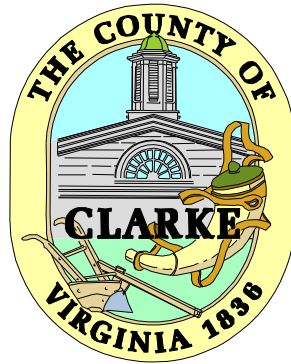
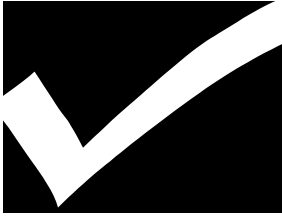


Board of Supervisors Committee Meeting Material



Monday, January 7, 2013

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Personnel Committee	9:30 am	2 - 26
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Personnel Committee Items
January 7, 2013 Regular Meeting
Second Floor, Main Meeting Room
Berryville/Clarke County Government Center
101 Chalmers Court, Berryville, Virginia 22611

Item No.

Description

A. Expiration of Term for appointments expiring through March 2013.

1/07/2013 Summary:

- A. The list of terms expiring through March 2013 is provided for review.
- B. The list of 2012 Board of Supervisors Chair Appointments is provided for review.

B. Celebrate Shenandoah Committee

1/07/2013 Summary: The Personnel Committee is asked to consider appointing a member to the Celebrate Shenandoah Committee. The Shenandoah National Park 75th Anniversary Committee developed the Celebrate Shenandoah Committee, established bylaws and category structure. Clarke County is a Category Four Member: "One member appointed by each member jurisdiction that lay just outside those counties that border on Shenandoah National Park. Category Four Members shall be non-voting members."

Appointments by Expiration Through March 2013

			<i>Appt Date</i>	<i>Exp Date</i>	<i>Orig Appt Date:</i>
<i>November 2012</i>					
Clarke County Historic Preservation Commission			4 Yr		
Bieschke	John K.	White Post	4/21/2009	11/30/2012	2/19/1991
Resigned / Retired effective 11/30/2012 expires 5/31/2013					
Section 3-E-3-d Zoning Ord "shall consist of at least 5 members not to exceed 7 members; Members shall be residents c Clarke County with a demonstrated interest in and knowledge of the historic character of Clarke County. Reasonable effc to appoint at least 2 members with professional training or equivalent experience in 1 or more of the following: architectur architectural history, historic preservation, archeology, land use planning, or related fields. Reasonable effort to appoint a least 1 member that is a professional architect or architectural historian. At least 1 member shall be appointed from the Planning Commission upon recommendation to the Board by the Planning Commission. After the establishment of an Historic District, at least 1 member shall be a resident of a local Historic District."					
Clarke County Planning Commission					
Thuss	Richard	Buckmarsh / Battletown	4/20/2010	11/13/2012	9/15/2009
11/13/2012 Requested to be replaced on the PC; Term Expires 4/20/2014					
Appointed by BOS; Oath of Office Required - Clerk of Circuit Court; Section 1-C-2 of the Zoning Ordinance states: "The Planning Commission shall consist of eleven members, appointed by the Board. Members of the Planning Commission shall be residents of the County, with there being 2 residents of each of the Board Election Districts. In addition, 1 memb of the Commission shall be a member of the Board. Members of the Commission shall be qualified by knowledge and experience to make decisions on questions of community growth and development. At least 1/2 of the members of the Planning Commission shall be owners of real property in the County."					
Clarke County Sanitary Authority					
Jones	Harry C.	Secretary/Treasurer	7/17/2012	11/30/2012	4/16/1996
Retired 11/2012 Appointment Expires 6/30/2016					
The board of the Authority shall be appointed by the BOS and shall be composed of 5 members, 1 of whom shall be a resident of the Town of Boyce, each for a term of 4 years and until his successor is appointed and qualifies except appointments to fill vacancies, which shall be for the remainder of such un-expired term. The Town may submit a nomine or nominees to the BOS for its consideration in making the appointment of the Boyce resident member. From VA Code 15.2-5113 D) Alternate board members may also be selected. Such alternates shall be selected in the same manner and shall have the same qualifications as the board members except that an alternate for an elected board member need not an elected official. Oath of Office Required.					
<i>December 2012</i>					
Board of Septic & Well Appeals					
Caldwell	Anne	Planning Commission Vice Chair - Alternate	1/1/2012	12/31/2012	
1 Staff Rep; § 143-11. Appeals & variances. A. Board of Septic & Well Appeals 2. (a) the member of the Board of Supervisors, who serves as the Board's liaison to the Planning Commission, with The Vice Chair of the Board designated as his/her alternate, (b) a Chair of Planning Commission with the Vice Chair designated as his/her alternate, and (c) a member of the public, who is a resident of the county with the Vice Chair of the Planning Commission designated as his/h alternate. All members shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors at their first regular meeting of each year.					
Ohrstrom, II	George	Planning Commission Chair	1/1/2012	12/31/2012	
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			<i>Appt Date</i>	<i>Exp Date</i>	<i>Orig Appt Date:</i>
Conservation Easement Authority			3 Yr		
Engel	Peter		12/15/2009	12/31/2012	12/15/2009

Board of Directors 7 members, appointed by the BOS, to be comprised of 1 member from the BOS, 1 member from the PC and 5 Clarke County citizen members. At the first meeting of the BOS each calendar year, beginning the Board shall appoint 1 member from the membership of the BOS for a term of 1 year beginning Jan 1; 1 member from the Planning Commission for a 1 year term beginning May 1; and a member or members to fill expiring citizen member terms, for a term of three (3) years beginning Jan 1. Oath of Office Required.

Northwestern Community Services Board

Harris	Lucille		12/21/2010	12/31/2012	12/21/2010
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Fills unexpired term of Kathleen Ruffo

2 Clarke County Members; 2 Term Limit [AKA Chapter 10 Board]

Northwestern Regional Juvenile Detention Center Commission 4 Yr

Wyatt	James		11/18/2008	12/20/2012	10/17/2000
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1 Clarke County Member; 4-year term

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Heflin	Dennis	White Post Rep	9/16/2008	12/31/2012	9/16/2008
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Lichliter	Gary	Russell Rep	11/18/2008	12/31/2012	11/18/1997
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January 2013

Clarke County Sanitary Authority 4 Yr

Mackay-Smith, Jr	Alexander	Vice Chair	12/15/2009	1/5/2013	11/20/2001
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Williams	Ian R.	Chair	11/18/2008	1/5/2013	12/20/2001
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February 2013

			<i>Appt Date</i>	<i>Exp Date</i>	<i>Orig Appt Date:</i>
Board of Zoning Appeals					
		5 Yr			
Kackley	Charles	Russell	2/12/2008	2/15/2013	4/9/1998

Appointed by Circuit Court; BOS letter of recommendation to Clerk. Oath of Office Required - Clerk of Circuit Court; 5 total members: 1 member may be on the Planning Commission Pg 1114 Supv Manual; other 4 have been generally 1 from each magisterial district, although not required.; Section 7-A-1 of the Zoning Ord states: "The Board shall consist of 5 residents Clarke Co. Members of the Board shall hold no other public office in the locality except that 1 may be a member of the Clarke Co Planning Commission."

March 2013

Berryville Area Development Authority					
		3 Yr			
Ohrstrom, II	George	Russell	3/16/2010	3/31/2013	3/20/2007

3 members appointed by the BOS and 3 members appointed by the BTC; Membership set by the County/Town Annexation Agreement of 1988



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November 12, 2012

David L. Ash, County Administrator
County of Clarke
101 Chalmers Court, Suite B
Berryville, Virginia 22611

Dear Mr. Ash:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Ms. Lucille Harris, a member on our Board of Directors, time expires on December 31, 2012. As you well know, the Board of Supervisors appoints the members of our board from the six jurisdictions we provide services to.

I am requesting that Ms. Harris be reappointed for another term due to his representation of Warren County and his extreme professional capacity. Ms. Harris attends most meetings and is an integral part of the decision making process of the board.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (540) 636-4250, ext. 2233.

Sincerely,


Millard F. Hall, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer

MFHjr/keb

pc: Mr. Derek Aston, Board Chair
File

2012 BOS Assignments By Supervisor

	<i>Position</i>	<i>Appt Date</i>	<i>Exp Date</i>
David Ash			
BCCGC Joint Building Committee	County Administrator		
Joint Administrative Services Board	County Administrator		
Northwestern Regional Jail Authority	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Regional Airport Authority	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Barbara J Byrd			
Board of Social Services	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors Finance Committee	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors Personnel Committee	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County Humane Foundation	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County Library Advisory Board	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County Planning Commission	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County School Board	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Northwestern Regional Jail Authority	BOS Liaison - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Northwestern Regional Juvenile Detention Center Commission	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
The Barn Projects	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Towns and Villages: Berryville	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
J. Michael Hobert			
Board of Supervisors	Chair	1/9/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors Finance Committee	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors Personnel Committee	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012

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Emergency Services	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Joint Administrative Services Board	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Legislative Liaison and High Growth Coalition	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Towns and Villages: Berryville	BOS - Liaison - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012

Beverly McKay

Board of Supervisors Finance Committee	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors Personnel Committee	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Building and Grounds	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Housing and Community Services Board	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Towns and Villages: Boyce	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Water Resources Policy Committee	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012

John Staelin

Board of Septic & Well Appeals	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors Finance Committee	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County Industrial Development Authority	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County Litter Committee	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County Planning Commission	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County Sanitary Authority	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Economic Development Advisory Committee	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012

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Towns and Villages: Boyce	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Towns and Villages: Millwood	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Towns and Villages: Pine Grove	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Water Resources Policy Committee	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Alison Teetor			
Water Resources Policy Committee	Staff Representative	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
David Weiss			
Board of Septic & Well Appeals	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors	Vice Chair	1/9/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors Finance Committee	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Board of Supervisors Personnel Committee	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Building and Grounds	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County Agricultural Advisory Committee	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Clarke County School Board	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Conservation Easement Authority	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Joint Administrative Services Board	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Joint Committee of the Joint Government Center	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Regional Airport Authority	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
The 150th Committee	BOS - Appointed Member	2/15/2011	12/31/2015
Towns and Villages: Pine Grove	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012

Clarke County Committee Listing

			<i>Appt Date</i>	<i>Exp Date</i>
<i>Barns of Rose Hill Board of Directors</i>				3 Yr
Johnston	Bill		7/17/2012	12/31/2015
<i>Berryville Area Development Authority</i>				3 Yr
Boyles	Jerry	White Post	4/1/2012	3/31/2015
Ohrstrom, II	George	Russell	3/16/2010	3/31/2013
Smart	Kathy	White Post	3/20/2012	3/31/2014
<i>Berryville Area Development Authority Comprehensive Plan Committee</i>				Open-End
Hobert	J. Michael		1/7/2008	
McKay	Beverly		3/20/2012	
<i>Board of Septic & Well Appeals</i>				4 Yr
Blatz	Joseph	Citizen Member	4/17/2012	2/15/2016
Caldwell	Anne	Planning Commission Vice Chair - Alternate	1/1/2012	12/31/2012
Ohrstrom, II	George	Planning Commission Chair	1/1/2012	12/31/2012
Staelin	John	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Teetor	Alison	Staff Rep		
Weiss	David	BOS Vice Chair - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
<i>Board of Social Services</i>				4 Yr
Brown	Dwight	2010 Vice Chair	7/15/2009	7/15/2013
Byrd	Barbara J.	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Overbey	William		7/17/2012	7/15/2016
Pierce	Edwin Ralph		2/21/2012	12/15/2014
Willingham	J. Lyndon		5/18/2010	7/15/2014
<i>Board of Supervisors</i>				4 Yr
Byrd	Barbara J.	Russell	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
Hobert	J. Michael	Chair, Berryville District	1/1/2011	12/31/2015
McKay	Beverly	White Post District	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
Staelin	John	Millwood/Pine Grove	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
Weiss	David	Vice Chair - Buckmarsh/Blue Ridge	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
<i>Board of Supervisors Finance Committee</i>				1 Yr
Byrd	Barbara J.	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Hobert	J. Michael	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
McKay	Beverly	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Staelin	John	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Weiss	David	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012

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<i>Board of Supervisors Personnel Committee</i>				1 Yr
Byrd	Barbara J.	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Hobert	J. Michael	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
McKay	Beverly	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Weiss	David	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
<i>Board of Zoning Appeals</i>				5 Yr
Borel	Alain F.	White Post	1/20/2009	2/15/2014
Caldwell	Anne	Millwood	1/19/2010	2/15/2015
Kackley	Charles	Russell	2/12/2008	2/15/2013
Means	Howard	Millwood	12/14/2009	2/15/2016
Volk	Laurie	Russell	1/20/2009	2/15/2014
<i>Clarke County Historic Preservation Commission</i>				4 Yr
Baker	H.M.	Russell	5/19/2009	5/31/2013
Bieschke	John K.	White Post	4/21/2009	11/30/2012
Carter	Paige	White Post	5/15/2012	5/31/2016
Fields	Betsy	Berryville District	5/15/2012	5/31/2016
Gilpin	Thomas T.	White Post	5/18/2010	5/31/2014
Hiatt	Marty	Buckmarsh/Blue Ridge	6/19/2007	5/31/2015
Nelson	Clifford	Russell/Planning Commission Rep	2/21/2012	4/30/2013
<i>Clarke County Industrial Development Authority</i>				4 Yr
Armbrust	Wayne	Vice Chair	8/19/2008	10/30/2016
Cochran	Mark		10/18/2011	10/30/2013
Frederickson	Allan	Secretary / Treasurer White Post	12/15/2009	10/30/2013
Jones	Paul	Russell District	5/15/2012	10/30/2015
Juday	David	Chair	12/21/2010	10/30/2014
Pierce	Rodney		8/19/2008	10/30/2016
Staelin	John	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
<i>Clarke County Library Advisory Council</i>				4 Yr
Al-Khalili	Adeela		4/19/2011	4/15/2015
Badanes	Joyce		4/20/2010	4/15/2014
Byrd	Barbara J.	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Curran	Christopher		5/16/2006	4/15/2013
Daisley	Shelley		7/17/2012	4/15/2016
Foster	Nancy		4/17/2012	4/15/2016
Kalbian	Maral		4/19/2011	4/15/2015
Meeks	Robert B.		4/19/2011	4/15/2015
Zinman	Maxine		4/19/2011	4/15/2015

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Staelin	John	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Teetor	Alison	Staff Rep		
<i>Clarke County Planning Commission</i>				4 Yr
Bouffault	Robina Rich	White Post / Greenway	5/15/2012	4/30/2016
Brumback	Clay	White Post / Greenway	6/15/2010	4/30/2014
Caldwell	Anne	Millwood / Chapel; Vice Chair	4/21/2009	4/30/2013
Kreider	Scott	Buckmarsh / Battletown	5/15/2012	4/30/2016
McFillen	Thomas	Berryville / Berryville	5/1/2010	4/30/2014
Nelson	Clifford	Russell / Longmarsh	3/17/2009	4/30/2013
Ohrstrom, II	George	Russell / Longmarsh; Chair	4/19/2011	4/30/2015
Staelin	John	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Steinmetz, II	William	Berryville / Berryville	5/15/2012	4/30/2016
Thuss	Richard	Buckmarsh / Battletown	4/20/2010	11/13/2012
Turkel	Jon	Millwood / Chapel	9/15/2011	4/30/2015
<i>Clarke County Sanitary Authority</i>				4 Yr
Dunning, Jr.	A.R.	White Post District Member	12/15/2009	1/5/2014
Jones	Harry C.	Secretary/Treasurer	7/17/2012	11/30/2012
Legge	Michael	Staff Representative		
Mackay-Smith, Jr.	Alexander	Vice Chair	12/15/2009	1/5/2013
Myer	Joe	Town of Boyce	2/21/2012	1/5/2016
Staelin	John	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Williams	Ian R.	Chair	11/18/2008	1/5/2013
<i>Conservation Easement Authority</i>				3 Yr
Buckley	Randy	White Post	1/1/2011	12/31/2013
Engel	Peter		12/15/2009	12/31/2012
Mackay-Smith	Wingate E.	Chair	1/1/2011	12/31/2013
Ohrstrom, II	George	Planning Commission Rep	4/20/2010	4/30/2013
Teetor	Alison	Clerk - Staff Representative		
Thomas	Walker	Fills unexpired term of Pat McKelvy	11/20/2012	12/31/2015
Wallace	Laure		10/18/2011	12/31/2013
Weiss	David	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
<i>Constitutional Officer</i>				
Butts	Helen	Clerk of the Circuit Court	1/1/2008	12/31/2015
Keeler	Sharon	Treasurer	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
Mackall	Suzanne	Commonwealth Attorney	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
Peake	Donna	Commissioner of the Revenue	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
Roper	Anthony	Sheriff	1/1/2012	12/31/2015

