A who exhibits any such toll pass for the purpose of using any toll bridge, toll ferry, toll tunnel, or toll road is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. 3649

D. Any vehicle operated by the holder of a valid driver's license issued by the Commonwealth or 3650 3651 any other state shall be allowed free use of all toll bridges, toll roads, and other toll facilities in the 3652 Commonwealth if: 3653

1. The vehicle is specially equipped to permit its operation by a handicapped person;

3654 2. The driver of the vehicle has been certified, either by a physician licensed by the Commonwealth or any other state or by the Adjudication Office of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, as being 3655 3656 severely physically disabled and having permanent upper limb mobility or dexterity impairments that 3657 substantially impair his ability to deposit coins in toll baskets;

3658 3. The driver has applied for and received from the Department of Transportation a vehicle window 3659 sticker identifying him as eligible for such free passage; and 3660

4. Such identifying window sticker is properly displayed on the vehicle.

A copy of this subsection shall be posted at all toll bridges, toll roads, and other toll facilities in the Commonwealth. The Department of Transportation shall provide envelopes for payments of tolls by 3661 3662 3663 those persons exempted from tolls pursuant to this subsection and shall accept any payments made by such persons. 3664

E. Nothing contained in this section or in § 33.2-612 or 33.2-1718 shall operate to affect the 3665 3666 provisions of § 22.1-187.

F. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections A, B, and C, only the following persons may use 3667 3668 the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel, facilities of the Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority, or 3669 facilities of an operator authorized to operate a toll facility pursuant to the Public-Private Transportation 3670 Act of 1995 (§ 33.2-1800 et seq.) without the payment of toll when necessary and incidental to the 3671 conduct of official business:

- 3672 1. The Commissioner of Highways;
- 3673 2. Members of the Commonwealth Transportation Board;
- 3674 3. Employees of the Department of Transportation;
- 3675 4. The Superintendent of the Department of State Police;
- 3676 5. Officers and employees of the Department of State Police;
- 3677 6. The Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles;
- 3678 7. Employees of the Department of Motor Vehicles; and
- 3679 8. Sheriffs and deputy sheriffs.

3680 G. Any vehicle operated by a quadriplegic driver shall be allowed free use of all toll facilities in 3681 Virginia controlled by the Richmond Metropolitan Transportation Authority, pursuant to the requirements 3682 of subdivisions D 1 through 4. 3683

§ 48-17.1. Temporary injunctions against alcoholic beverage sales.

3684 A. Any locality by or through its mayor, chief executive, or attorney may petition a circuit court to 3685 temporarily enjoin the sale of alcohol at any establishment licensed by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority. The basis for such petition shall be the operator of the establishment has 3686 allowed it to become a meeting place for persons committing serious criminal violations of the law on 3687 3688 or immediately adjacent to the premises so frequent and serious as to be deemed a continuing threat to

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public safety, as represented in an affidavit by the chief law-enforcement officer of the locality, 3689 3690 supported by records of such criminal acts. The court shall, upon the presentation of evidence at a 3691 hearing on the matter, grant a temporary injunction, without bond, enjoining the sale of alcohol at the 3692 establishment, if it appears to the satisfaction of the court that the threat to public safety complained of 3693 exists and is likely to continue if such injunction is not granted. The court hearing on the petition shall 3694 be held within 10 days of service upon the respondent. The respondent shall be served with notice of 3695 the time and place of the hearing and copies of all documentary evidence to be relied upon by the 3696 complainant at such hearing. Any injunction issued by the court shall be dissolved in the event the court 3697 later finds that the threat to public safety that is the basis of the injunction has been abated by reason of 3698 a change of ownership, management, or business operations at the establishment, or other change in 3699 circumstance.

3700 B. The Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority shall be given notice of any hearing 3701 under this section. In the event an injunction is granted, the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board 3702 Authority shall initiate an investigation into the activities at the establishment complained of and conduct 3703 an administrative hearing. After the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority hearing and 3704 when a final determination has been issued by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, 3705 regardless of disposition, any injunction issued hereunder shall be null, without further action by the 3706 complainant, respondent, or the court.

3707 § 51.1-212. Definitions.

3708 As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

3709 "Employee" means any (i) member of the Capitol Police Force as described in § 30-34.2:1, (ii) campus police officer appointed under the provisions of Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23, (iii) 3710 conservation police officer in the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries appointed under the 3711 3712 provisions of Chapter 2 (§ 29.1-200 et seq.) of Title 29.1, (iv) special agent of the Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority appointed under the provisions of Chapter 1 (§ 4.1-100 et 3713 seq.) of Title 4.1, (v) law-enforcement officer employed by the Virginia Marine Resources Commission 3714 3715 as described in § 9.1-101, (vi) correctional officer as the term is defined in § 53.1-1, and including correctional officers employed at a juvenile correction facility as the term is defined in § 66-25.3, (vii) 3716 any parole officer appointed pursuant to § 53.1-143, and (viii) any commercial vehicle enforcement 3717 3718 officer employed by the Department of State Police.

