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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 2.2-3106, 2.2-3705.4, 2.2-3711, 2.2-4343, 2.2-4345, 22.1-209.2, 23.1-608, 23.1-608.1, 23.1-809, 23.1-1100, 23.1-1200, 23.1-2001, 23.1-2002, 32.1-69.3, 32.1-279, 38.2-5008, and 54.1-2961 of the Code of Virginia; to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 20 of Title 23.1 sections numbered 23.1-2005, 23.1-2006, and 23.1-2007; and to repeal 2 3 4 5 Chapter 30 (§§ 23.1-3000 through 23.1-3014) of Title 23.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to 6 Eastern Virginia Medical School; establishment of Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at Old 7

8 Dominion University.

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Approved

11 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 2.2-3106, 2.2-3705.4, 2.2-3711, 2.2-4343, 2.2-4345, 22.1-209.2, 23.1-608, 23.1-608.1, 12 23.1-809, 23.1-1100, 23.1-1200, 23.1-2001, 23.1-2002, 32.1-69.3, 32.1-279, 38.2-5008, and 54.1-2961 of 13 the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia is amended by 14 15 adding in Chapter 20 of Title 23.1 sections numbered 23.1-2005, 23.1-2006, and 23.1-2007 as follows: 16

§ 2.2-3106. Prohibited contracts by officers and employees of state government. 17

A. No officer or employee of any governmental agency of state government or Eastern Virginia 18 19 Medical School shall have a personal interest in a contract with the governmental agency of which he is 20 an officer or employee, other than his own contract of employment.

21 B. No officer or employee of any governmental agency of state government or Eastern Virginia 22 Medical School shall have a personal interest in a contract with any other governmental agency of state 23 government unless such contract is (i) awarded as a result of competitive sealed bidding or competitive 24 negotiation as set forth in § 2.2-4302.1 or 2.2-4302.2 or (ii) is awarded after a finding, in writing, by the 25 administrative head of the governmental agency that competitive bidding or negotiation is contrary to the 26 best interest of the public. 27

C. The provisions of this section shall not apply to:

28 1. An employee's personal interest in additional contracts of employment with his own governmental 29 agency that accrue to him because of a member of his immediate family, provided *that* the employee 30 does not exercise any control over the employment or the employment activities of the member of his 31 immediate family and the employee is not in a position to influence those activities;

32 2. The personal interest of an officer or employee of a public institution of higher education or the 33 Eastern Virginia Medical School in additional contracts of employment with his own governmental 34 agency that accrue to him because of a member of his immediate family, provided that (i) the officer or 35 employee and the immediate family member are engaged in teaching, research, or administrative support positions at the educational institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School,; (ii) the governing board 36 37 of the educational institution finds that it is in the best interests of the institution or the Eastern Virginia 38 Medical School and the Commonwealth for such dual employment to exist,; and (iii) after such finding, 39 the governing board of the educational institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School ensures that 40 the officer or employee, or the immediate family member, does not have sole authority to supervise, 41 evaluate, or make personnel decisions regarding the other;

42 3. An officer's or employee's personal interest in a contract of employment with any other 43 governmental agency of state government;

44 4. Contracts for the sale by a governmental agency or the Eastern Virginia Medical School of 45 services or goods at uniform prices available to the general public;

46 5. An employee's personal interest in a contract between a public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth or the Eastern Virginia Medical School and a publisher or wholesaler of textbooks 47 or other educational materials for students, which accrues to him solely because he has authored or 48 49 otherwise created such textbooks or materials;

50 6. An employee's personal interest in a contract with his or her employing public institution of higher 51 education to acquire the collections or scholarly works owned by the employee, including manuscripts, 52 musical scores, poetry, paintings, books or other materials, writings, or papers of an academic, research, 53 or cultural value to the institution, provided *that* the president of the institution approves the acquisition 54 of such collections or scholarly works as being in the best interests of the institution's public mission of 55 service, research, or education;

56 7. Subject to approval by the board of visitors, an employee's personal interest in a contract between the Eastern Virginia Medical School or a public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth
that operates a school of medicine or dentistry and a not-for-profit nonstock corporation that operates a
clinical practice within such public institution of higher education or the Eastern Virginia Medical
School and of which such employee is a member or employee;

61 8. Subject to approval by the relevant board of visitors, an employee's personal interest in a contract 62 for research and development or commercialization of intellectual property between a public institution 63 of higher education in the Commonwealth or the Eastern Virginia Medical School and a business in 64 which the employee has a personal interest, if (i) the employee's personal interest has been disclosed to 65 and approved by such public institution of higher education or the Eastern Virginia Medical School prior to the time at which the contract is entered into; (ii) the employee promptly files a disclosure statement 66 67 pursuant to § 2.2-3117 and thereafter files such statement annually on or before January 15; (iii) the institution has established a formal policy regarding such contracts, approved by the State Council of **68** Higher Education or, in the case of the Eastern Virginia Medical School, a formal policy regarding such 69 contracts in conformity with any applicable federal regulations that has been approved by its board of 70 visitors for Virginia; and (iv) no later than December 31 of each year, the institution or the Eastern 71 72 Virginia Medical School files an annual report with the Secretary of the Commonwealth disclosing each 73 open contract entered into subject to this provision, the names of the parties to each contract, the date 74 each contract was executed and its term, the subject of each contractual arrangement, the nature of the 75 conflict of interest, the institution's or the Eastern Virginia Medical School's employee responsible for 76 administering each contract, the details of the institution's or the Eastern Virginia Medical School's 77 commitment or investment of resources or finances for each contract, and any other information 78 requested by the Secretary of the Commonwealth; or

79 9. Subject to approval by the relevant board of visitors, an employee's personal interest in a contract 80 between a public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth or the Eastern Virginia Medical School and a business in which the employee has a personal interest, if (i) the personal interest has been 81 82 disclosed to the institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School prior to the time the contract is 83 entered into; (ii) the employee files a disclosure statement pursuant to § 2.2-3117 and thereafter annually 84 on or before January 15; (iii) the employee does not participate in the institution's or the Eastern 85 Virginia Medical School's decision to contract; (iv) the president of the institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School finds and certifies in writing that the contract is for goods and services needed 86 87 for quality patient care, including related medical education or research, by the institution's medical 88 center or the Eastern Virginia Medical School, its affiliated teaching hospitals and other organizations 89 necessary for the fulfillment of its mission, including the acquisition of drugs, therapies and medical 90 technologies; and (v) no later than December 31 of each year, the institution or the Eastern Virginia 91 Medical School files an annual report with the Secretary of the Commonwealth disclosing each open 92 contract entered subject to this provision, the names of the parties to each contract, the date each 93 contract was executed and its term, the subject of each contractual arrangement, the nature of the 94 conflict of interest, the institution's or the Eastern Virginia Medical School's employee responsible for 95 administering each contract, the details of the institution's or the Eastern Virginia Medical School's 96 commitment or investment of resources or finances for each contract, and any other information 97 requested by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

98 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions C 8 and C 9, if the research and development or 99 commercialization of intellectual property or the employee's personal interest in a contract with a 100 business is subject to policies and regulations governing conflicts of interest promulgated by any agency 101 of the United States government, including the adoption of policies requiring the disclosure and 102 management of such conflicts of interests, the policies established by the Eastern Virginia Medical 103 School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University pursuant to such federal requirements shall 104 constitute compliance with subdivisions C 8 and C 9, upon notification by the Eastern Virginia Medical 105 School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University to the Secretary of the Commonwealth by 106 January 31 of each year of evidence of their compliance with such federal policies and regulations.

107 E. The board of visitors may delegate the authority granted under subdivision C 8 to the president of 108 the institution. If the board elects to delegate such authority, the board shall include this delegation of 109 authority in the formal policy required by clause (iii) of subdivision C 8. In those instances where the board has delegated such authority, on or before December 1 of each year, the president of the relevant 110 111 institution shall file a report with the relevant board of visitors disclosing each open contract entered 112 into subject to this provision, the names of the parties to each contract, the date each contract was 113 executed and its term, the subject of each contractual arrangement, the nature of the conflict of interest, 114 the institution's or the Eastern Virginia Medical School's employee responsible for administering each contract, the details of the institution's or the Eastern Virginia Medical School's commitment or 115 investment of resources or finances for each contract, the details of how revenues are to be dispersed 116 117 *disbursed*, and any other information requested by the board of visitors.

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118 § 2.2-3705.4. Exclusions to application of chapter; educational records and certain records of 119 educational institutions.

A. The following information contained in a public record is excluded from the mandatory disclosure
 provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the custodian in his discretion, except as provided in
 subsection B or where such disclosure is otherwise prohibited by law. Redaction of information excluded
 under this section from a public record shall be conducted in accordance with § 2.2-3704.01.

124 1. Scholastic records containing information concerning identifiable individuals, except that such 125 access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject thereof, or the parent or legal guardian of the 126 student. However, no student shall have access to (i) financial records of a parent or guardian or (ii) 127 records of instructional, supervisory, and administrative personnel and educational personnel ancillary 128 thereto, that are in the sole possession of the maker thereof and that are not accessible or revealed to 129 any other person except a substitute.

130 The parent or legal guardian of a student may prohibit, by written request, the release of any 131 individual information regarding that student until the student reaches the age of 18 years. For scholastic 132 records of students under the age of 18 years, the right of access may be asserted only by his legal 133 guardian or parent, including a noncustodial parent, unless such parent's parental rights have been 134 terminated or a court of competent jurisdiction has restricted or denied such access. For scholastic 135 records of students who are emancipated or attending a public institution of higher education in the 136 Commonwealth, the right of access may be asserted by the student.

