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1	SENATE BILL NO. 387
2	AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
3	(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Education and Health
4	on February 2, 2012)
5	(Patrons Prior to Substitute—Senators Martin and Miller, J.C. [SB 191])
6	A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 2.2-701, 2.2-705, 2.2-1124, 2.2-1204, 2.2-1207, 2.2-1839, 2.2-2411,
7	2.2-2525, 2.2-2649, 2.2-3705.3, 2.2-3705.5, 2.2-3711, 2.2-4002, 15.2-964, 15.2-2291, 16.1-241,
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10	<i>32.1-214.2, 22.1-214.3, 22.1-213, 22.1-217.1, 22.1-235.15.2, 22.1-319, 25-38.2, 25.1-100, 29.1-313, 32.1-59, 32.1-65, 32.1-102.1, 32.1-127.01, 32.1-283, as it is currently effective and as it shall become</i>
11	effective, 32.1-323.2, 32.1-331.13, 36-96.6, 37.2-100, 37.2-200, 37.2-203, 37.2-204, 37.2-303 through
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18	37.2-802, 37.2-806, 37.2-837 through 37.2-840, 37.2-843, 37.2-1028, 37.2-1101, 38.2-3323,
19	38.2-3409, 40.1-28.9, 46.2-314, 46.2-400, 46.2-401, 51.1-513.3, 51.5-3, 51.5-30, 51.5-39.7, 51.5-39.8,
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21	58.1-3211, 58.1-3214, 60.2-213, 63.2-1000, 63.2-1105, 63.2-1602, 63.2-1603, 63.2-1801, 63.2-1805,
22	63.2-1808.1, 64.1-62.3, 64.1-157.1, 66-18, 66-19, and 66-20 of the Code of Virginia, relating to
23 24	mental health and developmental services; terminology. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
24 25	1. That reenact $\$$ 2.2-701, 2.2-705, 2.2-1124, 2.2-1204, 2.2-1207, 2.2-1839, 2.2-2411, 2.2-2525,
2 5 2 6	2.2-2649, 2.2-3705.3, 2.2-3705.5, 2.2-3711, 2.2-4002, 15.2-964, 15.2-2291, 16.1-241, 16.1-269.1,
27	16.1-278.11, 16.1-280, 16.1-283, 16.1-336, 16.1-361, 18.2-369, 19.2-123, 19.2-182.2, 19.2-182.3,
28	19.2-182.8, 19.2-182.9, 19.2-218.1, 19.2-316, 19.2-389, 22.1-3, 22.1-7, 22.1-213, 22.1-214.2, 22.1-214.3,
29	22.1-215, 22.1-217.1, 22.1-253.13:2, 22.1-319, 23-38.2, 25.1-100, 29.1-313, 32.1-59, 32.1-65,
30	32.1-102.1, 32.1-127.01, 32.1-283, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective,
31	32.1-323.2, 32.1-331.13, 36-96.6, 37.2-100, 37.2-200, 37.2-203, 37.2-204, 37.2-303 through 37.2-306,
32	37.2-312, 37.2-314, 37.2-315, 37.2-316, 37.2-318, 37.2-319, 37.2-400, 37.2-401, 37.2-403, 37.2-406,
33	37.2-408, 37.2-408.1, 37.2-409, 37.2-411, 37.2-416, 37.2-419, 37.2-420, 37.2-424, 37.2-427, 37.2-428, 37.2-429, 37.2-500, 37.2-
34 35	37.2-430, 37.2-500, 37.2-501, 37.2-504, 37.2-505, 37.2-506, 37.2-508, 37.2-509, 37.2-511, 37.2-512, 37.2-600, 37.2-601, 37.2-602, 37.2-605, 37.2-608, 37.2-609, 37.2-612, 37.2-613, 37.2-615, 37.2-700
33 36	through 37.2-706, 37.2-709 through 37.2-715, 37.2-717 through 37.2-721, 37.2-802, 37.2-806,
37	37.2-837 through $37.2-840$, $37.2-843$, $37.2-1028$, $37.2-1101$, $38.2-3323$, $38.2-3409$, $40.1-28.9$, $46.2-314$,
38	46.2-400, 46.2-401, 51.1-513.3, 51.5-3, 51.5-30, 51.5-39.7, 51.5-39.8, 51.5-39.12, 53.1-40.3, 53.1-40.5,
39	53.1-40.7, 53.1-216, 54.1-701, 54.1-2970, 54.1-2982, 58.1-638, 58.1-3211, 58.1-3214, 60.2-213,
40	63.2-1000, 63.2-1105, 63.2-1602, 63.2-1603, 63.2-1801, 63.2-1805, 63.2-1808.1, 64.1-62.3, 64.1-157.1,
41	66-18, 66-19, and 66-20 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:
42	§ 2.2-701. Nature of long-term care services.
43	A. The long-term care services shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
44 45	1. A balanced range of health, social, and supportive services to deliver long-term care services to
45 46	persons aged age 60 and older with chronic illnesses or functional impairments; 2. Meaningful choice, increased functional ability, and affordability as determining factors in defining
40 47	long-term care service needs, which needs shall be determined by a uniform system for comprehensively
48	assessing the needs and preferences of individuals requiring such services;
49	3. Service delivery, consistent with the needs and preferences of individuals requiring such services,
50	that occurs in the most independent, least restrictive, and most appropriate living situation possible; and
51	4. Opportunities for self-care and independent living, as appropriate, by encouraging all long-term
52	care programs to maximize self-care and independent living within the mainstream of life in the
53	community.
54	B. Such services shall include, but not be limited to, the following categories: socialization services,
55	health care services, nutrition services, daily living services, educational services, housing services,
56	transportation services, and supportive services.
57 58	C. As used in this section:
58 59	"Daily living services" includes homemaker, companion, personal care and chore services, home
37	repair, weatherization and adult day care.

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60 "Educational services" includes information on the long-term care services provided by agencies of the Commonwealth, its localities and private sector agencies, and public information as provided in 61 62 § 2.2-213.1.

63 "Health care services" includes home health care and community medical care.

64 "Housing services" includes community-based residential opportunities and retrofitting existing 65 housing as needed.

66 "Nutrition services" includes home-delivered meals, food stamps, and congregate meals.

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"Socialization services" includes telephone reassurance, friendly visiting, and congregate meals. "Supportive services" includes adult protective services, mental health and mental retardation 68 69 developmental services, counseling services and legal aid.

70 "Transportation services" includes readily available access to public transportation or area coordinated 71 para-transit systems.

72 § 2.2-705. Access to residents, facilities and patients' records by Office of State Long-Term Care 73 Ombudsman.

74 The entity designated by the Department to operate the programs of the Office of the State 75 Long-Term Care Ombudsman pursuant to the Older Americans Act, Public Law 100-175, shall, in the 76 investigation of complaints referred to the program, have the same access to (i) residents, facilities and patients' records of licensed adult care residences in accordance with § 63.2-1706 and (ii) patients, 77 78 facilities and patients' records of nursing facilities or nursing homes in accordance with § 32.1-25, and 79 shall have access to the patients, residents and patients' individuals receiving services and their records of in state hospitals operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. 80 However, if a patient or individual receiving services is unable to consent to the review of his medical 81 and social records and has no legal guardian, such representatives shall have appropriate access to such 82 records in accordance with this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 32.1-125.1, the entity designated by the Department to operate the programs of the Office of the State Long-Term Care 83 84 85 Ombudsman shall have access to nursing facilities and nursing homes and state hospitals in accordance 86 with this section. Access to patients, residents, individuals receiving services, and their records, and 87 facilities and patients' records state hospitals shall be during normal working hours except in emergency 88 situations. 89

§ 2.2-1124. Disposition of surplus materials.

90 A. "Surplus materials" means personal property including, but not limited to, materials, supplies, 91 equipment, and recyclable items, but shall not include property as defined in § 2.2-1147 that is 92 determined to be surplus. Surplus materials shall not include finished products that a mental health state 93 hospital or mental retardation facility training center operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services sells for the benefit of its patients or residents individuals receiving services 94 95 in the state hospital or training center, provided that (i) most of the supplies, equipment, or products 96 have been donated to the facility state hospital or training center; (ii) the patients or residents of the 97 facility individuals in the state hospital or training center have substantially altered the supplies, 98 equipment, or products in the course of occupational or other therapy; and (iii) the substantial alterations 99 have resulted in a finished product.

B. The Department shall establish procedures for the disposition of surplus materials from 100 101 departments, divisions, institutions, and agencies of the Commonwealth. Such procedures shall:

102 1. Permit surplus materials to be transferred between or sold to departments, divisions, institutions, or 103 agencies of the Commonwealth;

104 2. Permit surplus materials to be sold to Virginia charitable corporations granted tax-exempt status under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and operating as clinics for the indigent and uninsured 105 that are organized for the delivery of primary health care services (i) as federally qualified health centers 106 designated by the Health Care Financing Administration or (ii) at a reduced or sliding fee scale or 107 108 without charge:

109 3. Permit public sales or auctions, including online public auctions, provided that the procedures 110 provide for sale to all political subdivisions and any volunteer rescue squad or volunteer fire department established pursuant to § 15.2-955 any surplus materials prior to such public sale or auction; 111

4. Permit surplus motor vehicles to be sold prior to public sale or auction to local social service 112 departments for the purpose of resale at cost to TANF recipients; 113

114 5. Permit surplus materials to be sold to Virginia charitable corporations granted tax-exempt status under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and operating as children's homes; 115

6. Permit donations to political subdivisions of the Commonwealth under the circumstances specified 116 117 in this section;

7. Permit other methods of disposal when (a) the cost of the sale will exceed the potential revenue to 118 119 be derived therefrom or (b) the surplus material is not suitable for sale;

120 8. Permit any dog especially trained for police work to be sold at an appropriate price to the handler who last was in control of the dog, which sale shall not be deemed a violation of the State and Local 121

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122 Government Conflict of Interests Act (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.);

9. Permit the transfer of surplus clothing to an appropriate department, division, institution, or agencyof the Commonwealth for distribution to needy individuals by and through local social services boards;

125 10. Encourage the recycling of paper products, beverage containers, electronics, and used motor oil; 126 11. Require the proceeds from any sale or recycling of surplus materials be promptly deposited into

the state treasury in accordance with § 2.2-1802 and report the deposit to the State Comptroller;
Permit donations of surplus computers and related equipment to public schools in the Commonwealth and Virginia charitable corporations granted tax-exempt status under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and providing services to persons with disabilities, at-risk youths, or low-income families. For the purposes of this subdivision, "at-risk youths" means school-age children approved eligible to receive free or reduced price meals in the federally funded lunch program;

133 13. Permit surplus materials to be transferred or sold, prior to public sale or auction, to public
 134 television stations located in the state and other nonprofit organizations approved for the distribution of
 135 federal surplus materials;

136 14. Permit a public institution of higher education to dispose of its surplus materials at the location
137 where the surplus materials are held and to retain any proceeds from such disposal, provided that the
138 institution meets the conditions prescribed in subsection B of § 23-38.88 and § 23-38.112 (regardless of
139 whether or not the institution has been granted any authority under Subchapter 3 (§ 23-38.91 et seq.) of
140 Chapter 4.10 of Title 23); and

141 15. Require, to the extent practicable, the recycling and disposal of computers and other information 142 technology assets. Additionally, for computers or information technology assets that may contain 143 confidential state data or personal identifying information of citizens of the Commonwealth, the 144 Department shall ensure all policies for the transfer or other disposition of computers or information 145 technology assets are consistent with data and information security policies developed by the Virginia 146 Information Technologies Agency.

147 C. The Department shall dispose of surplus materials pursuant to the procedures established in 148 subsection B or permit any department, division, institution, or agency of the Commonwealth to dispose 149 of its surplus materials consistent with the procedures so established. No surplus materials shall be 150 disposed of without prior consent of the head of the department, division, institution, or agency of the 151 Commonwealth in possession of such surplus materials or the Governor.

152 D. Departments, divisions, institutions, or agencies of the Commonwealth or the Governor may 153 donate surplus materials only under the following circumstances:

1. Emergencies declared in accordance with § 44-146.18:2 or 44-146.28;

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155 2. As set forth in the budget bill as defined by § 2.2-1509, provided that (a) the budget bill contains
a description of the surplus materials, the method by which the surplus materials shall be distributed,
and the anticipated recipients, and (b) such information shall be provided by the Department to the
Department of Planning and Budget in sufficient time for inclusion in the budget bill;

3. When the market value of the surplus materials, which shall be donated for a public purpose, is
less than \$500; however, the total market value of all surplus materials so donated by any department,
division, institution, or agency shall not exceed 25 percent of the revenue generated by such
department's, division's, institution's, or agency's sale of surplus materials in the fiscal year, except these
limits shall not apply in the case of surplus computer equipment and related items donated to Virginia
public schools; or

4. During a local emergency, upon written request of the head of a local government or a politicalsubdivision in the Commonwealth to the head of a department, division, institution, or agency.

E. On or before October 1 of each year, the Department shall prepare, and file with the Secretary of
the Commonwealth, a plan that describes the expected disposition of surplus materials in the upcoming
fiscal year pursuant to subdivision B 6.

170 F. The Department may make available to any local public body of the Commonwealth the services 171 or facilities authorized by this section; however, the furnishing of any such services shall not limit or 172 impair any services normally rendered any department, division, institution or agency of the 173 Commonwealth. All public bodies shall be authorized to use the services of the Department's Surplus 174 Property Program under the guidelines established pursuant to this section and the surplus property 175 policies and procedures of the Department. Proceeds from the sale of the surplus property shall be 176 returned to the local body minus a service fee. The service fee charged by the Department shall be 177 consistent with the fee charged by the Department to state public bodies.

\$ 2.2-1204. Health insurance program for employees of local governments, local officers, teachers,
 tec.; definitions.

A. The Department shall establish a plan or plans, hereinafter "plan" or "plans," subject to the approval of the Governor, for providing health insurance coverage for employees of local governments, local officers, teachers, employees of area agencies on aging, and retirees, and the dependents of such

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183 employees, officers, teachers, employees of area agencies on aging, and retirees. The plan or plans shall 184 be rated separately from the plan established pursuant to § 2.2-2818 to provide health and related 185 insurance coverage for state employees. Participation in such insurance plan or plans shall be (i) 186 voluntary, (ii) approved by the participant's respective governing body, by the local school board in the 187 case of teachers, or by the governing body of an area agency on aging in the case of its employees, and 188 (iii) subject to regulations adopted by the Department. In addition, at the option of a governing body, 189 school board, or area agency on aging that has elected to participate in the health insurance plan or 190 plans offered by the Department, the governing body, school board, or area agency on aging may elect 191 to participate in the long-term care or other benefit program that the Department may make available to 192 the governing body, school board, or area agency on aging.

193 B. The plan established by the Department shall satisfy the requirements of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq.), shall consist of a flexible benefits structure that permits the 194 195 creation of multiple plans of benefits and may provide for separate rating groups based upon criteria 196 established by the Department. The Department shall adopt regulations regarding the establishment of 197 such a plan or plans, including, but not limited to, requirements for eligibility, participation, access and 198 egress, mandatory employer contributions and financial reserves, and the administration of the plan or 199 plans. The Department may engage the services of other professional advisors and vendors as necessary 200 for the prudent administration of the plan or plans. The assets of the plan or plans, together with all 201 appropriations, premiums and other payments, shall be deposited in the employee health insurance fund, 202 from which payments for claims, premiums, cost containment programs and administrative expenses 203 shall be withdrawn from time to time. The assets of the fund shall be held for the sole benefit of the employee health insurance fund. The fund shall be held in the state treasury. Any interest on unused 204 balances in the fund shall revert back to the credit of the fund. The State Treasurer shall charge 205 206 reasonable fees to recover the actual costs of investing the assets of the plan or plans.

207 In establishing the participation requirements, the Department may provide that those employees, 208 officers, and teachers without access to employer-sponsored health care coverage may participate in the 209 plan. It shall collect all premiums directly from the employers of such employees, officers, and teachers.

210 C. In the event that the financial reserves of the plan fall to an unacceptably low level as determined 211 by the Department, it shall have the authority to secure from the State Treasurer a loan sufficient to 212 raise the reserve level to one that is considered adequate. The State Treasurer may make such a loan, to 213 be repaid on such terms and conditions as established by him. 214

D. For the purposes of this section:

"Area agency on aging" means any agency designated pursuant to § 2.2-703.

"Employees of local governments" shall include all officers and employees of the governing body of 216 217 any county, city or town, and the directing or governing body of any political entity, subdivision, branch 218 or unit of the Commonwealth or of any commission or public authority or body corporate created by or 219 under an act of the General Assembly specifying the power or powers, privileges or authority capable of exercise by the commission or public authority or body corporate, as distinguished from § 15.2-1300, 220 221 15.2-1303, or similar statutes, provided that the officers and employees of a social services department, 222 welfare board, mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse community services board or 223 behavioral health authority, center for independent living funded in whole or in part by the Department 224 of Rehabilitative Services pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 6 (§ 51.5-23 et seq.) of Title 51.5, or 225 library board of a county, city, or town shall be deemed to be employees of local government.

"Governing body," with regard to a center for independent living, means the governing board of an applicant established to operate the center for independent living as required by subsection B of 226 227 228 § 51.5-23.

229 "Local officer" means the treasurer, registrar, commissioner of the revenue, attorney for the 230 Commonwealth, clerk of a circuit court, sheriff, or constable of any county or city or deputies or 231 employees of any of the preceding local officers. 232

"Teacher" means any employee of a county, city, or other local public school board.

233 E. Any stock and cash distributed to the Commonwealth pursuant to the conversion of Blue Cross 234 and Blue Shield of Virginia, doing business as Trigon Blue Cross Blue Shield, from a mutual insurance 235 company to a stock corporation known as Trigon Healthcare, Inc., that is directly attributable to the 236 health insurance plan or plans established for employees of local governments, local officers, teachers, 237 employees of area agencies on aging, and retirees, and the dependents of such employees, officers, 238 teachers and retirees, pursuant to subsection A (hereinafter referred to as the local choice plan 239 distribution) shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the employee health insurance fund 240 to be used as provided in this subsection. Such distribution shall not include any cash paid by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Virginia or its successor to the Commonwealth in connection with such 241 conversion that was assumed as general fund revenue in Chapter 912 of the 1996 Acts of Assembly. All 242 243 other stock and cash received by the Commonwealth pursuant to such conversion of Blue Cross and 244 Blue Shield of Virginia to a stock corporation shall be allocated as provided in subsection B of

245 § 23-284.

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246 The State Treasurer shall sell any stock received pursuant to the local choice plan distribution as 247 soon as practicable following its receipt, subject to any lockup period or other restriction on its sale, and 248 the proceeds therefrom shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the employee health 249 insurance fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the State Treasurer shall not 250 be liable for any losses incurred from the sale or distribution of such stock.

251 The Department of Human Resource Management shall use any stock, or the proceeds therefrom, and 252 cash received pursuant to the local choice plan distribution to reduce premiums payable by employers 253 participating in a plan or plans established pursuant to subsection A. In setting health insurance 254 premiums for such plan or plans, the Director of the Department of Human Resource Management shall 255 allocate the value of such stock, or proceeds therefrom, and cash among each participating employer. 256 Such allocation shall be based on the proportionate amounts of premiums previously paid by each 257 participating employer. If a participating employer withdraws from such plan or plans before all of the 258 value allocated to it has been used for the benefit of the participating employer, the remaining value 259 shall be transferred to such participating employer upon his withdrawal.

260 § 2.2-1207. Long-term care insurance program for employees of local governments, local officers, 261 and teachers.

262 A. The Department shall establish a plan or plans, hereinafter "plan" or "plans," subject to the 263 approval of the Governor, for providing long-term care insurance coverage for employees of local 264 governments, local officers, and teachers. The plan or plans shall be rated separately from the plan 265 developed pursuant to § 51.1-513.1 to provide long-term care insurance coverage for state employees. 266 Participation in such insurance plan or plans shall be (i) voluntary, (ii) approved by the participant's 267 respective governing body, or by the local school board in the case of teachers, and (iii) subject to 268 regulations adopted by the Department.

269 B. The Department shall adopt regulations regarding the establishment of such a plan or plans, and 270 the administration of the plan or plans.

C. For the purposes of this section:

272 "Employees of local governments" shall include all officers and employees of the governing body of 273 any county, city or town, and the directing or governing body of any political entity, subdivision, branch 274 or unit of the Commonwealth or of any commission or public authority or body corporate created by or 275 under an act of the General Assembly specifying the power or powers, privileges or authority capable of 276 exercise by the commission or public authority or body corporate, as distinguished from §§ 15.2-1300, 277 15.2-1303, or similar statutes, provided that the officers and employees of a social services department, 278 welfare board, mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse community services board or 279 behavioral health authority, or library board of a county, city, or town shall be deemed to be employees 280 of local government.

281 "Local officer" means the treasurer, registrar, commissioner of the revenue, attorney for the 282 Commonwealth, clerk of a circuit court, sheriff, or constable of any county or city or deputies or 283 employees of any of the preceding local officers. 284

'Teacher" means any employee of a county, city, or other local public school board.

285 D. The Department shall not carry out the provisions of this section if and when the Virginia 286 Retirement System assumes responsibility for the plan or plans pursuant to § 51.1-513.3.

287 § 2.2-1839. Risk management plans administered by the Department of the Treasury's Risk 288 Management Division for political subdivisions, constitutional officers, etc.

289 A. The Division shall establish one or more risk management plans specifying the terms and 290 conditions for coverage, subject to the approval of the Governor, and which plans may be purchased 291 insurance, self-insurance or a combination of self-insurance and purchased insurance to provide 292 protection against liability imposed by law for damages and against incidental medical payments 293 resulting from any claim made against any county, city or town; authority, board, or commission; 294 sanitation, soil and water, planning or other district; public service corporation owned, operated or 295 controlled by a locality or local government authority; constitutional officer; state court-appointed 296 attorney; any attorney for any claim arising out of the provision of pro bono legal services for custody 297 and visitation to an eligible indigent person under a program approved by the Supreme Court of Virginia 298 or the Virginia State Bar; any receiver for an attorney's practice appointed under § 54.1-3900.01 or 299 54.1-3936; affiliate or foundation of a state department, agency or institution; any clinic that is 300 organized in whole or primarily for the delivery of health care services without charge; volunteer drivers 301 for any nonprofit organization providing transportation for persons who are elderly, disabled, or indigent 302 to medical treatment and services, provided the volunteer driver has successfully completed training 303 approved by the Division; any local chapter or program of the Meals on Wheels Association of America or any area agency on aging, providing meal and nutritional services to persons who are elderly, 304 homebound, or disabled, and volunteer drivers for such entities who have successfully completed 305

306 training approved by the Division; any individual serving as a guardian or limited guardian as defined in 307 § 37.2-1000 for any consumer of individual receiving services from a community services board or 308 behavioral health authority or any patient or resident of from a state facility operated by the Department 309 of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; for nontransportation-related state construction 310 contracts less than \$500,000, where the bid bond requirements are waived, prospective contractors shall 311 be prequalified for each individual project in accordance with § 2.2-4317; or the officers, agents or 312 employees of any of the foregoing for acts or omissions of any nature while in an authorized governmental or proprietary capacity and in the course and scope of employment or authorization. 313

For the purposes of this section, "delivery of health care services without charge" shall be deemed to 314 315 include the delivery of dental, medical or other health services when a reasonable minimum fee is 316 charged to cover administrative costs.

For purposes of this section, a sheriff or deputy sheriff shall be considered to be acting in the scope 317 of employment or authorization when performing any law-enforcement-related services authorized by the 318 319 sheriff, and coverage for such service by the Division shall not be subject to any prior notification to or 320 authorization by the Division.

321 B. Participation in the risk management plan shall be voluntary and shall be approved by the 322 participant's respective governing body or by the State Compensation Board in the case of constitutional 323 officers, by the office of the Executive Secretary of the Virginia Supreme Court in the case of state 324 court-appointed attorneys, including attorneys appointed to serve as receivers under § 54.1-3900.01 or 325 54.1-3936, or attorneys under Virginia Supreme Court or Virginia State Bar approved programs, by the Commissioner of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for any individual 326 327 serving as a guardian or limited guardian for any patient or resident of individual receiving services from a state facility operated by such the Department or by the executive director of a community 328 329 services board or behavioral health authority for any individual serving as a guardian or limited guardian 330 for a consumer of such any individual receiving services from the board or authority, and by the Division. Upon such approval, the Division shall assume sole responsibility for plan management, 331 332 compliance, or removal. The Virginia Supreme Court shall pay the cost for coverage of eligible persons performing services in approved programs of the Virginia Supreme Court or the Virginia State Bar. The 333 334 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall be responsible for paying the cost of 335 coverage for eligible persons performing services as a guardian or limited guardian for any patient or 336 resident of *individual receiving services from* a state facility operated by the Department. The applicable community services board or behavioral health authority shall be responsible for paying the cost of 337 338 coverage for eligible persons performing services as a guardian or limited guardian for consumers of 339 suchindividuals receiving services from the board or authority.

C. The Division shall provide for the legal defense of participating entities and shall reserve the right 340 341 to settle or defend claims presented under the plan. All prejudgment settlements shall be approved in 342 advance by the Division.

343 D. The risk management plan established pursuant to this section shall provide for the establishment 344 of a trust fund for the payment of claims covered under such plan. The funds shall be invested in the 345 manner provided in § 2.2-1806 and interest shall be added to the fund as earned.

The trust fund shall also provide for payment of legal defense costs, actuarial costs, administrative 346 347 costs, contractual costs and all other expenses related to the administration of such plan.

348 E. The Division shall, in its sole discretion, set the premium and administrative cost to be paid to it 349 for providing a risk management plan established pursuant to this section. The premiums and 350 administrative costs set by the Division shall be payable in the amounts at the time and in the manner 351 that the Division in its sole discretion shall require. The premiums and administrative costs need not be 352 uniform among participants, but shall be set so as to best ensure the financial stability of the plan.

353 F. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, a sheriff's department of any city or county, or a 354 regional jail shall not be precluded from securing excess liability insurance coverage beyond the 355 coverage provided by the Division pursuant to this section. 356

§ 2.2-2411. Public Guardian and Conservator Advisory Board; purpose; membership; terms.

357 A. The Public Guardian and Conservator Advisory Board (the Board) is established as an advisory 358 board, within the meaning of § 2.2-2100, in the executive branch of state government. The purpose of 359 the Board shall be to report to and advise the Commissioner of the Department for the Aging on the 360 means for effectuating the purposes of this article and shall assist in the coordination and management 361 of the local and regional programs appointed to act as public guardians and conservators pursuant to Chapter 10 (§ 37.2-1000 et seq.) of Title 37.2. 362

363 B. The Board shall consist of no more than fifteen 15 members who shall be appointed by the 364 Governor as follows: one representative of the Virginia Guardianship Association, one representative of 365 the Virginia Area Agencies on Aging, one representative of the Virginia State Bar, one active or retired circuit court judge upon recommendation of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, one representative 366 367 of the Association of Retarded Citizens Arc of Virginia, one representative of the Virginia Alliance for

the Mentally III National Alliance on Mental Illness of Virginia, one representative of the Virginia 368 League of Social Service Executives, one representative of the Virginia Association of Community 369 370 Services Boards, the Commissioner of Social Services or his designee, the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services or his designee, the Director of the Virginia Office for Protection 371 372 and Advocacy or his designee, and one person who is a member of the Commonwealth Council on 373 Aging and such other individuals who may be qualified to assist in the duties of the Board.

374 C. The Commissioners of Social Services and Behavioral Health and Developmental Services or their 375 designees, the Director of the Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy or his designee, and the 376 representative of the Commonwealth Council on Aging, shall serve terms coincident with their terms of 377 office or in the case of designees, the term of the Commissioner or Director. Of the other members of 378 the Board, five of the appointees shall serve for four-year terms and the remainder shall serve for 379 three-year terms. No member shall serve more than two successive terms. A vacancy occurring other 380 than by expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired term.

381 D. Each year, the Board shall elect a chairman and a vice-chairman from among its members. Five 382 members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

E. Members shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for all 383 384 reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties as provided in § 2.2-2823. 385 § 2.2-2525. (Expires July 1, 2014) Membership; terms; quorum; meetings.

386 The Commission shall have a total membership of 21 nonlegislative citizen members to be appointed 387 as follows: four nonlegislative citizen members, of whom two shall be persons with disabilities, one 388 shall be the relative of a citizen of the Commonwealth with a disability, and one shall be a provider of 389 services to citizens of the Commonwealth with disabilities or an advocate for persons with disabilities or 390 for services to such persons to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules; six nonlegislative 391 citizen members, of whom three shall be persons with disabilities, one shall be the relative of a citizen 392 of the Commonwealth with a disability, and two shall be providers of services to citizens of the 393 Commonwealth with disabilities or an advocate for persons with disabilities or for services to such 394 persons to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates; and 11 nonlegislative citizen 395 members, of whom three shall be persons with disabilities, one shall be a resident of an individual 396 receiving services in a state mental health facility hospital operated by the Department of Behavioral 397 Health and Developmental Services, one shall be a resident of an individual receiving services in a state 398 mental retardation training facility training center, one shall be a resident of a nursing facility, two shall 399 be the relatives of citizens of the Commonwealth with disabilities, and three shall be providers of 400 services to citizens of the Commonwealth with disabilities or an advocate for persons with disabilities or 401 for services to such persons to be appointed by the Governor. Nonlegislative citizen members of the 402 Commission shall be citizens of the Commonwealth.

403 Nonlegislative citizen members shall serve a term of four years; however, no nonlegislative citizen **404** member shall serve more than two consecutive four-year terms. Appointments to fill vacancies, other than by expiration of a term, shall be for the unexpired terms. Vacancies shall be filled in the same 405 406 manner as the original appointments. All members may be reappointed. The remainder of any term to which a member is appointed to fill a vacancy shall not constitute a term in determining the member's 407 408 eligibility for reappointment.

409 The Commission shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman from among its membership. A majority 410 of the members shall constitute a quorum. The Commission shall meet not less than four times each 411 year. The meetings of the Commission shall be held at the call of the chairman or whenever the 412 majority of the members so request.

§ 2.2-2649. Office of Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families established; powers 413 414 and duties.

415 A. The Office of Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families is hereby established to 416 serve as the administrative entity of the Council and to ensure that the decisions of the council are 417 implemented. The director shall be hired by and subject to the direction and supervision of the Council 418 pursuant to § 2.2-2648. 419

B. The director of the Office of Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families shall:

420 1. Develop and recommend to the state executive council programs and fiscal policies that promote 421 and support cooperation and collaboration in the provision of services to troubled and at-risk youths and 422 their families at the state and local levels;

423 2. Develop and recommend to the Council state interagency policies governing the use, distribution 424 and monitoring of moneys in the state pool of funds and the state trust fund;

425 3. Develop and provide for the consistent oversight for program administration and compliance with 426 state policies and procedures;

427 4. Provide for training and technical assistance to localities in the provision of efficient and effective 428 services that are responsive to the strengths and needs of troubled and at-risk youths and their families;

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429 5. Serve as liaison to the participating state agencies that administratively support the Office and that 430 provide other necessary services;

431 6. Provide an informal review and negotiation process pursuant to subdivision D 19 of § 2.2-2648;

432 7. Implement, in collaboration with participating state agencies, policies, guidelines and procedures 433 adopted by the State Executive Council;

434 8. Consult regularly with the Virginia Municipal League, the Virginia Coalition of Private Provider 435 Associations, and the Virginia Association of Counties about implementation and operation of the 436 Comprehensive Services Act (§ 2.2-5200 et seq.);

9. Hire appropriate staff as approved by the Council;

10. Identify, disseminate, and provide annual training for CSA staff and other interested parties on 438 439 best practices and evidence-based practices related to the Comprehensive Services Program; 440

11. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the State Executive Council;

441 12. Develop and implement uniform data collection standards and collect data, utilizing a secure electronic database for CSA-funded services, in accordance with subdivision D 16 of § 2.2-2648; 442

443 13. Develop and implement a uniform set of performance measures for the Comprehensive Services 444 Act program in accordance with subdivision D 17 of § 2.2-2648;

445 14. Develop, implement, and distribute management reports in accordance with subdivision D 18 of 446 § 2.2-2648:

447 15. Report to the Council all expenditures associated with serving children who receive pool-funded 448 services. The report shall include expenditures for (i) all services purchased with pool funding; (ii) treatment, foster care case management, and residential care funded by Medicaid; and (iii) child-specific 449 450 payments made through the Title IV-E program;

451 16. Report to the Council on the nature and cost of all services provided to the population of at-risk 452 and troubled children identified by the State Executive Council as within the scope of the CSA program; 453 17. Develop and distribute model job descriptions for the position of Comprehensive Services Act

454 Coordinator and provide technical assistance to localities and their coordinators to help them to guide 455 localities in prioritizing coordinator's responsibilities toward activities to maximize program effectiveness 456 and minimize spending; and

18. Develop and distribute guidelines, approved by the State Executive Council, regarding the 457 458 development and use of multidisciplinary teams, in order to encourage utilization of multidisciplinary 459 teams in service planning and to reduce Family Assessment and Planning Team caseloads to allow Family Assessment and Planning Teams to devote additional time to more complex and potentially 460 461 costly cases.

462 C. The director of the Office of Comprehensive Services, in order to provide support and assistance to the Comprehensive Policy and Management Teams (CPMTs) and Family Assessment and Planning 463 464 Teams (FAPTs) established pursuant to the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth and Families (§ 2.2-5200 et seq.), shall: 465

466 1. Develop and maintain a web-based statewide automated database, with support from the Department of Information Technology or its successor agency, of the authorized vendors of the 467 468 Comprehensive Services Act (CSA) services to include verification of a vendor's licensure status, a 469 listing of each discrete CSA service offered by the vendor, and the discrete CSA service's rate 470 determined in accordance with § 2.2-5214; and

471 2. Develop, in consultation with the Department of General Services, CPMTs, and vendors, a standardized purchase of services contract, which in addition to general contract provisions when 472 473 utilizing state pool funds will enable localities to specify the discrete service or services they are 474 purchasing for the specified client, the required reporting of the client's service data, including types and 475 numbers of disabilities, mental health and mental retardation intellectual disability diagnoses, or delinquent behaviors for which the purchased services are intended to address, the expected outcomes 476 477 resulting from these services and the performance timeframes mutually agreed to when the services are 478 purchased. 479

§ 2.2-3705.3. Exclusions to application of chapter; records relating to administrative investigations.

480 The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the **481** custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

1. Confidential records of all investigations of applications for licenses and permits, and of all 482 483 licensees and permittees, made by or submitted to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, the State Lottery Department, the Virginia Racing Commission, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer 484 485 Services relating to investigations and applications pursuant to Article 1.1:1 (§ 18.2-340.15 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2, or the Private Security Services Unit of the Department of Criminal Justice 486 **487** Services.

2. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Health Professions or by 488 489 any health regulatory board in the Commonwealth.

490 3. Investigator notes, and other correspondence and information, furnished in confidence with respect

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491 to an active investigation of individual employment discrimination complaints made to the Department

492 of Human Resource Management or to such personnel of any local public body, including local school boards as are responsible for conducting such investigations in confidence. However, nothing in this

- 493 boards as are responsible for conducting such investigations in confidence. However, nothing in this 494 section shall prohibit the disclosure of information taken from inactive reports in a form that does not
- **495** reveal the identity of charging parties, persons supplying the information or other individuals involved in
- **496** the investigation.

497 4. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Medical Assistance498 Services pursuant to Chapter 10 (§ 32.1-323 et seq.) of Title 32.1.

499 5. Investigative notes and other correspondence and information furnished in confidence with respect to an investigation or conciliation process involving an alleged unlawful discriminatory practice under 500 501 the Virginia Human Rights Act (§ 2.2-3900 et seq.) or under any local ordinance adopted in accordance with the authority specified in § 2.2-2638, or adopted pursuant to § 15.2-965, or adopted prior to July 1, 502 503 1987, in accordance with applicable law, relating to local human rights or human relations commissions. 504 However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the distribution of information taken from inactive reports 505 in a form that does not reveal the identity of the parties involved or other persons supplying 506 information.

6. Records of studies and investigations by the State Lottery Department of (i) lottery agents, (ii) lottery vendors, (iii) lottery crimes under §§ 58.1-4014 through 58.1-4018, (iv) defects in the law or regulations that cause abuses in the administration and operation of the lottery and any evasions of such provisions, or (v) the use of the lottery as a subterfuge for organized crime and illegal gambling where such official records have not been publicly released, published or copyrighted. All studies and investigations referred to under clauses (iii), (iv) and (v) shall be open to inspection and copying upon completion of the study or investigation.

514 7. (Effective until July 1, 2012) Investigative notes, correspondence and information furnished in 515 confidence, and records otherwise exempted by this chapter or any Virginia statute, provided to or produced by or for the (i) Auditor of Public Accounts; (ii) Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission; (iii) an appropriate authority as defined in § 2.2-3010 with respect to an allegation of 516 517 518 wrongdoing or abuse under the Fraud and Abuse Whistle Blower Protection Act (§ 2.2-3009 et seq.); 519 (iv) Department of the State Internal Auditor with respect to an investigation initiated through the State 520 Employee Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline; (v) committee or the auditor with respect to an investigation 521 or audit conducted pursuant to § 15.2-825; or (vi) auditors, appointed by the local governing body of 522 any county, city or town or a school board, who by charter, ordinance, or statute have responsibility for 523 conducting an investigation of any officer, department or program of such body. Records of completed 524 investigations shall be disclosed in a form that does not reveal the identity of the complainants or 525 persons supplying information to investigators. Unless disclosure is prohibited by this section, the 526 records disclosed shall include, but not be limited to, the agency involved, the identity of the person 527 who is the subject of the complaint, the nature of the complaint, and the actions taken to resolve the 528 complaint. If an investigation does not lead to corrective action, the identity of the person who is the 529 subject of the complaint may be released only with the consent of the subject person. Local governing 530 bodies shall adopt guidelines to govern the disclosure required by this subdivision.

531 7. (Effective July 1, 2012) Investigative notes, correspondence and information furnished in 532 confidence, and records otherwise exempted by this chapter or any Virginia statute, provided to or 533 produced by or for (i) the Auditor of Public Accounts; (ii) the Joint Legislative Audit and Review 534 Commission; (iii) an appropriate authority as defined in § 2.2-3010 with respect to an allegation of 535 wrongdoing or abuse under the Fraud and Abuse Whistle Blower Protection Act (§ 2.2-3009 et seq.); 536 (iv) the Office of the State Inspector General with respect to an investigation initiated through the State 537 Employee Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline or an investigation initiated pursuant to Chapter 3.2 538 (§ 2.2-307 et seq.); (v) the committee or the auditor with respect to an investigation or audit conducted 539 pursuant to § 15.2-825; or (vi) the auditors, appointed by the local governing body of any county, city 540 or town or a school board, who by charter, ordinance, or statute have responsibility for conducting an 541 investigation of any officer, department or program of such body. Records of completed investigations 542 shall be disclosed in a form that does not reveal the identity of the complainants or persons supplying 543 information to investigators. Unless disclosure is prohibited by this section, the records disclosed shall 544 include, but not be limited to, the agency involved, the identity of the person who is the subject of the 545 complaint, the nature of the complaint, and the actions taken to resolve the complaint. If an investigation 546 does not lead to corrective action, the identity of the person who is the subject of the complaint may be 547 released only with the consent of the subject person. Local governing bodies shall adopt guidelines to 548 govern the disclosure required by this subdivision.

8. Records of the Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy consisting of documentary evidence
received or maintained by the Office or its agents in connection with specific complaints or
investigations, and records of communications between employees and agents of the Office and its

552 clients or prospective clients concerning specific complaints, investigations or cases. Upon the 553 conclusion of an investigation of a complaint, this exclusion shall no longer apply, but the Office may not at any time release the identity of any complainant or person with mental illness, mental retardation 554 555 intellectual disability, developmental disabilities or other disability, unless (i) such complainant or person 556 or his legal representative consents in writing to such identification or (ii) such identification is required 557 by court order.

558 9. Information furnished in confidence to the Department of Employment Dispute Resolution with 559 respect to an investigation, consultation, or mediation under Chapter 10 (§ 2.2-1000 et seq.) of this title, 560 and memoranda, correspondence and other records resulting from any such investigation, consultation or mediation. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the distribution of information taken from 561 inactive reports in a form that does not reveal the identity of the parties involved or other persons 562 563 supplying information.

564 10. The names, addresses and telephone numbers of complainants furnished in confidence with 565 respect to an investigation of individual zoning enforcement complaints or complaints relating to the Uniform Statewide Building Code (§ 36-97 et seq.) or the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (§ 27-94 et 566 567 seq.) made to a local governing body.

11. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Criminal Justice Services 568 569 pursuant to Article 4 (§ 9.1-138 et seq.), Article 4.1 (§ 9.1-150.1 et seq.), Article 11 (§ 9.1-185 et seq.), 570 and Article 12 (§ 9.1-186 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1.

571 12. Records furnished to or prepared by the Board of Education pursuant to subsection D of 572 § 22.1-253.13:3 in connection with the review or investigation of any alleged breach in security, 573 unauthorized alteration, or improper administration of tests by local school board employees responsible 574 for the distribution or administration of the tests. However, this section shall not prohibit the disclosure of records to (i) a local school board or division superintendent for the purpose of permitting such board 575 576 or superintendent to consider or to take personnel action with regard to an employee or (ii) any requester, after the conclusion of a review or investigation, in a form that (a) does not reveal the identity 577 578 of any person making a complaint or supplying information to the Board on a confidential basis and (b) 579 does not compromise the security of any test mandated by the Board.

580 13. Investigator notes, and other correspondence and information, furnished in confidence with respect to an active investigation conducted by or for the Board of Education related to the denial, 581 582 suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses. However, this subdivision shall not prohibit the disclosure 583 of records to a local school board or division superintendent for the purpose of permitting such board or 584 superintendent to consider or to take personnel action with regard to an employee. Records of completed 585 investigations shall be disclosed in a form that does not reveal the identity of any complainant or person supplying information to investigators. The records disclosed shall include information regarding the 586 587 school or facility involved, the identity of the person who was the subject of the complaint, the nature 588 of the complaint, and the actions taken to resolve the complaint. If an investigation fails to support a 589 complaint or does not lead to corrective action, the identity of the person who was the subject of the 590 complaint may be released only with the consent of the subject person. No personally identifiable 591 information in the records regarding a current or former student shall be released except as permitted by 592 state or federal law.

593 14. Records, notes and information provided in confidence and related to an investigation by the 594 Attorney General under Article 1 (§ 3.2-4200 et seq.) or Article 3 (§ 3.2-4204 et seq.) of Chapter 42 of 595 Title 3.2, Article 10 (§ 18.2-246.6 et seq.) of Chapter 6 or Chapter 13 (§ 18.2-512 et seq.) of Title 18.2, or Article 1 (§ 58.1-1000) of Chapter 10 of Title 58.1. However, records related to an investigation that 596 597 has been inactive for more than six months shall, upon request, be disclosed provided such disclosure is 598 not otherwise prohibited by law and does not reveal the identity of charging parties, complainants, 599 persons supplying information, witnesses or other individuals involved in the investigation. 600

§ 2.2-3705.5. Exclusions to application of chapter; health and social services records.

601 The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the 602 custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

603 1. Health records, except that such records may be personally reviewed by the individual who is the 604 subject of such records, as provided in subsection F of § 32.1-127.1:03.

605 Where the person who is the subject of health records is confined in a state or local correctional 606 facility, the administrator or chief medical officer of such facility may assert such confined person's right 607 of access to the health records if the administrator or chief medical officer has reasonable cause to 608 believe that such confined person has an infectious disease or other medical condition from which other 609 persons so confined need to be protected. Health records shall only be reviewed and shall not be copied by such administrator or chief medical officer. The information in the health records of a person so 610 confined shall continue to be confidential and shall not be disclosed by the administrator or chief 611 medical officer of the facility to any person except the subject or except as provided by law. 612

613 Where the person who is the subject of health records is under the age of 18, his right of access may 614 be asserted only by his guardian or his parent, including a noncustodial parent, unless such parent's 615 parental rights have been terminated, a court of competent jurisdiction has restricted or denied such 616 access, or a parent has been denied access to the health record in accordance with § 20-124.6. In 617 instances where the person who is the subject thereof is an emancipated minor, a student in a public 618 institution of higher education, or is a minor who has consented to his own treatment as authorized by 619 § 16.1-338 or 54.1-2969, the right of access may be asserted by the subject person.

For the purposes of this chapter, statistical summaries of incidents and statistical data concerning
patient abuse as may be of individuals receiving services compiled by the Commissioner of Behavioral
Health and Developmental Services shall be open to inspection and copying as provided in § 2.2-3704.
No such summaries or data shall include any patient-identifying information that identifies specific
individuals receiving services.

625 2. Applications for admission to examinations or for licensure and scoring records maintained by the
626 Department of Health Professions or any board in that department on individual licensees or applicants.
627 However, such material may be made available during normal working hours for copying, at the
628 requester's expense, by the individual who is the subject thereof, in the offices of the Department of
629 Health Professions or in the offices of any health regulatory board, whichever may possess the material.
630 3. Reports, documentary evidence and other information as specified in §§ 2.2-706 and 63.2-104.

4. Investigative notes; proprietary information not published, copyrighted or patented; information 631 obtained from employee personnel records; personally identifiable information regarding residents, 632 633 clients or other recipients of services; other correspondence and information furnished in confidence to 634 the Department of Social Services in connection with an active investigation of an applicant or licensee 635 pursuant to Chapters 17 (§ 63.2-1700 et seq.) and 18 (§ 63.2-1800 et seq.) of Title 63.2; and records and 636 information furnished to the Office of the Attorney General in connection with an investigation pursuant 637 to Chapter 9 (§ 32.1-310 et seq.) of Title 32.1. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit disclosure 638 of information from the records of completed investigations in a form that does not reveal the identity 639 of complainants, persons supplying information, or other individuals involved in the investigation.

640 5. Information and records collected for the designation and verification of trauma centers and other
641 specialty care centers within the Statewide Emergency Medical Services System and Services pursuant to
642 Article 2.1 (§ 32.1-111.1 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 32.1.

643 6. Reports and court documents relating to involuntary admission required to be kept confidential pursuant to § 37.2-818.

645 7. Data formerly required to be submitted to the Commissioner of Health relating to the
646 establishment of new or the expansion of existing clinical health services, acquisition of major medical
647 equipment, or certain projects requiring capital expenditures pursuant to former § 32.1-102.3:4.

648 8. Information required to be provided to the Department of Health Professions by certain licensees 649 pursuant to § 54.1-2506.1.

9. Information and records acquired (i) during a review of any child death conducted by the State
Child Fatality Review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.1 or by a local or regional child fatality
review team to the extent made confidential by § 32.1-283.2; (ii) during a review of any death
conducted by a family violence fatality review team to the extent made confidential by § 32.1-283.3; or
(iii) during a review of any adult death conducted by the Adult Fatality Review Team to the extent
made confidential by § 32.1-283.5.

10. Patient level data collected by the Board of Health and not yet processed, verified, and released,
pursuant to § 32.1-276.9, to the Board by the nonprofit organization with which the Commissioner of
Health has contracted pursuant to § 32.1-276.4.

659 11. Records of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program Committee within the Department of
660 Health Professions, to the extent such records may identify any practitioner who may be, or who is
661 actually, impaired to the extent disclosure is prohibited by § 54.1-2517.

662 12. Records submitted as a grant application, or accompanying a grant application, to the Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative Advisory Board pursuant to Chapter 3.1 (§ 51.5-12.1 et seq.) of **663 664** Title 51.5, to the extent such records contain (i) medical or mental *health* records, or other data 665 identifying individual patients or (ii) proprietary business or research-related information produced or 666 collected by the applicant in the conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, rehabilitative, 667 scientific, technical or scholarly issues, when such information has not been publicly released, published, 668 copyrighted or patented, if the disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive 669 position of the applicant.

670 13. Any record copied, recorded or received by the Commissioner of Health in the course of an
671 examination, investigation or review of a managed care health insurance plan licensee pursuant to
672 §§ 32.1-137.4 and 32.1-137.5, including books, records, files, accounts, papers, documents, and any or
673 all computer or other recordings.

674 14. Records, information and statistical registries required to be kept confidential pursuant to

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676 15. All data, records, and reports relating to the prescribing and dispensing of covered substances to recipients and any abstracts from such data, records, and reports that are in the possession of the 677 678 Prescription Monitoring Program pursuant to Chapter 25.2 (§ 54.1-2519 et seq.) of Title 54.1 and any 679 material relating to the operation or security of the Program.

16. Records of the Virginia Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Program required to be 680 681 kept confidential pursuant to § 38.2-5002.2.

682 17. Records of the State Health Commissioner relating to the health of any person or persons subject 683 to an order of quarantine or an order of isolation pursuant to Article 3.02 (§ 32.1-48.05 et seq.) of **684** Chapter 2 of Title 32.1; this provision shall not, however, be construed to prohibit the disclosure of statistical summaries, abstracts or other information in aggregate form. **685**

18. Records containing the names and addresses or other contact information of persons receiving 686 687 transportation services from a state or local public body or its designee under Title II of the Americans 688 with Disabilities Act, (42 U.S.C. § 12131 et seq.) or funded by Temporary Assistance for Needy 689 Families (TANF) created under § 63.2-600.

690 § 2.2-3711. Closed meetings authorized for certain limited purposes. 691

A. Public bodies may hold closed meetings only for the following purposes:

692 1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, 693 appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public **694** officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or 695 schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present 696 697 during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the **698** 699 teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board.

700 2. Discussion or consideration of admission or disciplinary matters or any other matters that would 701 involve the disclosure of information contained in a scholastic record concerning any student of any 702 Virginia public institution of higher education or any state school system. However, any such student, 703 legal counsel and, if the student is a minor, the student's parents or legal guardians shall be permitted to 704 be present during the taking of testimony or presentation of evidence at a closed meeting, if such 705 student, parents, or guardians so request in writing and such request is submitted to the presiding officer 706 of the appropriate board.

707 3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the 708 disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect 709 the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. 710

4. The protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business.

711 5. Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business 712 or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in 713 locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

714 6. Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be 715 716 adversely affected.

717 7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual 718 or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the 719 negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or 720 retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe 721 722 723 will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to 724 permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance 725 or is consulted on a matter.

726 8. In the case of boards of visitors of public institutions of higher education, discussion or 727 consideration of matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities, and grants and contracts 728 for services or work to be performed by such institution. However, the terms and conditions of any such 729 gifts, bequests, grants, and contracts made by a foreign government, a foreign legal entity, or a foreign 730 person and accepted by a public institution of higher education in Virginia shall be subject to public 731 disclosure upon written request to the appropriate board of visitors. For the purpose of this subdivision, 732 (i) "foreign government" means any government other than the United States government or the government of a state or a political subdivision thereof; (ii) "foreign legal entity" means any legal entity 733 created under the laws of the United States or of any state thereof if a majority of the ownership of the 734 735 stock of such legal entity is owned by foreign governments or foreign persons or if a majority of the 736 membership of any such entity is composed of foreign persons or foreign legal entities, or any legal

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entity created under the laws of a foreign government; and (iii) "foreign person" means any individualwho is not a citizen or national of the United States or a trust territory or protectorate thereof.

739 9. In the case of the boards of trustees of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the Virginia Museum
740 of Natural History, and The Science Museum of Virginia, discussion or consideration of matters relating
741 to specific gifts, bequests, and grants.

10. Discussion or consideration of honorary degrees or special awards.

11. Discussion or consideration of tests, examinations, or other records excluded from this chapterpursuant to subdivision 4 of § 2.2-3705.1.

745 12. Discussion, consideration, or review by the appropriate House or Senate committees of possible disciplinary action against a member arising out of the possible inadequacy of the disclosure statement
747 filed by the member, provided the member may request in writing that the committee meeting not be conducted in a closed meeting.

749 13. Discussion of strategy with respect to the negotiation of a hazardous waste siting agreement or to 750 consider the terms, conditions, and provisions of a hazardous waste siting agreement if the governing 751 body in open meeting finds that an open meeting will have an adverse effect upon the negotiating 752 position of the governing body or the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting 753 agreement, or both. All discussions with the applicant or its representatives may be conducted in a 754 closed meeting.

755 14. Discussion by the Governor and any economic advisory board reviewing forecasts of economic **756** activity and estimating general and nongeneral fund revenues.

757 15. Discussion or consideration of medical and mental *health* records excluded from this chapter **758** pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.5.

759 16. Deliberations of the State Lottery Board in a licensing appeal action conducted pursuant to
760 subsection D of § 58.1-4007 regarding the denial or revocation of a license of a lottery sales agent; and
761 discussion, consideration or review of State Lottery Department matters related to proprietary lottery
762 game information and studies or investigations exempted from disclosure under subdivision 6 of
763 § 2.2-3705.3 and subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.7.

764 17. Those portions of meetings by local government crime commissions where the identity of, or765 information tending to identify, individuals providing information about crimes or criminal activities766 under a promise of anonymity is discussed or disclosed.

767 18. Those portions of meetings in which the Board of Corrections discusses or discloses the identity 768 of, or information tending to identify, any prisoner who (i) provides information about crimes or 769 criminal activities, (ii) renders assistance in preventing the escape of another prisoner or in the 770 apprehension of an escaped prisoner, or (iii) voluntarily or at the instance of a prison official renders 771 other extraordinary services, the disclosure of which is likely to jeopardize the prisoner's life or safety.

19. Discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity and briefings by staff members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement or emergency service officials concerning actions taken to respond to such activity or a related threat to public safety; or discussion of reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure.

777 20. Discussion by the Board of the Virginia Retirement System, acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, or 778 of any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, or of the Rector and Visitors of the 779 University of Virginia, acting pursuant to § 23-76.1, or by the Board of the Virginia College Savings 780 Plan, acting pursuant to § 23-38.80, regarding the acquisition, holding or disposition of a security or 781 other ownership interest in an entity, where such security or ownership interest is not traded on a governmentally regulated securities exchange, to the extent that such discussion (i) concerns confidential 782 783 analyses prepared for the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, prepared by the retirement 784 system or by the Virginia College Savings Plan or provided to the retirement system or the Virginia 785 College Savings Plan under a promise of confidentiality, of the future value of such ownership interest 786 or the future financial performance of the entity, and (ii) would have an adverse effect on the value of 787 the investment to be acquired, held or disposed of by the retirement system, the Rector and Visitors of 788 the University of Virginia, or the Virginia College Savings Plan. Nothing in this subdivision shall be 789 construed to prevent the disclosure of information relating to the identity of any investment held, the 790 amount invested or the present value of such investment.

791 21. Those portions of meetings in which individual child death cases are discussed by the State Child
792 Fatality Review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.1, and those portions of meetings in which
793 individual child death cases are discussed by a regional or local child fatality review team established
794 pursuant to § 32.1-283.2, and those portions of meetings in which individual death cases are discussed
795 by family violence fatality review teams established pursuant to § 32.1-283.3.

796 22. Those portions of meetings of the University of Virginia Board of Visitors or the Eastern797 Virginia Medical School Board of Visitors, as the case may be, and those portions of meetings of any

798 persons to whom management responsibilities for the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern 799 Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, have been delegated, in which there is discussed 800 proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of the University of Virginia 801 Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, including business development 802 or marketing strategies and activities with existing or future joint venturers, partners, or other parties 803 with whom the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case 804 may be, has formed, or forms, any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of such 805 information would adversely affect the competitive position of the Medical Center or Eastern Virginia 806 Medical School, as the case may be.

