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1	SENATE BILL NO. 1316
2 3	Senate Amendments in [] - February 4, 2021
3	A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-389, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective,
4	22.1-289.035, as it shall become effective, 22.1-289.039, as it shall become effective, 63.2-1720.1,
5	and 63.2-1724 of the Code of Virginia, relating to child care providers; background check
6	portability; subsidy pilot program; report.
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10	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
12	1. That §§ 19.2-389, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, 22.1-289.035, as it
13	shall become effective, 22.1-289.039, as it shall become effective, 63.2-1720.1, and 63.2-1724 of the
14	Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:
15	§ 19.2-389. (Effective until July 1, 2021) Dissemination of criminal history record information.
16	A. Criminal history record information shall be disseminated, whether directly or through an
17	intermediary, only to:
18	1. Authorized officers or employees of criminal justice agencies, as defined by § 9.1-101, for
19	purposes of the administration of criminal justice and the screening of an employment application or
20	review of employment by a criminal justice agency with respect to its own employees or applicants, and
21	dissemination to the Virginia Parole Board, pursuant to this subdivision, of such information on all
22	state-responsible inmates for the purpose of making parole determinations pursuant to subdivisions 1, 2,
23 24	3, 4, and 6 of § 53.1-136 shall include collective dissemination by electronic means every 30 days. For
24 25	purposes of this subdivision, criminal history record information includes information sent to the Central Criminal Records Exchange pursuant to §§ 37.2-819 and 64.2-2014 when disseminated to any full-time
$\frac{23}{26}$	or part-time employee of the State Police, a police department or sheriff's office that is a part of or
20 27	administered by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof, and who is responsible for the
28	prevention and detection of crime and the enforcement of the penal, traffic or highway laws of the
29	Commonwealth for the purposes of the administration of criminal justice;
30	2. Such other individuals and agencies that require criminal history record information to implement
31	a state or federal statute or executive order of the President of the United States or Governor that
32	expressly refers to criminal conduct and contains requirements or exclusions expressly based upon such
33	conduct, except that information concerning the arrest of an individual may not be disseminated to a
34	noncriminal justice agency or individual if an interval of one year has elapsed from the date of the
35 36	arrest and no disposition of the charge has been recorded and no active prosecution of the charge is
30 37	pending;3. Individuals and agencies pursuant to a specific agreement with a criminal justice agency to provide
38	services required for the administration of criminal justice pursuant to that agreement which shall
39	specifically authorize access to data, limit the use of data to purposes for which given, and ensure the
40	security and confidentiality of the data;
41	4. Individuals and agencies for the express purpose of research, evaluative, or statistical activities
42	pursuant to an agreement with a criminal justice agency that shall specifically authorize access to data,
43	limit the use of data to research, evaluative, or statistical purposes, and ensure the confidentiality and
44	security of the data;
45	5. Agencies of state or federal government that are authorized by state or federal statute or executive
46	order of the President of the United States or Governor to conduct investigations determining
47 48	employment suitability or eligibility for security clearances allowing access to classified information; 6. Individuals and agencies where authorized by court order or court rule;
40 49	7. Agencies of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth, public transportation companies
50	owned, operated or controlled by any political subdivision, and any public service corporation that
51	operates a public transit system owned by a local government for the conduct of investigations of
52	applicants for employment, permit, or license whenever, in the interest of public welfare or safety, it is
53	necessary to determine under a duly enacted ordinance if the past criminal conduct of a person with a
54	conviction record would be compatible with the nature of the employment, permit, or license under
55	consideration;
56	7a. Commissions created pursuant to the Transportation District Act of 1964 (§ 33.2-1900 et seq.) of
57 58	Title 33.2 and their contractors, for the conduct of investigations of individuals who have been offered a
58	position of employment whenever, in the interest of public welfare or safety and as authorized in the

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59 Transportation District Act of 1964, it is necessary to determine if the past criminal conduct of a person60 with a conviction record would be compatible with the nature of the employment under consideration;

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

68 9. To the extent permitted by federal law or regulation, public service companies as defined in
69 § 56-1, for the conduct of investigations of applicants for employment when such employment involves
70 personal contact with the public or when past criminal conduct of an applicant would be incompatible
71 with the nature of the employment under consideration;

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

11. A person requesting a copy of his own criminal history record information as defined in § 9.1-101 at his cost, except that criminal history record information shall be supplied at no charge to a person who has applied to be a volunteer with (i) a Virginia affiliate of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of 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 member or any individual who has been offered membership on the board of a Crime Stoppers, Crime Solvers or Crime Line program as defined in § 15.2-1713.1;

12. Administrators and board presidents of and applicants for licensure or registration as a child welfare agency as defined in § 63.2-100 for dissemination to the Commissioner of Social Services' representative pursuant to § 63.2-1702 for the conduct of investigations with respect to employees of and 81 82 83 84 volunteers at such facilities, caretakers, and other adults living in family day homes or homes approved by family day systems, and foster and adoptive parent applicants of private child-placing agencies, 85 pursuant to §§ 63.2-1719, 63.2-1720, 63.2-1720.1, 63.2-1721, and 63.2-1721.1, subject to the restriction 86 87 that the data shall not be further disseminated by the facility or agency to any party other than the data 88 subject, the Commissioner of Social Services' representative, or a federal or state authority or court as 89 may be required to comply with an express requirement of law for such further dissemination; however, 90 nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit the Commissioner of Social Services' 91 representative from issuing written certifications regarding the results of prior background checks in accordance with subsection J of § 63.2-1720.1 or § 63.2-1724; 92