3719 "Member" means any person included in the membership of the Retirement System as provided in 3720 this chapter.

3721 "Normal retirement date" means a member's sixtieth birthday.

3722 "Retirement System" means the Virginia Law Officers' Retirement System.

3723 § 58.1-3. Secrecy of information; penalties.

3724 A. Except in accordance with a proper judicial order or as otherwise provided by law, the Tax 3725 Commissioner or agent, clerk, commissioner of the revenue, treasurer, or any other state or local tax or 3726 revenue officer or employee, or any person to whom tax information is divulged pursuant to § 58.1-512 3727 or 58.1-2712.2, or any former officer or employee of any of the aforementioned offices shall not divulge 3728 any information acquired by him in the performance of his duties with respect to the transactions, 3729 property, including personal property, income or business of any person, firm or corporation. Such 3730 prohibition specifically includes any copy of a federal return or federal return information required by 3731 Virginia law to be attached to or included in the Virginia return. This prohibition shall apply to any 3732 reports, returns, financial documents or other information filed with the Attorney General pursuant to the 3733 provisions of Article 3 (§ 3.2-4204 et seq.) of Chapter 42 of Title 3.2. Any person violating the 3734 provisions of this section is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. The provisions of this subsection shall not 3735 be applicable, however, to: 3736

1. Matters required by law to be entered on any public assessment roll or book;

3737 2. Acts performed or words spoken, published, or shared with another agency or subdivision of the 3738 Commonwealth in the line of duty under state law;

3739 3. Inquiries and investigations to obtain information as to the process of real estate assessments by a 3740 duly constituted committee of the General Assembly, or when such inquiry or investigation is relevant to 3741 its study, provided that any such information obtained shall be privileged;

3742 4. The sales price, date of construction, physical dimensions or characteristics of real property, or any 3743 information required for building permits;

3744 5. Copies of or information contained in an estate's probate tax return, filed with the clerk of court 3745 pursuant to § 58.1-1714, when requested by a beneficiary of the estate or an heir at law of the decedent; 3746 6. Information regarding nonprofit entities exempt from sales and use tax under § 58.1-609.11, when

3747 requested by the General Assembly or any duly constituted committee of the General Assembly;

3748 7. Reports or information filed with the Attorney General by a Stamping Agent pursuant to the 3749 provisions of Article 3 (§ 3.2-4204 et seq.), when such reports or information are provided by the

Attorney General to a tobacco products manufacturer who is required to establish a qualified escrow 3750 3751 fund pursuant to § 3.2-4201 and are limited to the brand families of that manufacturer as listed in the 3752 Tobacco Directory established pursuant to § 3.2-4206 and are limited to the current or previous two 3753 calendar years or in any year in which the Attorney General receives Stamping Agent information that 3754 potentially alters the required escrow deposit of the manufacturer. The information shall only be 3755 provided in the following manner: the manufacturer may make a written request, on a quarterly or 3756 yearly basis or when the manufacturer is notified by the Attorney General of a potential change in the 3757 amount of a required escrow deposit, to the Attorney General for a list of the Stamping Agents who 3758 reported stamping or selling its products and the amount reported. The Attorney General shall provide 3759 the list within 15 days of receipt of the request. If the manufacturer wishes to obtain actual copies of the 3760 reports the Stamping Agents filed with the Attorney General, it must first request them from the Stamping Agents pursuant to subsection C of § 3.2-4209. If the manufacturer does not receive the 3761 3762 reports pursuant to subsection C of § 3.2-4209, the manufacturer may make a written request to the 3763 Attorney General, including a copy of the prior written request to the Stamping Agent and any response 3764 received, for copies of any reports not received. The Attorney General shall provide copies of the 3765 reports within 45 days of receipt of the request.

3766 B. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit the publication of statistics so 3767 classified as to prevent the identification of particular reports or returns and the items thereof or the 3768 publication of delinquent lists showing the names of taxpayers who are currently delinquent, together 3769 with any relevant information which in the opinion of the Department may assist in the collection of 3770 such delinquent taxes. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or other law, the Department, 3771 upon request by the General Assembly or any duly constituted committee of the General Assembly, shall disclose the total aggregate amount of an income tax deduction or credit taken by all taxpayers, 3772 3773 regardless of (i) how few taxpayers took the deduction or credit or (ii) any other circumstances. This 3774 section shall not be construed to prohibit a local tax official from disclosing whether a person, firm or 3775 corporation is licensed to do business in that locality and divulging, upon written request, the name and 3776 address of any person, firm or corporation transacting business under a fictitious name. Additionally, 3777 notwithstanding any other provision of law, the commissioner of revenue is authorized to provide, upon 3778 written request stating the reason for such request, the Tax Commissioner with information obtained 3779 from local tax returns and other information pertaining to the income, sales and property of any person, 3780 firm or corporation licensed to do business in that locality.