807 23. In the case of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority, discussion or consideration of any of the following: the acquisition or disposition of real or personal property where 808 disclosure would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Authority; 809 810 operational plans that could affect the value of such property, real or personal, owned or desirable for ownership by the Authority; matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities; grants and 811 contracts for services or work to be performed by the Authority; marketing or operational strategies 812 813 where disclosure of such strategies would adversely affect the competitive position of the Authority; members of its medical and teaching staffs and qualifications for appointments thereto; and qualifications 814 815 or evaluations of other employees.

816 24. Those portions of the meetings of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program Committee within 817 the Department of Health Professions to the extent such discussions identify any practitioner who may 818 be, or who actually is, impaired pursuant to Chapter 25.1 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1.

819 25. Meetings or portions of meetings of the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan wherein personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, which has been provided to the Board or its employees 820 821 by or on behalf of individuals who have requested information about, applied for, or entered into 822 prepaid tuition contracts or savings trust account agreements pursuant to Chapter 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.) 823 of Title 23 is discussed.

824 26. Discussion or consideration, by the Wireless Carrier E-911 Cost Recovery Subcommittee created 825 pursuant to § 56-484.15, of trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et 826 seq.), submitted by CMRS providers as defined in § 56-484.12, related to the provision of wireless 827 E-911 service.

828 27. Those portions of disciplinary proceedings by any regulatory board within the Department of 829 Professional and Occupational Regulation, Department of Health Professions, or the Board of 830 Accountancy conducted pursuant to § 2.2-4019 or 2.2-4020 during which the board deliberates to reach 831 a decision or meetings of health regulatory boards or conference committees of such boards to consider settlement proposals in pending disciplinary actions or modifications to previously issued board orders as 832 833 requested by either of the parties.

834 28. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 11 of 835 § 2.2-3705.6 by a responsible public entity or an affected local jurisdiction, as those terms are defined in 836 § 56-557, or any independent review panel appointed to review information and advise the responsible 837 public entity concerning such records.

29. Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including 838 839 interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where 840 discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of 841 the public body.

842 30. Discussion or consideration of grant or loan application records excluded from this chapter 843 pursuant to subdivision 17 of § 2.2-3705.6 by (i) the Commonwealth Health Research Board or (ii) the 844 Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority or the Research and Technology Investment 845 Advisory Committee appointed to advise the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority.

846 31. Discussion or consideration by the Commitment Review Committee of records excluded from 847 this chapter pursuant to subdivision 9 of § 2.2-3705.2 relating to individuals subject to commitment as 848 sexually violent predators under Chapter 9 (§ 37.2-900 et seq.) of Title 37.2. 849

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850 33. Discussion or consideration of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets excluded from 851 this chapter pursuant to subdivision 18 of § 2.2-3705.6.

852 34. Discussion or consideration by a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless 853 Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets 854 excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 19 of § 2.2-3705.6.

855 35. Discussion or consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of voting 856 security matters made confidential pursuant to § 24.2-625.1.

36. Discussion or consideration by the Forensic Science Board or the Scientific Advisory Committee 857 858 created pursuant to Article 2 (§ 9.1-1109 et seq.) of Chapter 11 of Title 9.1 of records excluded from 859 this chapter pursuant to subdivision F 1 of § 2.2-3706.

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860 37. Discussion or consideration by the Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Program Awards 861 Committee of records or confidential matters excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of 862 § 2.2-3705.4, and meetings of the Committee to deliberate concerning the annual maximum scholarship award, review and consider scholarship applications and requests for scholarship award renewal, and 863 864 cancel, rescind, or recover scholarship awards.

865 38. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Port Authority of records excluded from this chapter 866 pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.6.

867 39. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Retirement System acting 868 pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, by the Investment Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 51.1-124.26, 869 by any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, by the Board of the Virginia College 870 Savings Plan acting pursuant to § 23-38.80, or by the Virginia College Savings Plan's Investment 871 Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 23-38.79:1 of records excluded from this chapter pursuant 872 to subdivision 25 of § 2.2-3705.7.

873 40. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of 874 § 2.2-3705.6.

875 41. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Education of records relating to the denial, 876 suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 13 of 877 § 2.2-3705.3.

878 42. Those portions of meetings of the Virginia Military Advisory Council, the Virginia National 879 Defense Industrial Authority, any commission created by executive order for the purpose of studying 880 and making recommendations regarding preventing closure or realignment of federal military and 881 national security installations and facilities located in Virginia and relocation of such facilities to 882 Virginia, or a local or regional military affairs organization appointed by a local governing body, during 883 which there is discussion of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 12 of 884 § 2.2-3705.2.

885 43. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Veterans Services Foundation of 886 records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 29 of § 2.2-3705.7.

887 44. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Community 888 Revitalization Commission of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 23 of 889 § 2.2-3705.6.

890 45. Discussion or consideration by the board of directors of the Commercial Space Flight Authority 891 of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 24 of § 2.2-3705.6.

892 B. No resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation or motion adopted, passed or agreed to in a 893 closed meeting shall become effective unless the public body, following the meeting, reconvenes in open 894 meeting and takes a vote of the membership on such resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation, or 895 motion that shall have its substance reasonably identified in the open meeting.

896 C. Public officers improperly selected due to the failure of the public body to comply with the other 897 provisions of this section shall be de facto officers and, as such, their official actions are valid until they 898 obtain notice of the legal defect in their election.

899 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the holding of conferences between two or 900 more public bodies, or their representatives, but these conferences shall be subject to the same 901 procedures for holding closed meetings as are applicable to any other public body.

902 E. This section shall not be construed to (i) require the disclosure of any contract between the 903 Department of Health Professions and an impaired practitioner entered into pursuant to Chapter 25.1 904 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1 or (ii) require the board of directors of any authority created pursuant to the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond Act (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.), or any public body 905 906 empowered to issue industrial revenue bonds by general or special law, to identify a business or industry 907 to which subdivision A 5 applies. However, such business or industry shall be identified as a matter of 908 public record at least 30 days prior to the actual date of the board's authorization of the sale or issuance 909 of such bonds. 910

§ 2.2-4002. Exemptions from chapter generally.

911 A. Although required to comply with § 2.2-4103 of the Virginia Register Act (§ 2.2-4100 et seq.), 912 the following agencies shall be exempted from the provisions of this chapter, except to the extent that 913 they are specifically made subject to \$\$ 2.2-4024, 2.2-4030 and 2.2-4031:

914 1. The General Assembly.

915 2. Courts, any agency of the Supreme Court, and any agency that by the Constitution is expressly 916 granted any of the powers of a court of record.

917 3. The Department of Game and Inland Fisheries in promulgating regulations regarding the 918 management of wildlife and for all case decisions rendered pursuant to any provisions of Chapters 2 (§ 29.1-200 et seq.), 3 (§ 29.1-300 et seq.), 4 (§ 29.1-400 et seq.), 5 (§ 29.1-500 et seq.), and 7 919 (§ 29.1-700 et seq.) of Title 29.1. 920

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921 4. The Virginia Housing Development Authority.

922 5. Municipal corporations, counties, and all local, regional or multijurisdictional authorities created 923 under this Code, including those with federal authorities.

924 6. Educational institutions operated by the Commonwealth, provided that, with respect to § 2.2-4031, 925 such educational institutions shall be exempt from the publication requirements only with respect to 926 regulations that pertain to (i) their academic affairs, (ii) the selection, tenure, promotion and disciplining 927 of faculty and employees, (iii) the selection of students, and (iv) rules of conduct and disciplining of 928 students.

929 7. The Milk Commission in promulgating regulations regarding (i) producers' licenses and bases, (ii) 930 classification and allocation of milk, computation of sales and shrinkage, and (iii) class prices for 931 producers' milk, time and method of payment, butterfat testing and differential.

932 8. The Virginia Resources Authority. 933

9. Agencies expressly exempted by any other provision of this Code.

10. The Department of General Services in promulgating standards for the inspection of buildings for 934 935 asbestos pursuant to § 2.2-1164.

11. The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, in developing, issuing, and revising 936 937 guidelines pursuant to § 23-9.6:2.

938 12. The Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services in adopting regulations pursuant to 939 subsection B of § 3.2-6002 and in adopting regulations pursuant to § 3.2-6023.

940 13. The Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Board of Agriculture and 941 Consumer Services in promulgating regulations pursuant to subsections B and D of § 3.2-3601, 942 subsection B of § 3.2-3701, § 3.2-4002, subsections B and D of § 3.2-4801, §§ 3.2-5121 and 3.2-5206, 943 and subsection A of § 3.2-5406.

14. The Board of Optometry when specifying therapeutic pharmaceutical agents, treatment guidelines, 944 945 and diseases and abnormal conditions of the human eye and its adnexa for TPA-certification of optometrists pursuant to Article 5 (§ 54.1-3222 et seq.) of Chapter 32 of Title 54.1. 946 947

15. The Virginia War Memorial Foundation.

948 16. The State Board of Education, in developing, issuing, and revising guidelines pursuant to 949 § 22.1-203.2.

950 17. The Virginia Racing Commission, (i) when acting by and through its duly appointed stewards or 951 in matters related to any specific race meeting or (ii) in promulgating technical rules regulating actual 952 live horse racing at race meetings licensed by the Commission.

953 18. The Virginia Small Business Financing Authority. 954

19. The Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority.

955 20. The Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services in adopting, amending or repealing regulations 956 pursuant to subsection A (ii) of § 59.1-156.

21. The Insurance Continuing Education Board pursuant to § 38.2-1867.

22. The Board of Health in promulgating the list of diseases that shall be reported to the Department 958 of Health pursuant to § 32.1-35 and in adopting, amending or repealing regulations pursuant to 959 subsection C of § 35.1-14 that incorporate the Food and Drug Administration's Food Code pertaining to 960 961 restaurants or food service.

23. (Expires January 1, 2014) The Secretary of Natural Resources in setting a date of closure for the 962 963 Chesapeake Bay purse seine fishery for Atlantic menhaden for reduction purposes pursuant to 964 § 28.2-1000.2.

965 24. The Board of Pharmacy when specifying special subject requirements for continuing education 966 for pharmacists pursuant to § 54.1-3314.1.

967 B. Agency action relating to the following subjects shall be exempted from the provisions of this 968 chapter:

969 1. Money or damage claims against the Commonwealth or agencies thereof.

970 2. The award or denial of state contracts, as well as decisions regarding compliance therewith.

971 3. The location, design, specifications or construction of public buildings or other facilities.

- 972 4. Grants of state or federal funds or property.
- 973 5. The chartering of corporations.
- 974 6. Customary military, militia, naval or police functions.

975 7. The selection, tenure, dismissal, direction or control of any officer or employee of an agency of 976 the Commonwealth.

- 977 8. The conduct of elections or eligibility to vote.
- 978 9. Inmates of prisons or other such facilities or parolees therefrom.

979 10. The custody of persons in, or sought to be placed in, mental *health facilities*, or penal or other 980 state institutions as well as the treatment, supervision, or discharge of such persons.

981 11. Traffic signs, markers or control devices.

982 12. Instructions for application or renewal of a license, certificate, or registration required by law.

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- 983 13. Content of, or rules for the conduct of, any examination required by law.
- **984** 14. The administration of pools authorized by Chapter 47 (§ 2.2-4700 et seq.) of this title.

985 15. Any rules for the conduct of specific lottery games, so long as such rules are not inconsistent
986 with duly adopted regulations of the State Lottery Board, and provided that such regulations are
987 published and posted.

988 16. Orders condemning or closing any shellfish, finfish, or crustacea growing area and the shellfish,

989 finfish or crustacea located thereon pursuant to Article 2 (§ 28.2-803 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 28.2.

- **990** 17. Any operating procedures for review of child deaths developed by the State Child Fatality **991** Review Team pursuant to § 32.1-283.1.
- 992 18. The regulations for the implementation of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program and the
 993 activities of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program Committee pursuant to Chapter 25.1
 994 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1.
- 995 19. The process of reviewing and ranking grant applications submitted to the Commonwealth996 Neurotrauma Initiative Advisory Board pursuant to Chapter 3.1 (§ 51.5-12.1 et seq.) of Title 51.5.
- 997 20. Loans from the Small Business Environmental Compliance Assistance Fund pursuant to Article 4
 998 (§ 10.1-1197.1 et seq.) of Chapter 11.1 of Title 10.1.
- **999** 21. The Virginia Breeders Fund created pursuant to § 59.1-372.
- 1000 22. The types of pari-mutuel wagering pools available for live or simulcast horse racing.
- 1001 23. The administration of medication or other substances foreign to the natural horse.
- 1002 C. Minor changes to regulations published in the Virginia Administrative Code under the Virginia
 1003 Register Act, Chapter 41 (§ 2.2-4100 et seq.) of this title, made by the Virginia Code Commission
 1004 pursuant to § 30-150, shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter.

1005 § 15.2-964. Organization of local human services activities; authorization of reorganization by **1006** Governor.

- 1007 A. Any city or county may prepare and submit to the Governor a plan to reorganize the 1008 governmental structures or administrative procedures and systems of human resources agencies should 1009 provisions of law or the rules, regulations and standards of any state agency prohibit or restrict the 1010 implementation of such a reorganization. The plan shall set forth the proposed reorganization and the 1011 provisions of law or the rules, regulations or standards that prohibit or restrict the implementation of 1012 such proposed reorganization.
- 1013 B. The Governor shall prepare, and provide to those counties and cities which request them, 1014 guidelines for the preparation and submission to him of reorganization plans by a city or county. The 1015 Governor may consider only those reorganization plans adopted by resolution of the governing body of 1016 the city or county applying for approval to reorganize its human services agencies.
- 1017 C. The several state boards and commissions which are empowered to promulgate rules, regulations 1018 and guidelines affecting the organization or administration of local human service agencies are hereby 1019 authorized to modify their respective rules, regulations and guidelines at the direction of the Governor in 1020 furtherance of any reorganization plan approved by him.
- D. If a provision or provisions of law prohibit or restrict the implementation of all or part of such reorganization plan the Governor shall transmit such plan or such parts of such plan affected by such laws to each House of the General Assembly at least forty-five 45 days prior to the commencement of a regular or special session of the General Assembly. Such plan or portions of such plan so transmitted by the Governor under this section shall not become effective unless it is introduced by bill and enacted into law.
- E. The plan or such portions of the plan transmitted by the Governor to the General Assembly shall
 set forth: (i) the provision or provisions of law that prohibit or restrict the implementation of such plan
 or parts of such plan; (ii) the changes in governmental structure or administrative procedure system of
 the human resources agencies affected; and (iii) the anticipated effects of such changes upon the
 efficiency and effectiveness of the agencies affected.
- F. Any reorganization authorized under the provision of this section shall be implemented within
 appropriations or other funds which may be made available to the city or county requesting such
 reorganization approval.
- **1035** G. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to permit a city or county to eliminate the provision of any service required by law or to reduce the level of service below any level required by law.
- 1037 H. The localities shall be required to maintain financial and statistical records in accordance with the 1038 guidelines issued by the Governor so as to allow responsible state agencies to review records and 1039 determine costs for programs for which the agency is responsible.
- 1040 I. For the purposes of this section the term "human resource agencies" means agencies which that 1041 deliver social, employment, health, mental health and mental retardation developmental, rehabilitation, 1042 nursing, or information and referral service, services and such other related services.
- **1043** § 15.2-2291. Assisted living facilities and group homes of eight or fewer single-family residence.

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1044 A. Zoning ordinances for all purposes shall consider a residential facility in which no more than 1045 eight individuals with mental illness, mental retardation, or intellectual disability, or developmental 1046 disabilities reside, with one or more resident counselors or other staff persons, as residential occupancy 1047 by a single family. For the purposes of this subsection, mental illness and developmental disability shall 1048 not include current illegal use of or addiction to a controlled substance as defined in § 54.1-3401. No 1049 conditions more restrictive than those imposed on residences occupied by persons related by blood, 1050 marriage, or adoption shall be imposed on such facility. For purposes of this subsection, "residential facility" means any group home or other residential facility for which the Department of Behavioral 1051 1052 Health and Developmental Services is the licensing authority pursuant to this Code.

1053 B. Zoning ordinances for all purposes shall consider a residential facility in which no more than 1054 eight aged, infirm or disabled persons reside, with one or more resident counselors or other staff persons, as residential occupancy by a single family. No conditions more restrictive than those imposed 1055 1056 on residences occupied by persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption shall be imposed on such facility. For purposes of this subsection, "residential facility" means any assisted living facility or 1057 1058 residential facility in which aged, infirm or disabled persons reside with one or more resident counselors 1059 or other staff persons and for which the Department of Social Services is the licensing authority 1060 pursuant to this Code.

§ 16.1-241. Jurisdiction: consent for abortion.

1062 The judges of the juvenile and domestic relations district court elected or appointed under this law 1063 shall be conservators of the peace within the corporate limits of the cities and the boundaries of the 1064 counties for which they are respectively chosen and within one mile beyond the limits of such cities and 1065 counties. Except as hereinafter provided, each juvenile and domestic relations district court shall have, 1066 within the limits of the territory for which it is created, exclusive original jurisdiction, and within one 1067 mile beyond the limits of said city or county, concurrent jurisdiction with the juvenile court or courts of 1068 the adjoining city or county, over all cases, matters and proceedings involving:

A. The custody, visitation, support, control or disposition of a child:

1070 1. Who is alleged to be abused, neglected, in need of services, in need of supervision, a status 1071 offender, or delinquent except where the jurisdiction of the juvenile court has been terminated or 1072 divested:

1073 2. Who is abandoned by his parent or other custodian or who by reason of the absence or physical 1074 or mental incapacity of his parents is without parental care and guardianship;

1075 2a. Who is at risk of being abused or neglected by a parent or custodian who has been adjudicated 1076 as having abused or neglected another child in the care of the parent or custodian;

1077 3. Whose custody, visitation or support is a subject of controversy or requires determination. In such 1078 cases jurisdiction shall be concurrent with and not exclusive of courts having equity jurisdiction, except 1079 as provided in § 16.1-244;

1080 4. Who is the subject of an entrustment agreement entered into pursuant to § 63.2-903 or 63.2-1817 1081 or whose parent or parents for good cause desire to be relieved of his care and custody;

1082 5. Where the termination of residual parental rights and responsibilities is sought. In such cases 1083 jurisdiction shall be concurrent with and not exclusive of courts having equity jurisdiction, as provided 1084 in § 16.1-244; and 1085

6. Who is charged with a traffic infraction as defined in § 46.2-100.

1086 In any case in which the juvenile is alleged to have committed a violent juvenile felony enumerated 1087 in subsection B of § 16.1-269.1, and for any charges ancillary thereto, the jurisdiction of the juvenile 1088 court shall be limited to conducting a preliminary hearing to determine if there is probable cause to believe that the juvenile committed the act alleged and that the juvenile was 14 years of age or older at 1089 1090 the time of the commission of the alleged offense, and any matters related thereto. In any case in which the juvenile is alleged to have committed a violent juvenile felony enumerated in subsection C of § 16.1-269.1, and for all charges ancillary thereto, if the attorney for the Commonwealth has given 1091 1092 notice as provided in subsection C of § 16.1-269.1, the jurisdiction of the juvenile court shall be limited 1093 1094 to conducting a preliminary hearing to determine if there is probable cause to believe that the juvenile committed the act alleged and that the juvenile was 14 years of age or older at the time of the 1095 1096 commission of the alleged offense, and any matters related thereto. A determination by the juvenile 1097 court following a preliminary hearing pursuant to subsection B or C of § 16.1-269.1 to certify a charge 1098 to the grand jury shall divest the juvenile court of jurisdiction over the charge and any ancillary charge. 1099 In any case in which a transfer hearing is held pursuant to subsection A of § 16.1-269.1, if the juvenile 1100 court determines to transfer the case, jurisdiction of the juvenile court over the case shall be divested as 1101 provided in § 16.1-269.6.

1102 In all other cases involving delinquent acts, and in cases in which an ancillary charge remains after a 1103 violent juvenile felony charge has been dismissed or a violent juvenile felony has been reduced to a 1104 lesser offense not constituting a violent juvenile felony, the jurisdiction of the juvenile court shall not be 1105 divested unless there is a transfer pursuant to subsection A of § 16.1-269.1.

1106 The authority of the juvenile court to adjudicate matters involving the custody, visitation, support, 1107 control or disposition of a child shall not be limited to the consideration of petitions filed by a mother, 1108 father or legal guardian but shall include petitions filed at any time by any party with a legitimate 1109 interest therein. A party with a legitimate interest shall be broadly construed and shall include, but not 1110 be limited to, grandparents, stepparents, former stepparents, blood relatives and family members. A party 1111 with a legitimate interest shall not include any person (i) whose parental rights have been terminated by 1112 court order, either voluntarily or involuntarily, (ii) whose interest in the child derives from or through a 1113 person whose parental rights have been terminated by court order, either voluntarily or involuntarily, 1114 including, but not limited to, grandparents, stepparents, former stepparents, blood relatives and family 1115 members, if the child subsequently has been legally adopted, except where a final order of adoption is 1116 entered pursuant to § 63.2-1241, or (iii) who has been convicted of a violation of subsection A of 1117 § 18.2-61, § 18.2-63, subsection B of § 18.2-366, or an equivalent offense of another state, the United 1118 States, or any foreign jurisdiction, when the child who is the subject of the petition was conceived as a 1119 result of such violation. The authority of the juvenile court to consider a petition involving the custody 1120 of a child shall not be proscribed or limited where the child has previously been awarded to the custody 1121 of a local board of social services.

1122 B. The admission of minors for inpatient treatment in a mental health facility in accordance with the 1123 provisions of Article 16 (§ 16.1-335 et seq.) of this chapter and the involuntary admission of a person 1124 with mental illness or judicial certification of eligibility for admission to a training center for persons 1125 with mental retardation intellectual disability in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 1 1126 (§ 37.2-100 et seq.) and Chapter 8 (§ 37.2-800 et seq.) of Title 37.2. Jurisdiction of the involuntary 1127 admission and certification of adults shall be concurrent with the general district court.

1128 C. Except as provided in subsections D and H hereof, judicial consent to such activities as may require parental consent may be given for a child who has been separated from his parents, guardian, 1129 1130 legal custodian or other person standing in loco parentis and is in the custody of the court when such 1131 consent is required by law.

1132 D. Judicial consent for emergency surgical or medical treatment for a child who is neither married nor has ever been married, when the consent of his parent, guardian, legal custodian or other person 1133 1134 standing in loco parentis is unobtainable because such parent, guardian, legal custodian or other person 1135 standing in loco parentis (i) is not a resident of the Commonwealth, (ii) has his whereabouts unknown, 1136 (iii) cannot be consulted with promptness, reasonable under the circumstances, or (iv) fails to give such 1137 consent or provide such treatment when requested by the judge to do so.

1138 E. Any person charged with deserting, abandoning or failing to provide support for any person in 1139 violation of law. 1140

F. Any parent, guardian, legal custodian or other person standing in loco parentis of a child:

1. Who has been abused or neglected;

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1142 2. Who is the subject of an entrustment agreement entered into pursuant to § 63.2-903 or 63.2-1817 1143 or is otherwise before the court pursuant to subdivision A 4 of this section; or

1144 3. Who has been adjudicated in need of services, in need of supervision, or delinquent, if the court 1145 finds that such person has by overt act or omission induced, caused, encouraged or contributed to the 1146 conduct of the child complained of in the petition.

1147 G. Petitions filed by or on behalf of a child or such child's parent, guardian, legal custodian or other 1148 person standing in loco parentis for the purpose of obtaining treatment, rehabilitation or other services 1149 that are required by law to be provided for that child or such child's parent, guardian, legal custodian or 1150 other person standing in loco parentis. Jurisdiction in such cases shall be concurrent with and not 1151 exclusive of that of courts having equity jurisdiction as provided in § 16.1-244.

1152 H. Judicial consent to apply for a work permit for a child when such child is separated from his 1153 parents, legal guardian or other person standing in loco parentis.

1154 I. The prosecution and punishment of persons charged with ill-treatment, abuse, abandonment or 1155 neglect of children or with any violation of law that causes or tends to cause a child to come within the 1156 purview of this law, or with any other offense against the person of a child. In prosecution for felonies 1157 over which the court has jurisdiction, jurisdiction shall be limited to determining whether or not there is 1158 probable cause.

1159 J. All offenses in which one family or household member is charged with an offense in which 1160 another family or household member is the victim and all offenses under § 18.2-49.1.

1161 In prosecution for felonies over which the court has jurisdiction, jurisdiction shall be limited to 1162 determining whether or not there is probable cause. Any objection based on jurisdiction under this 1163 subsection shall be made before a jury is impaneled and sworn in a jury trial or, in a nonjury trial, 1164 before the earlier of when the court begins to hear or receive evidence or the first witness is sworn, or it 1165 shall be conclusively waived for all purposes. Any such objection shall not affect or be grounds for challenging directly or collaterally the jurisdiction of the court in which the case is tried. 1166

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1167 K. Petitions filed by a natural parent, whose parental rights to a child have been voluntarily 1168 relinquished pursuant to a court proceeding, to seek a reversal of the court order terminating such parental rights. No such petition shall be accepted, however, after the child has been placed in the home 1169 1170 of adoptive parents.

1171 L. Any person who seeks spousal support after having separated from his spouse. A decision under 1172 this subdivision shall not be res judicata in any subsequent action for spousal support in a circuit court. 1173 A circuit court shall have concurrent original jurisdiction in all causes of action under this subdivision.

1174 M. Petitions filed for the purpose of obtaining an order of protection pursuant to § 16.1-253.1 or 1175 16.1-279.1.

1176 N. Any person who escapes or remains away without proper authority from a residential care facility 1177 in which he had been placed by the court or as a result of his commitment to the Virginia Department 1178 of Juvenile Justice. 1179

O. Petitions for emancipation of a minor pursuant to Article 15 (§ 16.1-331 et seq.) of this chapter.

1180 P. Petitions for enforcement of administrative support orders entered pursuant to Chapter 19 1181 (§ 63.2-1900 et seq.) of Title 63.2, or by another state in the same manner as if the orders were entered 1182 by a juvenile and domestic relations district court upon the filing of a certified copy of such order in the 1183 juvenile and domestic relations district court.

Q. Petitions for a determination of parentage pursuant to Chapter 3.1 (§ 20-49.1 et seq.) of Title 20. 1184 1185 A circuit court shall have concurrent original jurisdiction to the extent provided for in § 20-49.2. 1186

R. Petitions for the purpose of obtaining an emergency protective order pursuant to § 16.1-253.4. 1187

S. Petitions filed by school boards against parents pursuant to §§ 16.1-241.2 and 22.1-279.3.

1188 T. Petitions to enforce any request for information or subpoena that is not complied with or to 1189 review any refusal to issue a subpoena in an administrative appeal regarding child abuse and neglect 1190 pursuant to § 63.2-1526.

1191 U. Petitions filed in connection with parental placement adoption consent hearings pursuant to 1192 § 63.2-1233. Such proceedings shall be advanced on the docket so as to be heard by the court within 10 1193 days of filing of the petition, or as soon thereafter as practicable so as to provide the earliest possible 1194 disposition.

V. Petitions filed by a juvenile seeking judicial authorization for a physician to perform an abortion 1195 1196 if a minor elects not to seek consent of an authorized person.

1197 After a hearing, a judge shall issue an order authorizing a physician to perform an abortion, without 1198 the consent of any authorized person, if he finds that (i) the minor is mature enough and well enough 1199 informed to make her abortion decision, in consultation with her physician, independent of the wishes of 1200 any authorized person, or (ii) the minor is not mature enough or well enough informed to make such 1201 decision, but the desired abortion would be in her best interest.

1202 If the judge authorizes an abortion based on the best interests of the minor, such order shall 1203 expressly state that such authorization is subject to the physician or his agent giving notice of intent to perform the abortion; however, no such notice shall be required if the judge finds that such notice would 1204 1205 not be in the best interest of the minor. In determining whether notice is in the best interest of the 1206 minor, the judge shall consider the totality of the circumstances; however, he shall find that notice is not 1207 in the best interest of the minor if he finds that (i) one or more authorized persons with whom the 1208 minor regularly and customarily resides is abusive or neglectful, and (ii) every other authorized person, 1209 if any, is either abusive or neglectful or has refused to accept responsibility as parent, legal guardian, 1210 custodian or person standing in loco parentis.

1211 The minor may participate in the court proceedings on her own behalf, and the court may appoint a 1212 guardian ad litem for the minor. The court shall advise the minor that she has a right to counsel and 1213 shall, upon her request, appoint counsel for her.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the provisions of this subsection shall govern 1214 proceedings relating to consent for a minor's abortion. Court proceedings under this subsection and 1215 1216 records of such proceedings shall be confidential. Such proceedings shall be given precedence over other 1217 pending matters so that the court may reach a decision promptly and without delay in order to serve the 1218 best interests of the minor. Court proceedings under this subsection shall be heard and decided as soon 1219 as practicable but in no event later than four days after the petition is filed.

1220 An expedited confidential appeal to the circuit court shall be available to any minor for whom the 1221 court denies an order authorizing an abortion without consent or without notice. Any such appeal shall 1222 be heard and decided no later than five days after the appeal is filed. The time periods required by this 1223 subsection shall be subject to subsection B of § 1-210. An order authorizing an abortion without consent 1224 or without notice shall not be subject to appeal. 1225

No filing fees shall be required of the minor at trial or upon appeal.

1226 If either the original court or the circuit court fails to act within the time periods required by this 1227 subsection, the court before which the proceeding is pending shall immediately authorize a physician to 1228 perform the abortion without consent of or notice to an authorized person.

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1229 Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to authorize a physician to perform an 1230 abortion on a minor in circumstances or in a manner that would be unlawful if performed on an adult 1231 woman.

1232 A physician shall not knowingly perform an abortion upon an unemancipated minor unless consent 1233 has been obtained or the minor delivers to the physician a court order entered pursuant to this section 1234 and the physician or his agent provides such notice as such order may require. However, neither consent 1235 nor judicial authorization nor notice shall be required if the minor declares that she is abused or 1236 neglected and the attending physician has reason to suspect that the minor may be an abused or 1237 neglected child as defined in § 63.2-100 and reports the suspected abuse or neglect in accordance with 1238 § 63.2-1509; or if there is a medical emergency, in which case the attending physician shall certify the 1239 facts justifying the exception in the minor's medical record.

1240 For purposes of this subsection:

1241 "Authorization" means the minor has delivered to the physician a notarized, written statement signed 1242 by an authorized person that the authorized person knows of the minor's intent to have an abortion and 1243 consents to such abortion being performed on the minor.

1244 "Authorized person" means (i) a parent or duly appointed legal guardian or custodian of the minor or 1245 (ii) a person standing in loco parentis, including, but not limited to, a grandparent or adult sibling with 1246 whom the minor regularly and customarily resides and who has care and control of the minor. Any 1247 person who knows he is not an authorized person and who knowingly and willfully signs an 1248 authorization statement consenting to an abortion for a minor is guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.

1249 "Consent" means that (i) the physician has given notice of intent to perform the abortion and has 1250 received authorization from an authorized person, or (ii) at least one authorized person is present with 1251 the minor seeking the abortion and provides written authorization to the physician, which shall be 1252 witnessed by the physician or an agent thereof. In either case, the written authorization shall be 1253 incorporated into the minor's medical record and maintained as a part thereof.

1254 "Medical emergency" means any condition which, on the basis of the physician's good faith clinical 1255 judgment, so complicates the medical condition of the pregnant minor as to necessitate the immediate 1256 abortion of her pregnancy to avert her death or for which a delay will create a serious risk of substantial 1257 and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function.

1258 "Notice of intent to perform the abortion" means that (i) the physician or his agent has given actual 1259 notice of his intention to perform such abortion to an authorized person, either in person or by 1260 telephone, at least 24 hours previous to the performance of the abortion; or (ii) the physician or his 1261 agent, after a reasonable effort to notify an authorized person, has mailed notice to an authorized person 1262 by certified mail, addressed to such person at his usual place of abode, with return receipt requested, at 1263 least 72 hours prior to the performance of the abortion.

1264 "Perform an abortion" means to interrupt or terminate a pregnancy by any surgical or nonsurgical 1265 procedure or to induce a miscarriage as provided in § 18.2-72, 18.2-73, or 18.2-74.

1266 "Unemancipated minor" means a minor who has not been emancipated by (i) entry into a valid 1267 marriage, even though the marriage may have been terminated by dissolution; (ii) active duty with any 1268 of the Armed Forces of the United States; (iii) willingly living separate and apart from his or her 1269 parents or guardian, with the consent or acquiescence of the parents or guardian; or (iv) entry of an 1270 order of emancipation pursuant to Article 15 (§ 16.1-331 et seq.) of this chapter.

1271 W. Petitions filed pursuant to Article 17 (§ 16.1-349 et seq.) of this chapter relating to standby 1272 guardians for minor children.

1273 The ages specified in this law refer to the age of the child at the time of the acts complained of in 1274 the petition.

1275 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no fees shall be charged by a sheriff for the service of 1276 any process in a proceeding pursuant to subdivision A = 3 of subsection A, except as provided in subdivision A 6 of § 17.1-272, or subsection B, D, M or R of this section. 1277

1278 Notwithstanding the provisions of § 18.2-71, any physician who performs an abortion in violation of 1279 subsection V shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor. 1280

§ 16.1-269.1. Trial in circuit court; preliminary hearing; direct indictment; remand.

1281 A. Except as provided in subsections B and C, if a juvenile fourteen 14 years of age or older at the 1282 time of an alleged offense is charged with an offense which would be a felony if committed by an 1283 adult, the court shall, on motion of the attorney for the Commonwealth and prior to a hearing on the 1284 merits, hold a transfer hearing and may retain jurisdiction or transfer such juvenile for proper criminal 1285 proceedings to the appropriate circuit court having criminal jurisdiction of such offenses if committed by 1286 an adult. Any transfer to the appropriate circuit court shall be subject to the following conditions:

1287 1. Notice as prescribed in §§ 16.1-263 and 16.1-264 shall be given to the juvenile and his parent, 1288 guardian, legal custodian or other person standing in loco parentis; or attorney;

1289 2. The juvenile court finds that probable cause exists to believe that the juvenile committed the

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1290 delinquent act as alleged or a lesser included delinquent act which would be a felony if committed by 1291 an adult;

1292 3. The juvenile is competent to stand trial. The juvenile is presumed to be competent and the burden 1293 is on the party alleging the juvenile is not competent to rebut the presumption by a preponderance of the 1294 evidence: and

1295 4. The court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the juvenile is not a proper person to 1296 remain within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court. In determining whether a juvenile is a proper person 1297 to remain within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, the court shall consider, but not be limited to, the 1298 following factors: 1299

a. The juvenile's age;

1300 b. The seriousness and number of alleged offenses, including (i) whether the alleged offense was 1301 committed in an aggressive, violent, premeditated, or willful manner; (ii) whether the alleged offense 1302 was against persons or property, with greater weight being given to offenses against persons, especially 1303 if death or bodily injury resulted; (iii) whether the maximum punishment for such an offense is greater 1304 than twenty 20 years confinement if committed by an adult; (iv) whether the alleged offense involved 1305 the use of a firearm or other dangerous weapon by brandishing, threatening, displaying or otherwise 1306 employing such weapon; and (v) the nature of the juvenile's participation in the alleged offense;

1307 c. Whether the juvenile can be retained in the juvenile justice system long enough for effective 1308 treatment and rehabilitation;

1309 d. The appropriateness and availability of the services and dispositional alternatives in both the 1310 criminal justice and juvenile justice systems for dealing with the juvenile's problems;

1311 e. The record and previous history of the juvenile in this or other jurisdictions, including (i) the 1312 number and nature of previous contacts with juvenile or circuit courts, (ii) the number and nature of prior periods of probation, (iii) the number and nature of prior commitments to juvenile correctional 1313 1314 centers, (iv) the number and nature of previous residential and community-based treatments, (v) whether 1315 previous adjudications and commitments were for delinquent acts that involved the infliction of serious 1316 bodily injury, and (vi) whether the alleged offense is part of a repetitive pattern of similar adjudicated 1317 offenses:

1318 f. Whether the juvenile has previously absconded from the legal custody of a juvenile correctional 1319 entity in this or any other jurisdiction:

1320 g. The extent, if any, of the juvenile's degree of mental retardation intellectual disability or mental 1321 illness: 1322

h. The juvenile's school record and education;

i. The juvenile's mental and emotional maturity; and

i. The juvenile's physical condition and physical maturity.

No transfer decision shall be precluded or reversed on the grounds that the court failed to consider 1325 1326 any of the factors specified in subdivision A 4 of this section.

1327 B. The juvenile court shall conduct a preliminary hearing whenever a juvenile fourteen 14 years of 1328 age or older is charged with murder in violation of §§ 18.2-31, 18.2-32, or § 18.2-40, or aggravated 1329 malicious wounding in violation of § 18.2-51.2.

1330 C. The juvenile court shall conduct a preliminary hearing whenever a juvenile fourteen 14 years of 1331 age or older is charged with murder in violation of § 18.2-33, felonious injury by mob in violation of 1332 § 18.2-41, abduction in violation of § 18.2-48, malicious wounding in violation of § 18.2-51, malicious 1333 wounding of a law-enforcement officer in violation of § 18.2-51.1, felonious poisoning in violation of § 18.2-54.1, adulteration of products in violation of § 18.2-54.2, robbery in violation of § 18.2-58 or 1334 carjacking in violation of § 18.2-58.1, rape in violation of § 18.2-61, forcible sodomy in violation of 1335 § 18.2-67.1 or object sexual penetration in violation of § 18.2-67.2, provided the attorney for the 1336 Commonwealth gives written notice of his intent to proceed pursuant to this subsection. The notice shall 1337 1338 be filed with the court and mailed or delivered to counsel for the juvenile or, if the juvenile is not then 1339 represented by counsel, to the juvenile and a parent, guardian or other person standing in loco parentis 1340 with respect to the juvenile at least seven days prior to the preliminary hearing. If the attorney for the 1341 Commonwealth elects not to give such notice, or if he elects to withdraw the notice prior to certification 1342 of the charge to the grand jury, he may proceed as provided in subsection A.

1343 D. Upon a finding of probable cause pursuant to a preliminary hearing under subsection B or C, the 1344 juvenile court shall certify the charge, and all ancillary charges, to the grand jury. Such certification 1345 shall divest the juvenile court of jurisdiction as to the charge and any ancillary charges. Nothing in this 1346 subsection shall divest the juvenile court of jurisdiction over any matters unrelated to such charge and 1347 ancillary charges which may otherwise be properly within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

1348 If the court does not find probable cause to believe that the juvenile has committed the violent 1349 juvenile felony as charged in the petition or warrant or if the petition or warrant is terminated by 1350 dismissal in the juvenile court, the attorney for the Commonwealth may seek a direct indictment in the 1351 circuit court. If the petition or warrant is terminated by nolle prosequi in the juvenile court, the attorney 1352 for the Commonwealth may seek an indictment only after a preliminary hearing in juvenile court.

1353 If the court finds that the juvenile was not fourteen 14 years of age or older at the time of the 1354 alleged commission of the offense or that the conditions specified in subdivision A 1, 2, or 3 of 1355 subsection A have not been met, the case shall proceed as otherwise provided for by law.

E. An indictment in the circuit court cures any error or defect in any proceeding held in the juvenile
court except with respect to the juvenile's age. If an indictment is terminated by nolle prosequi, the
Commonwealth may reinstate the proceeding by seeking a subsequent indictment.

1359 § 16.1-278.11. Mental illness and intellectual disability.

In cases involving a person who is involuntarily admitted because of a mental illness or is judicially certified as eligible for admission to a training center for persons with mental retardation intellectual disability, disposition shall be in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 1 (§ 37.2-100 et seq.) and Chapter 8 (§ 37.2-800 et seq.) of Title 37.2. A child shall not be committed pursuant to §§ 16.1-278.2 through 16.1-278.8 or the provisions of Title 37.2 to a maximum security unit within any state hospital where adults determined to be criminally insane reside.

§ 16.1-280. Commitment of juveniles with mental illness or intellectual disability.

When any juvenile court has found a juvenile to be in need of services or delinquent pursuant to the 1367 1368 provisions of this law and reasonably believes such juvenile has mental illness or mental retardation 1369 intellectual disability, the court may commit him to an appropriate hospital or order mandatory 1370 outpatient treatment in accordance with the provisions of Article 16 (§ 16.1-335 et seq.) of this chapter 1371 or admit him to a training center in accordance with the provisions of § 37.2-806 for observation as to 1372 his mental condition. No juvenile shall be committed pursuant to this section or Article 16 (§ 16.1-335 1373 et seq.) of this chapter to a maximum security unit within any state hospital where adults determined to be criminally insane reside. However, the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental 1374 1375 Services may place a juvenile who has been certified to the circuit court for trial as an adult pursuant to 1376 § 16.1-269.6 or 16.1-270 or who has been convicted as an adult of a felony in the circuit court in a unit 1377 appropriate for the care and treatment of persons under a criminal charge when, in his discretion, such 1378 placement is necessary to protect the security or safety of other patients, staff, or the public. The 1379 Commissioner shall notify the committing court of any placement in such unit. The committing court 1380 shall review the placement at thirty-day 30-day intervals.

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§ 16.1-283. Termination of residual parental rights.

1382 A. The residual parental rights of a parent or parents may be terminated by the court as hereinafter 1383 provided in a separate proceeding if the petition specifically requests such relief. No petition seeking 1384 termination of residual parental rights shall be accepted by the court prior to the filing of a foster care 1385 plan, pursuant to § 16.1-281, which documents termination of residual parental rights as being in the 1386 best interests of the child. The court may hear and adjudicate a petition for termination of parental rights 1387 in the same proceeding in which the court has approved a foster care plan which documents that 1388 termination is in the best interests of the child. The court may terminate the residual parental rights of one parent without affecting the rights of the other parent. The local board of social services or a 1389 1390 licensed child-placing agency need not have identified an available and eligible family to adopt a child for whom termination of parental rights is being sought prior to the entry of an order terminating 1391 1392 parental rights.

Any order terminating residual parental rights shall be accompanied by an order continuing or granting custody to a local board of social services, to a licensed child-placing agency or the granting of custody or guardianship to a relative or other interested individual, subject to the provisions of subsection A1 of this section. However, in such cases the court shall give a consideration to granting custody to relatives of the child, including grandparents. An order continuing or granting custody to a local board of social services or to a licensed child-placing agency shall indicate whether that board or agency shall have the authority to place the child for adoption and consent thereto.

1400 The summons shall be served upon the parent or parents and the other parties specified in 1401 § 16.1-263. Written notice of the hearing shall also be provided to the foster parents of the child, a 1402 relative providing care for the child, and any preadoptive parents for the child informing them that they 1403 may appear as witnesses at the hearing to give testimony and otherwise participate in the proceeding. 1404 The persons entitled to notice and an opportunity to be heard need not be made parties to the 1405 proceedings. The summons or notice of hearing shall clearly state the consequences of a termination of 1406 residual parental rights. Service shall be made pursuant to § 16.1-264.

A1. Any order transferring custody of the child to a relative or other interested individual pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be entered only upon a finding, based upon a preponderance of the evidence, that the relative or other interested individual is one who, after an investigation as directed by the court, (i) is found by the court to be willing and qualified to receive and care for the child; (ii) is willing to have a positive, continuous relationship with the child; (iii) is committed to providing a permanent, suitable home for the child; and (iv) is willing and has the ability to protect the child from

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abuse and neglect; and the order shall so state. The court's order transferring custody to a relative orother interested individual should further provide, as appropriate, for any terms and conditions whichwould promote the child's interest and welfare.

B. The residual parental rights of a parent or parents of a child found by the court to be neglected or abused and placed in foster care as a result of (i) court commitment; (ii) an entrustment agreement entered into by the parent or parents; or (iii) other voluntary relinquishment by the parent or parents may be terminated if the court finds, based upon clear and convincing evidence, that it is in the best interests of the child and that:

1421 1. The neglect or abuse suffered by such child presented a serious and substantial threat to his life,1422 health or development; and

1423 2. It is not reasonably likely that the conditions which resulted in such neglect or abuse can be
1424 substantially corrected or eliminated so as to allow the child's safe return to his parent or parents within
1425 a reasonable period of time. In making this determination, the court shall take into consideration the
1426 efforts made to rehabilitate the parent or parents by any public or private social, medical, mental health
1427 or other rehabilitative agencies prior to the child's initial placement in foster care.

1428 Proof of any of the following shall constitute prima facie evidence of the conditions set forth in subdivision B 2 hereof:

a. The parent or parents are suffering from have a mental or emotional illness or mental deficiency *intellectual disability* of such severity that there is no reasonable expectation that such parent will be
able to undertake responsibility for the care needed by the child in accordance with his age and stage of
development;

b. The parent or parents have habitually abused or are addicted to intoxicating liquors, narcotics or
other dangerous drugs to the extent that proper parental ability has been seriously impaired and the
parent, without good cause, has not responded to or followed through with recommended and available
treatment which could have improved the capacity for adequate parental functioning; or

c. The parent or parents, without good cause, have not responded to or followed through with
appropriate, available and reasonable rehabilitative efforts on the part of social, medical, mental health or
other rehabilitative agencies designed to reduce, eliminate or prevent the neglect or abuse of the child.

1441 C. The residual parental rights of a parent or parents of a child placed in foster care as a result of 1442 court commitment, an entrustment agreement entered into by the parent or parents or other voluntary 1443 relinquishment by the parent or parents may be terminated if the court finds, based upon clear and 1444 convincing evidence, that it is in the best interests of the child and that:

1445 1. The parent or parents have, without good cause, failed to maintain continuing contact with and to 1446 provide or substantially plan for the future of the child for a period of six months after the child's 1447 placement in foster care notwithstanding the reasonable and appropriate efforts of social, medical, mental 1448 health or other rehabilitative agencies to communicate with the parent or parents and to strengthen the 1449 parent-child relationship. Proof that the parent or parents have failed without good cause to communicate 1450 on a continuing and planned basis with the child for a period of six months shall constitute prima facie 1451 evidence of this condition; or

1452 2. The parent or parents, without good cause, have been unwilling or unable within a reasonable 1453 period of time not to exceed twelve 12 months from the date the child was placed in foster care to 1454 remedy substantially the conditions which led to or required continuation of the child's foster care 1455 placement, notwithstanding the reasonable and appropriate efforts of social, medical, mental health or 1456 other rehabilitative agencies to such end. Proof that the parent or parents, without good cause, have failed or been unable to make substantial progress towards elimination of the conditions which led to or 1457 1458 required continuation of the child's foster care placement in accordance with their obligations under and 1459 within the time limits or goals set forth in a foster care plan filed with the court or any other plan 1460 jointly designed and agreed to by the parent or parents and a public or private social, medical, mental 1461 health or other rehabilitative agency shall constitute prima facie evidence of this condition. The court 1462 shall take into consideration the prior efforts of such agencies to rehabilitate the parent or parents prior 1463 to the placement of the child in foster care.

1464 D. The residual parental rights of a parent or parents of a child found by the court to be neglected or
1465 abused upon the ground of abandonment may be terminated if the court finds, based upon clear and
1466 convincing evidence, that it is in the best interests of the child and that:

1467 1. The child was abandoned under such circumstances that either the identity or the whereabouts of1468 the parent or parents cannot be determined; and

1469 2. The child's parent or parents, guardian or relatives have not come forward to identify such child
1470 and claim a relationship to the child within three months following the issuance of an order by the court
1471 placing the child in foster care; and

3. Diligent efforts have been made to locate the child's parent or parents without avail.

1473 E. The residual parental rights of a parent or parents of a child who is in the custody of a local 1474 board or licensed child-placing agency may be terminated by the court if the court finds, based upon

clear and convincing evidence, that it is in the best interests of the child and that (i) the residual 1475 1476 parental rights of the parent regarding a sibling of the child have previously been involuntarily 1477 terminated; (ii) the parent has been convicted of an offense under the laws of this the Commonwealth or 1478 a substantially similar law of any other state, the United States or any foreign jurisdiction that 1479 constitutes murder or voluntary manslaughter, or a felony attempt, conspiracy or solicitation to commit 1480 any such offense, if the victim of the offense was a child of the parent, a child with whom the parent 1481 resided at the time such offense occurred or the other parent of the child; (iii) the parent has been 1482 convicted of an offense under the laws of this the Commonwealth or a substantially similar law of any 1483 other state, the United States or any foreign jurisdiction that constitutes felony assault resulting in serious bodily injury or felony bodily wounding resulting in serious bodily injury or felony sexual 1484 1485 assault, if the victim of the offense was a child of the parent or a child with whom the parent resided at 1486 the time of such offense; or (iv) the parent has subjected any child to aggravated circumstances. As used in this section:

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1488 "Aggravated circumstances" means torture, chronic or severe abuse, or chronic or severe sexual 1489 abuse, if the victim of such conduct was a child of the parent or a child with whom the parent resided 1490 at the time such conduct occurred, including the failure to protect such a child from such conduct, 1491 which conduct or failure to protect: (i) evinces a wanton or depraved indifference to human life, or (ii) 1492 has resulted in the death of such a child or in serious bodily injury to such a child.

1493 "Chronic abuse" or "chronic sexual abuse" means recurring acts of physical abuse which place the 1494 child's health, safety and well-being at risk.

1495 "Serious bodily injury" means bodily injury that involves substantial risk of death, extreme physical 1496 pain, protracted and obvious disfigurement, or protracted loss or impairment of the function of a bodily 1497 member, organ or mental faculty.

1498 "Severe abuse" or "severe sexual abuse" may include an act or omission that occurred only once, but 1499 otherwise meets the definition of "aggravated circumstances."

1500 The local board or other child welfare agency having custody of the child shall not be required by 1501 the court to make reasonable efforts to reunite the child with a parent who has been convicted of one of 1502 the felonies specified in this subsection or who has been found by the court to have subjected any child 1503 to aggravated circumstances.

1504 F. The local board or licensed child-placing agency to which authority is given to place the child for 1505 adoption and consent thereto after an order terminating parental rights is entered shall file a written 1506 Adoption Progress Report with the juvenile court on the progress being made to place the child in an 1507 adoptive home. The report shall be filed with the court every six months from the date of the final order 1508 terminating parental rights until a final order of adoption is entered on behalf of the child in the circuit 1509 court. At the conclusion of the hearing at which termination of parental rights is ordered and authority is 1510 given to the local board or licensed child-placing agency to place the child for adoption, the juvenile court shall schedule a date by which the board or agency shall file the first written Adoption Progress 1511 Report required by this section. A copy of the Adoption Progress Report shall be sent by the court to 1512 1513 the guardian ad litem for the child. The court may schedule a hearing on the report with or without the 1514 request of a party.

1515 G. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, residual parental rights shall not be 1516 terminated if it is established that the child, if he is fourteen 14 years of age or older or otherwise of an 1517 age of discretion as determined by the court, objects to such termination. However, residual parental 1518 rights of a child fourteen 14 years of age or older may be terminated over the objection of the child, if 1519 the court finds that any disability of the child reduces the child's developmental age and that the child is 1520 not otherwise of an age of discretion.

1521 § 16.1-336. Definitions.

1522 When used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

1523 "Community services board" has the same meaning as provided in § 37.2-100. Whenever the term 1524 community services board appears, it shall include behavioral health authority, as that term is defined in 1525 § 37.2-100.

1526 "Consent" means the voluntary, express, and informed agreement to treatment in a mental health 1527 facility by a minor 14 years of age or older and by a parent or a legally authorized custodian.

1528 "Designee of the local community services board" means an examiner designated by the local 1529 community services board who (i) is skilled in the assessment and treatment of mental illness, (ii) has 1530 completed a certification program approved by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental 1531 Services, (iii) is able to provide an independent examination of the minor, (iv) is not related by blood, 1532 marriage, or adoption to, or is not the legal guardian of, the minor being evaluated, (v) has no financial 1533 interest in the admission or treatment of the minor being evaluated, (vi) has no investment interest in the 1534 facility detaining or admitting the minor under this article, and (vii) except for employees of state hospitals and of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, is not employed by the facility. 1535

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1536 "Employee" means an employee of the local community services board who is skilled in the
1537 assessment and treatment of mental illness and has completed a certification program approved by the
1538 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

1539 "Incapable of making an informed decision" means unable to understand the nature, extent, or
1540 probable consequences of a proposed treatment or unable to make a rational evaluation of the risks and
1541 benefits of the proposed treatment as compared with the risks and benefits of alternatives to the
1542 treatment. Persons with dysphasia or other communication disorders who are mentally competent and
1543 able to communicate shall not be considered incapable of giving informed consent.

1544 "Inpatient treatment" means placement for observation, diagnosis, or treatment of mental illness in a
1545 psychiatric hospital or in any other type of mental health facility determined by the Department of
1546 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to be substantially similar to a psychiatric hospital with
1547 respect to restrictions on freedom and therapeutic intrusiveness.

1548 "Investment interest" means the ownership or holding of an equity or debt security, including shares
1549 of stock in a corporation, interests or units of a partnership, bonds, debentures, notes, or other equity or
1550 debt instruments.

"Judge" means a juvenile and domestic relations district judge. In addition, "judge" includes a retired
judge sitting by designation pursuant to § 16.1-69.35, substitute judge, or special justice authorized by
§ 37.2-803 who has completed a training program regarding the provisions of this article, prescribed by
the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court.

1555 "Least restrictive alternative" means the treatment and conditions of treatment which, separately and
1556 in combination, are no more intrusive or restrictive of freedom than reasonably necessary to achieve a
1557 substantial therapeutic benefit or to protect the minor or others from physical injury.

1558 "Mental health facility" means a public or private facility for the treatment of mental illness operated1559 or licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

1560 "Mental illness" means a substantial disorder of the minor's cognitive, volitional, or emotional 1561 processes that demonstrably and significantly impairs judgment or capacity to recognize reality or to control behavior. "Mental illness" may include substance abuse, which is the use, without compelling 1562 1563 medical reason, of any substance which results in psychological or physiological dependency as a 1564 function of continued use in such a manner as to induce mental, emotional, or physical impairment and 1565 cause socially dysfunctional or socially disordering behavior. Mental retardation Intellectual disability, 1566 head injury, a learning disability, or a seizure disorder is not sufficient, in itself, to justify a finding of 1567 mental illness within the meaning of this article.

"Minor" means a person less than 18 years of age.

1569 "Parent" means (i) a biological or adoptive parent who has legal custody of the minor, including 1570 either parent if custody is shared under a joint decree or agreement, (ii) a biological or adoptive parent 1571 with whom the minor regularly resides, (iii) a person judicially appointed as a legal guardian of the 1572 minor, or (iv) a person who exercises the rights and responsibilities of legal custody by delegation from a biological or adoptive parent, upon provisional adoption or otherwise by operation of law. The director 1574 of the local department of social services, or his designee, may stand as the minor's parent when the minor is in the legal custody of the local department of social services.