County Administrator

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Ash	David L.	County Administrator	3/19/1991	
<i>Economic Development Advisory Committee</i>				4 Yr
Barb	Jim	Real Estate Rep, Business Owner	11/17/2009	12/31/2013
Conrad	Bryan H.	Agriculture, Fire & Rescue	1/1/2011	12/31/2014
Dunkle	Christy	Town of Berryville Rep	2/21/2012	12/31/2015
Hillerson	Jay	Business Owner	9/15/2009	12/31/2013
Milleson	John R.		8/16/2011	12/31/2014
Myer	Dr. Eric	Agriculture Rep, Business Owner	1/1/2011	12/31/2014
Pritchard	Elizabeth	Hospitality Industry	7/17/2012	8/31/2016
Staelin	John	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
<i>Handley Regional Library Board</i>				4 Yr
Myer	Tamara	Town of Boyce	9/15/2009	11/30/2013
<i>Joint Administrative Services Board</i>				Open-End
Ash	David L.	County Administrator		
Hobert	J. Michael	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Judge	Tom	Staff Representative		
Keeler	Sharon	Treasurer		
Murphy	Michael	School Superintendent		
Schutte	Charles	School Board Representative	1/8/2012	12/31/2012
Weiss	David	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
<i>Legislative Liaison and High Growth Coalition</i>				1 Yr
Hobert	J. Michael	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
<i>Lord Fairfax Community College Board</i>				4 Yr
Daniel	William		7/1/2012	6/30/2016
<i>Lord Fairfax Emergency Medical Services Council</i>				3 Yr
Burns	Jason	Career Representative	7/17/2012	6/30/2015
Coffelt	Lee	Career Representative	9/27/2011	6/30/2014
Wagaman	Julie	Medical Professional	6/30/2010	6/30/2013
<i>Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission</i>				1 Yr
McKay	Beverly	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Staelin	John	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Stidham	Brandon	Staff Representative	6/19/2012	1/31/2013
<i>Northwestern Community Services Board</i>				3 Yr
Harris	Lucille		12/21/2010	12/31/2012
Stieg, Jr.	Robert		3/20/2012	12/31/2014
<i>Northwestern Regional Jail Authority</i>				1 Yr

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			<i>Appt Date</i>	<i>Exp Date</i>
Ash	David L.	BOS - Appointed Member	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Byrd	Barbara J.	BOS - Liaison Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Roper	Anthony	Sheriff	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
Wyatt	James		1/17/2012	12/31/2015
<i>Northwestern Regional Juvenile Detention Center Commission</i>				1 Yr
Byrd	Barbara J.	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Wyatt	James		11/18/2008	12/20/2012
<i>Old Dominion Alcohol Safety Action Policy Board & Division of Court Services</i>				3 Yr
Johnson	Jerry L.		1/18/2011	12/31/2013
<i>Old Dominion Community Criminal Justice Board</i>				3 Yr
Johnson	Jerry L.		1/18/2011	12/31/2013
<i>Our Health</i>				3 Yr
Shipe	Diane		3/15/2010	3/15/2013
<i>Parks & Recreation Advisory Board</i>				4 Yr
Heflin	Dennis	White Post Rep	9/16/2008	12/31/2012
Hobert	J. Michael	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Huff	Ronnie	Town of Berryville Rep	1/1/2012	12/31/2015
Jones	Paul	At-Large	1/1/2011	12/31/2014
Lichliter	Gary	Russell Rep	11/18/2008	12/31/2012
McCall	Michael A.	School Board Rep		12/31/2004
Rhodes	Emily	Buckmarsh	2/21/2012	12/31/2015
Sheetz	Daniel A.	Berryville	5/18/2010	12/31/2013
Trenary	Randy	School Board Representative	1/5/2012	12/31/2013
Wisecarver	Steve	Appointed by Town of Boyce	2/2/2010	12/31/2013
<i>People Inc. of Virginia</i>				3 Yr
Hillerson	Coleen	Clarke County Rep Board of Directors	8/17/2010	7/31/2013
<i>Regional Airport Authority</i>				1 Yr
Ash	David L.	BOS - Alternate	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
Crawford	John		7/17/2012	6/30/2016
Weiss	David	BOS - Liaison	1/17/2012	12/31/2012
<i>Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging, Inc.</i>				4 Yr
Edwards, Jr.	James N.		9/1/2012	9/30/2016
Hudson	John		8/17/2010	9/30/2014
<i>Shenandoah Valley Chief Local Elected Officials Consortium</i>				
Ash	David L.	BOS Designee for Chief Elected Official		

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			<i>Appt Date</i>	<i>Exp Date</i>
<i>The 150th Committee</i>				4 Yr
Al-Khalili	Adeela	Clarke County African-American Cultural Center / Josephine Community Museum	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Davis	Dorothy	Clarke County African-American Cultural Center / Josephine Community Museum	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Heder	Terence	Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Kalblian	Maral	Community Representative	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Lee	Jennifer	Clarke County Historic Museum Representative	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Means	Howard	CCHA Representative	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Morris	Mary	Clarke County Historic Museum Representative	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Murphy	Michael	CCPS Representative	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Russell	Jesse	Staff Representative Economic Development	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Sours, Jr.	John	Community Representative	1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Stieg, Jr.	Robert		1/18/2011	12/31/2015
Weiss	David	BOS - Appointed Member	2/15/2011	12/31/2015
<i>Warren-Clarke County Microenterprise Assistance Program Management Team</i>				2 Yr
Blakeslee	Steve	County Representative	9/18/2012	
Dunkle	Christy	Town of Berryville Representative	9/18/2012	
Greene	Laurel	Town of Boyce Representative	9/18/2012	
Hobbs	Robert	County Representative	9/18/2012	
Hoffman	Michael	County Representative	9/18/2012	
McIntosh	Charles	County Representative	9/18/2012	
Myer	Dr. Eric	Designated Alternate	9/18/2012	
Stidham	Brandon	County Representative	9/18/2012	



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November 14, 2012

David L. Ash
County Administrator
Clarke County
101 Chalmers Court
Suite B
Berryville, Virginia 22611

RE: Shenandoah National Park
Celebrate Shenandoah Committee

Dear Mr. Ash,

In 2012, we concluded a tremendous celebration of the 75th Anniversary of our park, Shenandoah National Park. More than 30 people – including representatives from local county governments and partner organizations, and tourism professionals – volunteered more than 1,900 hours of their time working with park staff, engaging local communities to bring about a year-long celebration of one of the nation's most treasured places. The Committee organized several highly successful events, including the Launching of a Year of Celebration in November 2010, and the Rededication of Shenandoah National Park in June 2011. There were also 64 sanctioned events held in surrounding communities, which helped take our message to thousands of people from around the world.

From the efforts of the 75th Anniversary Committee a successful partnership was forged between jurisdictions bordering Shenandoah and the various conservation organizations and businesses associated with the park. These groups shared the mission of inspiring the public to value the park and region's resources in the Blue Ridge Mountains and infusing surrounding communities in the Shenandoah Valley and Virginia Piedmont with a sense of ownership and pride in the park and region. We believe we accomplished this mission.

On May 24, 2012, approximately 140 representatives of local government, conservation groups, and support organizations came together to chart the future of the park and its relationships. One of the needs identified during the workshop was for communities to continue working together to strengthen ties with the park. The Anniversary Committee has further developed this concept into Celebrate Shenandoah, a group forming to continue this effort.

As the attached bylaws indicate, the organization will include representatives of the park, each of the jurisdictions that border it, various conservation and partner associations, and outlying jurisdictions impacted by the park. Through this effort, we hope to maintain and strengthen the bonds that have been formed so that we can work on issues of mutual interest and help the region



CELEBRATE SHENANDOAH GROUP

Committee Member Appointment

Locality/Organization: Clarke County

Category Level: Four

APPOINTMENT #1

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____ Evening Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

Please Return This Form To:
Celebrate Shenandoah Group
Attn. Doug Stanley
220 North Commerce Avenue, Suite 100
Front Royal, Virginia 22630

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION
Celebrate Shenandoah Group

ARTICLE ONE

MISSION

The mission of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group is to inspire the public to value Shenandoah National Park and the region's resources in Shenandoah's Blue Ridge Mountains and infuse surrounding communities in the Shenandoah Valley and Virginia Piedmont with a sense of ownership and pride in the Park and region.

ARTICLE TWO

MEMBERS

- (1) Category One Members:
Shenandoah National Park

- (2) Category Two Members:
Albemarle County
Augusta County
Greene County
Madison County
Nelson County
Page County
Rappahannock County
Rockingham County
Warren County

- (3) Category three Members:
Aramark
National Parks Conservation Association
Piedmont Environmental Council
Potomac Appalachian Trail Club
Shenandoah National Park Association
Shenandoah National Park Trust
Shenandoah Valley Travel Association
Valley Conservation Council
Virginia Tourism Corporation
City of Harrisonburg
City of Charlottesville
City of Staunton

City of Waynesboro

Category Four Members:

Amherst County
Appomattox County
Buckingham County
Clarke County
Culpeper County
Fauquier County
Fluvanna County
Frederick County
Highland County
Louisa County
Orange County
Rockbridge County
Shenandoah County
City of Harrisonburg
City of Staunton
City of Charlottesville

ARTICLE THREE

GOVERNANCE

Section 1. **Membership.** The initial Representative Committee shall consist of the following:

Category One Members:

Two members:

Shenandoah National Park Superintendent or his/her designee

One employee of the National Park Service appointed by the Superintendent

Category Two Members:

Two members appointed by each member jurisdiction that borders on Shenandoah National Park, one of which shall be a tourism representative. Counties are encouraged to consider appointing a representative from a town to represent the jurisdiction or tourism.

Category Three Members:

One member appointed by each organization.

Category Four Members:

One member appointed by each member jurisdiction that lay just outside those counties that border on Shenandoah National Park. Category Four Members shall be non-voting members.

Section 2. General Powers. The affairs of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group shall be managed by its Representative Committee. Members need not be residents of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Section 3. Number, Tenure, and Qualifications. The Committee Members shall hold office for a term of two (2) years, beginning [REDACTED], 2012. Committee Members shall serve until a successor has been appointed. All powers of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group delegated to the Representative Committee may be exercised by or under the authority of the Representative Committee.

Section 4. Regular Meetings. A regular meeting of the Representative Committee shall be held without any other notice than their Bylaws on the [REDACTED] unless it is a legal holiday, then said meeting shall be held on the next business day. Regular meetings shall be held at a location within the member communities on a rotating basis. The Representative Committee may provide, by resolution, the time and place for holding additional regular meetings without other notice than such resolution. Additional regular meetings shall be held at a location within the member communities in the absence of any designation in the resolution.

Section 5. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Representative Committee may be called by or at the request of the chairman or any two (2) or more members, and shall be held at a place the members may determine.

Section 6. Notice. Notice of any special meeting of the Representative Committee shall be given at least seven calendar days previously thereto by written or oral notice delivered personally or sent by e-mail to each member at his address as shown by the records of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group. If notice is given orally or by e-mail it shall be deemed delivered. Any member may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a member at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting except where a member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. The business to be transacted at the meeting need not be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting, unless specifically required by law or by these Articles.

Section 7. Quorum. A majority of the appointed Category Two Members and majority of the appointed Category Three Members and a representative of Category One Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the board; but if less than a majority of the members is present at a meeting, a majority of the members present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

Section 8. Committee Decisions. The act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Committee, unless the act of a greater number is required by law or by these Articles.

ARTICLE FOUR

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Officers of the organization shall consist of a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. Chair: The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group. The Chair shall determine the location of regular and special meetings.

Section 3. Vice-Chair: During absence or disability of the Chair, the Vice-Chair shall exercise all functions of the Chair.

Section 4. Secretary: The Secretary shall issue notices for all meetings and shall keep the minutes of all meetings.

Section 5. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall have the custody of all moneys and securities of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group and shall keep regular books on account. He/she shall disburse funds of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group in payment of the just demands against the Celebrate Shenandoah Group or as may be ordered by the Representative Committee, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the Representative Committee from time to time as may be required of him/her, an account of all his transactions as Treasurer and of the financial conditions to his office or that are properly required of him by the Representative Committee.

Section 6. Election of Officers:

(a) Officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the appointed members of the Representative Committee at the first regular meeting of the calendar year.

(b) New officers will assume duties of office immediately and will serve for one year.

Section 7. The Chair may appoint Ad Hoc Sub-Committees, as deemed necessary, and appoint a Chairperson for such committees. Permanent Sub-Committees will be voted on by the board.

ARTICLE FIVE

CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS, AND GIFTS

Section 1. Contracts. The Representative Committee may authorize any member or members, agent or agents of the Celebrate Shenandoah Board, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group, and such authority may be general or may be confined to specific instances. The Representative Committee may appoint in writing by agreement a fiscal agent for specific projects.

Section 2. Checks, Drafts, or Orders. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group shall be signed by such person or agent or agents of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Representative Committee.

Section 3. Deposits. All funds of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Representative Committee may select.

Section 4. Gifts. The Representative Committee may accept on behalf of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for any purpose of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group.

ARTICLE SIX

PROJECTS

A five-year strategic plan to include economic development, health of the region, tourism and marketing, community engagement will be developed. An annual work plan may be developed to provide project direction.

ARTICLE SEVEN

BOOKS AND RECORDS

The Celebrate Shenandoah Group shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its Representative Committee and committees having and exercising any of the authority of the Representative Committee. All books and records of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group may be inspected by any member, or its agent or attorney, for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

ARTICLE EIGHT

FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group shall begin on the 1st day of July in each year and end at midnight on the last day of June.

ARTICLE NINE

WAIVER OF NOTICE

Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions or the Articles of Organization of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group, a waiver thereof given by the person and persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE TEN

AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

Section 1. These Articles may be amended at any meeting of the organization by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the appointed members eligible to vote. Notice of the proposed amendment(s) must be provided to the membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting where they are to be voted upon.

Section 2. Any vote regarding amendment of the Articles shall require a quorum of a minimum of fifty-one percent (51%) of appointed members.

Section 3. Voting may be by those present or by advanced written proxy.

ARTICLE ELEVEN

LIABILITY

Section 1. General Liability. No member or committee of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group, or other person shall contract or incur any debt on behalf of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group or in any way render it liable unless authorized by the Committee. No member or committee of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group is authorized to promise moral or financial support of any charitable or other objective without the approval of the Committee.

Section 2. Conflict of Interest. It shall be the policy of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group that all and executives thereof shall scrupulously avoid any conflict

between their own respective individual interests and the interest of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group in any and all actions taken by them on behalf of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group in their respective capacities and that they shall comply with all the prohibited conduct, prohibited contracts and prohibited conduct relating to transactions portions of the Virginia State and Local Governmental Conflict of Interest Act, Sections 2.2-3103 through 2.2-3112 of the code of Virginia as amended.

In the event that any member of the Representative Committee, or executive of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group shall have any direct or indirect interest in or relationship with any individual or organization which proposes to enter into any transaction with the Celebrate Shenandoah Group for the sale, purchase, lease, or rental of property or to render or employ services, personal or otherwise, said officer, member, or executive shall forthwith give the Representative Committee of the Celebrate Shenandoah Group notice of such interest or relationship and shall thereafter refrain from voting or otherwise attempting to exert any influence on the Celebrate Shenandoah Group to affect its decision to participate or not participate to such transactions.

ARTICLE TWELVE

DATE OF ADOPTION

These Articles of Organization are adopted December 16, 2012, and become effective as of _____, 2012.

