

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 51.5-33 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal § 51.5-34 of the Code of*  
3 *Virginia, relating to powers and duties of the Virginia Board for People with Disabilities.*

4 [H 1881]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 51.5-33 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 51.5-33. Powers and duties.

9 The Board shall have the following powers and duties:

10 1. To advise the Secretary of Health and Human Resources and Governor on issues and problems of  
11 interest to persons with disabilities and on such other matters as either the Secretary or the Governor  
12 may request;13 2. To submit biennially to the Governor, through the Secretary of Health and Human Resources, an  
14 assessment of the needs of persons with disabilities in the Commonwealth, the success in the preceding  
15 biennium of the state agencies in meeting those needs, programmatic and fiscal recommendations for  
16 improving the delivery of services to persons with disabilities, and an assessment of the biennial  
17 economic cost and benefit to the Commonwealth of the services and rights afforded persons with  
18 disabilities as established in this title;

19 3. To initiate the development of the plan of cooperation required by § 51.5-2;

20 4. To serve as the State Planning Council for the administration of certain federal public health and  
21 welfare laws as provided in § 6000 of Title 42 of the United States Code;22 5. To perform all duties and exercise all powers designated by federal law for such state planning  
23 councils, including the responsibility for planning activities on behalf of all developmentally disabled  
24 persons in the Commonwealth; *for receiving, accounting for and disbursing federal funds;* for  
25 developing and approving the state plan; and for monitoring and evaluating the implementation of such  
26 plan for the provision of services and facilities for persons with developmental disabilities;27 6. To be responsible for obtaining information and data from within the Commonwealth, and from  
28 time to time, but not less than annually, to review and evaluate the state plan and submit such state  
29 plan, and revisions thereto, to the Governor and to the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services;

30 7. To appoint and supervise the Director of the Board and prescribe his duties;

31 8. To hire such staff and obtain the service of such professional, technical, and clerical personnel  
32 necessary to carry out its powers and duties; and33 9. To accept gifts and grants on behalf of the Commonwealth, in furtherance of the purpose of this  
34 Board.35 **2. That § 51.5-34 of the Code of Virginia is repealed.**

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