"Qualified evaluator" means a psychiatrist or a psychologist licensed in Virginia by either the Board 1576 of Medicine or the Board of Psychology, or if such psychiatrist or psychologist is unavailable, (i) any 1577 1578 mental health professional licensed in Virginia through the Department of Health Professions as a 1579 clinical social worker, professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, psychiatric nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist, or (ii) any mental health professional employed by a community 1580 services board. All qualified evaluators shall (a) be skilled in the diagnosis and treatment of mental 1581 illness in minors, (b) be familiar with the provisions of this article, and (c) have completed a 1582 certification program approved by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. 1583 1584 The qualified evaluator shall (1) not be related by blood, marriage, or adoption to, or is not the legal 1585 guardian of, the minor being evaluated, (2) not be responsible for treating the minor, (3) have no 1586 financial interest in the admission or treatment of the minor, (4) have no investment interest in the 1587 facility detaining or admitting the minor under this article, and (5) except for employees of state 1588 hospitals, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and community services boards, not be employed by 1589 the facility.

1590 "Treatment" means any planned intervention intended to improve a minor's functioning in those areas1591 which show impairment as a result of mental illness.

1592 § 16.1-361. Compensation of experts.

Each psychiatrist, clinical psychologist, licensed clinical social worker, licensed professional counselor, licensed marriage and family therapist, or other expert appointed by the court to render professional service pursuant to § 16.1-356, shall receive a reasonable fee for such service. With the exception of services provided by state mental health or mental retardation facilities hospitals or training centers, the fee shall be determined in each instance by the court that appointed the expert, in

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1598 accordance with guidelines established by the Supreme Court after consultation with the Department of 1599 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. If any such expert is required to appear as a witness in 1600 any hearing held pursuant to § 16.1-356, he shall receive mileage and a fee of \$100 for each day during 1601 which he is required to serve. An itemized account of expenses, duly sworn to, must be presented to the 1602 court, and when allowed shall be certified to the Supreme Court for payment out of the state treasury, 1603 and be charged against the appropriations made to pay criminal charges. Allowance for the fee and for 1604 the per diem authorized shall also be made by order of the court, duly certified to the Supreme Court 1605 for payment out of the appropriation to pay criminal charges.

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§ 18.2-369. Abuse and neglect of incapacitated adults; penalty.

A. It shall be unlawful for any responsible person to abuse or neglect any incapacitated adult as
defined in this section. Any responsible person who abuses or neglects an incapacitated adult in
violation of this section and the abuse or neglect does not result in serious bodily injury or disease to
the incapacitated adult is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Any responsible person who is convicted of
a second or subsequent offense under this subsection is guilty of a Class 6 felony.

B. Any responsible person who abuses or neglects an incapacitated adult in violation of this section and the abuse or neglect results in serious bodily injury or disease to the incapacitated adult is guilty of a Class 4 felony. Any responsible person who abuses or neglects an incapacitated adult in violation of this section and the abuse or neglect results in the death of the incapacitated adult is guilty of a Class 3 felony.

1617 C. For purposes of this section:

1618 "Abuse" means (i) knowing and willful conduct that causes physical injury or pain or (ii) knowing
1619 and willful use of physical restraint, including confinement, as punishment, for convenience or as a
1620 substitute for treatment, except where such conduct or physical restraint, including confinement, is a part
1621 of care or treatment and is in furtherance of the health and safety of the incapacitated person.

1622 "Incapacitated adult" means any person 18 years of age or older who is impaired by reason of mental
1623 illness, mental retardation intellectual disability, physical illness or disability, advanced age or other
1624 causes to the extent the adult lacks sufficient understanding or capacity to make, communicate or carry
1625 out reasonable decisions concerning his well-being.

1626 "Neglect" means the knowing and willful failure by a responsible person to provide treatment, care, goods or services which results in injury to the health or endangers the safety of an incapacitated adult.

1628 "Responsible person" means a person who has responsibility for the care, custody or control of an incapacitated person by operation of law or who has assumed such responsibility voluntarily, by contract or in fact.

1631 "Serious bodily injury or disease" shall include but not be limited to (i) disfigurement, (ii) a fracture, (iii) a severe burn or laceration, (iv) mutilation, (v) maiming, or (vi) life-threatening internal injuries or conditions, whether or not caused by trauma.

1634 D. No responsible person shall be in violation of this section whose conduct was (i) in accordance 1635 with the informed consent of the incapacitated person or a person authorized to consent on his behalf; 1636 (ii) in accordance with a declaration by the incapacitated person under the Natural Death Act of Virginia 1637 (§ 54.1-2981 et seq.) or with the provisions of a valid medical power of attorney; (iii) in accordance 1638 with the wishes of the incapacitated person or a person authorized to consent on behalf of the 1639 incapacitated person and in accord with the tenets and practices of a church or religious denomination; 1640 (iv) incident to necessary movement of, placement of or protection from harm to the incapacitated 1641 person; or (v) a bona fide, recognized or approved practice to provide medical care.

1642 § 19.2-123. Release of accused on secured or unsecured bond or promise to appear; conditions of release.

A. Any person arrested for a felony who has previously been convicted of a felony, or who is presently on bond for an unrelated arrest in any jurisdiction, or who is on probation or parole, may be released only upon a secure bond. This provision may be waived with the approval of the judicial officer and with the concurrence of the attorney for the Commonwealth or the attorney for the county, city or town. Subject to the foregoing, when a person is arrested for either a felony or a misdemeanor, any judicial officer may impose any one or any combination of the following conditions of release:

1650 1. Place the person in the custody and supervision of a designated person, organization or pretrial
1651 services agency which, for the purposes of this section, shall not include a court services unit established
1652 pursuant to § 16.1-233;

1653 2. Place restrictions on the travel, association or place of abode of the person during the period of release and restrict contacts with household members for a period not to exceed 72 hours;

1655 2a. Require the execution of an unsecured bond;

1656 3. Require the execution of a secure bond which at the option of the accused shall be satisfied with sufficient solvent sureties, or the deposit of cash in lieu thereof. Only the actual value of any interest in real estate or personal property owned by the proposed surety shall be considered in determining

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1659 solvency and solvency shall be found if the value of the proposed surety's equity in the real estate or 1660 personal property equals or exceeds the amount of the bond;

1661 3a. Require that the person do any or all of the following: (i) maintain employment or, if 1662 unemployed, actively seek employment; (ii) maintain or commence an educational program; (iii) avoid all contact with an alleged victim of the crime and with any potential witness who may testify 1663 1664 concerning the offense; (iv) comply with a specified curfew; (v) refrain from possessing a firearm, 1665 destructive device, or other dangerous weapon; (vi) refrain from excessive use of alcohol, or use of any 1666 illegal drug or any controlled substance not prescribed by a health care provider; and (vii) submit to testing for drugs and alcohol until the final disposition of his case; 1667

3b. Place a prohibition on a person who holds an elected constitutional office and who is accused of 1668 1669 a felony arising from the performance of his duties from physically returning to his constitutional office: 1670 or

4. Impose any other condition deemed reasonably necessary to assure appearance as required, and to 1671 1672 assure his good behavior pending trial, including a condition requiring that the person return to custody 1673 after specified hours or be placed on home electronic incarceration pursuant to § 53.1-131.2 or, when the 1674 person is required to execute a secured bond, be subject to monitoring by a GPS (Global Positioning 1675 System) tracking device, or other similar device. The defendant may be ordered by the court to pay the 1676 cost of the device.

Upon satisfaction of the terms of recognizance, the accused shall be released forthwith.

1678 In addition, where the accused is a resident of an individual receiving services in a state training center for the mentally retarded individuals with intellectual disability, the judicial officer may place the 1679 1680 person individual in the custody of the director of the state facility training center, if the director agrees 1681 to accept custody. Such The director is hereby authorized to take custody of such person the individual 1682 and to maintain him at the training center prior to a trial or hearing under such circumstances as will 1683 reasonably assure the appearance of the accused for the trial or hearing.

1684 B. In any jurisdiction served by a pretrial services agency which offers a drug or alcohol screening 1685 or testing program approved for the purposes of this subsection by the chief general district court judge, 1686 any such person charged with a crime may be requested by such agency to give voluntarily a urine sample, submit to a drug or alcohol screening, or take a breath test for presence of alcohol. A sample 1687 1688 may be analyzed for the presence of phencyclidine (PCP), barbiturates, cocaine, opiates or such other 1689 drugs as the agency may deem appropriate prior to any hearing to establish bail. The judicial officer and 1690 agency shall inform the accused or juvenile being screened or tested that test results shall be used by a 1691 judicial officer only at a bail hearing and only to determine appropriate conditions of release or to 1692 reconsider the conditions of bail at a subsequent hearing. All screening or test results, and any pretrial 1693 investigation report containing the screening or test results, shall be confidential with access thereto limited to judicial officers, the attorney for the Commonwealth, defense counsel, other pretrial service 1694 1695 agencies, any criminal justice agency as defined in § 9.1-101 and, in cases where a juvenile is screened 1696 or tested, the parents or legal guardian or custodian of such juvenile. However, in no event shall the 1697 judicial officer have access to any screening or test result prior to making a bail release determination or 1698 to determining the amount of bond, if any. Following this determination, the judicial officer shall 1699 consider the screening or test results and the screening or testing agency's report and accompanying 1700 recommendations, if any, in setting appropriate conditions of release. In no event shall a decision 1701 regarding a release determination be subject to reversal on the sole basis of such screening or test 1702 results. Any accused or juvenile whose urine sample has tested positive for such drugs and who is 1703 admitted to bail may, as a condition of release, be ordered to refrain from use of alcohol or illegal drugs and may be required to be tested on a periodic basis until final disposition of his case to ensure his 1704 1705 compliance with the order. Sanctions for a violation of any condition of release, which violations shall 1706 include subsequent positive drug or alcohol test results or failure to report as ordered for testing, may be 1707 imposed in the discretion of the judicial officer and may include imposition of more stringent conditions 1708 of release, contempt of court proceedings or revocation of release. Any test given under the provisions 1709 of this subsection which yields a positive drug or alcohol test result shall be reconfirmed by a second 1710 test if the person tested denies or contests the initial drug or alcohol test positive result. The results of 1711 any drug or alcohol test conducted pursuant to this subsection shall not be admissible in any judicial 1712 proceeding other than for the imposition of sanctions for a violation of a condition of release. 1713

C. [Repealed.]

1714 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent an officer taking a juvenile into custody from releasing that juvenile pursuant to § 16.1-247. If any condition of release imposed under the 1715 1716 provisions of this section is violated, a judicial officer may issue a capias or order to show cause why 1717 the recognizance should not be revoked.

1718 E. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent a court from imposing a recognizance or 1719 bond designed to secure a spousal or child support obligation pursuant to § 16.1-278.16, Chapter 5 1720 (§ 20-61 et seq.) of Title 20, or § 20-114 in addition to any recognizance or bond imposed pursuant to

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1722 § 19.2-182.2. Verdict of acquittal by reason of insanity to state the fact; temporary custody and 1723 evaluation.

1724 When the defense is insanity of the defendant at the time the offense was committed, the jurors shall 1725 be instructed, if they acquit him on that ground, to state the fact with their verdict. The court shall place 1726 the person so acquitted (the acquittee) in temporary custody of the Commissioner of Behavioral Health 1727 and Developmental Services (hereinafter referred to in this chapter as the Commissioner) for evaluation 1728 as to whether the acquittee may be released with or without conditions or requires commitment. The 1729 evaluation shall be conducted by (i) one psychiatrist and (ii) one clinical psychologist. The psychiatrist 1730 or clinical psychologist shall be skilled in the diagnosis of mental illness and mental retardation 1731 intellectual disability and qualified by training and experience to perform such evaluations. The 1732 Commissioner shall appoint both evaluators, at least one of whom shall not be employed by the hospital 1733 in which the acquittee is primarily confined. The evaluators shall determine whether the acquittee 1734 currently has mental illness or mental retardation intellectual disability and shall assess the acquittee and 1735 report on his condition and need for hospitalization with respect to the factors set forth in § 19.2-182.3. 1736 The evaluators shall conduct their examinations and report their findings separately within forty five 45 1737 days of the Commissioner's assumption of custody. Copies of the report shall be sent to the acquittee's 1738 attorney, the attorney for the Commonwealth for the jurisdiction where the person was acquitted and the 1739 community services board or behavioral health authority as designated by the Commissioner. If either 1740 evaluator recommends conditional release or release without conditions of the acquittee, the court shall 1741 extend the evaluation period to permit the hospital in which the acquittee is confined and the appropriate 1742 community services board or behavioral health authority to jointly prepare a conditional release or 1743 discharge plan, as applicable, prior to the hearing.

1744 § 19.2-182.3. Commitment; civil proceedings.

1745 Upon receipt of the evaluation report and, if applicable, a conditional release or discharge plan, the 1746 court shall schedule the matter for hearing on an expedited basis, giving the matter priority over other 1747 civil matters before the court, to determine the appropriate disposition of the acquittee. Except as 1748 otherwise ordered by the court, the attorney who represented the defendant at the criminal proceedings 1749 shall represent the acquittee through the proceedings pursuant to this section. The matter may be 1750 continued on motion of either party for good cause shown. The acquittee shall be provided with 1751 adequate notice of the hearing, of the right to be present at the hearing, the right to the assistance of 1752 counsel in preparation for and during the hearing, and the right to introduce evidence and cross-examine 1753 witnesses at the hearing. The hearing is a civil proceeding.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the court shall commit the acquittee if it finds that he has mental illness or mental retardation *intellectual disability* and is in need of inpatient hospitalization. For the purposes of this chapter, mental illness includes any mental illness, as defined in § 37.2-100, in a state of remission when the illness may, with reasonable probability, become active. The decision of the court shall be based upon consideration of the following factors:

1759 1. To what extent the acquittee has mental illness or mental retardation *intellectual disability*, as 1760 those terms are defined in § 37.2-100;

1761 2. The likelihood that the acquittee will engage in conduct presenting a substantial risk of bodily1762 harm to other persons or to himself in the foreseeable future;

1763 3. The likelihood that the acquittee can be adequately controlled with supervision and treatment on 1764 an outpatient basis; and

1765 4. Such other factors as the court deems relevant.

1766 If the court determines that an acquittee does not need inpatient hospitalization solely because of 1767 treatment or habilitation he is currently receiving, but the court is not persuaded that the acquittee will 1768 continue to receive such treatment or habilitation, it may commit him for inpatient hospitalization. The 1769 court shall order the acquittee released with conditions pursuant to §§ 19.2-182.7 through 19.2-182.9 if it 1770 finds that he is not in need of inpatient hospitalization but that he meets the criteria for conditional 1771 release set forth in § 19.2-182.7. If the court finds that the acquittee does not need inpatient 1772 hospitalization nor does he meet the criteria for conditional release, it shall release him without 1773 conditions, provided the court has approved a discharge plan prepared by the appropriate community 1774 services board or behavioral health authority in consultation with the appropriate hospital staff.

1775 § 19.2-182.8. Revocation of conditional release.

1776 If at any time the court that released an acquittee pursuant to § 19.2-182.7 finds reasonable ground to 1777 believe that an acquittee on conditional release (i) has violated the conditions of his release or is no 1778 longer a proper subject for conditional release based on application of the criteria for conditional release 1779 and (ii) requires inpatient hospitalization, it may order an evaluation of the acquittee by a psychiatrist or 1780 clinical psychologist, provided the psychiatrist or clinical psychologist is qualified by training and 1781 experience to perform forensic evaluations. If the court, based on the evaluation and after hearing

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1782 evidence on the issue, finds by a preponderance of the evidence that an acquittee on conditional release **1783** (i)(a) has violated the conditions of his release or is no longer a proper subject for conditional release **1784** based on application of the criteria for conditional release and (ii) is mentally ill or mentally retarded(b) **1785** has mental illness or intellectual disability and requires inpatient hospitalization, the court may revoke **1786** the acquittee's conditional release and order him returned to the custody of the Commissioner.

At any hearing pursuant to this section, the acquittee shall be provided with adequate notice of the hearing, of the right to be present at the hearing, the right to the assistance of counsel in preparation for and during the hearing, and the right to introduce evidence and cross-examine witnesses at the hearing.
The hearing shall be scheduled on an expedited basis and shall be given priority over other civil matters before the court. Written notice of the hearing shall be provided to the attorney for the Commonwealth for the committing jurisdiction. The hearing is a civil proceeding.

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§ 19.2-182.9. Emergency custody of conditionally released acquittee.

1794 When exigent circumstances do not permit compliance with revocation procedures set forth in 1795 § 19.2-182.8, any district court judge or a special justice, as defined in § 37.2-100, or a magistrate may 1796 issue an emergency custody order, upon the sworn petition of any responsible person or upon his own 1797 motion based upon probable cause to believe that an acquittee on conditional release (i) has violated the 1798 conditions of his release or is no longer a proper subject for conditional release and (ii) requires 1799 inpatient hospitalization. The emergency custody order shall require the acquittee within his judicial 1800 district to be taken into custody and transported to a convenient location where a person designated by 1801 the community services board or behavioral health authority who is skilled in the diagnosis and 1802 treatment of mental illness shall evaluate such acquittee and assess his need for inpatient hospitalization. 1803 A law-enforcement officer who, based on his observation or the reliable reports of others, has probable 1804 cause to believe that any acquittee on conditional release has violated the conditions of his release and is 1805 no longer a proper subject for conditional release and requires emergency evaluation to assess the need 1806 for inpatient hospitalization, may take the acquittee into custody and transport him to an appropriate 1807 location to assess the need for hospitalization without prior judicial authorization. The evaluation shall 1808 be conducted immediately. The acquittee shall remain in custody until a temporary detention order is 1809 issued or until he is released, but in no event shall the period of custody exceed four hours. However, 1810 upon a finding by a district court judge, special justice as defined in § 37.2-100, or magistrate that good 1811 cause exists to grant an extension, the district court judge, special justice, or magistrate shall extend the 1812 emergency custody order, or shall issue an order extending the period of emergency custody, one time 1813 for an additional period not to exceed two hours. Good cause for an extension includes the need for 1814 additional time to allow (a) the community services board to identify a suitable facility in which the 1815 person can be temporarily detained pursuant to this section or (b) a medical evaluation of the person to 1816 be completed if necessary. If it appears from all evidence readily available (i) that the acquittee has 1817 violated the conditions of his release or is no longer a proper subject for conditional release and (ii) that 1818 he requires emergency evaluation to assess the need for inpatient hospitalization, the district court judge 1819 or a special justice, as defined in § 37.2-100, or magistrate, upon the advice of such person skilled in 1820 the diagnosis and treatment of mental illness, may issue a temporary detention order authorizing the 1821 executing officer to place the acquittee in an appropriate institution for a period not to exceed 48 hours 1822 prior to a hearing. If the 48-hour period terminates on a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on 1823 which the court is lawfully closed, the acquittee may be detained until the next day which is not a 1824 Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which the court is lawfully closed.

1825 The committing court or any district court judge or a special justice, as defined in § 37.2-100, shall 1826 have jurisdiction to hear the matter. Prior to the hearing, the acquittee shall be examined by a 1827 psychiatrist or licensed clinical psychologist, provided the psychiatrist or clinical psychologist is skilled 1828 in the diagnosis of mental illness, who shall certify whether the person is in need of hospitalization. At 1829 the hearing the acquittee shall be provided with adequate notice of the hearing, of the right to be present 1830 at the hearing, the right to the assistance of counsel in preparation for and during the hearing, and the 1831 right to introduce evidence and cross-examine witnesses at the hearing. Following the hearing, if the 1832 court determines, based on a preponderance of the evidence presented at the hearing, that the acquittee 1833 (i) has violated the conditions of his release or is no longer a proper subject for conditional release and 1834 (ii) has mental illness or mental retardation intellectual disability and is in need of inpatient 1835 hospitalization, the court shall revoke the acquittee's conditional release and place him in the custody of 1836 the Commissioner.

1837 When an acquittee on conditional release pursuant to this chapter is taken into emergency custody,
1838 detained, or hospitalized, such action shall be considered to have been taken pursuant to this section, notwithstanding the fact that his status as an insanity acquittee was not known at the time of custody,
1840 detention, or hospitalization. Detention or hospitalization of an acquittee pursuant to provisions of law
1841 other than those applicable to insanity acquittees pursuant to this chapter shall not render the detention or hospitalization invalid. If a person's status as an insanity acquittee on conditional release is not recognized at the time of emergency custody or detention, at the time his status as such is verified, the

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1844 provisions applicable to such persons shall be applied and the court hearing the matter shall notify the 1845 committing court of the proceedings. 1846

§ 19.2-218.1. Preliminary hearings involving certain sexual crimes against spouses.

1847 A. In any preliminary hearing of a charge for a violation under § 18.2-61, 18.2-67.1, or 18.2-67.2 1848 where the complaining witness is the spouse of the accused, upon a finding of probable cause the court 1849 may request that its court services unit, in consultation with any appropriate social services organization, 1850 local board of mental health and mental retardation community services board, or other community 1851 mental health services organization, prepare a report analyzing the feasibility of providing counseling or 1852 other forms of therapy for the accused and the probability such treatment will be successful. Based upon 1853 this report and any other relevant evidence, the court may, with the consent of the accused, the 1854 complaining witness and the attorney for the Commonwealth in any case involving a violation of 1855 § 18.2-61, 18.2-67.1 or 18.2-67.2, authorize the accused to submit to and complete a designated course 1856 of counseling or therapy. In such case, the hearing shall be adjourned until such time as counseling or 1857 therapy is completed or terminated. Upon the completion of counseling or therapy by the accused and 1858 after consideration of a final evaluation to be furnished to the court by the person responsible for 1859 conducting such counseling or therapy and such further report of the court services unit as the court 1860 may require, and after consideration of the views of the complaining witness, the court, in its discretion, 1861 may discharge the accused if the court finds such action will promote maintenance of the family unit 1862 and be in the best interest of the complaining witness.

1863 B. No statement or disclosure by the accused concerning the alleged offense made during counseling 1864 or any other form of therapy ordered pursuant to this section or § 18.2-61, 18.2-67.1, 18.2-67.2, or 1865 19.2-218.2 may be used against the accused in any trial as evidence, nor shall any evidence against the 1866 accused be admitted which was discovered through such statement or disclosure.

§ 19.2-316. Evaluation and report prior to determining punishment.

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1868 Following conviction and prior to sentencing, the court shall order such defendant committed to the 1869 Department of Corrections for a period not to exceed sixty 60 days from the date of referral for 1870 evaluation and diagnosis by the Department to determine the person's potential for rehabilitation through 1871 confinement and treatment in the facilities and programs established pursuant to § 53.1-63. The 1872 evaluation and diagnosis shall include a complete physical and mental examination of the defendant and 1873 may be conducted by the Department of Corrections at any state or local facility, probation and parole 1874 office, or other location deemed appropriate by the Department. The Department of Corrections shall 1875 conduct the evaluation and diagnosis and shall review all aspects of the case within sixty 60 days from 1876 the date of conviction or revocation of ordinary probation and shall recommend that the defendant be 1877 committed to the facility established pursuant to § 53.1-63 upon finding that (i) such defendant is 1878 physically and emotionally suitable for the program, (ii) such commitment is in the best interest of the 1879 Commonwealth and the defendant, and (iii) facilities are available for confinement of the defendant.

1880 If the Director of the Department of Corrections determines such person should be confined in a 1881 facility other than one established pursuant to § 53.1-63, a written report giving the reasons for such 1882 decision shall be submitted to the sentencing court. The court shall not be bound by such written report 1883 in the matter of determining punishment. Additionally, the person may be committed or transferred to a 1884 mental state hospital operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services or 1885 like institution other mental health hospital, as provided by law, during such sixty-day 60-day period. 1886

§ 19.2-389. Dissemination of criminal history record information.

1887 A. Criminal history record information shall be disseminated, whether directly or through an 1888 intermediary, only to:

1889 1. Authorized officers or employees of criminal justice agencies, as defined by § 9.1-101, for 1890 purposes of the administration of criminal justice and the screening of an employment application or 1891 review of employment by a criminal justice agency with respect to its own employees or applicants, and 1892 dissemination to the Virginia Parole Board, pursuant to this subdivision, of such information on all 1893 state-responsible inmates for the purpose of making parole determinations pursuant to subdivisions 1, 2, 1894 3, and 5 of § 53.1-136 shall include collective dissemination by electronic means every 30 days;

1895 2. Such other individuals and agencies that require criminal history record information to implement 1896 a state or federal statute or executive order of the President of the United States or Governor that 1897 expressly refers to criminal conduct and contains requirements or exclusions expressly based upon such 1898 conduct, except that information concerning the arrest of an individual may not be disseminated to a 1899 noncriminal justice agency or individual if an interval of one year has elapsed from the date of the 1900 arrest and no disposition of the charge has been recorded and no active prosecution of the charge is 1901 pending;

1902 3. Individuals and agencies pursuant to a specific agreement with a criminal justice agency to provide 1903 services required for the administration of criminal justice pursuant to that agreement which shall 1904 specifically authorize access to data, limit the use of data to purposes for which given, and ensure the

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1905 security and confidentiality of the data;

1906 4. Individuals and agencies for the express purpose of research, evaluative, or statistical activities 1907 pursuant to an agreement with a criminal justice agency that shall specifically authorize access to data, 1908 limit the use of data to research, evaluative, or statistical purposes, and ensure the confidentiality and 1909 security of the data;

1910 5. Agencies of state or federal government that are authorized by state or federal statute or executive 1911 order of the President of the United States or Governor to conduct investigations determining 1912 employment suitability or eligibility for security clearances allowing access to classified information; 1913

6. Individuals and agencies where authorized by court order or court rule;

1914 7. Agencies of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth, public transportation companies owned, operated or controlled by any political subdivision, and any public service corporation that operates a public transit system owned by a local government for the conduct of investigations of 1915 1916 applicants for employment, permit, or license whenever, in the interest of public welfare or safety, it is 1917 1918 necessary to determine under a duly enacted ordinance if the past criminal conduct of a person with a 1919 conviction record would be compatible with the nature of the employment, permit, or license under 1920 consideration;

1921 7a. Commissions created pursuant to the Transportation District Act of 1964 (§ 15.2-4500 et seq.) 1922 and their contractors, for the conduct of investigations of individuals who have been offered a position 1923 of employment whenever, in the interest of public welfare or safety and as authorized in the 1924 Transportation District Act of 1964, it is necessary to determine if the past criminal conduct of a person 1925 with a conviction record would be compatible with the nature of the employment under consideration;

1926 8. Public or private agencies when authorized or required by federal or state law or interstate 1927 compact to investigate (i) applicants for foster or adoptive parenthood or (ii) any individual, and the adult members of that individual's household, with whom the agency is considering placing a child or 1928 from whom the agency is considering removing a child due to abuse or neglect, on an emergency, temporary, or permanent basis pursuant to §§ 63.2-901.1 and 63.2-1505, subject to the restriction that 1929 1930 1931 the data shall not be further disseminated to any party other than a federal or state authority or court as 1932 may be required to comply with an express requirement of law;

1933 9. To the extent permitted by federal law or regulation, public service companies as defined in 1934 § 56-1, for the conduct of investigations of applicants for employment when such employment involves 1935 personal contact with the public or when past criminal conduct of an applicant would be incompatible 1936 with the nature of the employment under consideration;

1937 10. The appropriate authority for purposes of granting citizenship and for purposes of international 1938 travel, including but not limited to, issuing visas and passports;

11. A person requesting a copy of his own criminal history record information as defined in 1939 1940 § 9.1-101 at his cost, except that criminal history record information shall be supplied at no charge to a 1941 person who has applied to be a volunteer with (i) a Virginia affiliate of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of 1942 America; (ii) a volunteer fire company or volunteer rescue squad; (iii) the Volunteer Emergency Families for Children; (iv) any affiliate of Prevent Child Abuse, Virginia; (v) any Virginia affiliate of 1943 1944 Compeer; or (vi) any board member or any individual who has been offered membership on the board 1945 of a Crime Stoppers, Crime Solvers or Crime Line program as defined in § 15.2-1713.1;

12. Administrators and board presidents of and applicants for licensure or registration as a child 1946 1947 welfare agency as defined in § 63.2-100 for dissemination to the Commissioner of Social Services' 1948 representative pursuant to § 63.2-1702 for the conduct of investigations with respect to employees of and 1949 volunteers at such facilities, caretakers, and other adults living in family day-care homes or homes 1950 approved by family day-care systems, and foster and adoptive parent applicants of private child-placing agencies, pursuant to §§ 63.2-1719 through 63.2-1721, subject to the restriction that the data shall not be 1951 1952 further disseminated by the facility or agency to any party other than the data subject, the Commissioner 1953 of Social Services' representative or a federal or state authority or court as may be required to comply 1954 with an express requirement of law for such further dissemination;

1955 13. The school boards of the Commonwealth for the purpose of screening individuals who are 1956 offered or who accept public school employment and those current school board employees for whom a 1957 report of arrest has been made pursuant to § 19.2-83.1;

14. The State Lottery Department for the conduct of investigations as set forth in the State Lottery 1958 1959 Law (§ 58.1-4000 et seq.), and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the conduct of 1960 investigations as set forth in Article 1.1:1 (§ 18.2-340.15 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2;

1961 15. Licensed nursing homes, hospitals and home care organizations for the conduct of investigations 1962 of applicants for compensated employment in licensed nursing homes pursuant to § 32.1-126.01, hospital pharmacies pursuant to § 32.1-126.02, and home care organizations pursuant to § 32.1-162.9:1, subject to 1963 1964 the limitations set out in subsection E:

1965 16. Licensed homes for adults, licensed district homes for adults, and licensed adult day-care centers 1966 for the conduct of investigations of applicants for compensated employment in licensed homes for adults

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1967 pursuant to § 63.2-1720, in licensed district homes for adults pursuant to § 63.1-189.1, and in licensed adult day-care centers pursuant to § 63.2-1720, subject to the limitations set out in subsection F;

1969 17. The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for the conduct of investigations as set forth in **1970** § 4.1-103.1;

1971 18. The State Board of Elections and authorized officers and employees thereof in the course of conducting necessary investigations with respect to registered voters, limited to any record of felony convictions;

1974 19. The Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for those individuals who are committed to the custody of the Commissioner pursuant to §§ 19.2-169.2, 19.2-169.6, 19.2-182.2, 19.2-182.3, 19.2-182.8, and 19.2-182.9 for the purpose of placement, evaluation, and treatment planning;

1976 19.2-182.3, 19.2-182.8, and 19.2-182.9 for the purpose of placement, evaluation, and treatment planning;
1977 20. Any alcohol safety action program certified by the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety
1978 Action Program for (i) assessments of habitual offenders under § 46.2-360, (ii) interventions with first
1979 offenders under § 18.2-251, or (iii) services to offenders under § 18.2-51.4, 18.2-266, or 18.2-266.1;

1980 21. Residential facilities for juveniles regulated or operated by the Department of Social Services, the
1981 Department of Education, or the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for the
1982 purpose of determining applicants' fitness for employment or for providing volunteer or contractual
1983 services;

1984 22. The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and facilities operated by the
1985 Department for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment pursuant to
1986 departmental instructions;

1987 23. Pursuant to § 22.1-296.3, the governing boards or administrators of private or religious
1988 elementary or secondary schools which are accredited by a statewide accrediting organization
1989 recognized, prior to January 1, 1996, by the State Board of Education or a private organization
1990 coordinating such records information on behalf of such governing boards or administrators pursuant to
a written agreement with the Department of State Police;

1992 24. Public and nonprofit private colleges and universities for the purpose of screening individuals1993 who are offered or accept employment;

1994 25. Members of a threat assessment team established by a public institution of higher education
1995 pursuant to § 23-9.2:10, for the purpose of assessing or intervening with an individual whose behavior
1996 may present a threat to safety;

1997 26. Executive directors of community services boards or the personnel director serving the community services board for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment pursuant to §§ 37.2-506 and 37.2-607;

2000 27. Executive directors of behavioral health authorities as defined in § 37.2-600 for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment pursuant to §§ 37.2-506 and 37.2-607;

2002 28. The Commissioner of the Department of Social Services for the purpose of locating persons who owe child support or who are alleged in a pending paternity proceeding to be a putative father, provided that only the name, address, demographics and social security number of the data subject shall be released;

2006 29. Authorized officers or directors of agencies licensed pursuant to Article 2 (§ 37.2-403 et seq.) of 2007 Chapter 4 of Title 37.2 by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for the 2008 purpose of determining if any applicant who accepts employment in any direct consumer care position 2009 has been convicted of a crime that affects their his fitness to have responsibility for the safety and 2010 well-being of persons individuals with mental illness, mental retardation and intellectual disability, or 2011 substance abuse pursuant to §§ 37.2-416, 37.2-506, and 37.2-607;

2012 30. The Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles, for the purpose of evaluating applicants
2013 for a motor carrier certificate or license subject to the provisions of Chapters 20 (§ 46.2-2000 et seq.)
2014 and 21 (§ 46.2-2100 et seq.) of Title 46.2;

2015 31. The chairmen of the Committees for Courts of Justice of the Senate or the House of Delegates2016 for the purpose of determining if any person being considered for election to any judgeship has been convicted of a crime;

32. Heads of state agencies in which positions have been identified as sensitive for the purpose of determining an individual's fitness for employment in positions designated as sensitive under Department of Human Resource Management policies developed pursuant to § 2.2-1201.1. Dissemination of criminal history record information to the agencies shall be limited to those positions generally described as directly responsible for the health, safety and welfare of the general populace or protection of critical infrastructures;

2024 33. The Office of the Attorney General, for all criminal justice activities otherwise permitted under
2025 subdivision A 1 and for purposes of performing duties required by the Civil Commitment of Sexually
2026 Violent Predators Act (§ 37.2-900 et seq.);

2027 34. Shipyards, to the extent permitted by federal law or regulation, engaged in the design,

2028 construction, overhaul, or repair of nuclear vessels for the United States Navy, including their subsidiary
 2029 companies, for the conduct of investigations of applications for employment or for access to facilities,
 2030 by contractors, leased laborers, and other visitors;

35. Any employer of individuals whose employment requires that they enter the homes of others, forthe purpose of screening individuals who apply for, are offered, or have accepted such employment;

36. Public agencies when and as required by federal or state law to investigate (i) applicants as
providers of adult foster care and home-based services or (ii) any individual with whom the agency is
considering placing an adult on an emergency, temporary, or permanent basis pursuant to § 63.2-1601.1,
subject to the restriction that the data shall not be further disseminated by the agency to any party other
than a federal or state authority or court as may be required to comply with an express requirement of
law for such further dissemination, subject to limitations set out in subsection G;

2039 37. The Department of Medical Assistance Services, or its designee, for the purpose of screening
2040 individuals who, through contracts, subcontracts, or direct employment, volunteer, apply for, are offered,
2041 or have accepted a position related to the provision of transportation services to enrollees in the
2042 Medicaid Program or the Family Access to Medical Insurance Security (FAMIS) Program, or any other
2043 program administered by the Department of Medical Assistance Services;

2044 38. The State Corporation Commission for the purpose of investigating individuals who are members, 2045 senior officers, directors, and principals of an applicant for licensure as a mortgage lender or mortgage 2046 broker, or a licensed mortgage lender or mortgage broker for the purpose of investigating individuals 2047 applying for a position of employment in which the individual may have access to or process personal 2048 identifying or financial information from a member of the public, pursuant to Chapter 16 (§ 6.2-1600 et 2049 seq.) of Title 6.2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if an application for a mortgage lender or 2050 mortgage broker license is denied based in whole or in part on information obtained from the Central Criminal Records Exchange pursuant to § 6.2-1605, the Commissioner of Financial Institutions or his 2051 2052 designee may disclose such information to the applicant or its designee;

39. The Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation for the purpose of investigatingindividuals for initial licensure pursuant to § 54.1-2106.1;

40. The Department of Rehabilitative Services and the Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired
for the purpose of evaluating an individual's fitness for various types of employment and for the purpose
of delivering comprehensive vocational rehabilitation services pursuant to Chapter 5 (§ 51.5-15 et seq.)
of Title 51.5 that will assist the individual in obtaining employment;

2059 41. Bail bondsmen, in accordance with the provisions of § 19.2-120; and

2060 42. Other entities as otherwise provided by law.

2061 Upon an ex parte motion of a defendant in a felony case and upon the showing that the records
2062 requested may be relevant to such case, the court shall enter an order requiring the Central Criminal
2063 Records Exchange to furnish the defendant, as soon as practicable, copies of any records of persons
2064 designated in the order on whom a report has been made under the provisions of this chapter.

2065 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, upon a written request sworn to 2066 before an officer authorized to take acknowledgments, the Central Criminal Records Exchange, or the 2067 criminal justice agency in cases of offenses not required to be reported to the Exchange, shall furnish a 2068 copy of conviction data covering the person named in the request to the person making the request; 2069 however, such person on whom the data is being obtained shall consent in writing, under oath, to the making of such request. A person receiving a copy of his own conviction data may utilize or further 2070 2071 disseminate that data as he deems appropriate. In the event no conviction data is maintained on the data subject, the person making the request shall be furnished at his cost a certification to that effect. 2072

2073 B. Use of criminal history record information disseminated to noncriminal justice agencies under this2074 section shall be limited to the purposes for which it was given and may not be disseminated further.

2075 C. No criminal justice agency or person shall confirm the existence or nonexistence of criminal history record information for employment or licensing inquiries except as provided by law.

2077 D. Criminal justice agencies shall establish procedures to query the Central Criminal Records 2078 Exchange prior to dissemination of any criminal history record information on offenses required to be 2079 reported to the Central Criminal Records Exchange to ensure that the most up-to-date disposition data is 2080 being used. Inquiries of the Exchange shall be made prior to any dissemination except in those cases 2081 where time is of the essence and the normal response time of the Exchange would exceed the necessary 2082 time period. A criminal justice agency to whom a request has been made for the dissemination of 2083 criminal history record information that is required to be reported to the Central Criminal Records 2084 Exchange may direct the inquirer to the Central Criminal Records Exchange for such dissemination. 2085 Dissemination of information regarding offenses not required to be reported to the Exchange shall be 2086 made by the criminal justice agency maintaining the record as required by § 15.2-1722.

2087 E. Criminal history information provided to licensed nursing homes, hospitals and to home care
2088 organizations pursuant to subdivision A 15 shall be limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange
2089 for any offense specified in §§ 32.1-126.01, 32.1-126.02, and 32.1-162.9:1.

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2090 F. Criminal history information provided to licensed assisted living facilities, licensed district homes 2091 for adults, and licensed adult day-care centers pursuant to subdivision A 16 shall be limited to the 2092 convictions on file with the Exchange for any offense specified in § 63.1-189.1 or 63.2-1720.

2093 G. Criminal history information provided to public agencies pursuant to subdivision A 36 shall be 2094 limited to the convictions on file with the Exchange for any offense specified in § 63.2-1719.

2095 H. Upon receipt of a written request from an employer or prospective employer, the Central Criminal 2096 Records Exchange, or the criminal justice agency in cases of offenses not required to be reported to the 2097 Exchange, shall furnish at the employer's cost a copy of conviction data covering the person named in 2098 the request to the employer or prospective employer making the request; provided that the person on 2099 whom the data is being obtained has consented in writing to the making of such request and has 2100 presented a photo-identification to the employer or prospective employer. In the event no conviction data 2101 is maintained on the person named in the request, the requesting employer or prospective employer shall 2102 be furnished at his cost a certification to that effect. The criminal history record search shall be 2103 conducted on forms provided by the Exchange. 2104

§ 22.1-3. Persons to whom public schools shall be free.

A. The public schools in each school division shall be free to each person of school age who resides 2105 2106 within the school division. Every person of school age shall be deemed to reside in a school division: 2107

1. When the person is living with a natural parent, or a parent by legal adoption;

2108 2. When the person is living with an individual who is defined as a parent in § 22.1-1, not solely for 2109 school purposes, pursuant to a Special Power of Attorney executed under Title 10, United States Code, 2110 § 1044b, by the custodial parent while such custodial parent is deployed outside the United States as a 2111 member of the Virginia National Guard or as a member of the United States Armed Forces;

2112 3. When the parents of such person are dead and the person is living with a person in loco parentis 2113 who actually resides within the school division;

2114 4. When the parents of such person are unable to care for the person and the person is living, not 2115 solely for school purposes, with another person who resides in the school division and is either (i) the 2116 court-appointed guardian, or has legal custody, of the person or (ii) acting in loco parentis pursuant to placement of the person for adoption by a person or entity authorized to do so under § 63.2-1200; 2117

2118 5. When the person is living in the school division not solely for school purposes, as an emancipated 2119 minor; or

2120 6. When the person living in the school division is a homeless child or youth, as set forth in this 2121 subdivision, who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. Such persons shall include (i) 2122 children and youths, including unaccompanied youths who are not in the physical custody of their 2123 parents, who (a) are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or 2124 other causes; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to lack of alternative 2125 adequate accommodations or in emergency, congregate, temporary, or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement; (b) are living in an institution that provides a temporary residence for the mentally ill individuals with mental illness or individuals 2126 2127 2128 intended to be institutionalized; (c) have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place 2129 not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings; or (d) are 2130 living in parked cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train 2131 stations, or similar settings; and (ii) migratory children, as defined in the Elementary and Secondary 2132 Education Act of 1965, as amended, who are deemed homeless as they are living in circumstances set 2133 forth in clause (i) of this subdivision.

2134 For purposes of clause (i) of subdivision 6, "temporary shelter" means (i) any home, single or multi-unit dwelling or housing unit in which persons who are without housing or a fixed address receive 2135 2136 temporary housing or shelter or (ii) any facility specifically designed or approved for the purpose of 2137 providing temporary housing or shelter to persons who are without permanent housing or a fixed 2138 address.

2139 If a person resides within housing, temporary shelter, or primary nighttime residence as described in 2140 subdivision 6 that is situated in more than one school division, the person shall be deemed to reside in 2141 and shall be entitled to attend a public school within either school division. However, if a person resides 2142 in housing, temporary shelter, or primary nighttime residence as described in subdivision 6 that is 2143 located in one school division, but the property on which such housing, temporary shelter, or primary 2144 nighttime residence is located lies within more than one school division, such person shall be deemed to 2145 reside only in the single school division in which the housing, temporary shelter, or primary nighttime 2146 residence is located. Notwithstanding any such residency determination, any person residing in housing, 2147 a temporary shelter, or primary nighttime residence as described in subdivision 6 that is located in one 2148 school division, but the property on which such housing, temporary shelter, or primary nighttime 2149 residence is located lies within more than one school division, shall be deemed to reside in either school 2150 division, if such person or any sibling of such person residing in the same housing or temporary shelter

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attends, prior to July 1, 1999, or, in the case of a primary nighttime residence as described in
subdivision 6, prior to July 1, 2000, a school within either school division in which the property on
which the housing, temporary shelter, or primary nighttime residence is located.

School divisions shall comply with the requirements of the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless
Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 11431 et seq.), to ensure that
homeless children and youths shall receive the educational services comparable to those offered to other
public school students.

2158 School divisions serving the students identified in subdivision 6 shall coordinate the identification
2159 and provision of services to such students with relevant local social services agencies and other agencies
2160 and programs providing services to such students, and with other school divisions as may be necessary
2161 to resolve interdivisional issues.

2162 B. In the interest of providing educational continuity to the children of military personnel, no child 2163 of a person on active military duty attending a school free of charge in accordance with this section 2164 shall be charged tuition by that school division upon such child's relocation to military housing located in another school division in the Commonwealth, pursuant to orders received by such child's parent to 2165 2166 relocate to base housing and forfeit his military housing allowance. Such children shall be allowed to continue attending school in the school division they attended immediately prior to the relocation and 2167 shall not be charged tuition for attending such school. Such children shall be counted in the average 2168 2169 daily membership of the school division in which they are enrolled. Further, the school division in 2170 which such children are enrolled subsequent to their relocation to base housing shall not be responsible 2171 for providing for their transportation to and from school.

§ 22.1-7. Responsibility of each state board, agency and institution having children in residence or in custody.

Each state board, state agency and state institution having children in residence or in custody shall 2174 2175 have responsibility for providing for the education and training to such children which is at least 2176 comparable to that which would be provided to such children in the public school system. Such board, agency or institution may provide such education and training either directly with its own facilities and 2177 2178 personnel in cooperation with the Board of Education or under contract with a school division or any 2179 other public or private nonreligious school, agency or institution. The Board of Education shall supervise 2180 the education and training provided to school-age residents individuals in state mental retardation 2181 facilities training centers, and shall provide for and direct the education for school-age residents 2182 individuals in state mental health facilities hospitals operated by the Department of Behavioral Health 2183 and Developmental Services in cooperation with the Department of Behavioral Health and 2184 Developmental Services. The Board shall prescribe standards and regulations for all such education and 2185 training provided directly by a state board, state agency or state institution. Each state board, state 2186 agency or state institution providing such education and training shall submit annually its program 2187 therefor to the Board of Education for approval in accordance with regulations of the Board. If any child 2188 in the custody of any state board, state agency or state institution is a child with disabilities as defined 2189 in § 22.1-213 and such board, agency or institution must contract with a private nonreligious school to 2190 provide special education as defined in § 22.1-213 for such child, the state board, state agency or state 2191 institution may proceed as a guardian pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of § 22.1-218. 2192

§ 22.1-213. Definitions. As used in this article:

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2194 "Children with disabilities" means those persons (i) who are aged age two to twenty-one 21, inclusive, having reached the age of two by the date specified in § 22.1-254, (ii) who are mentally retarded, have intellectual disability or serious emotional disturbance, or are physically disabled, seriously emotionally disturbed, speech impaired, hearing impaired, visually impaired, or multiple disabled, other or are otherwise health impaired including autistic or those who have autism spectrum disorder or a specific learning disability or who are otherwise disabled as defined by the Board of Education and (iii) who because of such impairments need special education.

"Related services" means transportation and such developmental, corrective, and other supportive
 services as are required to assist a disabled child to benefit from special education, including speech
 pathology and audiology, psychological services, physical and occupational therapy, recreation, early
 identification and assessment of disabilities in children, counseling services and medical services for
 diagnostic or evaluation purposes. The term also includes school health services, social work services in
 schools, and parent counseling and training.

"Special education" means specially designed instruction at no cost to the parent, to meet the unique
needs of a disabled child, including classroom instruction, home instruction, instruction provided in
hospitals and institutions, instruction in physical education and instruction in career and technical
education.

2211 "Specific learning disability" means a disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes2212 involved in understanding or using language, spoken or written, which may manifest itself in an

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2213 imperfect ability to listen, think, speak, read, write, spell or do mathematical calculations. The term does 2214 not include children who have learning problems that are primarily the result of visual, hearing or motor 2215 handicaps, of mental retardation intellectual disability, or of environmental, cultural or economic 2216 disadvantage.

2217 § 22.1-214.2. Definition of "supervise" as related to educational programs provided for or by 2218 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

2219 For the purposes of subsection F of § 22.1-214 as related to the educational programs provided for or 2220 by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, "supervise" shall mean providing 2221 active support in (i) designing mechanisms for maintaining constant direct contact and the sharing of 2222 ideas, approaches and innovations between the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental 2223 Services and the facility staff responsible for providing educational services; (ii) providing consistent 2224 oversight, with particular attention to the mental health programs, to ensure that the availability of 2225 educational resources and the distribution of funds clearly reflect the needs of the different student 2226 populations residing in the various facilities; (iii) developing guidelines, in cooperation with the 2227 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for the evaluation of the performance of 2228 the education directors or other education supervisors employed by the Department of Behavioral Health 2229 and Developmental Services; (iv) developing and implementing, in cooperation with the Department of 2230 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, programs to ensure that the educational and treatment 2231 needs of dually diagnosed children in state institutions facilities are met; and (v) ensuring that the 2232 expertise of the Department of Education is utilized by providing technical assistance to the education 2233 programs provided for or by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services in the 2234 areas of selection and acquisition of educational materials, curriculum development including career and 2235 technical education, when appropriate, and applications for federal grants. 2236

§ 22.1-214.3. Department to develop certain curriculum guidelines; Board to approve.

2237 The Department of Education shall develop curricula for the school-age residents of the individuals 2238 in state training centers for individuals with mental retardation and curriculum guidelines for the 2239 school-age residents of the individuals in state mental health facilities hospitals operated by the 2240 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services in cooperation with the Department of 2241 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and representatives of the teachers employed to provide 2242 instruction to the children. Prior to implementation, the Board of Education shall approve these curricula 2243 and curriculum guidelines.

2244 These curricula and curriculum guidelines shall be designed to provide a range of programs and 2245 suggested program sequences for different functioning levels and handicaps and shall be reviewed and 2246 revised at least every three years. In addition to academic programming, the curriculum guidelines for 2247 the school-age residents of the individuals in state mental health facilities hospitals operated by the 2248 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall include affective education and 2249 physical education as well as independent living and career and technical education, with particular 2250 emphasis on the needs of older adolescents and young adults. 2251

§ 22.1-215. School divisions to provide special education; plan to be submitted to Board.

2252 Each school division shall provide free and appropriate education, including special education, for the 2253 children with disabilities residing within its jurisdiction in accordance with regulations of the Board of 2254 Education.

2255 For the purposes of this section, "children with disabilities, residing within its jurisdiction" shall 2256 include: (i) those individuals of school age identified as appropriate to be placed in public school 2257 programs, who are residing in a state institution facility operated by the Department of Behavioral 2258 Health and Developmental Services located within the school division, or (ii) those individuals of school 2259 age who are Virginia residents and are placed and living in a foster care home or child-caring institution 2260 or group home located within the school division and licensed under the provisions of Chapter 17 2261 (§ 63.2-1700 et seq.) of Title 63.2 as a result of being in the custody of a local department of social 2262 services or welfare or being privately placed, not solely for school purposes.

2263 The Board of Education shall promulgate regulations to identify those children placed within 2264 facilities operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services who are eligible 2265 to be appropriately placed in public school programs.

2266 The cost of the education provided to children residing in the state institutions, facilities who are 2267 appropriate to place within the public schools, shall remain the responsibility of the Department of 2268 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. The cost of the education provided to children who are 2269 not residents of the Commonwealth and are placed and living in a foster care home or child-caring 2270 institution or group home located within the school division and licensed under the provisions of 2271 Chapter 17 (§ 63.2-1700 et seq.) of Title 63.2 shall be billed to the sending agency or person by the 2272 school division as provided in subsection C of § 22.1-5. No school division shall refuse to educate any 2273 such child or charge tuition to any such child.

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2274 Each school division shall submit to the Board of Education in accordance with the schedule and by 2275 the date specified by the Board, a plan acceptable to the Board for such education for the period 2276 following and a report indicating the extent to which the plan required by law for the preceding period 2277 has been implemented. However, the schedule specified by the Board shall not require plans to be 2278 submitted more often than annually unless changes to the plan are required by federal or state law or 2279 regulation.

2280 § 22.1-217.1. Programs for the research and development of innovative methods of teaching children 2281 with mental illness, intellectual disability, or serious emotional disturbance.

2282 For the purpose of improving the quality of the education and training provided to the school-age 2283 residents of the children in state mental health and mental retardation facilities hospitals and training 2284 centers operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, there is hereby established a program of grants, from such funds as are appropriated by the General Assembly, to 2285 2286 promote the research and development of innovative methods of teaching children with mental illness, 2287 mental retardation intellectual disability, or serious emotional disturbance in residential settings. This 2288 program shall be available to the education directors and instructional staffs of the institutions 2289 administered state hospitals and training centers operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and 2290 Developmental Services. The Board of Education shall award these grants on the basis of the recommendations of an advisory committee composed of the Director of the Virginia Treatment Center 2291 2292 for Children, two representatives of the Department of Education and two representatives of the 2293 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. The advisory committee shall establish 2294 objectives for these grants, develop requests for proposals and set criteria for evaluating the applications 2295 for funds. 2296

§ 22.1-253.13:2. Standard 2. Instructional, administrative, and support personnel.

A. The Board shall establish requirements for the licensing of teachers, principals, superintendents, and other professional personnel.

B. School boards shall employ licensed instructional personnel qualified in the relevant subject areas.

2300 C. Each school board shall assign licensed instructional personnel in a manner that produces 2301 divisionwide ratios of students in average daily membership to full-time equivalent teaching positions, 2302 excluding special education teachers, principals, assistant principals, counselors, and librarians, that are 2303 not greater than the following ratios: (i) 24 to one in kindergarten with no class being larger than 29 2304 students; if the average daily membership in any kindergarten class exceeds 24 pupils, a full-time 2305 teacher's aide shall be assigned to the class; (ii) 24 to one in grades one, two, and three with no class 2306 being larger than 30 students; (iii) 25 to one in grades four through six with no class being larger than 2307 35 students; and (iv) 24 to one in English classes in grades six through 12.

2308 Within its regulations governing special education programs, the Board shall seek to set pupil/teacher 2309 ratios for pupils with mental retardation intellectual disability that do not exceed the pupil/teacher ratios 2310 for self-contained classes for pupils with specific learning disabilities.

Further, school boards shall assign instructional personnel in a manner that produces schoolwide 2311 2312 ratios of students in average daily memberships to full-time equivalent teaching positions of 21 to one in 2313 middle schools and high schools. School divisions shall provide all middle and high school teachers with 2314 one planning period per day or the equivalent, unencumbered of any teaching or supervisory duties.

2315 D. Each local school board shall employ with state and local basic, special education, gifted, and 2316 career and technical education funds a minimum number of licensed, full-time equivalent instructional 2317 personnel for each 1,000 students in average daily membership (ADM) as set forth in the appropriation 2318 act. Calculations of kindergarten positions shall be based on full-day kindergarten programs. Beginning 2319 with the March 31 report of average daily membership, those school divisions offering half-day 2320 kindergarten with pupil/teacher ratios that exceed 30 to one shall adjust their average daily membership 2321 for kindergarten to reflect 85 percent of the total kindergarten average daily memberships, as provided in 2322 the appropriation act.

2323 E. In addition to the positions supported by basic aid and in support of regular school year programs 2324 of prevention, intervention, and remediation, state funding, pursuant to the appropriation act, shall be 2325 provided to fund certain full-time equivalent instructional positions for each 1,000 students in grades K 2326 through 12 who are identified as needing prevention, intervention, and remediation services. State 2327 funding for prevention, intervention, and remediation programs provided pursuant to this subsection and 2328 the appropriation act may be used to support programs for educationally at-risk students as identified by 2329 the local school boards.

2330 To provide flexibility in the provision of mathematics intervention services, school divisions may use 2331 the Standards of Learning Algebra Readiness Initiative funding and the required local matching funds to 2332 employ mathematics teacher specialists to provide the required mathematics intervention services. School 2333 divisions using the Standards of Learning Algebra Readiness Initiative funding in this manner shall only 2334 employ instructional personnel licensed by the Board of Education.

2335 F. In addition to the positions supported by basic aid and those in support of regular school year

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programs of prevention, intervention, and remediation, state funding, pursuant to the appropriation act,
shall be provided to support 17 full-time equivalent instructional positions for each 1,000 students
identified as having limited English proficiency.

2339 To provide flexibility in the instruction of English language learners who have limited English 2340 proficiency and who are at risk of not meeting state accountability standards, school divisions may use 2341 state and local funds from the Standards of Quality Prevention, Intervention, and Remediation account to 2342 employ additional English language learner teachers to provide instruction to identified limited English 2343 proficiency students. Using these funds in this manner is intended to supplement the instructional 2344 services provided in this section. School divisions using the SOO Prevention, Intervention, and 2345 Remediation funds in this manner shall employ only instructional personnel licensed by the Board of 2346 Education.

G. In addition to the full-time equivalent positions required elsewhere in this section, each local
school board shall employ the following reading specialists in elementary schools, one full-time in each
elementary school at the discretion of the local school board.

