

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 2.1-1.8, 9-6.23, and 9-6.25:2 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Title 2.1 a chapter numbered 50, consisting of sections numbered 2.1-795 through 2.1-798, relating to the creation of the Immigrant and Refugee Policy Council.

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Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 2.1-1.8, 9-6.23, and 9-6.25:2 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Title 2.1 a chapter numbered 50, consisting of sections numbered 2.1-795 through 2.1-798, as follows:

§ 2.1-1.8. Temporary collegial bodies.

There shall be, in addition to such others as may be established by law, the following temporary collegial ~~body~~ *bodies* established within the executive branch for a specified purpose and specified period of time:

Food and Nutrition, Advisory Commission to the Program on Immigrant and Refugee Policy Council.

CHAPTER 50.

IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE POLICY COUNCIL.

§ 2.1-795. Immigrant and Refugee Policy Council created.

There is hereby created the Immigrant and Refugee Policy Council for the purpose of collecting and analyzing data for and creating a consistent state policy on the provision of services to refugees and immigrants who reside in the Commonwealth.

§ 2.1-796. Membership.

The Council shall consist of nine members as follows: one member of the Senate to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections; two members of the House of Delegates to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; and the following persons or their designees: the Secretary of Health and Human Resources; the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services; the Commissioner of the Department of Health; the Secretary of Education; the Secretary of Public Safety; and the Attorney General. The Council shall elect a chairman from among its members to serve a term of one year.

§ 2.1-797. Duties and responsibilities; annual report to the Governor; advisory committee.

A. The Council shall meet on a regular basis and is charged with the responsibility to:

1. Assess and initiate procedures to work with the federal Immigration and Naturalization Service on the issue of the incarceration of undocumented aliens committed to state and local correctional facilities;

2. Review the responsibilities of sponsors for legal immigrants to determine whether sponsors are fulfilling their financial and social obligations and to develop methods to enhance enforcement of this provision;

3. Gather relevant data to determine the number of undocumented immigrants residing in the Commonwealth, how many are receiving services at state expense, the nature of those services and the resultant expense;

4. Collect and analyze data which can be used to support any action which the administration, the General Assembly or any state agency may take to obtain federal reimbursement for the cost of services to both legal and undocumented immigrants;

5. Gather and review documentation relating to unlawful discrimination against immigrants and refugees; and

6. Report to the Governor and General Assembly annually regarding potential program and policy initiatives.

B. To assist in fulfilling its duties and responsibilities, the Council shall appoint an advisory committee consisting of one representative each from (i) the refugee population, (ii) the immigrant population, and (iii) a local provider program or service organization that serves immigrants or refugees. Members of the advisory committee shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be reimbursed for their necessary and actual expenses incurred in connection with their duties.

§ 2.1-798. Expiration.

The provisions of this chapter shall expire on July 1, 1997.

§ 9-6.23. Prohibition against service by legislators on boards and commissions within the executive

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57 branch.

58 Members of the General Assembly shall be ineligible to serve on boards and commissions within the
 59 executive branch which are responsible for administering programs established by the General Assembly.
 60 Such prohibition shall not extend to boards and commissions engaged solely in policy studies or
 61 commemorative activities. If any law directs the appointment of any member of the General Assembly
 62 to a board or commission in the executive branch which is responsible for administering programs
 63 established by the General Assembly, such portion of such law shall be void, and the Governor shall
 64 appoint another person from the Commonwealth at large to fill such a position. The provisions of this
 65 section shall not apply, however, to members of the Board for Branch Pilots, who shall be appointed as
 66 provided for in § 54.1-901; to members of the Board on Veterans' Affairs, who shall be appointed as
 67 provided for in § 2.1-741; to members of the Council on Indians, who shall be appointed as provided
 68 for in § 9-138.1; to members of the Virginia Technology Council, who shall be appointed as provided
 69 for in § 9-145.51; to members of the Board of Trustees of the Southwest Virginia Higher Education
 70 Center, who shall be appointed as provided in § 23-231.3; to members of the Maternal and Child Health
 71 Council, who shall be appointed as provided for in § 9-318; to members of the Virginia Interagency
 72 Coordinating Council who shall be appointed as provided in § 2.1-750; to members of the Advisory
 73 Council on the Virginia Business-Education Partnership Program, who shall be appointed as provided in
 74 § 9-326; to members of the Advisory Commission on Welfare Reform, who shall be appointed as
 75 provided in § 63.1-133.44; ~~or~~ to members of the Virginia Correctional Enterprises Advisory Board, who
 76 shall be appointed as provided in § 2.1-451.2; *or to members of the Immigrant and Refugee Policy*
 77 *Council, who shall be appointed as provided in § 2.1-796.*