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

96 14. The Virginia Lottery for the conduct of investigations as set forth in the Virginia Lottery Law
97 (§ 58.1-4000 et seq.) and casino gaming as set forth in Chapter 41 (§ 58.1-4100 et seq.) of Title 58.1,
98 and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the conduct of investigations as set forth
99 in Article 1.1:1 (§ 18.2-340.15 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2;

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

104 16. Licensed assisted living facilities and licensed adult day care centers for the conduct of 105 investigations of applicants for compensated employment in licensed assisted living facilities and 106 licensed adult day care centers pursuant to § 63.2-1720, subject to the limitations set out in subsection F; 107 The Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority for the conduct of investigations as set forth

107 17. The Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority for the conduct of investigations as set forth 108 in § 4.1-103.1;

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

112 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;

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

118 21. Residential facilities for juveniles regulated or operated by the Department of Social Services, the
 119 Department of Education, or the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for the
 120 purpose of determining applicants' fitness for employment or for providing volunteer or contractual

121 services;

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

125 23. Pursuant to § 22.1-296.3, the governing boards or administrators of private elementary or
126 secondary schools which are accredited pursuant to § 22.1-19 or a private organization coordinating such
127 records information on behalf of such governing boards or administrators pursuant to a written
128 agreement with the Department of State Police;

129 24. Public institutions of higher education and nonprofit private institutions of higher education for130 the purpose of screening individuals who are offered or accept employment;

25. Members of a threat assessment team established by a local school board pursuant to § 22.1-79.4,
by a public institution of higher education pursuant to § 23.1-805, or by a private nonprofit institution of
higher education, for the purpose of assessing or intervening with an individual whose behavior may
present a threat to safety; however, no member of a threat assessment team shall redisclose any criminal
history record information obtained pursuant to this section or otherwise use any record of an individual
beyond the purpose that such disclosure was made to the threat assessment team;

137 26. Executive directors of community services boards or the personnel director serving the
138 community services board for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment,
139 approval as a sponsored residential service provider, or permission to enter into a shared living
140 arrangement with a person receiving medical assistance services pursuant to a waiver pursuant to
141 §§ 37.2-506 and 37.2-607;

142 27. Executive directors of behavioral health authorities as defined in § 37.2-600 for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment, approval as a sponsored residential service provider, or permission to enter into a shared living arrangement with a person receiving medical assistance services pursuant to a waiver pursuant to §§ 37.2-506 and 37.2-607;

146 28. The Commissioner of Social Services for the purpose of locating persons who owe child support
147 or who are alleged in a pending paternity proceeding to be a putative father, provided that only the
148 name, address, demographics and social security number of the data subject shall be released;

149 29. Authorized officers or directors of agencies licensed pursuant to Article 2 (§ 37.2-403 et seq.) of 150 Chapter 4 of Title 37.2 by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for the 151 purpose of determining if any applicant who accepts employment in any direct care position or requests 152 approval as a sponsored residential service provider or permission to enter into a shared living 153 arrangement with a person receiving medical assistance services pursuant to a waiver has been convicted 154 of a crime that affects his fitness to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of individuals with 155 mental illness, intellectual disability, or substance abuse pursuant to §§ 37.2-416, 37.2-506, and 156 37.2-607;

157 30. The Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, for the purpose of evaluating applicants
158 for and holders of a motor carrier certificate or license subject to the provisions of Chapters 20
159 (§ 46.2-2000 et seq.) and 21 (§ 46.2-2100 et seq.) of Title 46.2;

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

163 32. Heads of state agencies in which positions have been identified as sensitive for the purpose of
 164 determining an individual's fitness for employment in positions designated as sensitive under Department
 165 of Human Resource Management policies developed pursuant to § 2.2-1201.1;

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.);

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

35. Any employer of individuals whose employment requires that they enter the homes of others, forthe 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
law for such further dissemination, subject to limitations set out in subsection G;

181 37. The Department of Medical Assistance Services, or its designee, for the purpose of screening

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182 individuals who, through contracts, subcontracts, or direct employment, volunteer, apply for, are offered,

183 or have accepted a position related to the provision of transportation services to enrollees in the 184 Medicaid Program or the Family Access to Medical Insurance Security (FAMIS) Program, or any other 185 program administered by the Department of Medical Assistance Services;

38. The State Corporation Commission for the purpose of investigating individuals who are current 186 or proposed members, senior officers, directors, and principals of an applicant or person licensed under 187 188 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 189 190 from the Central Criminal Records Exchange pursuant to Chapter 16 or 19 of Title 6.2, the 191 Commissioner of Financial Institutions or his designee may disclose such information to the applicant or 192 its designee;

