## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

An Act to amend and reenact § 2, as amended, of Chapter 271 of the Acts of Assembly of 1966, relating to the Chesapeake Hospital Authority.

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## Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That § 2, as amended, of Chapter 271 of the Acts of Assembly of 1966 is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 2. The Authority shall be composed of eleven members, two of whom shall be licensed members of the medical profession, all of whom shall be appointed by the city council. The terms of the members shall be four years and staggered so that no more than four members shall be appointed in any one year; provided, however, that for terms which commence in 1999, the council shall appoint four members for four-year terms and two members for five-year terms, and for terms which commence in 2001, the council shall appoint four members for four-year terms and one member for a three-year term. Any member may be reappointed. Members shall be compensated for their services in the amount of \$250 per attendance at each meeting, not in excess of \$3,000 per annum, and provided, however, that no member shall be compensated for participation in a meeting by electronic means when the member is not physically present at the meeting. The Authority shall adopt as part of its bylaws a definition of "compensable meeting" prior to compensating any member in accordance with this section. Members shall be entitled to reimbursement for necessary traveling and other expenses incurred while engaged in the performance of their duties. Each member shall continue to hold office until the earlier of the effective date of his resignation or the date on which his successor has been appointed and qualified. The council shall have the right to remove any member or officer, for malfeasance or misfeasance, incompetency or gross neglect of duty. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the council for unexpired terms, or in the case of an increase in the size of the Authority, filled by appointment of the council, which appointments may be for an initial term less than four years. Members shall take an appropriate oath of office and same shall be filed with the city clerk. Members shall elect on an annual basis one of their number as chairman and another as vice-chairman and shall also elect a secretary and treasurer for terms to be determined by them, who may or may not be one of the members. The same person may serve as both secretary and treasurer. The members shall make such rules, regulations and bylaws for their own government and procedure as they shall determine; they shall meet regularly at least once a month and may hold such special meetings as they deem necessary.