Attest: _____



Clarke County Board of Supervisors Organizational Meeting and Work Session Agenda

Meeting Room AB Berryville / Clarke County Government Center
101 Chalmers Court, 2nd Floor, Berryville, Virginia

Item

January 7, 2013

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- 1) Call To Order
 - 2) Adoption Of Agenda
 - 3) Organizational Meeting
 - A. Election of 2013 Chair
 - B. Election of 2013 Vice Chair
 - C. Set Date, Place and Time of Regular Meetings
 - D. Adopt Rules of Procedure
 - 4) Clarke County Sheriff's Office Update
 - A. Recent horse seizure case
 - B. Developments with Sheriff's Office construction
 - C. Status report on new 911 phone system

Annual Code of Virginia Distribution:

1. 2.2-3700 The Virginia Freedom of Information Act
2. 42.1-76 Virginia Public Records Act
3. 2.2-3100 State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act

Note: The order in which Agenda items are considered may be changed to assure that public hearings are started as close as possible to the scheduled time

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Clarke County Board of Supervisors

Organizational Meeting

- A. Election of 2013 Chair
- B. Election of 2013 Vice Chair
- C. Set Date, Place and Time of Regular Meetings
- D. Adopt Rules of Procedure

2013 Draft Clarke County Board of Supervisors Meeting Schedule

<i>Meeting Type</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Additional Info</i>
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	January 15	1 pm	
FY2014 Budget Staff Revenue Review	Monday	January 14	2 pm	
FY2014 Budget Finance Committee	Tuesday	January 22	5 pm	Revenue Review
FY2014 Budget Finance Committee	Tuesday	January 29	5 pm	Agency Presentations
FY2014 Budget Work Session	Monday	February 4	10 am	County Administrator presentation
FY2014 Budget Finance Committee	Wednesday	February 6	8 am	School Finance Invitation [at 309 West Main]
Committee Meetings	Monday	February 11	9:30 am	
FY2014 Budget Work Session	Monday	February 11	10 am	Direction to County Administrator
FY2014 Budget Finance Committee	Thursday	February 14	5 pm	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	February 19	1 pm	
FY2014 Budget Finance Committee	Wednesday	February 20	8 am	School Finance Invitation [at 309 West Main]
FY2014 Budget Finance Committee	Thursday	February 21	5 pm	
FY2014 Budget Work Session	Tuesday	March 5	7 pm	School Board Presentation
FY2014 Budget Finance Committee	Thursday	March 7	5 pm	
Committee Meetings	Monday	March 11	9:30 am	
FY2014 Budget Work Session	Monday	March 11	10 am	
FY2014 Budget Finance Committee	Thursday	March 14	5 pm	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	March 19	1 pm	

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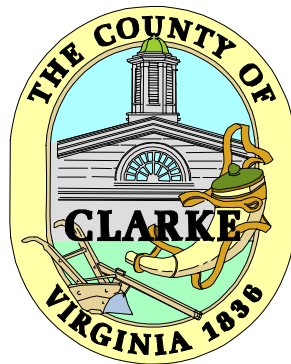
<i>Meeting Type</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Additional Info</i>
Regular Meeting Evening Session	Tuesday	March 19	6:30 pm	FY2014 Budget – Final Number
FY2014 Budget and Tax Rate Public Hearing	Wednesday	April 10	7:30 pm	
Committee Meetings	Monday	April 8	9:30 am	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	April 16		
FY2014 Budget Work Session	Wednesday	April 17	6:30 pm	Adopt Budget and Appropriations
Committee Meetings	Monday	May 13	9:30 am	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	May 21	1 pm	
Committee Meetings	Monday	June 10	9:30 am	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	June 18	1 pm	
Committee Meetings	Monday	July 8	9:30 am	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	July 16	1 pm	
Committee Meetings	Monday	August 12	9:30 am	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	August 20	1 pm	
Committee Meetings	Monday	September 9	9:30 am	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	September 17	1 pm	
Committee Meetings	Monday	October 7	9:30 am	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	October 15	1 pm	
Committee Meetings	Wednesday	November 13	9:30 am	*Staff Recommendation
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	November 19	1 pm	
Committee Meetings	Monday	December 9	9:30 am	
Regular Meeting	Tuesday	December 17	1 pm	

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Clarke County, Virginia Board of Supervisors Rules of Procedure



Record of Revisions

<i>Revision No.</i>	<i>Revision Date</i>	<i>Description of Change</i>	<i>Approval Initials</i>
New	01/15/02	New Document	
1	01/21/03	For consistent language, use Chair and Vice Chair throughout document. Information map and add attachment section: Closed Meetings Procedure, Sample Sign-in Sheets Citizen Comments and Public Hearing	
N/A	1/12/04	Reviewed and adopted as written – no change	
2	1/18/05	Page 13, Article IV Conduct of Business, Section 4-1. Order of Business, Item J Public Hearings be moved to G; Item I Scheduled Presentations moved to H, and the section renumbered accordingly	
3	1/17/06	<i>2006 date set for Board meetings is the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 2:00 pm; The alternate date for meetings for 2006 was set for 2:00 pm on the Thursday following the regularly-scheduled Tuesday; Page 12 Conduct of Business move Item (g) Public Hearings to Item (n) and list Item (e) Citizens' Comment in afternoon and evening session as Item (m)</i>	
4	3/20/07	<i>2007 regular meeting date and alternate remain unchanged. Start time changed from 2:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Section 4-5 Scheduled Presentations add bullet "The bias of the Board is that the Chair . . . rest of the Board at the meeting."</i>	
5	01/12/2009	Amend Section 1-1. Annual Meeting; Schedule of Regular Meetings Main Meeting Room, Berryville Clarke County Joint Government Center, Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room of the Circuit Courthouse, Berryville, Virginia; Amend Section 3-3. Posting and Notice and included with the calendars mailed pursuant to § 2-2-3707(E) of the Code of Virginia, as amended. ; Amend Section 5-6. Order of Speaking; Remove Attachment C	
6	01/01/2010	Amend 1-8 Reconsideration of Motions, Etc., Upon Which Vote Has Been: Remove At any meeting of the Board, ... Add - A motion to reconsider may only be made at the meeting at which the vote was taken, or at the next succeeding regular meeting of the Board or at any intervening meeting of the Board before the next succeeding regular meeting of the Board. Announced 4-1 Order of Business: Add School Board Update after Adoption of Agenda, Add Board Member Committee Status Reports after Closed Session [when necessary]	
7	01/01/2011	3.3 change from www.co.clarke.va.us to www.clarkecounty.gov ; 3.4 change from the Public Library to official County website ; add Individuals desiring complete paper copies . . .;	

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Article I—Meetings

Section 1-1. Annual Meeting; Schedule of Regular Meetings

On the third Tuesday of January of each year, or on such other date in the month of January as it may designate, the Board shall assemble in the Main Meeting Room, Berryville Clarke County Joint Government Center or such other public place as it may designate, in regular session and conduct its annual or organizational meeting.

During the course of such meeting, the Board shall fix the date, time, and place of all of its regular meetings during the ensuing calendar year, and shall fix the day on which a regular meeting shall be continued should the Chair later declare that weather or other conditions make it hazardous for members to attend.

Thereafter, no changes shall be made to the schedule of regular meetings and continued dates of same unless the requirements of Section 15.2-1416 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, are first met.

Section 1-2. Special Meetings

The Board of Supervisors may hold such special meetings as it deems necessary and at such times and places as it may find convenient.

A special meeting can only be called pursuant to the requirements imposed by Sections 15.2-1417 and 15.2-1418 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

Section 1-3. Adjourned Meetings

Upon majority vote of the members attending, the Board may continue its meetings, regular or special, from time to time as it may find convenient or necessary with no requirement to further advertise or announce.

Section 1-4. Quorum and Method of Voting

At any meeting, a majority of the Supervisors shall constitute a quorum.

All questions submitted to the Board for decision shall be determined by a majority vote of the Supervisors present and voting on any such question, unless otherwise provided by law or these Rules of Procedure.

The name of each member voting and how he or she voted will be recorded for each action taken by the Board of Supervisors.

The Board of Supervisors has elected not to have a tiebreaker, as provided for by the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

Section 1-5. Motions

Subject to limitations imposed hereafter in these rules, discussion of items on the agenda shall be permitted for purposes of clarifying the issues and/or the options available for consideration.

No call for a vote shall be allowed until a member of the Board moves a specific action with reasonable clarity and each member of the Board has thereafter had an opportunity to speak to the specific motion. Motions shall not require a second.

When possible, Board members making complex, multi-part, or lengthy motions are requested to provide the clerk with a written copy of the motion at the time the motion is made.

Section 1-6. Motion to Adjourn

At a meeting of the Board, a motion to adjourn shall always be in order and shall be decided without debate, provided each member of the Board is given a reasonable opportunity to be heard.

Section 1-7. Motions While a Question is Under Debate

When a motion is under debate at a meeting of the Board no motion shall be received unless it is one:

- To amend,
 - To commit,
 - To postpone,
 - For the previous question,
 - For a substitute motion to lay on the table,
 - Or to adjourn.
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Section 1-8. Reconsideration of Motions, Etc., Upon Which Vote Has Been Announced

When any vote upon any motion, resolution, ordinance, or question has been previously announced, it may not be reconsidered unless and until a motion to that effect is presented by a member of the Board who previously voted with the prevailing side when such motion, resolution, ordinance, or question was considered. A motion to reconsider may only be made at the meeting at which the vote was taken, or at the next succeeding regular meeting of the Board or at any intervening meeting of the Board before the next succeeding regular meeting of the Board.

Any such motion to reconsider shall be decided by a majority vote of the members present at the time such motion to reconsider is presented.

Section 1-9. Robert's Rules of Order; Suspending Rules

The proceedings of the Board of Supervisors, except as otherwise provided in these rules and by applicable State law, shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

These Rules of Procedure of the Board may only be suspended on presentation of a motion to that effect, which is carried by unanimous vote of the members present and voting.

Section 1-10. Board to Sit with Open Doors

The Board of Supervisors shall sit with open doors, and all persons conducting themselves in an orderly manner may attend the meetings. However, the Board may hold closed meetings as permitted by law.

Closed meetings may be placed on the agenda, or may be requested by any member of the Board. However, no closed meeting shall be convened unless and until the Board has favorably acted on a motion to so convene, and, then, only if such motion accurately states a lawful reason for such closed meeting as permitted by and outlined in Section 2.2-3701344 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

For additional detail, refer to Attachment A – Closed Meetings Procedure of this document.

Section 1-11. Limitations on duration and hour of meetings; Adjournment

Meetings of the Board of Supervisors shall not continue for more than three [3] consecutive hours or later than 10:00 pm without the consent of a majority of the members present.

Should it appear to the Chair that the matter or matters before the Board cannot be heard within the time remaining, the Chair shall poll the members of the Board to determine the desire of the members.

The Chair shall adjourn or recess the meeting upon final action on the current agenda item unless a majority of the members agree to exceed the limits established by this section.

Any items not taken up by the Board of Supervisors prior to adjourning will be added to the agenda of the next meeting without further action of the Board.

Article II—Officers

Section 2-1. Chair and Vice Chair

At the annual or organizational meeting of the Board of Supervisors, as described in Section 1-3 hereof, the Board shall elect from its membership a Chair and a Vice Chair, each of whom shall serve for a one-year term expiring on December 31st of the same year in which he or she is elected, provided however, that unless the term of office has expired and the member has not been re-elected, the Chair and Vice-Chair shall serve until their respective successor(s) shall have been elected and qualify.

In the event that the Chair is absent from any meeting the Vice Chair shall assume the authority and duties of the Chair.

In the event the Chair and Vice Chair are absent from any meeting of the Board, then, the members present at such meeting shall choose one of their number as temporary Chair by majority vote of the members present and voting.

Section 2-2. Authority of the Chair

The efficient and dignified conduct of public business is the ultimate concern of the Board. Accordingly, it is the policy of the Board that its meetings be conducted with the highest degree of order and decorum, and the Board will permit no behavior, which is not in keeping with this policy.

The Chair shall preserve order and decorum at all meetings.

- He shall recognize persons desiring to speak and shall ensure that speaker's comments are limited to the issue before the Board for consideration and that any limitations on time are observed.
 - The Chair shall ensure that all persons entitled and desiring to speak are permitted to do so without interruption or comment during their presentation.
 - The Chair shall determine if statements are demeaning, inappropriate, or out of order, and shall have the authority to revoke the speaker's right to continue.
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Section 2-2 Authority of the Chair Continued

The Chair may order the expulsion of any person for violation of rules, disruptive behavior, or any words or action that incite violence or disorder, subject to appeal to the Board.

- Any person so expelled shall not be readmitted for the remainder of the meeting from which he was expelled.
 - Any person who has been so expelled and who at a later meeting again engages in words or actions justifying expulsion may be barred from
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attendance at future meetings of the Board for a specified and reasonable period of time not to exceed six months or upon a still subsequent expulsion, a period not to exceed one year, either by the Chair, subject to appeal to the board, or by motion passed by the Board.

The Chair shall have the power to administer an oath of honesty to any person concerning any matter submitted to the Board, or, connected with its powers and duties. The power to administer an oath granted to the Chair in this section shall be no greater than the same power authorized by Section 15.2-1410 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

Section 2-3. Clerk

The Clerk of the Board shall be the County Administrator, and the duties and responsibilities of that position shall be as specified in Sections 15.2-407 and 15.2-1539 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended.

At the discretion of the Board, any County employee can be designated as Deputy Clerk, or Temporary Clerk, as the circumstances may require, and said employee shall have the same powers and duties outlined herein for the duration of said appointment.

Article III—Agenda

Section 3-1. Preparation

The Clerk shall prepare an Agenda for each meeting of the Board of Supervisors, conforming to the order of business specified in Section 4-1 under Order of Business.

- Supporting information for every item to be placed on the Regular Meeting Agenda shall be received in the Office of the County Administrator before the close of the working day on the Monday that falls in the week immediately prior to the regularly scheduled Board meeting.
 - Agendas for special meetings shall be prepared as far in advance as the circumstances necessitating the special meeting allow.
 - The clerk shall include on the agenda all matters for which a written request and supporting information have been received in advance of the deadline herein established.
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Section 3-2. Delivery

Each member of the Board shall receive the Regular Meeting Agenda, along with the supporting information available to staff, on the Friday of the week prior to the regular meeting to be held on the third Tuesday of each month.

Special meeting Agendas and supporting information will be delivered as far in advance as the circumstances necessitating the special meeting allow.

Section 3-3. Posting and Notice

A copy of the Meeting Agendas shall be available in the Office of the County Administrator as of the date and time the information is distributed to members of the Board.

Agendas will also be posted on the County Web page at www.clarkecounty.gov.

Section 3-4. Copies

The Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Board shall prepare or cause to be prepared extra copies of the Agenda and supporting information, and shall make the same available to the public in the Office of the County Administrator and official County website at the same time that the Agenda is posted pursuant to Section 3-3, above.

Individuals desiring complete paper copies of Agenda packages shall arrange with the Clerk for the delivery and cost of the information desired.

The Clerk or Deputy Clerk shall also have a copy of agenda packet available at each meeting.

**Article IV—Conduct Of
Business**

*Section 4-1. Order of
Business*

At meetings of the Board, the order of business should normally be as follows:

- (a) Call to Order
- (b) Adoption of Agenda
- (c) School Board Update
- (d) Citizens' Comment
- (e) Department of Transportation Matters
- (f) Approval of Minutes
- (g) Approval of Consent Agenda
- (h) Scheduled Presentations
- (i) Ratification of Committee Action
- (j) Joint Administrative Services Board Monthly Update
- (k) Project Update
- (l) Miscellaneous Items
- (m) Summary of Required Action
- (n) Board Member Committee Status Reports
- (o) Closed Session (when required)

When public hearings are scheduled, there will be a recess at this point until 6:30 pm and Items (p), (q), and (r) shall be conducted.

- (p) Citizens' Comment
- (q) Public Hearings (when required)
- (r) Adjournment

*Section 4-2. Adoption
of Agenda*

The Agenda presented for adoption shall be the agenda prepared and delivered as required in Article III.