39. The Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation for the purpose of investigating 193 194 individuals for initial licensure pursuant to § 54.1-2106.1;

195 40. The Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services and the Department for the Blind and 196 Vision Impaired for the purpose of evaluating an individual's fitness for various types of employment 197 and for the purpose of delivering comprehensive vocational rehabilitation services pursuant to Article 11

198 (§ 51.5-170 et seq.) of Chapter 14 of Title 51.5 that will assist the individual in obtaining employment; 199

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

200 42. The State Treasurer for the purpose of determining whether a person receiving compensation for 201 wrongful incarceration meets the conditions for continued compensation under § 8.01-195.12;

202 43. The Department of Social Services and directors of local departments of social services for the 203 purpose of screening individuals seeking to enter into a contract with the Department of Social Services 204 or a local department of social services for the provision of child care services for which child care 205 subsidy payments may be provided;

206 44. The Department of Juvenile Justice to investigate any parent, guardian, or other adult members of 207 a juvenile's household when completing a predispositional or postdispositional report required by 208 § 16.1-273 or a Board of Juvenile Justice regulation promulgated pursuant to § 16.1-233;

45. The State Corporation Commission, for the purpose of screening applicants for insurance 209 210 licensure under Chapter 18 (§ 38.2-1800 et seq.) of Title 38.2; and 211

46. Other entities as otherwise provided by law.

212 Upon an ex parte motion of a defendant in a felony case and upon the showing that the records 213 requested may be relevant to such case, the court shall enter an order requiring the Central Criminal 214 Records Exchange to furnish the defendant, as soon as practicable, copies of any records of persons 215 designated in the order on whom a report has been made under the provisions of this chapter.

216 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, upon a written request sworn to 217 before an officer authorized to take acknowledgments, the Central Criminal Records Exchange, or the 218 criminal justice agency in cases of offenses not required to be reported to the Exchange, shall furnish a 219 copy of conviction data covering the person named in the request to the person making the request; 220 however, such person on whom the data is being obtained shall consent in writing, under oath, to the 221 making of such request. A person receiving a copy of his own conviction data may utilize or further 222 disseminate that data as he deems appropriate. In the event no conviction data is maintained on the data 223 subject, the person making the request shall be furnished at his cost a certification to that effect.

224 B. Use of criminal history record information disseminated to noncriminal justice agencies under this 225 section shall be limited to the purposes for which it was given and may not be disseminated further, 226 except as otherwise provided in subdivision A 12.

227 C. No criminal justice agency or person shall confirm the existence or nonexistence of criminal 228 history record information for employment or licensing inquiries except as provided by law.

229 D. Criminal justice agencies shall establish procedures to query the Central Criminal Records 230 Exchange prior to dissemination of any criminal history record information on offenses required to be reported to the Central Criminal Records Exchange to ensure that the most up-to-date disposition data is 231 232 being used. Inquiries of the Exchange shall be made prior to any dissemination except in those cases 233 where time is of the essence and the normal response time of the Exchange would exceed the necessary 234 time period. A criminal justice agency to whom a request has been made for the dissemination of 235 criminal history record information that is required to be reported to the Central Criminal Records 236 Exchange may direct the inquirer to the Central Criminal Records Exchange for such dissemination. 237 Dissemination of information regarding offenses not required to be reported to the Exchange shall be 238 made by the criminal justice agency maintaining the record as required by § 15.2-1722.

239 E. Criminal history information provided to licensed nursing homes, hospitals and to home care organizations pursuant to subdivision A 15 shall be limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange 240 for any offense specified in §§ 32.1-126.01, 32.1-126.02, and 32.1-162.9:1. 241

242 F. Criminal history information provided to licensed assisted living facilities and licensed adult day 243 care centers pursuant to subdivision A 16 shall be limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange

244 for any offense specified in § 63.2-1720.

245 G. Criminal history information provided to public agencies pursuant to subdivision A 36 shall be 246 limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange for any offense set forth in clause (i) of the 247 definition of barrier crime in § 19.2-392.02.

248 H. Upon receipt of a written request from an employer or prospective employer, the Central Criminal 249 Records Exchange, or the criminal justice agency in cases of offenses not required to be reported to the 250 Exchange, shall furnish at the employer's cost a copy of conviction data covering the person named in 251 the request to the employer or prospective employer making the request, provided that the person on 252 whom the data is being obtained has consented in writing to the making of such request and has 253 presented a photo-identification to the employer or prospective employer. In the event no conviction data 254 is maintained on the person named in the request, the requesting employer or prospective employer shall 255 be furnished at his cost a certification to that effect. The criminal history record search shall be 256 conducted on forms provided by the Exchange.

