

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 63.2-905.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to foster care; security*
3 *freeze on credit report.*

4 [S 1253]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 63.2-905.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 63.2-905.2. Security freezes and annual credit checks for children in foster care.**

9 *A. Local departments shall request the placement of a security freeze pursuant to the provisions of*
10 *§ 59.1-444.3 on the credit report or record of any child who is less than 16 years of age and has been*
11 *in foster care for at least six months in order to prevent cases of identity theft and misuse of personal*
12 *identifying information. The local department shall request removal of the security freeze (i) upon the*
13 *child's removal from foster care, (ii) upon the child's request if the child is 16 years of age or older, or*
14 *(iii) upon a determination by the local department that removal of the security freeze is in the best*
15 *interest of the child.*

16 *B. Local departments shall conduct annual credit checks on all children 14 years of age and or older*
17 *but less than 18 years of age who are in foster care to identify cases of identity theft or misuse of*
18 *personal identifying information of such children. Local departments shall resolve, to the greatest extent*
19 *possible, cases of identity theft or misuse of personal identifying information of foster care children*
20 *identified pursuant to this section.*

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