137 Any person who is the subject of any scholastic record and who is 18 years of age or older may138 waive, in writing, the protections afforded by this subdivision. If the protections are so waived, such139 records shall be disclosed.

140 2. Confidential letters and statements of recommendation placed in the records of educational agencies or institutions respecting (i) admission to any educational agency or institution, (ii) an application for employment or promotion, or (iii) receipt of an honor or honorary recognition.

143 3. Information held by the Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Committee that would reveal
144 personally identifiable information, including scholarship applications, personal financial information, and
145 confidential correspondence and letters of recommendation.

4. Information of a proprietary nature produced or collected by or for faculty or staff of public
institutions of higher education, other than the institutions' financial or administrative records, in the
conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, scientific, technical or scholarly issues,
whether sponsored by the institution alone or in conjunction with a governmental body or a private
concern, where such information has not been publicly released, published, copyrighted or patented.

151 5. Information held by the University of Virginia or, the University of Virginia Medical Center or, 152 Old Dominion University, or the Eastern Virginia Medical School Health Sciences Center at Old 153 Dominion University, as the case may be, that contain proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of the University of Virginia Medical Center or the Eastern Virginia Medical 154 155 School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, as the case may be, including business development or marketing strategies and activities with existing or future joint venturers, partners, or 156 157 other parties with whom the University of Virginia Medical Center or the Eastern Virginia Medical 158 School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, as the case may be, has formed, or forms, 159 any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of such information would be harmful to 160 the competitive position of the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical 161 School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, as the case may be.

6. Personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, provided to the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan or its employees by or on behalf of individuals who have requested information about, applied for, or entered into prepaid tuition contracts or savings trust account agreements pursuant to Chapter 7 (§ 23.1-700 et seq.) of Title 23.1, including personal information related to (i) qualified beneficiaries as that term is defined in § 23.1-700, (ii) designated survivors, or (iii) authorized individuals. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prevent disclosure or publication of information in a statistical or other form that does not identify individuals or provide personal information. Individuals shall be provided access to their own personal information.

170 For purposes of this subdivision:

171 "Authorized individual" means an individual who may be named by the account owner to receive information regarding the account but who does not have any control or authority over the account.

173 "Designated survivor" means the person who will assume account ownership in the event of the 174 account owner's death.

175 7. Information maintained in connection with fundraising activities by or for a public institution of
176 higher education that would reveal (i) personal fundraising strategies relating to identifiable donors or
177 prospective donors or (ii) wealth assessments; estate, financial, or tax planning information;
178 health-related information; employment, familial, or marital status information; electronic mail addresses,

179 facsimile or telephone numbers; birth dates or social security numbers of identifiable donors or 180 prospective donors. The exclusion provided by this subdivision shall not apply to protect from disclosure 181 (a) information relating to the amount, date, purpose, and terms of the pledge or donation or the identity 182 of the donor or (b) the identities of sponsors providing grants to or contracting with the institution for 183 the performance of research services or other work or the terms and conditions of such grants or 184 contracts. For purposes of clause (a), the identity of the donor may be withheld if (1) the donor has 185 requested anonymity in connection with or as a condition of making a pledge or donation and (2) the 186 pledge or donation does not impose terms or conditions directing academic decision-making.

187 8. Information held by a threat assessment team established by a local school board pursuant to 188 § 22.1-79.4 or by a public institution of higher education pursuant to § 23.1-805 relating to the 189 assessment or intervention with a specific individual. However, in the event an individual who has been 190 under assessment commits an act, or is prosecuted for the commission of an act that has caused the 191 death of, or caused serious bodily injury, including any felony sexual assault, to another person, such 192 information of the threat assessment team concerning the individual under assessment shall be made 193 available as provided by this chapter, with the exception of any criminal history records obtained 194 pursuant to § 19.2-389 or 19.2-389.1, health records obtained pursuant to § 32.1-127.1:03, or scholastic 195 records as defined in § 22.1-289. The public body providing such information shall remove personally 196 identifying information of any person who provided information to the threat assessment team under a 197 promise of confidentiality.

198 9. Records provided to the Governor or the designated reviewers by a qualified institution, as those 199 terms are defined in § 23.1-1239, related to a proposed memorandum of understanding, or proposed 200 amendments to a memorandum of understanding, submitted pursuant to Chapter 12.1 (§ 23.1-1239 et 201 seq.) of Title 23.1. A memorandum of understanding entered into pursuant to such chapter shall be 202 subject to public disclosure after it is agreed to and signed by the Governor.

203 B. The custodian of a scholastic record shall not release the address, phone number, or email address 204 of a student in response to a request made under this chapter without written consent. For any student 205 who is (i) 18 years of age or older, (ii) under the age of 18 and emancipated, or (iii) attending an 206 institution of higher education, written consent of the student shall be required. For any other student, 207 written consent of the parent or legal guardian of such student shall be required. 208

§ 2.2-3711. Closed meetings authorized for certain limited purposes.

A. Public bodies may hold closed meetings only for the following purposes:

209 210 1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, 211 appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public 212 officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or 213 schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve 214 discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that 215 216 involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided that 217 the teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board. 218 Nothing in this subdivision, however, shall be construed to authorize a closed meeting by a local 219 governing body or an elected school board to discuss compensation matters that affect the membership 220 of such body or board collectively.

221 2. Discussion or consideration of admission or disciplinary matters or any other matters that would 222 involve the disclosure of information contained in a scholastic record concerning any student of any 223 public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth or any state school system. However, any 224 such student, legal counsel and, if the student is a minor, the student's parents or legal guardians shall 225 be permitted to be present during the taking of testimony or presentation of evidence at a closed 226 meeting, if such student, parents, or guardians so request in writing and such request is submitted to the 227 presiding officer of the appropriate board.

228 3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the 229 disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect 230 the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. 231

4. The protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business.

232 5. Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business 233 or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in 234 locating or expanding its facilities in the community.

235 6. Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is 236 involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be 237 adversely affected.

238 7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual 239 or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the

240 negotiating or litigating posture of the public body. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable 241 litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal 242 counsel has a reasonable basis to believe will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in 243 this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney 244 representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.

245 8. Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal 246 matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. Nothing in this subdivision shall be 247 construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is 248 in attendance or is consulted on a matter.

249 9. Discussion or consideration by governing boards of public institutions of higher education of 250 matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities, and of grants and contracts for services or 251 work to be performed by such institution. However, the terms and conditions of any such gifts, bequests, 252 grants, and contracts made by a foreign government, a foreign legal entity, or a foreign person and 253 accepted by a public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth shall be subject to public 254 disclosure upon written request to the appropriate board of visitors. For the purpose of this subdivision, 255 (i) "foreign government" means any government other than the United States government or the government of a state or a political subdivision thereof, (ii) "foreign legal entity" means any legal entity 256 257 (a) created under the laws of the United States or of any state thereof if a majority of the ownership of 258 the stock of such legal entity is owned by foreign governments or foreign persons or if a majority of the 259 membership of any such entity is composed of foreign persons or foreign legal entities or (b) created 260 under the laws of a foreign government, and (iii) "foreign person" means any individual who is not a 261 citizen or national of the United States or a trust territory or protectorate thereof.

262 10. Discussion or consideration by the boards of trustees of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the 263 Virginia Museum of Natural History, the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, the Fort Monroe Authority, 264 and The Science Museum of Virginia of matters relating to specific gifts, bequests, and grants from 265 private sources. 266

11. Discussion or consideration of honorary degrees or special awards.

12. Discussion or consideration of tests, examinations, or other information used, administered, or 267 268 prepared by a public body and subject to the exclusion in subdivision 4 of § 2.2-3705.1.

269 13. Discussion, consideration, or review by the appropriate House or Senate committees of possible 270 disciplinary action against a member arising out of the possible inadequacy of the disclosure statement 271 filed by the member, provided *that* the member may request in writing that the committee meeting not 272 be conducted in a closed meeting.

273 14. Discussion of strategy with respect to the negotiation of a hazardous waste siting agreement or to 274 consider the terms, conditions, and provisions of a hazardous waste siting agreement if the governing 275 body in open meeting finds that an open meeting will have an adverse effect upon the negotiating 276 position of the governing body or the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting 277 agreement, or both. All discussions with the applicant or its representatives may be conducted in a 278 closed meeting.

279 15. Discussion by the Governor and any economic advisory board reviewing forecasts of economic 280 activity and estimating general and nongeneral fund revenues.

281 16. Discussion or consideration of medical and mental health records subject to the exclusion in 282 subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.5.

283 17. Deliberations of the Virginia Lottery Board in a licensing appeal action conducted pursuant to 284 subsection D of § 58.1-4007 regarding the denial or revocation of a license of a lottery sales agent; and 285 discussion, consideration or review of Virginia Lottery matters related to proprietary lottery game 286 information and studies or investigations excluded from disclosure under subdivision 6 of § 2.2-3705.3 287 and subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.7.

288 18. Those portions of meetings in which the State Board of Local and Regional Jails discusses or 289 discloses the identity of, or information tending to identify, any prisoner who (i) provides information 290 about crimes or criminal activities, (ii) renders assistance in preventing the escape of another prisoner or 291 in the apprehension of an escaped prisoner, or (iii) voluntarily or at the instance of a prison official 292 renders other extraordinary services, the disclosure of which is likely to jeopardize the prisoner's life or 293 safety.

294 19. Discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity or specific 295 cybersecurity threats or vulnerabilities and briefings by staff members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement 296 or emergency service officials concerning actions taken to respond to such matters or a related threat to public safety; discussion of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 2 or 14 of § 2.2-3705.2, 297 298 where discussion in an open meeting would jeopardize the safety of any person or the security of any 299 facility, building, structure, information technology system, or software program; or discussion of reports 300 or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of

301 persons using such facility, building or structure.