3781 C. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A or B or any other provision of this title, the Tax 3782 Commissioner is authorized to: (i) divulge tax information to any commissioner of the revenue, director 3783 of finance or other similar collector of county, city or town taxes who, for the performance of his 3784 official duties, requests the same in writing setting forth the reasons for such request; (ii) provide to the 3785 Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, upon written request, information on the amount of 3786 income, filing status, number and type of dependents, and whether a federal earned income tax credit 3787 has been claimed as reported by persons on their state income tax returns who have applied for public 3788 assistance or social services benefits as defined in § 63.2-100; (iii) provide to the chief executive officer 3789 of the designated student loan guarantor for the Commonwealth of Virginia, upon written request, the 3790 names and home addresses of those persons identified by the designated guarantor as having delinquent 3791 loans guaranteed by the designated guarantor; (iv) provide current address information upon request to 3792 state agencies and institutions for their confidential use in facilitating the collection of accounts 3793 receivable, and to the clerk of a circuit or district court for their confidential use in facilitating the 3794 collection of fines, penalties and costs imposed in a proceeding in that court; (v) provide to the 3795 Commissioner of the Virginia Employment Commission, after entering into a written agreement, such 3796 tax information as may be necessary to facilitate the collection of unemployment taxes and overpaid 3797 benefits; (vi) provide to the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority, upon entering into a 3798 written agreement, such tax information as may be necessary to facilitate the collection of state and local 3799 taxes and the administration of the alcoholic beverage control laws; (vii) provide to the Director of the 3800 Virginia Lottery such tax information as may be necessary to identify those lottery ticket retailers who 3801 owe delinquent taxes; (viii) provide to the Department of the Treasury for its confidential use such tax 3802 information as may be necessary to facilitate the location of owners and holders of unclaimed property, 3803 as defined in § 55-210.2; (ix) provide to the State Corporation Commission, upon entering into a written 3804 agreement, such tax information as may be necessary to facilitate the collection of taxes and fees 3805 administered by the Commission; (x) provide to the Executive Director of the Potomac and 3806 Rappahannock Transportation Commission for his confidential use such tax information as may be necessary to facilitate the collection of the motor vehicle fuel sales tax; (xi) provide to the 3807 3808 Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services such tax information as may be 3809 necessary to identify those applicants for registration as a supplier of charitable gaming supplies who 3810 have not filed required returns or who owe delinquent taxes; (xii) provide to the Department of Housing 3811 and Community Development for its confidential use such tax information as may be necessary to

3812 facilitate the administration of the remaining effective provisions of the Enterprise Zone Act (§ 59.1-270 3813 et seq.), and the Enterprise Zone Grant Program (§ 59.1-538 et seq.); (xiii) provide current name and 3814 address information to private collectors entering into a written agreement with the Tax Commissioner, 3815 for their confidential use when acting on behalf of the Commonwealth or any of its political 3816 subdivisions; however, the Tax Commissioner is not authorized to provide such information to a private 3817 collector who has used or disseminated in an unauthorized or prohibited manner any such information 3818 previously provided to such collector; (xiv) provide current name and address information as to the 3819 identity of the wholesale or retail dealer that affixed a tax stamp to a package of cigarettes to any 3820 person who manufactures or sells at retail or wholesale cigarettes and who may bring an action for 3821 injunction or other equitable relief for violation of Chapter 10.1, Enforcement of Illegal Sale or 3822 Distribution of Cigarettes Act; (xv) provide to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, upon entering 3823 into a written agreement, such tax information as may be necessary to facilitate the collection of unpaid 3824 wages under § 40.1-29; (xvi) provide to the Director of the Department of Human Resource 3825 Management, upon entering into a written agreement, such tax information as may be necessary to 3826 identify persons receiving workers' compensation indemnity benefits who have failed to report earnings 3827 as required by § 65.2-712; (xvii) provide to any commissioner of the revenue, director of finance, or any 3828 other officer of any county, city, or town performing any or all of the duties of a commissioner of the 3829 revenue and to any dealer registered for the collection of the Communications Sales and Use Tax, a list 3830 of the names, business addresses, and dates of registration of all dealers registered for such tax; (xviii) 3831 provide to the Executive Director of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission for his 3832 confidential use such tax information as may be necessary to facilitate the collection of the motor vehicle fuel sales tax; and (xix) provide to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services the 3833 3834 name and address of the taxpayer businesses licensed by the Commonwealth that identify themselves as 3835 subject to regulation by the Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to § 3.2-5130. The 3836 Tax Commissioner is further authorized to enter into written agreements with duly constituted tax officials of other states and of the United States for the inspection of tax returns, the making of audits, 3837 3838 and the exchange of information relating to any tax administered by the Department of Taxation. Any 3839 person to whom tax information is divulged pursuant to this section shall be subject to the prohibitions 3840 and penalties prescribed herein as though he were a tax official.