257 I. Nothing in this section shall preclude the dissemination of a person's criminal history record 258 information pursuant to the rules of court for obtaining discovery or for review by the court. 259

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262 1. Authorized officers or employees of criminal justice agencies, as defined by § 9.1-101, for 263 purposes of the administration of criminal justice and the screening of an employment application or 264 review of employment by a criminal justice agency with respect to its own employees or applicants, and 265 dissemination to the Virginia Parole Board, pursuant to this subdivision, of such information on all 266 state-responsible inmates for the purpose of making parole determinations pursuant to subdivisions 1, 2, 267 4, and 6 of § 53.1-136 shall include collective dissemination by electronic means every 30 days. For 268 purposes of this subdivision, criminal history record information includes information sent to the Central Criminal Records Exchange pursuant to §§ 37.2-819 and 64.2-2014 when disseminated to any full-time 269 270 or part-time employee of the State Police, a police department or sheriff's office that is a part of or administered by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof, and who is responsible for the 271 272 prevention and detection of crime and the enforcement of the penal, traffic or highway laws of the 273 Commonwealth for the purposes of the administration of criminal justice;

274 2. Such other individuals and agencies that require criminal history record information to implement 275 a state or federal statute or executive order of the President of the United States or Governor that 276 expressly refers to criminal conduct and contains requirements or exclusions expressly based upon such 277 conduct, except that information concerning the arrest of an individual may not be disseminated to a 278 noncriminal justice agency or individual if an interval of one year has elapsed from the date of the 279 arrest and no disposition of the charge has been recorded and no active prosecution of the charge is 280 pending;

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293 7. Agencies of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth, public transportation companies owned, operated or controlled by any political subdivision, and any public service corporation that operates a public transit system owned by a local government for the conduct of investigations of 294 295 296 applicants for employment, permit, or license whenever, in the interest of public welfare or safety, it is 297 necessary to determine under a duly enacted ordinance if the past criminal conduct of a person with a 298 conviction record would be compatible with the nature of the employment, permit, or license under 299 consideration;

300 7a. Commissions created pursuant to the Transportation District Act of 1964 (§ 33.2-1900 et seq.) of 301 Title 33.2 and their contractors, for the conduct of investigations of individuals who have been offered a 302 position of employment whenever, in the interest of public welfare or safety and as authorized in the 303 Transportation District Act of 1964, it is necessary to determine if the past criminal conduct of a person with a conviction record would be compatible with the nature of the employment under consideration; 304

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

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405 convicted of a crime;

406 32. Heads of state agencies in which positions have been identified as sensitive for the purpose of
407 determining an individual's fitness for employment in positions designated as sensitive under Department
408 of Human Resource Management policies developed pursuant to § 2.2-1201.1;

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.);

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

416 35. Any employer of individuals whose employment requires that they enter the homes of others, for417 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
law 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

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428 program administered by the Department of Medical Assistance Services;

429 38. The State Corporation Commission for the purpose of investigating individuals who are current 430 or proposed members, senior officers, directors, and principals of an applicant or person licensed under 431 Chapter 16 (§ 6.2-1600 et seq.), Chapter 19 (§ 6.2-1900 et seq.), or Chapter 26 (§ 6.2-2600 et seq.) of 432 Title 6.2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if an application is denied based in whole or in 433 part on information obtained from the Central Criminal Records Exchange pursuant to Chapter 16, 19, 434 or 26 of Title 6.2, the Commissioner of Financial Institutions or his designee may disclose such

435 information to the applicant or its designee;

436 39. The Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation for the purpose of investigating 437 individuals for initial licensure pursuant to § 54.1-2106.1;

438 40. The Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services and the Department for the Blind and 439 Vision Impaired for the purpose of evaluating an individual's fitness for various types of employment 440 and for the purpose of delivering comprehensive vocational rehabilitation services pursuant to Article 11

441 (§ 51.5-170 et seq.) of Chapter 14 of Title 51.5 that will assist the individual in obtaining employment; 442

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

443 42. The State Treasurer for the purpose of determining whether a person receiving compensation for 444 wrongful incarceration meets the conditions for continued compensation under § 8.01-195.12;

445 43. The Department of Education or its agents or designees for the purpose of screening individuals 446 seeking to enter into a contract with the Department of Education or its agents or designees for the 447 provision of child care services for which child care subsidy payments may be provided;

448 44. The Department of Juvenile Justice to investigate any parent, guardian, or other adult members of 449 a juvenile's household when completing a predispositional or postdispositional report required by 450 § 16.1-273 or a Board of Juvenile Justice regulation promulgated pursuant to § 16.1-233;

45. The State Corporation Commission, for the purpose of screening applicants for insurance 451 452 licensure under Chapter 18 (§ 38.2-1800 et seq.) of Title 38.2;

453 46. Administrators and board presidents of and applicants for licensure or registration as a child day 454 program or family day system, as such terms are defined in § 22.1-289.02, for dissemination to the 455 Superintendent of Public Instruction's representative pursuant to § 22.1-289.013 for the conduct of investigations with respect to employees of and volunteers at such facilities pursuant to §§ 22.1-289.034 456 457 through 22.1-289.037, subject to the restriction that the data shall not be further disseminated by the 458 facility or agency to any party other than the data subject, the Superintendent of Public Instruction's 459 representative, or a federal or state authority or court as may be required to comply with an express 460 requirement of law for such further dissemination; however, nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit the Superintendent of Public Instruction's representative from issuing written 461 certifications regarding the results of prior background checks in accordance with subsection J of 462 463 § 22.1-289.035 or § 22.1-289.039; and 464

