

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to direct the Secretary of Transportation to implement initiatives related to commercial driver's*
3 *licenses.*

4 [H 553]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. § 1.** *The Secretary of Transportation (the Secretary), in consultation with the Secretary of Labor, the*
8 *Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, and other relevant stakeholders, shall:*

9 *1. Identify state laws, regulations, or policies that adversely affect or create unnecessary burdens*
10 *upon the trucking industry and commercial drivers. The Secretary shall propose recommendations to*
11 *address any such laws, regulations, or policies;*

12 *2. Work with the Secretary of Labor to promote commercial driver's license (CDL) training and*
13 *certification opportunities among the workforce in the Commonwealth;*

14 *3. Work with the Department of Veterans Services to promote CDL training and certification*
15 *opportunities for veterans and military service members;*

16 *4. Work with the Department of Corrections to promote CDL training and certification opportunities*
17 *for individuals who are preparing to reenter society or who have already reentered society;*

18 *5. Coordinate with third parties, such as public institutions of higher education and private*
19 *businesses, to increase the number of training and testing opportunities for CDL applicants and*
20 *licensees, and to expand existing training where possible; and*

21 *6. Encourage third-party CDL testing and training programs to expand the pool of CDL applicants*
22 *eligible to participate in their programs.*

23 *All agencies of the Commonwealth shall, upon request, provide assistance to and fully cooperate*
24 *with the Secretary in carrying out the provisions of this act.*

25 **2. That the provisions of this act shall expire on July 1, 2023.**

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