3841 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A or B or any other provision of this title, the 3842 commissioner of revenue or other assessing official is authorized to (i) provide, upon written request 3843 stating the reason for such request, the chief executive officer of any county or city with information 3844 furnished to the commissioner of revenue by the Tax Commissioner relating to the name and address of 3845 any dealer located within the county or city who paid sales and use tax, for the purpose of verifying the 3846 local sales and use tax revenues payable to the county or city; (ii) provide to the Department of 3847 Professional and Occupational Regulation for its confidential use the name, address, and amount of gross 3848 receipts of any person, firm or entity subject to a criminal investigation of an unlawful practice of a 3849 profession or occupation administered by the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 3850 only after the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation exhausts all other means of 3851 obtaining such information; and (iii) provide to any representative of a condominium unit owners' 3852 association, property owners' association or real estate cooperative association, or to the owner of 3853 property governed by any such association, the names and addresses of parties having a security interest 3854 in real property governed by any such association; however, such information shall be released only 3855 upon written request stating the reason for such request, which reason shall be limited to proposing or 3856 opposing changes to the governing documents of the association, and any information received by any 3857 person under this subsection shall be used only for the reason stated in the written request. The treasurer 3858 or other local assessing official may require any person requesting information pursuant to clause (iii) of 3859 this subsection to pay the reasonable cost of providing such information. Any person to whom tax 3860 information is divulged pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to the prohibitions and penalties 3861 prescribed herein as though he were a tax official.

3862 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A or B or any other provisions of this title, the
3863 treasurer or other collector of taxes for a county, city or town is authorized to provide information
3864 relating to any motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer obtained by such treasurer or collector in the course
3865 of performing his duties to the commissioner of the revenue or other assessing official for such
3866 jurisdiction for use by such commissioner or other official in performing assessments.

3867 This section shall not be construed to prohibit a local tax official from imprinting or displaying on a
3868 motor vehicle local license decal the year, make, and model and any other legal identification
3869 information about the particular motor vehicle for which that local license decal is assigned.

3870 E. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, state agencies and any other administrative or
 3871 regulatory unit of state government shall divulge to the Tax Commissioner or his authorized agent, upon
 3872 written request, the name, address, and social security number of a taxpayer, necessary for the

3873 performance of the Commissioner's official duties regarding the administration and enforcement of laws 3874 within the jurisdiction of the Department of Taxation. The receipt of information by the Tax 3875 Commissioner or his agent which may be deemed taxpayer information shall not relieve the 3876 Commissioner of the obligations under this section.

F. Additionally, it shall be unlawful for any person to disseminate, publish, or cause to be published 3877 3878 any confidential tax document which he knows or has reason to know is a confidential tax document. A 3879 confidential tax document is any correspondence, document, or tax return that is prohibited from being 3880 divulged by subsection A, B, C, or D and includes any document containing information on the 3881 transactions, property, income, or business of any person, firm, or corporation that is required to be filed 3882 with any state official by § 58.1-512. This prohibition shall not apply if such confidential tax document has been divulged or disseminated pursuant to a provision of law authorizing disclosure. Any person 3883 3884 violating the provisions of this subsection is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

3885 § 58.1-3651. Property exempt from taxation by classification or designation by ordinance adopted by local governing body on or after January 1, 2003. 3886

3887 A. Pursuant to subsection 6 (a) (6) of Article X of the Constitution of Virginia, on and after January 3888 1, 2003, any county, city, or town may by designation or classification exempt from real or personal 3889 property taxes, or both, by ordinance adopted by the local governing body, the real or personal property, 3890 or both, owned by a nonprofit organization that uses such property for religious, charitable, patriotic, 3891 historical, benevolent, cultural, or public park and playground purposes. The ordinance shall state the 3892 specific use on which the exemption is based, and continuance of the exemption shall be contingent on 3893 the continued use of the property in accordance with the purpose for which the organization is classified 3894 or designated. No exemption shall be provided to any organization that has any rule, regulation, policy, 3895 or practice that unlawfully discriminates on the basis of religious conviction, race, color, sex, or national 3896 origin.

3897 B. Any ordinance exempting property by designation pursuant to subsection A shall be adopted only 3898 after holding a public hearing with respect thereto, at which citizens shall have an opportunity to be 3899 heard. The local governing body shall publish notice of the hearing once in a newspaper of general 3900 circulation in the county, city, or town where the real property is located. The notice shall include the 3901 assessed value of the real and tangible personal property for which an exemption is requested as well as 3902 the property taxes assessed against such property. The public hearing shall not be held until at least five 3903 days after the notice is published in the newspaper. The local governing body shall collect the cost of 3904 publication from the organization requesting the property tax exemption. Before adopting any such 3905 ordinance the governing body shall consider the following questions:

3906 1. Whether the organization is exempt from taxation pursuant to § 501(c) of the Internal Revenue 3907 Code of 1954;

3908 2. Whether a current annual alcoholic beverage license for serving alcoholic beverages has been 3909 issued by the Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority to such 3910 organization, for use on such property;

3911 3. Whether any director, officer, or employee of the organization is paid compensation in excess of a 3912 reasonable allowance for salaries or other compensation for personal services which such director, 3913 officer, or employee actually renders:

4. Whether any part of the net earnings of such organization inures to the benefit of any individual, 3914 3915 and whether any significant portion of the service provided by such organization is generated by funds 3916 received from donations, contributions, or local, state or federal grants. As used in this subsection, 3917 donations shall include the providing of personal services or the contribution of in-kind or other material 3918 services: 3919

5. Whether the organization provides services for the common good of the public;

3920 6. Whether a substantial part of the activities of the organization involves carrying on propaganda, or 3921 otherwise attempting to influence legislation and whether the organization participates in, or intervenes 3922 in, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office; 3923

7. The revenue impact to the locality and its taxpayers of exempting the property; and

3924 8. Any other criteria, facts and circumstances that the governing body deems pertinent to the 3925 adoption of such ordinance.