To provide flexibility in the provision of reading intervention services, school divisions may use the
state Early Reading Intervention Initiative funding and the required local matching funds to employ
reading specialists to provide the required reading intervention services. School divisions using the Early
Reading Intervention Initiative funds in this manner shall employ only instructional personnel licensed
by the Board of Education.

H. Each local school board shall employ, at a minimum, the following full-time equivalent positionsfor any school that reports fall membership, according to the type of school and student enrollment:

2357 1. Principals in elementary schools, one half-time to 299 students, one full-time at 300 students;
2358 principals in middle schools, one full-time, to be employed on a 12-month basis; principals in high schools, one full-time, to be employed on a 12-month basis;

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2. Assistant principals in elementary schools, one half-time at 600 students, one full-time at 900
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2366 3. Librarians in elementary schools, one part-time to 299 students, one full-time at 300 students;
2367 librarians in middle schools, one-half time to 299 students, one full-time at 300 students, two full-time at 1,000 students; librarians in high schools, one half-time to 299 students, one full-time at 300 students, two full-time at 1,000 students; and

4. Guidance counselors in elementary schools, one hour per day per 100 students, one full-time at 500 students, one hour per day additional time per 100 students or major fraction thereof; guidance counselors in middle schools, one period per 80 students, one full-time at 400 students, one additional period per 80 students or major fraction thereof; guidance counselors in high schools, one period per 70 students, one full-time at 350 students, one additional period per 70 students or major fraction thereof.

2375 I. Local school boards shall employ five full-time equivalent positions per 1,000 students in grades
2376 kindergarten through five to serve as elementary resource teachers in art, music, and physical education.
2377 J. Local school boards shall employ two full-time equivalent positions per 1,000 students in grades

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 2378 kindergarten through 12, one to provide technology support and one to serve as an instructional
 2379 technology resource teacher.

To provide flexibility, school divisions may use the state and local funds for instructional technology resource teachers to employ a data coordinator position, an instructional technology resource teacher position, or a data coordinator/instructional resource teacher blended position. The data coordinator position is intended to serve as a resource to principals and classroom teachers in the area of data analysis and interpretation for instructional and school improvement purposes, as well as for overall data management and administration of state assessments. School divisions using these funds in this manner shall employ only instructional personnel licensed by the Board of Education.

2387 K. Local school boards may employ additional positions that exceed these minimal staffing
2388 requirements. These additional positions may include, but are not limited to, those funded through the
2389 state's incentive and categorical programs as set forth in the appropriation act.

L. A combined school, such as kindergarten through 12, shall meet at all grade levels the staffing requirements for the highest grade level in that school; this requirement shall apply to all staff, except for guidance counselors, and shall be based on the school's total enrollment; guidance counselor staff requirements shall, however, be based on the enrollment at the various school organization levels, i.e., elementary, middle, or high school. The Board of Education may grant waivers from these staffing levels upon request from local school boards seeking to implement experimental or innovative programs that are not consistent with these staffing levels.

2397 M. School boards shall, however, annually, on or before January 1, report to the public the actual 2398 pupil/teacher ratios in elementary school classrooms by school for the current school year. Such actual 2399 ratios shall include only the teachers who teach the grade and class on a full-time basis and shall 2400 exclude resource personnel. School boards shall report pupil/teacher ratios that include resource teachers 2401 in the same annual report. Any classes funded through the voluntary kindergarten through third grade 2402 class size reduction program shall be identified as such classes. Any classes having waivers to exceed 2403 the requirements of this subsection shall also be identified. Schools shall be identified; however, the data 2404 shall be compiled in a manner to ensure the confidentiality of all teacher and pupil identities.

2405 N. Students enrolled in a public school on a less than full-time basis shall be counted in ADM in the 2406 relevant school division. Students who are either (i) enrolled in a nonpublic school or (ii) receiving home instruction pursuant to § 22.1-254.1, and who are enrolled in public school on a less than full-time 2407 basis in any mathematics, science, English, history, social science, career and technical education, fine 2408 2409 arts, foreign language, or health education or physical education course shall be counted in the ADM in the relevant school division on a pro rata basis as provided in the appropriation act. Each such course 2410 2411 enrollment by such students shall be counted as 0.25 in the ADM; however, no such nonpublic or home 2412 school student shall be counted as more than one-half a student for purposes of such pro rata 2413 calculation. Such calculation shall not include enrollments of such students in any other public school 2414 courses.

2415 O. Each local school board shall provide those support services that are necessary for the efficient 2416 and cost-effective operation and maintenance of its public schools.

2417 For the purposes of this title, unless the context otherwise requires, "support services positions" shall 2418 include the following:

2419 1. Executive policy and leadership positions, including school board members, superintendents and 2420 assistant superintendents: 2421

2. Fiscal and human resources positions, including fiscal and audit operations;

2422 3. Student support positions, including (i) social workers and social work administrative positions; (ii) 2423 guidance administrative positions not included in subdivision H 4; (iii) homebound administrative 2424 positions supporting instruction; (iv) attendance support positions related to truancy and dropout 2425 prevention; and (v) health and behavioral positions, including school nurses and school psychologists;

2426 4. Instructional personnel support, including professional development positions and library and 2427 media positions not included in subdivision H 3; 2428

5. Technology professional positions not included in subsection J;

2429 6. Operation and maintenance positions, including facilities; pupil transportation positions; operation 2430 and maintenance professional and service positions; and security service, trade, and laborer positions;

2431 7. Technical and clerical positions for fiscal and human resources, student support, instructional personnel support, operation and maintenance, administration, and technology; and 2432

2433 8. School-based clerical personnel in elementary schools; part-time to 299 students, one full-time at 2434 300 students; clerical personnel in middle schools; one full-time and one additional full-time for each 600 students beyond 200 students and one full-time for the library at 750 students; clerical personnel in 2435 2436 high schools; one full-time and one additional full-time for each 600 students beyond 200 students and 2437 one full-time for the library at 750 students.

Pursuant to the appropriation act, support services shall be funded from basic school aid. 2438

2439 School divisions may use the state and local funds for support services to provide additional 2440 instructional services.

2441 P. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, when determining the assignment of instructional 2442 and other licensed personnel in subsections C through J, a local school board shall not be required to 2443 include full-time students of approved virtual school programs.

2444 § 22.1-319. Definitions.

2445 As used in this chapter unless the context requires a different meaning:

2446 "Board" means the Virginia Board of Education. 2447

"Department" means the Department of Education.

"Person" means any individual, group of individuals, partnership, association, business trust, 2448 corporation, or other business entity. 2449

School for students with disabilities" or "school" or "schools" means a privately owned and operated 2450 2451 preschool, school, or educational organization, no matter how titled, maintained or conducting classes for 2452 the purpose of offering instruction, for a consideration, profit or tuition, to persons determined to have autism, deaf-blindness, a developmental delay, a hearing impairment including deafness, mental 2453 retardation intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, an orthopedic impairment, other health 2454 impairment, an emotional disturbance, a severe disability, a specific learning disability, a speech or 2455 2456 language impairment, a traumatic brain injury, or a visual impairment including blindness.

2457 "Superintendent" means the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

2458 § 23-38.2. Virginia Behavioral Health and Developmental Services Scholarship Fund.

2459 (a) There is hereby established a fund, to be known as the Virginia Behavioral Health and 2460 Developmental Services Scholarship Fund, which shall consist of funds appropriated to it from time to 2461 time by the General Assembly and which shall be administered by the Department of Behavioral Health 2462 and Developmental Services, for the purpose of providing scholarships for study in various professions 2463 and skills that deal with the treatment, training and care of individuals with mental illness and mental 2464 retardation intellectual disability.

2465 (b) The State Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall promulgate adopt the 2466 necessary rules and regulations, not inconsistent with other laws, for the implementation of this section. 2467 Such rules and regulations shall provide:

2468 (1) That scholarships be awarded for a period no longer than one year, but that certain scholarships 2469 may be reawarded not more than two times;

2470 (2) That persons who receive such scholarships agree to serve in state employment upon completion 2471 of training for a period at least as long as the length of training provided by the scholarship, and that if 2472 they do not fulfill this agreement they shall repay to the Commonwealth the amount of the scholarship 2473 with interest;

2474 (3) That priorities be given for training in professions and skills where shortages exist and are 2475 anticipated in state mental health and mental retardation institutions hospitals and training centers; and 2476

(4) That priorities be given to citizens of this the Commonwealth.

2477 (c) The Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services is hereby authorized to 2478 receive gifts, donations, bequests, and federal grants to the Virginia Behavioral Health and 2479 Developmental Services Scholarship Fund.

2480 § 25.1-100. Definitions.

2481 As used in this title, unless the context requires a different meaning:

2482 "Appraisal" means a written statement independently and impartially prepared by a qualified 2483 appraiser setting forth an opinion of defined value of an adequately described property as of a specific 2484 date, supported by the presentation and analysis of relevant market information.

"Body determining just compensation" means a panel of commissioners empanelled pursuant to § 25.1-227.2, jury selected pursuant to § 25.1-229, or the court if neither a panel of commissioners nor a 2485 2486 2487 jury is appointed or empanelled. 2488

"Court" means the court having jurisdiction as provided in § 25.1-201.

2489 "Date of valuation" means the time of the lawful taking by the petitioner, or the date of the filing of 2490 the petition pursuant to § 25.1-205, whichever occurs first.

2491 "Freeholder" means any person owning an interest in land in fee, including a person owning a 2492 condominium unit.

2493 "Land" means real estate and all rights and appurtenances thereto, together with the structures and 2494 other improvements thereon, and any right, title, interest, estate or claim in or to real estate. 2495

"Locality" or "local government" means a county, city, or town, as the context may require.

2496 "Owner" means any person who owns property, provided that the person's ownership of the property 2497 is of record in the land records of the clerk's office of the circuit court of the county or city where the 2498 property is located. The term "owner" shall not include trustees or beneficiaries under a deed of trust, 2499 any person with a security interest in the property, or any person with a judgment or lien against the 2500 property. This definition of the term "owner" shall not affect in any way the valuation of property.

2501 'Person'' means any individual; firm; cooperative; association; corporation; limited liability company; 2502 trust; business trust; syndicate; partnership; limited liability partnership; joint venture; receiver; trustee in 2503 bankruptcy or any other person acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, whether appointed by a 2504 court or otherwise; club, society or other group or combination acting as a unit; the Commonwealth or 2505 any department, agency or instrumentality thereof; any city, county, town, or other political subdivision 2506 or any department, agency or instrumentality thereof; or any interstate body to which the 2507 Commonwealth is a party.

"Petitioner" or "condemnor" means any person who possesses the power to exercise the right of 2508 2509 eminent domain and who seeks to exercise such power. The term "petitioner" or "condemnor" includes a 2510 state agency.

2511 "Property" means land and personal property, and any right, title, interest, estate or claim in or to 2512 such property.

2513 "State agency" means any (i) department, agency or instrumentality of the Commonwealth; (ii) public 2514 authority, municipal corporation, local governmental unit or political subdivision of the Commonwealth 2515 or any department, agency or instrumentality thereof; (iii) person who has the authority to acquire property by eminent domain under state law; or (iv) two or more of the aforementioned that carry out 2516 2517 projects that cause persons to be displaced.

2518 "State institution" means any (i) educational institution enumerated in § 23-14 or (ii) state hospital or 2519 state training center for individuals with mental retardation operated by the Department of Behavioral

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2520 Health and Developmental Services.

2521 § 29.1-313. Issuance of licenses for use of individuals in certain state facilities.

2522 The Director shall have authority to issue at the regular fee, up to twenty-five 25 state resident 2523 licenses to fish in the name of any state institution facility operated by the Department of Behavioral 2524 Health and Developmental Services for use by patients of the institution individuals receiving services in 2525 those facilities. 2526

§ 32.1-59. Examination and treatment in certain institutions.

2527 Every person admitted to any state correctional institution and every person who is confined admitted 2528 to a state hospital for the mentally ill or mentally retarded or training center operated by the 2529 Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall be examined and tested for venereal 2530 disease. If any such the person is found to be infected with a venereal disease, the person in charge of 2531 such institution or state hospital or training center shall promptly provide treatment and shall report such case as provided in § 32.1-37.

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§ 32.1-65. Certain newborn screening required.

2534 In order to prevent mental retardation intellectual disability and permanent disability or death, every 2535 infant who is born in the Commonwealth shall be subjected to screening tests for various disorders 2536 consistent with, but not necessarily identical to, the uniform condition panel recommended by the 2537 American College of Medical Genetics in its report, Newborn Screening: Toward a Uniform Screening 2538 Panel and System, that was produced for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Further, 2539 upon the issuance of guidance for states' newborn screening programs by the federal U.S. Department of 2540 Health and Human Services, every infant who is born in the Commonwealth shall be screened for a 2541 panel of disorders consistent with, but not necessarily identical to, the federal guidance document.

2542 Any infant whose parent or guardian objects thereto on the grounds that such tests conflict with his 2543 religious practices or tenets shall not be required to receive such screening tests.

2544 The physician or certified nurse midwife in charge of the infant's care after delivery shall cause such 2545 tests to be performed. The screening tests shall be performed by the Division of Consolidated 2546 Laboratory Services or any other laboratory the Department of Health has contracted with to provide this 2547 service.

2548 The program for screening infants for sickle cell diseases shall be conducted in addition to the 2549 programs provided for in Article 8 (§ 32.1-68 et seq.) of this chapter. 2550

§ 32.1-102.1. Definitions.

As used in this article, unless the context indicates otherwise:

"Certificate" means a certificate of public need for a project required by this article.

2553 "Clinical health service" means a single diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, preventive or palliative 2554 procedure or a series of such procedures that may be separately identified for billing and accounting 2555 purposes.

2556 'Health planning region" means a contiguous geographical area of the Commonwealth with a 2557 population base of at least 500,000 persons which is characterized by the availability of multiple levels 2558 of medical care services, reasonable travel time for tertiary care, and congruence with planning districts.

2559 "Medical care facility," as used in this title, means any institution, place, building or agency, whether 2560 or not licensed or required to be licensed by the Board or the Department of Behavioral Health and 2561 Developmental Services, whether operated for profit or nonprofit and whether privately owned or 2562 privately operated or owned or operated by a local governmental unit, (i) by or in which health services are furnished, conducted, operated or offered for the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of human 2563 2564 disease, pain, injury, deformity or physical condition, whether medical or surgical, of two or more 2565 nonrelated mentally or physically sick or injured persons who are injured or physically sick or have 2566 mental illness, or for the care of two or more nonrelated persons requiring or receiving medical, surgical 2567 or nursing attention or services as acute, chronic, convalescent, aged, physically disabled or crippled or 2568 (ii) which is the recipient of reimbursements from third-party health insurance programs or prepaid 2569 medical service plans. For purposes of this article, only the following medical care facilities shall be 2570 subject to review. 2571

1. General hospitals.

2. Sanitariums.

3. Nursing homes.

2574 4. Intermediate care facilities, except those intermediate care facilities established for individuals with 2575 mental retardation intellectual disability (ICF/MR) that have no more than 12 beds and are in an area identified as in need of residential services for individuals with mental retardation intellectual disability 2576 2577 in any plan of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

2578 5. Extended care facilities.

2579 6. Mental hospitals.

2580 7. Mental retardation facilities Facilities for individuals with intellectual disability.

2581 8. Psychiatric hospitals and intermediate care facilities established primarily for the medical,

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2582 psychiatric or psychological treatment and rehabilitation of individuals with substance abuse.

9. Specialized centers or clinics or that portion of a physician's office developed for the provision of outpatient or ambulatory surgery, cardiac catheterization, computed tomographic (CT) scanning, stereotactic radiosurgery, lithotripsy, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), magnetic source imaging (MSI), positron emission tomographic (PET) scanning, radiation therapy, stereotactic radiotherapy, proton beam therapy, nuclear medicine imaging, except for the purpose of nuclear cardiac imaging, or such other specialty services as may be designated by the Board by regulation.

- **2589** 10. Rehabilitation hospitals.
- **2590** 11. Any facility licensed as a hospital.

2591 The term "medical care facility" shall not include any facility of (i) the Department of Behavioral 2592 Health and Developmental Services; (ii) any nonhospital substance abuse residential treatment program 2593 operated by or contracted primarily for the use of a community services board under the Department of 2594 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services' Comprehensive State Plan; (iii) an intermediate care 2595 facility for individuals with mental retardation intellectual disability (ICF/MR) that has no more than 12 2596 beds and is in an area identified as in need of residential services for people individuals with mental 2597 retardation intellectual disability in any plan of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental 2598 Services; (iv) a physician's office, except that portion of a physician's office described above in 2599 subdivision 9 of the definition of "medical care facility"; (v) the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center 2600 of the Department of Rehabilitative Services; (vi) the Department of Corrections; or (vii) the Department 2601 of Veterans Services. "Medical care facility" shall also not include that portion of a physician's office 2602 dedicated to providing nuclear cardiac imaging.

2603 "Project" means:

- **2604** 1. Establishment of a medical care facility;
- 2605 2. An increase in the total number of beds or operating rooms in an existing medical care facility;

2606 3. Relocation of beds from one existing facility to another; provided that "project" shall not include the relocation of up to 10 beds or 10 percent of the beds, whichever is less, (i) from one existing 2607 2608 facility to another existing facility at the same site in any two-year period, or (ii) in any three-year 2609 period, from one existing nursing home facility to any other existing nursing home facility owned or 2610 controlled by the same person that is located either within the same planning district, or within another 2611 planning district out of which, during or prior to that three-year period, at least 10 times that number of 2612 beds have been authorized by statute to be relocated from one or more facilities located in that other 2613 planning district and at least half of those beds have not been replaced; provided further that, however, a 2614 hospital shall not be required to obtain a certificate for the use of 10 percent of its beds as nursing 2615 home beds as provided in § 32.1-132;

2616 4. Introduction into an existing medical care facility of any new nursing home service, such as intermediate care facility services, extended care facility services, or skilled nursing facility services, regardless of the type of medical care facility in which those services are provided;

5. Introduction into an existing medical care facility of any new cardiac catheterization, computed 2619 2620 tomographic (CT) scanning, stereotactic radiosurgery, lithotripsy, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), 2621 magnetic source imaging (MSI), medical rehabilitation, neonatal special care, obstetrical, open heart 2622 surgery, positron emission tomographic (PET) scanning, psychiatric, organ or tissue transplant service, 2623 radiation therapy, stereotactic radiotherapy, proton beam therapy, nuclear medicine imaging, except for 2624 the purpose of nuclear cardiac imaging, substance abuse treatment, or such other specialty clinical 2625 services as may be designated by the Board by regulation, which the facility has never provided or has 2626 not provided in the previous 12 months;

2627 6. Conversion of beds in an existing medical care facility to medical rehabilitation beds or2628 psychiatric beds;

7. The addition by an existing medical care facility of any medical equipment for the provision of
cardiac catheterization, computed tomographic (CT) scanning, stereotactic radiosurgery, lithotripsy,
magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), magnetic source imaging (MSI), open heart surgery, positron
emission tomographic (PET) scanning, radiation therapy, stereotactic radiotherapy, proton beam therapy,
or other specialized service designated by the Board by regulation. Replacement of existing equipment
shall not require a certificate of public need;

8. Any capital expenditure of \$15 million or more, not defined as reviewable in subdivisions 1
through 7 of this definition, by or in behalf of a medical care facility. However, capital expenditures
between \$5 and \$15 million shall be registered with the Commissioner pursuant to regulations developed
by the Board. The amounts specified in this subdivision shall be revised effective July 1, 2008, and
annually thereafter to reflect inflation using appropriate measures incorporating construction costs and
medical inflation; or

2641 9. Conversion in an existing medical care facility of psychiatric inpatient beds approved under2642 § 32.1-102.3:2 to nonpsychiatric inpatient beds.

2643 "Regional health planning agency" means the regional agency, including the regional health planning 2644 board, its staff and any component thereof, designated by the Virginia Health Planning Board to perform 2645 the health planning activities set forth in this chapter within a health planning region.

2646 "State Medical Facilities Plan" means the planning document adopted by the Board of Health which 2647 shall include, but not be limited to, (i) methodologies for projecting need for medical care facility beds 2648 and services; (ii) statistical information on the availability of medical care facilities and services; and 2649 (iii) procedures, criteria and standards for review of applications for projects for medical care facilities 2650 and services. 2651

§ 32.1-127.01. Regulations to authorize certain sanctions and guidelines.

2652 The regulations established pursuant to § 32.1-127 shall authorize the Commissioner to initiate court proceedings against nursing homes and certified nursing facilities, except for facilities or units certified 2653 as facilities for the mentally retarded individuals with intellectual disability. Such proceedings may be 2654 2655 initiated by themselves or in conjunction with the administrative sanctions provided in § 32.1-135.

2656 The Board shall promulgate guidelines for the Commissioner to determine when the imposition of administrative sanctions or initiation of court proceedings as specified in § 32.1-27.1, or both, are 2657 2658 appropriate in order to ensure prompt correction of violations involving noncompliance with 2659 requirements of state or federal law or regulation as discovered on any inspection conducted by the 2660 Department of Health pursuant to the provisions of this article or the provisions of Title XVIII or Title 2661 XIX of the Social Security Act or as discovered on any inspection conducted by the Department of 2662 Medical Assistance Services pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

§ 32.1-283. (Effective until July 1, 2012) Investigation of deaths; obtaining consent to removal of 2663 2664 organs, etc.; fees.

2665 A. Upon the death of any person from trauma, injury, violence, poisoning, accident, suicide or 2666 homicide, or suddenly when in apparent good health, or when unattended by a physician, or in jail, 2667 prison, other correctional institution or in police custody, or who is a patient or resident of an individual 2668 receiving services in a state mental health or mental retardation facility hospital or training center 2669 operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, or suddenly as an 2670 apparent result of fire, or in any suspicious, unusual or unnatural manner, or the sudden death of any infant less than eighteen 18 months of age whose death is suspected to be attributable to Sudden Infant 2671 2672 Death Syndrome (SIDS), the medical examiner of the county or city in which death occurs shall be 2673 notified by the physician in attendance, hospital, law-enforcement officer, funeral director or any other person having knowledge of such death. Good faith efforts shall be made by such person or institution 2674 2675 having custody of the dead body to identify and to notify the next of kin of the decedent. Notification 2676 shall include informing the person presumed to be the next of kin that he has a right to have 2677 identification of the decedent confirmed without due delay and without being held financially 2678 responsible for any procedures performed for the purpose of the identification. Identity of the next of 2679 kin, if determined, shall be provided to the Chief Medical Examiner upon transfer of the dead body.

2680 B. Upon being notified of a death as provided in subsection A, the medical examiner shall take 2681 charge of the dead body, make an investigation into the cause and manner of death, reduce his findings 2682 to writing, and promptly make a full report to the Chief Medical Examiner. In order to facilitate his investigation, the medical examiner is authorized to inspect and copy the pertinent medical records of 2683 2684 the decedent whose death he is investigating. Full directions as to the nature, character and extent of the 2685 investigation to be made in such cases shall be furnished each medical examiner by the Chief Medical 2686 Examiner, together with appropriate forms for the required reports and instructions for their use. The 2687 facilities and personnel under the Chief Medical Examiner shall be made available to medical examiners 2688 in such investigations. Reports and findings of the Medical Examiner shall be confidential and shall not under any circumstance be disclosed or made available for discovery pursuant to a court subpoena or 2689 2690 otherwise, except as provided in this chapter. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the Chief Medical 2691 Examiner from releasing the cause or manner of death, or prohibit disclosure of reports or findings to 2692 the parties in a criminal case.

2693 \tilde{C} . A copy of each report pursuant to this section shall be delivered to the appropriate attorney for 2694 the Commonwealth and to the appropriate law-enforcement agency investigating the death. A copy of 2695 any such report regarding the death of a victim of a traffic accident shall be furnished upon request to 2696 the State Police and the Highway Safety Commission. In addition, a copy of any autopsy report 2697 concerning a patient or resident of an individual receiving services in a state mental health or mental 2698 retardation facility hospital or training center operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and 2699 Developmental Services shall be delivered to the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental 2700 Services and to the Inspector General for Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. A copy of any 2701 autopsy report concerning a prisoner committed to the custody of the Director of the Department of Corrections shall, upon request of the Director of the Department of Corrections, be delivered to the 2702 2703 Director of the Department of Corrections. A copy of any autopsy report concerning a prisoner 2704 committed to any local correctional facility shall be delivered to the local sheriff or superintendent.

2705 Upon request, the Chief Medical Examiner shall release such autopsy report to the decedent's attending 2706 physician and to the personal representative or executor of the decedent or, if no personal representative 2707 or executor is appointed, then at the discretion of the Chief Medical Examiner, to the following persons 2708 in the following order of priority: (i) the spouse of the decedent, (ii) an adult son or daughter of the 2709 decedent, (iii) either parent of the decedent, (iv) an adult sibling of the decedent, (v) any other adult 2710 relative of the decedent in order of blood relationship, or (vi) any appropriate health facility quality 2711 assurance program.

2712 D. For each investigation under this article, including the making of the required reports, the medical 2713 examiner shall receive a fee established by the Board within the limitations of appropriations for the 2714 purpose. Such fee shall be paid by the Commonwealth, if the deceased is not a legal resident of the 2715 county or city in which his death occurred. In the event the deceased is a legal resident of the county or 2716 city in which his death occurred, such county or city shall be responsible for the fee up to \$20. If the 2717 deceased is a patient or resident of an individual receiving services in a state mental health or mental 2718 retardation facility hospital or training center operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and 2719 Developmental Services, the fee shall be paid by the Department of Behavioral Health and 2720 Developmental Services.

E. Nothing herein shall be construed to interfere with the autopsy procedure or with the routine obtaining of consent for removal of organs as conducted by surgical teams or others.

§ 32.1-283. (Effective July 1, 2012) Investigation of deaths; obtaining consent to removal of organs, etc.; fees.

2725 A. Upon the death of any person from trauma, injury, violence, poisoning, accident, suicide or 2726 homicide, or suddenly when in apparent good health, or when unattended by a physician, or in jail, 2727 prison, other correctional institution or in police custody, or who is a patient or resident of an individual 2728 receiving services in a state mental health or mental retardation facility hospital or training center 2729 operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, or suddenly as an 2730 apparent result of fire, or in any suspicious, unusual or unnatural manner, or the sudden death of any 2731 infant less than eighteen 18 months of age whose death is suspected to be attributable to Sudden Infant 2732 Death Syndrome (SIDS), the medical examiner of the county or city in which death occurs shall be 2733 notified by the physician in attendance, hospital, law-enforcement officer, funeral director or any other 2734 person having knowledge of such death. Good faith efforts shall be made by such person or institution 2735 having custody of the dead body to identify and to notify the next of kin of the decedent. Notification 2736 shall include informing the person presumed to be the next of kin that he has a right to have 2737 identification of the decedent confirmed without due delay and without being held financially 2738 responsible for any procedures performed for the purpose of the identification. Identity of the next of 2739 kin, if determined, shall be provided to the Chief Medical Examiner upon transfer of the dead body.

2740 B. Upon being notified of a death as provided in subsection A, the medical examiner shall take 2741 charge of the dead body, make an investigation into the cause and manner of death, reduce his findings 2742 to writing, and promptly make a full report to the Chief Medical Examiner. In order to facilitate his 2743 investigation, the medical examiner is authorized to inspect and copy the pertinent medical records of 2744 the decedent whose death he is investigating. Full directions as to the nature, character and extent of the 2745 investigation to be made in such cases shall be furnished each medical examiner by the Chief Medical 2746 Examiner, together with appropriate forms for the required reports and instructions for their use. The 2747 facilities and personnel under the Chief Medical Examiner shall be made available to medical examiners 2748 in such investigations. Reports and findings of the Medical Examiner shall be confidential and shall not 2749 under any circumstance be disclosed or made available for discovery pursuant to a court subpoena or 2750 otherwise, except as provided in this chapter. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the Chief Medical 2751 Examiner from releasing the cause or manner of death, or prohibit disclosure of reports or findings to 2752 the parties in a criminal case.

2753 C. A copy of each report pursuant to this section shall be delivered to the appropriate attorney for 2754 the Commonwealth and to the appropriate law-enforcement agency investigating the death. A copy of 2755 any such report regarding the death of a victim of a traffic accident shall be furnished upon request to 2756 the State Police and the Highway Safety Commission. In addition, a copy of any autopsy report 2757 concerning a patient or resident of an individual receiving services in a state mental health or mental 2758 retardation facility hospital or training center operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and 2759 Developmental Services shall be delivered to the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental 2760 Services and to the State Inspector General. A copy of any autopsy report concerning a prisoner 2761 committed to the custody of the Director of the Department of Corrections shall, upon request of the 2762 Director of the Department of Corrections, be delivered to the Director of the Department of 2763 Corrections. A copy of any autopsy report concerning a prisoner committed to any local correctional 2764 facility shall be delivered to the local sheriff or superintendent. Upon request, the Chief Medical Examiner shall release such autopsy report to the decedent's attending physician and to the personal 2765

2766 representative or executor of the decedent or, if no personal representative or executor is appointed, then 2767 at the discretion of the Chief Medical Examiner, to the following persons in the following order of priority: (i) the spouse of the decedent, (ii) an adult son or daughter of the decedent, (iii) either parent 2768 2769 of the decedent, (iv) an adult sibling of the decedent, (v) any other adult relative of the decedent in 2770 order of blood relationship, or (vi) any appropriate health facility quality assurance program.

2771 D. For each investigation under this article, including the making of the required reports, the medical 2772 examiner shall receive a fee established by the Board within the limitations of appropriations for the purpose. Such fee shall be paid by the Commonwealth, if the deceased is not a legal resident of the 2773 2774 county or city in which his death occurred. In the event the deceased is a legal resident of the county or 2775 city in which his death occurred, such county or city shall be responsible for the fee up to \$20. If the 2776 deceased is a patient or resident of an individual who receives services in a state mental health or mental retardation facility hospital or training center operated by the Department of Behavioral Health 2777 2778 and Developmental Services, the fee shall be paid by the Department of Behavioral Health and 2779 **Developmental Services.**

E. Nothing herein shall be construed to interfere with the autopsy procedure or with the routine 2780 2781 obtaining of consent for removal of organs as conducted by surgical teams or others. 2782

§ 32.1-323.2. Elimination of waiting lists for certain waivers.

It is the intent of the General Assembly to eliminate the waiting lists for services pursuant to the 2783 2784 Mental Retardation Intellectual Disability Medicaid Waiver and the Individual and Family 2785 Developmental Disabilities and Support Medicaid Waiver.

2786 In furtherance of this intent, beginning with the fiscal year starting July 1, 2010, and for each fiscal 2787 year thereafter, the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall add (i) at least 400 additional 2788 funded slots per fiscal year for the Mental Retardation Intellectual Disability Medicaid Waiver, and (ii) 2789 at least 67 additional funded slots per fiscal year for the Individual and Family Developmental 2790 Disabilities and Support Medicaid Waiver, until the waiting lists for the Mental Retardation Intellectual 2791 Disability Medicaid Waiver and the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities and Support 2792 Medicaid Waiver have been eliminated.

2793 In addition, the Governor shall develop a plan to eliminate the waiting lists for services provided to 2794 individuals on the Mental Retardation Intellectual Disability Medicaid Waiver and the Individual and 2795 Family Developmental Disabilities and Support Medicaid Waiver by the 2018-2020 biennium. The plan 2796 shall include provisions to reduce the total number of individuals on the waiting list for the Mental 2797 Retardation Intellectual Disability Medicaid Waiver by 10 percent in the 2008-2010 biennium. The 2798 Governor shall submit the plan to the chairman of the Joint Commission on Health Care, and the 2799 chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees by October 1, 2009.

2800 The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall work with the Department of Planning and 2801 Budget to incorporate additional costs pursuant to this section in the estimate of Medicaid expenditures 2802 required pursuant to § 32.1-323.1. 2803

§ 32.1-331.13. Medicaid Prior Authorization Advisory Committee; membership.

The Board shall amend the state plan and promulgate regulations to establish the Medicaid Prior 2804 2805 Authorization Advisory Committee, composed of eleven 11 members to be appointed by the Board. Five 2806 members shall be physicians, at least three of whom shall care for a significant number of Medicaid 2807 patients; four shall be pharmacists, two of whom shall be community pharmacists; one member shall be 2808 a consumer of an individual receiving mental health services; and one member shall be a Medicaid 2809 recipient. A quorum for action of the Committee shall consist of six members. The members shall serve 2810 at the pleasure of the Board, and vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original 2811 appointment. The Board shall consider nominations made by The Medical Society of Virginia, the Old 2812 Dominion Medical Society, the Psychiatric Society of Virginia, the Virginia Pharmaceutical Association, the Virginia Alliance for the Mentally III National Alliance on Mental Illness of Virginia and the 2813 2814 Virginia Mental Health Consumers Association when making appointments to the Committee.

2815 The Committee shall elect its own officers, establish its own procedural rules, and meet as needed or 2816 as called by the Board, the Director, or any two members of the Committee. The Department shall 2817 provide appropriate staffing to the Committee. 2818

§ 36-96.6. Certain restrictive covenants void; instruments containing such covenants.

2819 A. Any restrictive covenant and any related reversionary interest, purporting to restrict occupancy or 2820 ownership of property on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, elderliness, familial 2821 status, or handicap, whether heretofore or hereafter included in an instrument affecting the title to real or 2822 leasehold property, are declared to be void and contrary to the public policy of this the Commonwealth.

2823 B. Any person who is asked to accept a document affecting title to real or leasehold property may 2824 decline to accept the same if it includes such a covenant or reversionary interest until the covenant or reversionary interest has been removed from the document. Refusal to accept delivery of an instrument 2825 2826 for this reason shall not be deemed a breach of a contract to purchase, lease, mortgage, or otherwise 2827 deal with such property.

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2828 C. No person shall solicit or accept compensation of any kind for the release or removal of any covenant or reversionary interest described in subsection A. Any person violating this subsection shall be liable to any person injured thereby in an amount equal to the greater of three times the compensation solicited or received, or \$500, plus reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred.

D. A family care home, foster home, or group home in which physically handicapped, mentally ill, mentally retarded, or developmentally disabled persons individuals with physical handicaps, mental illness, intellectual disability, or developmental disability reside, with one or more resident counselors or other staff persons, shall be considered for all purposes residential occupancy by a single family when construing any restrictive covenant which purports to restrict occupancy or ownership of real or leasehold property to members of a single family or to residential use or structure.

2838 § 37.2-100. Definitions. **2839** As used in this title, un

As used in this title, unless the context requires a different meaning:

"Abuse" means any act or failure to act by an employee or other person responsible for the care of
an individual in a facility or program operated, licensed, or funded by the Department, excluding those
operated by the Department of Corrections, that was performed or was failed to be performed
knowingly, recklessly, or intentionally, and that caused or might have caused physical or psychological
harm, injury, or death to a person an individual receiving care or treatment for mental illness, mental
retardation intellectual disability, or substance abuse. Examples of abuse include acts such as:

2846 1. Rape, sexual assault, or other criminal sexual behavior;

2847 2. Assault or battery;

2848 3. Use of language that demeans, threatens, intimidates, or humiliates the person *individual*;

2849 4. Misuse or misappropriation of the person's *individual's* assets, goods, or property;

2850 5. Use of excessive force when placing a person *an individual* in physical or mechanical restraint;

2851 6. Use of physical or mechanical restraints on a person an individual that is not in compliance with
2852 federal and state laws, regulations, and policies, professionally accepted standards of practice, or the
2853 person's his individualized services plan; and

2854 7. Use of more restrictive or intensive services or denial of services to punish the person an
 2855 individual or that is not consistent with his individualized services plan.

2856 "Administrative policy community services board" or "administrative policy board" means the public 2857 body organized in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5 (§ 37.2-500 et seq.) that is appointed by 2858 and accountable to the governing body of each city and county that established it to set policy for and 2859 administer the provision of mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse 2860 services. The "administrative policy community services board" or "administrative policy board" denotes 2861 the board, the members of which are appointed pursuant to § 37.2-501 with the powers and duties enumerated in subsection A of § 37.2-504 and § 37.2-505. Mental health, mental retardation 2862 2863 developmental, and substance abuse services are provided through local government staff or through 2864 contracts with other organizations and providers.

"Behavioral health authority" or "authority" means a public body and a body corporate and politic
organized in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 6 (§ 37.2-600 et seq.) that is appointed by and
accountable to the governing body of the city or county that established it for the provision of mental
health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services. "Behavioral health authority" or
"authority" also includes the organization that provides suchthese services through its own staff or
through contracts with other organizations and providers.

"Behavioral health services" means the full range of mental health and substance abuse services.

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"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

"Board" means the State Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

2874 "Community services board" means the public body established pursuant to § 37.2-501 that provides
2875 mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services within each city and
2876 county that established it; the term "community services board" shall include administrative policy
2877 community services boards, operating community services boards, and local government departments
2878 with policy-advisory community services boards.

2879 "Consumer" means a current direct recipient of public or private mental health, mental retardation, or
 2880 substance abuse treatment or habilitation services.

2881 "Department" means the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

2882 "Developmental services" means planned, individualized, and person-centered services and supports
2883 provided to individuals with intellectual disability for the purpose of enabling these individuals to
2884 increase their self-determination and independence, obtain employment, participate fully in all aspects of
2885 community life, advocate for themselves, and achieve their fullest potential to the greatest extent
2886 possible.

2887 "Facility" means a state or licensed hospital, training center, psychiatric hospital, or other type of residential or outpatient mental health or mental retardation developmental services facility. When

2889 modified by the word "state," "facility" means a state hospital or training center operated by the2890 Department, including the buildings and land associated with it.

2891 "Family member" means an immediate family member of a consumer an individual receiving
2892 services or the principal caregiver of a consumer that individual. A principal caregiver is a person who
2893 acts in the place of an immediate family member, including other relatives and foster care providers, but
2894 does not have a proprietary interest in the care of the consumer individual receiving services.

2895 "Hospital", when not modified by the words "state" or "licensed," means a state hospital or and a
2896 licensed hospital that provides care and treatment for persons with mental illness.

2897 "Individual receiving services" or "individual" means a current direct recipient of public or private
2898 mental health, developmental, or substance abuse treatment, rehabilitation, or habilitation services and
2899 includes the terms "consumer," "patient," "recipient," or "client."

2900 "Intellectual disability" means a disability, originating before the age of 18 years, characterized
2901 concurrently by (i) significant subaverage intellectual functioning as demonstrated by performance on a
2902 standardized measure of intellectual functioning, administered in conformity with accepted professional
2903 practice, that is at least two standard deviations below the mean and (ii) significant limitations in
2904 adaptive behavior as expressed in conceptual, social, and practical adaptive skills.

2905 "Licensed hospital" means a hospital or institution, including a psychiatric unit of a general hospital,2906 that is licensed pursuant to the provisions of this title.

"Mental health services" means planned individualized interventions intended to reduce or ameliorate
mental illness or the effects of mental illness through care, treatment, counseling, rehabilitation, medical
or psychiatric care, or other supports provided to individuals with mental illness for the purpose of
enabling these individuals to increase their self-determination and independence, obtain remunerative
employment, participate fully in all aspects of community life, advocate for themselves, and achieve their
fullest potential to the greatest extent possible.

2913 "Mental illness" means a disorder of thought, mood, emotion, perception, or orientation that
2914 significantly impairs judgment, behavior, capacity to recognize reality, or ability to address basic life
2915 necessities and requires care and treatment for the health, safety, or recovery of the individual or for the
2916 safety of others.

2917 "Mental retardation" means a disability, originating before the age of 18 years, characterized
2918 concurrently by (i) significantly subaverage intellectual functioning as demonstrated by performance on a
2919 standardized measure of intellectual functioning, administered in conformity with accepted professional
2920 practice, that is at least two standard deviations below the mean and (ii) significant limitations in
2921 adaptive behavior as expressed in conceptual, social, and practical adaptive skills.

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2927 "Operating community services board" or "operating board" means the public body organized in 2928 accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5 (§ 37.2-500 et seq.) that is appointed by and accountable to 2929 the governing body of each city and county that established it for the direct provision of mental health, 2930 mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services. The "operating community services 2931 board" or "operating board" denotes the board, the members of which are appointed pursuant to 2932 § 37.2-501 with the powers and duties enumerated in subsection A of § 37.2-504 and § 37.2-505. 2933 "Operating community services board" or "operating board" also includes the organization that provides 2934 such services, through its own staff or through contracts with other organizations and providers.

2935 "Performance contract" means the annual agreement negotiated and entered into by a community
2936 services board or behavioral health authority with the Department through which it provides state and
2937 federal funds appropriated for mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse
2938 services to that community services board or behavioral health authority.

Policy-advisory community services board" or "policy-advisory board" means the public body organized in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5 that is appointed by and accountable to the governing body of each city or county that established it to provide advice on policy matters to the local government department that provides mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services pursuant to subsection A of § 37.2-504 and § 37.2-505. The "policy-advisory community services board" or "policy-advisory board" denotes the board, the members of which are appointed pursuant to § 37.2-501 with the powers and duties enumerated in subsection B of § 37.2-504.

2946 "Service area" means the city or county or combination of cities and counties or cities2947 that is served by a community services board or behavioral health authority or the cities and counties2948 that are served by a state facility.

2949 "Special justice" means a person appointed by a chief judge of a judicial circuit for the purpose of2950 performing the duties of a judge pursuant to § 37.2-803.

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2951 "State hospital" means a hospital, psychiatric institute, or other institution operated by the Department 2952 that provides care and treatment for persons with mental illness.

2953 "Substance abuse" means the use of drugs, enumerated in the Virginia Drug Control Act 2954 (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.), without a compelling medical reason or alcohol that (i) results in psychological or 2955 physiological dependence or danger to self or others as a function of continued and compulsive use or 2956 (ii) results in mental, emotional, or physical impairment that causes socially dysfunctional or socially 2957 disordering behavior and (iii), because of such substance abuse, requires care and treatment for the 2958 health of the individual. This care and treatment may include counseling, rehabilitation, or medical or 2959 psychiatric care.

2960 "Training center" means a facility operated by the Department for the treatment, that provides 2961 training, or habilitation of, or other individually focused supports to persons with mental retardation 2962 intellectual disability. 2963

§ 37.2-200. State Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

2964 A. The State Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services is established as a policy 2965 board, within the meaning of § 2.2-2100, in the executive branch of government. The Board shall consist 2966 of nine nonlegislative citizen members to be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the 2967 General Assembly. The nine members shall consist of one consumer or former consumer individual who 2968 is receiving or who has received services, one family member of a consumer or former consumer an 2969 individual who is receiving or who has received services, one consumer or former consumer individual 2970 who is receiving or who has received services or family member of a consumer or former consumer 2971 such individual, one elected local government official, one psychiatrist licensed to practice in Virginia, and four citizens of the Commonwealth at large. The Governor, in appointing the psychiatrist member, 2972 2973 may make his selection from nominations submitted by the Medical Society of Virginia in collaboration 2974 with the Psychiatric Society of Virginia and the Northern Virginia Chapter of the Washington 2975 Psychiatric Society.

2976 B. Appointments shall be made for terms of four years each, except appointments to fill vacancies that shall be for the unexpired terms of vacated appointments. Vacancies shall be filled in the same 2977 2978 manner as the original appointments. All members may be reappointed. However, no member shall be 2979 eligible to serve more than two four-year terms. The remainder of any term to which a member is 2980 appointed to fill a vacancy shall not constitute a term in determining the member's eligibility for 2981 reappointment. No person shall serve more than a total of 12 years. Members of the Board may be 2982 suspended or removed by the Governor at his pleasure.

2983 C. Members of the Board shall receive compensation for their services and shall be reimbursed for 2984 all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided in 2985 §§ 2.2-2813 and 2.2-2825. The Board is authorized to employ a secretary to assist in the Board's 2986 administrative duties. The compensation of the secretary shall be fixed by the Board within the specific 2987 limits of the appropriation made therefor by the General Assembly, and the compensation shall be 2988 subject to the provisions of Chapter 29 (§ 2.2-2900 et seq.) of Title 2.2. The secretary shall perform the 2989 duties required of him by the Board. The Department and all other agencies of the Commonwealth shall 2990 provide assistance to the Board upon request.

2991 D. The main office of the Board shall be in the City of Richmond. The Board shall meet quarterly 2992 and at such other times as it deems proper. The Board shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman from 2993 among its membership. The meetings of the Board shall be held at the call of the chairman or whenever 2994 the majority of the members so request. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

2995 E. The chairman of the Board shall submit to the Governor and the General Assembly an annual 2996 executive summary of the activity and work of the Board no later than the first day of each regular 2997 session of the General Assembly. The executive summary shall be submitted as provided in the 2998 procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents 2999 and reports and shall be posted on the General Assembly's website.

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§ 37.2-203. Powers and duties of Board. 3001 The Board shall have the following powers and duties:

3002 1. To develop and establish programmatic and fiscal policies governing the operation of state 3003 hospitals, training centers, community services boards, and behavioral health authorities;

3004 2. To ensure the development of long-range programs and plans for mental health, mental retardation 3005 *developmental*, and substance abuse services provided by the Department, community services boards, 3006 and behavioral health authorities;

3007 3. To review and comment on all budgets and requests for appropriations for the Department prior to 3008 their submission to the Governor and on all applications for federal funds;

3009 4. To monitor the activities of the Department and its effectiveness in implementing the policies of 3010 the Board:

3011 5. To advise the Governor, Commissioner, and General Assembly on matters relating to mental

3012 health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services;

3013 6. To adopt regulations that may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this title and other laws 3014 of the Commonwealth administered by the Commissioner or the Department;

3015 7. To ensure the development of programs to educate citizens about and elicit public support for the 3016 activities of the Department, community services boards, and behavioral health authorities;

3017 8. To ensure that the Department assumes the responsibility for providing for education and training 3018 of school-age consumers individuals receiving services in state facilities, pursuant to § 37.2-312; and

3019 9. To change the names of state facilities.

3020 Prior to the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any regulation regarding substance abuse services, the 3021 Board shall, in addition to the procedures set forth in the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et 3022 seq.), present the proposed regulation to the Substance Abuse Services Council, established pursuant to § 2.2-2696, at least 30 days prior to the Board's action for the Council's review and comment. 3023

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§ 37.2-204. Appointments to state and local human rights committees.

3025 The Board shall appoint a state human rights committee that shall appoint local human rights 3026 committees to address alleged violations of consumers' human rights of individuals receiving services. 3027 One-third of the appointments made to the state or local human rights committees shall be current or 3028 former consumers individuals who are receiving or who have received services or family members of eurrent or former consumers such individuals, with at least two consumers individuals who are receiving 3029 3030 or who have received within five years of their initial appointment public or private mental health, 3031 mental retardation developmental, or substance abuse treatment or habilitation services within five years 3032 of the date of their initial appointment on each committee. In addition, at least one appointment to the 3033 state and each local human rights committee shall be a health care provider. Remaining appointments 3034 shall include lawyers and persons with interest, knowledge, or training in the mental health, mental retardation developmental, or substance abuse services field. No current employee of the Department, a 3035 3036 community services board, or a behavioral health authority shall serve as a member of the state human 3037 rights committee. No current employee of the Department, a community services board, a behavioral 3038 health authority, or any facility, program, or organization licensed or funded by the Department or 3039 funded by a community services board or behavioral health authority shall serve as a member of any 3040 local human rights committee that serves an oversight function for the employing facility, program, or 3041 organization.

§ 37.2-303. Qualifications of Commissioner.

3043 The Commissioner shall be a person of proven executive and administrative ability and shall have 3044 had appropriate education and substantial experience in the fields of mental health, mental retardation 3045 developmental, or substance abuse services. 3046

§ 37.2-304. Duties of Commissioner.

3047 The Commissioner shall be the chief executive officer of the Department and shall have the 3048 following duties and powers: 3049

1. To supervise and manage the Department and its state facilities.

2. To employ the personnel required to carry out the purposes of this title.

3051 3. To make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of 3052 the Department's duties and the execution of its powers under this title, including contracts with the 3053 United States, other states, and agencies and governmental subdivisions of the Commonwealth, 3054 consistent with policies and regulations of the Board and applicable federal and state statutes and 3055 regulations.

4. To accept, hold, and enjoy gifts, donations, and bequests on behalf of the Department from the 3056 3057 United States government, agencies and instrumentalities thereof, and any other source, subject to the 3058 approval of the Governor. To these ends, the Commissioner shall have the power to comply with 3059 conditions and execute agreements that may be necessary, convenient, or desirable, consistent with 3060 policies and regulations of the Board.

3061 5. To accept, execute, and administer any trust in which the Department may have an interest, under 3062 the terms of the instruments creating the trust, subject to the approval of the Governor.

3063 6. To transfer between state hospitals and training centers school-age consumers individuals who 3064 have been identified as appropriate to be placed in public school programs and to negotiate with other school divisions for placements in order to ameliorate the impact on those school divisions located in a 3065 3066 jurisdiction in which a state hospital or training center is located.

3067 7. To provide to the Director of the Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy, pursuant to 3068 § 51.5-39.12, a written report setting forth the known facts of critical incidents or deaths of consumers 3069 individuals receiving services in facilities within 15 working days of the critical incident or death.

3070 8. To work with the appropriate state and federal entities to ensure that any person individual who 3071 has been a consumer received services in a state facility for more than one year has possession of or 3072 receives prior to discharge any of the following documents, when they are needed to obtain the services 3073 contained in his discharge plan: a Department of Motor Vehicles approved identification card that will

3074 expire 90 days from issuance, a copy of his birth certificate if the consumer *individual* was born in the
3075 Commonwealth, or a social security card from the Social Security Administration. State facility
3076 directors, as part of their responsibilities pursuant to § 37.2-837, shall implement this provision when
3077 discharging consumers *individuals*.

3078 9. To work with the Department of Veterans Services and the Department of Rehabilitative Services
3079 to establish a program for mental health and rehabilitative services for Virginia veterans and members of
3080 the Virginia National Guard and Virginia residents in the Armed Forces Reserves not in active federal
3081 service and their family members pursuant to § 2.2-2001.1.

3082 10. To establish and maintain a pharmaceutical and therapeutics committee composed of
3083 representatives of the Department of Medical Assistance Services, state facilities operated by the
3084 Department, community services boards, at least one health insurance plan, and at least one consumer
3085 individual receiving services to develop a drug formulary for use at all community services boards, state
3086 facilities operated by the Department, and providers licensed by the Department.

3087 Unless specifically authorized by the Governor to accept or undertake activities for compensation, the 3088 Commissioner shall devote his entire time to his duties.

3089 § 37.2-305. Receiving gifts and endowments.

3090 The Commissioner may receive gifts, bequests, and endowments to or for state facilities in their names or to or for any consumer *individual receiving services* in state facilities. When gifts, bequests, and endowments are accepted by the Commissioner, he shall well and faithfully administer such trusts.

3093 § 37.2-306. Research into causes of mental illness, intellectual disability, substance abuse, and related subjects.

3095 The Commissioner is hereby directed to promote research into the causes of mental illness, mental 3096 retardation intellectual disability, and substance abuse throughout the Commonwealth. The Commissioner 3097 shall encourage the directors of the state facilities and their staffs in the investigation of all subjects relating to mental illness, mental retardation intellectual disability, and substance abuse. In these research programs, the Commissioner shall make use, insofar as practicable, of the services and facilities of medical schools and the hospitals allied with them.

3101 § 37.2-312. Department responsible for education and training programs.

3102 The Department shall be responsible for providing for education and training of school-age 3103 consumers individuals in state facilities. The Board of Education shall supervise the education and 3104 training provided to school-age consumers individuals in training centers, and shall provide for and 3105 direct the education for school-age consumers individuals in state hospitals in cooperation with the 3106 Department. In discharging this responsibility, the Department shall exercise leadership by: (i) 3107 coordinating actions with the Department of Education and state facilities to ensure consistency between 3108 treatment and educational priorities in the policy and implementation of direct services for school-age 3109 consumers individuals in state facilities; (ii) ensuring that comparable resources especially in career and 3110 technical education, appropriate to the students' disabilities and needs, are available in all state facilities; 3111 (iii) monitoring the quality of the instruction provided to all school-age consumers individuals in state 3112 facilities; (iv) requiring state facility directors to evaluate the performance of the education directors 3113 pursuant to guidelines developed in cooperation with the Board of Education; (v) developing and 3114 implementing, in cooperation with the Department of Education, programs to ensure that the educational and treatment needs of children with dual diagnoses in state facilities are met; (vi) taking an active role 3115 3116 with the Department of Education to evaluate the effectiveness of prevalent educational models in state 3117 facilities; and (vii) designing a mechanism for maintaining constant direct contact and the sharing of 3118 ideas, approaches, and innovations between the education directors and teachers whether they are 3119 employees of local school divisions or of the Commonwealth who are educating school-age consumers 3120 individuals in state facilities.

3121 § 37.2-314. Background check required.

3122 A. As a condition of employment, the Department shall require any individual applicant who (i) 3123 accepts a position of employment at a state facility and was not employed by that state facility prior to 3124 July 1, 1996, or (ii) accepts a position with the Department that receives, monitors, or disburses funds of 3125 the Commonwealth and was not employed by the Department prior to July 1, 1996, to submit to 3126 fingerprinting and provide personal descriptive information to be forwarded along with the applicant's 3127 fingerprints through the Central Criminal Records Exchange to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) 3128 for the purpose of obtaining national criminal history record information regarding the individual 3129 applicant.

B. For purposes of clause (i) of subsection A, the Department shall not hire for compensated
employment persons who have been (i) convicted of murder or manslaughter, as set out in Article 1
(§ 18.2-30 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2; malicious wounding by mob, as set out in § 18.2-41;
abduction, as set out in subsection A of § 18.2-47; abduction for immoral purposes, as set out in
§ 18.2-48; assault and bodily wounding, as set out in Article 4 (§ 18.2-51 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title

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3135 18.2; robbery, as set out in § 18.2-58; carjacking, as set out § 18.2-58.1; extortion by threat, as set out in 3136 § 18.2-59; threat, as set out in § 18.2-60; any felony stalking violation, as set out in § 18.2-60.3; sexual assault, as set out in Article 7 (§ 18.2-61 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2; arson, as set out in Article 3137 3138 1 (§ 18.2-77 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 18.2; burglary, as set out in Article 2 (§ 18.2-89 et seq.) of 3139 Chapter 5 of Title 18.2; any felony violation relating to distribution of drugs, as set out in Article 1 3140 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2; drive-by shooting, as set out in § 18.2-286.1; use of a 3141 machine gun in a crime of violence, as set out in § 18.2-289; aggressive use of a machine gun, as set 3142 out in § 18.2-290; use of a sawed-off shotgun in a crime of violence, as set out in subsection A of 3143 § 18.2-300; pandering, as set out in § 18.2-355; crimes against nature involving children, as set out in § 18.2-361; taking indecent liberties with children, as set out in § 18.2-370 or 18.2-370.1; abuse or 3144 neglect of children, as set out in § 18.2-371.1, including failing to secure medical attention for an 3145 injured child, as set out in § 18.2-314; obscenity offenses, as set out in § 18.2-374.1; possession of child pornography, as set out in § 18.2-374.1:1; electronic facilitation of pornography, as set out in 3146 3147 3148 § 18.2-374.3; incest, as set out in § 18.2-366; abuse or neglect of incapacitated adults, as set out in 3149 § 18.2-369; employing or permitting a minor to assist in an act constituting an offense under Article 5 3150 (§ 18.2-372 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2, as set out in § 18.2-379; delivery of drugs to prisoners, 3151 as set out in § 18.2-474.1; escape from jail, as set out in § 18.2-477; felonies by prisoners, as set out in 3152 § 53.1-203; or an equivalent offense in another state; (ii) convicted of any felony violation relating to 3153 possession of drugs, as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2, in the five 3154 years prior to the application date for employment; or (iii) convicted of any felony violation relating to 3155 possession of drugs, as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2, and continue 3156 on probation or parole or have failed to pay required court costs.

