

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 24 of Title 2.2 an article numbered 25,*
3 *consisting of sections numbered 2.2-2478 through 2.2-2483, relating to the Advisory Board on*
4 *Service and Volunteerism.*

5 [H 2071]

6 Approved

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

8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 24 of Title 2.2 an article numbered**
9 **25, consisting of sections numbered 2.2-2478 through 2.2-2483, as follows:**

10 *Article 25.*11 *Advisory Board on Service and Volunteerism.*12 **§ 2.2-2478. Advisory Board on Service and Volunteerism; purpose.**

13 *The Advisory Board on Service and Volunteerism (the Board) is established as an advisory board,*
14 *within the meaning of § 2.2-2100, in the executive branch of state government to advise the Governor*
15 *and Cabinet Secretaries on matters related to promotion and development of national service in the*
16 *Commonwealth and to meet the provisions of the federal National and Community Service Trust Act of*
17 *1993.*

18 **§ 2.2-2479. Membership; terms; quorum; meetings.**

19 *A. The Board shall consist of no more than 20 nonlegislative citizen members, to be appointed by the*
20 *Governor from the Commonwealth at large. Nonlegislative citizen members appointed to the Board shall*
21 *be selected for their knowledge of, background in, or experience with the community and volunteer*
22 *services sector and in accordance with guidelines provided in the National and Community Service*
23 *Trust Act of 1993. The Governor may appoint additional persons, at his discretion, as nonvoting*
24 *members.*

25 *B. After the initial staggering of terms, nonlegislative citizen members shall be appointed for terms of*
26 *four years. Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired terms. No nonlegislative citizen*
27 *member shall be eligible to serve more than two successive four-year terms; however, after the*
28 *expiration of the remainder of a term to which a member was appointed to fill a vacancy, two*
29 *additional terms may be served by such member if appointed thereto.*

30 *C. The voting members of the Board shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman annually from among*
31 *its membership. A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall*
32 *meet no more than six times per year. The meetings of the Board shall be held at the call of the*
33 *chairman or whenever the majority of the members so request.*

34 **§ 2.2-2480. Compensation; expenses.**

35 *Members shall receive no compensation for their services. However, all members shall be reimbursed*
36 *for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided in*
37 *§§ 2.2-2813 and 2.2-2825. Funding for the costs of compensation and expenses of the members shall be*
38 *provided by the Department of Social Services in accordance with federal law.*

39 **§ 2.2-2481. Powers and duties of the Board.**40 *The Board shall have the power and duty to:*

41 *1. Advise the Governor, the Secretaries of Health and Human Resources, Education, and Natural*
42 *Resources, the Assistant to the Governor for Commonwealth Preparedness, the State Board of Social*
43 *Services, and other appropriate officials on national and community service programs in Virginia in*
44 *order to (i) fulfill the responsibilities and duties prescribed by the federal Corporation for National and*
45 *Community Service and (ii) develop, implement, and evaluate the Virginia State Service Plan, which*
46 *outlines strategies for supporting and expanding national and community service throughout the*
47 *Commonwealth.*

48 *2. Promote the use of AmeriCorps programs to meet Virginia's most pressing human, educational,*
49 *environmental, and public safety needs.*

50 *3. Collaborate with the Department of Social Services and other public and private entities to*
51 *recognize and call attention to the significant community service contributions of Virginia citizens and*
52 *organizations.*

53 *4. Assist the Department of Social Services to promote the involvement of faith-based organizations*
54 *in community and national service efforts.*

55 *5. Submit an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly for publication as a report*
56 *document as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the*

57 *processing of legislative documents and reports. The chairman of the Board shall submit to the*
58 *Governor and the General Assembly an annual executive summary of the interim activity and work of*
59 *the Board no later than the first day of each regular session of the General Assembly. The executive*
60 *summary shall be submitted for publication as a report document as provided in the procedures of the*
61 *Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents and reports and*
62 *shall be posted on the General Assembly's website.*

63 **§ 2.2-2482. Staffing.**

64 *The Department of Social Services and any other executive branch agencies as the Governor may*
65 *designate shall serve as staff to the Board. All agencies of the Commonwealth shall assist the Board*
66 *upon request.*

67 **§ 2.2-2483. Sunset.**

68 *This article shall expire on July 1, 2018.*

69 **2. That the initial appointments of the nonlegislative citizen members to the Advisory Board on**
70 **Service and Volunteerism shall be staggered as follows: seven nonlegislative citizen members**
71 **appointed for initial terms of one year, six nonlegislative citizen members appointed for initial**
72 **terms of two years, and seven nonlegislative citizen members appointed for initial terms of three**
73 **years.**