Additions, deletions, or modifications to the agenda shall require the consent of a majority of the members of the Board present at the meeting.

Section 4-3. Consent

The Consent Agenda shall be introduced by a motion "to approve the Consent

Agenda

Agenda", and shall be considered by the Board as a single item. There shall be no debate or discussion by any member of the Board regarding any item on the Consent Agenda, beyond asking questions for simple clarification.

On objection by any member of the Board of Supervisors to inclusion of any item on the Consent Agenda, that item shall be removed from the Consent Agenda forthwith.

- Such objection may be recorded at any time prior to completing the taking of a vote on the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
- Items, which have been objected to and removed from the Consent Agenda, shall be moved to the Miscellaneous Item on the agenda and be considered individually and in the order in which they were objected to.

Approval of the motion to approve the Consent Agenda shall constitute approval, adoption, or enactment of each motion, resolution, or other item of business thereon, exactly as if each had been acted upon individually.

Section 4-4. Citizen Comment Period.

Any person desiring to address the Board of Supervisors at the Citizen Comment period shall be required to abide by the rules governing such presentations as set forth in these rules in Article VI—Citizen Responsibilities.

A register for persons desiring to address the Board of Supervisors during the Citizen Comment Period shall be furnished prior to the beginning of every regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors. [For sample, refer to Attachment B – Citizen Comment Period – Sign-In Sheet of this document.] Citizens desiring to address the Board of Supervisors during this period shall provide their name, the issue they want to address, and their place of residence on the register provided.

Each speaker at a Citizen's Comment Period shall be limited to one appearance at each regular meeting of the Board and only issues that are not scheduled for future Public Hearings may be addressed. Individuals speaking during the Citizens' Comment Period shall be subject to a five-minute time limitation.

Members of the Board shall neither engage in debate with, nor shall they be expected to answer questions posed by individuals speaking during the Citizen Comment period.

Should a review of the register indicate that more than two persons desire to speak on the same issue during the Citizen Comment Period the Chair may ask those desiring to speak to pick two people to represent their views.

- If those desiring to speak cannot agree on two representative speakers the
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Chair shall let the first two citizens speak for up to 5 minutes each but may limit subsequent speakers to the time required to present different opinions or new information.

- In lieu of the above, a majority of the Board of Supervisors present and voting at the meeting may direct the matter be scheduled for public comment at the next regular meeting of the Board, and defer public comment until that time.

*Section 4-5.
Scheduled
Presentations*

Any person desiring to address the Board of Supervisors at a Scheduled Presentation period of a Board of Supervisors meeting shall be required to abide by the rules governing such presentations as set forth in these rules in Article VI—Citizen Responsibilities.

Any citizen or staff member who desires to address the Board during the “Scheduled Presentations” portion of the Agenda at a Regular Meeting shall submit a written request to the Clerk, or his/her designee, identifying, with reasonable certainty, the subject matter of the presentation.

- Such request must be in the Clerk’s hands not later than the Agenda deadline specified in Section 3-1 hereof.
- The bias of the Board is that the Chair should honor all such requests and the person making the request should be allowed at least five [5] minutes of meeting time to address the Board. However, the Chair may delay the request to a future meeting or decline the request entirely if the meeting schedule is full or the topic is deemed to be inappropriate. Any such action on the part of the Chair must be reported to the rest of the Board at the meeting.
- Only the person requesting to make the presentation may do so, unless otherwise permitted by the Chair, and every such speaker shall be subject to a five minute time limit for the presentation itself, which limit can be extended with agreement of the Chair.
- Board Member questions and discussion of the material presented shall not be subject to any time limit.
- Persons making presentations should be prepared to answer questions and provide detailed information in response to questions from members of the Board.

Article V – Public Hearings

Section 5-1. Format for Public Hearings

It is the purpose and objective of the Board of Supervisors to give each citizen an opportunity to express his/her views on the issue(s) at hand at public hearings and to give all speakers equal treatment and courtesy.

While it is often necessary to have a presentation by an applicant and staff, it is the desire of the Board to hear from the public, and therefore, the applicant and staff presentations will be as brief as possible.

In order to accomplish this objective it is necessary that certain rules of order prevail at all hearings of the Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 5-2. Order of Business

At public hearings, the order of business will be as follows:

- (a) Identification of Issue and Verification of Notice
 - (b) Staff and/or Applicant Presentation
 - (c) Public Comment
 - (d) Board Member Questions
 - (e) Staff, Applicant or Public Response
 - (f) Close of Public Hearing
 - (g) Board discussion and/or consideration
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Section 5-3. Identification of Issue and Verification of Required Notice

The Chair shall call upon the appropriate County Staff member to verify that any required notice has been given and to read or summarize the notice for the benefit of those attending the public hearing.

Section 5-4. Staff and/or applicant presentation

The Chair will call upon the appropriate County staff and/or applicant to present such information as is necessary to explain the action requested of the Board of Supervisors.

Presentations will be brief, concise summaries for the Supervisor's and the public's information and understanding, provided that sufficient time will be allowed to present, properly and fairly, the subject matter.

When written information has been provided prior to the hearing, that information

should be summarized and only new information should be presented in detail.

Section 5-5. Public Comment

Any person desiring to address the Board of Supervisors at a Public Hearing conducted by the Board of Supervisors shall be required to abide by the rules governing such presentations as set forth in these rules in Article VI—Citizen Responsibilities.

Prior to permitting public comment, the Chair shall determine, to the best of his ability, the approximate number of persons desiring to comment at the public hearing and shall establish the manner in which speakers are recognized and the length of time each may speak.

Should the Chair determine that the likely number of persons desiring to speak is 10 or more in number, he may direct that individuals desiring to speak register with staff, providing their name and the district in which they reside. Should registration be required, the Chair shall verify that all such registration has been completed before beginning the hearing begins.

Section 5-6. Order of Speaking

Members of the public shall be permitted to speak as the Chair recognizes each, provided that no member of the public shall be recognized to speak a second time until all persons desiring to speak have had an opportunity to do so. In the event the number of persons desiring to speak necessitates a register, speakers shall be recognized in the order in which they have registered.

In the event the number of speakers results in the continuation of a public hearing, any persons registered but not heard at the initial Public Hearing will be the first given an opportunity to speak at the continued hearing.

Section 5-7. Presentation of Comments

Each person may address the Board as many times as the Chair, in his or her discretion, may allow, but no speaker shall exceed the total time limit set by the Chair regardless of the number of times recognized.

Section 5-8. Supervisors' Questions

Upon completion of a presentation by staff, applicant or member of the public, any Member of the Board may ask questions to enhance their understanding of the issue, verify information presented or clarify the action or actions requested.

Members of the Board shall not engage in debate with the person or persons making the presentation.

Section 5-9. Close of

When the Chair of the Board shall have closed a Public Hearing no further public

Hearing

comments shall be received.

At the close of the public hearing, the Board of Supervisors shall, at its discretion, act or defer action upon the matter set for public hearing. In the event the Board defers action to a later date, the record shall be left open to receive written comments up until the time that a vote is taken.

**Article VI—Citizen
Responsibilities**

*Section 6-1.
Application of Rules.*

Any person desiring to address the Board of Supervisors during any portion of a meeting designated for public comment shall be required to abide by the rules governing such presentations as hereafter set forth in these rules.

*Section 6-2.
Addressing the Board.*

All persons speaking at a meeting of the Board during any portion of a meeting designated for public comment shall address their comments to the Board of Supervisors and shall limit their comments to the matter before the Board of Supervisors. Speakers shall not engage in debate with other speakers or members of the public.

Questions shall not be asked of other speakers, but may be directed to the Chair of the Board for consideration by the Board in later deliberating the matter.

*Section 6-3. Conduct
while Speaking*

Persons speaking at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors shall do so in a courteous manner.

- Cursing or other obscene language or gestures; threats; insults; or other actions intended to harass, provoke or incite a fight, brawl, or other such disorderly response will not be permitted.
 - Any person whose conduct is contrary to this section will be removed as provided for in section 2-2. of these rules.
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*Section 6-4. Name
and place of
residence.*

Individuals addressing the Board during any portion of a meeting designated for public comment shall clearly state their name and place of residence prior to making any further comments. Should a person be recognized to speak more than once, they shall identify themselves each time before speaking.

*Section 6-5.
Organizational
Representation*

Any person speaking at any portion of a meeting designated for public comment, who represents himself as being an officer or representative of an organization, group, association, corporation, or other entity, shall, upon request of a member of the Board,

- (a) Disclose for the organization, group, association, corporation, or other entity,
 - (b) The history,
 - (c) Size,
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- (d) Dues,
 - (e) Structure,
 - (f) Date of creation,
 - (g) Requirements for membership,
 - (h) Tax status; and
 - (i) Shall reveal the organizations method of determining its official position, and
 - (j) The speaker's authority to represent the organization.

Unreasonable failure to provide this information to the satisfaction of the Board of Supervisors shall bar the speaker from speaking on behalf of the organization.

Section 6-6. Order of Speaking

Persons speaking during any portion of a meeting designated for public comment shall do so in the order in which they are recognized and called upon by the Chair.

Section 6-7. Time Limits

All persons speaking during any portion of a meeting designated for public comment shall observe all time limits established by the board and shall yield the floor when informed their time has expired.

Section 6-8. Registration.

Should registration of speakers be required, all persons desiring to speak shall sign the register, providing their name and place of residence.

Section 6-9. Written copy of comments

Speakers are requested, but not required, to leave written statements and/or comments with the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Board to be incorporated into the written record of the meeting.

Section 6-10. Information sources

No person who speaks or otherwise presents information during any portion of a meeting designated for public comment shall knowingly present false or untrue information to the Board of Supervisors, and shall, upon request of any Board Member, provide the source of any information presented.

**Article VII—
Appointments**

*Section 7-1.
Appointments*

Subject to ratification of a majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors, the Chair shall appoint members of the Board to such authorities, boards, commissions, committees or other organizations or positions as the Board shall so authorize.

**Article VIII—
Amendments**

*Section 8-1.
Amendments*

These Rules of Procedure may, from time to time, be revised, repealed, or otherwise amended upon an affirmative vote by a majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors present and voting.

Attachments

- A. Closed Meetings Procedure
 - B. Citizen Comment Sign-in Sheet
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Attachment A – Closed Meetings Procedure

Closed Meetings can be held only for discussion of certain limited topics and can be entered only from a properly convened public meeting upon motion of a member of the Board of Supervisors. Most frequently, the Board of Supervisors convenes a closed session to discuss one of the following:

- Specific Employees or appointees of the Board - §2.2-3711-A1
- Acquisition or Sale of Property - §2.2-3711-A3
- Privacy of individuals in personal matters - §2.2-3711-A4
- Discussion of unannounced business location - §2.2-3711-A5
- Discussion of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved - §2.2-3711-A6
- Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. - §2.2-3711-A7
- Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body - §2.2-3711-A29

To convene a closed session, a member of the Board of Supervisors should:

“Move to convene a closed session pursuant to Section (see section number above), of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to discuss (identify to extent possible).”

To reconvene in public session after a closed session, the Board of Supervisors should readmit the public and only then a member of the Board should:

“Move to reconvene in open session.” With the vote taken immediately thereafter.

Next, a member of the Board should:

“Move to certify that to the best of the member’s knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Chapter 2.2-3700, et sec, of the Code of Virginia, as amended, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board.”

A roll-call vote is required. Any member of the Board who believes that there was a departure from the requirements of the certifications in the above motion shall so state prior to the vote, indicating the substance of the departure that, in his judgment, has taken place. That statement shall be recorded in the minutes of the Board.

Attachment B – Citizen Comment Period – Sign-In Sheet

Citizen Comment Period - Sign-In Sheet

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If you are representing an Organization: Rules of Procedure - Section 6-5. – Organizational Representation

Any person speaking at any portion of a meeting designated for public comment, who represents himself as being an officer or representative of an organization, group, association, corporation, or other entity, shall, upon request of a member of the Board, disclose for the organization, group, association, corporation, or other entity, the history, size, dues, structure, date of creation, requirements for membership, tax status; and shall reveal the organizations method of determining its official position and the speaker's authority to represent the organization. Unreasonable failure to provide this information to the satisfaction of the Board of Supervisors shall bar the speaker from speaking on behalf of the organization.

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2012 FOIA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

NOTE: *Unless otherwise stated, the changes in the law described herein will take effect July 1, 2011.*

I. Introduction

The General Assembly passed a total of 10 bills amending the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) during the 2012 Session.

Of the 10 bills, two bills create new records exemptions as follows:

- Creates an exemption for personal information in constituent correspondence, unless the correspondence relates to the transaction of public business. HB 141 (Cole) amending § 2.2-3705.7;
- Creates an exemption for records of a fire/EMS company or fire/EMS department, to the extent that they disclose the telephone numbers for cellular telephones, pagers, or comparable portable communication devices provided to its personnel for use in the performance of their official duties. SB 193 (Miller) amending § 2.2-3705.2.

Eight bills amend existing provisions of FOIA as follows:

- Establishes the Virginia All-Payer Claims Database. Among other changes, amends an existing exemption for certain records disclosed to the State Health Commission to exempt certain records of the Virginia All-Payer Claims Database as well. HB 343 (O'Bannon) and SB 135 (Puller) amending § 2.2-3705.6;
- Provides that a member of a public body shall be permitted to attend a closed meeting held by any of its committees or subcommittees, provided such member does not participate in any discussions held by the committee or subcommittee conducting the closed meeting. The bill requires that the minutes of the committee or subcommittee include the identity of such member who attended the closed meeting. HB 480 (Albo) amending § 2.2-3712;
- Changes the terminology used for mental health and developmental services, including technical changes within several existing provisions of FOIA. HB 552 (Garrett) and SB 387 (Martin) amending §§ 2.2-3705.3, 2.2-3705.5, and 2.2-3711;

- Reorganizes the executive branch of state government. The bill contains numerous technical amendments to FOIA and other laws to accomplish this reorganization. HB 1291 (Gilbert) and SB 678 (McDougle) amending §§ 2.2-3705.2, 2.2-3705.3, 2.2-3705.5, and 2.2-3711;
- Amends an existing exemption to include certain information furnished to the Attorney General under the Virginia Fraud Against Taxpayers Act. SB 451 (Vogel) amending § 2.2-3705.5.

Section II of this update presents a brief overview of amendments to FOIA section by section in order to provide context and organization to the numerous bills. Section III presents a brief overview of other access-related legislation passed during the 2012 Session of the General Assembly.

For more specific information on the particulars of each bill, please see the bill itself. Unless otherwise indicated, the changes will become effective July 1, 2012.

II. Amendments to the Freedom of Information Act

§ 2.2-3705.2. Exclusions to application of chapter; records relating to public safety.

Governor's reorganization of executive branch of state government. Reorganizes the executive branch of state government. The bill contains numerous technical amendments to FOIA and other laws to accomplish this reorganization. HB 1291 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 803) and SB 678 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 835).

Freedom of Information Act; exemption for cell phone numbers for EMS personnel and firefighters. Provides an exemption from the mandatory disclosure provisions of the Freedom of Information Act for records of a fire/EMS company or fire/EMS department, to the extent that they disclose the telephone numbers for cellular telephones, pagers, or comparable portable communication devices provided to its personnel for use in the performance of their official duties. SB 193 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 617).

§ 2.2-3705.3. Exclusions to application of chapter; records relating to administrative investigations.

Mental health and developmental services; terminology. Replaces the terms "mental retardation" and "mental deficiency" with the term "intellectual disability" when referring to the diagnosis of, and with the term "developmental" when referring to services for, individuals with intellectual disabilities; replaces the terms "mentally retarded," "mentally deficient," and "mentally defective" with the term "individual with intellectual disability"; replaces the terms "consumer," "patient," and "resident" with the term "individual receiving services" when used in connection with mental health or developmental services; updates the Code to reflect proper terminology for state hospitals

for individuals with mental illness and state training centers for individuals with intellectual disabilities; defines the terms "behavioral health services," "developmental services," "individual receiving services," "intellectual disability," and "mental health services"; and revises the definition of "training center." This bill contains technical amendments. HB 552 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 507) and SB 387 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 476).