C. The Central Criminal Records Exchange, upon receipt of an individual's applicant's record or 3157 3158 notification that no record exists, shall submit a report to the state facility or to the Department. If an 3159 individual applicant is denied employment because of information appearing on his criminal history 3160 record and the applicant disputes the information upon which the denial was based, the Central Criminal 3161 Records Exchange shall, upon written request, furnish to the applicant the procedures for obtaining a copy of the criminal history record from the FBI. The information provided to the state facility or 3162 Department shall not be disseminated except as provided in this section. 3163

3164 D. Those individuals applicants listed in clause (i) of subsection A also shall provide to the state 3165 facility or Department a copy of information from the central registry maintained pursuant to 3166 § 63.2-1515 on any investigation of child abuse or neglect undertaken on them.

E. The Board may adopt regulations to comply with the provisions of this section. Copies of any 3167 3168 information received by the state facility or Department pursuant to this section shall be available to the 3169 Department and to the applicable state facility but shall not be disseminated further, except as permitted by state or federal law. The cost of obtaining the criminal history record and the central registry 3170 3171 information shall be borne by the applicant, unless the Department or state facility decides to pay the 3172 cost 3173

§ 37.2-315. Comprehensive State Plan for Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

3174 The Department, in consultation with community services boards, behavioral health authorities, state 3175 hospitals and training centers, consumers individuals receiving services, consumers' families of 3176 individuals receiving services, advocacy organizations, and other interested parties, shall develop and 3177 update biennially a six-year Comprehensive State Plan for Behavioral Health and Developmental 3178 Services. The Comprehensive State Plan shall identify the needs of and the resource requirements for 3179 providing services and supports to persons with mental illness, mental retardation intellectual disability, 3180 or substance abuse across the Commonwealth and shall propose strategies to address these needs. The 3181 Comprehensive State Plan shall be used in the development of the Department's biennial budget 3182 submission to the Governor.

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§ 37.2-316. System restructuring; state and community consensus and planning team required.

3184 A. For the purpose of considering any restructuring of the system of mental health services involving 3185 an existing state hospital, the Commissioner shall establish a state and community consensus and 3186 planning team consisting of Department staff and representatives of the localities served by the state 3187 hospital, including local government officials, consumers individuals receiving services, family members 3188 of consumers individuals receiving services, advocates, state hospital employees, community services 3189 boards, behavioral health authorities, public and private service providers, licensed hospitals, local health 3190 department staff, local social services department staff, sheriffs' office staff, area agencies on aging, and 3191 other interested persons. In addition, the members of the House of Delegates and the Senate representing 3192 the localities served by the affected state hospital may serve on the state and community consensus and planning team for that state hospital. Each state and community consensus and planning team, in 3193 collaboration with the Commissioner, shall develop a plan that addresses (i) the types, amounts, and 3194 locations of new and expanded community services that would be needed to successfully implement the 3195 3196 closure or conversion of the state hospital to any use other than the provision of mental health services,

3197 including a six-year projection of the need for inpatient psychiatric beds and related community mental 3198 health services; (ii) the development of a detailed implementation plan designed to build community 3199 mental health infrastructure for current and future capacity needs; (iii) the creation of new and enhanced 3200 community services prior to the closure of the state hospital or its conversion to any use other than the 3201 provision of mental health services; (iv) the transition of *individuals receiving services in the* state 3202 hospital consumers to community services in the locality of their residence prior to admission or the 3203 locality of their choice after discharge; (v) the resolution of issues relating to the restructuring 3204 implementation process, including employment issues involving state hospital employee transition 3205 planning and appropriate transitional benefits; and (vi) a six-year projection comparing the cost of the 3206 current structure and the proposed structure. 3207

B. The Commissioner shall ensure that each plan includes the following components:

3208 1. A plan for community education:

2. A plan for the implementation of required community services, including state-of-the-art practice 3209 3210 models and any models required to meet the unique characteristics of the area to be served, which may 3211 include models for rural areas;

3212 3. A plan for assuring the availability of adequate staff in the affected communities, including 3213 specific strategies for transferring qualified state hospital employees to community services;

3214 4. A plan for assuring the development, funding, and implementation of individualized discharge 3215 plans pursuant to § 37.2-505 for individuals discharged as a result of the closure or conversion of the 3216 state hospital to any use other than the provision of mental health services; and

3217 5. A provision for suspending implementation of the plan if the total general funds appropriated to 3218 the Department for state hospital and community services decrease in any year of plan implementation 3219 by more than 10 percent from the year in which the plan was approved by the General Assembly.

3220 C. At least nine months prior to any proposed state hospital closure or conversion of the state 3221 hospital to any use other than the provision of mental health services, the state and community 3222 consensus and planning team shall submit a plan to the Joint Commission on Health Care and the 3223 Governor for review and recommendation.

3224 D. The Joint Commission on Health Care shall make a recommendation to the General Assembly on 3225 the plan no later than six months prior to the date of the proposed closure or conversion of the state 3226 hospital to any use other than the provision of mental health services.

3227 E. Upon approval of the plan by the General Assembly and the Governor, the Commissioner shall 3228 ensure that the plan components required by subsection B are in place and may thereafter perform all 3229 tasks necessary to implement the closure or conversion of the state hospital to any use other than the 3230 provision of mental health services.

3231 F. Any funds saved by the closure or conversion of the state hospital to any use other than the 3232 provision of mental health services and not allocated to individualized services plans for consumers 3233 *individuals* being transferred or discharged as a result of the closure or conversion of the state hospital 3234 to any use other than the provision of mental health services shall be invested in the Behavioral Health 3235 and Developmental Services Trust Fund established in Article 4 (§ 37.2-317 et seq.) of this chapter.

3236 G. Nothing in this section shall prevent the Commissioner from leasing unused, vacant space to any 3237 public or private organization.

3238 § 37.2-318. Behavioral Health and Developmental Services Trust Fund established; purpose.

3239 There is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the 3240 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services Trust Fund to enhance and ensure for the coming years 3241 the quality of care and treatment provided to consumers of *individuals receiving* public mental health, 3242 mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services. The Fund shall be established on the 3243 books of the Comptroller. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-1156, the Fund shall consist of the 3244 net proceeds of the sale of vacant buildings and land held by the Department. The Fund shall also 3245 consist of such moneys as shall be appropriated by the General Assembly and any private donations. 3246 Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Any moneys 3247 remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the 3248 general fund but shall remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely for the purposes set 3249 forth in this article. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State Treasurer 3250 on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon written request signed by the Commissioner. 3251

§ 37.2-319. Administration of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services Trust Fund.

3252 A. The Fund shall be administered by the Commissioner. Moneys in the Fund shall be used for 3253 mental illness health, mental retardation developmental, or substance abuse services and to facilitate 3254 transition of individuals with mental retardation intellectual disability from state training centers to 3255 community-based services. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the net proceeds from the sale 3256 of any vacant buildings and land shall first be used to (i) deliver mental health, mental retardation 3257 developmental, and substance abuse services within the same service area where the sold buildings and

3258 land were located to ensure the same level of mental health, mental retardation developmental, and 3259 substance abuse services as before the sale and (ii) provide benefits pursuant to the Workforce 3260 Transition Act of 1995 (§ 2.2-3200 et seq.) to those persons who were employees of the Commonwealth 3261 and, as a result of the sale, are no longer employed by the Commonwealth or are otherwise negatively 3262 affected by the sale.

3263 B. For each fiscal year starting with the Commonwealth's 2011-2012 fiscal year, any funds directed 3264 to be deposited into the Fund pursuant to the general appropriation act shall be appropriated for financing (i) a broad array of community-based services including but not limited to Intellectual 3265 3266 Disability Home and Community Based Waivers Waiver services or (ii) appropriate community housing, 3267 for the purpose of transitioning individuals with mental retardation intellectual disability from state 3268 training centers to community-based care.

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§ 37.2-400. Rights of individuals receiving services.

3270 A. Each person who is a consumer individual receiving services in a hospital, training center, other facility, or program operated, funded, or licensed by the Department, excluding those operated by the 3271 3272 Department of Corrections, shall be assured his legal rights and care consistent with basic human dignity 3273 insofar as it is within the reasonable capabilities and limitations of the Department, funded program, or 3274 licensee and is consistent with sound therapeutic treatment. Each person individual admitted to a 3275 hospital, training center, other facility, or program operated, funded, or licensed by the Department shall: 3276 1. Retain his legal rights as provided by state and federal law;

3277 2. Receive prompt evaluation and treatment or training about which he is informed insofar as he is 3278 capable of understanding;

3. Be treated with dignity as a human being and be free from abuse or neglect;

3280 4. Not be the subject of experimental or investigational research without his prior written and 3281 informed consent or that of his legally authorized representative;

3282 5. Be afforded an opportunity to have access to consultation with a private physician at his own 3283 expense and, in the case of hazardous treatment or irreversible surgical procedures, have, upon request, 3284 an impartial review prior to implementation, except in case of emergency procedures required for the 3285 preservation of his health;

3286 6. Be treated under the least restrictive conditions consistent with his condition and not be subjected 3287 to unnecessary physical restraint and isolation; 3288

7. Be allowed to send and receive sealed letter mail;

3289 8. Have access to his medical and clinical treatment, training, or habilitation records and be assured 3290 of their confidentiality but, notwithstanding other provisions of law, this right shall be limited to access 3291 consistent with his condition and sound therapeutic treatment;

3292 9. Have the right to an impartial review of violations of the rights assured under this section and the 3293 right of access to legal counsel;

3294 10. Be afforded appropriate opportunities, consistent with the person's individual's capabilities and 3295 capacity, to participate in the development and implementation of his individualized services plan; and

3296 11. Be afforded the opportunity to have an individual a person of his choice notified of his general 3297 condition, location, and transfer to another facility.

3298 The Board shall adopt regulations to implement the provisions of this subsection after due notice and 3299 public hearing, as provided for in the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.).

3300 B. The Board shall adopt regulations delineating the rights of consumers individuals receiving 3301 services with respect to nutritionally adequate diet; safe and sanitary housing; participation in nontherapeutic labor; attendance or nonattendance at religious services; participation in treatment 3302 decision-making, including due process procedures to be followed when a consumer an individual may 3303 be unable to make an informed decision; notification of an individual a person of his choice regarding 3304 3305 his general condition, location, and transfer to another facility; use of telephones; suitable clothing; 3306 possession of money and valuables; and related matters.

3307 C. The human rights regulations shall be applicable to all hospitals, training centers, other facilities, 3308 and programs operated, funded, or licensed by the Department; these hospitals, training centers, other 3309 facilities, or programs may be classified as to consumer population served, size, type of services, or 3310 other reasonable classification.

3311 D. The Board shall adopt regulations requiring public and private facilities and programs licensed or 3312 funded by the Department to provide nonprivileged information and statistical data to the Department 3313 related to (i) the results of investigations of abuse or neglect, (ii) deaths and serious injuries, (iii) instances of seclusion and restraint, including the duration, type, and rationale for use per consumer 3314 individual receiving services, and (iv) findings by state or local human rights committees or the Office 3315 3316 of Human Rights in the Department of human rights violations, abuse, or neglect. The Board's regulations shall address the procedures for collecting, compiling, encrypting, and releasing the data. 3317 3318 This information and statistical data shall be made available to the public in a format from which all 3319 provider and consumer-identifying information identifying a provider or an individual receiving services

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3320 has been removed. The Board's regulations shall specifically exclude all proceedings, minutes, records, 3321 and reports of any committee or nonprofit entity providing a centralized credentialing service that are 3322 identified as privileged pursuant to § 8.01-581.17.

3323 § 37.2-401. Authorized representative prohibition.

3324 No employee of the Department, a state hospital or training center, a community services board or 3325 behavioral health authority, a community services board or behavioral health authority contractor, or any 3326 other public or private program or facility licensed or funded by the Department shall serve as a legally 3327 an authorized representative for a consumer being treated an individual receiving services in any state 3328 hospital or training center, community services board or behavioral health authority, community services 3329 board or behavioral health authority contractor, or other licensed or funded public or private program or 3330 facility, unless the employee is a relative or legal guardian of the consumer individual receiving services. 3331 § 37.2-403. Definitions.

3332 As used in this article, unless the context requires a different meaning:

3333 "Brain injury" is any injury to the brain that occurs after birth, but before age 65, that is acquired 3334 through traumatic or non-traumatic insults. Non-traumatic insults may include, but are not limited to 3335 anoxia, hypoxia, aneurysm, toxic exposure, encephalopathy, surgical interventions, tumor and stroke. 3336 Brain injury does not include hereditary, congenital or degenerative brain disorders, or injuries induced 3337 by birth trauma.

3338 "Provider" means any person, entity, or organization, excluding an agency of the federal government 3339 by whatever name or designation, that delivers (i) services to personsindividuals with mental illness, 3340 mental retardation intellectual disability, or substance abuse, (ii) services to personsindividuals who 3341 receive day support, in-home support, or crisis stabilization services funded through the Individual and 3342 Families Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver, or (iii) services to persons under the Brain Injury 3343 Waiver, or (iv) residential services for persons with brain injury. The person, entity, or organization shall include a hospital as defined in § 32.1-123, community services board, behavioral health authority, 3344 3345 private provider, and any other similar or related person, entity, or organization. It shall not include any 3346 individual practitioner who holds a license issued by a health regulatory board of the Department of 3347 Health Professions or who is exempt from licensing pursuant to § 54.1-3501, 54.1-3601, or 54.1-3701. 3348 "Service or services" means:

3349 1. Planned individualized interventions intended to reduce or ameliorate mental illness, mental 3350 retardation intellectual disability, or substance abuse through care, treatment, training, habilitation, or 3351 other supports that are delivered by a provider to individuals persons with mental illness, mental 3352 retardation intellectual disability, or substance abuse. Services include outpatient services, intensive 3353 in-home services, opioid treatment services, inpatient psychiatric hospitalization, community 3354 gero-psychiatric residential services, assertive community treatment, and other clinical services; day 3355 support, day treatment, partial hospitalization, psychosocial rehabilitation, and habilitation services; case 3356 management services; and supportive residential, special school, halfway house, and other residential 3357 services;

3358 2. Day support, in-home support, and crisis stabilization services provided to individuals under the 3359 Individual and Families Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver; and

3360 3. Planned individualized interventions intended to reduce or ameliorate the effects of brain injury 3361 through care, treatment, or other supports provided under the Brain Injury Waiver or in residential 3362 services for persons with brain injury. 3363

§ 37.2-406. Conditions for initial licensure of certain providers.

3364 A. Notwithstanding the Commissioner's discretion to grant licenses pursuant to this article or any 3365 Board regulation regarding licensing, no initial license shall be granted by the Commissioner to a 3366 provider of treatment for persons with opiate addiction through the use of methadone or other opioid 3367 replacements, if the provider is to be located within one-half mile of a public or private licensed day 3368 care center or a public or private K-12 school, except when such service is provided by a hospital 3369 licensed by the Board of Health or the Commissioner or is owned or operated by an agency of the 3370 Commonwealth.

3371 B. No provider shall be required to conduct, maintain, or operate services for the treatment of 3372 persons with opiate addiction through the use of methadone or other opioid replacements on Sunday 3373 except when such service is provided by a hospital licensed by the Board of Health or the 3374 Commissioner or is owned or operated by an agency of the Commonwealth, subject to regulations or 3375 guidelines issued by the Department consistent with the health, safety and welfare of consumers 3376 individuals receiving services and the security of take-home doses of methadone or other opiate 3377 replacements.

3378 C. Upon receiving notice of a proposal for or an application to obtain an initial license from a 3379 provider of treatment for persons with opiate addiction through the use of methadone or other opioid 3380 replacements, the Commissioner shall, within 15 days of the receipt, notify the local governing body of

3381 and the community services board serving the jurisdiction in which the facility is to be located of the 3382 proposal or application and the facility's proposed location.

3383 Within 30 days of the date of the notice, the local governing body and community services board 3384 shall submit to the Commissioner comments on the proposal or application. The local governing body 3385 shall notify the Commissioner within 30 days of the date of the notice concerning the compliance of the 3386 applicant with this section and any applicable local ordinances.

3387 D. No license shall be issued by the Commissioner to the provider until the conditions of this section 3388 have been met, i.e., local governing body and community services board comments have been received 3389 and the local governing body has determined compliance with the provisions of this section and any 3390 relevant local ordinances.

3391 E. No applicant for a license to provide treatment for persons with opiate addiction through the use 3392 of methadone or other opioid replacements that has obtained a certificate of occupancy in accordance 3393 with the law and regulations in effect on January 1, 2004, shall be required to comply with the 3394 provisions of this section. No existing licensed provider shall be required to comply with the provisions 3395 of this section in any city or county in which it is currently providing such treatment.

3396 F. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall not apply to the jurisdictions in Planning 3397 District 8. 3398

§ 37.2-408. Regulation of services delivered in group homes and residential facilities for children.

3399 A. The Department shall assist and cooperate with other state departments in fulfilling their 3400 respective licensing and certification responsibilities. The Board shall adopt regulations that shall allow 3401 the Department to so assist and cooperate with other state departments. The Board may adopt 3402 regulations to enhance cooperation and assistance among agencies licensing similar programs.

B. The Board's regulations shall establish the Department as the single licensing agency, with the 3403 exception of educational programs licensed by the Department of Education, for group homes or 3404 3405 residential facilities providing mental health, mental retardation developmental, brain injury, or substance 3406 abuse services other than facilities operated or regulated by the Department of Juvenile Justice. Such 3407 regulations shall address the services required to be provided in group homes and residential facilities 3408 for children as it may deem appropriate to ensure the health and safety of the children. In addition, the 3409 Board's regulations shall include, but shall not be limited to (i) specifications for the structure and 3410 accommodations of such homes and facilities according to the needs of the children to be placed; (ii) 3411 rules concerning allowable activities, local government- and home- or facility-imposed curfews, and 3412 study, recreational, and bedtime hours; and (iii) a requirement that each facility have a community 3413 liaison who shall be responsible for facilitating cooperative relationships with the neighbors, the school 3414 system, local law enforcement, local government officials, and the community at large.

3415 C. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in subsection D, the Commissioner may issue a summary 3416 order of suspension of the license of a group home or residential facility for children licensed pursuant 3417 to the Board's regulations under subsection A, in conjunction with any proceeding for revocation, denial, 3418 or other action, when conditions or practices exist in the home or facility that pose an immediate and 3419 substantial threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the children who are residents and the 3420 Commissioner believes the operation should be suspended during the pendency of such proceeding.

D. The summary order of suspension shall take effect upon its issuance and shall be served on the 3421 3422 licensee or its designee as soon as practicable thereafter by personal service and certified mail, return 3423 receipt requested, to the address of record of the licensee. The order shall state the time, date, and 3424 location of a hearing to determine whether the suspension is appropriate. Such hearing shall be held no 3425 later than three business days after the issuance of the summary order of suspension and shall be 3426 convened by the Commissioner or his designee.

After such hearing, the Commissioner may issue a final order of summary suspension or may find 3427 3428 that such summary suspension is not warranted by the facts and circumstances presented. A final order 3429 of summary suspension shall include notice that the licensee may appeal the Commissioner's decision to 3430 the appropriate circuit court no later than 10 days following issuance of the order. The sole issue before 3431 the court shall be whether the Department had reasonable grounds to require the licensee to cease 3432 operations during the pendency of the concurrent revocation, denial, or other proceeding. The concurrent revocation, denial, or other proceeding shall not be affected by the outcome of any hearing on the 3433 3434 appropriateness of the summary suspension.

3435 The willful and material failure to comply with the summary order of suspension or final order of 3436 summary suspension shall be punishable as a Class 2 misdemeanor. The Commissioner may require the 3437 cooperation of any other agency or subdivision of the Commonwealth in the relocation of children who 3438 are residents of a home or facility whose license has been summarily suspended pursuant to this section 3439 and in any other actions necessary to reduce the risk of further harm to children.

3440 E. In addition to the requirements set forth above, the Board's regulations shall require, as a 3441 condition of initial licensure or, if appropriate, license renewal, that the applicant shall: (i) be personally 3442 interviewed by Department personnel to determine the qualifications of the owner or operator before 3443 granting an initial license; (ii) provide evidence of having relevant prior experience before any initial 3444 license is granted; (iii) provide, as a condition of initial license or renewal licensure, evidence of staff 3445 participation in training on appropriate siting of the residential facilities for children, good neighbor 3446 policies, and community relations; and (iv) be required to screen residents children prior to admission to 3447 exclude individuals children with behavioral issues, such as histories of violence, that cannot be 3448 managed in the relevant residential facility.

3449 F. In addition, the Department shall:

3450 1. Notify relevant local governments and placing and funding agencies, including the Office of 3451 Comprehensive Services, of multiple health and safety or human rights violations in residential facilities 3452 for which the Department serves as lead licensure agency when such violations result in the lowering of 3453 the licensure status of the facility to provisional;

3454 2. Post on the Department's website information concerning the application for initial licensure of or 3455 renewal, denial, or provisional licensure of any residential facility for children located in the locality;

3456 3. Require all licensees to self-report lawsuits against or settlements with residential facility operators 3457 relating to the health and safety or human rights of residents and any criminal charges that may have 3458 been made relating to the health and safety or human rights of residents children receiving services;

3459 4. Require proof of contractual agreements or staff expertise to provide educational services, 3460 counseling services, psychological services, medical services, or any other services needed to serve the 3461 residents *children receiving services* in accordance with the facility's operational plan;

3462 5. Modify the term of the license at any time during the term of the license based on a change in 3463 compliance; and

3464 6. Disseminate to local governments, or post on the Department's website, an accurate (updated 3465 weekly or monthly as necessary) list of licensed and operating group homes and other residential 3466 facilities for children by locality with information on services and identification of the lead licensure 3467 agency. 3468

§ 37.2-408.1. Background check required; children's residential facilities.

3469 A. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 37.2-416, as a condition of employment, volunteering or 3470 providing services on a regular basis, every children's residential facility that is regulated or operated by 3471 the Department shall require any individual person who (i) accepts a position of employment at such a 3472 facility who was not employed by that facility prior to July 1, 2008, (ii) volunteers for such a facility on 3473 a regular basis and will be alone with a juvenile in the performance of his duties who was not a 3474 volunteer at such facility prior to July 1, 2008, or (iii) provides contractual services directly to a juvenile 3475 for such facility on a regular basis and will be alone with a juvenile in the performance of his duties 3476 who did not provide such services prior to July 1, 2008, to submit to fingerprinting and to provide 3477 personal descriptive information, to be forwarded along with the applicant's person's fingerprints through 3478 the Central Criminal Records Exchange to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the purpose of 3479 obtaining criminal history record information regarding such applicant the person. The children's 3480 residential facility shall inform the applicant person that he is entitled to obtain a copy of any 3481 background check report and to challenge the accuracy and completeness of any such report and obtain 3482 a prompt resolution before a final determination is made of the applicant's person's eligibility to have 3483 responsibility for the safety and well-being of children. The applicant person shall provide the children's 3484 residential facility with a written statement or affirmation disclosing whether he has ever been convicted 3485 of or is the subject of pending charges for any offense within or outside the Commonwealth. The results 3486 of the criminal history background check must be received prior to permitting an applicant a person to 3487 work with children.

3488 The Central Criminal Records Exchange, upon receipt of an individual's a person's record or 3489 notification that no record exists, shall forward it to the state agency that operates or regulates the 3490 children's residential facility with which the applicant person is affiliated. The state agency shall, upon 3491 receipt of an applicant's a person's record lacking disposition data, conduct research in whatever state 3492 and local recordkeeping systems are available in order to obtain complete data. The state agency shall 3493 report to the children's facility whether the applicant person is eligible to have responsibility for the 3494 safety and well-being of children. Except as otherwise provided in subsection B, no children's residential 3495 facility regulated or operated by the Department shall hire for compensated employment or allow to 3496 volunteer or provide contractual services persons who have been (a) convicted of or are the subject of 3497 pending charges for the following crimes: murder or manslaughter as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-30 et 3498 seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2; malicious wounding by mob as set out in § 18.2-41; abduction as set 3499 out in subsection A of § 18.2-47; abduction for immoral purposes as set out in § 18.2-48; assault and 3500 bodily woundings as set out in Article 4 (§ 18.2-51 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2; robbery as set 3501 out in § 18.2-58; carjacking as set out in § 18.2-58.1; extortion by threat as set out in § 18.2-59; threat 3502 as set out in § 18.2-60; any felony stalking violation as set out in § 18.2-60.3; sexual assault as set out in Article 7 (§ 18.2-61 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2; arson as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-77 et 3503

3504 seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 18.2; burglary as set out in Article 2 (§ 18.2-89 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 3505 18.2; any felony violation relating to distribution of drugs as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2; drive-by shooting as set out in § 18.2-286.1; use of a machine gun in a crime of 3506 3507 violence as set out in § 18.2-289; aggressive use of a machine gun as set out in § 18.2-290; use of a sawed-off shotgun in a crime of violence as set out in subsection A of § 18.2-300; pandering as set out 3508 3509 in § 18.2-355; crimes against nature involving children as set out § 18.2-361; taking indecent liberties with children as set out in § 18.2-370 or 18.2-370.1; abuse or neglect of children as set out in 3510 3511 § 18.2-371.1, including failure to secure medical attention for an injured child as set out in § 18.2-314; 3512 obscenity offenses as set out in § 18.2-374.1; possession of child pornography as set out in 3513 § 18.2-374.1:1; electronic facilitation of pornography as set out in § 18.2-374.3; incest as set out in § 18.2-366; abuse or neglect of incapacitated adults as set out in § 18.2-369; employing or permitting a 3514 minor to assist in an act constituting an offense under Article 5 (§ 18.2-372 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of 3515 3516 Title 18.2, as set out in § 18.2-379; delivery of drugs to prisoners as set out in § 18.2-474.1; escape from jail as set out in § 18.2-477; felonies by prisoners as set out in § 53.1-203; or an equivalent offense 3517 3518 in another state; or (b) convicted of any felony violation relating to possession of drugs set out in 3519 Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2 in the five years prior to the application date for 3520 employment, to be a volunteer, or to provide contractual services; or (c) convicted of any felony violation relating to possession of drugs as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 3521 3522 18.2 and continue on probation or parole or have failed to pay required court costs. The provisions of 3523 this section also shall apply to structured residential programs, excluding secure detention facilities, 3524 established pursuant to § 16.1-309.3 for juvenile offenders cited in a complaint for intake or in a petition 3525 before the court that alleges the juvenile is delinquent or in need of services or supervision.

3526 B. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, a children's residential facility may hire for compensated employment or for volunteer or contractual service purposes persons who have been convicted of not more than one misdemeanor offense under § 18.2-57 or 18.2-57.2, if 10 years have 3527 3528 3529 elapsed following the conviction, unless the person committed such offense in the scope of his 3530 employment, volunteer, or contractual services.

3531 If the applicant *person* is denied employment, or the opportunity to volunteer or provide services, at 3532 a children's residential facility because of information appearing on his criminal history record, and the 3533 applicant *person* disputes the information upon which the denial was based, upon written request of the 3534 applicant person the state agency shall furnish the applicant person the procedures for obtaining his criminal history record from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If the applicant person has been 3535 3536 permitted to assume duties that do not involve contact with children pending receipt of the report, the 3537 children's residential facility is not precluded from suspending the applicant person from his position 3538 pending a final determination of the applicant's person's eligibility to have responsibility for the safety and well-being of children. The information provided to the children's residential facility shall not be 3539 3540 disseminated except as provided in this section.

3541 C. Those individuals persons listed in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of subsection A also shall authorize 3542 the children's residential facility to obtain a copy of information from the central registry maintained 3543 pursuant to § 63.2-1515 on any investigation of child abuse or neglect undertaken on him. The applicant person shall provide the children's residential facility with a written statement or affirmation disclosing 3544 3545 whether he has ever been the subject of a founded case of child abuse or neglect within or outside the 3546 Commonwealth. The children's residential facility shall receive the results of the central registry search 3547 prior to permitting an applicant a person to work alone with children. Children's residential facilities 3548 regulated or operated by the Department shall not hire for compensated employment or allow to 3549 volunteer or provide contractual services, persons who have a founded case of child abuse or neglect.

3550 D. The cost of obtaining the criminal history record and the central registry information shall be 3551 borne by the employee or volunteer person unless the children's residential facility, at its option, decides 3552 to pay the cost. 3553

§ 37.2-409. Intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disability.

3554 The Board may adopt regulations specifying the maximum number of consumers individuals to be 3555 served by any intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded individuals with intellectual disability 3556 (ICF/MR).

§ 37.2-411. Inspections.

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3558 All services provided or delivered under any license shall be subject to review or inspection at any reasonable time by any authorized inspector or agent of the Department. The Commissioner or his 3559 3560 authorized agents shall inspect all licensed providers and shall have access at all reasonable times to all 3561 services and records, including medical records. Records that are confidential under federal or state law 3562 shall be maintained as confidential by the Department and shall not be further disclosed except as permitted by law; however, there shall be no right of access to communications that are privileged 3563 3564 pursuant to § 8.01-581.17. The Commissioner shall call upon other state or local departments to assist in 3565 the inspections and those departments shall render an inspection report to the Commissioner. After

3566 receipt of all inspection reports, the Commissioner shall make the final determination with respect to the 3567 condition of the service so reviewed or inspected. The Commissioner or his authorized agents shall 3568 make at least one annual unannounced inspection of each service offered by each licensed provider. 3569 Inspections shall be focused on preventing specific risks to consumers individuals receiving services, 3570 including an evaluation of the physical facilities in which the services are provided. In addition, the 3571 Commissioner shall promptly investigate all complaints. The Board may adopt and the Commissioner 3572 shall enforce reasonable regulations that may be necessary or proper to carry out the general purposes of 3573 this article.

3574 § 37.2-416. Background checks required.

A. As used in this section, the term "direct consumer care position" means any position that includes responsibility for (i) treatment, case management, health, safety, development, or well-being of a consumer an individual receiving services or (ii) immediately supervising a person in a position with this responsibility.

3579 As used in this section, "hire for compensated employment" does not include (i) a promotion from 3580 one adult substance abuse or adult mental health treatment position to another such position within the same licensee licensed pursuant to this article or (ii) new employment in an adult substance abuse or 3581 3582 adult mental health treatment position in another office or program licensed pursuant to this article if the 3583 person employed prior to July 1, 1999, in a licensed program had no convictions in the five years prior 3584 to the application date for employment. As used in this section, "hire for compensated employment" 3585 includes (a) a promotion or transfer from an adult substance abuse treatment position to any mental 3586 health or mental retardation developmental services direct consumer care position within the same 3587 licensee licensed pursuant to this article or (b) new employment in any mental health or mental 3588 retardation developmental services direct consumer care position in another office or program of the 3589 same licensee licensed pursuant to this article for which the person has previously worked in an adult 3590 substance abuse treatment position.

B. Every provider licensed pursuant to this article shall require any applicant who accepts
employment in any direct consumer care position to submit to fingerprinting and provide personal
descriptive information to be forwarded through the Central Criminal Records Exchange to the Federal
Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for the purpose of obtaining national criminal history record information
regarding the applicant. Except as otherwise provided in subsection C, D, or F, no provider licensed
pursuant to this article shall hire for compensated employment persons who have been convicted of any
offense listed in subsection B of § 37.2-314.

3598 The Central Criminal Records Exchange, upon receipt of an individual's applicant's record or 3599 notification that no record exists, shall submit a report to the requesting authorized officer or director of 3600 a provider licensed pursuant to this article. If any applicant is denied employment because of 3601 information appearing on the criminal history record and the applicant disputes the information upon 3602 which the denial was based, the Central Criminal Records Exchange shall, upon written request, furnish 3603 to the applicant the procedures for obtaining a copy of the criminal history record from the FBI. The 3604 information provided to the authorized officer or director of a provider licensed pursuant to this article 3605 shall not be disseminated except as provided in this section.

3606 C. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B, a provider may hire for compensated employment 3607 at adult substance abuse or adult mental health treatment facilities a person who was convicted of a 3608 misdemeanor violation relating to (i) unlawful hazing, as set out in § 18.2-56; (ii) reckless handling of a 3609 firearm, as set out in § 18.2-56.1; or (iii) assault and battery, as set out in subsection A of § 18.2-57; or 3610 any misdemeanor or felony violation related to (a) reckless endangerment of others by throwing objects, 3611 as set out in § 18.2-51.3; (b) threat, as set out in § 18.2-60; (c) breaking and entering a dwelling house with intent to commit other misdemeanor, as set out in § 18.2-92; or (d) possession of burglarious tools, 3612 as set out in § 18.2-94; or any felony violation relating to the distribution of drugs, as set out in Article 3613 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2, except an offense pursuant to subsections H1 and H2 3614 of § 18.2-248; or an equivalent offense in another state, if the hiring provider determines, based upon a 3615 3616 screening assessment, that the criminal behavior was substantially related to the applicant's substance 3617 abuse or mental illness and that the person has been successfully rehabilitated and is not a risk to 3618 consumers individuals receiving services based on his criminal history background and his substance 3619 abuse or mental illness history.

D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B, a provider may hire for compensated employment at adult substance abuse treatment facilities a person who has been convicted of not more than one offense of assault and battery of a law-enforcement officer under § 18.2-57, or an equivalent offense in another state, if (i) the person has been granted a simple pardon if the offense was a felony committed in Virginia, or the equivalent if the offense was committed in another state; (ii) more than 10 years have elapsed since the conviction; and (iii) the hiring provider determines, based upon a screening assessment, that the criminal behavior was substantially related to the applicant's substance abuse and that the person 3627 has been successfully rehabilitated and is not a risk to consumers individuals receiving services based on 3628 his criminal history background and his substance abuse history.

3629 E. The hiring provider and a screening contractor designated by the Department shall screen 3630 applicants who meet the criteria set forth in subsections C and D to assess whether the applicants have 3631 been rehabilitated successfully and are not a risk to consumers individuals receiving services based on 3632 their criminal history backgrounds and substance abuse or mental illness histories. To be eligible for 3633 such screening, the applicant shall have completed all prison or jail terms, shall not be under probation or parole supervision, shall have no pending charges in any locality, shall have paid all fines, restitution, 3634 3635 and court costs for any prior convictions, and shall have been free of parole or probation for at least 3636 five years for all convictions. In addition to any supplementary information the provider or screening contractor may require or the applicant may wish to present, the applicant shall provide to the screening 3637 contractor a statement from his most recent probation or parole officer, if any, outlining his period of 3638 3639 supervision and a copy of any pre-sentencing or post-sentencing report in connection with the felony 3640 conviction. The cost of this screening shall be paid by the applicant, unless the licensed provider decides 3641 to pay the cost.

3642 F. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B, a provider may hire for compensated employment 3643 persons who have been convicted of not more than one misdemeanor offense under § 18.2-57 or 3644 18.2-57.2, if 10 years have elapsed following the conviction, unless the person committed the offense 3645 while employed in a direct consumer care position.

3646 G. Providers licensed pursuant to this article also shall require, as a condition of employment for all 3647 applicants, written consent and personal information necessary to obtain a search of the registry of 3648 founded complaints of child abuse and neglect that is maintained by the Department of Social Services 3649 pursuant to § 63.2-1515.

H. The cost of obtaining the criminal history record and search of the child abuse and neglect 3650 3651 registry record shall be borne by the applicant, unless the provider licensed pursuant to this article 3652 decides to pay the cost.

I. A person who complies in good faith with the provisions of this section shall not be liable for any 3653 3654 civil damages for any act or omission in the performance of duties under this section unless the act or 3655 omission was the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct. 3656

§ 37.2-419. Human rights and licensing enforcement and sanctions; notice.

3657 A. As used in this section, "special order" means an administrative order issued to any party licensed or funded by the Department that has a stated duration of not more than 12 months and that may 3658 3659 include a civil penalty that shall not exceed \$500 per violation per day, prohibition of new admissions, 3660 or reduction of licensed capacity for violations of \$ 37.2-400, the licensing or human rights regulations, 3661 or this article.

3662 B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, following a proceeding as provided in § 2.2-4019, the 3663 Commissioner may issue a special order for a violation of any of the provisions of § 37.2-400 or any 3664 regulation adopted under any provision of § 37.2-400 or of this article that adversely affects the human rights of consumers individuals receiving services or poses an imminent and substantial threat to the 3665 health, safety, or welfare of consumers individuals receiving services. The issuance of a special order 3666 shall be considered a case decision as defined in § 2.2-4001. The Commissioner shall not delegate his 3667 3668 authority to impose civil penalties in conjunction with the issuance of special orders. The Commissioner 3669 may take the following actions to sanction public and private providers licensed or funded by the 3670 Department for noncompliance with § 37.2-400, the human rights regulations, or this article:

3671 1. Place any service of any such provider on probation upon finding that it is substantially out of 3672 compliance with the licensing or human rights regulations and that the health or safety of consumers 3673 *individuals receiving services* is at risk.

3674 2. Reduce licensed capacity or prohibit new admissions when he concludes that the provider cannot 3675 or will not make necessary corrections to achieve compliance with licensing or human rights regulations 3676 except by a temporary restriction of its scope of service.

3677 3. Require that probationary status announcements, provisional licenses, and denial or revocation 3678 notices be of sufficient size and distinction and be posted in a prominent place at each public entrance 3679 of the affected service.

3680 4. Mandate training for the provider's employees, with any costs to be borne by the provider, when 3681 he concludes that the lack of training has led directly to violations of licensing or human rights 3682 regulations.

5. Assess civil penalties of not more than \$500 per violation per day upon finding that the licensed 3683 3684 or funded provider is substantially out of compliance with the licensing or human rights regulations and that the health or safety of consumers individuals receiving services is at risk. 3685

3686 6. Withhold funds from licensees or programs receiving public funds that are in violation of the 3687 licensing or human rights regulations.

3688 C. The Commissioner shall inform other public agencies that provide funds to the licensee or the

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3689 program, including the Departments of Social Services and Medical Assistance Services, of any licensee 3690 or program that is in violation of the licensing or human rights regulations.

3691 D. The Board shall adopt regulations to implement the provisions of this section. 3692

§ 37.2-420. Offer or payment of remuneration in exchange for referral prohibited.

No provider licensed pursuant to this article shall knowingly and willfully offer or pay any 3693 3694 remuneration directly or indirectly, in cash or in kind, to induce any practitioner of the healing arts or 3695 any clinical psychologist licensed under the provisions of Chapters 29 (§ 54.1-2900 et seq.) and 36 3696 (54.1-3600 et seq.) of Title 54.1 to refer an individual *a person* or individuals persons to any service of 3697 the provider. The term "remuneration" excludes any payments, business arrangements, or payment 3698 practices not prohibited by Title 42, Section U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(b) of the United States Code, as 3699 amended, or any regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

3700 § 37.2-427. Mistreatment of individuals receiving services in hospital or training center.

3701 It shall be unlawful for any officer or employee of any hospital or training center or other person to 3702 maltreat or misuse any consumer individual who is being served receiving services in any hospital or 3703 training center or who is on a day pass, family visit, or trial visit from a hospital or training center. Any 3704 officer or employee of any hospital or training center or other person who maltreats or misuses any 3705 consumer individual who is being served receiving services in any hospital or training center or who is 3706 on a day pass, family visit, or trial visit from a hospital or training center is guilty of a Class 1 3707 misdemeanor.

3708 § 37.2-428. Aiding and abetting in escapes.

3709 It shall be unlawful for any officer or employee of any hospital or training center or any other 3710 person to aid or abet in the escape or secretion of any lawfully admitted consumer of individual 3711 receiving services in any hospital or training center, while the consumer individual is in the hospital or 3712 training center or on a day pass, family visit, trial visit, bond or escapement, or to willfully fail or refuse 3713 to return a consumer an individual on a day pass, family visit, or trial visit under his care and custody 3714 to any hospital or training center in which he is a consumer receiving services, having given written 3715 obligation to do so, when directed in writing to do so by the director of the hospital or training center. 3716 Any such officer or employee of any hospital or training center or any other person is guilty of a Class 3717 1 misdemeanor. 3718

§ 37.2-430. Providing alcoholic beverages to individuals receiving services.

3719 It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or give alcoholic beverages to any consumer at individual 3720 receiving services in any hospital or training center, bring alcoholic beverages onto the premises of the 3721 hospital or training center, administer alcoholic beverages to any consumer individual receiving services, 3722 or place alcoholic beverages or cause them to be placed where any consumer individual receiving 3723 services may access them, except if the alcoholic beverages are prescribed by the director or physicians 3724 of the hospital or training center. Any such person is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. 3725

§ 37.2-500. Purpose; community services board; services to be provided.

3726 The Department, for the purposes of establishing, maintaining, and promoting the development of 3727 mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services in the Commonwealth, 3728 may provide funds to assist any city or county or any combinations of cities or counties or cities and 3729 counties in the provision of these services. Every county or city shall establish a community services 3730 board by itself or in any combination with other cities and counties, unless it establishes a behavioral 3731 health authority pursuant to Chapter 6 (§ 37.2-600 et seq.) of this title. Every county or city or any 3732 combination of cities and counties that has established a community services board, in consultation with 3733 that board, shall designate it as an operating community services board, an administrative policy 3734 community services board or a local government department with a policy-advisory community services 3735 board. The governing body of each city or county that established the community services board may 3736 change this designation at any time by ordinance. In the case of a community services board established 3737 by more than one city or county, the decision to change this designation shall be the unanimous decision 3738 of all governing bodies.

3739 The core of services provided by community services boards within the cities and counties that they 3740 serve shall include emergency services and, subject to the availability of funds appropriated for them, 3741 case management services. The core of services may include a comprehensive system of inpatient, 3742 outpatient, day support, residential, prevention, early intervention, and other appropriate mental health, 3743 mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services necessary to provide individualized 3744 services and supports to persons with mental illnessesillness, mental retardation intellectual disability, or 3745 substance abuse. Community services boards may establish crisis stabilization units that provide 3746 residential crisis stabilization services.

3747 In order to provide comprehensive mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance 3748 abuse services within a continuum of care, the community services board shall function as the single 3749 point of entry into publicly funded mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse

3750 services.

3751 § 37.2-501. Community services board; appointment; membership; duties of fiscal agent.

3752 A. Every city or county or any combination of counties and cities, before it shall come within the 3753 provisions of this chapter, shall establish a community services board with no less than six and no more 3754 than 18 members. When any city or county singly establishes a community services board, the board 3755 shall be appointed by the governing body of the city or county establishing the board. When any 3756 combination of counties and cities establishes a community services board, the board of supervisors of 3757 each county or the council of each city shall mutually agree on the size of the board and shall appoint 3758 the members of the community services board. Prior to making appointments, the governing body shall 3759 disclose the names of those persons being considered for appointment.

3760 Appointments to the community services board shall be broadly representative of the community. One-third of the appointments to the board shall be identified consumers or former consumers 3761 individuals who are receiving or who have received services or family members of consumers or former 3762 3763 consumers individuals who are receiving or who have received services, at least one of whom shall be a 3764 consumer an individual receiving services. One or more appointments may be nongovernmental service 3765 providers. Sheriffs or their designees also shall be appointed, when practical. No employee of the 3766 community services board or employee or board member of an organization that receives funding from 3767 any community services board shall be appointed a member of that board.

3768 No community services board shall be composed of a majority of local government officials, elected 3769 or appointed, as members, nor shall any county or city be represented on a board by more than two 3770 officials, elected or appointed.

3771 The board appointed pursuant to this section shall be responsible to the governing body of each 3772 county or city that established it.

3773 B. The county or city or any combination of cities and counties that establishes an operating or 3774 administrative policy board shall receive an independent annual audit of the total revenues and 3775 expenditures of that board, a copy of which shall be provided to the Department, and designate an 3776 official of one member city or county to act as fiscal agent for the board. The county or city whose 3777 designated official serves as fiscal agent for the board in the case of boards established by more than 3778 one city or county shall review and act upon the independent audit of the board and, in conjunction with 3779 the other cities and counties, arrange for the provision of legal services to the board. When a single 3780 county or city establishes an operating or administrative policy board, it shall arrange for the provision 3781 of legal services to the board.

3782 C. The county or city that establishes a policy-advisory board shall provide an annual audit of the 3783 total revenues and expenditures of the city or county government department to the board and the 3784 Department, carry out the responsibilities and duties enumerated in subsection A of § 37.2-504 and 3785 § 37.2-505, and provide legal services to the board. When any combination of cities and counties 3786 establishes a policy-advisory board, those cities and counties shall designate which local government 3787 shall operate the city or county government department. This local government shall provide an annual 3788 audit of the total revenues and expenditures of that department to the board and the Department, carry 3789 out the responsibilities and duties enumerated in subsection A of § 37.2-504 and § 37.2-505, and, in 3790 conjunction with the other cities and counties, arrange for the provision of legal services to the board. 3791

§ 37.2-504. Community services boards; local government departments; powers and duties.

3792 A. Every operating and administrative policy community services board and local government 3793 department with a policy-advisory board shall have the following powers and duties:

3794 1. Review and evaluate public and private community mental health, mental retardation 3795 developmental, and substance abuse services and facilities that receive funds from it and advise the 3796 governing body of each city or county that established it as to its findings.

3797 2. Pursuant to § 37.2-508, submit to the governing body of each city or county that established it an 3798 annual performance contract for community mental health, mental retardation developmental, and 3799 substance abuse services for its approval prior to submission of the contract to the Department.

3800 3. Within amounts appropriated for this purpose, provide services authorized under the performance 3801 contract.

3802 4. In accordance with its approved performance contract, enter into contracts with other providers for 3803 the delivery of services or operation of facilities.

3804 5. In the case of operating and administrative policy boards, make policies or regulations concerning 3805 the delivery of services and operation of facilities under its direction or supervision, subject to applicable 3806 policies and regulations adopted by the Board.

3807 6. In the case of an operating board, appoint an executive director of community mental health, 3808 mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services, who meets the minimum qualifications 3809 established by the Department, and prescribe his duties. The compensation of the executive director shall 3810 be fixed by the operating board within the amounts made available by appropriation for this purpose. 3811 The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the operating board and be employed under an

3812 annually renewable contract that contains performance objectives and evaluation criteria. For an 3813 operating board, the Department shall approve the selection of the executive director for adherence to 3814 minimum qualifications established by the Department and the salary range of the executive director. In 3815 the case of an administrative policy board, the board shall participate with local government in the 3816 appointment and annual performance evaluation of an executive director of community mental health, 3817 mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services, who meets the minimum qualifications 3818 established by the Department, and prescribe his duties. The compensation of the executive director shall 3819 be fixed by local government in consultation with the administrative policy board within the amounts 3820 made available by appropriation for this purpose. In the case of a local government department with a 3821 policy-advisory board, the director of the local government department shall serve as the executive 3822 director. The policy-advisory board shall participate in the selection and the annual performance 3823 evaluation of the executive director, who meets the minimum qualifications established by the 3824 Department. The compensation of the executive director shall be fixed by local government in 3825 consultation with the policy-advisory board within the amounts made available by appropriation for this 3826 purpose.

3827 7. Prescribe a reasonable schedule of fees for services provided by personnel or facilities under the 3828 jurisdiction or supervision of the board and establish procedures for the collection of those fees. All fees 3829 collected shall be included in the performance contract submitted to the local governing body or bodies 3830 pursuant to subdivision 2 of this section and § 37.2-508 and shall be used only for community mental 3831 health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services purposes. Every board shall 3832 institute a reimbursement system to maximize the collection of fees from persons individuals receiving services under its jurisdiction or supervision, consistent with the provisions of § 37.2-511, and from 3833 3834 responsible third party payors. Boards shall not attempt to bill or collect fees for time spent participating 3835 in commitment hearings for involuntary admissions pursuant to Article 5 (§ 37.2-814 et seq.) of Chapter 3836 8.

3837 8. Accept or refuse gifts, donations, bequests, or grants of money or property from any source and utilize them as authorized by the governing body of each city or county that established it.

3839 9. Seek and accept funds through federal grants. In accepting federal grants, the board shall not bind3840 the governing body of any city or county that established it to any expenditures or conditions of3841 acceptance without the prior approval of the governing body.

10. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, disburse funds appropriated to it in accordance with such regulations as may be established by the governing body of each city or county that established it.

3845 11. Apply for and accept loans as authorized by the governing body of each city or county that3846 established it.

12. Develop joint written agreements, consistent with policies adopted by the Board, with local school divisions; health departments; boards of social services; housing agencies, where they exist; courts; sheriffs; area agencies on aging; and regional Department of Rehabilitative Services offices. The agreements shall specify the services to be provided to consumers individuals. All participating agencies shall develop and implement the agreements and shall review the agreements annually.

3852 13. Develop and submit to the Department the necessary information for the preparation of the
3853 Comprehensive State Plan for mental health, mental retardation, and substance abuse services Behavioral
3854 Health and Developmental Services pursuant to § 37.2-315.

3855 14. Take all necessary and appropriate actions to maximize the involvement and participation of
 3856 consumers individuals receiving services and family members of consumers individuals receiving
 3857 services in policy formulation and services planning, delivery, and evaluation.

15. Institute, singly or in combination with other community services boards or behavioral health authorities, a dispute resolution mechanism that is approved by the Department and enables consumers *individuals receiving services* and family members of consumers *individuals receiving services* to resolve concerns, issues, or disagreements about services without adversely affecting their access to or receipt of appropriate types and amounts of current or future services from the community services board.

3863 116. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 37.2-400 or any regulations adopted thereunder, release data and information about individual consumers each individual receiving services to the Department so
3865 long as the Department implements procedures to protect the confidentiality of that data and information.

3867 17. In the case of administrative policy boards and local government departments with3868 policy-advisory boards, carry out other duties and responsibilities as assigned by the governing body of3869 each city or county that established it.

18. In the case of *an* operating boards *board*, have authority, notwithstanding any provision of law to
the contrary, to receive state and federal funds directly from the Department and act as its own fiscal
agent, when authorized to do so by the governing body of each city or county that established it.

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3873 By local agreement between the administrative policy board and the governing body of the city or 3874 county that established it, additional responsibilities may be carried out by the local government, 3875 including personnel or financial management. In the case of an administrative policy board established 3876 by more than one city or county, the cities and counties shall designate which local government shall 3877 assume these responsibilities.

3878 B. Every policy-advisory community services board, with staff support provided by the director of 3879 the local government department, shall have the following powers and duties:

3880 1. Advise the local government regarding policies or regulations for the delivery of services and 3881 operation of facilities by the local government department, subject to applicable policies and regulations 3882 adopted by the Board.

3883 2. Review and evaluate the operations of the local government department and advise the local 3884 governing body of each city or county that established it as to its findings.

3885 3. Review the community mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse 3886 services provided by the local government department and advise the local governing body of each city 3887 or county that established it as to its findings.

3888 4. Review and comment on the annual performance contract, performance reports, and 3889 Comprehensive State Plan information developed by the local government department. The board's 3890 comments shall be attached to the performance contract, performance reports, and Comprehensive State 3891 Plan information prior to their submission to the local governing body of each city or county that 3892 established it and to the Department.

5. Advise the local government as to the necessary and appropriate actions to maximize the 3893 3894 involvement and participation of consumers individuals receiving services and family members of 3895 consumers individuals receiving services in policy formulation and services planning, delivery, and 3896 evaluation.

3897 6. Participate in the selection and the annual performance evaluation of the local government 3898 department director employed by the city or county.

3899 7. Carry out other duties and responsibilities as assigned by the governing body of each city or 3900 county that established it. 3901

§ 37.2-505. Coordination of services for preadmission screening and discharge planning.

A. The community services board shall fulfill the following responsibilities:

3903 1. Be responsible for coordinating the community services necessary to accomplish effective 3904 preadmission screening and discharge planning for persons referred to the community services board. 3905 When preadmission screening reports are required by the court on an emergency basis pursuant to 3906 Article 5 (§ 37.2-814 et seq.) of Chapter 8, the community services board shall ensure the development 3907 of the report for the court. To accomplish this coordination, the community services board shall establish 3908 a structure and procedures involving staff from the community services board and, as appropriate, 3909 representatives from (i) the state hospital or training center serving the board's service area, (ii) the local 3910 department of social services, (iii) the health department, (iv) the Department of Rehabilitative Services 3911 office in the board's service area, (v) the local school division, and (vi) other public and private human 3912 services agencies, including licensed hospitals.

3913 2. Provide preadmission screening services prior to the admission for treatment pursuant to 3914 § 37.2-805 or Article 5 (§ 37.2-814 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of any person who requires emergency mental 3915 health services while in a city or county served by the community services board.

3916 3. Provide, in consultation with the appropriate state hospital or training center, discharge planning 3917 for any person individual who, prior to admission, resided in a city or county served by the community 3918 services board or who chooses to reside after discharge in a city or county served by the board and who 3919 is to be released from a state hospital or training center pursuant to § 37.2-837. The discharge plan shall 3920 be completed prior to the person's individual's discharge. The plan shall be prepared with the 3921 involvement and participation of the consumer individual receiving services or his representative and 3922 must reflect the consumer's individual's preferences to the greatest extent possible. The plan shall include 3923 the mental health, mental retardation developmental, substance abuse, social, educational, medical, 3924 employment, housing, legal, advocacy, transportation, and other services that the consumer individual 3925 will need upon discharge into the community and identify the public or private agencies that have 3926 agreed to provide these services.

3927 No person individual shall be discharged from a state hospital or training center without completion 3928 by the community services board of the discharge plan described in this subdivision. If state hospital or 3929 training center staff identify a consumer an individual as ready for discharge and the community 3930 services board that is responsible for the person's individual's care disagrees, the community services 3931 board shall document in the treatment plan within 30 days of the person's *individual's* identification any reasons for not accepting the person individual for discharge. If the state hospital or training center 3932 3933 disagrees with the community services board and the board refuses to develop a discharge plan to accept 3934 the person *individual* back into the community, the state hospital or training center or the community

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3935 services board shall ask the Commissioner to review the state hospital's or training center's determination 3936 that the person *individual* is ready for discharge in accordance with procedures established by the 3937 Department in collaboration with state hospitals, training centers, and community services boards. If the 3938 Commissioner determines that the person individual is ready for discharge, a discharge plan shall be 3939 developed by the Department to ensure the availability of adequate services for the consumer individual 3940 and the protection of the community. The Commissioner also shall verify that sufficient state-controlled 3941 funds have been allocated to the community services board through the performance contract. If 3942 sufficient state-controlled funds have been allocated, the Commissioner may contract with a private 3943 provider, another community services board, or a behavioral health authority to deliver the services 3944 specified in the discharge plan and withhold allocated funds applicable to that consumer's individual's 3945 discharge plan from the community services board in accordance with subsections C and E of 3946 § 37.2-508.

B. The community services board may perform the functions set out in subdivision A 1 in the case
of children by referring them to the locality's family assessment and planning team and by cooperating
with the community policy and management team in the coordination of services for troubled youths
and their families. The community services board may involve the family assessment and planning team
and the community policy and management team, but it remains responsible for performing the
functions set out in subdivisions A 2 and A 3 in the case of children.