3926 C. Any ordinance exempting property by classification pursuant to subsection A shall be adopted 3927 only after holding a public hearing with respect thereto, at which citizens shall have an opportunity to 3928 be heard. The local governing body shall publish notice of the hearing once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county, city, or town. The public hearing shall not be held until at least five days after 3929 3930 the notice is published in the newspaper.

3931 D. Exemptions of property from taxation under this article shall be strictly construed in accordance 3932 with Article X, Section 6 (f) of the Constitution of Virginia.

3933 E. Nothing in this section or in any ordinance adopted pursuant to this section shall affect the 3934 validity of either a classification exemption or a designation exemption granted by the General Assembly

3935 prior to January 1, 2003, pursuant to Article 2 (§ 58.1-3606 et seq.), 3 (§ 58.1-3609 et seq.) or 4 **3936** (§ 58.1-3650 et seq.) of this chapter. An exemption granted pursuant to Article 4 (§ 58.1-3650 et seq.) of this chapter may be revoked in accordance with the provisions of § 58.1-3605.

3938 § **59.1-148.3**. Purchase of handguns of certain officers.

3939 A. The Department of State Police, the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Department of 3940 Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority, the Virginia Lottery, the Marine Resources Commission, 3941 the Capitol Police, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Department of Forestry, any 3942 sheriff, any regional jail board or authority and any local police department may allow any full-time 3943 sworn law-enforcement officer, deputy, or regional jail officer, a local fire department may allow any 3944 full-time sworn fire marshal, the Department of Motor Vehicles may allow any law-enforcement officer, 3945 and any institution of higher learning named in § 23-14 may allow any campus police officer appointed 3946 pursuant to Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23, retiring on or after July 1, 1991, who retires (i) 3947 after at least 10 years of service, (ii) at 70 years of age or older, or (iii) as a result of a service-incurred 3948 disability or who is receiving long-term disability payments for a service-incurred disability with no 3949 expectation of returning to the employment where he incurred the disability to purchase the service 3950 handgun issued or previously issued to him by the agency or institution at a price of \$1. If the 3951 previously issued weapon is no longer available, a weapon of like kind may be substituted for that 3952 weapon. This privilege shall also extend to any former Superintendent of the Department of State Police 3953 who leaves service after a minimum of five years. This privilege shall also extend to any person listed 3954 in this subsection who is eligible for retirement with at least 10 years of service who resigns on or after 3955 July 1, 1991, in good standing from one of the agencies listed in this section to accept a position covered by the Virginia Retirement System. Other weapons issued by the Department of State Police for 3956 3957 personal duty use of an officer, may, with approval of the Superintendent, be sold to the officer subject 3958 to the qualifications of this section at a fair market price determined as in subsection B, so long as the 3959 weapon is a type and configuration that can be purchased at a regular hardware or sporting goods store 3960 by a private citizen without restrictions other than the instant background check.

3961 B. The agencies listed in subsection A may allow any full-time sworn law-enforcement officer who 3962 retires with 5 or more years of service, but less than 10, to purchase the service handgun issued to him 3963 by the agency at a price equivalent to the weapon's fair market value on the date of the officer's 3964 retirement. Any full-time sworn law-enforcement officer employed by any of the agencies listed in 3965 subsection A who is retired for disability as a result of a nonservice-incurred disability may purchase the 3966 service handgun issued to him by the agency at a price equivalent to the weapon's fair market value on 3967 the date of the officer's retirement. Determinations of fair market value may be made by reference to a 3968 recognized pricing guide.

3969 C. The agencies listed in subsection A may allow the immediate survivor of any full-time sworn
3970 law-enforcement officer (i) who is killed in the line of duty or (ii) who dies in service and has at least
10 years of service to purchase the service handgun issued to the officer by the agency at a price of \$1.

3972 D. The governing board of any institution of higher learning named in § 23-14 may allow any
3973 campus police officer appointed pursuant to Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23 who retires on or
3974 after July 1, 1991, to purchase the service handgun issued to him at a price equivalent to the weapon's
3975 fair market value on the date of the officer's retirement. Determinations of fair market value may be
3976 made by reference to a recognized pricing guide.

3977 E. Any officer who at the time of his retirement is a full-time sworn law-enforcement officer with a state agency listed in subsection A, when the agency allows purchases of service handguns, and who retires after 10 years of state service, even if a portion of his service was with another state agency, may purchase the service handgun issued to him by the agency from which he retires at a price of \$1.

