

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 9-6.25:1 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by*
3 *adding in Title 9 a chapter numbered 52, consisting of sections numbered 9-396 through 9-400,*
4 *relating to the creation of Virginia Research and Technology Advisory Commission.*

5 [H 2743]

6 Approved

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

8 **1. That § 9-6.25:1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia**
9 **is amended by adding in Title 9 a chapter numbered 52, consisting of sections numbered 9-396**
10 **through 9-400, as follows:**

11 § 9-6.25:1. Advisory boards, commissions and councils.

12 There shall be, in addition to such others as may be designated in accordance with § 9-6.25, the
13 following advisory boards, commissions and councils within the executive branch:

14 Advisory Board for the Department for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing

15 Advisory Board on Athletic Training

16 Advisory Board on Child Abuse and Neglect

17 Advisory Board on Medicare and Medicaid

18 Advisory Board of Occupational Therapy

19 Advisory Board on Rehabilitation Providers

20 Advisory Board on Respiratory Care to the Board of Medicine

21 Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure

22 Advisory Commission on the Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind

23 Advisory Council on Revenue Estimates

24 Advisory Council on the Virginia Business-Education Partnership Program

25 Appomattox State Scenic River Advisory Board

26 Aquaculture Advisory Board

27 Art and Architectural Review Board

28 Board for the Visually Handicapped, Virginia

29 Board of Directors, Virginia Truck and Ornamentals Research Station

30 Board of Forestry

31 Board of Military Affairs

32 Board of Rehabilitative Services

33 Board of Transportation Safety

34 Board of Trustees of the Family and Children's Trust Fund

35 Board of Visitors, Gunston Hall Plantation

36 Board on Veterans' Affairs

37 Catoctin Creek State Scenic River Advisory Board

38 Cave Board

39 Charity Food Assistance Advisory Board

40 Chickahominy State Scenic River Advisory Board

41 Chief Information Officer Advisory Board

42 Clinch Scenic River Advisory Board

43 Coal Surface Mining Reclamation Fund Advisory Board

44 Coastal Land Management Advisory Council, Virginia

45 Commonwealth Competition Council

46 Commonwealth Council on Aging

47 Council on Indians

48 Council on the Status of Women

49 Debt Capacity Advisory Committee

50 Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board

51 Falls of the James Committee

52 Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Board

53 Governor's Mined Land Reclamation Advisory Committee

54 Hemophilia Advisory Board

55 Human Services Information and Referral Advisory Council

56 Interagency Coordinating Council on Housing for the Disabled

57	Interdepartmental Board of the State Department of Minority Business Enterprise
58	Litter Control and Recycling Fund Advisory Board
59	Local Advisory Board to the Blue Ridge Community College
60	Local Advisory Board to the Central Virginia Community College
61	Local Advisory Board to the Dabney S. Lancaster Community College
62	Local Advisory Board to the Danville Community College
63	Local Advisory Board to the Eastern Shore Community College
64	Local Advisory Board to the Germanna Community College
65	Local Advisory Board to the J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
66	Local Advisory Board to the John Tyler Community College
67	Local Advisory Board to the Lord Fairfax Community College
68	Local Advisory Board to the Mountain Empire Community College
69	Local Advisory Board to the New River Community College
70	Local Advisory Board to the Northern Virginia Community College
71	Local Advisory Board to the Patrick Henry Community College
72	Local Advisory Board to the Paul D. Camp Community College
73	Local Advisory Board to the Piedmont Virginia Community College
74	Local Advisory Board to the Rappahannock Community College
75	Local Advisory Board to the Southside Virginia Community College
76	Local Advisory Board to the Southwest Virginia Community College
77	Local Advisory Board to the Thomas Nelson Community College
78	Local Advisory Board to the Tidewater Community College
79	Local Advisory Board to the Virginia Highlands Community College
80	Local Advisory Board to the Virginia Western Community College
81	Local Advisory Board to the Wytheville Community College
82	Maritime Incident Response Advisory Board
83	Maternal and Child Health Council
84	Medical Advisory Board, Department of Motor Vehicles
85	Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Board
86	North Meherrin State Scenic River Advisory Board
87	Nottoway State Scenic River Advisory Board
88	Personnel Advisory Board
89	Plant Pollination Advisory Board
90	Private College Advisory Board
91	Private Security Services Advisory Board
92	Psychiatric Advisory Board
93	Public Guardian and Conservator Advisory Board
94	Radiation Advisory Board
95	Rappahannock Scenic River Advisory Board
96	Recreational Fishing Advisory Board, Virginia
97	Reforestation Board
98	Rockfish State Scenic River Advisory Board
99	Shenandoah State Scenic River Advisory Board
100	Small Business Advisory Board
101	Small Business Environmental Compliance Advisory Board
102	St. Mary's Scenic River Advisory Committee
103	State Advisory Board on Air Pollution
104	State Building Code Technical Review Board
105	State Health Benefits Advisory Council
106	State Land Evaluation Advisory Council
107	State Networking Users Advisory Board
108	State Public Records Advisory Council
109	Statewide Independent Living Council
110	Statewide Rehabilitation Advisory Council
111	Statewide Rehabilitation Advisory Council for the Blind
112	Staunton Scenic River Advisory Committee
113	Substance Abuse Services Council
114	Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Board
115	Virginia-Israel Advisory Board
116	Virginia Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations
117	Virginia Advisory Council for Adult Education and Literacy