20. Discussion by the Board of the Virginia Retirement System, acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, or 302 303 of any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, or by a local finance board or board of 304 trustees of a trust established by one or more local public bodies to invest funds for postemployment 305 benefits other than pensions, acting pursuant to Article 8 (§ 15.2-1544 et seq.) of Chapter 15 of Title 306 15.2, or by the board of visitors of the University of Virginia, acting pursuant to § 23.1-2210, or by the 307 Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan, acting pursuant to § 23.1-706, regarding the acquisition, 308 holding or disposition of a security or other ownership interest in an entity, where such security or 309 ownership interest is not traded on a governmentally regulated securities exchange, to the extent that 310 such discussion (i) concerns confidential analyses prepared for the board of visitors of the University of 311 Virginia, prepared by the retirement system, or a local finance board or board of trustees, or the Virginia 312 College Savings Plan or provided to the retirement system, a local finance board or board of trustees, or the Virginia College Savings Plan under a promise of confidentiality, of the future value of such 313 ownership interest or the future financial performance of the entity, and (ii) would have an adverse 314 effect on the value of the investment to be acquired, held, or disposed of by the retirement system, a 315 316 local finance board or board of trustees, the board of visitors of the University of Virginia, or the 317 Virginia College Savings Plan. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prevent the disclosure 318 of information relating to the identity of any investment held, the amount invested or the present value 319 of such investment.

320 21. Those portions of meetings in which individual child death cases are discussed by the State Child 321 Fatality Review Team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.1, those portions of meetings in which 322 individual child death cases are discussed by a regional or local child fatality review team established 323 pursuant to § 32.1-283.2, those portions of meetings in which individual death cases are discussed by 324 family violence fatality review teams established pursuant to § 32.1-283.3, those portions of meetings in 325 which individual adult death cases are discussed by the state Adult Fatality Review Team established 326 pursuant to § 32.1-283.5, those portions of meetings in which individual adult death cases are discussed 327 by a local or regional adult fatality review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.6, those portions of 328 meetings in which individual death cases are discussed by overdose fatality review teams established 329 pursuant to § 32.1-283.7, those portions of meetings in which individual maternal death cases are 330 discussed by the Maternal Mortality Review Team pursuant to § 32.1-283.8, and those portions of 331 meetings in which individual death cases of persons with developmental disabilities are discussed by the 332 Developmental Disabilities Mortality Review Committee established pursuant to § 37.2-314.1.

333 22. Those portions of meetings of the board of visitors of the University of Virginia or the Eastern 334 Virginia Medical School Board of Visitors Old Dominion University, as the case may be, and those 335 portions of meetings of any persons to whom management responsibilities for the University of Virginia 336 Medical Center or the Eastern Virginia Medical School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, as the case may be, have been delegated, in which there is discussed proprietary, 337 338 business-related information pertaining to the operations of the University of Virginia Medical Center or the Eastern Virginia Medical School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, as the case 339 340 may be, including business development or marketing strategies and activities with existing or future joint venturers, partners, or other parties with whom the University of Virginia Medical Center or the 341 342 Eastern Virginia Medical School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, as the case may 343 be, has formed, or forms, any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of such 344 information would adversely affect the competitive position of the University of Virginia Medical Center 345 or the Eastern Virginia Medical School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, as the case 346 may be.

347 23. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority 348 or the board of visitors of Virginia Commonwealth University of any of the following: the acquisition or 349 disposition by the Authority of real property, equipment, or technology software or hardware and related 350 goods or services, where disclosure would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating 351 strategy of the Authority; matters relating to gifts or bequests to, and fund-raising activities of, the 352 Authority; grants and contracts for services or work to be performed by the Authority; marketing or 353 operational strategies plans of the Authority where disclosure of such strategies or plans would adversely 354 affect the competitive position of the Authority; and members of the Authority's medical and teaching 355 staffs and qualifications for appointments thereto.

24. Those portions of the meetings of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program Committee within
the Department of Health Professions to the extent such discussions identify any practitioner who may
be, or who actually is, impaired pursuant to Chapter 25.1 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1.

359 25. Meetings or portions of meetings of the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan wherein
360 personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, which has been provided to the Board or its employees
361 by or on behalf of individuals who have requested information about, applied for, or entered into

362 prepaid tuition contracts or savings trust account agreements pursuant to Chapter 7 (§ 23.1-700 et seq.)363 of Title 23.1 is discussed.

26. Discussion or consideration, by the former Wireless Carrier E-911 Cost Recovery Subcommittee
created pursuant to former § 56-484.15, of trade secrets submitted by CMRS providers, as defined in
§ 56-484.12, related to the provision of wireless E-911 service.

27. Those portions of disciplinary proceedings by any regulatory board within the Department of
Professional and Occupational Regulation, Department of Health Professions, or the Board of
Accountancy conducted pursuant to § 2.2-4019 or 2.2-4020 during which the board deliberates to reach
a decision or meetings of health regulatory boards or conference committees of such boards to consider
settlement proposals in pending disciplinary actions or modifications to previously issued board orders as
requested by either of the parties.

373 28. Discussion or consideration of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 11 of
374 § 2.2-3705.6 by a responsible public entity or an affected locality or public entity, as those terms are
375 defined in § 33.2-1800, or any independent review panel appointed to review information and advise the
376 responsible public entity concerning such records.

377 29. Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including
378 interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where
379 discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of
380 the public body.

381 30. Discussion or consideration of grant or loan application information subject to the exclusion in
 382 subdivision 17 of § 2.2-3705.6 by the Commonwealth Health Research Board.

383 31. Discussion or consideration by the Commitment Review Committee of information subject to the
assessment and the exclusion in subdivision 5 of § 2.2-3705.2 relating to individuals subject to commitment as sexually
assessment as sexually violent predators under Chapter 9 (§ 37.2-900 et seq.) of Title 37.2.

386 32. Discussion or consideration of confidential proprietary information and trade secrets developed
and held by a local public body providing certain telecommunication services or cable television services
and subject to the exclusion in subdivision 18 of § 2.2-3705.6. However, the exemption provided by this
subdivision shall not apply to any authority created pursuant to the BVU Authority Act (§ 15.2-7200 et seq.).

391 33. Discussion or consideration by a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless
392 Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) of confidential proprietary information and trade secrets
393 subject to the exclusion in subdivision 19 of § 2.2-3705.6.

394 34. Discussion or consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of voting395 security matters made confidential pursuant to § 24.2-410.2 or 24.2-625.1.

396 35. Discussion or consideration by the Forensic Science Board or the Scientific Advisory Committee
397 created pursuant to Article 2 (§ 9.1-1109 et seq.) of Chapter 11 of Title 9.1 of criminal investigative
398 files.

399 36. Discussion or consideration by the Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Committee of information or confidential matters subject to the exclusion in subdivision A 3 of § 2.2-3705.4, and meetings of the Committee to deliberate concerning the annual maximum scholarship award, review and consider scholarship applications and requests for scholarship award renewal, and cancel, rescind, or recover scholarship awards.

404 37. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Port Authority of information subject to the exclusion
405 in subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.6 related to certain proprietary information gathered by or for the Virginia
406 Port Authority.

38. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Retirement System acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, by the Investment Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 51.1-124.26, by any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, by the Board of the Virginia College
Savings Plan acting pursuant to § 23.1-706, or by the Virginia College Savings Plan's Investment Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 23.1-702 of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 24 of § 2.2-3705.7.

413 39. Discussion or consideration of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 3 of **414** § 2.2-3705.6 related to economic development.

415 40. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Education of information relating to the denial, 416 suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses subject to the exclusion in subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.3.

417 41. Those portions of meetings of the Virginia Military Advisory Council or any commission created
418 by executive order for the purpose of studying and making recommendations regarding preventing
419 closure or realignment of federal military and national security installations and facilities located in
420 Virginia and relocation of such facilities to Virginia, or a local or regional military affairs organization
421 appointed by a local governing body, during which there is discussion of information subject to the
422 exclusion in subdivision 8 of § 2.2-3705.2.

423 42. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Veterans Services Foundation of
424 information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 28 of § 2.2-3705.7 related to personally identifiable
425 information of donors.

426 43. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission of
427 information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 23 of § 2.2-3705.6 related to certain information
428 contained in grant applications.

429 44. Discussion or consideration by the board of directors of the Commercial Space Flight Authority
430 of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 24 of § 2.2-3705.6 related to rate structures or
431 charges for the use of projects of, the sale of products of, or services rendered by the Authority and
432 certain proprietary information of a private entity provided to the Authority.

433 45. Discussion or consideration of personal and proprietary information related to the resource
434 management plan program and subject to the exclusion in (i) subdivision 25 of § 2.2-3705.6 or (ii)
435 subsection E of § 10.1-104.7. This exclusion shall not apply to the discussion or consideration of records
436 that contain information that has been certified for release by the person who is the subject of the
437 information or transformed into a statistical or aggregate form that does not allow identification of the
438 person who supplied, or is the subject of, the information.

439 46. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Directors of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control
440 Authority of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.3 related to
441 investigations of applicants for licenses and permits and of licensees and permittees.

442 47. Discussion or consideration of grant, loan, or investment application records subject to the
443 exclusion in subdivision 28 of § 2.2-3705.6 for a grant, loan, or investment pursuant to Article 11
444 (§ 2.2-2351 et seq.) of Chapter 22.

445 48. Discussion or development of grant proposals by a regional council established pursuant to
446 Article 26 (§ 2.2-2484 et seq.) of Chapter 24 to be submitted for consideration to the Virginia Growth
447 and Opportunity Board.

