

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1 a section*
3 *numbered 9.1-116.4, relating to Sex Trafficking Response Coordinator; duties; report.*

4 [H 2576]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1 a section**
8 **numbered 9.1-116.4 as follows:**9 **§ 9.1-116.4. Sex Trafficking Response Coordinator; duties; report.**10 *A. There is established within the Department a Sex Trafficking Response Coordinator (the*
11 *Coordinator). The Coordinator shall:*12 *1. Create a statewide plan for local and state agencies to identify and respond to victims of sex*
13 *trafficking;*14 *2. Coordinate the development of standards and guidelines for treatment programs for victims of sex*
15 *trafficking;*16 *3. Maintain a list of programs that provide treatment or specialized services to victims of sex*
17 *trafficking and make such list available to law-enforcement agencies, attorneys for the Commonwealth,*
18 *crime victim and witness assistance programs, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of*
19 *Social Services, the Department of Education, and school divisions;*20 *4. Oversee the development of a curriculum to be completed by persons convicted of solicitation of*
21 *prostitution under subsection B of § 18.2-346; and*22 *5. Promote strategies for the education, training, and awareness of sex trafficking and for the*
23 *reduction of demand for commercial sex.*24 *B. The Coordinator may request and shall receive from every department, division, board, bureau,*
25 *commission, authority, or other agency created by the Commonwealth, or to which the Commonwealth is*
26 *a party or any political subdivision thereof, cooperation and assistance in the performance of its duties.*
27 *The Coordinator may also consult and exchange information with local government agencies and*
28 *interested stakeholders.*29 *C. The Coordinator shall report annually on or before October 1 to the Governor and the General*
30 *Assembly. The report shall include a summary of activities for the year and any recommendations to*
31 *address sex trafficking within the Commonwealth. The Department shall ensure that such report is*
32 *available to the public.*

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