47. Other entities as otherwise provided by law.

465 Upon an ex parte motion of a defendant in a felony case and upon the showing that the records 466 requested may be relevant to such case, the court shall enter an order requiring the Central Criminal 467 Records Exchange to furnish the defendant, as soon as practicable, copies of any records of persons designated in the order on whom a report has been made under the provisions of this chapter. 468

469 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, upon a written request sworn to 470 before an officer authorized to take acknowledgments, the Central Criminal Records Exchange, or the 471 criminal justice agency in cases of offenses not required to be reported to the Exchange, shall furnish a 472 copy of conviction data covering the person named in the request to the person making the request; 473 however, such person on whom the data is being obtained shall consent in writing, under oath, to the making of such request. A person receiving a copy of his own conviction data may utilize or further 474 475 disseminate that data as he deems appropriate. In the event no conviction data is maintained on the data 476 subject, the person making the request shall be furnished at his cost a certification to that effect.

477 B. Use of criminal history record information disseminated to noncriminal justice agencies under this 478 section shall be limited to the purposes for which it was given and may not be disseminated further, 479 except as otherwise provided in subdivision A 46.

480 C. No criminal justice agency or person shall confirm the existence or nonexistence of criminal 481 history record information for employment or licensing inquiries except as provided by law.

482 D. Criminal justice agencies shall establish procedures to query the Central Criminal Records Exchange prior to dissemination of any criminal history record information on offenses required to be 483 484 reported to the Central Criminal Records Exchange to ensure that the most up-to-date disposition data is 485 being used. Inquiries of the Exchange shall be made prior to any dissemination except in those cases 486 where time is of the essence and the normal response time of the Exchange would exceed the necessary 487 time period. A criminal justice agency to whom a request has been made for the dissemination of 488 criminal history record information that is required to be reported to the Central Criminal Records 489 Exchange may direct the inquirer to the Central Criminal Records Exchange for such dissemination.

490 Dissemination of information regarding offenses not required to be reported to the Exchange shall be 491 made by the criminal justice agency maintaining the record as required by § 15.2-1722.

492 E. Criminal history information provided to licensed nursing homes, hospitals and to home care 493 organizations pursuant to subdivision A 15 shall be limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange 494 for any offense specified in §§ 32.1-126.01, 32.1-126.02, and 32.1-162.9:1.

495 F. Criminal history information provided to licensed assisted living facilities and licensed adult day 496 care centers pursuant to subdivision A 16 shall be limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange 497 for any offense specified in § 63.2-1720.

G. Criminal history information provided to public agencies pursuant to subdivision A 36 shall be 498 499 limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange for any offense set forth in clause (i) of the 500 definition of barrier crime in § 19.2-392.02.

501 H. Upon receipt of a written request from an employer or prospective employer, the Central Criminal 502 Records Exchange, or the criminal justice agency in cases of offenses not required to be reported to the 503 Exchange, shall furnish at the employer's cost a copy of conviction data covering the person named in 504 the request to the employer or prospective employer making the request, provided that the person on 505 whom the data is being obtained has consented in writing to the making of such request and has 506 presented a photo-identification to the employer or prospective employer. In the event no conviction data 507 is maintained on the person named in the request, the requesting employer or prospective employer shall 508 be furnished at his cost a certification to that effect. The criminal history record search shall be 509 conducted on forms provided by the Exchange.

510 I. Nothing in this section shall preclude the dissemination of a person's criminal history record 511 information pursuant to the rules of court for obtaining discovery or for review by the court.

512 § 22.1-289.035. (Effective July 1, 2021) Licensed child day centers, family day homes, and 513 family day systems; employment for compensation or use as volunteers of persons convicted of or 514 found to have committed certain offenses prohibited; national background check required; penalty.

515 A. No child day center, family day home, or family day system licensed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, child day center exempt from licensure pursuant to § 22.1-289.031, registered 516 517 family day home, family day home approved by a family day system, or child day center, family day 518 home, or child day program that enters into a contract with the Department or its agents or designees to 519 provide child care services funded by the Child Care and Development Block Grant shall hire for 520 compensated employment, continue to employ, or permit to serve as a volunteer who will be alone with, 521 in control of, or supervising children any person who (i) has been convicted of any barrier crime as 522 defined in § 19.2-392.02 or (ii) is the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or 523 outside the Commonwealth. All applicants for employment, employees, applicants to serve as volunteers, 524 and volunteers shall undergo a background check in accordance with subsection B prior to employment 525 or beginning to serve as a volunteer and every five years thereafter. 526

B. Any individual required to undergo a background check in accordance with subsection A shall:

527 1. Provide a sworn statement or affirmation disclosing whether he has ever been convicted of or is 528 the subject of pending charges for any offense within or outside the Commonwealth and whether he has 529 been the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or outside the Commonwealth;

530 2. Submit to fingerprinting and provide personal descriptive information described in subdivision B 2 531 of § 19.2-392.02;

532 3. Authorize the child day center, family day home, or family day system described in subsection A 533 to obtain a copy of the results of a search of the central registry maintained pursuant to § 63.2-1515 for 534 any founded complaint of child abuse or neglect against him; and

535 4. Authorize the child day center, family day home, or family day system described in subsection A 536 to obtain a copy of the results of a criminal history record information check, a sex offender registry 537 check, and a search of the child abuse and neglect registry or equivalent registry from any state in 538 which the individual has resided in the preceding five years.