F. The sheriff of Hanover County may allow any auxiliary or volunteer deputy sheriff with a minimum of 10 years of service, upon leaving office, to purchase for \$1 the service handgun issued to him.

3984 G. Any sheriff or local police department, in accordance with written authorization or approval from
3985 the local governing body, may allow any auxiliary law-enforcement officer with more than 10 years of
3986 service to purchase the service handgun issued to him by the agency at a price that is equivalent to or
3987 less than the weapon's fair market value on the date of purchase by the officer.

H. The agencies listed in subsection A may allow any full-time sworn law-enforcement officer
currently employed by the agency to purchase his service handgun, with the approval of the chief
law-enforcement officer of the agency, at a fair market price. This subsection shall only apply when the
agency has purchased new service handguns for its officers, and the handgun subject to the sale is no
longer used by the agency or officer in the course of duty.

3993 § 65.2-402. Presumption as to death or disability from respiratory disease, hypertension or 3994 heart disease, cancer.

3995 A. Respiratory diseases that cause (i) the death of volunteer or salaried firefighters or Department of

3996 Emergency Management hazardous materials officers or (ii) any health condition or impairment of such firefighters or Department of Emergency Management hazardous materials officers resulting in total or partial disability shall be presumed to be occupational diseases, suffered in the line of duty, that are covered by this title unless such presumption is overcome by a preponderance of competent evidence to the contrary.

4001 B. Hypertension or heart disease causing the death of, or any health condition or impairment 4002 resulting in total or partial disability of (i) salaried or volunteer firefighters, (ii) members of the State Police Officers' Retirement System, (iii) members of county, city or town police departments, (iv) 4003 4004 sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, (v) Department of Emergency Management hazardous materials officers, (vi) city sergeants or deputy city sergeants of the City of Richmond, (vii) Virginia Marine Police 4005 4006 officers, (viii) conservation police officers who are full-time sworn members of the enforcement division of the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, (ix) Capitol Police officers, (x) special agents of the 4007 4008 Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority appointed under the provisions of Chapter 4009 1 (§ 4.1-100 et seq.) of Title 4.1, (xi) for such period that the Metropolitan Washington Airports 4010 Authority voluntarily subjects itself to the provisions of this chapter as provided in § 65.2-305, officers 4011 of the police force established and maintained by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, (xii) 4012 officers of the police force established and maintained by the Norfolk Airport Authority, (xiii) sworn 4013 officers of the police force established and maintained by the Virginia Port Authority, and (xiv) campus 4014 police officers appointed under Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23 and employed by any public 4015 institution of higher education shall be presumed to be occupational diseases, suffered in the line of 4016 duty, that are covered by this title unless such presumption is overcome by a preponderance of 4017 competent evidence to the contrary.

4018 C. Leukemia or pancreatic, prostate, rectal, throat, ovarian or breast cancer causing the death of, or 4019 any health condition or impairment resulting in total or partial disability of, any volunteer or salaried 4020 firefighter, Department of Emergency Management hazardous materials officer, commercial vehicle 4021 enforcement officer or motor carrier safety trooper employed by the Department of State Police, or 4022 full-time sworn member of the enforcement division of the Department of Motor Vehicles having 4023 completed twelve 12 years of continuous service who has a contact with a toxic substance encountered 4024 in the line of duty shall be presumed to be an occupational disease, suffered in the line of duty, that is 4025 covered by this title, unless such presumption is overcome by a preponderance of competent evidence to 4026 the contrary. For the purposes of this section, a "toxic substance" is one which is a known or suspected 4027 carcinogen, as defined by the International Agency for Research on Cancer, and which causes, or is 4028 suspected to cause, leukemia or pancreatic, prostate, rectal, throat, ovarian or breast cancer.

4029 D. The presumptions described in subsections A, B, and C shall only apply if persons entitled to 4030 invoke them have, if requested by the private employer, appointing authority or governing body 4031 employing them, undergone preemployment physical examinations that (i) were conducted prior to the 4032 making of any claims under this title that rely on such presumptions, (ii) were performed by physicians 4033 whose qualifications are as prescribed by the private employer, appointing authority or governing body 4034 employing such persons, (iii) included such appropriate laboratory and other diagnostic studies as the 4035 private employer, appointing authorities or governing bodies may have prescribed, and (iv) found such 4036 persons free of respiratory diseases, hypertension, cancer or heart disease at the time of such 4037 examinations.

E. Persons making claims under this title who rely on such presumptions shall, upon the request of
private employers, appointing authorities or governing bodies employing such persons, submit to
physical examinations (i) conducted by physicians selected by such employers, authorities, bodies or
their representatives and (ii) consisting of such tests and studies as may reasonably be required by such
physicians. However, a qualified physician, selected and compensated by the claimant, may, at the
election of such claimant, be present at such examination.

F. Whenever a claim for death benefits is made under this title and the presumptions of this section are invoked, any person entitled to make such claim shall, upon the request of the appropriate private employer, appointing authority or governing body that had employed the deceased, submit the body of the deceased to a postmortem examination as may be directed by the Commission. A qualified physician, selected and compensated by the person entitled to make the claim, may, at the election of such claimant, be present at such postmortem examination.