448 49. Discussion or consideration of (i) individual sexual assault cases by a sexual assault response
449 team established pursuant to § 15.2-1627.4, (ii) individual child abuse or neglect cases or sex offenses
450 involving a child by a child sexual abuse response team established pursuant to § 15.2-1627.5, or (iii)
451 individual cases involving abuse, neglect, or exploitation of adults as defined in § 63.2-1603 pursuant to
452 §§ 15.2-1627.5 and 63.2-1605.

453 50. Discussion or consideration by the Board of the Virginia Economic Development Partnership
454 Authority, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, or any subcommittees thereof, of the
455 portions of the strategic plan, marketing plan, or operational plan exempt from disclosure pursuant to
456 subdivision 33 of § 2.2-3705.7.

457 51. Those portions of meetings of the subcommittee of the Board of the Virginia Economic
458 Development Partnership Authority established pursuant to subsection F of § 2.2-2237.3 to review and
459 discuss information received from the Virginia Employment Commission pursuant to subdivision C 2 of
460 § 60.2-114.

461 52. Discussion or consideration by the Commonwealth of Virginia Innovation Partnership Authority
462 (the Authority), an advisory committee of the Authority, or any other entity designated by the Authority, of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 35 of § 2.2-3705.7.

464 53. Deliberations of the Virginia Lottery Board conducted pursuant to § 58.1-4105 regarding the
465 denial or revocation of a license of a casino gaming operator, or the refusal to issue, suspension of, or
466 revocation of any license or permit related to casino gaming, and discussion, consideration, or review of
467 matters related to investigations excluded from mandatory disclosure under subdivision 1 of
468 § 2.2-3705.3.

469 54. Deliberations of the Virginia Lottery Board in an appeal conducted pursuant to § 58.1-4007
470 regarding the denial of, revocation of, suspension of, or refusal to renew any license or permit related to sports betting and any discussion, consideration, or review of matters related to investigations excluded
472 from mandatory disclosure under subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.3.

B. No resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation or motion adopted, passed or agreed to in a
closed meeting shall become effective unless the public body, following the meeting, reconvenes in open
meeting and takes a vote of the membership on such resolution, ordinance, rule, contract, regulation, or
motion that shall have its substance reasonably identified in the open meeting.

477 C. Public officers improperly selected due to the failure of the public body to comply with the other
478 provisions of this section shall be de facto officers and, as such, their official actions are valid until they
479 obtain notice of the legal defect in their election.

480 D. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the holding of conferences between two or
481 more public bodies, or their representatives, but these conferences shall be subject to the same
482 procedures for holding closed meetings as are applicable to any other public body.

483 E. This section shall not be construed to (i) require the disclosure of any contract between the

484 Department of Health Professions and an impaired practitioner entered into pursuant to Chapter 25.1
485 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1 or (ii) require the board of directors of any authority created pursuant
486 to the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond Act (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.), or any public body
487 empowered to issue industrial revenue bonds by general or special law, to identify a business or industry
488 to which subdivision A 5 applies. However, such business or industry shall be identified as a matter of
489 public record at least 30 days prior to the actual date of the board's authorization of the sale or issuance
490 of such bonds.

491 § 2.2-4343. Exemption from operation of chapter for certain transactions.

492 A. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to:

1. The Virginia Port Authority in the exercise of any of its powers in accordance with Chapter 10
(§ 62.1-128 et seq.) of Title 62.1, provided *that* the Authority implements, by policy or regulation adopted by the Board of Commissioners, procedures to ensure fairness and competitiveness in the procurement of goods and services and in the administration of its capital outlay program. This exemption shall be applicable only so long as such policies and procedures meeting the requirements remain in effect.

499 2. The Virginia Retirement System for selection of services related to the management, purchase or sale of authorized investments, actuarial services, and disability determination services. Selection of these services shall be governed by the standard set forth in § 51.1-124.30.

502 3. The State Treasurer in the selection of investment management services related to the external
503 management of funds shall be governed by the standard set forth in § 2.2-4514, and shall be subject to
504 competitive guidelines and policies that are set by the Commonwealth Treasury Board and approved by
505 the Department of General Services.

506 4. The Department of Social Services or local departments of social services for the acquisition of507 motor vehicles for sale or transfer to Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipients.

508 5. The College of William and Mary in Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University, the University 509 of Virginia, and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in the selection of services related to 510 the management and investment of their endowment funds, endowment income, gifts, all other 511 nongeneral fund reserves and balances, or local funds of or held by the respective public institution of 512 higher education pursuant to § 23.1-2210, 23.1-2306, 23.1-2604, or 23.1-2803. However, selection of 513 these services shall be governed by the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act 514 (§ 64.2-1100 et seq.) as required by §§ 23.1-2210, 23.1-2306, 23.1-2604, and 23.1-2803.

6. The Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan for the selection of services related to the operation and administration of the Plan, including, but not limited to, contracts or agreements for the management, purchase, or sale of authorized investments or actuarial, record keeping, or consulting services. However, such selection shall be governed by the standard set forth in § 23.1-706.

519 7. Public institutions of higher education for the purchase of items for resale at retail bookstores and
520 similar retail outlets operated by such institutions. However, such purchase procedures shall provide for
521 competition where practicable.

8. The purchase of goods and services by agencies of the legislative branch that may be specifically
exempted therefrom by the Chairman of the Committee on Rules of either the House of Delegates or the
Senate. Nor shall the contract review provisions of § 2.2-2012 apply to such procurements. The
exemption shall be in writing and kept on file with the agency's disbursement records.

526 9. Any town with a population of less than 3,500, except as stipulated in the provisions of
527 §§ 2.2-4305, 2.2-4311, 2.2-4315, 2.2-4330, 2.2-4333 through 2.2-4338, 2.2-4343.1, and 2.2-4367 through
528 2.2-4377 and Chapter 43.1 (§ 2.2-4378 et seq.).

10. Any county, city or town whose governing body has adopted, by ordinance or resolution,
alternative policies and procedures which are (i) based on competitive principles and (ii) generally
applicable to procurement of goods and services by such governing body and its agencies, except as
stipulated in subdivision 12.

This exemption shall be applicable only so long as such policies and procedures, or other policies and procedures meeting the requirements of § 2.2-4300, remain in effect in such county, city or town. Such policies and standards may provide for incentive contracting that offers a contractor whose bid is accepted the opportunity to share in any cost savings realized by the locality when project costs are reduced by such contractor, without affecting project quality, during construction of the project. The fee, if any, charged by the project engineer or architect for determining such cost savings shall be paid as a separate cost and shall not be calculated as part of any cost savings.

540 11. Any school division whose school board has adopted, by policy or regulation, alternative policies
541 and procedures that are (i) based on competitive principles and (ii) generally applicable to procurement
542 of goods and services by the school board, except as stipulated in subdivision 12.

543 This exemption shall be applicable only so long as such policies and procedures, or other policies or 544 procedures meeting the requirements of § 2.2-4300, remain in effect in such school division. This 545 provision shall not exempt any school division from any centralized purchasing ordinance duly adopted546 by a local governing body.

547 12. Notwithstanding the exemptions set forth in subdivisions 9 through 11, the provisions of subsections B, C, and D of § 2.2-4303, §§ 2.2-4305, 2.2-4311, 2.2-4315, 2.2-4317, 2.2-4330, 2.2-4333
549 through 2.2-4338, 2.2-4342, 2.2-4343.1, and 2.2-4367 through 2.2-4377, Chapter 43.1 (§ 2.2-4378 et seq.), and § 58.1-1902 shall apply to all counties, cities, and school divisions and to all towns having a population greater than 3,500 in the Commonwealth.

552 The method for procurement of professional services through competitive negotiation set forth in 553 §§ 2.2-4302.2, 2.2-4303.1, and 2.2-4303.2 shall also apply to all counties, cities, and school divisions, 554 and to all towns having a population greater than 3,500, where the cost of the professional service is 555 expected to exceed \$80,000 in the aggregate or for the sum of all phases of a contract or project. A 556 school board that makes purchases through its public school foundation or purchases educational technology through its educational technology foundation, either as may be established pursuant to 557 558 § 22.1-212.2:2 shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter, except, relative to such purchases, the school board shall comply with the provisions of §§ 2.2-4311 and 2.2-4367 through 2.2-4377. 559

560 13. A public body that is also a utility operator may purchase services through or participate in contracts awarded by one or more utility operators that are not public bodies for utility marking services as required by the Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act (§ 56-265.14 et seq.). A purchase of services under this subdivision may deviate from the procurement procedures set forth in this chapter upon a determination made in advance by the public body and set forth in writing that competitive sealed bidding is either not practicable or not fiscally advantageous to the public, and the contract is awarded based on competitive principles.

14. Procurement of any construction or planning and design services for construction by a Virginia
nonprofit corporation or organization not otherwise specifically exempted when (i) the planning, design
or construction is funded by state appropriations of \$10,000 or less or (ii) the Virginia nonprofit
corporation or organization is obligated to conform to procurement procedures that are established by
federal statutes or regulations, whether those federal procedures are in conformance with the provisions
of this chapter.

573 15. Purchases, exchanges, gifts or sales by the Citizens' Advisory Council on Furnishing and574 Interpreting the Executive Mansion.

575 16. The Eastern Virginia Medical School in the selection of services related to the management and
576 investment of its endowment and other institutional funds. The selection of these services shall, however,
577 be governed by the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (§ 64.2-1100 et seq.).

578 17. The Department of Corrections in the selection of pre-release and post-incarceration services and579 the Department of Juvenile Justice in the selection of pre-release and post-commitment services.

580 18. 17. The University of Virginia Medical Center to the extent provided by subdivision A 3 of § 23.1-2213.