3953 § 37.2-506. Background checks required.

A. As used in this section, the term "direct consumer care position" means any position that includes
responsibility for (i) treatment, case management, health, safety, development, or well-being of a consumer an individual receiving services or (ii) immediately supervising a person in a position with this responsibility.

3958 As used in this section, "hire for compensated employment" does not include (i) a promotion from 3959 one adult substance abuse or adult mental health treatment position to another such position within the 3960 same community services board or (ii) new employment in an adult substance abuse or adult mental 3961 health treatment position in another office or program of the same community services board if the 3962 person employed prior to July 1, 1999, had no convictions in the five years prior to the application date 3963 for employment. As used in this section, "hire for compensated employment" includes (a) a promotion 3964 or transfer from an adult substance abuse treatment position to any mental health or mental retardation 3965 *developmental services* direct consumer care position within the same community services board or (b) 3966 new employment in any mental health or mental retardation developmental services direct consumer care 3967 position in another office or program of the same community services board for which the person has 3968 previously worked in an adult substance abuse treatment position.

B. Every community services board shall require any applicant who accepts employment in any direct consumer care position with the community services board to submit to fingerprinting and provide personal descriptive information to be forwarded through the Central Criminal Records Exchange to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for the purpose of obtaining national criminal history record information regarding the applicant. Except as otherwise provided in subsection C, D, or F, no community services board shall hire for compensated employment persons who have been convicted of any offense listed in subsection B of § 37.2-314.

3976 The Central Criminal Records Exchange, upon receipt of an individual's applicant's record or 3977 notification that no record exists, shall submit a report to the requesting executive director or personnel 3978 director of the community services board. If any applicant is denied employment because of information 3979 appearing on the his criminal history record and the applicant disputes the information upon which the denial was based, the Central Criminal Records Exchange shall, upon written request, furnish to the 3980 3981 applicant the procedures for obtaining a copy of the criminal history record from the FBI. The 3982 information provided to the executive director or personnel director of any community services board 3983 shall not be disseminated except as provided in this section.

3984 C. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B, the community services board may hire for 3985 compensated employment at adult substance abuse or adult mental health treatment programs a person who was convicted of a misdemeanor violation relating to (i) unlawful hazing, as set out in § 18.2-56; 3986 3987 (ii) reckless handling of a firearm, as set out in § 18.2-56.1; (iii) assault and battery, as set out in 3988 subsection A of § 18.2-57; or (iv) assault and battery against a family or household member, as set out 3989 in subsection A of § 18.2-57.2; or any misdemeanor or felony violation related to (a) reckless 3990 endangerment of others by throwing objects, as set out in § 18.2-51.3; (b) threat, as set out in § 18.2-60; 3991 (c) breaking and entering a dwelling house with intent to commit other misdemeanor, as set out in 3992 § 18.2-92; or (d) possession of burglarious tools, as set out in § 18.2-94; or any felony violation relating 3993 to the distribution of drugs, as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2, except 3994 an offense pursuant to subsection H1 or H2 of § 18.2-248; or an equivalent offense in another state, if 3995 the hiring community services board determines, based upon a screening assessment, that the criminal

behavior was substantially related to the applicant's substance abuse or mental illness and that the person has been successfully rehabilitated and is not a risk to consumers *individuals receiving services* based on his criminal history background and his substance abuse or mental illness history.

3999 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B, the community services board may hire for 4000 compensated employment at adult substance abuse treatment programs a person who has been convicted 4001 of not more than one offense of assault and battery of a law-enforcement officer under § 18.2-57, or an 4002 equivalent offense in another state, if (i) the person has been granted a simple pardon if the offense was 4003 a felony committed in Virginia, or the equivalent if the offense was committed in another state; (ii) 4004 more than 10 years have elapsed since the conviction; and (iii) the hiring community services board 4005 determines, based upon a screening assessment, that the criminal behavior was substantially related to 4006 the applicant's substance abuse and that the person has been successfully rehabilitated and is not a risk 4007 to consumers individuals receiving services based on his criminal history background and his substance 4008 abuse history.

4009 E. The community services board and a screening contractor designated by the Department shall screen applicants who meet the criteria set forth in subsections C and D to assess whether the applicants 4010 4011 have been rehabilitated successfully and are not a risk to consumers individuals receiving services based 4012 on their criminal history backgrounds and substance abuse or mental illness histories. To be eligible for 4013 such screening, the applicant shall have completed all prison or jail terms, shall not be under probation 4014 or parole supervision, shall have no pending charges in any locality, shall have paid all fines, restitution, 4015 and court costs for any prior convictions, and shall have been free of parole or probation for at least 4016 five years for all convictions. In addition to any supplementary information the community services 4017 board or screening contractor may require or the applicant may wish to present, the applicant shall provide to the screening contractor a statement from his most recent probation or parole officer, if any, 4018 outlining his period of supervision and a copy of any pre-sentencing or post-sentencing report in 4019 4020 connection with the felony conviction. The cost of this screening shall be paid by the applicant, unless 4021 the board decides to pay the cost.

4022 F. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B, a community services board may hire for compensated employment persons who have been convicted of not more than one misdemeanor offense under § 18.2-57 or 18.2-57.2, if 10 years have elapsed following the conviction, unless the person committed the offense while employed in a direct consumer care position.

4026 G. Community services boards also shall require, as a condition of employment for all applicants,
4027 written consent and personal information necessary to obtain a search of the registry of founded
4028 complaints of child abuse and neglect that is maintained by the Department of Social Services pursuant
4029 to § 63.2-1515.

4030 H. The cost of obtaining the criminal history record and search of the child abuse and neglect4031 registry record shall be borne by the applicant, unless the community services board decides to pay the4032 cost.

4033 I. A person who complies in good faith with the provisions of this section shall not be liable for any civil damages for any act or omission in the performance of duties under this section unless the act or omission was the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

4036 § 37.2-508. Performance contract for mental health, developmental, and substance abuse services.

4037 A. The Department shall develop and initiate negotiation of the performance contracts through which 4038 it provides funds to community services boards to accomplish the purposes set forth in this chapter. In 4039 the case of operating boards, the Department may, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, 4040 disburse state and federal funds appropriated to it for mental health, mental retardation developmental, or 4041 substance abuse services directly to the operating board, when that operating board is authorized by the governing body of each city or county that established it to receive such funds. Six months prior to the 4042 4043 beginning of each fiscal year, the Department shall make available to the public the standard 4044 performance contract form that it intends to use as the performance contract for that fiscal year and 4045 solicit public comments for a period of 60 days.

4046 B. Any community services board may apply for the assistance provided in this chapter by 4047 submitting annually to the Department its proposed performance contract for the next fiscal year together 4048 with (i) the approval of its board of directors for operating and administrative policy boards or the 4049 comments of the local government department's policy-advisory board and (ii) the approval of the 4050 contract by formal vote of the governing body of each city or county that established it. The community 4051 services board shall make its proposed performance contract available for public review and solicit 4052 public comments for a period of 30 days prior to submitting its proposed contract for the approval of its board of directors for operating and administrative policy boards or the comments of the local 4053 4054 government department's policy-advisory board. To avoid disruptions in service continuity and allow 4055 sufficient time to complete public review and comment about the contract and negotiation and approval 4056 of the contract, the Department may provide up to six semi-monthly payments of state-controlled funds 4057 to the community services board. If the governing body of each city or county does not approve the

4058 proposed performance contract by September 30 of each year, the performance contract shall be deemed approved.

4060 C. The performance contract shall (i) delineate the responsibilities of the Department and the 4061 community services board; (ii) specify conditions that must be met for the receipt of state-controlled 4062 funds; (iii) identify the groups of consumers individuals to be served with state-controlled funds; (iv) 4063 contain specific consumer outcome measures for individuals receiving services, provider performance 4064 measures, consumer satisfaction measures for individuals receiving services, and consumer and family 4065 member participation and involvement measures for individuals receiving services and their family 4066 *members*; (v) contain mechanisms that have been identified or developed jointly by the Department and 4067 community services board and that will be employed collaboratively by the community services board 4068 and the state hospital to manage the utilization of state hospital beds; (vi) establish an enforcement 4069 mechanism, should a community services board fail to be in substantial compliance with its performance 4070 contract, including notice and appeal processes and provisions for remediation, withholding or reducing 4071 funds, methods of repayment of funds, and the Department's exercise of the provisions of subsection E; 4072 and (vii) include reporting requirements and revenue, cost, service, and consumer information about 4073 revenues, costs, services, and individuals receiving services displayed in a consistent, comparable format 4074 determined by the Department.

4075 The Department may provide for performance monitoring in order to determine whether the community services boards are in substantial compliance with their performance contracts.

4077 D. No community services board shall be eligible to receive state-controlled funds for mental health, 4078 mental retardation developmental, or substance abuse services after September 30 of each year unless (i) 4079 its performance contract has been approved by the governing body of each city or county that 4080 established it and by the Department; (ii) it provides service, cost, and revenue, data and information 4081 and aggregate and individual consumer data and information about individuals receiving services, 4082 notwithstanding the provisions of § 37.2-400 or any regulations adopted thereunder, to the Department in 4083 the format prescribed by the Department; and (iii) it uses standardized cost accounting and financial 4084 management practices approved by the Department.

4085 E. If, after unsuccessful use of a remediation process described in the performance contract, a 4086 community services board remains in substantial noncompliance with its performance contract with the 4087 Department, the Department may, after affording the community services board an adequate opportunity 4088 to use the appeal process described in the performance contract, terminate all or a portion of the 4089 contract. Using the state-controlled resources associated with that contract, the Department, after 4090 consulting with the governing body of each city or county that established the board, may negotiate a 4091 performance contract with another board, a behavioral health authority, or a private nonprofit or 4092 for-profit organization or organizations to obtain services that were the subject of the terminated 4093 performance contract.

4094 § 37.2-509. Mental health, developmental, and substance abuse services; allocation of funds by **4095** Department; reduction of funds.

4096 A. At the beginning of each fiscal year, the Department shall allocate available state-controlled funds
4097 to community services boards for disbursement in accordance with procedures established by the
4098 Department and performance contracts approved by the Department. Allocations of state-controlled funds
4099 to each community services board shall be determined by the Department, after careful consideration of
4100 all of the following factors:

4101 1. The total amounts of state-controlled funds appropriated for this purpose;

2. Previous allocations of state-controlled funds to each community services board;

4103 3. Requirements or conditions attached to appropriations of state-controlled funds by the General4104 Assembly, the Governor, or federal granting authorities;

4105 4. Community services board input about the uses of and methodologies for allocating existing and 4106 new state-controlled funds; and

4107 5. Other relevant and appropriate considerations.

4108 Allocations to any community services board for operating expenses, including salaries and other
4109 costs, or the construction of facilities shall not exceed 90 percent of the total amount of state and local
4110 matching funds provided for these expenses or such construction, unless a waiver is granted by the
4111 Department pursuant to policy adopted by the Board.

B. The Department shall notify the governing body of each city or county that established the community services board before implementing any reduction of state-controlled funds. Before any city or county reduces local government matching funds, it shall notify its community services board and the Department.

4116 C. All fees collected by the community services board shall be included in its performance contract 4117 and retained and used by the board for mental health, mental retardation *developmental*, and substance

4118 abuse *services* purposes.

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4119 § 37.2-511. Liability for expenses of services.

4120 The income and estate of a consumer an individual receiving services shall be liable for the expenses 4121 of services under the jurisdiction or supervision of any community services board that are utilized by the 4122 consumer individual. Any person responsible for holding, managing, or controlling the income and estate 4123 of the consumer individual shall apply the income and estate toward the expenses of the services utilized 4124 by the consumer individual.

4125 Any person responsible for the support of a consumer an individual receiving services pursuant to 4126 20-61 or a common law duty to support shall be liable for the expenses of services under the 4127 jurisdiction or supervision of any community services board that are utilized by the consumer individual, unless the consumer individual, regardless of age, qualifies for and is receiving aid under a federal or 4128 state program of assistance to the blind or disabled. Any such person shall no longer be financially 4129 liable, however, when a cumulative total of 1,826 days of (i) care and treatment or training for the 4130 4131 consumer individual in a state facility, (ii) utilization by the consumer individual of services under the jurisdiction or supervision of any community services board, or (iii) a combination of (i) and (ii) has 4132 4133 passed and payment for or a written agreement to pay the charges for 1,826 days of care and services has been made. Not less than three hours of service per day shall be required to include one day in the 4134 4135 cumulative total of 1,826 days of utilization of services under the jurisdiction or supervision of any community services board. In order to claim this exemption, the person legally liable for the consumer 4136 4137 *individual* shall produce evidence sufficient to prove eligibility for it. 4138

§ 37.2-512. Authority to enter into joint agreements.

4139 A. A community services board may enter into joint agreements, pursuant to subdivision A 4 of 4140 § 37.2-504 with one or more community services boards or behavioral health authorities, to provide treatment, habilitation, or support services for consumers individuals receiving services with specialized 4141 and complex service needs and associated managerial, operational, and administrative services and 4142 4143 support and to promote clinical, programmatic, or administrative effectiveness and efficiency. Services 4144 may be provided under a joint agreement by one or more community services boards or behavioral 4145 health authorities or by an administrator or management body established or contracted through a joint 4146 agreement.

4147 B. Participation in a joint agreement shall be voluntary and at the discretion of the community 4148 services board. No community services board shall be required to enter into a joint agreement pursuant 4149 to this section as a condition for the receipt of funds.

4150 C. No joint agreement shall relieve a community services board of any obligation or responsibility 4151 imposed upon it by law, but performance under the terms of a joint agreement may be offered in 4152 satisfaction of the obligation or responsibility of the community services board.

4153 D. The community services board's participation in a joint agreement shall be described in the performance contract negotiated by the community services board and the Department pursuant to 4154 4155 § 37.2-508. The community services board shall provide a copy of a joint agreement to the governing body of each city or county that established the board for its review and comment at least 30 days 4156 4157 before executing the agreement. 4158

E. A joint agreement shall state or describe:

4159 1. The term or duration of the joint agreement, which shall be for at least one year but may be 4160 extended annually pursuant to provisions in the joint agreement; 4161

2. The purpose or purposes of the joint agreement;

4162 3. The community services boards or behavioral health authorities participating in the joint 4163 agreement:

4164 4. The treatment, habilitation, or support services and associated managerial and administrative 4165 services and support to be provided through the joint agreement;

4166 5. The manner in which the joint agreement will be administered and any necessary actions by the 4167 participants will be coordinated;

4168 6. The manner in which the joint agreement will be financed, including the proportional share to be 4169 provided by each participating community services board or behavioral health authority, and the budget, 4170 which shall be incorporated as part of the joint agreement, will be established and administered;

4171 7. The manner by which state general funds, fee revenues, and other funds for the operation of the joint agreement will be received and disbursed by the participating boards or behavioral health 4172 4173 authorities:

4174 8. The manner by which activities conducted under the joint agreement will be monitored, managed, 4175 reported, and evaluated;

4176 9. The permissible method or methods to be employed in accomplishing the partial or complete 4177 termination of the joint agreement and for disposing of any property acquired under the joint agreement 4178 upon such partial or complete termination; and

4179 10. Any other matters that are necessary and proper for the effective operation of the joint 4180 agreement.

4181 F. The joint agreement, in addition to the items enumerated in subsection E, may contain the 4182 following items.

4183 1. The joint agreement may provide for an administrator or management body that shall be 4184 responsible for administering activities conducted under the joint agreement. The organization, term, 4185 powers, and duties of any administrator or management body shall be specified in the joint agreement. 4186 This administrator or management body may be given authority through the joint agreement to employ 4187 staff and obtain services provided under the joint agreement though contracts on behalf of the 4188 community services boards or behavioral health authorities that have entered into the joint agreement. 4189 This administrator or management body shall defend or compromise, as appropriate, all claims, suits, 4190 actions, or proceedings arising from its performance under this joint agreement and shall obtain and 4191 maintain insurance sufficient for this purpose.

4192 2. The joint agreement may specify the manner of acquiring, holding, and disposing of real and 4193 personal property required for or used in activities conducted under the joint agreement.

4194 3. The joint agreement may describe how issues of liability will be handled and the types, amounts, 4195 and limits of any liability insurance coverage, including whether such coverage will be obtained through 4196 the Department of Treasury's Division of Risk Management program pursuant to § 2.2-1839 or 4197 otherwise.

4198 G. Any community services board entering into a joint agreement pursuant to this section may 4199 provide funds or property, personnel, or services to the administrator or management body responsible 4200 for administering activities conducted under this joint agreement that may be within its legal powers to 4201 sell, lease, give, or otherwise supply.

4202 H. The community services boards or behavioral health authorities entering into a joint agreement 4203 pursuant to this section may create an administrator or management body to provide treatment, 4204 habilitation or support services on behalf of the participating community services boards or behavioral 4205 health authorities subject to the following conditions.

4206 1. The administrator or management body created pursuant to this subsection shall operate under 4207 contract with the participating community services boards or behavioral health authorities, and this 4208 contract shall be exempt from the requirements of the Virginia Public Procurement Act, (§ 2.2-4300 et 4209 seq.).

4210 2. The administrator or management body created pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to all 4211 statutory and regulatory requirements that apply to community services boards, including procurement, 4212 employment, Virginia Freedom of Information Act, disclosure and confidentiality of consumer individual 4213 service and administrative records, data collection and reporting, and all other aspects of their business 4214 and services.

4215 3. The administrator or management body created pursuant to this subsection shall have the authority 4216 to receive funds from participating community services boards or behavioral health authorities; public 4217 and private sources such as foundations, gifts and grants; and public and private reimbursement from private insurers and the Department of Medical Assistance Services; but the administrator or 4218 4219 management body shall not be authorized to receive funds directly from the Department.

4220 4. The administrator or management body created pursuant to this subsection shall defend or 4221 compromise, as appropriate, all claims, suits, actions, or proceedings arising from its performance under 4222 this joint agreement and shall obtain and maintain insurance sufficient for this purpose. 4223

§ 37.2-600. Definitions.

4224 As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

4225 "Behavioral health" means the full range of mental health, mental retardation developmental, and 4226 substance abuse services and treatment modalities.

"Behavioral health authority board of directors" means the public body organized in accordance with 4227 4228 provisions of this chapter that is appointed by and accountable to the governing body of the city or 4229 county that established it.

4230 "Behavioral health project" means any facility suitable for providing adequate care for concentrated 4231 centers of population and includes structures, buildings, improvements, additions, extensions, 4232 replacements, appurtenances, lands, rights in land, franchises, machinery, equipment, furnishings, 4233 landscaping, approaches, roadways, and other necessary or desirable facilities.

4234 "Member" means a person appointed by the governing body of a city or county to the behavioral 4235 health authority board of directors.

4236 § 37.2-601. Behavioral health authorities; purpose.

4237 The Department, for the purposes of establishing, maintaining, and promoting the development of 4238 behavioral health services in the Commonwealth, may provide funds to assist certain cities or counties in 4239 the provision of these services.

4240 The governing body of the Cities of Virginia Beach or Richmond or the County of Chesterfield may 4241 establish a behavioral health authority and shall declare its intention to do so by resolution.

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4242 The behavioral health services provided by behavioral health authorities within the cities or counties 4243 they serve shall include emergency services and, subject to the availability of funds appropriated for 4244 them, case management services. The behavioral health services may include a comprehensive system of 4245 inpatient, outpatient, day support, residential, prevention, early intervention, and other appropriate mental 4246 health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services necessary to provide 4247 individualized services and supports to persons with mental illnesses illness, mental retardation 4248 intellectual disability, or substance abuse. Behavioral health authorities may establish crisis stabilization 4249 units that provide residential crisis stabilization services.

4250 In order to provide comprehensive mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance 4251 abuse services within a continuum of care, the behavioral health authority shall function as the single 4252 point of entry into publicly funded mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse 4253 services. 4254

§ 37.2-602. Board of directors; appointment; membership.

A city or county, before it shall come within the provisions of this chapter, shall establish a 4255 behavioral health authority with a board of directors with no less than six and no more than 18 4256 4257 members. When any city or county establishes a behavioral health authority, the board of directors shall 4258 be appointed by the governing body of the city or county establishing the authority. Prior to making 4259 appointments, the governing body shall disclose the names of persons being considered for appointment.

4260 Appointments to the board of directors shall be broadly representative of the community. One-third 4261 of the appointments to the board shall be identified consumers or former consumers individuals who are 4262 receiving or who have received services or family members of consumers or former consumers 4263 individuals who are receiving or who have received services, at least one of whom shall be a consumer an individual receiving services. One or more appointments may be nongovernmental services providers. 4264 Sheriffs or their designees also shall be appointed, when practical. 4265

4266 No board of directors shall include more than two local government officials, elected or appointed, as 4267 members.

4268 The board of directors appointed pursuant to this section shall be responsible to the governing body 4269 of the city or county that established the authority.

The county or city that establishes a behavioral health authority shall receive an independent annual 4270 4271 audit of the total revenues and expenditures from the authority, a copy of which shall be provided to the 4272 Department. 4273

§ 37.2-605. Behavioral health authorities; powers and duties.

4274 Every authority shall be deemed to be a public instrumentality, exercising public and essential 4275 governmental functions to provide for the public mental health, welfare, convenience, and prosperity of the residents and such other persons who might be served by the authority and to provide behavioral 4276 4277 health services to those residents and persons. An authority shall have the following powers and duties:

4278 1. Review and evaluate public and private community mental health, mental retardation 4279 developmental, and substance abuse services and facilities that receive funds from the authority and 4280 advise the governing body of the city or county that established it as to its findings.

4281 2. Pursuant to § 37.2-608, submit to the governing body of the city or county that established the 4282 authority an annual performance contract for community mental health, mental retardation 4283 *developmental*, and substance abuse services for its approval prior to submission of the contract to the 4284 Department.

4285 3. Within amounts appropriated for this purpose, provide services authorized under the performance 4286 contract.

4287 4. In accordance with its approved performance contract, enter into contracts with other providers for 4288 the delivery of services or operation of facilities.

5. Make and enter into all other contracts or agreements as the authority may determine that are 4289 4290 necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and to the execution of powers granted by this 4291 chapter, including contracts with any federal agency, any subdivision or instrumentality of the Commonwealth, behavioral health providers, insurers, and managed care or health care networks on such 4292 4293 terms and conditions as the authority may approve.

4294 6. Make policies or regulations concerning the delivery of services and operation of facilities under 4295 its direction or supervision, subject to applicable policies and regulations adopted by the Board.

4296 7. Appoint a chief executive officer of the behavioral health authority, who meets the minimum 4297 qualifications established by the Department, and prescribe his duties. The compensation of the chief 4298 executive officer shall be fixed by the authority within the amounts made available by appropriation for 4299 this purpose. The chief executive officer shall serve at the pleasure of the authority's board of directors 4300 and be employed under an annually renewable contract that contains performance objectives and evaluation criteria. The Department shall approve the selection of the chief executive officer for 4301 4302 adherence to minimum qualifications established by the Department and the salary range of the chief 4303 executive officer.

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4304 8. Authorize the chief executive officer to maintain a complement of professional staff to operate the4305 behavioral health authority's service delivery system.

4306 9. Prescribe a reasonable schedule of fees for services provided by personnel or facilities under the 4307 jurisdiction or supervision of the authority and establish procedures for the collection of those fees. All 4308 fees collected shall be included in the performance contract submitted to the local governing body 4309 pursuant to subdivision 2 of this section and § 37.2-608 and shall be used only for community mental 4310 health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse services purposes. Every authority shall 4311 institute a reimbursement system to maximize the collection of fees from persons individuals receiving services under the jurisdiction or supervision of the authority, consistent with the provisions of 4312 4313 § 37.2-612, and from responsible third party payors. Authorities shall not attempt to bill or collect fees 4314 for time spent participating in commitment hearings for involuntary admissions pursuant to Article 5 4315 (§ 37.2-814 et seq.) of Chapter 8.

4316 10. Accept or refuse gifts, donations, bequests, or grants of money or property or other assistance
4317 from the federal government, the Commonwealth, any municipality thereof, or any other sources, public
4318 or private; utilize them to carry out any of its purposes; and enter into any agreement or contract
4319 regarding or relating to the acceptance, use, or repayment of any such grant or assistance.

4320 11. Seek and accept funds through federal grants. In accepting federal grants, the authority shall not
4321 bind the governing body of the city or county that established it to any expenditures or conditions of
4322 acceptance without the prior approval of that governing body.

4323 12. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, disburse funds appropriated to it in 4324 accordance with applicable regulations.

4325 13. Apply for and accept loans in accordance with regulations established by the board of directors.

4326 14. Develop joint written agreements, consistent with policies adopted by the Board, with local
4327 school divisions; health departments; local boards of social services; housing agencies, where they exist; courts; sheriffs; area agencies on aging; and regional Department of Rehabilitative Services offices. The agreements shall specify the services to be provided to consumers individuals. All participating agencies shall develop and implement the agreements and shall review the agreements annually.

4331 15. Develop and submit to the Department the necessary information for the preparation of the4332 Comprehensive State Plan for Behavioral Health and Developmental Services pursuant to § 37.2-315.

4333 16. Take all necessary and appropriate actions to maximize the involvement and participation of
 4334 consumers individuals receiving services and family members of consumers individuals receiving
 4335 services in policy formulation and service planning, delivery, and evaluation.

4336 17. Institute, singly or in combination with community services boards or other behavioral health
4337 authorities, a dispute resolution mechanism that is approved by the Department and enables consumers
4338 *individuals receiving services* and family members of consumers *individuals receiving services* to resolve
4339 concerns, issues, or disagreements about services without adversely affecting their access to or receipt of
4340 appropriate types and amounts of current or future services from the authority.

4341 18. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 37.2-400 and regulations adopted thereunder, release data and
4342 information about individual consumers each individual receiving services to the Department, so long as
4343 the Department implements procedures to protect the confidentiality of that data and information. Every
4344 authority shall submit data on children and youth in the same manner as community services boards, as
4345 set forth in § 37.2-507.

4346 19. Fulfill all other duties and be subject to applicable provisions specified in the Code of Virginia4347 pertaining to community services boards.

4348 20. Make loans and provide other assistance to corporations, partnerships, associations, joint ventures,4349 or other entities in carrying out any activities authorized by this chapter.

4350 21. Transact its business, locate its offices and control, directly or through stock or nonstock
4351 corporations or other entities, facilities that will assist the authority in carrying out the purposes and
4352 intent of this chapter, including without limitations the power to own or operate, directly or indirectly,
4353 behavioral health facilities in its service area.

4354 22. Acquire property, real or personal, by purchase, gift, or devise on such terms and conditions and
4355 in such manner as it may deem proper and such rights, easements, or estates therein as may be
4356 necessary for its purposes and sell, lease, and dispose of the same or any portion thereof or interest
4357 therein, whenever it shall become expedient to do so.

4358 23. Participate in joint ventures with individuals persons, corporations, partnerships, associations, or
4359 other entities for providing behavioral health care or related services or other activities that the authority
4360 may undertake to the extent that such undertakings assist the authority in carrying out the purposes and
4361 intent of this chapter.

4362 24. Conduct or engage in any lawful business, activity, effort, or project that is necessary or4363 convenient for the purposes of the authority or for the exercise of any of its powers.

4364 25. As a public instrumentality, establish and operate its administrative management infrastructure in

4365 whole or in part independent of the local governing body; however, nothing in the chapter precludes4366 behavioral health authorities from acquiring support services through existing governmental entities.

4367 26. Carry out capital improvements and bonding through existing economic or industrial development4368 authorities.

4369 27. Establish retirement, group life insurance, and group accident and sickness insurance plans or
4370 systems for its employees in the same manner as cities, counties, and towns are permitted to do under
4371 § 51.1-801.

4372 28. Provide an annual report to the Department of the authority's activities.

4373 29. Ensure a continuation of all consumer services *for individuals* during any transition period.

4374 § 37.2-608. Performance contract for mental health, developmental, and substance abuse services.

4375 A. The Department shall develop and initiate negotiation of the performance contracts through which it provides funds to behavioral health authorities to accomplish the purposes set forth in this chapter. 4376 4377 The Department may, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, disburse state and federal 4378 funds appropriated to it for mental health, mental retardation developmental, and substance abuse 4379 services directly to the behavioral health authority. Six months prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, 4380 the Department shall make available to the public the standard performance contract form that it intends 4381 to use as the performance contract for that fiscal year and solicit public comments for a period of 60 4382 davs.

4383 B. Any behavioral health authority may apply for the assistance provided in this chapter by 4384 submitting annually to the Department its proposed performance contract for the next fiscal year together 4385 with the approval of its board of directors and the approval by formal vote of the governing body of the city or county that established it. The behavioral health authority shall make its proposed performance 4386 4387 contract available for public review and solicit public comments for a period of 30 days prior to submitting its proposed contract for the approval of its board of directors. To avoid disruptions in 4388 4389 service continuity and allow sufficient time to complete public review and comment about the contract 4390 and negotiation and approval of the contract, the Department may provide up to six semi-monthly 4391 payments of state-controlled funds to the authority. If the governing body of the city or county does not 4392 approve the proposed performance contract by September 30 of each year, the performance contract 4393 shall be deemed approved.

4394 C. The performance contract shall (i) delineate the responsibilities of the Department and the 4395 behavioral health authority; (ii) specify conditions that must be met for the receipt of state-controlled 4396 funds; (iii) identify the groups of consumers individuals to be served with state-controlled funds; (iv) 4397 contain specific consumer outcome measures for individuals receiving services, provider performance 4398 measures, consumer satisfaction measures for individuals receiving services, and consumer and family 4399 member participation and involvement measures for individuals receiving services and their family 4400 members; (v) contain mechanisms that have been identified or developed jointly by the Department and 4401 the behavioral health authority and that will be employed collaboratively by the behavioral health 4402 authority and the state hospital to manage the utilization of state hospital beds; (vi) establish an 4403 enforcement mechanism, should the behavioral health authority fail to be in substantial compliance with 4404 its performance contract, including notice and appeal processes and provisions for remediation, 4405 withholding or reducing funds, methods of repayment of funds, and the Department's exercise of the 4406 provisions of subsection E; and (vii) include reporting requirements and revenue, cost, service, and 4407 consumer information about revenues, costs, services, and individuals receiving services displayed in a 4408 consistent, comparable format determined by the Department.

4409 The Department may provide for performance monitoring to determine whether behavioral health 4410 authorities are in substantial compliance with their performance contracts.

4411 D. No behavioral health authority shall be eligible to receive state-controlled funds for mental health, mental retardation developmental, or substance abuse services after September 30 of each year unless (i) 4412 4413 its performance contract has been approved by the governing body of the city or county that established 4414 it and by the Department; (ii) it provides service, cost, and revenue data and information, and aggregate and individual consumer data and information about individuals receiving services, notwithstanding 4415 4416 § 37.2-400 or any regulations adopted thereunder, to the Department in the format prescribed by the 4417 Department; and (iii), it uses standardized cost accounting and financial management practices approved 4418 by the Department.

4419 E. If, after unsuccessful use of a remediation process described in the performance contract, a 4420 behavioral health authority remains in substantial noncompliance with its performance contract with the 4421 Department, the Department may, after affording the authority an adequate opportunity to use the appeal 4422 process described in the performance contract, terminate all or a portion of the contract. Using the state-controlled resources associated with that contract, the Department, after consulting with the 4423 4424 governing body of the city or county that established the behavioral health authority, may negotiate a 4425 performance contract with a community services board, another behavioral health authority, or a private 4426 nonprofit or for-profit organization or organizations to obtain services that were the subject of the

4427 terminated performance contract.

4428 § 37.2-609. Exemption from taxation.

4429 The exercise of the powers granted by this chapter shall be in all respects for the benefit of 4430 individuals persons in the authority's service area and for the promotion of their safety, health, welfare, 4431 convenience, and prosperity. As the operation and maintenance of any behavioral health project that the 4432 authority is authorized to undertake will constitute the performance of an essential governmental 4433 function, the authority shall not be required to pay any taxes or assessments upon any behavioral health 4434 project acquired or constructed by it or on the revenues generated by its operation.

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§ 37.2-612. Liability for expenses of services.

Consumers Individuals receiving services shall be liable for the expenses of services provided by a 4436 4437 behavioral health authority in the same manner that they are liable to community services boards, as set 4438 forth in § 37.2-511.

4439 § 37.2-613. Proceedings for dissolution.

4440 When the board of directors of a behavioral health authority determines that the need for the 4441 authority no longer exists, then, upon a petition by the board to the circuit court of the appropriate city 4442 or county, after giving 90 days' notice to the city or county and upon the production of satisfactory 4443 evidence in support of the petition and a detailed dissolution plan, the court may enter an order 4444 declaring that the need for the authority in that city or county no longer exists and approving a plan for 4445 the winding up of the authority's business, the payment or assumption of its obligations, and the transfer 4446 of its assets. In order for it to be approved by the court, the court must find that this plan describes 4447 specifically how the city or county that established the authority will fulfill the same duties and 4448 responsibilities required for community services boards under Chapter 5 (§ 37.2-500 et seq.) and how 4449 the city or county will ensure continuity of care for consumers individuals who are receiving services 4450 from the authority.

4451 § 37.2-615. Authority to enter into joint agreements.

4452 A. A behavioral health authority may enter into joint agreements, pursuant to subsection 4 of 4453 § 37.2-605, with one or more behavioral health authorities or community services boards to provide 4454 needed treatment, habilitation, or support services for consumers individuals with specialized and 4455 complex service needs and associated managerial, operational, and administrative services and support 4456 and to promote clinical, programmatic, or administrative effectiveness and efficiency. Services may be 4457 provided under a joint agreement by one or more behavioral health authorities or community services 4458 boards or an administrator or management body established or contracted through a joint agreement.

4459 B. Participation in a joint agreement shall be voluntary and at the discretion of the behavioral health 4460 authority. No behavioral health authority shall be required to enter into a joint agreement pursuant to 4461 this section as a condition for the receipt of funds.

4462 C. No joint agreement shall relieve a behavioral health authority of any obligation or responsibility 4463 imposed upon it by law, but performance under the terms of a joint agreement may be offered in 4464 satisfaction of the obligation or responsibility of the authority.

4465 D. The behavioral health authority's participation in a joint agreement shall be described in the 4466 performance contract negotiated by the authority and the Department pursuant to § 37.2-608. The 4467 behavioral health authority shall provide a copy of a joint agreement to the governing body of the city 4468 or county that established the authority for its review and comment at least 30 days before executing the 4469 agreement. 4470

E. A joint agreement shall state or describe:

4471 1. The term or duration of the joint agreement, which shall be for at least one year but may be 4472 extended annually pursuant to provisions in the joint agreement;

4473 2. The purpose or purposes of the joint agreement;

4474 3. The behavioral health authorities or community services boards participating in the joint 4475 agreement;

4476 4. The treatment, habilitation, or support services and associated managerial and administrative 4477 services and support to be provided through the joint agreement;

4478 5. The manner in which the joint agreement will be administered and any necessary actions by the 4479 participants will be coordinated;

4480 6. The manner in which the joint agreement will be financed, including the proportional share to be 4481 provided by each participating behavioral health authority or community services board, and the budget, 4482 which shall be incorporated as part of the joint agreement, will be established and administered;

4483 7. The manner by which state general funds, fee revenues, and other funds for the operation of the 4484 joint agreement will be received and disbursed by the participating behavioral health authorities or 4485 community services boards;

4486 8. The manner by which activities conducted under the joint agreement will be monitored, managed, 4487 reported, and evaluated;

4488 9. The permissible method or methods to be employed in accomplishing the partial or complete 4489 termination of the joint agreement and for disposing of any property acquired under the joint agreement 4490 upon such partial or complete termination; and

4491 10. Any other matters that are necessary and proper for the effective operation of the joint 4492 agreement.

4493 F. The joint agreement, in addition to the items enumerated in subsection E, may contain the 4494 following items.

4495 1. The joint agreement may provide for an administrator or management body that shall be responsible for administering activities conducted under the joint agreement. The organization, term, 4496 4497 powers and duties of any administrator or management body shall be specified in the joint agreement. 4498 This administrator or management body may be given authority through the joint agreement to employ 4499 staff and obtain services provided under the joint agreement though contracts on behalf of the behavioral 4500 health authorities or community services boards that have entered into the joint agreement. This 4501 administrator or management body shall defend or compromise, as appropriate, all claims, suits, actions, 4502 or proceedings arising from its performance under this joint agreement and shall obtain and maintain 4503 insurance sufficient for this purpose.

2. The joint agreement may specify the manner of acquiring, holding, and disposing of real and 4504 4505 personal property required for or used in activities conducted under the joint agreement.

4506 3. The joint agreement may describe how issues of liability will be handled and the types, amounts, 4507 and limits of any liability insurance, including whether such coverage will be obtained through the 4508 Department of Treasury's Division of Risk Management program pursuant to § 2.2-1839 or otherwise.

4509 G. Any behavioral health authority entering into a joint agreement pursuant to this section may provide funds or property, personnel, or services to the administrator or management body responsible 4510 4511 for administering activities conducted under this joint agreement that may be within its legal powers to 4512 sell, lease, give, or otherwise supply.

4513 H. The behavioral health authorities or community services boards entering into a joint agreement 4514 pursuant to this section may create an administrator or management body to provide treatment, 4515 habilitation or support services on behalf of the participating community services boards or behavioral 4516 health authorities subject to the following conditions.

1. The administrator or management body created pursuant to this subsection shall operate under 4517 4518 contract with the participating community services boards or behavioral health authorities, and this contract shall be exempt from the requirements of the Virginia Public Procurement Act, (§ 2.2-4300 et 4519 4520 seq.).

4521 2. The administrator or management body created pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to all 4522 statutory and regulatory requirements that apply to behavioral health authorities, including procurement, 4523 employment, Virginia Freedom of Information Act, disclosure and confidentiality of consumer individual 4524 service and administrative records, data collection and reporting, and all other aspects of their business 4525 and services.

3. The administrator or management body created pursuant to this subsection shall have the authority 4526 4527 to receive funds from the participating community services boards or behavioral health authorities; 4528 public and private sources such as foundations, gifts and grants; and public and private reimbursement 4529 from private insurers and the Department of Medical Assistance Services; but the administrator or 4530 management body shall not be authorized to receive funds directly from the Department.

4531 4. The administrator or management body created pursuant to this subsection shall defend or 4532 compromise, as appropriate, all claims, suits, actions, or proceedings arising from its performance under 4533 this joint agreement and shall obtain and maintain insurance sufficient for this purpose. 4534

§ 37.2-700. Construction of state facilities; razing buildings.

A. The Commissioner, subject to the approval of the Board and the Governor, shall determine the 4535 4536 necessity for and select the site of any new state facility and any land to be taken or purchased by the 4537 Commonwealth for the purposes of any new or existing state facility. The Commissioner shall have 4538 charge of the construction of any new building at any state facility, shall determine the design of the 4539 building, and may employ architects and other experts or hold competitions for plans and designs for 4540 this purpose. If any land or property is taken or purchased by the Board, title shall be taken in the name 4541 of the Commonwealth.

4542 B. If any building standing on property under the supervision and control of the Department is in 4543 such a state of dilapidation or disrepair that it is, in the opinion of the Commissioner, dangerous to 4544 consumers individuals receiving services, employees of the Department, or other persons frequenting that 4545 property, the Commissioner may, with the approval of the Board and the Governor, cause the building 4546 to be torn down or razed. For this purpose, the Commissioner may contract with any person on the terms that he deems expedient and may sell or otherwise dispose of the materials composing the 4547 4548 building.

4549 § 37.2-701. Examination of properties; certain property not to be declared surplus.

4550 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to examine the condition of the state facilities operated by 4551 the Department based upon the practices and methods employed by the Department in the care and 4552 treatment of persons *individuals* admitted to any state facility. No property that is being used for the 4553 care and treatment of consumers individual receiving services or that is reasonably related to the present 4554 or future needs of the Department for care and treatment of consumers individuals receiving services 4555 shall be declared surplus.

4556 § 37.2-702. Separate state facilities for elderly individuals; free-standing state facilities authorized.

4557 The Department shall establish and operate a separate geriatric unit within each state facility that 4558 serves significant numbers of elderly individuals. Each unit shall provide care and treatment for those 4559 persons individuals and shall be separated in a reasonable manner from the rest of the state facility.

4560 The Board may, giving full consideration to the needs and resources available, authorize the 4561 establishment of free-standing state facilities for geriatric consumers elderly individuals receiving 4562 services.

4563 § 37.2-703. Commissioner to prescribe system of records, accounts, and reports; access to records, 4564 accounts, and reports. 4565

The Commissioner shall prescribe and cause to be established and maintained at all state facilities:

4566 (a) A uniform, proper, and approved system of keeping the records and accounts and making reports 4567 of money received and disbursed; and

4568 (b) An efficient system of keeping records concerning the consumers individuals admitted to or 4569 residing receiving services in each state facility.

4570 The Board, the Commissioner, and their duly authorized agents shall at all times have access to such 4571 records, accounts, and reports required to be kept under the provisions of this title.

4572 § 37.2-704. Commissioner authorized to receive and expend social security and other federal 4573 payments for individuals receiving services in state facilities.

4574 The Commissioner, under any provision of federal law and regulation and with the approval of the 4575 Governor, may be appointed or function as the agent to whom payments may be made on behalf of any 4576 beneficiary in state facilities. These payments shall be expended for the use and benefit of the 4577 consumers individuals receiving services to whom they would otherwise be payable, and any residue 4578 resulting from such payments shall be set aside in a special fund to the credit of the consumer 4579 individual on whose account the payment is made. The charges provided for by law for the care of the 4580 consumer individual receiving services shall be defrayed from such payments. The provisions of 4581 subsection C of § 37.2-705 shall apply to any payments received under this section. 4582

§ 37.2-705. Private funds provided for individuals receiving services.

4583 A. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to provide for the deposit with the director or other 4584 proper officer of any state facility of any money given or provided for the purpose of supplying extra 4585 comforts, conveniences, or services to any consumer individual in a state facility and any money 4586 otherwise received and held from, for, or on behalf of any consumer individual in a state facility.

4587 B. All funds so provided or received shall be deposited to the credit of the state facility in a special 4588 fund in a bank or banks designated by the Commissioner and shall be disbursed as may be required by 4589 the respective donors or, in the absence of such requirement, as directed by the director.

4590 C. The director of each state facility shall furnish to the Commissioner annually a statement showing 4591 the amounts of funds received and deposited, the amounts expended, and the amounts remaining in such 4592 special funds at the end of the year. The Commissioner shall have authority to invest so much of the 4593 remaining funds as he may deem proper in United States government bonds or other securities 4594 authorized by law for the investment of fiduciary funds. The interest from these investments may be 4595 expended as a part of a welfare fund at each state facility.

4596 D. If any consumer individual receiving services for whose benefit any such fund has been or shall 4597 be provided has departed or shall depart from any state facility, leaving any unexpended balance in such 4598 fund, and the director, in the exercise of reasonable diligence, has been or shall be unable to find the 4599 person or persons entitled to such unexpended balance, the Commissioner may, after the lapse of three 4600 years from the date of such departure, authorize the use of the balance for the benefit of all or any of 4601 the consumers *individuals* then in the state facility. 4602

§ 37.2-706. Disposal of unclaimed personal property of certain individuals in state facilities.

4603 If any consumer individual receiving services in a state facility dies, is released, is discharged, or 4604 escapes and leaves any article of personal property, including bonds, money, and any intangible assets, 4605 in the custody of a state facility, the director of the state facility may, after notification in person, by 4606 telephone, or by registered mail to the consumer individual, or the known next-of-kin, or personal 4607 representative of the consumer *individual* and after the lapse of three years from the date of the death, 4608 release, discharge, or escape, if no claim has been made:

4609 1. Sell the personal property at public or private sale and deposit the net proceeds in the welfare 4610 fund of the state facility;

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4611 2. Retain and issue for use of current consumers individuals receiving services articles of clothing 4612 suitable for continued use; or

4613 3. Order destruction or other disposal of personal care articles, articles of clothing, and other 4614 belongings that are not suitable by reason of their nature or condition for sale or use by others, including personal and private papers, writings, drawings, or photographs that would compromise the 4615 4616 privacy or confidentiality of any person who may be the author, creator, or subject of them.

4617 § 37.2-709. State facility reporting requirements; Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy.

Each director of a state facility shall notify the Director of the Virginia Office for Protection and 4618 4619 Advocacy, pursuant to § 51.5-39.12, in writing within 48 hours of critical incidents or deaths of 4620 consumers individuals receiving services in the state facility.

4621 § 37.2-710. State facility reporting requirements; Virginia Patient Level Data system.

State facilities shall report such patient-level data about each individual receiving services and 4622 4623 financial data as may be required to the Virginia Patient Level Data system in accordance with Chapter 4624 7.2 (§ 32.1-276.2 et seq.) of Title 32.1.

§ 37.2-711. Exchange of information.

4626 The Department and state facilities may exchange consumer specific specific information for former and current consumers about individuals who are receiving or who have received services with 4627 4628 community services boards or behavioral health authorities to monitor the delivery, outcome, and 4629 effectiveness of services; however, no publicly available report or information produced or generated by 4630 them shall reveal the identity of any consumer individual who is receiving or who has received services. 4631 Publicly available information shall be designed to prevent persons from being able to gain access to 4632 combinations of consumer characteristic data elements about individuals who are receiving or who have received services that reasonably could be expected to reveal the identity of any consumer any individual. In order to collect unduplicated information, the Department, subject to all regulations 4633 4634 4635 adopted by the Board or by agencies of the United States government that govern confidentiality of 4636 patient information about individuals who are receiving or who have received services, may require that 4637 the individuals receiving services disclose or furnish their social security numbers.

4638 § 37.2-712. Collection and dissemination of information concerning religious preferences and 4639 affiliations.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any state facility may collect and disseminate 4640 4641 information concerning the religious preferences and affiliations of its consumers individuals receiving 4642 services, provided that no consumer individual may be required to indicate his religious preference or 4643 affiliation and that no dissemination of the information shall be made except to categories of persons as 4644 to whom the consumer individual or his guardian or other legally authorized representative or other 4645 fiduciary has given his authorization that dissemination may be made.

4646 § 37.2-713. Residence of individuals in state facilities and school-age children in state facilities 4647 generally.

4648 For purposes of eligibility for and receipt of social services and public assistance, each consumer individual receiving services in a state facility shall be deemed a resident of the county or city in which 4649 4650 he resided at the time of his admission to the state facility, and not of the county or city in which the state facility is located. The Department shall be entitled to receive annually from the Board of 4651 4652 Education and the school division where the person *individual* resided at the time of his admission a 4653 sum equal to the required local expenditure per pupil, as set forth in the appropriation act, and an additional payment for special education, as applicable, for support of the person's individual's education. 4654 This amount shall be paid by the Board of Education, and the Board shall then deduct that payment 4655 from the amount payable by the Board of Education from the basic school aid fund to the school 4656 4657 division. 4658

§ 37.2-714. Children born in state facilities.

4659 Any child born in a state facility shall be deemed a resident of the county or city in which the 4660 mother resided at the time of her admission. The child shall be removed from the state facility as soon 4661 after birth as the health and well-being of the child permit and shall be delivered to his father or other 4662 member of his family. If he is unable to effect the child's removal as herein provided, the director of the 4663 state facility shall cause the filing of a petition in the juvenile and domestic relations district court of the 4664 county or city in which the child is present, requesting adjudication of the care and custody of the child 4665 under the provisions of § 16.1-278.3. If the mother has been a consumer received services in a state facility continuously for 10 months, the Department of Social Services shall have financial responsibility 4666 4667 for the care of the child, and the custody of the child shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of § 16.1-278.3. The judge of such court shall take appropriate action to effect prompt 4668 4669 removal of the child from the state facility.

4670 § 37.2-715. Who liable for expenses; amount.

Any person who has been or who may be admitted to any state facility or who is the subject of 4671 4672 counseling or receives treatment from the staff of a state facility shall be deemed to be a consumer an

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4673 *individual receiving services* for the purposes of this article.

4674 The income and estate of a consumer an individual receiving services shall be liable for the expenses 4675 of his care, treatment or training, and maintenance in a state facility. Any person responsible for 4676 holding, managing, or controlling the income and estate of the consumer individual receiving services 4677 shall apply the income and estate toward the expenses of the consumer's individual's care, treatment or 4678 training, and maintenance.

4679 Any person responsible for the support of a consumer an individual receiving services pursuant to 4680 § 20-61 shall be liable for the expenses of his care, treatment or training, and maintenance in a state facility. Any such person shall no longer be financially liable, however, when a cumulative total of 4681 1,826 days of (i) care and treatment or training for the consumer individual in a state facility, (ii) 4682 4683 utilization by the consumer individual of services or facilities under the jurisdiction or supervision of 4684 any community services board or behavioral health authority, or (iii) a combination of (i) and (ii) has 4685 passed and payment for or a written agreement to pay the charges for 1.826 days of care and services 4686 has been made. Not less than three hours of service per day shall be required to include one day in the 4687 cumulative total of 1,826 days of utilization of services under the jurisdiction or supervision of a 4688 community services board or behavioral health authority. In order to claim this exemption, the person 4689 legally liable for the consumer individual shall produce evidence sufficient to prove eligibility for it.

4690 Such expenses shall not exceed the average cost for the particular type of service rendered and shall 4691 be determined no less frequently than annually by the Department in accordance with generally accepted 4692 accounting principles applicable to the health care industry. In no event shall recovery be permitted for 4693 amounts more than five years past due. A certificate of the Commissioner or his designee shall be prima 4694 facie evidence of the actual charges for the particular type of service rendered.

4695 § 37.2-717. Department to investigate financial ability to pay expenses; assessments and contracts by 4696 Department.

4697 A. The Department shall investigate and determine which consumers individuals receiving services or 4698 parents, guardians, conservators, trustees, or other persons legally responsible for consumers individuals 4699 receiving services are financially able to pay the expenses of the care, treatment or training, and 4700 maintenance, and the Department shall notify these consumers individuals or their parents, guardians, 4701 conservators, trustees, or other legally responsible persons of the expenses of care, treatment or training, 4702 and maintenance and, in general, of the provisions of this article.

4703 B. The Department may assess or contract with any consumer individual receiving services or the 4704 parent, guardian, conservator, trustee, or other person liable for his support and maintenance to recover 4705 care, treatment or training, and maintenance expenses. In arriving at the amount to be paid, the 4706 Department shall have due regard for the financial condition and estate of the consumer individual, his 4707 present and future needs, and the present and future needs of his lawful dependents. Whenever it is 4708 deemed necessary to protect him or his dependents, the Department may assess or agree to accept a 4709 monthly sum for the consumer's individual's care, treatment or training, and maintenance that is less 4710 than the actual per diem cost, provided that the estate of the consumer individual other than income 4711 shall not be depleted below the sum of \$500. Nothing contained in this title shall be construed as 4712 making any such contract permanently binding upon the Department or prohibiting it from periodically 4713 reevaluating the actual per diem cost of care, treatment or training, and maintenance and the financial 4714 condition and estate of any consumer individual receiving services, his present and future needs, and the 4715 present and future needs of his lawful dependents and entering into a new agreement with the consumer 4716 individual or the parent, guardian, conservator, trustee, or other person liable for his support and 4717 maintenance, increasing or decreasing the sum to be paid for the consumer's individual's care, treatment 4718 or training, and maintenance.

4719 C. All contracts made by and between the Department and any person acting in a fiduciary capacity 4720 for any consumer individual receiving services adjudicated to be incapacitated under the provisions of 4721 Article 1 (§ 37.2-1000 et seq.) of Chapter 10 of this title and all assessments made by the Department 4722 upon that consumer *individual* or his fiduciaries, providing for payment of the expenses of such 4723 consumer individual in any state facility, shall be subject to the approval of any circuit court having 4724 jurisdiction over the incapacitated person's individual's estate or for the county or city in which he 4725 resides or from which he was admitted to the state facility. 4726

§ 37.2-718. Order to compel payment of expenses.

4727 A. When any consumer individual receiving services or his guardian, conservator, trustee, or other 4728 person liable for his expenses fails to pay those expenses and it appears from investigation that the 4729 consumer *individual*, his guardian, conservator, trustee, or other person liable for his support is able or 4730 has sufficient estate to pay the expenses, the Department shall petition the appropriate court having 4731 jurisdiction over the estate of the consumer individual or the court for the county or city in which the 4732 consumer individual resides or from which he was admitted to a state facility for an order to compel 4733 payment of the expenses by the person liable therefor. In any case in which a person liable for the

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4734 support of the consumer individual is being proceeded against, the petition shall be directed to the 4735 appropriate court of the county or city in which the person liable for the support of the consumer 4736 individual resides.

4737 B. The consumer individual receiving services and his estate shall first be liable for the payment of 4738 his expenses and thereafter, the person liable for the support of the consumer individual. Such person 4739 shall be the father, mother, husband, wife, or child of the consumer individual who has attained the age 4740 of majority. Multiple persons shall be jointly and severally liable. The Department shall collect part or 4741 all of the expenses from the several sources as appears proper under the circumstances and may proceed 4742 against all sources, except that the principal or income or both from a trust created for the benefit of the 4743 consumer individual shall be liable for payment only as provided in Article 5 (§ 55-545.01 et seq.) of 4744 the Uniform Trust Code. In evaluating the circumstances, the Department may consider any events related to the admission of the consumer individual for treatment or training that have affected the 4745 4746 person liable, such as the infliction of serious injury by the consumer individual on the person who is 4747 liable. The proceedings for the collection of expenses shall conform to the procedure for collection of 4748 debts due the Commonwealth.

4749 C. Notice of any hearing on the petition of the Department for an order to compel payment of 4750 expenses shall be served at least 15 days prior to the hearing and in the manner provided for the service 4751 of civil process on the consumer individual receiving services and, if there is one, on his guardian, 4752 conservator, or trustee, on the other person legally responsible for the consumer's individual's support, or 4753 on the person against whom the proceedings are instituted.

4754 D. At the hearing, the court shall hear the allegations and proofs of the parties and shall by order 4755 require full or partial payment of maintenance by the liable parties, if they have sufficient ability, having 4756 due regard for the financial condition and estate of the consumer individual receiving services or any other person liable for his expenses, his present and future needs, and the present and future needs of 4757 4758 his lawful dependents, if the proceeding is to charge the consumer individual or any other person liable 4759 with such expenses.

E. Upon application of any interested party and upon like notice and procedure, the court may at any 4760 4761 time modify an order to compel payment of expenses. If the application is made by any party other than 4762 the Department, the notice shall be served on the Commissioner.

4763 F. Any party aggrieved by an order or by the judgment of the court may appeal therefrom in the manner provided by law. 4764

4765 G. Any order or judgment rendered by the court hereunder shall have the same force and effect and 4766 shall be enforceable in the same manner and form as any judgment recovered in favor of the 4767 Commonwealth.

4768 § 37.2-719. Statement forms to be completed by the person liable for support of an individual 4769 receiving services.

4770 The Commissioner may prescribe statement forms that shall be completed by those persons liable 4771 under § 37.2-715 for the support of the consumer individual receiving services. The statement shall be 4772 sworn to by the person and returned to the Commissioner within 30 days from the time the statement 4773 was mailed to the person. Should the person fail to return the properly completed statement to the 4774 Commissioner within 30 days, the Commissioner shall send another statement by registered mail. If the statement is not then returned properly completed within 30 days, the person to whom it was sent by 4775 4776 registered mail shall be assessed \$5 for each week or part of each week in excess of the 30-day period 4777 that the statement is overdue. The Department shall collect these assessments in the same manner as 4778 other sums due for the care, treatment or training, and maintenance of consumers individuals receiving 4779 services from the persons whose duty it was to complete each statement. When collected, these assessments shall be paid into the same fund into which other collections are paid under this article. 4780

A statement of liability imposed by this section shall be placed in a prominent place, in boldface 4781 4782 type, upon each statement form.