4050 G. Volunteer lifesaving and rescue squad members, volunteer law-enforcement chaplains, auxiliary 4051 and reserve deputy sheriffs, and auxiliary and reserve police are not included within the coverage of this 4052 section.

4053 H. For purposes of this section, the term "firefighter" shall include special forest wardens designated
4054 pursuant to § 10.1-1135 and any persons who are employed by or contract with private employers
4055 primarily to perform firefighting services.

4056 § 65.2-402.1. Presumption as to death or disability from infectious disease.

4057 A. Hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis, tuberculosis or HIV causing the death of, or any health

4058 condition or impairment resulting in total or partial disability of, any (i) salaried or volunteer firefighter, 4059 paramedic or emergency medical technician, (ii) member of the State Police Officers' Retirement 4060 System, (iii) member of county, city or town police departments, (iv) sheriff or deputy sheriff, (v) 4061 Department of Emergency Management hazardous materials officer, (vi) city sergeant or deputy city 4062 sergeant of the City of Richmond, (vii) Virginia Marine Police officer, (viii) conservation police officer 4063 who is a full-time sworn member of the enforcement division of the Department of Game and Inland 4064 Fisheries, (ix) Capitol Police officer, (x) special agent of the Department of Virginia Alcoholic Beverage 4065 Control Authority appointed under the provisions of Chapter 1 (§ 4.1-100 et seq.) of Title 4.1, (xi) for 4066 such period that the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority voluntarily subjects itself to the 4067 provisions of this chapter as provided in § 65.2-305, officer of the police force established and 4068 maintained by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, (xii) officer of the police force 4069 established and maintained by the Norfolk Airport Authority, (xiii) conservation officer of the 4070 Department of Conservation and Recreation commissioned pursuant to § 10.1-115, (xiv) sworn officer of 4071 the police force established and maintained by the Virginia Port Authority, or (xv) any campus police 4072 officer appointed under Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23 and employed by any public institution 4073 of higher education, who has a documented occupational exposure to blood or body fluids shall be 4074 presumed to be occupational diseases, suffered in the line of government duty, that are covered by this 4075 title unless such presumption is overcome by a preponderance of competent evidence to the contrary. 4076 For purposes of this section, an occupational exposure occurring on or after July 1, 2002, shall be 4077 deemed "documented" if the person covered under this section gave notice, written or otherwise, of the 4078 occupational exposure to his employer, and an occupational exposure occurring prior to July 1, 2002, 4079 shall be deemed "documented" without regard to whether the person gave notice, written or otherwise, 4080 of the occupational exposure to his employer. 4081

B. As used in this section:

4082 "Blood or body fluids" means blood and body fluids containing visible blood and other body fluids 4083 to which universal precautions for prevention of occupational transmission of blood-borne pathogens, as 4084 established by the Centers for Disease Control, apply. For purposes of potential transmission of hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis, tuberculosis, or HIV the term "blood or body fluids" includes respiratory, 4085 4086 salivary, and sinus fluids, including droplets, sputum, saliva, mucous, and any other fluid through which 4087 infectious airborne or blood-borne organisms can be transmitted between persons.

4088 "Hepatitis" means hepatitis A, hepatitis B, hepatitis non-A, hepatitis non-B, hepatitis C or any other 4089 strain of hepatitis generally recognized by the medical community.

4090 "HIV" means the medically recognized retrovirus known as human immunodeficiency virus, type I or 4091 type II, causing immunodeficiency syndrome.

4092 "Occupational exposure," in the case of hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis, tuberculosis or HIV, 4093 means an exposure that occurs during the performance of job duties that places a covered employee at 4094 risk of infection.

4095 C. Persons covered under this section who test positive for exposure to the enumerated occupational 4096 diseases, but have not yet incurred the requisite total or partial disability, shall otherwise be entitled to 4097 make a claim for medical benefits pursuant to § 65.2-603, including entitlement to an annual medical 4098 examination to measure the progress of the condition, if any, and any other medical treatment, 4099 prophylactic or otherwise.

4100 D. Whenever any standard, medically-recognized vaccine or other form of immunization or 4101 prophylaxis exists for the prevention of a communicable disease for which a presumption is established 4102 under this section, if medically indicated by the given circumstances pursuant to immunization policies 4103 established by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the United States Public Health 4104 Service, a person subject to the provisions of this section may be required by such person's employer to 4105 undergo the immunization or prophylaxis unless the person's physician determines in writing that the 4106 immunization or prophylaxis would pose a significant risk to the person's health. Absent such written 4107 declaration, failure or refusal by a person subject to the provisions of this section to undergo such 4108 immunization or prophylaxis shall disqualify the person from any presumption established by this 4109 section.

