

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 9-183.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Department of Criminal*  
3 *Justice Services; exemptions from licensure as a private security services business.*

4 [H 521]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 9-183.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 9-183.2. Exceptions.

9 The provisions of this article shall not apply to the following:

10 1. An officer or employee of the United States of America, or of this Commonwealth or a political  
11 subdivision of either, while the employee or officer is performing his official duties.12 2. A person engaged exclusively in the business of obtaining and furnishing information regarding an  
13 individual's financial rating or a person engaged in the business of a consumer reporting agency as  
14 defined by the Federal Fair Credit Reporting Act.

15 3. An attorney or certified public accountant licensed to practice in Virginia or his employees.

16 4. The legal owner of personal property which has been sold under any security agreement while  
17 performing acts relating to the repossession of such property.18 5. A person receiving compensation for private employment as a security officer who also has  
19 full-time employment as a law-enforcement officer employed by the Commonwealth or any political  
20 subdivision thereof.21 6. Any person appointed under § 46.2-2003 or § 56-353 while engaged in the employment  
22 contemplated thereunder, unless they have successfully completed training mandated by the Department.23 7. Persons who are regularly employed to investigate accidents or to adjust claims and who do not  
24 carry weapons in the performance of their duties.25 8. Regular employees of persons engaged in other than the private security services business, where  
26 the regular duties of such employees primarily consist of protecting the property of their employers. Any  
27 such employee who carries a firearm and is in direct contact with the general public in the performance  
28 of his duties shall possess a valid registration with this Department as provided in subsection B of  
29 § 9-183.3. "General public" means individuals who have access to areas open to all and not restricted to  
30 any particular class of the community.31 9. Persons, sometimes known as "shoppers," employed to purchase goods or services solely for the  
32 purpose of determining or assessing the efficiency, loyalty, courtesy, or honesty of the employees of a  
33 business establishment.34 10. Licensed or registered private investigators from other states entering Virginia during an  
35 investigation originating in their state of licensure or registration when the other state offers similar  
36 reciprocity to private investigators licensed and registered by the Commonwealth of Virginia.37 11. Unarmed regular employees of telephone public service companies where the regular duties of  
38 such employees consist of protecting the property of their employers and investigating the usage of  
39 telephone services and equipment furnished by their employers, their employers' affiliates, and other  
40 communications common carriers.

41 12. An end user.

42 13. A material supplier who renders advice concerning the use of products sold by an electronics  
43 security business and who does not provide installation, monitoring, repair or maintenance services for  
44 electronic security equipment.

45 14. Members of the security forces who are directly employed by electric public service companies.

46 15. Any certified forensic scientist employed as an expert witness for the purpose of possibly  
47 testifying as an expert witness.

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