

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 45.1-270.7 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Virginia Coal Surface*  
3 *Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Board; membership; duties.*

4 [H 812]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 45.1-270.7 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 45.1-270.7. Coal Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Committee continued as Coal**  
9 **Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Board.**

10 A. The Coal Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Committee is continued and shall hereafter  
11 be known as the Coal Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Board. The Reclamation Fund  
12 Advisory Board shall consist of ~~five~~ *seven* members appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation  
13 by the General Assembly, ~~three~~ *at least four* of whom shall represent the coal industry, one of whom  
14 shall be a representative of the Director and ~~one of whom shall be a member of the public without any~~  
15 ~~coal industry interests, and two of whom shall represent conservation interests and such other public~~  
16 ~~and private interests as may be appropriate in accordance with Article V of the Interstate Mining~~  
17 ~~Compact (§ 45.1-271). The Commissioner~~ Director of the Division shall be a continuing ex officio  
18 nonvoting member of the Reclamation Fund Advisory Board and shall serve as Secretary thereto.

19 B. The voting members of the Reclamation Fund Advisory Board shall initially be appointed for  
20 terms of one, two, three, four, and five years, such terms to be assigned by lot. Thereafter, all members  
21 shall be appointed for five-year terms. No person shall serve more than two consecutive terms.

22 C. The Reclamation Fund Advisory Board shall annually elect a chairman and shall formulate rules  
23 for its organization and procedure.

24 D. The voting members of the Reclamation Fund Advisory Board shall serve without compensation  
25 or reimbursement for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

26 E. The Reclamation Fund Advisory Board shall meet not less than twice each year for the purpose of  
27 formulating recommendations to the Director concerning oversight of the general operation of the Fund.  
28 The Reclamation Fund Advisory Board shall report biannually to the Director and to the Governor on  
29 the status of the Fund and shall recommend to the Director regulations or changes thereto for the  
30 administration or operation of the Fund. The Director, in his discretion, may adopt the recommendations  
31 of the Reclamation Fund Advisory Board through regulatory action from time to time in accordance  
32 with the provisions of Chapter 19 (§ 45.1-226 et seq.) ~~of this title~~ and otherwise in accordance with law.

33 F. *The Reclamation Fund Advisory Board shall serve as the advisory body required by Article V of*  
34 *the Interstate Mining Compact (§ 45.1-271).*

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