4110 E. The presumptions described in subsection A shall only apply if persons entitled to invoke them 4111 have, if requested by the appointing authority or governing body employing them, undergone 4112 preemployment physical examinations that (i) were conducted prior to the making of any claims under 4113 this title that rely on such presumptions, (ii) were performed by physicians whose qualifications are as 4114 prescribed by the appointing authority or governing body employing such persons, (iii) included such 4115 appropriate laboratory and other diagnostic studies as the appointing authorities or governing bodies may 4116 have prescribed, and (iv) found such persons free of hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis, tuberculosis or 4117 HIV at the time of such examinations. The presumptions described in subsection A shall not be effective 4118 until six months following such examinations, unless such persons entitled to invoke such presumption

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4119 can demonstrate a documented exposure during the six-month period.

F. Persons making claims under this title who rely on such presumption shall, upon the request of appointing authorities or governing bodies employing such persons, submit to physical examinations (i) conducted by physicians selected by such appointing authorities or governing bodies or their representatives and (ii) consisting of such tests and studies as may reasonably be required by such physicians. However, a qualified physician, selected and compensated by the claimant, may, at the election of such claimant, be present at such examination.

4126 2. That the fourth enactments of Chapters 870 and 932 of the Acts of Assembly of 2007 are 4127 amended and reenacted as follows:

4128 4. That the *Virginia* Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Authority shall assist the Commissioner
4129 of Agriculture and Consumer Services in the formation and operation of the nonprofit, nonstock
4130 corporation established pursuant to § 3.1-14.01 of this act.

- 4131 3. That § 4.1-102 of the Code of Virginia is repealed.
- 4132 4. That the provisions of this act shall become effective on July 1, 2018, except that the provisions 4133 of the thirteenth and fourteenth enactments of this act shall become effective on July 1, 2015.
- 4134 5. That the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board or its successor in interest shall continue to receive

4135 IT infrastructure and security services pursuant to Chapter 20.1 (§ 2.2-2005 et seq.) of Title 2.2 of 4136 the Code of Virginia until July 1, 2019, unless otherwise provided for as part of the 4137 Commonwealth's disentanglement plan pursuant to the Comprehensive Infrastructure Agreement 4138 with Northrop Grumman. However, in no event shall the Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority be 4139 disentangled prior to October 1, 2018.

4140 6. That the initial appointments of the members of the Board of Directors of the Virginia 4141 Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority shall be staggered as follows: one member for a term of 4142 four years, one member for a term of three years, and one member for a term of two years.

7. That the regulations of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board promulgated pursuant to Title 4.1
of the Code of Virginia shall be administered by the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control
Authority and shall remain in full force and effect until altered, amended, or rescinded by the
Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority.

8. That in the event that ex officio membership on any board, commission, council, committee, or other body is affected by the provisions of this act, the Governor shall designate an appropriate successor officer, employee, or member of a board or agency established pursuant to the provisions of this act as a replacement.

4151 9. That the Governor may transfer an appropriation or any portion thereof within a state agency
4152 established, abolished, or otherwise affected by the provisions of this act, or from one such agency
4153 to another, to support the changes in organization or responsibility resulting from or required by
4154 the provisions of this act.

4155 10. That the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority shall be deemed successor in interest 4156 to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control and the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to the 4157 extent this act transfers powers and duties. All right, title, and interest in and to real or tangible 4158 personal property vested in the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control or the Alcoholic 4159 Beverage Control Board to the extent that this act transfers powers and duties as of the effective 4160 beverage Control Board to the extent that this act transfers powers and duties as of the effective

4160 date of this act shall be transferred and taken as standing in the name of the Virginia Alcoholic 4161 Beverage Control Authority.

4162 11. That wherever in the Code of Virginia the term "Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control" 4163 is used, it shall be deemed to mean the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority and 4164 wherever in the Code of Virginia the term "Alcoholic Beverage Control Board" is used, it shall 4165 mean the Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority.

4166 12. That any accrued sick leave or annual leave of any employee of the Department of Alcoholic 4167 Beverage Control who transfers to the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority in 4168 accordance with the provisions of this act shall transfer with the employee.

13. That the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council shall include in its study of the
Virginia Freedom of Information Act in accordance with House Joint Resolution No. 96 of the
Acts of Assembly of 2014 a review of the provisions of § 2.2-3705.7 of the Code of Virginia as
amended by this act and make any recommendations it deems necessary and appropriate.

4173 14. That by October 15 each year, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control or its successor 4174 shall, for the purposes of identifying the total costs of the operation and administration of the 4175 Department or its successors to be funded from the revenues generated by such entity, submit to 4176 the General Assembly a report detailing the total percentage of gross revenues required for the 4177 operation and administration of the Department, excluding expenditures made for the purchase of 4178 distilled spirits, for the prior fiscal year, and a relative comparison to the three prior fiscal years.

4178 distinct spirits, for the prior liscal year, and a relative comparison to the three prior liscal years. 4179 15. That by January 1, 2017, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control shall submit to the

4180 General Assembly for its review the proposed personnel and procurement policies developed for

- 4181 the use of the Authority in place of those currently governing personnel and procurement of the 4182 Department. The submission shall detail all instances in which the proposed policies and
- 4183 procedures materially differ from those governing state agencies.