§ 37.2-720. When collection of expenses not required.

4784 This article shall not be held or construed to require the Department to collect the expenses of the 4785 care, treatment or training, and maintenance of any indigent consumer individual receiving services from 4786 that person *individual* or from any person liable for him when investigation discloses that the indigent 4787 consumer individual or person liable for his support is without financial means or that such payment 4788 would work a hardship on the person individual or his family. Neither shall it be the duty or obligation 4789 of the Department to institute any proceedings provided for in this article to effect collection where investigation discloses that proceedings would be without effect or would work a hardship on the 4790 4791 consumer individual receiving services or the person liable for his support. 4792

§ 37.2-721. Liability of estate of the individual receiving services.

Upon the death of any consumer or former consumer individual who is receiving or who has 4793 4794 received services, his estate shall be liable only for the charges remaining unpaid and not more than five 4795 years past due and the unsatisfied portion of any judgment rendered by a court in a proceeding under

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4796 this article. Upon the death of any consumer or former consumer individual who is receiving or who has 4797 received services, the provisions of § 37.2-717, which prohibit depleting the consumer's individual's 4798 estate below \$500, shall after funeral expenses have no further application, and such sum may be 4799 applied to the charges of the Department remaining unpaid or may be applied to the unsatisfied portion 4800 of any judgment.

4801 Upon the death of any consumer or former consumer individual who is receiving or who has 4802 received services in the event amounts remain unpaid for his care, treatment or training, and 4803 maintenance, the Department, having reason to believe that the consumer individual died possessed of 4804 real or personal property from which reimbursement may be had, shall prepare and acknowledge, as 4805 deeds are acknowledged, a notice showing the name of the consumer individual and the actual per diem 4806 cost of maintenance due and shall file the notice within four months of the date of the consumer's 4807 individual's death in the office of the clerk of the court in which deeds are admitted to record in the 4808 county or city in which the real or personal property is located. The clerk of court shall record this notice as a lien is recorded, indexing it in the names of the consumerindividual and the Department. The 4809 4810 filing of this notice shall create a lien against the estate, both real and personal, of the deceased 4811 consumer *individual* prior to all other claims of the same class except prior liens. No such claim shall be 4812 enforced against any real estate of the deceased consumer individual while such real estate is occupied 4813 by the surviving spouse of the consumer individual or while such real estate is occupied by any 4814 dependent child of the consumer individual.

4815 § 37.2-802. Interpreters in admission or certification proceedings.

4816 A. In any proceeding pursuant to § 37.2-806 or §§ 37.2-809 through 37.2-820 in which a person who 4817 is deaf is alleged to have mental retardation intellectual disability or mental illness, an interpreter for the 4818 person shall be appointed by the district court judge or special justice before whom the proceeding is 4819 pending from a list of qualified interpreters provided by the Department for the Deaf and 4820 Hard-of-Hearing. The interpreter shall be compensated as provided for in § 37.2-804.

4821 B. In any proceeding pursuant to § 37.2-806 or §§ 37.2-809 through 37.2-820 in which a 4822 non-English-speaking person is alleged to have mental retardation intellectual disability or mental illness 4823 or is a witness in such proceeding, an interpreter for the person shall be appointed by the district court 4824 judge or special justice, or in the case of §§ 37.2-809 through 37.2-813 a magistrate, before whom the 4825 proceeding is pending. Failure to appoint an interpreter when an interpreter is not reasonably available 4826 or when the person's level of English fluency cannot be determined shall not be a basis to dismiss the 4827 petition or void the order entered at the proceeding. The compensation for the interpreter shall be fixed 4828 by the court in accordance with the guidelines set by the Judicial Council of Virginia and shall be paid 4829 out of the state treasury. 4830

§ 37.2-806. Judicial certification of eligibility for admission of persons with intellectual disability.

4831 A. Whenever a person alleged to have mental retardation intellectual disability is not capable of 4832 requesting admission to a training center pursuant to § 37.2-805, a parent or guardian of the person or 4833 another responsible person may initiate a proceeding to certify the person's eligibility for admission 4834 pursuant to this section.

4835 B. Prior to initiating the proceeding, the parent or guardian or other responsible person seeking the 4836 person's admission shall first obtain (i) a preadmission screening report that recommends admission to a 4837 training center from the community services board or behavioral health authority that serves the city or 4838 county where the person who is alleged to have mental retardation intellectual disability resides and (ii) 4839 the approval of the training center to which it is proposed that the person be admitted. The Board shall 4840 adopt regulations establishing the procedure and standards for the issuance of such approval. These regulations may include provision for the observation and evaluation of the person in a training center 4841 4842 for a period not to exceed 48 hours. No person alleged to have mental retardation intellectual disability 4843 who is the subject of a proceeding under this section shall be detained on that account pending the 4844 hearing except for observation and evaluation pursuant to the provisions of this subsection.

4845 C. Upon the filing of a petition in any city or county alleging that the person has mental retardation 4846 intellectual disability, is in need of training, treatment, or habilitation, and has been approved for 4847 admission pursuant to subsection B of this section, a proceeding to certify the person's eligibility for 4848 admission to the training center may be commenced. The petition shall be filed with any district court or 4849 special justice. A copy of the petition shall be personally served on the person named in the petition, his 4850 attorney, and his guardian or conservator. Prior to any hearing under this section, the judge or special 4851 justice shall appoint an attorney to represent the person. However, the person shall not be precluded 4852 from employing counsel of his choosing and at his expense.

4853 D. The person who is the subject of the hearing shall be allowed sufficient opportunity to prepare his 4854 defense, obtain independent evaluations and expert opinion at his own expense, and summons other 4855 witnesses. He shall be present at any hearing held under this section, unless his attorney waives his right to be present and the judge or special justice is satisfied by a clear showing and after personal 4856

4857 observation that the person's attendance would subject him to substantial risk of physical or emotional4858 injury or would be so disruptive as to prevent the hearing from taking place.

4859 E. Notwithstanding the above, the judge or special justice shall summons either a physician or a 4860 clinical psychologist who is licensed in Virginia and is qualified in the assessment of persons with mental retardation intellectual disability or a person designated by the local community services board or 4861 4862 behavioral health authority who meets the qualifications established by the Board. The physician, clinical 4863 psychologist, or community services board or behavioral health authority designee may be the one who 4864 assessed the person pursuant to subsection B of this section. The judge or special justice also shall 4865 summons other witnesses when so requested by the person or his attorney. The physician, clinical 4866 psychologist, or community services board or behavioral health authority designee shall certify that he 4867 has personally assessed the person and has probable cause to believe that the person (i) does or does not 4868 have mental retardation intellectual disability, (ii) is or is not eligible for a less restrictive service, and 4869 (iii) is or is not in need of training, treatment, or habilitation in a training center. The judge or special 4870 justice may accept written certification of a finding of a physician, clinical psychologist, or community 4871 services board or behavioral health authority designee, provided such assessment has been personally 4872 made within the preceding 30 days and there is no objection to the acceptance of the written 4873 certification by the person or his attorney.

F. If the judge or special justice, having observed the person and having obtained the necessary 4874 4875 positive certification and other relevant evidence, specifically finds that (i) the person is not capable of 4876 requesting his own admission, (ii) the training center has approved the proposed admission pursuant to 4877 subsection B of this section, (iii) there is no less restrictive alternative to training center admission, 4878 consistent with the best interests of the person who is the subject of the proceeding, and (iv) the person 4879 has mental retardation intellectual disability and is in need of training, treatment, or habilitation in a 4880 training center, the judge or special justice shall by written order certify that the person is eligible for admission to a training center. 4881

4882 G. Certification of eligibility for admission hereunder shall not be construed as a judicial
4883 commitment for involuntary admission of the person but shall authorize the parent or guardian or other
4884 responsible person to admit the person to a training center and shall authorize the training center to
4885 accept the person.

4886 § 37.2-837. Discharge from state hospitals or training centers, conditional release, and trial or home visits for individuals.

4888 A. Except for *an individual receiving services in* a state hospital consumer who is held upon an order
4889 of a court for a criminal proceeding, the director of a state hospital or training center may discharge,
4890 after the preparation of a discharge plan:

4891 1. Any consumer *individual* in a state hospital who, in his judgment, (a) is recovered, (b) does not have a mental illness, or (c) is impaired or not recovered but whose discharge will not be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to the consumer *individual*;

4894 2. Any consumer *individual* in a state hospital who is not a proper case for treatment within the purview of this chapter; or

4896 3. Any consumer individual in a training center who chooses to be discharged or, if the consumer individual lacks the mental capacity to choose, whose legally authorized representative chooses for him to be discharged. Pursuant to regulations of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the Department of Medical Assistance Services, no consumer individual at a training center who is enrolled in Medicaid shall be discharged if the consumer individual or his legally authorized representative on his behalf chooses to continue receiving services in a training center.

4902 For all individuals discharged, the discharge plan shall be formulated in accordance with the 4903 provisions of § 37.2-505 by the community services board or behavioral health authority that serves the 4904 city or county where the consumer individual resided prior to admission or by the board or authority 4905 that serves the city or county where the consumer individual or his legally authorized representative on 4906 his behalf chooses to reside immediately following the discharge. The discharge plan shall be contained 4907 in a uniform discharge document developed by the Department and used by all state hospitals, training 4908 centers, and community services boards or behavioral health authorities, and shall identify (i) the 4909 services, including mental health, mental retardation developmental, substance abuse, social, educational, 4910 medical, employment, housing, legal, advocacy, transportation, and other services that the consumer 4911 individual will require upon discharge into the community and (ii) the public or private agencies that have agreed to provide these services. If the individual will be housed in an assisted living facility, as 4912 4913 defined in § 63.2-100, the discharge plan shall identify the facility, document its appropriateness for housing and capacity to care for the consumer individual, contain evidence of the facility's agreement to 4914 4915 admit and care for the consumer individual, and describe how the community services board or 4916 behavioral health authority will monitor the consumer's individual's care in the facility.

4917 B. The director may grant a trial or home visit to a consumer an individual receiving services in 4918 accordance with regulations adopted by the Board. The state facility granting a trial or home visit to a

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4919 consumer an individual shall not be liable for his expenses during the period of that visit. Such liability 4920 shall devolve upon the relative, conservator, person to whose care the consumer individual is entrusted 4921 while on the trial or home visit, or the appropriate local department of social services of the county or 4922 city in which the consumer individual resided at the time of admission pursuant to regulations adopted 4923 by the State Board of Social Services.

4924 C. Any consumer *individual* who is discharged pursuant to subdivision A 2 shall, if necessary for his 4925 welfare, be received and cared for by the appropriate local department of social services. The provision 4926 of public assistance or social services to the consumer *individual* shall be the responsibility of the 4927 appropriate local department of social services as determined by regulations adopted by the State Board of Social Services. Expenses incurred for the provision of public assistance to the consumer individual 4928 4929 who is receiving 24-hour care while in an assisted living facility licensed pursuant to Chapters 17 4930 (§ 63.2-1700 et seq.) and 18 (§ 63.2-1800 et seq.) of Title 63.2 shall be the responsibility of the 4931 appropriate local department of social services of the county or city in which the consumer individual 4932 resided at the time of admission. 4933

§ 37.2-838. Discharge of individuals from a licensed hospital.

4934 The person in charge of a licensed hospital may discharge any consumer individual involuntarily 4935 admitted who is recovered or, if not recovered, whose discharge will not be detrimental to the public 4936 welfare or injurious to the consumer individual, or who meets other criteria as specified in § 37.2-837. 4937 The person in charge of the licensed hospital may refuse to discharge any consumer individual 4938 involuntarily admitted, if, in his judgment, the discharge will be detrimental to the public welfare or 4939 injurious to the consumer individual. The person in charge of a licensed hospital may grant a trial or 4940 home visit to a consumer an individual in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board.

4941 § 37.2-839. Exchange of information between community services boards or behavioral health 4942 authorities and state facilities.

4943 Community services boards or behavioral health authorities and state facilities may, when the 4944 individual has refused authorization, exchange the information required to prepare and implement a 4945 comprehensive individualized treatment plan, including a discharge plan as specified in subsection A of 4946 § 37.2-837. This section shall apply to all consumers of individuals receiving services from community 4947 services boards, behavioral health authorities, and state facilities.

4948 When a consumer an individual who is deemed suitable for discharge pursuant to subsection A of 4949 § 37.2-837 or his guardian or conservator refuses to authorize the release of information that is required 4950 to formulate and implement a discharge plan as specified in subsection A of § 37.2-837, then the 4951 community services board or behavioral health authority may release without authorization to those 4952 service providers and human service agencies identified in the discharge plan only the information 4953 needed to secure those services specified in the plan.

4954 The release of any other consumer information about an individual receiving services to any agency 4955 or individual person not affiliated directly or by contract with community services boards, behavioral health authorities, or state facilities shall be subject to all regulations adopted by the Board or by 4956 4957 agencies of the United States government that govern confidentiality of patient information.

4958 § 37.2-840. Transfer of individuals receiving services.

4959 A. The Commissioner may order the transfer of a consumer an individual receiving services from 4960 one state hospital to another or from one training center to another. When so transferred, in accordance 4961 with appropriate admission, certification, or involuntary admission criteria as provided in this chapter, a 4962 consumer the individual is hereby declared to be lawfully admitted to the state facility to which he is 4963 transferred.

4964 B. If the guardian, conservator, or relative of a consumer an individual receiving services in a 4965 licensed hospital refuses or is otherwise unable to provide properly for his care and treatment, the person 4966 in charge of the licensed hospital may:

4967 1. Apply to the Commissioner for the transfer of the consumer *individual* to a state hospital, or

4968 2. Apply to the Director of the United States Veterans Affairs Medical Center for the transfer of the 4969 consumer individual to such the center.

4970 Upon the transfer, the state hospital or Veterans Affairs Medical Center may admit the consumer 4971 *individual* under the authority of the admission or order applicable to the licensed hospital from which 4972 the consumer individual was transferred. The transfer shall not alter any right of a consumer an 4973 individual under the provisions of Chapter 8 (§ 37.2-800 et seq.) of Title 37.2 nor shall the transfer 4974 divest a judge or special justice before whom a hearing or request therefor is pending of jurisdiction to 4975 conduct a hearing. Prior to accepting the transfer of any consumer *individual* from a licensed hospital, 4976 the Commissioner shall receive from that hospital a report that indicates that the consumer individual is 4977 in need of further hospitalization. Upon admission of a person an individual to a state hospital pursuant 4978 to this section, the director of the state hospital shall notify the community services board or behavioral 4979 health authority that serves the city or county where the admitted person individual resides of the

4980 person's individual's name and local address and of the location of the state hospital to which the person 4981 *individual* has been admitted, provided that the person *individual* or his guardian has authorized the 4982 release of the information.

4983 C. Whenever a person an individual is admitted by a state hospital or training center, the 4984 Commissioner, upon a recommendation by the community services board or behavioral health authority 4985 serving the person's *individual's* county or city of residence prior to his admission to the hospital or 4986 training center, may order the transfer of the person individual to any other hospital, training center, or 4987 Veterans Affairs hospital, center, or other facility or installation. Such other hospital, training center, or 4988 Veterans Affairs hospital, center, or other facility or installation may admit the person individual under 4989 the authority of the admission or order applicable to the hospital or training center from which the 4990 person individual was transferred. The transfer shall not alter any right of the person individual under 4991 the provisions of this chapter nor shall the transfer divest a judge or special justice before whom a 4992 hearing or request therefor is pending of jurisdiction to conduct such hearing. 4993

§ 37.2-843. Providing drugs or medicines for certain individuals discharged from state facilities.

4994 When any consumer *individual* is discharged from a state facility and he or the person liable for his 4995 care and treatment is financially unable to pay for or otherwise access drugs or medicines that are 4996 prescribed for him by a member of the medical staff of the state facility in order to mitigate or prevent 4997 a recurrence of the condition for which he has received care and treatment in the state facility, the 4998 Department or the community services board or behavioral health authority serving the consumer's 4999 individual's county or city of residence may, from funds appropriated to the Department for that 5000 purpose, provide the consumer individual with such drugs and medicines, which shall be dispensed only 5001 in accordance with law. 5002

§ 37.2-1028. Surrender of incapacitated person's estate not limited by provisions relating to expenses.

5003 Nothing in §§ 37.2-715 through 37.2-721 shall be construed to relieve the fiduciary of any consumer 5004 individual receiving services in a state facility from paying to the state facility a sum for extra comforts 5005 or to make it unlawful for the fiduciary to make voluntary gifts that the fiduciary may deem conducive 5006 to the happiness and comfort of the consumer individual. 5007

§ 37.2-1101. Judicial authorization of treatment.

5008 A. An appropriate circuit court or district court judge or special justice may authorize treatment for a 5009 mental or physical disorder on behalf of an adult person, in accordance with this section, if it finds upon 5010 clear and convincing evidence that (i) the person is either incapable of making an informed decision on 5011 his own behalf or is incapable of communicating such a decision due to a physical or mental disorder 5012 and (ii) the proposed treatment is in the best interest of the person.

5013 B. Any person may request authorization of treatment for an adult person by filing a petition in the 5014 circuit court or district court or with a special justice of the county or city in which the person for 5015 whom treatment is sought resides or is located or in the county or city in which the proposed place of 5016 treatment is located. Upon filing the petition, the petitioner or the court shall deliver or send a certified 5017 copy of the petition to the person for whom treatment is sought and, if the identity and whereabouts of the person's next of kin are known, to the next of kin. 5018

5019 \tilde{C} . As soon as reasonably possible after the filing of the petition, the court shall appoint an attorney 5020 to represent the interests of the person for whom treatment is sought at the hearing. However, the 5021 appointment shall not be required in the event that the person or another interested person on behalf of 5022 the person elects to retain private counsel at his own expense to represent the interests of the person at 5023 the hearing. If the person for whom treatment is sought is indigent, his counsel shall be paid by the 5024 Commonwealth as provided in § 37.2-804 from funds appropriated to reimburse expenses incurred in the 5025 involuntary admission process. However, this provision shall not be construed to prohibit the direct 5026 payment of an attorney's fee by the person or an interested person on his behalf, which fee shall be 5027 subject to the review and approval of the court.

5028 D. Following the appointment of an attorney pursuant to subsection C, the court shall schedule an 5029 expedited hearing of the matter. The court shall notify the person for whom treatment is sought, his next 5030 of kin, if known, the petitioner, and their respective counsel of the date and time for the hearing. In 5031 scheduling the hearing, the court shall take into account the type and severity of the alleged physical or mental disorder, as well as the need to provide the person's attorney with sufficient time to adequately 5032 prepare his client's case. 5033

5034 E. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections B and D regarding delivery or service of the 5035 petition and notice of the hearing to the next of kin of any person for whom consent to treatment is 5036 sought, if the person is a patient in any hospital, including a hospital licensed by the Department of Health pursuant to § 32.1-123 or a resident an individual receiving services in any facility operated by 5037 the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and such person has no known 5038 5039 guardian or legally authorized representative, at the time the petition is filed, the court may dispense 5040 with the requirement of any notice to the next of kin. If treatment is necessary to prevent imminent or 5041 irreversible harm, the court in its discretion may dispense with the requirement of providing notice. This

5042 subsection shall not be construed to interfere with any decision made pursuant to the Health Care 5043 Decisions Act (§ 54.1-2981 et seq.).

5044 F. Prior to the hearing, the attorney shall investigate the risks and benefits of the treatment decision 5045 for which authorization is sought and of alternatives to the proposed decision. The attorney shall make a 5046 reasonable effort to inform the person of this information and to ascertain the person's religious beliefs 5047 and basic values and the views and preferences of the person's next of kin. A health care provider shall 5048 disclose or make available to the attorney, upon request, any information, records, and reports 5049 concerning the person that the attorney determines necessary to perform his duties under this section. 5050 Evidence presented at the hearing may be submitted by affidavit in the absence of objection by the 5051 person for whom treatment is sought, the petitioner, either of their respective counsel, or by any other 5052 interested party.

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G. Prior to authorizing treatment pursuant to this section, the court shall find:

5054 1. That there is no legally authorized representative available to give consent;

5055 2. That the person for whom treatment is sought is incapable of making an informed decision 5056 regarding treatment or is physically or mentally incapable of communicating such a decision;

5057 3. That the person who is the subject of the petition is unlikely to become capable of making an 5058 informed decision or of communicating an informed decision within the time required for decision; and 5059 4. That the proposed treatment is in the best interest of the person and is medically and ethically

5060 appropriate with respect to (i) the medical diagnosis and prognosis and (ii) any other information 5061 provided by the attending physician of the person for whom treatment is sought. However, the court 5062 shall not authorize a proposed treatment that is proven by a preponderance of the evidence to be 5063 contrary to the person's religious beliefs or basic values, unless the treatment is necessary to prevent 5064 death or a serious irreversible condition. The court shall take into consideration the right of the person 5065 to rely on nonmedical, remedial treatment in the practice of religion in lieu of medical treatment.

- 5066 H. Any order authorizing treatment pursuant to subsection A shall describe any treatment authorized 5067 and may authorize generally such related examinations, tests, or services as the court may determine to 5068 be reasonably related to the treatment authorized. Treatment authorized by such order may include 5069 palliative care as defined in § 32.1-162.1, if appropriate. The order shall require the treating physician to 5070 review and document the appropriateness of the continued administration of antipsychotic medications 5071 not less frequently than every 30 days. The order shall require the treating physician or other service 5072 provider to report to the court and the person's attorney any change in the person's condition resulting in 5073 probable restoration or development of the person's capacity to make and to communicate an informed 5074 decision prior to completion of any authorized treatment and related services. The order may further 5075 require the treating physician or other service provider to report to the court and the person's attorney 5076 any change in circumstances regarding any authorized treatment or related services that may indicate 5077 that such authorization is no longer in the person's best interests. Upon receipt of such report or upon 5078 the petition of any interested party, the court may enter an order withdrawing or modifying its prior 5079 authorization as it deems appropriate. Any petition or order under this section may be orally presented 5080 or entered, provided a written order shall be subsequently executed. 5081
 - § 38.2-3323. Group life insurance coverages of spouses, dependent children, and other persons.

5082 A. Coverage under a group life insurance policy, except a policy issued pursuant to § 38.2-3318.1 B, 5083 may be extended to insure:

5084 1. The spouse and any child who is under the age of 19 years or who is a dependent and a full-time student under 25 years of age, or any class of spouses and dependent children, of each insured group 5085 member who so elects; and 5086

5087 2. Any other person in whom the insured group member has an insurable interest as defined in 5088 §§ 38.2-301 and 38.2-302 as may mutually be agreed upon by the insurer and the group policyholder.

5089 The amount of insurance on the life of a spouse, child, or other person shall not exceed the amount 5090 of insurance for which the insured group member is eligible.

5091 B. A spouse insured under this section shall have the same conversion right to the insurance on his 5092 or her life as the insured group member.

C. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 38.2-3331, one certificate may be issued for each insured 5093 5094 group member if a statement concerning any spouse's, dependent child's, or other person's coverage is 5095 included in the certificate.

5096 D. In addition to the coverages afforded by the provisions of this section, any such plan for group 5097 life insurance which includes coverage for children shall afford coverage to any child who is both (i) 5098 incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental retardation intellectual disability or 5099 physical handicap and (ii) chiefly dependent upon the employee for support and maintenance. Upon 5100 request of the insurer, proof of incapacity and dependency shall be furnished to the insurer by the insured group member within 31 days of the child's attainment of the specified age. Subsequent proof 5101 may be required by the insurer but not more frequently than annually after the two-year period 5102

5103 following the child's attainment of the specified age. The insurer shall be allowed to charge a premium 5104 at the insurer's then customary rate applicable to such group policy for such extended coverage.

E. 1. Upon termination of such group coverage of a child, the child shall be entitled to have issued 5105 5106 to him by the insurer, without evidence of insurability, an individual life insurance policy without disability or other supplementary benefits, if: 5107

5108 a. An application for the individual policy is made, and the first premium paid to the insurer, within 31 days after such termination; and 5109

5110 b. The individual policy, at the option of such person, is on any one of the forms then customarily issued by the insurer at the age and for the amount applied for, except that the group policy may 5111 exclude the option to elect term insurance; 5112

5113 c. The individual policy is in an amount not in excess of the amount of life insurance which ceases 5114 because of such termination, less the amount of any life insurance for which such person becomes 5115 eligible under the same or any other group policy within 31 days after such termination, provided that any amount of insurance which has matured on or before the date of such termination as an endowment 5116 5117 payable to the person insured, whether in one sum or in installments or in the form of an annuity, shall 5118 not, for the purposes of this provision, be included in the amount which is considered to cease because 5119 of such termination; and

5120 d. The premium on the individual policy is at the insurer's then customary rate applicable to the form 5121 and amount of the individual policy, to the class of risk to which such person then belongs, and to the 5122 individual age attained on the effective date of the individual policy.

5123 2. Subject to the same conditions set forth above, the conversion privilege shall be available (i) to a 5124 surviving dependent, if any, at the death of the group member, with respect to the coverage under the 5125 group policy which terminates by reason of such death, and (ii) to the dependent of the group member upon termination of coverage of the dependent, while the group member remains insured under the 5126 5127 group policy, by reason of the dependent ceasing to be a qualified family member under the group 5128 policy. 5129

§ 38.2-3409. Coverage of dependent children.

5130 A. Any group or individual accident and sickness insurance policy or subscription contract delivered 5131 or issued for delivery in this Commonwealth which provides that coverage of a dependent child shall 5132 terminate upon that child's attainment of a specified age, shall also provide in substance that attainment 5133 of the specified age shall not terminate the child's coverage during the continuance of the policy while 5134 the dependent child is and continues to be both: (i) incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason 5135 of mental retardation intellectual disability or physical handicap, and (ii) chiefly dependent upon the 5136 policyowner for support and maintenance.

5137 B. Proof of incapacity and dependency shall be furnished to the insurer by the policyowner within 5138 thirty one 31 days of the child's attainment of the specified age. Subsequent proof may be required by 5139 the insurer but not more frequently than annually after the two-year period following the child's 5140 attainment of the specified age.

5141 C. The insurer may charge an additional premium for any continuation of coverage beyond the 5142 specified age. The additional premium shall be determined by the insurer on the basis of the class of 5143 risks applicable to the child.

§ 40.1-28.9. Definition of terms.

As used in this article:

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5146 A. "Employer" includes any individual, partnership, association, corporation, business trust, or any 5147 person or groups of persons acting directly or indirectly in the interest of an employer in relation to an 5148 employee; 5149

B. "Employee" includes any individual employed by an employer, except the following:

1. Any person employed as a farm laborer or farm employee;

5151 2. Any person employed in domestic service or in or about a private home or in an eleemosynary 5152 institution primarily supported by public funds;

5153 3. Any person engaged in the activities of an educational, charitable, religious or nonprofit 5154 organization where the relationship of employer-employee does not, in fact, exist, or where the services 5155 rendered to such organizations are on a voluntary basis;

4. Newsboys, shoe-shine boys, caddies on golf courses, babysitters, ushers, doormen, concession 5156 5157 attendants and cashiers in theaters;

5158 5. Traveling salesmen or outside salesmen working on a commission basis; taxicab drivers and 5159 operators; 5160

6. Any person under the age of eighteen 18 in the employ of his father, mother or legal guardian;

5161 7. Any person confined in any penal₇ or corrective or mental institution of the State or any of its 5162 political subdivisions or admitted to a state hospital or training center operated by the Department of

5163 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services;

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5165 9. Any person under the age of sixteen 16, regardless of by whom employed;

5166 10. Any person who normally works and is paid based on the amount of work done;

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5168 12. Any person whose employment is covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 as amended:

5169 13. Any person whose earning capacity is impaired by physical or mental deficiency, mental illness,

5170 or intellectual disability; 5171

14. Students and apprentices participating in a bona fide educational or apprenticeship program;

5172 15. Any person employed by an employer who does not have four or more persons employed at any 5173 one time; provided that husbands, wives, sons, daughters and parents of the employer shall not be 5174 counted in determining the number of persons employed;

5175 16. Any person who is less than eighteen 18 years of age and who is currently enrolled on a 5176 full-time basis in any secondary school, institution of higher education or trade school, provided the 5177 person is not employed more than twenty 20 hours per week;

5178 16A. Any person of any age who is currently enrolled on a full-time basis in any secondary school, 5179 institution of higher education or trade school and is in a work-study program or its equivalent at the 5180 institution at which he or she is enrolled as a student;

5181 17. Any person who is less than eighteen 18 years of age and who is under the jurisdiction and 5182 direction of a juvenile and domestic relations district court.

5183 C. "Wages" means legal tender of the United States or checks or drafts on banks negotiable into cash 5184 on demand or upon acceptance at full value; provided, wages may include the reasonable cost to the 5185 employer of furnishing meals and for lodging to an employee, if such board or lodging is customarily 5186 furnished by the employer, and used by the employee.

5187 D. In determining the wage of a tipped employee, the amount paid such employee by his employer shall be deemed to be increased on account of tips by an amount determined by the employer, except in 5188 5189 the case of an employee who establishes by clear and convincing evidence that the actual amount of tips 5190 received by him was less than the amount determined by the employer. In such case, the amount paid 5191 such employee by his employer shall be deemed to have been increased by such lesser amount.

5192 § 46.2-314. Mental incapacity.

5193 No driver's license shall be issued to any applicant who has previously been adjudged incapacitated 5194 and who has not, at the time of such application, been (i) adjudged restored to capacity by judicial 5195 decree or (ii) released from a hospital for the mentally ill individuals with mental illness on a certificate 5196 of the superintendent of the hospital that the person is capable. In either case, no driver's license shall be 5197 issued to him unless the Department is satisfied that he is competent to drive a motor vehicle with 5198 safety to persons and property.

5199 § 46.2-400. Suspension of license of person incompetent because of mental illness, intellectual 5200 disability, alcoholism, or drug addiction; return of license; duty of clerk of court.

5201 The Commissioner, on receipt of notice that any person has been legally adjudged to be incapacitated in accordance with Article 1 (§ 37.2-1000 et seq.) of Chapter 10 of Title 37.2 or that a person 5202 discharged from an institution a facility operated or licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health 5203 5204 and Developmental Services is, in the opinion of the authorities of the institution facility, not competent 5205 because of mental illness, mental retardation intellectual disability, alcoholism, or drug addiction to drive 5206 a motor vehicle with safety to persons or property, shall forthwith suspend his license; but he shall not 5207 suspend the license if the person has been adjudged competent by judicial order or decree.

5208 In any case in which the person's license has been suspended prior to his discharge it shall not be 5209 returned to him unless the Commissioner is satisfied, after an examination such as is required of 5210 applicants by § 46.2-325, that the person is competent to drive a motor vehicle with safety to persons 5211 and property.

5212 The clerk of the court in which the adjudication is made shall forthwith send a certified copy or 5213 abstract of such adjudication to the Commissioner.

§ 46.2-401. Reports to Commissioner of discharge of individuals from state facilities.

5214 5215 Whenever practicable, at least ten 10 days prior to the time when any patient individual is to be 5216 discharged from any institution facility operated or licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and 5217 Developmental Services, if the mental condition of the patient individual is, because of mental illness, 5218 mental retardation intellectual disability, alcoholism, or drug addiction, in the judgment of the director or 5219 chief medical officer of the institution *facility* such as to prevent him from being competent to drive a 5220 motor vehicle with safety to persons and property, the director or chief medical officer shall forthwith 5221 report to the Commissioner, in sufficient detail for accurate identification, the date of discharge of the 5222 patient individual, together with a statement concerning his ability to drive a motor vehicle.

5223 § 51.1-513.3. Long-term care insurance program for employees of local governments, local officers, 5224 and teachers.

5225 A. The Board shall maintain and administer a plan or plans, hereinafter "plan" or "plans," for

5226 providing long-term care coverage for employees of local governments, local officers, and teachers. The 5227 plan or plans may also extend coverage to eligible family members of such employees of local 5228 governments, local officers, or teachers. The plan or plans may, but need not, be rated separately from 5229 any plan developed to provide long-term care coverage for state employees under § 51.1-513.2. 5230 Participation in such insurance plan or plans shall be (i) voluntary, (ii) approved by the participant's 5231 respective governing body, or by the local school board in the case of teachers, and (iii) subject to 5232 policies and procedures adopted by the Board. 5233

B. For the purposes of this section:

5234 "Employees of local governments" shall include all officers and employees, working an average of at 5235 least 20 hours per week, of the governing body of any county, city, or town, and the directing or governing body of any political entity, subdivision, branch or unit of the Commonwealth or of any 5236 commission or public authority or body corporate created by or under an act of the General Assembly 5237 5238 specifying the power or powers, privileges or authority capable of exercise by the commission or public authority or body corporate, as distinguished from § 15.2-1300, 15.2-1303, or similar statutes, provided 5239 5240 that the officers and employees of a social services department; welfare board; mental health, mental 5241 retardation and substance abuse community services board or behavioral health authority; or library 5242 board of a county, city, or town shall be deemed to be employees of local government.

5243 "Local officer" means the treasurer, registrar, commissioner of the revenue, attorney for the 5244 Commonwealth, clerk of a circuit court, sheriff, or constable of any county or city or deputies or 5245 employees, working an average of at least 20 hours per week, of any of the preceding local officers.

5246 "Teacher" means any employee of a county, city, or other local public school board working an 5247 average of at least 20 hours per week. 5248

§ 51.5-3. Definitions.

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5249 As used in this title except where the context requires a different meaning or where it is otherwise provided, the following words shall have the meaning ascribed to them: 5250

5251 "Case management" is a dynamic collaborative process that utilizes and builds on the strengths and 5252 resources of consumers to assist them in identifying their needs, accessing and coordinating services, and 5253 achieving their goals. The major collaborative components of case management services include 5254 advocacy, assessment, planning, facilitation, coordination, and monitoring.

"Case management system" is a central point of contact linking a wide variety of evolving services 5255 5256 and supports that are (i) available in a timely, coordinated manner, (ii) physically and programmatically 5257 accessible, and (iii) consumer-directed with procedural safeguards to ensure responsiveness and 5258 accountability.

5259 "Client" means any person receiving a service provided by the personnel or facilities of a public or 5260 private agency, whether referred to as a client, participant, patient, resident, or other term. 5261

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Rehabilitative Services.

"Consumer" is, with respect to case management services, a person with a disability or his designee, 5262 5263 guardian, conservator or committee. 5264

"Council" means the State Rehabilitation Council.

5265 "Mental impairment" means (i) a disability attributable to mental retardation intellectual disability, 5266 autism, or any other neurologically handicapping condition closely related to mental retardation 5267 *intellectual disability* and requiring treatment similar to that required by mentally retarded individuals 5268 with intellectual disability; or (ii) an organic or mental impairment that has substantial adverse effects on 5269 an individual's cognitive or volitional functions, including central nervous system disorders or significant 5270 discrepancies among mental functions of an individual. For the purposes of § 51.5-41, the term "mental 5271 impairment" does not include active alcoholism or current drug addiction and does not include any 5272 mental impairment, disease or defect that has been successfully asserted by an individual as a defense to 5273 any criminal charge.

"Otherwise qualified person with a disability" means a person with a disability who:

1. For the purposes of § 51.5-41, is qualified to perform the duties of a particular job or position; or

5276 2. For the purposes of § 51.5-42, meets all the requirements for admission to an educational 5277 institution or meets all the requirements for participation in its extracurricular programs.

5278 "Person with a disability" means any person who has a physical or mental impairment that 5279 substantially limits one or more of his major life activities or has a record of such impairment and that:

5280 1. For purposes of § 51.5-41, is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a 5281 particular job or position, or is unrelated to the individual's qualifications for employment or promotion;

2. For purposes of § 51.5-42, is unrelated to the individual's ability to utilize and benefit from 5282 5283 educational opportunities, programs, and facilities at an educational institution;

3. For purposes of § 51.5-44, is unrelated to the individual's ability to utilize and benefit from a 5284 5285 place of public accommodation or public service;

5286 4. For purposes of § 51.5-45, is unrelated to the individual's ability to acquire, rent, or maintain 5287 property.

5288 "Physical impairment" means any physical condition, anatomic loss, or cosmetic disfigurement that is5289 caused by bodily injury, birth defect, or illness.

5290 "Rehabilitation technology" means the systematic application of technologies, engineering
5291 methodologies, or scientific principles to meet the needs of and address the barriers confronted by
5292 individuals with disabilities in areas that include education, rehabilitation, employment, transportation,
5293 independent living, and recreation.

§ 51.5-30. Cooperative agreements with community services boards and schools.

5295 No services funded under the authority of this chapter shall be provided to:

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5296 1. Persons whose primary impairment is mental illness, mental retardation intellectual disability, or
5297 substance abuse, except by cooperative agreement with the local community services board established
5298 pursuant to Chapter 5 (§ 37.2-500 et seq.) of Title 37.2 or the behavioral health authority established
5299 pursuant to Chapter 6 (§ 37.2-600 et seq.) of Title 37.2 when that board or authority is currently
5300 offering the same services; or

5301 2. Public school-aged persons, except by cooperative agreement with that person's school.

§ 51.5-39.7. (See Editor's notes) Ombudsman services for persons with disabilities.

A. There is hereby created within the Office an ombudsman section. The Director shall establish 5303 5304 procedures for receiving complaints and conducting investigations for the purposes of resolving and 5305 mediating complaints regarding any activity, practice, policy, or procedure of any hospital, facility or 5306 program operated, funded or licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental 5307 Services, the Department of Rehabilitative Services, the Department of Social Services, or any other 5308 state or local agency, that is adversely affecting the health, safety, welfare or civil or human rights of 5309 any person with mental, cognitive, sensory or physical disabilities. After initial investigation, the section 5310 may decline to accept any complaint it determines is frivolous or not made in good faith. The 5311 ombudsman section shall attempt to resolve the complaint at the lowest appropriate level, unless otherwise provided by law. The procedures shall require the section to: 5312

5313 1. Acknowledge the receipt of a complaint by sending written notice to the complainant within seven days after receiving the complaint;

5315 2. When appropriate, provide written notice of a complaint to the Department of Behavioral Health
5316 and Developmental Services or any other appropriate agency within seven days after receiving the
5317 complaint. The Department or agency shall report its findings and actions no later than fourteen 14 days
5318 after receiving the complaint;

3. Immediately refer a complaint made under this section to the Department of Behavioral Health and
Developmental Services or any other appropriate governmental agency whenever the complaint involves
an immediate and substantial threat to the health or safety of a person with mental retardation *intellectual disability*, developmental disabilities, mental illness, or other disability. The Department or
agency receiving the complaint shall report its findings and actions no later than forty eight 48 hours
following its receipt of the complaint;

5325 4. Within seven days after identifying a deficiency in the treatment of a person with a disability that
5326 is in violation of state or federal law or regulation, refer the matter in writing to the appropriate state
5327 agency. The state agency shall report on its findings and actions within seven days of receiving notice
5328 of the matter;

5. Advise the complainant and any person with a disability affected by the complaint, no more than
thirty 30 days after it receives the complaint, of any action it has taken and of any opinions and
recommendations it has with respect to the complaint. The ombudsman section may request any party
affected by the opinions or recommendations to notify the section, within a time period specified by the
section, of any action the party has taken on its recommendation; and

5334 6. Refer any complaint not resolved through negotiation, mediation, or conciliation to the Director or
5335 the Director's designee to determine whether further protection and advocacy services shall be provided
5336 by the Office.

5337 B. The ombudsman section may make public any of its opinions or recommendations concerning a
5338 complaint, the responses of persons and governmental agencies to its opinions or recommendations, and
5339 any act, practice, policy, or procedure that adversely affects or may adversely affect the health, safety,
5340 welfare, or civil or human rights of a person with a disability, subject to the provisions of § 51.5-39.8.

C. The Office shall publicize its existence, functions, and activities, and the procedures for filing a complaint under this section, and send this information in written form to each provider of services to persons with disabilities, with instructions that the information is to be posted in a conspicuous place accessible to patients, residents, consumers individuals receiving services, clients, visitors, and employees. The Office shall establish, maintain and publicize a toll-free number for receiving 5346

5347 § 51.5-39.8. Confidentiality of information.

5348 A. All documentary and other evidence received or maintained by the Office or its agents in

5349 connection with specific complaints or investigations shall be confidential and not subject to the provisions concerning disclosure of public records under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act 5350 (§ 2.2-3700 et seq.). However, access to one's own records shall not be denied unless otherwise 5351 5352 prohibited by state or federal law. Records concerning closed cases shall be subject to the disclosure 5353 requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, but in a manner that does not identify any 5354 complainant or any person with mental illness, mental retardation intellectual disability, developmental 5355 disabilities or other disability, unless (i) such complainant or person or his legal representative consents 5356 in writing to such identification or (ii) such identification is required by court order.

5357 B. Communications between employees and agents of the Office and its clients or prospective clients 5358 concerning specific complaints, investigations or cases shall be confidential. 5359

C. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Office shall be permitted to:

5360 1. Issue a public report of the results of an investigation of a founded complaint that does not release 5361 the identity of any complainant or any person with mental illness, mental retardation intellectual 5362 disability, developmental disabilities or other disability, unless (a) such complainant or person or his legal representative consents in writing to such disclosure or (b) such disclosure is required by court 5363 5364 order; and

5365 2. Report the results of an investigation to responsible investigative or enforcement agencies should 5366 an investigation reveal information concerning any hospital, facility or other entity, its staff or 5367 employees, warranting possible sanctions or corrective action. This information may be reported to 5368 agencies responsible for licensing or accreditation, employee discipline, employee licensing or 5369 certification or criminal prosecution. 5370

§ 51.5-39.12. Notification of critical incidents and deaths in state facilities.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the directors of state facilities as defined in § 37.2-100 5371 5372 shall notify the Director of the Office in writing within forty-eight 48 hours of critical incidents or 5373 deaths of patients or residents individuals receiving services in state facilities. For purposes of this 5374 section, a critical incident shall be defined as serious bodily injury or loss of consciousness requiring 5375 medical treatment. The Commissioner of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental 5376 Services shall provide to the Director of the Office a written report setting forth the known facts of 5377 critical incidents or deaths of patients or residents of individuals receiving services in state facilities 5378 within fifteen 15 working days of the critical incident or death. 5379

§ 53.1-40.3. Place of hearing or proceeding.

5380 Any hearing held by a court pursuant to § 53.1-40.1 or §-53.1-40.2 may be held in any courtroom 5381 available within the county or city wherein the prisoner is located or any appropriate place which may 5382 be made available by the Director and approved by the judge. Nothing herein shall be construed as 5383 prohibiting holding the hearing on the grounds of a state or local correctional facility or a hospital or 5384 facility for the care and treatment of the mentally ill individuals with mental illness. 5385

§ 53.1-40.5. Transfer of prisoner involuntarily admitted.

5386 Whenever a prisoner is admitted to a hospital or facility for the care and treatment of the mentally ill 5387 individuals with mental illness, the Director may order the transfer of the prisoner to any other willing 5388 hospital or facility for the care and treatment of the mentally ill individuals with mental illness, and such 5389 other hospital or facility is authorized to admit such prisoner under the authority of the commitment 5390 order applicable to the hospital or facility from which such prisoner was transferred. No such transfer 5391 shall alter any right of a prisoner under the provisions of this article nor shall such transfer divest a 5392 judge or court, before which a hearing or request therefor is pending, of jurisdiction to conduct such 5393 hearing. 5394

§ 53.1-40.7. Discharge of prisoner involuntarily admitted.

5395 A. The prisoner shall be discharged from a hospital or facility for the care and treatment of the 5396 mentally ill individuals with mental illness to a state or local correctional facility designated by the 5397 Director if there is no further need for involuntary hospitalization or at the expiration of 180 days unless 5398 involuntarily committed by further petition and order of a court as provided herein.

5399 B. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A, if there is no further need for involuntary 5400 hospitalization, the prisoner may be retained in such hospital or facility if the prisoner (i) is capable of 5401 and consents to voluntary admission, and (ii) has been examined by a licensed physician, psychiatrist, or 5402 clinical psychologist acting on staff within his area of expertise and is determined to be in need of 5403 continued hospitalization. 5404

§ 53.1-216. Governor to execute; form of compact.

5405 The Governor is authorized and requested to execute, on behalf of the Commonwealth, with any 5406 other state or states legally joining therein a compact which shall be in form substantially as follows:

5407 The contracting states solemnly agree that:

5408 ARTICLE I.

5409 The party states, desiring by common action to fully utilize and improve their institutional facilities 5410 and provide adequate programs for the confinement, treatment and rehabilitation of various types of

5411 offenders, declare that it is the policy of each of the party states to provide such facilities and programs 5412 on a basis of cooperation with one another, and with the Federal Government, thereby serving the best

5413 interest of such offenders and of society and effecting economies in capital expenditures and operational 5414 costs. The purpose of this compact is to provide for the mutual development and execution of such

5415 programs of cooperation for the confinement, treatment and rehabilitation of offenders with the most 5416 economical use of human and material resources.

5417 ARTICLE II.

5418 As used in this compact, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

5419 a. "State" means a state of the United States; the United States of America; a territory or possession 5420 of the United States; the District of Columbia; the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

5421 b. "Sending state" means a state party to this compact in which conviction or court commitment was 5422 had.

5423 c. "Receiving state" means a state party to this compact to which an inmate is sent for confinement 5424 other than a state in which conviction or court commitment was had.

5425 d. "Inmate" means a male or female offender who is committed, under sentence to or confined in a 5426 penal or correctional institution.

5427 e. "Institution" means any penal or correctional facility, including but not limited to a facility for the 5428 mentally ill or mentally defective individuals with mental illness or intellectual disability, in which 5429 inmates as defined in d above may lawfully be confined.

5430 ARTICLE III.

5431 a. Each party state may make one or more contracts with any one or more of the other party states, 5432 or with the Federal Government, for the confinement of inmates on behalf of a sending state in 5433 institutions situated within receiving states. Any such contract shall provide for: 5434

(1) Its duration.

5435 (2) Payments to be made to the receiving state or to the Federal Government, by the sending state 5436 for inmate maintenance, extraordinary medical and dental expenses, and any participation in or receipt 5437 by inmates of rehabilitative or correctional services, facilities, programs or treatment not reasonably 5438 included as part of normal maintenance.

5439 (3) Participation in programs of inmate employment, if any; the disposition or crediting of any 5440 payments received by inmates on account thereof; and the crediting of proceeds from or disposal of any 5441 products resulting therefrom. 5442

(4) Delivery and retaking of inmates.

5443 (5) Such other matters as may be necessary and appropriate to fix the obligations, responsibilities and 5444 rights of the sending and receiving states.

5445 b. The terms and provisions of this compact shall be a part of any contract entered into by the 5446 authority of or pursuant thereto and nothing in any such contract shall be inconsistent therewith. 5447

ARTICLE IV.

5448 a. Whenever the duly constituted authorities in a state party to this compact, and which has entered 5449 into a contract pursuant to Article III, shall decide that confinement in, or transfer of an inmate to, an 5450 institution within the territory of another party state is necessary or desirable in order to provide 5451 adequate quarters and care or an appropriate program of rehabilitation or treatment, said officials may 5452 direct that the confinement be within an institution within the territory of said other party state, the 5453 receiving state to act in that regard solely as agent for the sending state.

5454 b. The appropriate officials of any state party to this compact shall have access, at all reasonable 5455 times, to any institution in which it has a contractual right to confine inmates for the purpose of 5456 inspecting the facilities thereof and visiting such of its inmates as may be confined in the institution.

5457 c. Inmates confined in an institution pursuant to the terms of this compact shall at all times be 5458 subject to the jurisdiction of the sending state and may at any time be removed therefrom for transfer to 5459 a prison or other institution within the sending state, for transfer to another institution in which the 5460 sending state may have a contractual or other right to confine inmates, for release on probation or 5461 parole, for discharge, or for any other purpose permitted by the laws of the sending state; provided that 5462 the sending state shall continue to be obligated to such payments as may be required pursuant to the 5463 terms of any contract entered into under the terms of Article III.

5464 d. Each receiving state shall provide regular reports to each sending state on the inmates of that 5465 sending state in institutions pursuant to this compact including a conduct record of each inmate and 5466 certify said record to the official designated by the sending state, in order that each inmate may have 5467 official review of his or her record in determining and altering the disposition of said inmate in 5468 accordance with the law which may obtain in the sending state and in order that the same may be a 5469 source of information for the sending state.

5470 e. All inmates who may be confined in an institution pursuant to the provisions of this compact shall 5471 be treated in a reasonable and humane manner and shall be treated equally with such similar inmates of SB387S1

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5472 the receiving state as may be confined in the same institution. The fact of confinement in a receiving 5473 state shall not deprive any inmate so confined of any legal rights which said inmate would have had if 5474 confined in an appropriate institution of the sending state.

5475 f. Any hearing or hearings to which an inmate confined pursuant to this compact may be entitled by 5476 the laws of the sending state may be had before the appropriate authorities of the sending state, or of 5477 the receiving state if authorized by the sending state. The receiving state shall provide adequate facilities 5478 for such hearings as may be conducted by the appropriate officials of a sending state. In the event such 5479 hearing or hearings are had before officials of the receiving state, the governing law shall be that of the 5480 sending state and a record of the hearing or hearings as prescribed by the sending state shall be made. 5481 Said record together with any recommendations of the hearing officials shall be transmitted forthwith to 5482 the official or officials before whom the hearing would have been had if it had taken place in the 5483 sending state. In any and all proceedings had pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision, the officials 5484 of the receiving state shall act solely as agents of the sending state and no final determination shall be 5485 made in any matter except by the appropriate officials of the sending state.

5486 g. Any inmate confined pursuant to this compact shall be released within the territory of the sending 5487 state unless the inmate, and the sending and receiving states, shall agree upon release in some other 5488 place. The sending state shall bear the cost of such return to its territory.

h. Any inmate confined pursuant to the terms of this compact shall have any and all rights to 5489 5490 participate in and derive any benefits or incur or be relieved of any obligations or have such obligations 5491 modified or his status changed on account of any action or proceeding in which he could have 5492 participated if confined in any appropriate institution of the sending state located within such state.

5493 i. The parents, guardian, trustee, or other person or persons entitled under the laws of the sending 5494 state to act for, advise or otherwise function with respect to any inmate shall not be deprived of or restricted in his exercise of any power in respect of any inmate confined pursuant to the terms of this 5495 5496 compact. 5497

ARTICLE V.

5498 a. Any decision of the sending state in respect of any matter over which it retains jurisdiction 5499 pursuant to this compact shall be conclusive upon and not reviewable within the receiving state, but if at 5500 the time the sending state seeks to remove an inmate from an institution in the receiving state there is 5501 pending against the inmate within such state any criminal charge or if the inmate is formally accused of 5502 having committed within such state a criminal offense, the inmate shall not be returned without the 5503 consent of the receiving state until discharge from prosecution or other form of proceeding, 5504 imprisonment or detention for such offense. The duly accredited officers of the sending state shall be 5505 permitted to transport inmates pursuant to this compact through any and all states party to this compact 5506 without interference.

5507 b. An inmate who escapes from an institution in which he is confined pursuant to this compact shall 5508 be deemed a fugitive from the sending state and from the state in which the institution is situated. In the 5509 case of an escape to a jurisdiction other than the sending or receiving state, the responsibility for 5510 institution of extradition or rendition proceedings shall be that of the sending state, but nothing 5511 contained herein shall be construed to prevent or affect the activities of officers and agencies of any 5512 jurisdiction directed toward the apprehension and return of an escapee. 5513

ARTICLE VI.

5514 Any state party to this compact may accept federal aid for use in connection with any institution or 5515 program, the use of which is or may be affected by this compact or any contract pursuant hereto and 5516 any inmate in a receiving state pursuant to this compact may participate in any such federally-aided 5517 program or activity for which the sending and receiving states have made contractual provision, 5518 provided that if such program or activity is not part of the customary correctional regimen the express 5519 consent of the appropriate official of the sending state shall be required therefor. 5520

ARTICLE VÎÎ.

5521 This compact shall enter into force and become effective and binding upon the states so acting when 5522 it has been enacted into law by any two states. Thereafter, this compact shall enter into force and 5523 become effective and binding as to any other of said states upon similar action by such state. 5524 ARTICLE VIII.

5525 This compact shall continue in force and remain binding upon a party state until it shall have enacted 5526 a statute repealing the same and providing for the sending of formal written notice of withdrawal from 5527 the compact to the appropriate official of all other party states. An actual withdrawal shall not take 5528 effect until one year after the notice provided in said statute has been sent. Such withdrawal shall not 5529 relieve the withdrawing state from its obligations assumed hereunder prior to the effective date of 5530 withdrawal. Before effective date of withdrawal, a withdrawing state shall remove to its territory, at its 5531 own expense, such inmates as it may have confined pursuant to the provisions of this compact.

5532 ARTICLE IX.

5533 Nothing contained in this compact shall be construed to abrogate or impair any agreement or other

5534 arrangement which a party state may have with a nonparty state for the confinement, rehabilitation or 5535 treatment of inmates nor to repeal any other laws of a party state authorizing the making of cooperative 5536 institutional arrangements.

ARTICLE X.

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5538 The provisions of this compact shall be liberally construed and shall be severable. If any phrase, 5539 clause, sentence or provision of this compact is declared to be contrary to the constitution of any 5540 participating state or of the United States or the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person 5541 or circumstance is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this compact and the applicability 5542 thereof to any government, agency, person or circumstance shall not be affected thereby. If this compact 5543 shall be held contrary to the constitution of any state participating therein, the compact shall remain in 5544 full force and effect as to the remaining states and in full force and effect as to the state affected as to 5545 all severable matters.

5546 § 54.1-701. Exemptions.

5547 The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to:

5548 1. Persons authorized by the laws of the Commonwealth to practice medicine and surgery or 5549 osteopathy or chiropractic; 5550

2. Registered nurses licensed to practice in the Commonwealth;

5551 3. Persons employed in state or local penal or correctional institutions, rehabilitation centers, 5552 sanatoria, or institutions for care and treatment of the mentally ill or mentally deficient individuals with 5553 mental illness or intellectual disability, or for care and treatment of geriatric patients, as barbers, 5554 cosmetologists, wax technicians, nail technicians, hair braiders, estheticians, barber instructors, cosmetology instructors, wax technician instructors, nail technician instructors, or esthetics instructors 5555 5556 who practice only on inmates of or patients in such sanatoria or institutions; 5557

4. Persons licensed as funeral directors or embalmers in the Commonwealth;

5558 5. Gratuitous services as a barber, nail technician, cosmetologist, wax technician, hair braider, 5559 tattooer, body-piercer, or esthetician;

5560 6. Students enrolled in an approved school taking a course in barbering, nail care, cosmetology, 5561 waxing, hair braiding, tattooing, body-piercing, or esthetics;

5562 7. Persons working in a cosmetology salon whose duties are expressly confined to hair braiding or 5563 the shampooing and cleansing of human hair under the direct supervision of a cosmetologist or barber;

5564 8. Apprentices serving in a barbershop, nail salon, waxing salon, cosmetology salon, hair braiding 5565 salon, or esthetics spa licensed by the Board in accordance with the Board's regulations; 5566

9. Schools of barbering, nail care, waxing, cosmetology, or hair braiding in public schools; and

5567 10. Persons whose activities are confined solely to applying make-up, including such activities that 5568 are ancillary to applying make-up. 5569

§ 54.1-2970. Medical treatment for certain persons incapable of giving informed consent.