Governor's reorganization of executive branch of state government. *See summary under § 2.2-3705.2, supra.* HB 1291 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 803) and SB 678 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 835).

§ 2.2-3705.5. Exclusions to application of chapter; health and social services records.

Mental health and developmental services; terminology. *See summary under § 2.2-3705.3, supra.* HB 552 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 507) and SB 387 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 476).

Governor's reorganization of executive branch of state government. *See summary under § 2.2-3705.2, supra.* HB 1291 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 803) and SB 678 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 835).

Virginia Fraud Against Taxpayers Act; regulation of medical assistance. Makes several changes to the Virginia Fraud Against Taxpayers Act (VFATA) and the laws governing the Attorney General's duties with regard to the regulation of medical assistance, including (i) exempting certain information furnished to the Attorney General from disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, (ii) imposing a three-year statute of limitations on claims for employer retaliation under the VFATA, (iii) permitting the Attorney General to share information obtained as part of a VFATA investigation with other state and federal governmental entities, (iv) allowing the Attorney General to propound interrogatories as part of an investigation of services furnished under medical assistance, and (v) requiring health care entities to disclose records to the Attorney General in connection with such investigations. SB 451 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 479).

§ 2.2-3705.6. Exclusions to application of chapter; proprietary records and trade secrets.

Virginia All-Payer Claims Database; creation. Establishes the Virginia All-Payer Claims Database system, in order to facilitate data-driven, evidence-based improvements in access, quality, and cost of health care and to improve the public health through understanding of health care expenditure patterns and operation and performance of the health care system. Entities that choose to submit claims data to the database shall do so pursuant to data use and submission agreements executed with the nonprofit organization that contracts with the Commissioner of Health for public health data needs. The bill also directs the Commissioner to develop a work group to study continuing health information

needs in the Commonwealth. HB 343 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 693) and SB 135 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 709).

§ 2.2-3705.7. Exclusions to application of chapter; records of specific public bodies and certain other limited exemptions.

Freedom of Information Act; personal information in constituent correspondence.

Provides an exemption from the mandatory disclosure provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) for the names, physical addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses contained in correspondence between an individual and a member of the governing body, school board, or other public body of the locality in which the individual is a resident, unless the correspondence relates to the transaction of public business. The bill provides that no record that is otherwise open to inspection under FOIA shall be deemed exempt by virtue of the fact that it has been attached to or incorporated within any such correspondence. HB 141 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 726).

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

Mental health and developmental services; terminology. *See summary under § 2.2-3705.3, supra.* HB 552 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 507) and SB 387 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 476).

Governor's reorganization of executive branch of state government. *See summary under § 2.2-3705.2, supra.* HB 1291 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 803) and SB 678 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 835).

§ 2.2-3712. Closed meetings procedures; certification of proceedings.

Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA); attendance by certain members in a closed meeting. Provides that a member of a public body shall be permitted to attend a closed meeting held by any of its committees or subcommittees, provided such member does not participate in any discussions held by the committee or subcommittee conducting the closed meeting. The bill requires that the minutes of the committee or subcommittee include the identity of such member who attended the closed meeting. HB 480 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 428).

III. Other Access-Related Legislation

Uncodified Acts.

Budget Bill. Provides an exemption for certain records of the Virginia Information Technologies Agency pertaining to its contracts with a private entity regarding the operation of the Commonwealth's information technology infrastructure. HB 1301, Item 31, ¶ E 4. (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 3.)

Budget Bill. Provides for access to certain records of the Department of Forensic Science related to the Post Conviction DNA Testing Program. HB 1301, Item 405, ¶¶ B 1 and B 2. (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 3.)

Budget Bill. Provides an exemption for certain records of the Geographic Information Network Division of the Virginia Information Technologies Agency. HB 1301, Item 424, ¶ B. (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 3.)

Title 2.2 Administration of Government.

Government Data Collection and Dissemination Practices Act; not applicable to certain records of the Department of Social Services. Provides that the provisions of the Government Data Collection and Dissemination Practices Act do not apply to personal information systems maintained by the Department of Social Services related to child welfare, adult services or adult protective services, or public assistance programs when requests for personal information are made to the Department of Social Services. Such personal information requests are required to be made to the appropriate local department of social services. HB 217 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 229).

Government Data Collection and Dissemination Practices Act; exemptions. Exempts personal information systems maintained by auditors appointed by the local governing body of any county, city, or town or a school board that deals with local investigations. HB 329 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 268).

Secretary of the Commonwealth; organizational chart of state government. Requires the Secretary of the Commonwealth to include in the Secretary's annual report an organizational chart of state government. The bill specifies what information is to be contained in the organizational chart and that it is to be posted on the Commonwealth's website. HB 465 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 271).

State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act; disclosure forms. Removes the signature notarization requirement from the Statement of Economic Interests disclosure form filed by certain state and local officers and employees. In addition, the bill clarifies that no person shall be mandated to file any disclosure under the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act unless specifically required by the Act. The bill also makes technical changes. HB 481 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 429).

Title 8.01 Civil Remedies and Procedure.

School records; self-authentication. Provides that school records shall be admissible in any matter where such records are material and otherwise admissible, provided that they are authenticated as true and accurate copies by the custodian of the records or by the person to whom the custodian reports, if they are different. Currently, such authenticated

school records are only admissible in cases involving custody of the student or termination of parental rights. HB 424 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 499).

Clerks of court; certain duties of the circuit court clerk. Clarifies when the clerk of the court may destroy case file papers, and also clarifies that a person seeking authorization to perform marriages must file a petition with the clerk and pay any applicable fees. The bill allows the clerk to require the filing of a separate instrument acknowledging a confessed judgment and relieves the clerk of the requirements to (i) obtain or update a list of volunteer firefighters and (ii) provide marriage license applicants with health information. HB 1284 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 802).

Title 10.1 Conservation.

Nutrient management. Provides that the Department of Conservation and Recreation operate a voluntary nutrient management program to assist owners and operators of agricultural land and turf to effectively manage and apply nutrients to their land. In developing the program, the Department is to begin testing the software for assisting owners and operators of agricultural lands and turf by July 1, 2013, and begin full implementation by July 1, 2014. The development of the software may be deferred until funds become available. [Note: The bill contains a FOIA exemption for certain personal and proprietary information.] HB 932 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 781).

Title 15.2 Counties, Cities, and Towns.

Clerks of court; certain duties of the circuit court clerk. *See summary under Title 8.01, supra.* HB 1284 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 802).

Title 16.1 Courts Not of Record.

Adoption procedures. Makes various changes to adoption procedures, including establishing a procedure for review of petitions filed for the purpose of obtaining a juvenile and domestic relations district court's assistance with the execution of consent to an adoption when the consent is executed pursuant to the laws of another state; expanding the venue for consent hearings in parental placement adoptions to include any city or county in the Commonwealth, provided that diligent efforts are made to conduct the hearing where the child was born, where the birth parents reside, or where the adoptive parents reside; eliminating the need for parental consent for an adoption in cases in which a birth parent has, without just cause, neither visited nor contacted the child for a period of six months immediately prior to the filing of a petition for adoption or a petition to accept consent to an adoption; adding language setting forth requirements for establishment of a date of birth for a child adopted from a foreign country; and clarifying the requirements for stepparent adoptions. The bill also makes changes to the process of registering with the Putative Father Registry. HB 445 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 424).

Title 17.1 Courts of Record.

Court records; secure remote access; interfacing computer systems. Provides that the operational expenses associated with providing secure remote access to land records includes locating technology in an offsite facility for purposes of improving public access or for the implementation of a disaster recovery plan. The bill extends the prohibition on selling or posting data accessed by secure remote access to include land records. The bill further requires the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court to establish security and data standards for interfacing between a circuit court's case management or financial management system and the systems of the Supreme Court. HB 484 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 234).

Circuit court clerks; remote access to land records; fees collected by clerks; debit cards. Provides for the acceptance of debit cards in addition to credit cards and allows the clerk to outsource the processing of credit and debit card transactions. The bill also provides that the clerk may charge a convenience fee for processing credit or debit cards of up to \$2 per transaction or four percent of the amount paid. Currently, such fee may not exceed four percent of the amount paid. The bill also provides that certain court fees collected by the clerk shall be deposited into a special fund held by the clerk. The bill also makes permanent a Prince William program authorizing the clerk to charge a convenience fee of up to \$2 per transaction and a separate per image download fee for access to land records. HB 926 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 780).

Clerks of court; certain duties of the circuit court clerk. *See summary under Title 8.01, supra.* HB 1284 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 802).

Title 18.2 Crimes and Offenses Generally.

Internet publication of personal information of certain public officials prohibited. Adds various public officials to the current provision prohibiting a state or local agency from publicly posting or displaying on the Internet the home address or personal telephone numbers of a law-enforcement officer if the officer has made a written demand and obtains a court order. The bill also deletes the requirement for a hearing and adds personal email addresses to the personal information subject to protection. HB 556 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 143).

Methamphetamine precursors; sale and tracking; penalties. Requires the Department of State Police to enter into a memorandum of understanding to establish the Commonwealth's participation in a real-time electronic recordkeeping and monitoring system for the nonprescription sale of ephedrine or related compounds. Most pharmacies and retail distributors will be required to enter nonprescription sales of ephedrine or related compounds into the electronic system. The bill retains the existing sales limit of no more than 3.6 grams of ephedrine or related compounds per day per individual retail customer and no more than nine grams per 30-day period. The bill is effective January 1, 2013. HB 1161 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 252) and SB 294 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 160).

Title 19.2 Criminal Procedure.

Critical incident stress management teams; privileged information. Provides that information communicated to critical incident stress management team members by public safety personnel who are the subjects of peer support services shall not be disclosed. The bill allows the public safety personnel to waive the privilege. HB 856 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 148) and SB 362 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 320).

Criminal procedure; GPS tracking device. Provides the authority and the protocol for a law-enforcement officer to apply for a search warrant to permit the use of a GPS tracking device. This bill contains an emergency clause and is effective from the date of its passage. HB 1298 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 636) and SB 685 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 679).

Title 20 Domestic Relations.

Clerks of court; certain duties of the circuit court clerk. *See summary under Title 8.01, supra.* HB 1284 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 802).

Title 23 Educational Institutions.

Higher education; publication of graduate employment rates. Requires public and private nonprofit institutions of higher education to publish data on the proportion of graduates with employment at 18 months and five years after the date of graduation. The data shall include the major and degree program, percentage of employment in the Commonwealth, average salary, and average higher education-related debt of graduates. The provisions of this bill will expire on June 30, 2017. HB 639 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 694).

Title 24.2 Elections.

Voter registration applications; protection of residence address information. Adds active and retired federal and Virginia justices and judges and attorneys employed by the United States Attorney General or Virginia Attorney General to the list of persons whose residence addresses may be replaced by a post office box address on publicly available registration and elections documents. HB 56 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 491).

Elections; provisional ballots; electoral board meetings. Provides that the meeting of the electoral board on the day or days following an election is open only to authorized party and candidate representatives, the persons who cast the provisional ballots with their representatives or legal counsel, and the staff and legal counsel for the electoral board. The bill also specifies that the party and candidate representatives attend as observers and not as participants. HB 63 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 592).

Campaign Finance Disclosure Act; general provisions applicable to penalties. Provides that the Act's requirements for filing timely and complete statements and reports remain in full force and effect notwithstanding any pending investigation into activities of

any candidate campaign committee, political committee, or participant in the committee. HB 332 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 298).

Elections, administrative matters, and duties of the electoral board and general registrar. Provides for certain administrative efficiencies: permits general registrar to administer oath to voting equipment custodians; clarifies method to give notice of change in location of general registrar's office; modernizes procedures to give public notice of registration times and primaries; and permits absentee ballot envelopes to be opened before election day so long as the ballots are placed in a secure ballot container and no count is initiated. HB 623 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 328) and SB 566 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 486).

Elections; persons eligible to obtain lists of persons voting at primaries and elections. Allows access to the lists for all political purposes by members of the public and nonprofit organizations as well as by candidates, elected officials, and political party chairmen. HB 1118 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 664).

Title 27 Fire Protection.

Clerks of court; certain duties of the circuit court clerk. *See summary under Title 8.01, supra.* HB 1284 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 802).

Title 30 General Assembly.

Virginia College Savings Plan Oversight Act. Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC) to oversee and evaluate the Virginia College Savings Plan on a continuing basis. The bill requires JLARC and the Virginia College Savings Plan to make certain reports to the General Assembly. HB 739 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 659) and SB 599 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 591).

Title 32.1 Health.

Death, marriage, or divorce records; when public. Reduces the time period after which death, marriage, divorce, or annulment records become public from 50 years to 25 years. HB 272 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 16).

Storage of health records. Replaces obsolete terminology and cross-references related to storage of health records, currently referred to as medical records or patient records. HB 1212 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 336).

Clerks of court; certain duties of the circuit court clerk. *See summary under Title 8.01, supra.* HB 1284 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 802).

Vital records; records becoming public. Provides that when 100 years have elapsed from the date of birth or 25 years from the date of death, marriage, divorce, or annulment, the records of such events shall, unless precluded from release by statute or court order,

or at law-enforcement's request, become public information and be made available to the public. The bill also requires the State Registrar to make original records that become public information available to the Library of Virginia for safekeeping and for public access consistent with other state archival records, directs the State Registrar and the Library of Virginia to enter into a memorandum of understanding to arrange for continued prompt access to such records by the State Registrar for amendments or other working purposes, and directs the State Registrar to enter into a long-term contract with a private company experienced in maintaining genealogical research databases to create, maintain, and update online indexes of records made available to the public. HB 660 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 356).

Title 54.1 Professions and Occupations.

Virginia Board of Accountancy; confidentiality of certain information. Provides that tax returns, financial statements, and other financial information that is not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, subdivision 3 of § 54.1-108 notwithstanding, provided to the Board by a complainant or as a result of an investigation of a licensee by the Board in response to a complaint shall be exempt from the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. HB 275 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 375).

Prescription Monitoring Program; disclosures. Modifies the Prescription Monitoring Program to (i) require dispensers of covered substances to report the method of payment for the prescription, (ii) require the Director of the Department of Health Professions to report information relevant to an investigation of a prescription recipient, in addition to a prescriber or dispenser, to any federal law-enforcement agency with authority to conduct drug diversion investigations, (iii) allow the Director to disclose information indicating potential misuse of a prescription by a recipient to the State Police for the purpose of investigation into possible drug diversion, and (iv) allow prescribers to delegate authority to access the Program to an unlimited number, rather than the current limit of two, of regulated health care professionals under their direct supervision. HB 347 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 21) and SB 321 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 71).

Veterans; disposition of cremains. Provides for a funeral director to provide the names and any other identifying information on unclaimed cremains to the Department of Veterans Services in order for the Department to determine if the unclaimed cremains are those of a veteran. Under the bill, commencing July 1, 2014, the Department shall notify the funeral director within 30 days of receipt of the information if the cremains are those of a veteran and whether such veteran is eligible for burial in a veterans cemetery. In addition, the bill provides that the names and any personal identifying information submitted by a funeral director to the Department are exempt from disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§ 2.2-3700 et seq.). HB 439 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 24).

Storage of health records. *See summary under Title 32.1, supra.* HB 1212 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 336).

Determination of status of unclaimed cremains belonging to veterans. Provides for a funeral director to provide the names and any other identifying information on unclaimed cremains to the Department of Veterans Services in order for the Department to determine if the unclaimed cremains are those of a veteran. Under the bill, commencing July 1, 2014, the Department of shall notify the funeral director within 30 days of receipt of the information if the cremains are those of a veteran and whether such veteran is eligible for burial in a veterans cemetery. In addition, the bill provides that the names and any personal identifying information submitted by a funeral director to the Department are exempt from disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§ 2.2-3700 et seq.). SB 433 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 120).

Title 55 Property and Conveyances.

Time-Share Act; advertising foreclosed time-share properties. Provides the option of a more streamlined advertisement of the time-shares being foreclosed by requiring publication of the time, place, and date of sale; identification of the time-share being sold; contact information for obtaining further information about the sale; and a website address where more complete information and documentation can be obtained. HB 234 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 406).

