## 2023 SESSION

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## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend and reenact § 30-405 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Behavioral Health 3 Commission; powers and duties; process to solicit and receive input.

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## Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 6

1. That § 30-405 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 7

8 § 30-405. (For contingent expiration date, see Acts 2021, Sp. Sess. I, c. 313, cl. 2) Powers and 9 duties of the Commission; report. 10

The Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

11 1. To collect and analyze information and data necessary to accomplish the purpose set forth in 12 § 30-402;

2. To monitor and evaluate the jurisdiction, powers and duties, operations, management, and 13 interrelationships of any department, division, board, bureau, commission, authority, or other agency 14 15 with direct responsibility for the delivery, coordination, management, or financing of behavioral health services in the Commonwealth and develop recommendations for the improvement thereof; 16

3. To monitor and evaluate the design, implementation, and operation of new behavioral health 17 18 initiatives in the Commonwealth and develop recommendations for the improvement thereof;

19 4. To examine matters related to the delivery of behavioral health services in other states and to 20 consult and exchange information with officers and agencies of other states with respect to behavioral 21 health service issues of mutual concern;

22 5. To maintain offices and hold meetings and functions at any place in the Commonwealth that it 23 deems necessary; 24

6. To invite other interested parties to sit with the Commission and participate in its deliberations;

25 7. To appoint any work group or special task force from among its members to study and make 26 recommendations on specific matters before the Commission; and

27 8. To implement a process to solicit and receive input from (i) individuals who are currently 28 receiving or have received behavioral health services or (ii) individuals with intellectual or 29 developmental disabilities or autism spectrum disorders or the family members of such individuals to 30 inform the work of the Commission; and

9. To report its recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor annually and to make 31 32 such interim reports as it deems advisable or as may be required by the General Assembly and the 33 Governor.

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