19. 18. The purchase of goods and services by a local governing body or any authority, board,
department, instrumentality, institution, agency or other unit of state government when such purchases
are made under a remedial plan established by the Governor pursuant to subsection C of § 2.2-4310 or
by a chief administrative officer of a county, city or town pursuant to § 15.2-965.1.

586 20. 19. The contract by community services boards or behavioral health authorities with an administrator or management body pursuant to a joint agreement authorized by § 37.2-512 or 37.2-615.
 588 21. [Expired].

589 22. 20. The purchase of Virginia-grown food products for use by a public body where the annual
590 cost of the product is not expected to exceed \$100,000, provided that the procurement is accomplished
591 by (i) obtaining written informal solicitation of a minimum of three bidders or offerors if practicable and
592 (ii) including a written statement regarding the basis for awarding the contract.

593 23. 21. The Virginia Industries for the Blind when procuring components, materials, supplies, or 594 services for use in commodities and services furnished to the federal government in connection with its 595 operation as an AbilityOne Program-qualified nonprofit agency for the blind under the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act, 41 U.S.C. §§ 8501-8506, provided that the procurement is accomplished using 596 597 procedures that ensure that funds are used as efficiently as practicable. Such procedures shall require **598** documentation of the basis for awarding contracts. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-1117, no 599 public body shall be required to purchase such components, materials, supplies, services, or 600 commodities.

601 24. 22. The purchase of personal protective equipment for private, nongovernmental entities by the
602 Governor pursuant to subdivision (11) of § 44-146.17 during a disaster caused by a communicable
603 disease of public health threat for which a state of emergency has been declared. However, such
604 purchase shall provide for competition where practicable and include a written statement regarding the
605 basis for awarding any contract.

606 B. Where a procurement transaction involves the expenditure of federal assistance or contract funds, 607 the receipt of which is conditioned upon compliance with mandatory requirements in federal laws or 608 regulations not in conformance with the provisions of this chapter, a public body may comply with such federal requirements, notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, only upon the written determination 609 610 of the Governor, in the case of state agencies, or the governing body, in the case of political subdivisions, that acceptance of the grant or contract funds under the applicable conditions is in the 611 612 public interest. Such determination shall state the specific provision of this chapter in conflict with the 613 conditions of the grant or contract.

614 § 2.2-4345. Exemptions from competitive sealed bidding and competitive negotiation for certain 615 transactions; limitations.

616 A. The following public bodies may enter into contracts without competitive sealed bidding or 617 competitive negotiation:

618 1. The Director of the Department of Medical Assistance Services for special services provided for 619 eligible recipients pursuant to subsection H of § 32.1-325, provided that the Director has made a 620 determination in advance after reasonable notice to the public and set forth in writing that competitive 621 sealed bidding or competitive negotiation for such services is not fiscally advantageous to the public, or 622 would constitute an imminent threat to the health or welfare of such recipients. The writing shall 623 document the basis for this determination.

624 2. The State Health Commissioner for the compilation, storage, analysis, evaluation, and publication
625 of certain data submitted by health care providers and for the development of a methodology to measure
626 the efficiency and productivity of health care providers pursuant to Chapter 7.2 (§ 32.1-276.2 et seq.) of
627 Title 32.1, if the Commissioner has made a determination in advance, after reasonable notice to the
628 public and set forth in writing, that competitive sealed bidding or competitive negotiation for such
629 services is not fiscally advantageous to the public. The writing shall document the basis for this
630 determination. Such agreements and contracts shall be based on competitive principles.

631 3. The Virginia Code Commission when procuring the services of a publisher, pursuant to §§ 30-146632 and 30-148, to publish the Code of Virginia or the Virginia Administrative Code.

633 4. The Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority for the purchase of alcoholic beverages.

5. The Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services, for the administration of elder rights
programs, with (i) nonprofit Virginia corporations granted tax-exempt status under § 501(c)(3) of the
Internal Revenue Code with statewide experience in Virginia in conducting a state long-term care
ombudsman program or (ii) designated area agencies on aging.

638 6. The Department of Health for (a) child restraint devices, pursuant to § 46.2-1097; (b) health care 639 services with Virginia corporations granted tax-exempt status under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue 640 Code and operating as clinics for the indigent and uninsured that are organized for the delivery of 641 primary health care services in a community (i) as federally qualified health centers designated by the Health Care Financing Administration or (ii) at a reduced or sliding fee scale or without charge; or (c) 642 643 contracts with laboratories providing cytology and related services if competitive sealed bidding and 644 competitive negotiations are not fiscally advantageous to the public to provide quality control as 645 prescribed in writing by the Commissioner of Health.

646 7. Virginia Correctional Enterprises, when procuring materials, supplies, or services for use in and
647 support of its production facilities, provided *that* the procurement is accomplished using procedures that
648 ensure as efficient use of funds as practicable and, at a minimum, includes obtaining telephone
649 quotations. Such procedures shall require documentation of the basis for awarding contracts under this
650 section.

8. The Virginia Baseball Stadium Authority for the operation of any facilities developed under the provisions of Chapter 58 (§ 15.2-5800 et seq.) of Title 15.2, including contracts or agreements with respect to the sale of food, beverages and souvenirs at such facilities.

654 9. With the consent of the Governor, the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation for the promotion of
655 tourism through marketing with private entities provided a demonstrable cost savings, as reviewed by
656 the Secretary of Education, can be realized by the Foundation and such agreements or contracts are
657 based on competitive principles.

10. The Chesapeake Hospital Authority in the exercise of any power conferred under Chapter 271, as
amended, of the Acts of Assembly of 1966, provided that it does not discriminate against any person on
the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions,
age, marital status, or disability in the procurement of goods and services.

11. Richmond Eye and Ear Hospital Authority, any authorities created under Chapter 53 (§ 15.2-5300
et seq.) of Title 15.2 and any hospital or health center commission created under Chapter 52
(§ 15.2-5200 et seq.) of Title 15.2 in the exercise of any power conferred under their respective
authorizing legislation, provided that these entities shall not discriminate against any person on the basis
of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, age,

marital status, or disability in the procurement of goods and services. 667

12. The Patrick Hospital Authority sealed in the exercise of any power conferred under the Acts of 668 Assembly of 2000, provided that it does not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, 669 670 religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, age, marital status, or 671 disability in the procurement of goods and services.

672 13. Public bodies for insurance or electric utility services if purchased through an association of 673 which it is a member if the association was formed and is maintained for the purpose of promoting the 674 interest and welfare of and developing close relationships with similar public bodies, provided *that* such 675 association has procured the insurance or electric utility services by use of competitive principles and 676 provided that the public body has made a determination in advance after reasonable notice to the public 677 and set forth in writing that competitive sealed bidding and competitive negotiation are not fiscally 678 advantageous to the public. The writing shall document the basis for this determination.

14. Public bodies administering public assistance and social services programs as defined in § 63.2-100, community services boards as defined in § 37.2-100, or any public body purchasing services 679 **680** under the Children's Services Act (§ 2.2-5200 et seq.) or the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime 681 Control Act (§ 16.1-309.2 et seq.) for goods or personal services for direct use by the recipients of such programs if the procurement is made for an individual recipient. Contracts for the bulk procurement of 682 683 684 goods or services for the use of recipients shall not be exempted from the requirements of § 2.2-4303.

685 15. The Eastern Virginia Medical School in the exercise of any power conferred pursuant to Chapter **686** 471, as amended, of the Acts of Assembly of 1964.

687 B. No contract for the construction of any building or for an addition to or improvement of an 688 existing building by any local government or subdivision of local government for which state funds of 689 not more than \$50,000 in the aggregate or for the sum of all phases of a contract or project either by 690 appropriation, grant-in-aid or loan, are used or are to be used for all or part of the cost of construction shall be let except after competitive sealed bidding or after competitive negotiation as provided under 691 subsection D of § 2.2-4303 or Chapter 43.1 (§ 2.2-4378 et seq.). The procedure for the advertising for 692 bids or for proposals and for letting of the contract shall conform, mutatis mutandis, to this chapter. 693

694 § 22.1-209.2. Programs and teachers in regional detention homes, certain local detention homes 695 and state agencies and institutions.

696 The Board shall prepare and supervise the implementation in regional detention homes and local **697** detention homes a program designed to educate and train the children detained in the homes. In **698** addition, the Board shall supervise those programs of evaluation, education, and training provided to 699 school-age children by the Department of Health, the Department of Behavioral Health and 700 Developmental Services, the children's teaching hospital associated with the Eastern Virginia Medical 701 School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, the Virginia Commonwealth University 702 Health System Authority, the children's teaching hospital associated with the Virginia Commonwealth 703 University Health System Authority, and the University of Virginia Hospitals pursuant to the Board's standards and regulations as required by § 22.1-7. 704

The Board shall promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to conform these 705 706 programs with the applicable federal and state laws and regulations including teacher/student ratios and 707 special education requirements for children with disabilities. The education programs in the relevant 708 detention homes and state agencies and institutions shall be approved by the Board, and the Board shall prepare a budget for these educational programs that shall be solely supported by such general funds as 709 are appropriated by the General Assembly for this purpose. Teacher staffing ratios for regional or local 710 detention homes shall be based on a ratio of one teacher for every 12 beds based on the capacity of the 711 712 facility; however, if the previous year's average daily attendance exceeds this bed capacity, the ratio 713 shall be based on the average daily attendance at the facility as calculated by the Department from the 714 previous school year.

715 The Board shall enter into contracts with the relevant state agency or institution or detention facility 716 or the local school divisions in which the state agencies or institutions or the regional detention homes 717 and the relevant local detention homes are located for the hiring and supervision of teachers.

718 In any case in which the Board enters into a contract with the relevant state agency or institution, the Department of Human Resource Management shall establish salary schedules for the teachers that are 719 720 competitive with those in effect for the school divisions in which the agency or institution is located.