Title 58.1 Taxation.

Warrants maintained by treasurers. Specifies that the information regarding warrants that shall not be disclosed includes any invoice that has been presented to a locality for payment, which the locality has attempted to pay, but the payment has not been completed because electronic payment has failed or a check was mailed but not cashed. HB 255 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 88).

Title 63.2 Welfare (Social Services).

Adoption procedures. *See summary under Title 16.1, supra.* HB 445 (2012 Acts of Assembly, c. 424).

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§ 2.2-3700. Short title; policy.

A. This chapter may be cited as "The Virginia Freedom of Information Act."

B. By enacting this chapter, the General Assembly ensures the people of the Commonwealth ready access to public records in the custody of a public body or its officers and employees, and free entry to meetings of public bodies wherein the business of the people is being conducted. The affairs of government are not intended to be conducted in an atmosphere of secrecy since at all times the public is to be the beneficiary of any action taken at any level of government. Unless a public body or its officers or employees specifically elect to exercise an exemption provided by this chapter or any other statute, every meeting shall be open to the public and all public records shall be available for inspection and copying upon request. All public records and meetings shall be presumed open, unless an exemption is properly invoked.

The provisions of this chapter shall be liberally construed to promote an increased awareness by all persons of governmental activities and afford every opportunity to citizens to witness the operations of government. Any exemption from public access to records or meetings shall be narrowly construed and no record shall be withheld or meeting closed to the public unless specifically made exempt pursuant to this chapter or other specific provision of law. This chapter shall not be construed to discourage the free discussion by government officials or employees of public matters with the citizens of the Commonwealth.

All public bodies and their officers and employees shall make reasonable efforts to reach an agreement with a requester concerning the production of the records requested.

Any ordinance adopted by a local governing body that conflicts with the provisions of this chapter shall be void.

§ 2.2-3701. Definitions.

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

"Closed meeting" means a meeting from which the public is excluded.

"Electronic communication" means any audio or combined audio and visual communication method.

"Emergency" means an unforeseen circumstance rendering the notice required by this chapter impossible or impracticable and which circumstance requires immediate action.

"Meeting" or "meetings" means the meetings including work sessions, when sitting physically, or through telephonic or video equipment pursuant to § 2.2-3708 or 2.2-3708.1, as a body or entity, or as an informal assemblage of (i) as many as three members or (ii) a quorum, if less than three, of the constituent membership, wherever held, with or without minutes being taken, whether or not votes are cast, of any public body. The gathering of employees of a public body shall not be deemed a "meeting" subject to the provisions of this chapter.

"Open meeting" or "public meeting" means a meeting at which the public may be present.

"Public body" means any legislative body, authority, board, bureau, commission, district or agency of the Commonwealth or of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth, including cities, towns and counties, municipal councils, governing bodies of counties, school boards and planning commissions; boards of visitors of public institutions of higher education; and other organizations, corporations or agencies in the Commonwealth supported wholly or principally by public funds. It shall include (i) the Virginia Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Program and its board of directors established pursuant to Chapter 50 (§ 38.2-5000 et seq.) of Title 38.2 and (ii) any committee, subcommittee, or other entity however designated, of the public body created to perform delegated functions of the public body or to advise the public body. It shall not exclude any such committee, subcommittee or entity because it has private sector or citizen members. Corporations organized by the Virginia Retirement System are "public bodies" for purposes of this chapter.

For the purposes of the provisions of this chapter applicable to access to public records, constitutional officers shall be considered public bodies and, except as otherwise expressly provided by law, shall have the same obligations to disclose public records as other custodians of public records.

"Public records" means all writings and recordings that consist of letters, words or numbers, or their equivalent, set down by handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostating, photography, magnetic impulse, optical or magneto-optical form, mechanical or electronic recording or other form of data compilation, however stored, and regardless of physical form or characteristics, prepared or owned by, or in the possession of a public body or its officers, employees or agents in the transaction of public business. Records that are not prepared for or used in the transaction of public business are not public records.

"Regional public body" means a unit of government organized as provided by law within defined boundaries, as determined by the General Assembly, whose members are appointed by the participating local governing bodies, and such unit includes two or more counties or cities.

"Scholastic records" means those records containing information directly related to a student or an applicant for admission and maintained by a public body that is an educational agency or institution or by a person acting for such agency or institution.

§ 2.2-3702. Notice of chapter.

Any person elected, reelected, appointed or reappointed to any body not excepted from this chapter shall (i) be furnished by the public body's administrator or legal counsel with a copy of this chapter within two weeks following election, reelection, appointment or reappointment and (ii) read and become familiar with the provisions of this chapter.

§ 2.2-3703. Public bodies and records to which chapter inapplicable; voter registration and election records; access by persons incarcerated in a state, local, or federal correctional facility.

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

1. The Virginia Parole Board, except that (i) information from the Virginia Parole Board providing the number of inmates considered by such Board for discretionary parole, the number of inmates granted or denied parole, and the number of parolees returned to the custody of the Department of Corrections solely as a result of a determination by such Board of a violation of parole shall be open to inspection and available for release, on a monthly basis, as provided by § 2.2-3704 and (ii) all records concerning the finances of the Virginia Parole Board shall be public records and subject to the provisions of this chapter. The information required by clause (i) shall be furnished by offense, sex, race, age of the inmate, and the locality in which the conviction was obtained, upon the request of the party seeking the information;

2. Petit juries and grand juries;

3. Family assessment and planning teams established pursuant to § 2.2-5207;

4. The Virginia State Crime Commission; and

5. The records required by law to be maintained by the clerks of the courts of record, as defined in § 1-212, and courts not of record, as defined in § 16.1-69.5. However, other records maintained by the clerks of such courts shall be public records and subject to the provisions of this chapter.

B. Public access to voter registration and election records shall be governed by the provisions of Title 24.2 and this chapter. The provisions of Title 24.2 shall be controlling in the event of any conflict.

C. No provision of this chapter or Chapter 21 (§ 30-178 et seq.) of Title 30 shall be construed to afford any rights to any person (i) incarcerated in a state, local or federal correctional facility, whether or not such facility is (a) located in the Commonwealth or (b) operated pursuant to the Corrections Private Management Act (§ 53.1-261 et seq.) or (ii) civilly committed pursuant to the Sexually Violent Predators Act (§ 37.2-900 et seq.). However, this subsection shall not be construed to prevent such persons from exercising their constitutionally protected rights, including, but not limited to, their right to call for evidence in their favor in a criminal prosecution.

§ 2.2-3704. Public records to be open to inspection; procedure for requesting records and responding to request; charges; transfer of records for storage, etc.

A. Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, all public records shall be open to inspection and copying by any citizens of the Commonwealth during the regular office hours of the custodian of such records. Access to such records shall not be denied to citizens of the Commonwealth, representatives of newspapers and magazines with circulation in the Commonwealth, and representatives of radio and television stations broadcasting in or into the Commonwealth. The custodian may require the requester to provide his name and legal address.

The custodian of such records shall take all necessary precautions for their preservation and safekeeping.

B. A request for public records shall identify the requested records with reasonable specificity. The request need not make reference to this chapter in order to invoke the provisions of this chapter or to impose the time limits for response by a public body. Any public body that is subject to this chapter and that is the custodian of the requested records shall promptly, but in all cases within five working days of receiving a request, provide the requested records to the requester or make one of the following responses in writing:

1. The requested records are being entirely withheld because their release is prohibited by law or the custodian has exercised his discretion to withhold the records in accordance with this chapter. Such response shall identify with reasonable particularity the volume and subject matter of withheld records, and cite, as to each category of withheld records, the specific Code section that authorizes the withholding of the records.

2. The requested records are being provided in part and are being withheld in part because the release of part of the records is prohibited by law or the custodian has exercised his discretion to withhold a portion of the records in accordance with this chapter. Such response shall identify with reasonable particularity the subject matter of withheld portions, and cite, as to each category of withheld records, the specific Code section that authorizes the withholding of the records. When a portion of a requested record is withheld, the public body may delete or excise only that portion of the record to which an exemption applies and shall release the remainder of the record.

3. The requested records could not be found or do not exist. However, if the public body that received the request knows that another public body has the requested records, the response shall include contact information for the other public body.

4. It is not practically possible to provide the requested records or to determine whether they are available within the five-work-day period. Such response shall specify the conditions that make a response impossible. If the response is made within five working days, the public body shall have an additional seven work days in which to provide one of the four preceding responses.

C. Any public body may petition the appropriate court for additional time to respond to a request for records when the request is for an extraordinary volume of records or requires an extraordinarily lengthy search, and a response by the public body within the time required by this chapter will prevent the public body from meeting its operational responsibilities. Before proceeding with the petition, however, the public body shall make reasonable efforts to reach an agreement with the requester concerning the production of the records requested.

D. Subject to the provisions of subsection G, no public body shall be required to create a new record if the record does not already exist. However, a public body may abstract or summarize information under such terms and conditions as agreed between the requester and the public body.

E. Failure to respond to a request for records shall be deemed a denial of the request and shall constitute a violation of this chapter.

F. A public body may make reasonable charges not to exceed its actual cost incurred in accessing, duplicating, supplying, or searching for the requested records. No public body shall impose any extraneous, intermediary or surplus fees or expenses to recoup the general costs associated with creating or maintaining records or transacting the general business of the public body. Any duplicating fee charged by a public body shall not exceed the actual cost of duplication. The public body may also make a reasonable charge for the cost incurred in supplying records produced from a geographic information system at the request of anyone other than the owner of the land that is the subject of the request. However, such charges shall not exceed the actual cost to the public body in supplying such records, except that the public body may charge, on a pro rata per acre basis, for the cost of creating topographical maps developed by the public body, for such maps or portions thereof, which encompass a contiguous area greater than 50 acres. All charges for the supplying of requested records shall be estimated in advance at the request of the citizen.

G. Public records maintained by a public body in an electronic data processing system, computer database, or any other structured collection of data shall be made available to a requester at a reasonable cost, not to exceed the actual cost in accordance with subsection F. When electronic or other databases are combined or contain exempt and nonexempt records, the public body may provide access to the exempt records if not otherwise prohibited by law, but shall provide access to the nonexempt records as provided by this chapter.

Public bodies shall produce nonexempt records maintained in an electronic database in any tangible medium identified by the requester, including, where the public body has the capability, the option of posting the records on a website or delivering the records through an electronic mail address provided by the requester, if that medium is used by the public body in the regular course of business. No public body shall be required to produce records from an electronic database in a format not regularly used by the public body. However, the public body shall make reasonable efforts to provide records in any format under such terms and conditions as agreed between the requester and public body, including the payment of reasonable costs. The excision of exempt fields of information from a database or the conversion of data from one available format to another shall not be deemed the creation, preparation or compilation of a new public record.

H. In any case where a public body determines in advance that charges for producing the requested records are likely to exceed \$200, the public body may, before continuing to process the request, require the requester to agree to payment of a deposit not to exceed the amount of the advance determination. The deposit shall be credited toward the final cost of supplying the requested records. The period within which the public body shall respond under this section shall be tolled for the amount of time that elapses between notice of the advance determination and the response of the requester.

I. Before processing a request for records, a public body may require the requester to pay any amounts owed to the public body for previous requests for records that remain unpaid 30 days or more after billing.

J. In the event a public body has transferred possession of public records to any entity, including but not limited to any other public body, for storage, maintenance, or archiving, the public body initiating the transfer of such records shall remain the custodian of such records for purposes of responding to requests for public records made pursuant to this chapter and shall be responsible for retrieving and supplying such public records to the requester. In the event a public body has transferred public records for storage, maintenance, or archiving and such transferring public body is no longer in existence, any public body that is a successor to the transferring public body shall be deemed the custodian of such records. In the event no successor entity exists, the entity in possession of the public records shall be deemed the custodian of the records for purposes of compliance with this chapter, and shall retrieve and supply such records to the requester. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to apply to records transferred to the Library of Virginia for permanent archiving pursuant to the duties imposed by the Virginia Public Records Act (§ 42.1-76 et seq.). In accordance with § 42.1-79, the Library of Virginia shall be the custodian of such permanently archived records and shall be responsible for responding to requests for such records made pursuant to this chapter.

§ 2.2-3704.1. Posting of notice of rights and responsibilities by state public bodies; assistance by the Freedom of Information Advisory Council.

A. All state public bodies created in the executive branch of state government and subject to the provisions of this chapter shall make available the following information to the public upon request and shall post such information on the Internet:

1. A plain English explanation of the rights of a requester under this chapter, the procedures to obtain public records from the public body, and the responsibilities of the public body in complying with this chapter. For purposes of this subdivision "plain English" means written in nontechnical, readily understandable language using words of common everyday usage and avoiding legal terms and phrases or other terms and words of art whose usage or special meaning primarily is limited to a particular field or profession;
2. Contact information for the person designated by the public body to (i) assist a requester in making a request for records or (ii) respond to requests for public records;
3. A general description, summary, list, or index of the types of public records maintained by such state public body;
4. A general description, summary, list, or index of any exemptions in law that permit or require such public records to be withheld from release; and
5. Any policy the public body has concerning the type of public records it routinely withholds from release as permitted by this chapter or other law.

B. The Freedom of Information Advisory Council, created pursuant to § 30-178, shall assist in the development and implementation of the provisions of subsection A, upon request.

§ 2.2-3705.

Repealed by Acts 2004, c. 690.

§ 2.2-3705.1. Exclusions to application of chapter; exclusions of general application to public bodies.

The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

1. Personnel records containing information concerning identifiable individuals, except that access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject thereof. Any person who is the subject of any personnel record and who is 18 years of age or older may waive, in writing, the protections afforded by this subdivision. If the protections are so waived, the public body shall open such records for inspection and copying.
2. Written advice of legal counsel to state, regional or local public bodies or the officers or employees of such public bodies, and any other records protected by the attorney-client privilege.
3. Legal memoranda and other work product compiled specifically for use in litigation or for use in an active administrative investigation concerning a matter that is properly the subject of a closed meeting under § 2.2-3711.
4. Any test or examination used, administered or prepared by any public body for purposes of evaluation of (i) any student or any student's performance, (ii) any employee or employment seeker's qualifications or aptitude for employment, retention, or promotion, or (iii) qualifications for any license or certificate issued by a public body.

As used in this subdivision, "test or examination" shall include (a) any scoring key for any such test or examination and (b) any other document that would jeopardize the security of the test or examination. Nothing contained in this subdivision shall prohibit the release of test scores or results as provided by law, or limit access to individual records as provided by law. However, the subject of such employment tests shall be entitled to review and inspect all records relative to his performance on such employment tests.

When, in the reasonable opinion of such public body, any such test or examination no longer has any potential for future use, and the security of future tests or examinations will not be jeopardized, the test or examination shall be made available to the public. However, minimum competency tests administered to public school children shall be made available to the public contemporaneously with statewide release of the scores of those taking such tests, but in no event shall such tests be made available to the public later than six months after the administration of such tests.

5. Records recorded in or compiled exclusively for use in closed meetings lawfully held pursuant to § 2.2-3711. However, no record that is otherwise open to inspection under this chapter shall be deemed exempt by virtue of the fact that it has been reviewed or discussed in a closed meeting.
6. Vendor proprietary information software that may be in the official records of a public body. For the purpose of this subdivision, "vendor proprietary software" means computer programs acquired from a vendor for purposes of processing data for agencies or political subdivisions of the Commonwealth.
7. Computer software developed by or for a state agency, state-supported institution of higher education or political subdivision of the Commonwealth.
8. Appraisals and cost estimates of real property subject to a proposed purchase, sale or lease, prior to the completion of such purchase, sale or lease.
9. Records concerning reserves established in specific claims administered by the Department of the Treasury through its Division of Risk Management as provided in Article 5 (§ 2.2-1832 et seq.) of Chapter 18 of this title, or by any county, city, or town; and investigative notes, correspondence and information furnished in confidence with respect to an investigation of a claim or a potential claim against a public body's insurance policy or self-insurance plan. However, nothing in this subdivision shall prohibit the disclosure of information taken from inactive reports upon expiration of the period of limitations for the filing of a civil suit.
10. Personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, including electronic mail addresses, furnished to a public body for the purpose of receiving electronic mail from the public body, provided that the electronic mail recipient has requested that the public body not disclose such information. However, access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject of the record.
11. Communications and materials required to be kept confidential pursuant to § 2.2-4119 of the Virginia Administrative Dispute Resolution Act (§ 2.2-4115 et seq.).
12. Records relating to the negotiation and award of a specific contract where competition or bargaining is involved and where the release of such records would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. Such records shall not be withheld after the public body has made a decision to award or not to award the contract. In the case of procurement transactions conducted pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq.), the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply, and any release of records relating to such transactions shall be governed by the Virginia Public Procurement Act.
13. Those portions of records that contain account numbers or routing information for any credit card, debit card, or other account with a financial institution of any person or public body. However, access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject of the record. For the purposes of this subdivision, "financial institution" means any organization authorized to do business under state or federal laws relating to financial institutions, including, without limitation, banks and trust companies, savings banks, savings and loan companies or associations, and credit unions.

