# 2023 SESSION

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## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend and reenact § 2.2-3704.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia Freedom of 3 Information Act; training for local officials; members of park authorities' boards.

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### Approved

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

#### 7 1. That § 2.2-3704.3 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 8

## § 2.2-3704.3. Training for local officials.

9 A. The Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council (the Council) or the local government 10 attorney shall provide in-person or online training sessions for local elected officials and; the executive directors and members of industrial development authorities and economic development authorities, as 11 12 created by the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond Act (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.);; and members of 13 any boards governing any authority established pursuant to the Park Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5700 et 14 seq.) on the provisions of this chapter.

15 B. Each local elected official and, the executive director and members of each industrial development authority and economic development authority, as created by the Industrial Development and Revenue 16 17 Bond Act, and members of any boards governing any authority established pursuant to the Park Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5700 et seq.) shall complete a training session described in subsection A within 18 19 two months after assuming the local elected office and thereafter at least once during each consecutive 20 period of two calendar years commencing with the date on which he last completed a training session, 21 for as long as he holds such office. No penalty shall be imposed on a local elected official or an 22 executive director or member of an industrial development authority or an economic development 23 authority for failing to complete a training session.

24 C. The clerk of each governing body or school board shall maintain records indicating the names of 25 elected officials and, executive directors and members of industrial development authorities and 26 economic development authorities, and members of any boards governing any authority established 27 pursuant to the Park Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5700 et seq.) subject to the training requirements in 28 subsection B and the dates on which each such official completed training sessions satisfying such 29 requirements. Such records shall be maintained for five years in the office of the clerk of the respective 30 governing body or school board.

31 D. For purposes of this section, "local elected officials" shall include constitutional officers.

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