539 The applicant's fingerprints and personal descriptive information obtained pursuant to subdivision 2 shall be forwarded by the Department or its designee or, in the case of a child day program operated by 540 541 a local government, may be forwarded by the local law-enforcement agency through the Central 542 Criminal Records Exchange to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the purpose of obtaining national 543 criminal history record information regarding such applicant. Upon receipt of an applicant's record or 544 notification that no record exists, the Central Criminal Records Exchange shall forward the information 545 to the Department or its designee, and the Department or its designee shall report to the child day center 546 or family day home whether the applicant is eligible to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of children. In cases in which the record forwarded to the Department or its designee is lacking 547 548 disposition data, the Department or its designee shall conduct research in whatever state and local 549 recordkeeping systems are available in order to obtain complete data before reporting to the child day 550 center, family day home, or family day system.

551 C. The child day center, family day home, or family day system described in subsection A shall 552 inform every individual required to undergo a background check pursuant to this section that he is entitled to obtain a copy of any background check report and to challenge the accuracy and 553 554 completeness of any such report and obtain a prompt resolution before a final determination is made of 555 the individual's eligibility to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of children.

556 D. Any person making a materially false statement regarding the sworn statement or affirmation 557 provided pursuant to subdivision B 1 is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

558 E. Further dissemination of the background check information is prohibited (i) other than to the 559 Superintendent's 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 or (ii) except as provided in subsection J. 560

F. A person who complies in good faith with the provisions of this section shall not be liable for any 561 civil damages for any act or omission in the performance of duties under this section unless the act or 562 563 omission was the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

G. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, a child day center may hire for compensated 564 employment persons who have been convicted of not more than one misdemeanor offense under 565 566 § 18.2-57, or any substantially similar offense under the laws of another jurisdiction, if 10 years have elapsed following the conviction, unless the person committed such offense while employed in a child 567 568 day center or the object of the offense was a minor.

569 H. Fees charged for the processing and administration of background checks pursuant to this section 570 shall not exceed the actual cost to the state or the local law-enforcement agency of such processing and 571 administration.

572 I. Any individual required to undergo a background check pursuant to subsection A who is (i) 573 convicted of any barrier crime as defined in § 19.2-392.02 or (ii) found to be the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or outside of the Commonwealth shall notify the child day 574 575 center, family day home, or family day system described in subsection A of such conviction or finding.

J. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, a background check shall not be required for any 576 577 individual who has completed a background check under the provisions of this section within the 578 previous five years, provided that (i) such background check was conducted after July 1, 2017; (ii) the 579 results of such background check indicated that the individual had not been convicted of any barrier 580 crime as defined in § 19.2-392.02 and was not the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or 581 neglect within or outside the Commonwealth; and (iii) the individual is currently or has been, within the 582 previous 180 days, employed by or a volunteer at a child day center, family day home, family day 583 system, or child day program described in subsection A. Prior to hiring or allowing to volunteer any **584** individual required to undergo a background check pursuant to subsection A without the completion of 585 a background check under the provisions of subsection B, the child day center, family day home, family day system, or child day program shall, upon the individual's written consent, obtain written 586 587 certification from the Department [or its designee] that such individual satisfies all requirements set 588 forth in this subsection and is eligible to serve as an employee or volunteer. If the individual meets all 589 requirements set forth in this subsection and is eligible to serve as an employee or volunteer at the child 590 day center, family day home, family day system, or child day program, the written certification shall 591 also state the next date by which another background check for such person shall be completed in 592 accordance with subsection B. Such written certifications shall not reveal the nature of any disqualifying 593 barrier crime or founded complaint of child abuse or neglect or any other information about the 594 individual. 595

§ 22.1-289.039. (Effective July 1, 2021) Records check by unlicensed child day center; penalty.

596 Any child day center that is exempt from licensure pursuant to § 22.1-289.031 shall require all 597 applicants for employment, employees, applicants to serve as volunteers, and volunteers and any other person who is expected to be alone with one or more children enrolled in the child day center to obtain **598** 599 a background check in accordance with § 22.1-289.035. A child day center that is exempt from licensure pursuant to § 22.1-289.031 shall refuse employment or service to any person who (i) has been convicted 600 of any barrier crime as defined in § 19.2-392.02 or (ii) is the subject of a founded complaint of child 601 602 abuse or neglect within or outside the Commonwealth. The foregoing provisions shall not apply to a 603 parent or guardian who may be left alone with his own child. For purposes of this section, convictions shall include prior adult convictions and juvenile convictions or adjudications of delinquency based on a **604** 605 crime that would have been a felony if committed by an adult within or outside the Commonwealth. 606 Further dissemination of the information provided to the facility is prohibited, except as otherwise provided in subsection J of § 22.1-289.035. 607

§ 63.2-1720.1. (Repealed effective July 1, 2021) Licensed child day centers and licensed family 608 609 day homes; employment for compensation or use as volunteers of persons convicted of or found to 610 have committed certain offenses prohibited; national background check required; penalty.