§ 2.2-3705.2. Exclusions to application of chapter; records relating to public safety.

The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

1. Confidential records, including victim identity, provided to or obtained by staff in a rape crisis center or a program for battered spouses.
2. Those portions of engineering and construction drawings and plans submitted for the sole purpose of complying with the Building Code in obtaining a building permit that would identify specific trade secrets or other information, the disclosure of which would be harmful to the competitive position of the owner or lessee. However, such information shall be exempt only until the building is completed. Information relating to the safety or environmental soundness of any building shall not be exempt from disclosure.

Those portions of engineering and construction drawings and plans that reveal critical structural components, security equipment and systems, ventilation systems, fire protection equipment, mandatory building emergency equipment or systems, elevators, electrical systems, telecommunications equipment and systems, and other utility equipment and systems submitted for the purpose of complying with the Uniform Statewide Building Code (§ 36-97 et seq.) or the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (§ 27-94 et seq.), the disclosure of which would jeopardize the safety or security of any public or private commercial office, multifamily residential or retail building or its occupants in the event of terrorism or other threat to public safety, to the extent that the owner or lessee of such property, equipment or system in writing (i) invokes the protections of this paragraph; (ii) identifies the drawings, plans, or other materials to be protected; and (iii) states the reasons why protection is necessary.

Nothing in this subdivision shall prevent the disclosure of information relating to any building in connection with an inquiry into the performance of that building after it has been subjected to fire, explosion, natural disaster or other catastrophic event.

3. Documentation or other information that describes the design, function, operation or access control features of any security system, whether manual or automated, which is used to control access to or use of any automated data processing or telecommunications system.
4. Plans and information to prevent or respond to terrorist activity, the disclosure of which would jeopardize the safety of any person, including (i) critical infrastructure sector or structural components; (ii) vulnerability assessments, operational, procedural, transportation, and tactical planning or training manuals, and staff meeting minutes or other records; and (iii) engineering or architectural records, or records containing information derived from such records, to the extent such records reveal the location or operation of security equipment and systems, elevators, ventilation, fire protection, emergency, electrical, telecommunications or utility equipment and systems of any public building, structure or information storage facility, or telecommunications or utility equipment or systems. The same categories of records of any governmental or nongovernmental person or entity submitted to a public body for the purpose of antiterrorism response planning may be withheld from disclosure if such person or entity in writing (a)

invokes the protections of this subdivision, (b) identifies with specificity the records or portions thereof for which protection is sought, and (c) states with reasonable particularity why the protection of such records from public disclosure is necessary to meet the objective of antiterrorism planning or protection. Such statement shall be a public record and shall be disclosed upon request. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit the disclosure of records relating to the structural or environmental soundness of any building, nor shall it prevent the disclosure of information relating to any building in connection with an inquiry into the performance of that building after it has been subjected to fire, explosion, natural disaster or other catastrophic event.

5. Information that would disclose the security aspects of a system safety program plan adopted pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 659 by the Commonwealth's designated Rail Fixed Guideway Systems Safety Oversight agency; and information in the possession of such agency, the release of which would jeopardize the success of an ongoing investigation of a rail accident or other incident threatening railway safety.

6. Engineering and architectural drawings, operational, procedural, tactical planning or training manuals, or staff meeting minutes or other records, the disclosure of which would reveal surveillance techniques, personnel deployments, alarm or security systems or technologies, or operational and transportation plans or protocols, to the extent such disclosure would jeopardize the security of any governmental facility, building or structure or the safety of persons using such facility, building or structure.

7. Security plans and specific assessment components of school safety audits, as provided in § 22.1-279.8.

Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit the disclosure of records relating to the effectiveness of security plans after (i) any school building or property has been subjected to fire, explosion, natural disaster or other catastrophic event, or (ii) any person on school property has suffered or been threatened with any personal injury.

8. [Expired.]

9. Records of the Commitment Review Committee concerning the mental health assessment of an individual subject to commitment as a sexually violent predator under Chapter 9 (§ 37.2-900 et seq.) of Title 37.2; except that in no case shall records identifying the victims of a sexually violent predator be disclosed.

10. Subscriber data, which for the purposes of this subdivision, means the name, address, telephone number, and any other information identifying a subscriber of a telecommunications carrier, provided directly or indirectly by a telecommunications carrier to a public body that operates a 911 or E-911 emergency dispatch system or an emergency notification or reverse 911 system, if the data is in a form not made available by the telecommunications carrier to the public generally. Nothing in this subdivision shall prevent the release of subscriber data generated in connection with specific calls to a 911 emergency system, where the requester is

seeking to obtain public records about the use of the system in response to a specific crime, emergency or other event as to which a citizen has initiated a 911 call.

11. Subscriber data, which for the purposes of this subdivision, means the name, address, telephone number, and any other information identifying a subscriber of a telecommunications carrier, collected by a local governing body in accordance with the Enhanced Public Safety Telephone Services Act (§ 56-484.12 et seq.), and other identifying information of a personal, medical, or financial nature provided to a local governing body in connection with a 911 or E-911 emergency dispatch system or an emergency notification or reverse 911 system, if such records are not otherwise publicly available. Nothing in this subdivision shall prevent the release of subscriber data generated in connection with specific calls to a 911 emergency system, where the requester is seeking to obtain public records about the use of the system in response to a specific crime, emergency or other event as to which a citizen has initiated a 911 call.

12. Records of the Virginia Military Advisory Council or any commission created by executive order for the purpose of studying and making recommendations regarding preventing closure or realignment of federal military and national security installations and facilities located in Virginia and relocation of such facilities to Virginia, or a local or regional military affairs organization appointed by a local governing body, to the extent such records (i) contain information relating to strategies under consideration or development by the Council or such commission or organizations to prevent the closure or realignment of federal military installations located in Virginia or the relocation of national security facilities located in Virginia, to limit the adverse economic effect of such realignment, closure, or relocation, or to seek additional tenant activity growth from the Department of Defense or federal government or (ii) disclose trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), provided to the Council or such commission or organizations in connection with their work. In order to invoke the trade secret protection provided by clause (ii), the submitting entity shall, in writing and at the time of submission (a) invoke this exclusion, (b) identify with specificity the information for which such protection is sought, and (c) state the reason why such protection is necessary. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to authorize the withholding of all or part of any record, other than a trade secret that has been specifically identified as required by this subdivision, after the Department of Defense or federal agency has issued a final, unappealable decision, or in the event of litigation, a court of competent jurisdiction has entered a final, unappealable order concerning the closure, realignment, or expansion of the military installation or tenant activities, or the relocation of the national security facility, for which records are sought.

13. Documentation or other information as determined by the State Comptroller that describes the design, function, operation, or implementation of internal controls over the Commonwealth's financial processes and systems, and the assessment of risks and vulnerabilities of those controls, including the annual assessment of internal controls mandated by the State Comptroller, the disclosure of which would jeopardize the security of the Commonwealth's financial assets. However, records relating to the investigation of and findings concerning the soundness of any fiscal process shall be disclosed in a form that does not compromise internal controls. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit the Auditor of Public Accounts or the Joint

Legislative Audit and Review Commission from reporting internal control deficiencies discovered during the course of an audit.

14. Documentation or other information relating to the Statewide Agencies Radio System (STARS) or any other similar local or regional public safety communications system that (i) describes the design, function, programming, operation, or access control features of the overall system, components, structures, individual networks, and subsystems of the STARS or any other similar local or regional communications system or (ii) relates to radio frequencies assigned to or utilized by STARS or any other similar local or regional communications system, code plugs, circuit routing, addressing schemes, talk groups, fleet maps, encryption, programming maintained by or utilized by STARS or any other similar local or regional public safety communications system; those portions of engineering and construction drawings and plans that reveal critical structural components, interconnectivity, security equipment and systems, network monitoring, network operation center, master sites, ventilation systems, fire protection equipment, mandatory building emergency equipment, electrical systems, and other utility equipment and systems related to STARS or any other similar local or regional public safety communications system; and special event plans, operational plans, storm plans, or other pre-arranged programming, the disclosure of which would reveal surveillance techniques, personnel deployments, alarm or security systems or technologies, or operational and transportation plans or protocols, to the extent such disclosure would jeopardize the security of any governmental facility, building, or structure or the safety of any person.

15. Records of a salaried or volunteer Fire/EMS company or Fire/EMS department, to the extent that the records disclose the telephone numbers for cellular telephones, pagers, or comparable portable communication devices provided to its personnel for use in the performance of their official duties.

§ 2.2-3705.3. Exclusions to application of chapter; records relating to administrative investigations.

The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

1. Confidential records of all investigations of applications for licenses and permits, and of all licensees and permittees, made by or submitted to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, the State Lottery Department, the Virginia Racing Commission, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services relating to investigations and applications pursuant to Article 1.1:1 (§ 18.2-340.15 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2, or the Private Security Services Unit of the Department of Criminal Justice Services.
2. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Health Professions or by any health regulatory board in the Commonwealth.
3. Investigator notes, and other correspondence and information, furnished in confidence with respect to an active investigation of individual employment discrimination complaints made to the Department of Human Resource Management or to such personnel of any local public body,

including local school boards as are responsible for conducting such investigations in confidence. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the disclosure of information taken from inactive reports in a form that does not reveal the identity of charging parties, persons supplying the information or other individuals involved in the investigation.

4. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Medical Assistance Services pursuant to Chapter 10 (§ 32.1-323 et seq.) of Title 32.1.

5. Investigative notes and other correspondence and information furnished in confidence with respect to an investigation or conciliation process involving an alleged unlawful discriminatory practice under the Virginia Human Rights Act (§ 2.2-3900 et seq.) or under any local ordinance adopted in accordance with the authority specified in § 2.2-254, or adopted pursuant to § 15.2-965, or adopted prior to July 1, 1987, in accordance with applicable law, relating to local human rights or human relations commissions. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the distribution of information taken from inactive reports in a form that does not reveal the identity of the parties involved or other persons supplying information.

6. Records of studies and investigations by the State Lottery Department of (i) lottery agents, (ii) lottery vendors, (iii) lottery crimes under §§ 58.1-4014 through 58.1-4018, (iv) defects in the law or regulations that cause abuses in the administration and operation of the lottery and any evasions of such provisions, or (v) the use of the lottery as a subterfuge for organized crime and illegal gambling where such official records have not been publicly released, published or copyrighted. All studies and investigations referred to under clauses (iii), (iv), and (v) shall be open to inspection and copying upon completion of the study or investigation.

7. Investigative notes, correspondence and information furnished in confidence, and records otherwise exempted by this chapter or any Virginia statute, provided to or produced by or for (i) the Auditor of Public Accounts; (ii) the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission; (iii) an appropriate authority as defined in § 2.2-3010 with respect to an allegation of wrongdoing or abuse under the Fraud and Abuse Whistle Blower Protection Act (§ 2.2-3009 et seq.); (iv) the Office of the State Inspector General with respect to an investigation initiated through the State Employee Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline or an investigation initiated pursuant to Chapter 3.2 (§ 2.2-307 et seq.); (v) the committee or the auditor with respect to an investigation or audit conducted pursuant to § 15.2-825; or (vi) the auditors, appointed by the local governing body of any county, city or town or a school board, who by charter, ordinance, or statute have responsibility for conducting an investigation of any officer, department or program of such body. Records of completed investigations shall be disclosed in a form that does not reveal the identity of the complainants or persons supplying information to investigators. Unless disclosure is prohibited by this section, the records disclosed shall include, but not be limited to, the agency involved, the identity of the person who is the subject of the complaint, the nature of the complaint, and the actions taken to resolve the complaint. If an investigation does not lead to corrective action, the identity of the person who is the subject of the complaint may be released only with the consent of the subject person. Local governing bodies shall adopt guidelines to govern the disclosure required by this subdivision.

8. Records of the Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy consisting of documentary evidence received or maintained by the Office or its agents in connection with specific complaints or investigations, and records of communications between employees and agents of the Office and its clients or prospective clients concerning specific complaints, investigations or cases. Upon the conclusion of an investigation of a complaint, this exclusion shall no longer apply, but the Office may not at any time release the identity of any complainant or person with mental illness, intellectual disability, developmental disabilities or other disability, unless (i) such complainant or person or his legal representative consents in writing to such identification or (ii) such identification is required by court order.

9. Information furnished in confidence to the Department of Human Resource Management with respect to an investigation, consultation, or mediation under § 2.2-1202.1, and memoranda, correspondence and other records resulting from any such investigation, consultation or mediation. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit the distribution of information taken from inactive reports in a form that does not reveal the identity of the parties involved or other persons supplying information.

10. The names, addresses and telephone numbers of complainants furnished in confidence with respect to an investigation of individual zoning enforcement complaints or complaints relating to the Uniform Statewide Building Code (§ 36-97 et seq.) or the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (§ 27-94 et seq.) made to a local governing body.

11. Records of active investigations being conducted by the Department of Criminal Justice Services pursuant to Article 4 (§ 9.1-138 et seq.), Article 4.1 (§ 9.1-150.1 et seq.), Article 11 (§ 9.1-185 et seq.), and Article 12 (§ 9.1-186 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1.

12. Records furnished to or prepared by the Board of Education pursuant to subsection D of § 22.1-253.13:3 in connection with the review or investigation of any alleged breach in security, unauthorized alteration, or improper administration of tests by local school board employees responsible for the distribution or administration of the tests. However, this section shall not prohibit the disclosure of records to (i) a local school board or division superintendent for the purpose of permitting such board or superintendent to consider or to take personnel action with regard to an employee or (ii) any requester, after the conclusion of a review or investigation, in a form that (a) does not reveal the identity of any person making a complaint or supplying information to the Board on a confidential basis and (b) does not compromise the security of any test mandated by the Board.

13. Investigator notes, and other correspondence and information, furnished in confidence with respect to an active investigation conducted by or for the Board of Education related to the denial, suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses. However, this subdivision shall not prohibit the disclosure of records to a local school board or division superintendent for the purpose of permitting such board or superintendent to consider or to take personnel action with regard to an employee. Records of completed investigations shall be disclosed in a form that does not reveal the identity of any complainant or person supplying information to investigators. The records disclosed shall include information regarding the school or facility involved, the identity of the person who was the subject of the complaint, the nature of the complaint, and the actions taken

to resolve the complaint. If an investigation fails to support a complaint or does not lead to corrective action, the identity of the person who was the subject of the complaint may be released only with the consent of the subject person. No personally identifiable information in the records regarding a current or former student shall be released except as permitted by state or federal law.

14. Records, notes and information provided in confidence and related to an investigation by the Attorney General under Article 1 (§ 3.2-4200 et seq.) or Article 3 (§ 3.2-4204 et seq.) of Chapter 42 of Title 3.2, Article 10 (§ 18.2-246.6 et seq.) of Chapter 6 or Chapter 13 (§ 18.2-512 et seq.) of Title 18.2, or Article 1 (§ 58.1-1000) of Chapter 10 of Title 58.1. However, records related to an investigation that has been inactive for more than six months shall, upon request, be disclosed provided such disclosure is not otherwise prohibited by law and does not reveal the identity of charging parties, complainants, persons supplying information, witnesses or other individuals involved in the investigation.