5570 When a delay in treatment might adversely affect recovery, a licensed health professional or licensed 5571 hospital shall not be subject to liability arising out of a claim based on lack of informed consent or be 5572 prohibited from providing surgical, medical or dental treatment to an individual who is a patient or 5573 resident of a hospital or receiving service in a facility operated by the Department of Behavioral Health 5574 and Developmental Services or to a consumer who is receiving case management services from a 5575 community services board or behavioral health authority and who is incapable of giving informed 5576 consent to the treatment by reason of mental illness or mental retardation intellectual disability under the 5577 following conditions:

1. No legally authorized guardian or committee was available to give consent;

5579 2. A reasonable effort is made to advise a parent or other next of kin of the need for the surgical, 5580 medical or dental treatment; 5581

3. No reasonable objection is raised by or on behalf of the alleged incapacitated person; and

5582 4. Two physicians, or in the case of dental treatment, two dentists or one dentist and one physician, 5583 state in writing that they have made a good faith effort to explain the necessary treatment to the 5584 individual, and they have probable cause to believe that the individual is incapacitated and unable to 5585 consent to the treatment by reason of mental illness or mental retardation intellectual disability and that 5586 delay in treatment might adversely affect recovery.

5587 The provisions of this section shall apply only to the treatment of physical injury or illness and not 5588 to any treatment for a mental, emotional or psychological condition.

5589 Treatment pursuant to this section of an individual's mental, emotional or psychological condition 5590 when the individual is unable to make an informed decision and when no legally authorized guardian or committee is available to provide consent shall be governed by regulations promulgated adopted by the 5591 5592 State Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services under § 37.2-400.

5593 § 54.1-2982. Definitions.

5594 As used in this article: 5595 "Advance directive" means (i) a witnessed written document, voluntarily executed by the declarant in accordance with the requirements of § 54.1-2983 or (ii) a witnessed oral statement, made by the declarant subsequent to the time he is diagnosed as suffering from a terminal condition and in accordance with the provisions of § 54.1-2983.

5599 "Agent" means an adult appointed by the declarant under an advance directive, executed or made in accordance with the provisions of § 54.1-2983, to make health care decisions for him. The declarant may also appoint an adult to make, after the declarant's death, an anatomical gift of all or any part of his body pursuant to Article 2 (§ 32.1-289.2 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 32.1.

5603 "Attending physician" means the primary physician who has responsibility for the health care of the patient.

5605 "Capacity reviewer" means a licensed physician or clinical psychologist who is qualified by training or experience to assess whether a person is capable or incapable of making an informed decision.

5607 "Declarant" means an adult who makes an advance directive, as defined in this article, while capable 5608 of making and communicating an informed decision.

5609 "Durable Do Not Resuscitate Order" means a written physician's order issued pursuant to 5610 § 54.1-2987.1 to withhold cardiopulmonary resuscitation from a particular patient in the event of cardiac 5611 or respiratory arrest. For purposes of this article, cardiopulmonary resuscitation shall include cardiac 5612 compression, endotracheal intubation and other advanced airway management, artificial ventilation, and 5613 defibrillation and related procedures. As the terms "advance directive" and "Durable Do Not Resuscitate 5614 Order" are used in this article, a Durable Do Not Resuscitate Order is not and shall not be construed as 5615 an advance directive.

5616 "Health care" means the furnishing of services to any individual for the purpose of preventing,
5617 alleviating, curing, or healing human illness, injury or physical disability, including but not limited to,
5618 medications; surgery; blood transfusions; chemotherapy; radiation therapy; admission to a hospital,
5619 nursing home, assisted living facility, or other health care facility; psychiatric or other mental health
5620 treatment; and life-prolonging procedures and palliative care.

5621 "Incapable of making an informed decision" means the inability of an adult patient, because of 5622 mental illness, mental retardation intellectual disability, or any other mental or physical disorder that precludes communication or impairs judgment, to make an informed decision about providing, 5623 5624 continuing, withholding or withdrawing a specific health care treatment or course of treatment because 5625 he is unable to understand the nature, extent or probable consequences of the proposed health care 5626 decision, or to make a rational evaluation of the risks and benefits of alternatives to that decision. For purposes of this article, persons who are deaf, dysphasic or have other communication disorders, who 5627 5628 are otherwise mentally competent and able to communicate by means other than speech, shall not be 5629 considered incapable of making an informed decision.

"Life-prolonging procedure" means any medical procedure, treatment or intervention which (i) utilizes 5630 5631 mechanical or other artificial means to sustain, restore or supplant a spontaneous vital function, or is 5632 otherwise of such a nature as to afford a patient no reasonable expectation of recovery from a terminal 5633 condition and (ii) when applied to a patient in a terminal condition, would serve only to prolong the 5634 dying process. The term includes artificially administered hydration and nutrition. However, nothing in this act shall prohibit the administration of medication or the performance of any medical procedure 5635 deemed necessary to provide comfort care or to alleviate pain, including the administration of pain 5636 5637 relieving medications in excess of recommended dosages in accordance with §§ 54.1-2971.01 and 5638 54.1-3408.1. For purposes of §§ 54.1-2988, 54.1-2989, and 54.1-2991, the term also shall include 5639 cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

5640 "Patient care consulting committee" means a committee duly organized by a facility licensed to 5641 provide health care under Title 32.1 or Title 37.2, or a hospital or nursing home as defined in 5642 § 32.1-123 owned or operated by an agency of the Commonwealth that is exempt from licensure 5643 pursuant to § 32.1-124, to consult on health care issues only as authorized in this article. Each patient 5644 care consulting committee shall consist of five individuals, including at least one physician, one person 5645 licensed or holding a multistate licensure privilege under Chapter 30 (§ 54.1-3000 et seq.) to practice 5646 professional nursing, and one individual responsible for the provision of social services to patients of the 5647 facility. At least one committee member shall have experience in clinical ethics and at least two 5648 committee members shall have no employment or contractual relationship with the facility or any 5649 involvement in the management, operations, or governance of the facility, other than serving on the 5650 patient care consulting committee. A patient care consulting committee may be organized as a subcommittee of a standing ethics or other committee established by the facility or may be a separate 5651 5652 and distinct committee. Four members of the patient care consulting committee shall constitute a quorum 5653 of the patient care consulting committee.

5654 "Persistent vegetative state" means a condition caused by injury, disease or illness in which a patient
5655 has suffered a loss of consciousness, with no behavioral evidence of self-awareness or awareness of
5656 surroundings in a learned manner, other than reflex activity of muscles and nerves for low level

5657 conditioned response, and from which, to a reasonable degree of medical probability, there can be no recovery.

5659 "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia or in the jurisdiction where the health care is to be rendered or withheld.

5661 "Terminal condition" means a condition caused by injury, disease or illness from which, to a
5662 reasonable degree of medical probability a patient cannot recover and (i) the patient's death is imminent
5663 or (ii) the patient is in a persistent vegetative state.

5664 "Witness" means any person over the age of 18, including a spouse or blood relative of the 5665 declarant. Employees of health care facilities and physician's offices, who act in good faith, shall be 5666 permitted to serve as witnesses for purposes of this article.

5667 § 58.1-638. Disposition of state sales and use tax revenue; localities' share; Game Protection Fund.

5668 A. The Comptroller shall designate a specific revenue code number for all the state sales and use tax revenue collected under the preceding sections of this chapter.

5670 1. The sales and use tax revenue generated by the one-half percent sales and use tax increase enacted 5671 by the 1986 Special Session of the General Assembly shall be paid, in the manner hereinafter provided 5672 in this section, to the Transportation Trust Fund as defined in § 33.1-23.03:1. Of the funds paid to the 5673 Transportation Trust Fund, an aggregate of 4.2 percent shall be set aside as the Commonwealth Port 5674 Fund as provided in this section; an aggregate of 2.4 percent shall be set aside as the Commonwealth 5675 Airport Fund as provided in this section; and an aggregate of 14.5 percent in fiscal year 1998-1999 and 5676 14.7 percent in fiscal year 1999-2000 and thereafter shall be set aside as the Commonwealth Mass 5677 Transit Fund as provided in this section. The Fund's share of such net revenue shall be computed as an 5678 estimate of the net revenue to be received into the state treasury each month, and such estimated 5679 payment shall be adjusted for the actual net revenue received in the preceding month. All payments shall 5680 be made to the Fund on the last day of each month.

5681 2. There is hereby created in the Department of the Treasury a special nonreverting fund which shall be a part of the Transportation Trust Fund and which shall be known as the Commonwealth Port Fund.

a. The Commonwealth Port Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller and the funds
remaining in such Fund at the end of a biennium shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in
the Fund. Interest earned on such funds shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Funds may be
paid to any authority, locality or commission for the purposes hereinafter specified.

5687 b. The amounts allocated pursuant to this section shall be allocated by the Commonwealth
5688 Transportation Board to the Board of Commissioners of the Virginia Port Authority to be used to support port capital needs and the preservation of existing capital needs of all ocean, river, or tributary ports within the Commonwealth.

5691 c. Commonwealth Port Fund revenue shall be allocated by the Board of Commissioners to the
5692 Virginia Port Authority in order to foster and stimulate the flow of maritime commerce through the
5693 ports of Virginia, including but not limited to the ports of Richmond, Hopewell and Alexandria.

5694 3. There is hereby created in the Department of the Treasury a special nonreverting fund which shall 5695 be part of the Transportation Trust Fund and which shall be known as the Commonwealth Airport Fund. 5696 The Commonwealth Airport Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller and any funds 5697 remaining in such Fund at the end of a biennium shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in 5698 the Fund. Interest earned on the funds shall be credited to the Fund. The funds so allocated shall be 5699 allocated by the Commonwealth Transportation Board to the Virginia Aviation Board. The funds shall 5700 be allocated by the Virginia Aviation Board to any Virginia airport which is owned by the 5701 Commonwealth, a governmental subdivision thereof, or a private entity to which the public has access for the purposes enumerated in § 5.1-2.16, or is owned or leased by the Metropolitan Washington 5702 5703 Airports Authority (MWAA), as follows:

Any new funds in excess of \$12.1 million which are available for allocation by the Virginia Aviation Board from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund, shall be allocated as follows: 60 percent to MWAA, up to a maximum annual amount of \$2 million, and 40 percent to air carrier airports as provided in subdivision A 3 a. Except for adjustments due to changes in enplaned passengers, no air carrier airport sponsor, excluding MWAA, shall receive less funds identified under subdivision A 3 a than it received in fiscal year 1994-1995.

5710 Of the remaining amount:

a. Forty percent of the funds shall be allocated to air carrier airports, except airports owned or leased
by MWAA, based upon the percentage of enplanements for each airport to total enplanements at all air
carrier airports, except airports owned or leased by MWAA. No air carrier airport sponsor, however,
shall receive less than \$50,000 nor more than \$2 million per year from this provision.

5715 b. Forty percent of the funds shall be allocated by the Aviation Board for air carrier and reliever 5716 airports on a discretionary basis, except airports owned or leased by MWAA.

5717 c. Twenty percent of the funds shall be allocated by the Aviation Board for general aviation airports

5718 on a discretionary basis.

5719 4. There is hereby created in the Department of the Treasury a special nonreverting fund which shall
5720 be a part of the Transportation Trust Fund and which shall be known as the Commonwealth Mass
5721 Transit Fund.

a. The Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund shall be established on the books of the Comptroller and any funds remaining in such Fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in the Fund. Interest earned on such funds shall be credited to the Fund. Funds may be paid to any local governing body, transportation district commission, or public service corporation for the purposes hereinafter specified.

5727 b. The amounts allocated pursuant to this section shall be used to support the public transportation 5728 administrative costs and the costs borne by the locality for the purchase of fuels, lubricants, tires and 5729 maintenance parts and supplies for public transportation at a state share of 80 percent in 2002 and 95 5730 percent in 2003 and succeeding years. These amounts may be used to support up to 95 percent of the 5731 local or nonfederal share of capital project costs for public transportation and ridesharing equipment, 5732 facilities, and associated costs. Capital costs may include debt service payments on local or agency 5733 transit bonds. The term "borne by the locality" means the local share eligible for state assistance 5734 consisting of costs in excess of the sum of fares and other operating revenues plus federal assistance 5735 received by the locality.

5736 c. Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund revenue shall be allocated by the Commonwealth 5737 Transportation Board as follows:

5738 (1) Funds for special programs, which shall include ridesharing, experimental transit, and technical assistance, shall not exceed 1.5 percent of the Fund.

(2) The Board may allocate these funds to any locality or planning district commission to finance up
to 80 percent of the local share of all costs associated with the development, implementation, and
continuation of ridesharing programs.

5743 (3) Funds allocated for experimental transit projects may be paid to any local governing body,
5744 transportation district commission, or public corporation or may be used directly by the Department of
5745 Rail and Public Transportation for the following purposes:

(a) To finance up to 95 percent of the capital costs related to the development, implementation and promotion of experimental public transportation and ridesharing projects approved by the Board.

5748 (b) To finance up to 95 percent of the operating costs of experimental mass transportation and ridesharing projects approved by the Board for a period of time not to exceed 12 months.

(c) To finance up to 95 percent of the cost of the development and implementation of any other
project designated by the Board where the purpose of such project is to enhance the provision and use
of public transportation services.

d. Funds allocated for public transportation promotion and operation studies may be paid to any local
governing body, planning district commission, transportation district commission, or public transit
corporation, or may be used directly by the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the
following purposes and aid of public transportation services:

5757 (1) At the approval of the Board to finance a program administered by the Department of Rail and
5758 Public Transportation designed to promote the use of public transportation and ridesharing throughout
5759 Virginia.

5760 (2) To finance up to 50 percent of the local share of public transportation operations planning and technical study projects approved by the Board.

e. At least 73.5 percent of the Fund shall be distributed to each transit property in the same proportion as its operating expenses bear to the total statewide operating expenses and shall be spent for the purposes specified in subdivision 4 b.

f. The remaining 25 percent shall be distributed for capital purposes on the basis of 95 percent of the 5765 5766 nonfederal share for federal projects and 95 percent of the total costs for nonfederal projects. In the 5767 event that total capital funds available under this subdivision are insufficient to fund the complete list of 5768 eligible projects, the funds shall be distributed to each transit property in the same proportion that such 5769 capital expenditure bears to the statewide total of capital projects. Prior to the annual adoption of the 5770 Six-Year Improvement Program, the Commonwealth Transportation Board may allocate up to 20 percent 5771 of the funds in the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund designated for capital purposes to transit 5772 operating assistance if operating funds for the next fiscal year are estimated to be less than the current 5773 fiscal year's allocation, to attempt to maintain transit operations at approximately the same level as the 5774 previous fiscal year.

5775 g. There is hereby created in the Department of the Treasury a special nonreverting fund known as
5776 the Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund. The Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund shall be part of the
5777 Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund. The Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund subaccount shall be
5778 established on the books of the Comptroller and consist of such moneys as are appropriated to it by the
5779 General Assembly and of all donations, gifts, bequests, grants, endowments, and other moneys given,

5780 bequeathed, granted, or otherwise made available to the Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund. Any funds 5781 remaining in the Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the 5782 general fund, but shall remain in the Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund. Interest earned on funds 5783 within the Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund shall remain in and be credited to the Commonwealth 5784 Transit Capital Fund. Proceeds of the Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund may be paid to any political 5785 subdivision, another public entity created by an act of the General Assembly, or a private entity as 5786 defined in § 56-557 and for purposes as enumerated in subdivision 4c of § 33.1-269 or expended by the 5787 Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the purposes specified in this subdivision. Revenues of 5788 the Commonwealth Transit Capital Fund shall be used to support capital expenditures involving the 5789 establishment, improvement, or expansion of public transportation services through specific projects 5790 approved by the Commonwealth Transportation Board. Projects financed by the Commonwealth Transit 5791 Capital Fund shall receive local, regional or private funding for at least 20 percent of the nonfederal 5792 share of the total project cost.

5. Funds for Metro shall be paid by the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) to the
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and be a credit to the Counties of
Arlington and Fairfax and the Cities of Alexandria, Falls Church and Fairfax in the following manner:

a. Local obligations for debt service for WMATA rail transit bonds apportioned to each locality
using WMATA's capital formula shall be paid first by NVTC. NVTC shall use 95 percent state aid for
these payments.

5799 b. The remaining funds shall be apportioned to reflect WMATA's allocation formulas by using the
5800 related WMATA-allocated subsidies and relative shares of local transit subsidies. Capital costs shall
5801 include 20 percent of annual local bus capital expenses. Hold harmless protections and obligations for
5802 NVTC's jurisdictions agreed to by NVTC on November 5, 1998, shall remain in effect.

5803 Appropriations from the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund are intended to provide a stable and reliable source of revenue as defined by Public Law 96-184.

5805 B. The sales and use tax revenue generated by a one percent sales and use tax shall be distributed5806 among the counties and cities of this *the* Commonwealth in the manner provided in subsections C and5807 D.

5808 C. The localities' share of the net revenue distributable under this section among the counties and 5809 cities shall be apportioned by the Comptroller and distributed among them by warrants of the 5810 Comptroller drawn on the Treasurer of Virginia as soon as practicable after the close of each month 5811 during which the net revenue was received into the state treasury. The distribution of the localities' share 5812 of such net revenue shall be computed with respect to the net revenue received into the state treasury 5813 during each month, and such distribution shall be made as soon as practicable after the close of each such month.

5815 D. The net revenue so distributable among the counties and cities shall be apportioned and 5816 distributed upon the basis of the latest yearly estimate of the population of cities and counties ages five 5817 to 19, provided by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia. Such 5818 population estimate produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of 5819 Virginia shall account for persons who are domiciled in orphanages or charitable institutions or who are 5820 dependents living on any federal military or naval reservation or other federal property within the school 5821 division in which the institutions or federal military or naval reservation or other federal property is 5822 located. Such population estimate produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the 5823 University of Virginia shall account for members of the military services who are under 20 years of age 5824 within the school division in which the parents or guardians of such persons legally reside. Such 5825 population estimate produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of 5826 Virginia shall account for persons who are confined individuals receiving services in state hospitals, state 5827 training schools or, state training centers for the mentally retarded, or mental institutions, or health 5828 facilities, persons who are confined in state or federal correctional institutions, or persons who attend the 5829 Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind within the school division in which the parents or guardians 5830 of such persons legally reside. Such population estimate produced by the Weldon Cooper Center for 5831 Public Service of the University of Virginia shall account for persons who attend institutions of higher 5832 education within the school division in which the student's parents or guardians legally reside. To such 5833 estimate, the Department of Education shall add the population of students with disabilities, ages two 5834 through four and 20 through 21, as provided to the Department of Education by school divisions. The 5835 revenue so apportionable and distributable is hereby appropriated to the several counties and cities for 5836 maintenance, operation, capital outlays, debt and interest payments, or other expenses incurred in the 5837 operation of the public schools, which shall be considered as funds raised from local resources. In any 5838 county, however, wherein is situated any incorporated town constituting a school division, the county 5839 treasurer shall pay into the town treasury for maintenance, operation, capital outlays, debt and interest 5840 payments, or other expenses incurred in the operation of the public schools, the proper proportionate

5841 amount received by him in the ratio that the school population of such town bears to the school 5842 population of the entire county. If the school population of any city or of any town constituting a school 5843 division is increased by the annexation of territory since the last estimate of school population provided 5844 by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, such increase shall, for the purposes of this section, be 5845 added to the school population of such city or town as shown by the last such estimate and a proper 5846 reduction made in the school population of the county or counties from which the annexed territory was 5847 acquired.

5848 E. Beginning July 1, 2000, of the remaining sales and use tax revenue, the revenue generated by a two percent sales and use tax, up to an annual amount of \$13 million, collected from the sales of 5849 5850 hunting equipment, auxiliary hunting equipment, fishing equipment, auxiliary fishing equipment, wildlife-watching equipment, and auxiliary wildlife-watching equipment in Virginia, as estimated by the 5851 most recent U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated 5852 5853 Recreation, shall be paid into the Game Protection Fund established under § 29.1-101 and shall be used, 5854 5855 in part, to defray the cost of law enforcement. Not later than 30 days after the close of each quarter, the 5856 Comptroller shall transfer to the Game Protection Fund the appropriate amount of collections to be 5857 dedicated to such Fund. At any time that the balance in the Capital Improvement Fund, established 5858 under § 29.1-101.01, is equal to or in excess of \$35 million, any portion of sales and use tax revenues 5859 that would have been transferred to the Game Protection Fund, established under § 29.1-101, in excess 5860 of the net operating expenses of the Board, after deduction of other amounts which accrue to the Board 5861 and are set aside for the Game Protection Fund, shall remain in the general fund until such time as the 5862 balance in the Capital Improvement Fund is less than \$35 million.

5863 F. 1. Of the net revenue generated from the one-half percent increase in the rate of the state sales and use tax effective August 1, 2004, pursuant to enactments of the 2004 Special Session I of the 5864 5865 General Assembly, the Comptroller shall transfer from the general fund of the state treasury to the 5866 Public Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund established under 5867 § 58.1-638.1 an amount equivalent to one-half of the net revenue generated from such one-half percent increase as provided in this subdivision. The transfers to the Public Education Standards of 5868 5869 Ouality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund under this subdivision shall be for one-half of the 5870 net revenue generated (and collected in the succeeding month) from such one-half percent increase for 5871 the month of August 2004 and for each month thereafter.

5872 2. For the purposes of the Comptroller making the required transfers under subdivision 1, the Tax 5873 Commissioner shall make a written certification to the Comptroller no later than the twenty-fifth of each 5874 month certifying the sales and use tax revenues generated in the preceding month. Within three calendar 5875 days of receiving such certification, the Comptroller shall make the required transfers to the Public 5876 Education Standards of Quality/Local Real Estate Property Tax Relief Fund.

5877 G. If errors are made in any distribution, or adjustments are otherwise necessary, the errors shall be 5878 corrected and adjustments made in the distribution for the next quarter or for subsequent quarters.

5879 H. The term "net revenue," as used in this section, means the gross revenue received into the general 5880 fund or the Transportation Trust Fund of the state treasury under the preceding sections of this chapter, 5881 less refunds to taxpayers. 5882

§ 58.1-3214. Absence from residence.

5883 The fact that persons who are otherwise qualified for tax exemption or deferral by an ordinance 5884 promulgated pursuant to this article are residing in hospitals, nursing homes, convalescent homes or 5885 other facilities for physical or mental *health* care for extended periods of time shall not be construed to 5886 mean that the real estate for which tax exemption or deferral is sought does not continue to be the sole 5887 dwelling of such persons during such extended periods of other residence so long as such real estate is 5888 not used by or leased to others for consideration.

5889 § 60.2-213. Employment with hospital, higher education, state, subdivision, or certain religious or 5890 charitable organizations. 5891

A. "Employment" includes:

5892 1. Service performed by an individual (i) in the employ of this the Commonwealth or any of its 5893 political subdivisions or instrumentalities or (ii) in the employ of this the Commonwealth and one or 5894 more other states or their political subdivisions or instrumentalities, for a hospital or institution of higher 5895 education located in this Commonwealth provided that such service is excluded from "employment" as 5896 defined in the Federal Unemployment Tax Act solely by reason of § 3306 (c) (7) of that act and is not 5897 excluded from "employment" under subsection B of this section;

5898 2. Service performed by an individual (i) in the employ of this the Commonwealth or any of its 5899 wholly owned instrumentalities or (ii) in the employ of this the Commonwealth and one or more other 5900 states or their instrumentalities, provided that such service is excluded from "employment" as defined in 5901 the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (26 U.S.C.) by § 3306 (c) (7) of that act and is not excluded from 5902 "employment" under subsection B of this section;

5903 3. Service performed by an individual (i) in the employ of any political subdivision of this the 5904 Commonwealth or any of its wholly owned instrumentalities or (ii) in the employ of any instrumentality 5905 wholly owned by this Commonwealth, any of its political subdivisions or instrumentalities, or any 5906 instrumentality wholly owned by any of the foregoing and one or more other states or their political 5907 subdivisions, provided that such service is excluded from "employment" as defined in the Federal 5908 Unemployment Tax Act by § 3306 (c) (7) of that act and is not excluded from "employment" under 5909 subsection B of this section;

5910 4. Service performed by an individual in the employ of a religious, charitable, educational or other 5911 organization but only if the following conditions are met:

5912 a. Their service is excluded from "employment" as defined in the Federal Unemployment Tax Act 5913 (26 U.S.C.) solely by reason of § 3306 (c) (8) of that act; and

5914 b. The organization had four or more individuals in employment for some portion of a day in each 5915 of twenty 20 different weeks, whether or not such weeks were consecutive, within either the current or 5916 preceding calendar year, regardless of whether they were employed at the same moment of time.

5917 B. For the purposes of subdivisions A 3 and 4 of subsection A of this section, the term 5918 "employment" does not apply to service performed:

5919 1. In the employ of (i) a church or convention or association of churches, or (ii) an organization 5920 which is operated primarily for religious purposes and which is operated, supervised, controlled, or 5921 principally supported by a church or convention or association of churches;

5922 2. By a duly ordained, commissioned, or licensed minister of a church in the exercise of his ministry 5923 or by a member of a religious order in the exercise of duties required by such order;

5924 3. In a facility conducted for the purpose of carrying out a program of rehabilitation for individuals 5925 whose earning capacity is impaired by age or, physical or mental deficiency, mental illness, intellectual 5926 disability, or injury or providing remunerative work for individuals who because of their impaired 5927 physical or mental capacity cannot be readily absorbed in the competitive labor market by an individual 5928 receiving such rehabilitation or remunerative work;

5929 4. As part of an unemployment work-relief or work-training program assisted or financed in whole or 5930 in part by a federal agency or an agency of a state or political subdivision thereof, by an individual 5931 receiving such work relief or work training; 5932

5. By an inmate of a custodial or penal institution; or

5933 6. In the employ of this the Commonwealth, or any political subdivision thereof or any 5934 instrumentality of any one or more of the foregoing as set forth in subdivisions A 1 through 3 of 5935 subsection A of this section, if such service is performed by an individual in the exercise of duties: 5936 a. As an elected official;

5937 b. As a member of a legislative body, or a member of the judiciary;

5938 c. As a member of the state National Guard or Air National Guard;

5939 d. As an employee serving on a temporary basis in case of fire, storm, snow, earthquake, flood, or 5940 similar emergency; or

5941 e. In a position which, under or pursuant to the laws of this the Commonwealth, is designated as (i) a major nontenured policymaking or advisory position, or (ii) a policymaking or advisory position the 5942 5943 performance of the duties of which ordinarily does not require more than eight hours per week.

5944 § 63.2-1000. Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children; form of compact.

5945 The Governor of Virginia is hereby authorized and requested to execute, on behalf of the 5946 Commonwealth of Virginia, with any other state or states legally joining therein, a compact which shall 5947 be in form substantially as follows:

5948 The contracting states solemnly agree that:

5949 ARTICLE I. Purpose and Policy.

5950 It is the purpose and policy of the party states to cooperate with each other in the interstate 5951 placement of children to the end that:

5952 (a) Each child requiring placement shall receive the maximum opportunity to be placed in a suitable 5953 environment and with persons or institutions having appropriate qualifications and facilities to provide a 5954 necessary and desirable degree and type of care.

5955 (b) The appropriate authorities in a state where a child is to be placed may have full opportunity to 5956 ascertain the circumstances of the proposed placement, thereby promoting full compliance with 5957 applicable requirements for the protection of the child.

5958 (c) The proper authorities of the state from which the placement is made may obtain the most 5959 complete information on the basis of which to evaluate a projected placement before it is made.

5960 (d) Appropriate jurisdictional arrangements for the care of children will be promoted.

5961 **ARTICLE II.** Definitions.

5962 As used in this compact:

5963 (a) "Child" means a person who, by reason of minority, is legally subject to parental, guardianship or SB387S1

5964 similar control.

5965 (b) "Sending agency" means a party state, officer or employee thereof; a subdivision of a party state, 5966 or officer or employee thereof; a court of a party state; a person, corporation, association, charitable 5967 agency or other entity which sends, brings, or causes to be sent or brought any child to another party 5968 state.

5969 (c) "Receiving state" means the state to which a child is sent, brought, or caused to be sent or 5970 brought, whether by public authorities or private persons or agencies, and whether for placement with 5971 state or local public authorities or for placement with private agencies or persons.

5972 (d) "Placement" means the arrangement for the care of a child in a family free or boarding home or 5973 in a child-caring agency or institution but does not include any institution caring for the mentally ill, 5974 mentally defective or epileptic individuals with mental illness, intellectual disability, or epilepsy or any 5975 institution primarily educational in character, and any hospital or other medical facility. 5976

ARTICLE III. Conditions for Placement.

5977 (a) No sending agency shall send, bring, or cause to be sent or brought into any other party state any 5978 child for placement in foster care or as a preliminary to a possible adoption unless the sending agency 5979 shall comply with each and every requirement set forth in this article and with the applicable laws of 5980 the receiving state governing the placement of children therein.

5981 (b) Prior to sending, bringing or causing any child to be sent or brought into a receiving state for 5982 placement in foster care or as a preliminary to a possible adoption, the sending agency shall furnish the 5983 appropriate public authorities in the receiving state written notice of the intention to send, bring, or place 5984 the child in the receiving state. The notice shall contain:

5985 5986 (1) The name, date and place of birth of the child.

(2) The identity and address or addresses of the parents or legal guardian.

5987 (3) The name and address of the person, agency or institution to or with which the sending agency 5988 proposes to send, bring, or place the child.

5989 (4) A full statement of the reasons for such proposed action and evidence of the authority pursuant to 5990 which the placement is proposed to be made.

5991 (c) Any public officer or agency in a receiving state which is in receipt of a notice pursuant to 5992 paragraph (b) of this article may request of the sending agency, or any other appropriate officer or 5993 agency of or in the sending agency's state, and shall be entitled to receive therefrom, such supporting or 5994 additional information as it may deem necessary under the circumstances to carry out the purpose and 5995 policy of this compact.

5996 (d) The child shall not be sent, brought or caused to be sent or brought into the receiving state until 5997 the appropriate public authorities in the receiving state shall notify the sending agency, in writing, to the 5998 effect that the proposed placement does not appear to be contrary to the interests of the child. 5999

ARTICLE IV. Penalty for Illegal Placement.

6000 The sending, bringing, or causing to be sent or brought into any receiving state of a child in 6001 violation of the terms of this compact shall constitute a violation of the laws respecting the placement of children of both the state in which the sending agency is located or from which it sends or brings the 6002 child and of the receiving state. Such violation may be punished or subjected to penalty in either 6003 jurisdiction in accordance with its laws. In addition to liability for any such punishment or penalty, any 6004 6005 such violation shall constitute full and sufficient grounds for the suspension or revocation of any license, 6006 permit, or other legal authorization held by the sending agency which empowers or allows it to place, or 6007 care for children. 6008

ARTICLE V. Retention of Jurisdiction.

6009 (a) The sending agency shall retain jurisdiction over the child sufficient to determine all matters in 6010 relation to the custody, supervision, care, treatment and disposition of the child which it would have had 6011 if the child had remained in the sending agency's state, until the child is adopted, reaches majority, 6012 becomes self-supporting or is discharged with the concurrence of the appropriate authority in the 6013 receiving state. Such jurisdiction shall also include the power to effect or cause the return of the child or 6014 its transfer to another location and custody pursuant to law. The sending agency shall continue to have 6015 financial responsibility for support and maintenance of the child during the period of the placement. 6016 Nothing contained herein shall defeat a claim of jurisdiction by a receiving state sufficient to deal with 6017 an act of delinquency or crime committed therein.

6018 (b) When the sending agency is a public agency, it may enter into an agreement with an authorized 6019 public or private agency in the receiving state providing for the performance of one or more services in 6020 respect of such cases by the latter as agent for the sending agency.

(c) Nothing in this compact shall be construed to prevent a private charitable agency authorized to 6021 6022 place children in the receiving state from performing services or acting as agent in that state for a 6023 private charitable agency of the sending state; nor to prevent the agency in the receiving state from 6024 discharging financial responsibility for the support and maintenance of a child who has been placed on 6025 behalf of the sending agency without relieving the responsibility set forth in paragraph (a) hereof.

6026 ARTICLE VI. Institutional Care of Delinquent Children.

A child adjudicated delinquent may be placed in an institution in another party jurisdiction pursuant
to this compact but no such placement shall be made unless the child is given a court hearing on notice
to the parent or guardian with opportunity to be heard, prior to his being sent to such other party
jurisdiction for institutional care and the court finds that:

6031 1. Equivalent facilities for the child are not available in the sending agency's jurisdiction; and

6032 2. Institutional care in the other jurisdiction is in the best interest of the child and will not produce 6033 undue hardship.

6034 ARTICLE VII. Compact Administrator.

6035 The executive head of each jurisdiction party to this compact shall designate an officer who shall be
6036 general coordinator of activities under this compact in his jurisdiction and who, acting jointly with like
6037 officers of other party jurisdictions, shall have the power to promulgate rules and regulations to carry
6038 out more effectively the terms and provisions of this compact.

6039 ARTICLE VIII. Limitations.

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This compact shall not apply to:

(a) The sending or bringing of a child into a receiving state by his parent, step-parent, grandparent, adult brother or sister, adult uncle or aunt, or his guardian and leaving the child with any such relative or nonagency guardian in the receiving state.

(b) Any placement, sending or bringing of a child into a receiving state pursuant to any other interstate compact to which both the state from which the child is sent or brought and the receiving state are party, or to any other agreement between said states which has the force of law.

6047 ARTICLE IX. Enactment and Withdrawal.

6048 This compact shall be open to joinder by any state, territory or possession of the United States, the 6049 District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and, with the consent of Congress, the 6050 Government of Canada or any province thereof. It shall become effective with respect to any such jurisdiction when such jurisdiction has enacted the same into law. Withdrawal from this compact shall 6051 6052 be by the enactment of a statute repealing the same, but shall not take effect until two years after the 6053 effective date of such statute and until written notice of the withdrawal has been given by the 6054 withdrawing state to the Governor of each other party jurisdiction. Withdrawal of a party state shall not 6055 affect the rights, duties and obligations under this compact of any sending agency therein with respect to 6056 a placement made prior to the effective date of withdrawal.

6057 ARTICLE X. Construction and Severability.

6058 The provisions of this compact shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purposes thereof. The 6059 provisions of this compact shall be severable and if any phrase, clause, sentence or provision of this 6060 compact is declared to be contrary to the constitution of any party state or of the United States or the 6061 applicability thereof to any government, agency, person or circumstance is held invalid, the validity of 6062 the remainder of this compact and the applicability thereof to any government, agency, person or circumstance shall not be affected thereby. If this compact shall be held contrary to the constitution of 6063 6064 any state party thereto, the compact shall remain in full force and effect as to the remaining states and 6065 in full force and effect as to the state affected as to all severable matters.

6066 § 63.2-1105. Children placed out of Commonwealth.

A. Any child-placing agency, licensed pursuant to Subtitle IV (§ 63.2-1700 et seq.), local board or court that takes or sends, or causes to be taken or sent, any resident child out of the Commonwealth for the purpose of an interstate or intercountry placement shall comply with the appropriate provisions of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (§ 63.2-1000 et seq.) or shall first obtain the consent of the Commissioner, given in accordance with regulations of the Board relating to resident children so taken or sent out of the Commonwealth.

6073 B. The Board is authorized to adopt regulations for the placement of children out of the 6074 Commonwealth by licensed child-placing agencies, local boards or courts as are reasonably conducive to 6075 the welfare of such children and as comply with the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children 6076 (§ 63.2-1000 et seq.). Provided, however, notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (d) of Article II 6077 of the compact that exclude from the definition of "placement" those institutions that care for the 6078 mentally ill, mentally defective or epileptic individuals with mental illness, intellectual disability, or 6079 *epilepsy* or any institution primarily educational in character and any hospital or other medical facility, 6080 the Board shall prescribe procedures and regulations to govern such placements out of the 6081 Commonwealth by licensed child-placing agencies, local boards or courts.

6082 § 63.2-1602. Other adult services.

6083 Each local board shall:

- **6084** 1. Participate in nursing home pre-admission screenings of all individuals pursuant to § 32.1-330;
- 6085 2. Provide assisted living facility assessments of residents and applicants pursuant to § 63.2-1804;
- **6086** 3. Participate in long-term care service coordination pursuant to § 2.2-708;

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6087 4. Provide social services or public assistance, as appropriate, to consumers *individuals* discharged from state hospitals or training centers pursuant to §§ 37.2-505 and 37.2-837; and

6089 5. Participate in other programs pursuant to state and federal law.

6090 § 63.2-1603. Protection of adults; definitions.

6091 As used in this article:

6092 "Adult" means any person 60 years of age or older, or any person 18 years of age or older who is
6093 incapacitated and who resides in the Commonwealth; provided, however, "adult" may include qualifying
6094 nonresidents who are temporarily in the Commonwealth and who are in need of temporary or
6095 emergency protective services.

6096 "Emergency" means that an adult is living in conditions that present a clear and substantial risk of 6097 death or immediate and serious physical harm to himself or others.

6098 "Incapacitated person" means any adult who is impaired by reason of mental illness, mental
6099 retardation intellectual disability, physical illness or disability, advanced age or other causes to the extent
6100 that the adult lacks sufficient understanding or capacity to make, communicate or carry out responsible
6101 decisions concerning his or her well-being.

6102 § 63.2-1801. Access to assisted living facilities by community services boards and behavioral health 6103 authorities.

All assisted living facilities shall provide reasonable access to staff or contractual agents of community services boards or behavioral health authorities as defined in § 37.2-100 for the purposes of (i) assessing or evaluating, (ii) providing case management or other services or assistance, or (iii) monitoring the care of consumers *individuals receiving services who are* residing in the facility. Such staff or contractual agents also shall be given reasonable access to other facility residents who have previously requested their services.

6110 § 63.2-1805. Admissions and discharge.

6111 A. The Board shall adopt regulations:

6112 1. Governing admissions to assisted living facilities;

6113 2. Requiring that each assisted living facility prepare and provide a statement, in a format prescribed by the Department, to any prospective resident and his legal representative, if any, prior to admission 6114 and upon request, that discloses information, fully and accurately in plain language, about the (i) 6115 6116 services; (ii) fees, including clear information about what services are included in the base fee and any fees for additional services; (iii) admission, transfer, and discharge criteria, including criteria for transfer 6117 6118 to another level of care within the same facility or complex; (iv) general number and qualifications of staff on each shift; (v) range, frequency, and number of activities provided for residents; and (vi) 6119 6120 ownership structure of the facility;

6121 3. Establishing a process to ensure that each resident admitted or retained in an assisted living
6122 facility receives appropriate services and periodic independent reassessments and reassessments when
6123 there is a significant change in the resident's condition in order to determine whether a resident's needs
6124 can continue to be met by the facility and whether continued placement in the facility is in the best
6125 interests of the resident;

6126 4. Governing appropriate discharge planning for residents whose care needs can no longer be met by 6127 the facility;

5. Addressing the involuntary discharge of residents;

6129 6. Requiring that residents are informed of their rights pursuant to § 63.2-1808 at the time of 6130 admission;

6131 7. Establishing a process to ensure that any resident temporarily detained in a facility pursuant to
6132 §§ 37.2-809 through 37.2-813 is accepted back in the assisted living facility if the resident is not
6133 involuntarily admitted pursuant to §§ 37.2-814 through 37.2-819; and

8. Requiring that each assisted living facility train all employees who are mandated to report adult
abuse, neglect, or exploitation pursuant to § 63.2-1606 on such reporting procedures and the
consequences for failing to make a required report.

6137 B. If there are observed behaviors or patterns of behavior indicative of mental illness, mental 6138 retardation intellectual disability, substance abuse, or behavioral disorders, as documented in the uniform 6139 assessment instrument completed pursuant to § 63.2-1804, the facility administrator or designated staff 6140 member shall ensure that an evaluation of the individual is or has been conducted by a qualified professional as defined in regulations. If the evaluation indicates a need for mental health, mental 6141 retardation developmental, substance abuse, or behavioral disorder services, the facility shall provide (i) 6142 6143 a notification of the resident's need for such services to the authorized contact person of record when 6144 available and (ii) a notification of the resident's need for such services to the community services board or behavioral health authority established pursuant to Title 37.2 that serves the city or county in which the facility is located, or other appropriate licensed provider. The Department shall not take adverse 6145 6146 6147 action against a facility that has demonstrated and documented a continual good faith effort to meet the 6148 requirements of this subsection.

6149 C. The Department shall not order the removal of a resident from an assisted living facility if (i) the 6150 resident, the resident's family, the resident's physician, and the facility consent to the resident's continued 6151 stay in the assisted living facility and (ii) the facility is capable of providing, obtaining, or arranging for 6152 the provision of necessary services for the resident, including, but not limited to, home health care 6153 and/or hospice care.

6154 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection C above, assisted living facilities shall not admit or 6155 retain an individual with any of the following conditions or care needs:

6156 1. Ventilator dependency.

6157 2. Dermal ulcers III and IV, except those stage III ulcers that are determined by an independent 6158 physician to be healing.

6159 3. Intravenous therapy or injections directly into the vein except for intermittent intravenous therapy 6160 managed by a health care professional licensed in Virginia or as permitted in subsection E.

6161 4. Airborne infectious disease in a communicable state that requires isolation of the individual or 6162 requires special precautions by the caretaker to prevent transmission of the disease, including diseases 6163 such as tuberculosis and excluding infections such as the common cold.

6164 5. Psychotropic medications without appropriate diagnosis and treatment plans.

6165 6. Nasogastric tubes.

6166 7. Gastric tubes except when the individual is capable of independently feeding himself and caring 6167 for the tube or as permitted in subsection E.

8. An imminent physical threat or danger to self or others is presented by the individual. 6168

6169 9. Continuous licensed nursing care (seven-days-a-week, 24-hours-a-day) is required by the 6170 individual. 6171

10. Placement is no longer appropriate as certified by the individual's physician.

6172 11. Maximum physical assistance is required by the individual as documented by the uniform 6173 assessment instrument and the individual meets Medicaid nursing facility level-of-care criteria as defined 6174 in the State Plan for Medical Assistance, unless the individual's independent physician determines 6175 otherwise. Maximum physical assistance means that an individual has a rating of total dependence in 6176 four or more of the seven activities of daily living as documented on the uniform assessment instrument. 6177 12. The assisted living facility determines that it cannot meet the individual's physical or mental 6178 health care needs.

6179 13. Other medical and functional care needs that the Board determines cannot be met properly in an 6180 assisted living facility.

6181 E. Except for auxiliary grant recipients, at the request of the resident in an assisted living facility and 6182 when his independent physician determines that it is appropriate, (i) care for the conditions or care needs 6183 defined in subdivisions D 3 and D 7 may be provided to the resident by a licensed physician, a licensed 6184 nurse or a nurse holding a multistate licensure privilege under a physician's treatment plan, or a home 6185 care organization licensed in Virginia or (ii) care for the conditions or care needs defined in subdivision 6186 D 7 may also be provided to the resident by facility staff if the care is delivered in accordance with the 6187 regulations of the Board of Nursing for delegation by a registered nurse, Part VIII (18 VAC 90-20-420 6188 et seq.) of 18 VAC 90-20.

6189 The Board shall adopt regulations to implement the provisions of this subsection.

6190 F. In adopting regulations pursuant to subsections A, B, C, D, and E the Board shall consult with the 6191 Departments of Health and Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

6192 § 63.2-1808.1. Life-sharing communities.

6193 A. For the purposes of this section:

6194 "Life-sharing community" is defined as means a residential setting, operated by a non-profit nonprofit 6195 organization, that (i) offers a safe environment in free standing, self-contained homes for residents that 6196 have been determined by a licensed health-care professional as having at least one developmental 6197 disability; (ii) is an environment located in a community setting where residents participate in therapeutic activities including artistic crafts, stewardship of the land, and agricultural activities; (iii) 6198 6199 consists of the residents as well as staff and volunteers who live together in residential homes; (iv) 6200 operates at a ratio of at least one staff member, volunteer, or supervising personnel for every three 6201 residents in each self-contained home household; and (v) has at least one supervisory staff member on 6202 premises to be responsible for the care, safety, and supervision of the residents at all times.

6203 "Resident" means an individual who has been determined by a physician or nurse practitioner to have 6204 at least one developmental disability and who resides at the life-sharing community on a full-time basis.

6205 "Volunteer" means an individual who resides in the life-sharing community on a full-time basis and 6206 who assists residents with their daily activities and receives no wages. A volunteer may receive a small 6207 stipend for personal expenses.

6208 B. Any facility seeking to operate as a life-sharing community shall file with the Commissioner: (i) a 6209 statement of intent to operate as a life-sharing community; (ii) a certification that at the time of

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6210 admission, a contract and written notice was provided to each resident and his legally authorized 6211 representative that includes a statement of disclosure that the facility is exempt from licensure as an "assisted living facility," and (iii) documentary evidence that such life-sharing community is a private 6212 6213 non-profit nonprofit organization in accordance with 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as 6214 amended.

6215 C. Upon filing an initial statement of intent to operate as a life-sharing community, and every two 6216 years thereafter, the life-sharing community shall certify that the local health department, building 6217 inspector, fire marshal, or other local official designated by the locality to enforce the Statewide Fire Prevention Code, and any other local official required by law to inspect the premises, have inspected the 6218 6219 physical facilities of the life-sharing community and have determined that the facility is in compliance 6220 with all applicable laws and regulations with regard to food service activities, health and sanitation, water supply, building codes, and the Statewide Fire Prevention Code and the Uniform Statewide 6221 6222 Building Code.

6223 D. Upon filing an initial statement of intent to operate as a life-sharing community, and every two 6224 years thereafter, the life-sharing community shall provide the Commissioner documentary evidence that:

6225 1. Life-sharing community staff and volunteers have completed a training program that includes 6226 instruction in personal care of residents, house management, and therapeutic activities;

2. Volunteers and staff have completed first aid and Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation training;

6228 3. Each resident's needs are evaluated using the Uniform Assessment Instrument, and Individual 6229 Service Plans are developed for each resident annually;

4. The residents of the life-sharing community are each 21 years of age or older;

6231 5. A criminal background check through the Criminal Records Exchange has been completed for 6232 each (i) full-time salaried staff member and (ii) volunteer as defined in this section.

6233 E. A residential facility operating as a life-sharing facility shall be exempt from the licensing 6234 requirements of Article 1 (§ 63.2-1800 et seq.) of Chapter 18 of Title 63.2 applicable to assisted living 6235 facilities.

6236 F. The Commissioner may perform unannounced on-site inspections of a life-sharing community to 6237 determine compliance with the provisions of this section and to investigate any complaint that the 6238 life-sharing community is not in compliance with the provisions of this section, or to otherwise ensure 6239 the health, safety, and welfare of the life-sharing community residents. The Commissioner may revoke 6240 the exemption from licensure pursuant to this chapter for any life-sharing community for serious or 6241 repeated violation of the requirements of this section and order that the facility cease operations or 6242 comply with the licensure requirements of an assisted living facility. If a life-sharing community does 6243 not file the statement and documentary evidence required by this section, the Commissioner shall give 6244 reasonable notice to such life-sharing community of the nature of its noncompliance and may thereafter 6245 take action as he determines appropriate, including a suit to enjoin the operation of the life-sharing 6246 community.

6247 G. All life-sharing communities shall provide access to their facilities and residents by staff of 6248 community services boards and behavioral health authorities as defined in § 37.2-100 for the purpose of 6249 (i) assessing or evaluating, (ii) providing case management or other services or assistance, or (iii) 6250 monitoring the care of consumers individuals receiving services who are residing in the facility. Such 6251 staff or contractual agents also shall be given reasonable access to other facility residents who have 6252 previously requested their services.

6253 H. Any residents of any life-sharing community shall be accorded the same rights and responsibilities 6254 as residents in assisted living facilities as provided in subsections A through F of § 63.2-1808.

6255 I. A life-sharing community shall not admit or retain individuals with any of the conditions or care 6256 needs as provided in subsection C of § 63.2-1805.

6257 J. Notwithstanding § 63.2-1805, at the request of the resident, hospice care may be provided in a 6258 life-sharing community under the same requirements for hospice programs provided in Article 7 6259 (§ 32.1-162.1 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 32.1 if the hospice program determines that such a program 6260 is appropriate for the resident. 6261

§ 64.1-62.3. How certain legacies and devises to be construed; nonademption in certain cases.

A. Unless a contrary intention appears in the will:

6263 1. A bequest of specific securities, whether or not expressed in number of shares, shall include as 6264 much of the bequeathed securities as is part of the estate at time of the testator's death, any additional or 6265 other securities of the same entity owned by the testator by reason of action initiated by the entity, excluding any securities acquired by the exercise of purchase options, and any securities of another 6266 entity acquired with respect to the specific securities mentioned in the bequest as a result of a merger, 6267 6268 consolidation, reorganization or other similar action initiated by the entity;

2. A bequest or devise of specific property shall include the amount of any condemnation award for 6269 the taking of the property which remains unpaid at death and any proceeds unpaid at death on fire and 6270 casualty insurance on the property; and 6271

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6272 3. A bequest or devise of specific property shall, in addition to such property as is part of the estate 6273 of the testator, be deemed to be a legacy of a pecuniary amount if such specific property shall, during 6274 the life of the testator and while he is under a disability, be sold by a conservator, guardian, or 6275 committee for the testator, or if proceeds of fire or casualty insurance as to such property are paid to the 6276 fiduciary. For purposes of this subdivision, the pecuniary amount shall be the net sale price or insurance 6277 proceeds, reduced by the sums received under subdivision 2. This subdivision shall not apply if, after 6278 the sale or casualty, it is adjudicated that the disability of the testator has ceased and the testator 6279 survives the adjudication by one year.

6280 B. Unless a contrary intention appears in a testator's will or durable power of attorney, a bequest or 6281 devise of specific property shall, in addition to such property as is part of the estate of the testator, be 6282 deemed to be a legacy of a pecuniary amount if such specific property shall, during the life of the 6283 testator and while he is incapacitated, be sold by an agent acting within the authority of a durable power 6284 of attorney for the testator, or if proceeds of fire or casualty insurance as to such property are paid to 6285 the agent. For purposes of this subdivision, (i) the pecuniary amount shall be the net sale price or 6286 insurance proceeds, reduced by the sums received under subdivision 2, (ii) no adjudication of testator's 6287 incapacity before death is necessary, (iii) the acts of an agent within the authority of a durable power of 6288 attorney are rebuttably presumed to be for an incapacitated testator, and (iv) an "incapacitated" person is 6289 one who is impaired by reason of mental illness, mental deficiency intellectual disability, physical illness 6290 or disability, chronic use of drugs, chronic intoxication, or other cause to the extent of lacking sufficient 6291 understanding or capacity to make or communicate responsible decisions. This subdivision shall not 6292 apply (i) if the agent's sale of the specific property or receipt of the insurance proceeds is thereafter 6293 ratified by the testator or (ii) to a power of attorney limited to one or more specific purposes. 6294

§ 64.1-157.1. Nonexoneration; payment of lien if granted by agent.

6295 A. Unless a contrary intent is clearly set out in the will, a specific devise or bequest of real or 6296 personal property passes, subject to any mortgage, pledge, security interest, or other lien existing at the date of death of the testator, without the right of exoneration. A general directive in the will to pay 6297 6298 debts shall not be evidence of a contrary intent that the mortgage, pledge, security interest or other lien 6299 be exonerated prior to passing to the legatee.

6300 B. Subsection A shall not apply to any mortgage, pledge, security interest or other lien existing at 6301 the date of death of the testator against any specifically devised or bequeathed real or personal property 6302 that was granted by an agent acting within the authority of a durable power of attorney for the testator 6303 while the testator was incapacitated. For the purposes of this section, (i) no adjudication of the testator's 6304 incapacity is necessary, (ii) the acts of an agent within the authority of a durable power of attorney are 6305 rebuttably presumed to be for an incapacitated testator, and (iii) an incapacitated person is one who is 6306 impaired by reason of mental illness, mental deficiency intellectual disability, physical illness or 6307 disability, chronic use of drugs, chronic intoxication or other cause creating a lack of sufficient understanding or capacity to make or communicate responsible decisions. This subsection shall not apply 6308 6309 (a) if the mortgage, pledge, security interest or other lien granted by the agent on the specific property is 6310 thereafter ratified by the testator while he is not incapacitated, or (b) if the durable power of attorney 6311 was limited to one or more specific purposes and was not general in nature.

6312 C. Subsection A shall not apply to any mortgage, pledge, security interest or other lien existing at the date of the death of the testator against any specific devise or bequest of any real or personal 6313 6314 property that was granted by a conservator, guardian or committee of the testator. This subsection shall 6315 not apply if, after the mortgage, pledge, security interest or other lien granted by the conservator, 6316 guardian or committee, there is an adjudication that the testator's disability has ceased and the testator 6317 survives that adjudication by at least one year.

6318 § 66-18. Examination and placing of such children.

6319 The Department shall make a careful physical and mental examination of every child committed to it 6320 by the courts, investigate the personal and family history of the child and his environment, and place 6321 such children at such facilities as are available. Any children committed to the Department and 6322 afterwards found to be eligible for commitment by proper proceedings to any state hospital or admission 6323 to a training center for the mentally retarded individuals with intellectual disability shall take precedence 6324 as to admission over all others and shall in all cases be received into the state hospital or training center 6325 within forty-five 45 days. 6326

§ 66-19. Behavioral services unit; director and personnel; examination of children.

6327 To assist in the performance of the duties imposed by § 66-18, the Department shall maintain a 6328 behavioral services unit and employ as director thereof a clinically competent person. The Department shall also employ such other medical, technical and clinical personnel skilled in the diagnosis and 6329 6330 treatment of physical and mental diseases or mental illnesses of children as may be desirable for the 6331 operation of such unit. The personnel of the unit, when visiting the various facilities maintained by the 6332 Department for the care of children committed to the Department, shall conduct a thorough examination

6333 of each child at such facilities not theretofore examined by the unit, and other children at the facilities
6334 for whom such examination is indicated. Such examination shall be for the purpose of determining,
6335 diagnosing and treating physical, mental and learning ailments or impairments *and mental illnesses* with
6336 a view to improving the general functioning of such children and hastening their rehabilitation.

6337 § 66-20. Observation and treatment of children with mental illness or intellectual disability.

6338 After commitment of any child to the Department, if the Department finds, as a result of psychiatric 6339 examinations and case study, that such child is mentally ill or mentally retarded has mental illness or 6340 intellectual disability, it shall be the duty of the Department to obtain treatment for the child's mental 6341 condition. If the Department determines that transfer to a state hospital, training center, or other 6342 appropriate treatment facility is required to further diagnose or treat the child's mental condition, the proceedings shall be in accordance with the provisions of § 37.2-806 or §§ 16.1-341 through 16.1-345, 6343 except that provisions requiring consent of the child's parent or guardian for treatment shall not apply in 6344 such cases. No child transferred to a state hospital pursuant to this section or the provisions of Title 37.2 6345 shall, however, be held or cared for in any maximum security unit where adults determined to be 6346 criminally insane reside and such child shall be kept separate and apart from such adults. 6347