

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 2.2-2682 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Joint Leadership*
3 *Council of Veterans Service Organizations; powers and duties.*

4 [H 354]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 2.2-2682 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 2.2-2682. Powers and duties.**

9 A. The Council shall have the following powers and duties:

10 1. Advise the Department of Veterans Services *and the General Assembly* regarding (i) methods of
11 providing support for ongoing veterans services and programs, and (ii) addressing veterans issues on an
12 ongoing basis;13 2. Recommend issues that may potentially impact veterans of the armed forces of the United States
14 and their eligible spouses, orphans, and dependents;15 3. Advise the Department of Veterans Services and the Board of Veterans Services on matters of
16 concern to Virginia-domiciled veterans and their eligible spouses, orphans, and dependents;

17 4. Promote and support existing veterans services and programs;

18 5. Recommend and promote implementation of new efficient and effective administrative initiatives
19 that enhance existing veterans services and programs or provide for necessary veterans services and
20 programs not currently provided; and21 6. Maintain a nonpartisan approach to maintaining and improving veterans services and programs in
22 the Commonwealth.23 B. The chairman shall report to the Commissioner and the Board of Veterans Services the results of
24 its meetings and submit an annual report on or before November 30 of each year.25 C. The Council may apply for funds from the Veterans Services Foundation to enable it to better
26 carry out its objectives. The Council shall not impose unreasonable burdens or costs in connection with
27 requests of agencies.

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