§ 23.1-608. Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program; tuition and fee 721 722 waivers.

723 A. As used in this section, unless the context requires a different meaning:

724 "Domicile" has the same meaning as provided in § 23.1-500.

725 "Program" means the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program.

"Qualified survivors and dependents" means the spouse or a child between the ages of 16 and 29 (i) 726 of a military service member who, while serving as an active duty member in the Armed Forces of the 727

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728 United States, Reserves of the Armed Forces of the United States, or Virginia National Guard, during 729 military operations against terrorism, on a peacekeeping mission, as a result of a terrorist act, or in any 730 armed conflict, was killed, became missing in action, or became a prisoner of war or (ii) of a veteran 731 who served in the Armed Forces of the United States, Reserves of the Armed Forces of the United 732 States, or Virginia National Guard and, due to such service, has been rated by the U.S. Department of 733 Veterans Affairs as totally and permanently disabled or at least 90 percent permanently disabled and has 734 been discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable. However, the Commissioner of 735 Veterans Services may certify dependents above the age of 29 in those cases in which extenuating 736 circumstances prevented the dependent child from using his benefits before the age of 30. For purposes 737 of this section, a child who is a stepchild of a deceased military service member described in this 738 section shall receive all benefits described in this section as a child of such military service member if 739 the military service member claimed the stepchild on his tax return or on his Defense Enrollment 740 Eligibility Reporting System while serving on active duty.

741 B. The Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program is established for the purpose 742 of waiving tuition and mandatory fees at a public institution of higher education or Eastern Virginia 743 Medical School for qualified survivors and dependents who have been admitted to such institution and 744 meet the requirements of subsection C, as certified by the Commissioner of Veterans Services.

745 C. Admitted qualified survivors and dependents are eligible for a waiver of tuition and mandatory 746 fees pursuant to this section if the military service member who was killed, became missing in action, 747 became a prisoner of war, or is disabled (i) established domicile (a) at the time of entering such active 748 military service or called to active duty as a member of the Reserves of the Armed Forces of the United 749 States or Virginia National Guard; (b) at least five years immediately prior to, or had a physical 750 presence in the Commonwealth for at least five years immediately prior to, the date on which the 751 admission application was submitted by or on behalf of such qualified survivor or dependent for admission to such institution of higher education or Eastern Virginia Medical School; or (c) on the date 752 753 of his death and for at least five years immediately prior to his death or had a physical presence in the 754 Commonwealth on the date of his death and had a physical presence in the Commonwealth for at least 755 five years immediately prior to his death; (ii) in the case of a qualified child, is deceased and the 756 surviving parent, at some time previous to marrying the deceased parent, established domicile for at least 757 five years, or established domicile or had a physical presence in the Commonwealth for at least five 758 years immediately prior to the date on which the admission application was submitted by or on behalf 759 of such child; or (iii) in the case of a qualified spouse, is deceased and the surviving spouse, at some 760 time previous to marrying the deceased spouse, established domicile for at least five years or had a 761 physical presence in the Commonwealth for at least five years prior to the date on which the admission 762 application was submitted by such qualified spouse. In any case under this subsection, the Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Services shall have the authority to consider the domicile or physical 763 764 presence requirements under clause (i) (c) through the surviving spouse or under clause (iii) through the 765 surviving student if the military service member or surviving spouse dies after having established 766 physical presence within the Commonwealth but before such requirements can be met.

767 D. The Department of Veterans Services shall disseminate information about the Program to those 768 spouses and dependents who may qualify. The Department of Veterans Services shall coordinate with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to identify veterans and qualified survivors and dependents. The 769 770 Commissioner of Veterans Services shall include in the annual report submitted to the Governor and the 771 General Assembly pursuant to § 2.2-2004 an overview of the agency's policies and strategies relating to 772 dissemination of information about the Program and Fund.

773 E. Each public institution of higher education and Eastern Virginia Medical School shall include in 774 its catalog or equivalent publication a statement describing the benefits available pursuant to this section. 775 § 23.1-608.1. Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Fund; stipends.

776 A. As used in this section:

"Fund" means the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Fund.

777 778 "Qualified survivors and dependents" means the spouse or a child between the ages of 16 and 29 (i) 779 of a military service member who, while serving as an active duty member in the Armed Forces of the United States, Reserves of the Armed Forces of the United States, or Virginia National Guard, during 780 781 military operations against terrorism, on a peacekeeping mission, as a result of a terrorist act, or in any 782 armed conflict, was killed, became missing in action, or became a prisoner of war or (ii) of a veteran 783 who, as a direct result of such service, has been rated by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs as 784 totally and permanently disabled or at least 90 percent permanently disabled and has been discharged or 785 released under conditions other than dishonorable. However, the Commissioner of Veterans Services 786 may certify dependents above the age of 29 in those cases in which extenuating circumstances prevented 787 the dependent child from using his benefits before the age of 30.

788 B. From such funds as may be appropriated and from such gifts, bequests, and any gifts, grants, or

789 donations from public or private sources, the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education 790 Fund is established for the sole purpose of providing financial assistance, in an amount (i) up to \$2,000 791 or (ii) as provided in the general appropriation act, for room and board charges, books and supplies, and 792 other expenses at any public institution of higher education or Eastern Virginia Medical School for the 793 use and benefit of qualified survivors and dependents, provided that the maximum amount to be 794 expended for each such survivor or dependent pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed, when 795 combined with any other form of scholarship, grant, or waiver, the actual costs relating to the survivor's 796 or dependent's educational expenses allowed under this subsection.

797 C. Each year, from the funds available in the Fund, the Council and each public institution of higher 798 educationand Eastern Virginia Medical School shall determine the amount and the manner in which 799 financial assistance shall be made available to beneficiaries and shall make that information available to 800 the Commissioner of Veterans Services for distribution.

801 D. The Council shall disburse to each public institution of higher education and Eastern Virginia 802 Medical School the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by the Commonwealth to support 803 the Fund and shall report to the Commissioner of Veterans Services the beneficiaries' completion rate.

804 E. The Department of Veterans Services shall disseminate information about the Fund to those 805 spouses and dependents who may qualify. The Department of Veterans Services shall coordinate with 806 the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to identify veterans and qualified survivors and dependents. The 807 Commissioner of Veterans Services shall include in the annual report submitted to the Governor and the 808 General Assembly pursuant to § 2.2-2004 an overview of the agency's policies and strategies relating to 809 dissemination of information about the Fund.

F. Each public institution of higher education and Eastern Virginia Medical School shall include in 810 811 its catalog or equivalent publication a statement describing the benefits available pursuant to this section.

812 § 23.1-809. Public institutions of higher education; establishment of campus police departments 813 authorized; employment of officers.

A. The governing board of each public institution of higher education may establish a campus police 814 815 department and employ campus police officers and auxiliary police forces upon appointment as provided in §§ 23.1-811 and 23.1-812. Such employment is governed by the Virginia Personnel Act (§ 2.2-2900 816 et seq.), except that the governing board of a public institution of higher education may direct that the 817 818 employment of the chief of the campus police department is not governed by the Virginia Personnel 819 Act.

820 B. The Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority and Eastern Virginia Medical 821 School may employ police officers and auxiliary police forces as provided in this article and, in the case 822 of the Authority, in § 23.1-2406, except that the employment of such officers and forces is not governed 823 by the Virginia Personnel Act (§ 2.2-2900 et seq.).

§ 23.1-1100. Definitions.

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As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

826 "Board" means the members of the board of visitors, board of trustees, or other governing board of 827 an institution.

"Bond" means any bond, note, or other evidence of indebtedness or obligation of an institution issued 828 829 by an institution pursuant to this chapter.

830 "Erect" includes building, constructing, reconstructing, erecting, demolishing, extending, bettering, 831 equipping, installing, modifying, and improving.

"Institution" means each public institution of higher education, as that term is defined in § 23.1-100; 832 833 Eastern Virginia Medical School; the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research; the New College 834 Institute;, the Roanoke Higher Education Authority;, the Southern Virginia Higher Education Center;, the 835 Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind; and the 836 Wilson Workforce and Rehabilitation Center.

837 "Project" means (i) any (a) building, facility, addition, extension, or improvement of a capital nature 838 that is necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of an institution, including administration and teaching facilities, lecture and exhibition halls, libraries, dormitories, student apartments, faculty dwellings, dining halls, cafeterias, snack bars, laundries, hospitals, laboratories, research centers, 839 840 841 infirmaries, field houses, gymnasiums, auditoriums, student unions, recreation centers, stadiums, athletics 842 facilities, garages, parking facilities, warehouses and storage buildings, and book and student supplies 843 centers, or (b) building, land, appurtenance, furnishing, or equipment necessary or desirable in connection with or incidental to a project or (ii) any personal property at an institution. 844 845

§ 23.1-1200. Definitions; findings.

846 A. As used in this article, unless the context requires a different meaning:

847 "Authority" means the Virginia College Building Authority.

848 "Bond" means any bond, note, or other evidences of indebtedness or obligation of the Authority 849 pursuant to this article.

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850 "Eligible institution" means public institutions of higher education, as that term is defined in 851 § 23.1-100; Eastern Virginia Medical School; the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research; the 852 New College Institute;, the Roanoke Higher Education Authority;, the Southern Virginia Higher 853 Education Center, the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, the Virginia School for the Deaf 854 and the Blind;, and the Wilson Workforce and Rehabilitation Center.

855 "Equipment" means any personal property, including computer hardware and software, and any other 856 improvements, including infrastructure improvements relating to equipment, used to support academic 857 instruction and research at eligible institutions. 858

"Project" has the same meaning as set forth in § 23.1-1100.