Virginia Coal Mine Safety Board
 Virginia Coal Research and Development Advisory Board
 Virginia Commission for the Arts
 Virginia Correctional Enterprises Advisory Board
 Virginia Council on Coordinating Prevention
 Virginia Equal Employment Opportunity Council
 Virginia Geographic Information Network Advisory Board
 Virginia Interagency Coordinating Council
 Virginia Military Advisory Council
 Virginia Public Buildings Board
 Virginia Recycling Markets Development Council
 Virginia Research and Technology Advisory Commission
 Virginia Transplant Council
 Virginia Veterans Cemetery Board
 Virginia Water Resources Research Center, Statewide Advisory Board
 Virginia Winegrowers Advisory Board.

CHAPTER 52.

VIRGINIA RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMISSION.

§ 9-396. *Commission established; purpose.*

The Virginia Research and Technology Advisory Commission (Commission) is established as an advisory commission within the meaning of § 9-6.25, in the executive branch of state government. The purpose of the Commission shall be to advise the Governor on appropriate research and technology strategies for the Commonwealth with emphasis on policy recommendations that will enhance the global competitive advantage of both research institutions and technology-based commercial endeavors within the Commonwealth.

§ 9-397. *Membership; terms; vacancies; chairman.*

A. Persons appointed to the Board shall be selected for their knowledge of, background in, or experience with basic and applied research, emerging technologies, commercialization of the results and outputs of research activities, and the development and financing of technology intensive enterprises.

B. The Commission shall consist of twenty-seven members to be appointed as follows: two members of the House Committee on Science and Technology appointed by the Speaker of the House; the chairman of the Senate Committee on General Laws or his designee; and twenty citizen members representing institutions of higher education, federal laboratories, and research- and technology-intensive industries, six of whom shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House, four of whom shall be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, and ten of whom shall be appointed by the Governor; the Secretaries of Commerce and Trade, Education, and Technology, or their designees; and the Director of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia or her designee. Legislative members shall be appointed to serve terms coincident with their terms of office. The citizen members shall be appointed for terms of four years, except that appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner of the original appointments.

C. The Governor shall designate one member representing Virginia's research universities and one member representing the private sector as cochairs.

D. A majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum. Commission meetings shall be upon the call of the cochairs.

E. Members of the Commission shall receive compensation and be entitled to be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties as provided in §§ 2.1-20.3, 2.1-20.8, 2.1-20.10, and 30-19.12.

§ 9-398. *Powers and duties of the Commission.*

The Commission shall:

1. Undertake studies and gather information and data in order to accomplish its purposes as set forth in § 9-396, and to formulate and present its recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly;

2. Make recommendations upon all proposals submitted to the Grant Allocation Committee, as described in subdivision J 5 b of Item 548 of the 2000 Appropriation Act, Chapter 1073 of the 2000 Acts of Assembly, for grant allocations to be disbursed from the Commonwealth Technology Research Fund created by subdivision J 1 of Item 548 of the 2000 Appropriation Act;

3. Apply for, accept, and expend gifts, grants, or donations from public, quasi-public or private sources and state funds that may be appropriated by the General Assembly to carry out its purpose; and

4. Report annually its findings and recommendations to the Governor. The Commission may make interim reports to the Governor as it deems advisable.

§ 9-399. *Funding for Commission's activities.*

179 *Funding necessary to support the Commission's work, including but not limited to the compensation*
180 *and reimbursement pursuant to subsection E of § 9-397, shall be provided by the Innovative Technology*
181 *Authority and other sources pursuant to subdivision 2 of § 9-398.*
182 *§ 9-400. Staff; cooperation from other state agencies.*
183 *The Innovative Technology Authority shall provide staff support to the Commission. All agencies of*
184 *the Commonwealth shall assist the Commission upon request.*