

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 2.2-2316 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Virginia Tourism*
3 *Authority; Board of Directors.*

4 [H 2288]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 2.2-2316 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 2.2-2316. Executive Director; Board of Directors; members and officers.**

9 A. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-2318, all powers, rights and duties conferred by this
10 article or other provisions of law upon the Authority shall be exercised by an Executive Director with
11 the advice and comment of a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall be an advisory board
12 within the meaning of § 2.2-2100.

13 B. The Board of Directors shall consist of the *Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, the* Secretary of
14 Commerce and Trade, the Secretary of Finance, the Secretary of Natural Resources, the Lieutenant
15 Governor, and 12 members appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the General
16 Assembly. The members of the Board appointed by the Governor shall serve terms of six years each,
17 except that the original terms of four members appointed by the Governor shall end on June 30, 2000,
18 the original term of four members appointed by the Governor shall end on June 30, 2001, and the
19 original terms of three members appointed by the Governor shall end on June 30, 2002, all as
20 designated by the Governor. Any appointment to fill a vacancy on the Board shall be made for the
21 unexpired term of the member whose death, resignation or removal created the vacancy. All members of
22 the Board shall be residents of the Commonwealth. Members may be appointed to successive terms on
23 the Board of Directors. The Governor shall make appointments in such a manner as to ensure the widest
24 possible geographical representation of all parts of the Commonwealth.

25 Each member of the Board shall be reimbursed for his ~~or her~~ reasonable expenses incurred in
26 attendance at meetings or when otherwise engaged in the business of the Authority and shall be
27 compensated at the rate provided in § 2.2-2104 for each day or portion thereof in which the member is
28 engaged in the business of the Authority.

29 C. The Governor shall designate one member of the Board as chairman. The Board may elect one
30 member as vice-chairman, who shall exercise the powers of chairman in the absence of the chairman or
31 as directed by the chairman. The *Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry, the* Secretary of Commerce and
32 Trade, the Secretary of Finance, the Secretary of Natural Resources, and the Lieutenant Governor shall
33 not be eligible to serve as chairman or vice-chairman.

34 D. Meetings of the Board shall be held at the call of the chairman or of any seven members. Nine
35 members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of the Authority. An
36 act of the majority of the members of the Board present at any regular or special meeting at which a
37 quorum is present shall be an act of the Board of Directors.

38 E. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, no officer or employee of the Commonwealth
39 shall be deemed to have forfeited or shall have forfeited his ~~or her~~ office or employment by reason of
40 acceptance of membership on the Board or by providing service to the Authority.

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