859 B. Providing funds for the construction of projects at eligible institutions is or may be hindered, 860 impeded, and delayed by the high financing costs resulting from the sale of bonds of such eligible institutions in the open market, and it is desirable that the Authority may (i) serve the purposes of 861 862 eligible institutions by purchasing such bonds and financing the construction of projects at a lower cost, 863 which facilitates such construction and (ii) issue its own revenue bonds for the purpose of paying the 864 costs of such projects.

865 C. There is an urgent need to provide substantial amounts of new scientific, technical, and other 866 equipment for academic instruction, research, and related activities at eligible institutions so that they 867 may remain competitive in attracting high-quality faculty and obtaining research grants, and it is desirable that the Authority may finance the purchase of such equipment to provide eligible institutions 868 869 with such equipment at the lowest possible cost, which facilitates the acquisition and supply of such 870 equipment to eligible institutions and increases the purchasing power of their funds, including funds 871 provided by tuition and fees and appropriations from the General Assembly.

§ 23.1-2001. Membership.

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873 A. The board shall consist of 17 members appointed by the Governor, of whom at least (i) 14 shall 874 be residents of the Commonwealth, (ii) four shall be physicians or other medical or health professionals with administrative or clinical experience in an academic medical center, and at least (iii) three shall be 875 876 alumni of the University.

877 B. The alumni association of the University may submit to the Governor a list of at least three 878 nominees for each vacancy on the board, whether the vacancy occurs by expiration of a term or 879 otherwise. The Eastern Virginia Medical School Foundation or any successor foundation may submit to 880 the Governor a list of at least three nominees for each vacancy on the board that is required to be 881 filled by a physician or other medical or health professional with administrative or clinical experience 882 in an academic medical center pursuant to clause (ii) of subsection A. The Governor may appoint a 883 member from the *relevant* list of nominees. 884

§ 23.1-2002. Meetings; officers; committees.

885 A. The board shall meet at the University once a year and at such other times as it determines. 886 Special meetings of the board may be called by the rector or any three members. The secretary shall 887 provide notice of any special meeting to each member. 888

B. A majority of members shall constitute a quorum.

889 C. In every even-numbered year, the board shall elect from its membership a rector to preside at its 890 meetings, a vice-rector to preside at its meetings in the absence of the rector, and a secretary to preside 891 at its meetings in the absence of the rector and vice-rector. Such officers shall assume their duties on 892 July 1 of such year.

893 D. The board may appoint a pro tempore officer to preside at its meetings in the absence of the 894 rector, vice-rector, and secretary.

895 E. Vacancies in the offices of rector, vice-rector, and secretary may be filled by the board for the 896 unexpired term.

897 F. At every regular annual meeting of the board, an executive committee for the transaction of 898 business in the recess of the board may be appointed, consisting of at least five members. The executive 899 committee shall consist of the officers of the board and such other members as the rector may appoint.

900 G. The board shall have a standing committee to serve as the board of directors of the Eastern 901 Virginia Health Sciences Center at the University, which shall oversee the Eastern Virginia Health 902 Sciences Center at the University and exercise such decision-making authority over the Eastern Virginia 903 Health Sciences Center at the University as the standing committee deems necessary or appropriate 904 under the authority of and in accordance with the bylaws of the board. The standing committee shall 905 oversee financial management of the Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at the University and 906 approve and recommend to the board the budget for the Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at the 907 University. The standing committee shall consist of no more than 17 members who are appointed as 908 follows: one nonlegislative citizen member appointed by the Governor; one nonlegislative citizen 909 member appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules; one nonlegislative citizen member appointed by 910 the Speaker of the House of Delegates; one nonlegislative citizen member appointed by the primary

911 teaching hospital affiliated with the University; four members of the board appointed by the rector of 912 the board; and no more than nine members appointed by the Eastern Virginia Medical School 913 Foundation or any successor foundation.

914 § 23.1-2005. Property and liabilities of Eastern Virginia Medical School.

915 All real estate and personal property in the name of the corporate body designated "Eastern Virginia 916 Medical School" transferred to, known and taken as standing in the name of, and under the control of the University is the property of the Commonwealth. The University is vested with all rights, duties, 917 918 contracts, and agreements and is responsible and liable for all the liabilities and obligations of Eastern 919 Virginia Medical School. 920

§ 23.1-2006. Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at the University.

921 The schools and divisions previously existing as Eastern Virginia Medical School and such other 922 academic units of the University related to the health sciences as may be identified by the board are 923 hereby designated as the Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at the University. 924

§ 23.1-2007. Operations of Health Sciences Center.

925 A. The University may provide medical and health sciences education and related research through 926 teaching hospitals and related health care and health maintenance facilities, collectively referred to in 927 this section as the Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at the University or the Health Sciences 928 Center. The Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at the University may participate in cooperative 929 arrangements reflective of changes in health care delivery.

930 B. The University shall ensure that all tuition, funds appropriated, and clinical-affiliated financial 931 support for the continued operation of the schools and divisions previously existing as the Eastern 932 Virginia Medical School shall remain with those schools and divisions for their continued operation. 933 Such funds shall remain separate from funds for the other academic units identified by the board to be part of the Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at the University. 934

935 C. The University may create, own in whole or in part, or otherwise control corporations, 936 partnerships, insurers, or other entities whose activities promote the operations of the Health Sciences 937 Center and its mission, cooperate or enter into joint ventures with such entities, and enter into contracts 938 in connection with such joint ventures. 939

§ 32.1-69.3. Virginia Cord Blood Bank Initiative established.

940 A. There is hereby established the Virginia Cord Blood Bank Initiative (hereinafter referred to as the 941 Initiative) as a public resource for the treatment of patients with life-threatening diseases or debilitating 942 conditions, for use in advancing basic and clinical research, and, in the event of a terrorist attack, to be 943 used in the treatment of the injured.

944 The Initiative shall be established as a nonprofit legal entity to collect, screen for infectious and 945 genetic diseases, perform tissue typing on, cryopreserve, and store umbilical cord blood as a public 946 resource and shall be formed as a collaborative consortium that covers all geographical regions of 947 Virginia.

948 B. The State Health Commissioner shall develop or shall arrange for or contract with a nonprofit 949 entity for the development of the collaborative consortium to be known as the Initiative, which may 950 consist of any entity having the expertise or experience or willingness to develop the expertise or 951 experience necessary to participate in the Initiative.

952 C. In developing the consortium, the Commissioner shall ensure that all geographical areas of the 953 Commonwealth are included in the Initiative. To accomplish this goal, the Commissioner shall contact 954 Eastern Virginia Medical School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University and its participating hospitals, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine, Virginia Commonwealth 955 956 University Health System, the University of Virginia School of Medicine, the University of Virginia 957 Health System, and other entities located in Virginia, such as hospitals and hospital systems, 958 biotechnology companies, regional blood banks, laboratories, or other health care providers or medical 959 researchers, or local coalitions of health care providers that could provide coverage of the various 960 geographical regions of Virginia, to request their participation in the Initiative consortium and assist in 961 the design and implementation of the Initiative.

962 D. Any nonprofit entity having an arrangement or contract with the Commissioner for the 963 development of the Initiative and any medical school, hospital, or other health care provider choosing to 964 participate in the Initiative shall submit an estimate of the costs of implementing the Initiative for the region in which it is located. The Commissioner shall assist in the development of the cost estimates, 965 compare and evaluate such estimates, and negotiate with the various entities to implement the Initiative. 966

967 Further, the Commissioner shall coordinate (i) appropriate contact with pregnant women to provide 968 information about umbilical cord blood donations; (ii) the development of procedures for obtaining 969 informed consent for cord blood donations; (iii) the design of the Initiative, including the period of years 970 for storage of the cord blood to ensure the integrity of the cells; (iv) a system for recycling the blood at 971 the end of the established storage period that provides for the sale or transfer of the cord blood samples 972 being taken out of storage to be used in basic or clinical research development at reasonable rates and 973 fees for cord blood products.

974 E. The entities joining the Initiative shall work collaboratively, each with the community resources in 975 its local or regional area. The Initiative participants shall align their outreach programs and activities to 976 all geographic areas and ethnic and racial groups of the Commonwealth, and shall conduct specific and 977 culturally appropriate outreach and research to identify potential donors among all ethnic and racial 978 groups.

979 F. The Commissioner shall disseminate information about the Initiative, focusing on hospitals, 980 birthing facilities, physicians, midwives, and nurses, and providing information through local health 981 departments.

982 Initiative consortium participants shall also be encouraged to disseminate information about the 983 Initiative.

984 In addition, the Director of the Department of Medical Assistance Services shall include information 985 about the Initiative in printed materials distributed by the Department to recipients of medical assistance 986 services and persons enrolled in the Family Access to Medical Insurance Security Plan.

987 G. Any woman admitted to a hospital or birthing facility for obstetrical services may be offered the 988 opportunity to donate umbilical cord blood to the Initiative. However, no woman shall be required to 989 make a cord blood donation.

990 H. Any health care facility or health care provider receiving financial remuneration for the collection 991 of umbilical cord blood shall, prior to harvesting the umbilical cord blood, disclose this information in 992 writing to any woman postpartum or to the parent of a newborn from whom the umbilical cord blood is 993 to be collected.

994 I. This section shall not be construed to require participation in the Initiative on the part of any 995 health care facility or health care provider who objects to transfusion or transplantation of blood on the 996 basis of bona fide religious beliefs.

997 J. The Initiative shall be implemented with such funds as may be appropriated or otherwise provided **998** for its purpose. Upon implementation, the Commissioner shall initiate the development of a nonprofit 999 entity to assume the operation and administration of the Initiative and may seek federal, state, and 1000 private grant funds for its continuation. 1001

§ 32.1-279. Duties of Chief Medical Examiner; teaching legal medicine.