A. No child day center, family day home, or family day system licensed in accordance with the 611 612 provisions of this chapter, child day center exempt from licensure pursuant to § 63.2-1716, registered

613 family day home, family day home approved by a family day system, or child day center, family day home, or child day program that enters into a contract with the Department or a local department to **614** 615 provide child care services funded by the Child Care and Development Block Grant shall hire for 616 compensated employment, continue to employ, or permit to serve as a volunteer who will be alone with, 617 in control of, or supervising children any person who (i) has been convicted of any barrier crime as 618 defined in § 19.2-392.02 or (ii) is the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or 619 outside the Commonwealth. All applicants for employment, employees, applicants to serve as volunteers, 620 and volunteers shall undergo a background check in accordance with subsection B prior to employment 621 or beginning to serve as a volunteer and every five years thereafter.

B. Any individual required to undergo a background check in accordance with subsection A shall:

1. Provide a sworn statement or affirmation disclosing whether he has ever been convicted of or is
the subject of pending charges for any offense within or outside the Commonwealth and whether he has
been the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or outside the Commonwealth;
2. Submit to fingerprinting and provide personal descriptive information described in subdivision B 2

627 of § 19.2-392.02;

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628 3. Authorize the child day center, family day home, or family day system described in subsection A
629 to obtain a copy of the results of a search of the central registry maintained pursuant to § 63.2-1515 for
630 any founded complaint of child abuse or neglect against him; and

4. Authorize the child day center, family day home, or family day system described in subsection A
to obtain a copy of the results of a criminal history record information check, a sex offender registry
check, and a search of the child abuse and neglect registry or equivalent registry from any state in
which the individual has resided in the preceding five years.

635 The individual's fingerprints and personal descriptive information obtained pursuant to subdivision 2 636 shall be forwarded by the Department or its designee or, in the case of a child day program operated by a local government, may be forwarded by the local law-enforcement agency through the Central 637 638 Criminal Records Exchange to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the purpose of obtaining national 639 criminal history record information regarding such individual. Upon receipt of the individual's record or 640 notification that no record exists, the Central Criminal Records Exchange shall forward the information 641 to the Department, and the Department shall report to the child day center, family day home, or family 642 day system described in subsection A as to whether the individual is eligible to have responsibility for 643 the safety and well-being of children. In cases in which the record forwarded to the Department is 644 lacking disposition data, the Department shall conduct research in whatever state and local recordkeeping 645 systems are available in order to obtain complete data before reporting to the child day center, family 646 day home, or family day system.

647 C. The child day center, family day home, or family day system described in subsection A shall
648 inform every individual required to undergo a background check pursuant to this section that he is
649 entitled to obtain a copy of any background check report and to challenge the accuracy and
650 completeness of any such report and obtain a prompt resolution before a final determination is made of
651 the individual's eligibility to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of children.

D. Any person making a materially false statement regarding the sworn statement or affirmationprovided pursuant to subdivision B 1 is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

E. Further dissemination of the background check information is prohibited (*i*) other than to the Commissioner's 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 or (*ii*) except as provided in subsection J.

657 F. A person who complies in good faith with the provisions of this section shall not be liable for any658 civil damages for any act or omission in the performance of duties under this section unless the act or659 omission was the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

G. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, a child day center may hire for compensated
employment persons who have been convicted of not more than one misdemeanor offense under
§ 18.2-57, or any substantially similar offense under the laws of another jurisdiction, if 10 years have
elapsed following the conviction, unless the person committed such offense while employed in a
ehildday child day center or the object of the offense was a minor.

665 H. Fees charged for the processing and administration of background checks pursuant to this section666 shall not exceed the actual cost to the state or the local law-enforcement agency of such processing and667 administration.

I. Any individual required to undergo a background check pursuant to subsection A who is (i)
convicted of any barrier crime as defined in § 19.2-392.02 or (ii) found to be the subject of a founded
complaint of child abuse or neglect within or outside of the Commonwealth shall notify the child day
center, family day home, or family day system described in subsection A of such conviction or finding.

672 J. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, a background check shall not be required for any 673 individual who has completed a background check under the provisions of this section within the 674 previous five years, provided that (i) such background check was conducted after July 1, 2017; (ii) the 675 results of such background check indicated that the individual had not been convicted of any barrier crime as defined in § 19.2-392.02 and was not the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or 676 neglect within or outside the Commonwealth; and (iii) the individual is currently or has been, within the **677** 678 previous 180 days, employed by or a volunteer at a child welfare agency described in subsection A. 679 Prior to hiring or allowing to volunteer any individual required to undergo a background check 680 pursuant to subsection A without the completion of a background check under the provisions of subsection B, the child welfare agency shall, upon the individual's written consent, obtain written 681 682 certification from the Department [or its designee] that such individual satisfies all requirements set 683 forth in this subsection and is eligible to serve as an employee or volunteer at the child welfare agency. **684** If the individual meets all requirements set forth in this subsection and is eligible to serve as an **685** employee or volunteer at the child welfare agency, the written certification shall also state the next date 686 by which another background check for such person shall be completed in accordance with subsection 687 B. Such written certifications shall not reveal the nature of any disqualifying barrier crime or founded 688 complaint of child abuse or neglect or any other information about the individual.

