

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Title 9.1 a chapter numbered 14, consisting of a*  
3 *section numbered 9.1-1400, relating to Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Grant Fund and*  
4 *Program; creation.*

5 [H 422]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**  
8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Title 9.1 a chapter numbered 14, consisting**  
9 **of a section numbered 9.1-1400, as follows:**

## 10 CHAPTER 14.

## 11 YOUTH AND GANG VIOLENCE PREVENTION GRANT FUND AND PROGRAM.

12 § 9.1-1400. *Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Grant Fund and Program.*13 A. *For the purposes of this chapter:*14 *"Department" means the Department of Criminal Justice Services.*15 *"Fund" means the Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Grant Fund.*16 *"Program" means the Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Grant Program.*

17 B. *There is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the*  
18 *Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Grant Fund. The Fund shall be established on the books of the*  
19 *Comptroller. All funds appropriated for such purpose and any gifts, donations, grants, bequests, and*  
20 *other funds received on its behalf shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Fund. Interest*  
21 *earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be credited to it. Any moneys remaining in*  
22 *the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund*  
23 *but shall remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used solely for purposes of (i) awarding*  
24 *grants on a competitive basis through the Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Grant Program*  
25 *established pursuant to subsection C or (ii) implementing and administering the Youth and Gang*  
26 *Violence Prevention Grant Program. Expenditures and disbursements from the Fund shall be made by*  
27 *the State Treasurer on warrants issued by the Comptroller upon written request signed by the Director*  
28 *of the Department.*

29 C. *The Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Grant Program is hereby established for the purpose of*  
30 *awarding grants on a competitive basis from such funds as may be available from the Fund to the*  
31 *Cities of Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Richmond, and Roanoke for the purpose of*  
32 *performing community assessments for youth and gang violence prevention. The program shall be*  
33 *administered by the Department. In administering the program, the Department shall establish and*  
34 *publish guidelines and criteria for grant awards, including guidelines and criteria governing agreements*  
35 *between the Department and grant recipients relating to conducting community assessments for youth*  
36 *and gang violence prevention. The Department shall oversee each grant awarded through the program*  
37 *and ensure thorough reporting on each such grant.*

38 D. *Grants shall be awarded in an amount of \$25,000 to each city to perform a community*  
39 *assessment for youth and gang violence prevention. No more than \$150,000 per year shall be allocated*  
40 *by the program.*

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