

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to direct the Department of Law's Division of Consumer Counsel to convene a workgroup to*  
3 *examine the practice of persons receiving compensation for providing certain services regarding*  
4 *veterans' benefits matters.*

5 [H 736]

6 Approved

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

8 1. § 1. *The Department of Law's Division of Consumer Counsel (the Division) shall convene a work*  
9 *group to examine and make recommendations regarding the practice of persons receiving compensation*  
10 *for preparing, presenting, prosecuting, advising, consulting, or assisting any individual regarding any*  
11 *veterans' benefits matter before the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the U.S. Department of*  
12 *Defense, or the Virginia Department of Veterans Services. The work group shall consist of at least one*  
13 *member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, at least one*  
14 *member of the Senate, appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, representatives from the Division*  
15 *and the Virginia Department of Veterans Affairs, a representative from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a*  
16 *representative of the American Legion, and a person providing such services for compensation. The*  
17 *work group shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by*  
18 *November 1, 2024.*

19 *As used in this act, "veterans' benefits matter" means the preparation, presentation, or prosecution of*  
20 *any claim affecting any person who has filed or expressed an intent to file a claim for any benefit,*  
21 *program, service, commodity, function, or status that is offered under the laws and regulations*  
22 *administered by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or the Virginia Department of Veterans*  
23 *Services pertaining to veterans, their dependents, their survivors, and any other individual eligible for*  
24 *such benefits.*

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