78 § 9-6.25:2. Policy boards, commissions and councils.

79 There shall be, in addition to such others as may be designated in accordance with § 9-6.25, the
 80 following policy boards, commissions and councils:

81 Apprenticeship Council
 82 Athletic Board
 83 Auctioneers Board
 84 Blue Ridge Regional Education and Training Council
 85 Board for Accountancy
 86 Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects
 87 Board for Barbers
 88 Board for Contractors
 89 Board for Cosmetology
 90 Board for Geology
 91 Board for Hearing Aid Specialists
 92 Board for Opticians
 93 Board for Professional and Occupational Regulation
 94 Board for Professional Soil Scientists
 95 Board for Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators
 96 Board for the Visually Handicapped
 97 Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services
 98 Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology
 99 Board of Coal Mining Examiners
 100 Board of Conservation and Recreation
 101 Board of Correctional Education
 102 Board of Dentistry
 103 Board of Directors, Virginia Student Assistance Authorities
 104 Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers
 105 Board of Health Professions
 106 Board of Historic Resources
 107 Board of Housing and Community Development
 108 Board of Medical Assistance Services
 109 Board of Medicine
 110 Board of Mineral Mining Examiners
 111 Board of Nursing
 112 Board of Nursing Home Administrators
 113 Board of Optometry
 114 Board of Pharmacy
 115 Board of Professional Counselors
 116 Board of Psychology
 117 Board of Recreation Specialists

118	Board of Social Services
119	Board of Social Work
120	Board of Surface Mining Review
121	Board of Veterinary Medicine
122	Board on Conservation and Development of Public Beaches
123	Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Board
124	Child Day Care and Early Childhood Programs, Virginia Council on
125	Child Day-Care Council
126	Commission on Local Government
127	Commonwealth Transportation Board
128	Council on Human Rights
129	Council on Information Management
130	Criminal Justice Services Board
131	Disability Services Council
132	Farmers Market Board, Virginia
133	<i>Immigrant and Refugee Policy Council</i>
134	Interdepartmental Council on Rate-setting for Children's Facilities
135	Library Board, the Library of Virginia
136	Marine Resources Commission
137	Milk Commission
138	Pesticide Control Board
139	Real Estate Appraiser Board
140	Real Estate Board
141	Reciprocity Board, Department of Motor Vehicles
142	Safety and Health Codes Board
143	Seed Potato Board
144	Southside Virginia Marketing Council
145	Specialized Transportation Council
146	State Air Pollution Control Board
147	State Board of Corrections
148	State Board of Elections
149	State Board of Health
150	State Board of Youth and Family Services
151	State Health Department, Sewage Handling and Disposal Appeal Review Board
152	State Library Board
153	State Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Board
154	State Water Control Board
155	Substance Abuse Certification Board
156	Treasury Board, The, Department of the Treasury
157	Virginia Aviation Board
158	Virginia Board for Asbestos Licensing
159	Virginia Fire Services Board
160	Virginia Gas and Oil Board
161	Virginia Health Planning Board
162	Virginia Health Services Cost Review Council
163	Virginia Manufactured Housing Board
164	Virginia Parole Board
165	Virginia Public Telecommunications Board
166	Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board
167	Virginia Voluntary Formulary Board
168	Virginia Waste Management Board
169	Virginia World Trade Council
170	Waste Management Facility Operators, Board for.