1002 A. The Chief Medical Examiner shall carry out the provisions of this article under the direction of 1003 the Commissioner. The Chief Medical Examiner may, with the approval of the Commissioner, employ 1004 forensic pathologists to serve as Assistant Chief Medical Examiners in the central and district offices 1005 established pursuant to § 32.1-277.

1006 B. The Chief Medical Examiner and Assistant Chief Medical Examiners shall be available to 1007 Virginia Commonwealth University, the University of Virginia, the Eastern Virginia Medical School Old 1008 Dominion University, and other institutions of higher education providing instruction in health science or 1009 law for teaching legal medicine and other subjects related to their duties.

1010 § 38.2-5008. Determination of claims; presumption; finding of Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission binding on participants; medical advisory panel. 1011

1012 A. The Commission shall determine, on the basis of the evidence presented to it, the following 1013 issues:

1. Whether the injury claimed is a birth-related neurological injury as defined in § 38.2-5001.

1015 a. A rebuttable presumption shall arise that the injury alleged is a birth-related neurological injury 1016 where it has been demonstrated, to the satisfaction of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission, 1017 that the infant has sustained a brain or spinal cord injury caused by oxygen deprivation or mechanical 1018 injury, and that the infant was thereby rendered permanently motorically disabled and (i) 1019 developmentally disabled or (ii) for infants sufficiently developed to be cognitively evaluated, 1020 cognitively disabled.

1021 If either party disagrees with such presumption, that party shall have the burden of proving that the 1022 injuries alleged are not birth-related neurological injuries within the meaning of the chapter.

1023 b. A rebuttable presumption of fetal distress, an element of a birth-related injury, shall arise if the 1024 hospital fails to provide the fetal heart monitor tape to the claimant, as required by subsection E of 1025 § 38.2-5004.

1026 2. Whether obstetrical services were delivered by a participating physician at the birth.

1027 3. Whether the birth occurred in a participating hospital.

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1028 4. How much compensation, if any, is awardable pursuant to § 38.2-5009.

1029 5. If the Commission determines (i) that the injury alleged is not a birth-related neurological injury 1030 as defined in § 38.2-5001, or (ii) that obstetrical services were not delivered by a participating physician at the birth and that the birth did not occur in a participating hospital, it shall dismiss the petition and 1031 cause a copy of its order of dismissal to be sent immediately to the parties by registered or certified 1032

1033 mail.

1034 6. All parties are bound for all purposes including any suit at law against a participating physician or 1035 participating hospital, by the finding of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission (or any appeal 1036 therefrom) with respect to whether such injury is a birth-related neurological injury.

1037 B. The deans of the schools of medicine of the Eastern Virginia Medical School Health Sciences 1038 Center at Old Dominion University, University of Virginia School of Medicine, and Medical College of 1039 Virginia of Virginia Commonwealth University shall develop a plan whereby each claim filed with the 1040 Commission is reviewed by a panel of three qualified and impartial physicians drawn from the fields of 1041 obstetrics, pediatrics, pediatric neurology, neonatology, physical medicine and rehabilitation, or any other 1042 specialty particularly appropriate to the facts of a particular case. Such plan shall provide that each of 1043 the three aforementioned medical schools shall maintain a review panel of physicians to review claims, 1044 with responsibility for reviewing claims rotating among each medical school's panel on a case-by-case 1045 basis. The chair of the panel shall be determined by the school's dean. In no event shall the panel 1046 contain more than one panel member from the field of obstetrics. The Commission shall direct the 1047 Program to pay to the medical school that performed the assessment and prepared a report in conformity 1048 with this provision the sum of \$3,000 per claim reviewed.

1049 C. The panel created pursuant to subsection B shall prepare a report that provides a detailed 1050 statement of the opinion of the panel's members regarding whether the infant's injury does or does not 1051 satisfy each of the criteria of a birth-related neurological injury enumerated in such term's definition in 1052 § 38.2-5001. The report shall include the panel's basis for its determination of whether each such criteria 1053 was or was not satisfied. In addition, the report shall include such supporting documentation as the 1054 board of directors of the program may reasonably request. The panel shall file its report with the 1055 Commission 60 days from the date the petition was filed with the Commission. At the same time that 1056 the panel files its report with the Commission, the panel shall send copies thereof to the Program and all parties in the proceeding. At the request of the Commission, at least one member of the panel shall be 1057 1058 available to testify at the hearing. The Commission shall consider, but shall not be bound by, the 1059 recommendation of the panel. 1060

§ 54.1-2961. Interns and residents in hospitals.

1061 A. Interns and residents holding temporary licenses may be employed in a legally established and 1062 licensed hospital, medical school or other organization operating an approved graduate medical education 1063 program when their practice is confined to persons who are bona fide patients within the hospital or 1064 other organization or who receive treatment and advice in an outpatient department of the hospital or an 1065 institution affiliated with the graduate medical education program.

1066 B. Such intern or resident shall be responsible and accountable at all times to a licensed member of 1067 the staff. The training of interns and residents shall be consistent with the requirements of the agencies 1068 cited in subsection D and the policies and procedures of the hospital, medical school or other 1069 organization operating a graduate medical education program. No intern or resident holding a temporary 1070 license may be employed by any hospital or other organization operating an approved graduate medical 1071 education program unless he has completed successfully the preliminary academic education required for 1072 admission to examinations given by the Board in his particular field of practice.

1073 C. No intern or resident holding a temporary license shall serve in any hospital or other organization 1074 operating an approved graduate medical education program in this Commonwealth for longer than the 1075 time prescribed by the graduate medical education program. The Board may prescribe regulations not in 1076 conflict with existing law and require such reports from hospitals or other organizations in the 1077 Commonwealth as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

1078 D. Such employment shall be a part of an internship or residency training program approved by the 1079 Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or American Osteopathic Association or 1080 American Podiatric Medical Association or Council on Chiropractic Education. No unlicensed intern or resident may be employed as an intern or resident by any hospital or other organization operating an 1081 1082 approved graduate medical education program. The Board may determine the extent and scope of the 1083 duties and professional services which may be rendered by interns and residents.

1084 E. The Board of Medicine shall adopt guidelines concerning the ethical practice of physicians 1085 practicing in emergency rooms, surgeons, and interns and residents practicing in hospitals, particularly 1086 hospital emergency rooms, or other organizations operating graduate medical education programs. These guidelines shall not be construed to be or to establish standards of care or to be regulations and shall be 1087 1088 exempt from the requirements of the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.). The Medical 1089 College of Virginia of Virginia Commonwealth University, the University of Virginia School of 1090 Medicine, the Eastern Virginia Medical School Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University, the 1091 Medical Society of Virginia, and the Virginia Hospital and Health Care Association shall cooperate with 1092 the Board in the development of these guidelines.

1093 The guidelines shall include, but need not be limited to (i) the obtaining of informed consent from

1094 all patients or from the next of kin or legally authorized representative, to the extent practical under the 1095 circumstances in which medical care is being rendered, when the patient is incapable of making an 1096 informed decision, after such patients or other persons have been informed as to which physicians, 1097 residents, or interns will perform the surgery or other invasive procedure; (ii) except in emergencies and 1098 other unavoidable situations, the need, consistent with the informed consent, for an attending physician 1099 to be present during the surgery or other invasive procedure; (iii) policies to avoid situations, unless the 1100 circumstances fall within an exception in the Board's guidelines or the policies of the relevant hospital, 1101 medical school or other organization operating the graduate medical education program, in which a 1102 surgeon, intern or resident represents that he will perform a surgery or other invasive procedure that he 1103 then fails to perform; and (iv) policies addressing informed consent and the ethics of appropriate care of 1104 patients in emergency rooms. Such policies shall take into consideration the nonbinding ban developed 1105 by the American Medical Association in 2000 on using newly dead patients as training subjects without 1106 the consent of the next of kin or other legal representative to extent practical under the circumstances in 1107 which medical care is being rendered.

1108 F. The Board shall publish and distribute the guidelines required by subsection E to its licensees.

1109 2. That Chapter 30 (§§ 23.1-3000 through 23.1-3014) of Title 23.1 of the Code of Virginia is 1110 repealed.

1111 3. That the Governor's 2024 appointments to the Old Dominion University Board of Visitors shall 1112 include at least two physicians or other medical or health professionals with administrative or 1113 clinical experience in an academic medical center in accordance with the requirements set forth in 1114 § 23.1-2001 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by this act. The Governor's 2025 appointments to 1115 the Old Dominion University Board of Visitors shall ensure that the composition of such board 1116 aligns with the membership requirements set forth in § 23.1-2001 of the Code of Virginia, as 1117 amended by this act.

1118 4. That notwithstanding the requirements set forth in subsection G of § 23.1-2002 of the Code of 1119 Virginia, as amended by this act, the initial board of directors of the Eastern Virginia Health 1120 Sciences Center at Old Dominion University shall be composed of the existing members of the 1121 Eastern Virginia Medical School Board of Visitors, who shall serve for the remainder of their 1122 current terms. Upon the expiration of such member terms, appointments to the board of directors 1123 of the Eastern Virginia Health Sciences Center at Old Dominion University shall be made in 1124 accordance with the requirements set forth in subsection G of § 23.1-2002 of the Code of Virginia, 1125 as amended by this act, and the bylaws of Old Dominion University.

1126 5. That the provisions of this act shall become effective on the date after July 1, 2023, on which 1127 the Governor and the chairmen of the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate 1128 Committee on Finance and Appropriations provide written approval for Old Dominion University 1129 and Eastern Virginia Medical School to complete a merger to create the Eastern Virginia Health

1130 Sciences Center at Old Dominion University.