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HOUSE BILL NO. 1571

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 9-145.50 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal Chapter 22.9 (§§ 9-145.40 through 9-145.44) of Title 9 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Virginia World Technology Fair Commission.

Patrons—Landes; Senator: Hanger

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1 That § 9-145.50 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 9-145.50. Council established; duties.

The Virginia Technology Council is hereby established within the executive branch and shall be referred to in this chapter as the Council. The Council shall perform the following functions:

1. Work with the Commonwealth to develop and implement a statewide technology blueprint;
 2. Be an advocate for technology-related issues at all levels of government and within the business community;
 3. Enhance the programs of local and regional technology councils, and encourage the establishment of additional local and regional councils;
 4. Work with local and regional councils in their effort to promote programs of research, development, investment, and marketing for technology industries throughout the Commonwealth; *and*
 5. Strengthen the technology business sector and position Virginia as a leader in this industry so vital to economic growth; *and*.
 6. ~~Work with the Virginia World Technology Fair Commission to develop a comprehensive plan to host a Virginia World Technology Fair and to develop a comprehensive technology infrastructure plan.~~
- 2. That Chapter 22.9 (§§ 9-145.40 through 9-145.44) of Title 9 of the Code of Virginia is repealed.**

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