689 § 63.2-1724. (Repealed effective July 1, 2021) Records check by unlicensed child day center; 690 penalty.

Any child day center that is exempt from licensure pursuant to § 63.2-1716 shall require all **691** 692 applicants for employment, employees, applicants to serve as volunteers, and volunteers and any other 693 person who is expected to be alone with one or more children enrolled in the child day center to obtain 694 a background check in accordance with § 63.2-1720.1. A child day center that is exempt from licensure 695 pursuant to § 63.2-1716 shall refuse employment or service to any person who (i) has been convicted of 696 any barrier crime as defined in § 19.2-392.02 or (ii) is the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or outside the Commonwealth. The foregoing provisions shall not apply to a parent or **697** 698 guardian who may be left alone with his own child. For purposes of this section, convictions shall 699 include prior adult convictions and juvenile convictions or adjudications of delinquency based on a 700 crime that would have been a felony if committed by an adult within or outside the Commonwealth. 701 Further dissemination of the information provided to the facility is prohibited, except as otherwise provided in subsection J of § 63.2-1720.1. 702

703 2. That the provisions of §§ 19.2-389, as it is currently effective, 63.2-1720.1, and 63.2-1724 of the
704 Code of Virginia, as amended by this act, (i) shall not become effective unless the provisions of
705 Chapter 14.1 (§ 22.1-289.02 et seq.) of Title 22.1 of the Code of Virginia, except for § 22.1-289.04
706 of the Code of Virginia, become effective on a date subsequent to July 1, 2021, and (ii) shall expire
707 upon the effective date of such provisions of Chapter 14.1 of Title 22.1 of the Code of Virginia.

708 3. [That the provisions of §§ 19.2-389, as it shall become effective, 22.1-289.035, as it shall become effective, and 22.1-289.039, as it shall become effective, of the Code of Virginia, as amended by 710 this act, shall become effective on January 1, 2022.

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712 4.] That the Department of Education (the Department) shall establish a two-year pilot program 713 for the purpose of stabilizing and improving the quality of services provided in the Commonwealth's child care industry. To the extent permitted under federal law and regulations, 714 the pilot program shall provide a fixed sum of funds to certain child care providers that have 715 716 entered into a contract with the Department or its agents or designees to provide child care services funded by the Child Care and Development Block Grant and that have agreed to meet 717 718 higher standards of quality and care, as determined by the Department. The fixed amount of 719 funds disbursed to a participating child care provider shall be determined based on (i) the number 720 of children that the provider contracts with the Department to provide care for, subject to any attendance requirements established by the Department; (ii) the Department's estimated 721 722 comprehensive costs of providing high-quality, full-time child care services; and (iii) funds 723 necessary to provide equitable compensation to child care staff. In determining which child care 724 providers shall be permitted to participate in the pilot program, the Department shall prioritize providers that are located in areas of the Commonwealth that have the greatest need for child 725 726 care services and serve families that are underserved and have the greatest need for child care 727 services. The Department shall require all child care providers that participate in the pilot 728 program to report to the Department (a) de-identified data regarding wages paid to employees of 729 the provider and associated retention rates, (b) information that can be used to assess the financial 730 stability of providers both before and during participation in the pilot program, and (c) any other information necessary to evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot program. The Department shall 731 report to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than December 1 of each year of the 732 733 pilot program. Such report shall include (1) the number of child care providers selected to 734 participate in the pilot program; (2) the criteria for selection and other statistical information 735 about child care providers selected to participate in the pilot program; (3) the locations of 736 participating child care providers; (4) information regarding wages paid to employees of participating child care providers and associated retention rates; (5) information that can be used 737 738 to assess the financial stability of participating child care providers both before and during 739 participation in the pilot program; (6) child outcome analysis and evaluation; (7) actual 740 expenditures for the pilot program; (8) the projected cost of and potential revenue sources for 741 expanding the pilot program to all child care providers that have entered into a contract with the Department or its agents or designees to provide child care services funded by the Child Care and 742 Development Block Grant; and (9) any other information deemed necessary by the Department to 743 744 evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot program.

744 Evaluate the effectiveness of the phot program.
745 [4 5] . That the Department of Education (the Department) shall, in collaboration with the
746 School Readiness Committee, identify and analyze financing strategies that can be used to support
747 the systemic costs of high-quality child care services, ensure equitable compensation for child care
748 staff, and better prepare children for kindergarten. The Department shall also analyze the
749 effectiveness of using a cost-of-quality modeling system for the child care subsidy program. The
750 Department shall report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than
751 December 1, 2021.