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

The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

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

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

Any person who is the subject of any scholastic record and who is 18 years of age or older may waive, in writing, the protections afforded by this subdivision. If the protections are so waived, the public body shall open such records for inspection and copying.

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 (iii) receipt of an honor or honorary recognition.

3. Records of the Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Awards Committee relating to personally identifiable information, including scholarship applications, personal financial information, and confidential correspondence and letters of recommendation.

4. Data, records or 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 data, records or information has not been publicly released, published, copyrighted or patented.

5. All records of the University of Virginia or the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, that contain proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case 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 Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, has formed, or forms, any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, 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 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.) of Title 23. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prohibit 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.

7. Records maintained in connection with fundraising activities by or for a public institution of higher education to the extent that such records reveal (i) personal fundraising strategies relating to identifiable donors or prospective donors or (ii) wealth assessments; estate, financial, or tax planning information; health-related information; employment, familial, or marital status information; electronic mail addresses, facsimile or telephone numbers; birth dates or social security numbers of identifiable donors or prospective donors. Nothing in this subdivision, however, shall be construed to authorize the withholding of records relating to the amount, date, purpose, and terms of the pledge or donation, or the identity of the donor unless the donor has requested anonymity in connection with or as a condition of making a pledge or donation. The exclusion provided by this subdivision shall not apply to protect from disclosure (i) the identities of sponsors providing grants to or contracting with the institution for the performance of research services or other work or (ii) the terms and conditions of such grants or contracts.

8. Records of a threat assessment team established by a public institution of higher education pursuant to § 23-9.2:10 relating to the assessment or intervention with a specific individual. However, in the event an individual who has been under assessment commits an act, or is prosecuted for the commission of an act that has caused the death of, or caused serious bodily

injury, including any felony sexual assault, to another person, the records of such threat assessment team concerning the individual under assessment shall be made available as provided by this chapter, with the exception of any criminal history records obtained pursuant to § 19.2-389 or 19.2-389.1, health records obtained pursuant to § 32.1-127.1:03, or scholastic records as defined in § 22.1-289. The public body providing such records shall remove information identifying any person who provided information to the threat assessment team under a promise of confidentiality.

§ 2.2-3705.5. Exclusions to application of chapter; health and social services records.

The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

1. Health records, except that such records may be personally reviewed by the individual who is the subject of such records, as provided in subsection F of § 32.1-127.1:03.

Where the person who is the subject of health records is confined in a state or local correctional facility, the administrator or chief medical officer of such facility may assert such confined person's right of access to the health records if the administrator or chief medical officer has reasonable cause to believe that such confined person has an infectious disease or other medical condition from which other persons so confined need to be protected. Health records shall only be reviewed and shall not be copied by such administrator or chief medical officer. The information in the health records of a person so confined shall continue to be confidential and shall not be disclosed by the administrator or chief medical officer of the facility to any person except the subject or except as provided by law.

Where the person who is the subject of health records is under the age of 18, his right of access may be asserted only by his guardian or his parent, including a noncustodial parent, unless such parent's parental rights have been terminated, a court of competent jurisdiction has restricted or denied such access, or a parent has been denied access to the health record in accordance with § 20-124.6. In instances where the person who is the subject thereof is an emancipated minor, a student in a public institution of higher education, or is a minor who has consented to his own treatment as authorized by § 16.1-338 or 54.1-2969, the right of access may be asserted by the subject person.

For the purposes of this chapter, statistical summaries of incidents and statistical data concerning abuse of individuals receiving services compiled by the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall be open to inspection and copying as provided in § 2.2-3704. No such summaries or data shall include any information that identifies specific individuals receiving services.

2. Applications for admission to examinations or for licensure and scoring records maintained by the Department of Health Professions or any board in that department on individual licensees or applicants. However, such material may be made available during normal working hours for copying, at the requester's expense, by the individual who is the subject thereof, in the offices of

the Department of Health Professions or in the offices of any health regulatory board, whichever may possess the material.

3. Reports, documentary evidence and other information as specified in §§ 51.5-122, 51.5-141, and 63.2-104.

4. Investigative notes; proprietary information not published, copyrighted or patented; information obtained from employee personnel records; personally identifiable information regarding residents, clients or other recipients of services; other correspondence and information furnished in confidence to the Department of Social Services in connection with an active investigation of an applicant or licensee pursuant to Chapters 17 (§ 63.2-1700 et seq.) and 18 (§ 63.2-1800 et seq.) of Title 63.2; and records and information furnished to the Office of the Attorney General in connection with an investigation or litigation pursuant to Article 19.1 (§ 8.01-216.1 et seq.) of Chapter 3 of Title 8.01 and Chapter 9 (§ 32.1-310 et seq.) of Title 32.1. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit disclosure of information from the records of completed investigations in a form that does not reveal the identity of complainants, persons supplying information, or other individuals involved in the investigation.

5. Information and records collected for the designation and verification of trauma centers and other specialty care centers within the Statewide Emergency Medical Services System and Services pursuant to Article 2.1 (§ 32.1-111.1 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 32.1.

6. Reports and court documents relating to involuntary admission required to be kept confidential pursuant to § 37.2-818.

7. Data formerly required to be submitted to the Commissioner of Health relating to the establishment of new or the expansion of existing clinical health services, acquisition of major medical equipment, or certain projects requiring capital expenditures pursuant to former § 32.1-102.3:4.

8. Information required to be provided to the Department of Health Professions by certain licensees pursuant to § 54.1-2506.1.

9. Information and records acquired (i) during a review of any child death conducted by the State Child Fatality Review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.1 or by a local or regional child fatality review team to the extent made confidential by § 32.1-283.2; (ii) during a review of any death conducted by a family violence fatality review team to the extent made confidential by § 32.1-283.3; or (iii) during a review of any adult death conducted by the Adult Fatality Review Team to the extent made confidential by § 32.1-283.5.

10. Patient level data collected by the Board of Health and not yet processed, verified, and released, pursuant to § 32.1-276.9, to the Board by the nonprofit organization with which the Commissioner of Health has contracted pursuant to § 32.1-276.4.

11. Records of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program Committee within the Department of Health Professions, to the extent such records may identify any practitioner who may be, or who is actually, impaired to the extent disclosure is prohibited by § 54.1-2517.

12. Records submitted as a grant application, or accompanying a grant application, to the Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative Advisory Board pursuant to Article 12 (§ 51.5-178 et seq.) of Chapter 14 of Title 51.5, to the extent such records contain (i) medical or mental health records, or other data identifying individual patients or (ii) proprietary business or research-related information produced or collected by the applicant in the conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, rehabilitative, scientific, technical or scholarly issues, when such information has not been publicly released, published, copyrighted or patented, if the disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the applicant.

13. Any record copied, recorded or received by the Commissioner of Health in the course of an examination, investigation or review of a managed care health insurance plan licensee pursuant to §§ 32.1-137.4 and 32.1-137.5, including books, records, files, accounts, papers, documents, and any or all computer or other recordings.

14. Records, information and statistical registries required to be kept confidential pursuant to §§ 63.2-102 and 63.2-104.

15. All data, records, and reports relating to the prescribing and dispensing of covered substances to recipients and any abstracts from such data, records, and reports that are in the possession of the Prescription Monitoring Program pursuant to Chapter 25.2 (§ 54.1-2519 et seq.) of Title 54.1 and any material relating to the operation or security of the Program.

16. Records of the Virginia Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Program required to be kept confidential pursuant to § 38.2-5002.2.

17. Records of the State Health Commissioner relating to the health of any person or persons subject to an order of quarantine or an order of isolation pursuant to Article 3.02 (§ 32.1-48.05 et seq.) of Chapter 2 of Title 32.1; this provision shall not, however, be construed to prohibit the disclosure of statistical summaries, abstracts or other information in aggregate form.

18. Records containing the names and addresses or other contact information of persons receiving transportation services from a state or local public body or its designee under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, (42 U.S.C. § 12131 et seq.) or funded by Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) created under § 63.2-600.

§ 2.2-3705.6. Exclusions to application of chapter; proprietary records and trade secrets.

The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

1. Proprietary information gathered by or for the Virginia Port Authority as provided in § 62.1-132.4 or 62.1-134.1.

2. Financial statements not publicly available filed with applications for industrial development financings in accordance with Chapter 49 (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.) of Title 15.2.
3. Confidential proprietary records, voluntarily provided by private business pursuant to a promise of confidentiality from a public body, used by the public body for business, trade and tourism development or retention; and memoranda, working papers or other records related to businesses that are considering locating or expanding in Virginia, prepared by a public body, where competition or bargaining is involved and where, if such records are made public, the financial interest of the public body would be adversely affected.
4. Information that was filed as confidential under the Toxic Substances Information Act (§ 32.1-239 et seq.), as such Act existed prior to July 1, 1992.
5. Fisheries data that would permit identification of any person or vessel, except when required by court order as specified in § 28.2-204.
6. Confidential financial statements, balance sheets, trade secrets, and revenue and cost projections provided to the Department of Rail and Public Transportation, provided such information is exempt under the federal Freedom of Information Act or the federal Interstate Commerce Act or other laws administered by the Surface Transportation Board or the Federal Railroad Administration with respect to data provided in confidence to the Surface Transportation Board and the Federal Railroad Administration.
7. Confidential proprietary records related to inventory and sales, voluntarily provided by private energy suppliers to the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, used by that Department for energy contingency planning purposes or for developing consolidated statistical information on energy supplies.
8. Confidential proprietary information furnished to the Board of Medical Assistance Services or the Medicaid Prior Authorization Advisory Committee pursuant to Article 4 (§ 32.1-331.12 et seq.) of Chapter 10 of Title 32.1.
9. Proprietary, commercial or financial information, balance sheets, trade secrets, and revenue and cost projections provided by a private transportation business to the Virginia Department of Transportation and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation for the purpose of conducting transportation studies needed to obtain grants or other financial assistance under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (P.L. 105-178) for transportation projects, provided such information is exempt under the federal Freedom of Information Act or the federal Interstate Commerce Act or other laws administered by the Surface Transportation Board or the Federal Railroad Administration with respect to data provided in confidence to the Surface Transportation Board and the Federal Railroad Administration. However, the exemption provided by this subdivision shall not apply to any wholly owned subsidiary of a public body.
10. Confidential information designated as provided in subsection F of § 2.2-4342 as trade secrets or proprietary information by any person who has submitted to a public body an

application for prequalification to bid on public construction projects in accordance with subsection B of § 2.2-4317.

11. a. Memoranda, staff evaluations, or other records prepared by the responsible public entity, its staff, outside advisors, or consultants exclusively for the evaluation and negotiation of proposals filed under the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et seq.) or the Public Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002 (§ 56-575.1 et seq.), where (i) if such records were made public prior to or after the execution of an interim or a comprehensive agreement, § 56-573.1:1 or 56-575.17 notwithstanding, the financial interest or bargaining position of the public entity would be adversely affected, and (ii) the basis for the determination required in clause (i) is documented in writing by the responsible public entity; and

b. Records provided by a private entity to a responsible public entity, affected jurisdiction, or affected local jurisdiction pursuant to the provisions of the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 or the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002, to the extent that such records contain (i) trade secrets of the private entity as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.); (ii) financial records of the private entity, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise; or (iii) other information submitted by the private entity, where, if the records were made public prior to the execution of an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement, the financial interest or bargaining position of the public or private entity would be adversely affected. In order for the records specified in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the private entity shall make a written request to the responsible public entity:

1. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought;
2. Identifying with specificity the data or other materials for which protection is sought; and
3. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

The responsible public entity shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the private entity. To protect other records submitted by the private entity from disclosure, the responsible public entity shall determine whether public disclosure prior to the execution of an interim agreement or a comprehensive agreement would adversely affect the financial interest or bargaining position of the public or private entity. The responsible public entity shall make a written determination of the nature and scope of the protection to be afforded by the responsible public entity under this subdivision. Once a written determination is made by the responsible public entity, the records afforded protection under this subdivision shall continue to be protected from disclosure when in the possession of any affected jurisdiction or affected local jurisdiction.

Except as specifically provided in subdivision 11 a, nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to authorize the withholding of (a) procurement records as required by § 56-573.1:1 or 56-575.17; (b) information concerning the terms and conditions of any interim or comprehensive

agreement, service contract, lease, partnership, or any agreement of any kind entered into by the responsible public entity and the private entity; (c) information concerning the terms and conditions of any financing arrangement that involves the use of any public funds; or (d) information concerning the performance of any private entity developing or operating a qualifying transportation facility or a qualifying project.

For the purposes of this subdivision, the terms "affected jurisdiction," "affected local jurisdiction," "comprehensive agreement," "interim agreement," "qualifying project," "qualifying transportation facility," "responsible public entity," and "private entity" shall mean the same as those terms are defined in the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 or in the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002.

12. Confidential proprietary information or trade secrets, not publicly available, provided by a private person or entity to the Virginia Resources Authority or to a fund administered in connection with financial assistance rendered or to be rendered by the Virginia Resources Authority where, if such information were made public, the financial interest of the private person or entity would be adversely affected, and, after June 30, 1997, where such information was provided pursuant to a promise of confidentiality.

13. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), or confidential proprietary records that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, provided by a (a) bidder or applicant for a franchise or (b) franchisee under Chapter 21 (§ 15.2-2100 et seq.) of Title 15.2 to the applicable franchising authority pursuant to a promise of confidentiality from the franchising authority, to the extent the records relate to the bidder's, applicant's, or franchisee's financial capacity or provision of new services, adoption of new technologies or implementation of improvements, where such new services, technologies or improvements have not been implemented by the franchisee on a nonexperimental scale in the franchise area, and where, if such records were made public, the competitive advantage or financial interests of the franchisee would be adversely affected.

In order for trade secrets or confidential proprietary information to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the bidder, applicant, or franchisee shall (i) invoke such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought, (ii) identify the data or other materials for which protection is sought, and (iii) state the reason why protection is necessary.

No bidder, applicant, or franchisee may invoke the exclusion provided by this subdivision if the bidder, applicant, or franchisee is owned or controlled by a public body or if any representative of the applicable franchising authority serves on the management board or as an officer of the bidder, applicant, or franchisee.

14. Documents and other information of a proprietary nature furnished by a supplier of charitable gaming supplies to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to subsection E of § 18.2-340.34.

15. Records and reports related to Virginia apple producer sales provided to the Virginia State Apple Board pursuant to § 3.2-1215.
16. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.) of Title 59.1, submitted by CMRS providers as defined in § 56-484.12 to the Wireless Carrier E-911 Cost Recovery Subcommittee created pursuant to § 56-484.15, relating to the provision of wireless E-911 service.
17. Records submitted as a grant or loan application, or accompanying a grant or loan application, to the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority pursuant to Article 3 (§ 2.2-2233.1 et seq.) of Chapter 22 of Title 2.2 or to the Commonwealth Health Research Board pursuant to Chapter 22 (§ 23-277 et seq.) of Title 23 to the extent such records contain proprietary business or research-related information produced or collected by the applicant in the conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, rehabilitative, scientific, technical, technological, or scholarly issues, when such information has not been publicly released, published, copyrighted, or patented, if the disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the applicant.
18. Confidential proprietary records and trade secrets developed and held by a local public body (i) providing telecommunication services pursuant to § 56-265.4:4 and (ii) providing cable television services pursuant to Article 1.1 (§ 15.2-2108.2 et seq.) of Chapter 21 of Title 15.2, to the extent that disclosure of such records would be harmful to the competitive position of the locality. In order for confidential proprietary information or trade secrets to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the locality in writing shall (i) invoke the protections of this subdivision, (ii) identify with specificity the records or portions thereof for which protection is sought, and (iii) state the reasons why protection is necessary.
19. Confidential proprietary records and trade secrets developed by or for a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) to provide qualifying communications services as authorized by Article 5.1 (§ 56-484.7:1 et seq.) of Chapter 15 of Title 56, where disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the authority, except that records required to be maintained in accordance with § 15.2-2160 shall be released.
20. Trade secrets as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.) or financial records of a business, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, provided to the Department of Minority Business Enterprise as part of an application for (i) certification as a small, women-owned, or minority-owned business in accordance with Chapter 14 (§ 2.2-1400 et seq.) of this title or (ii) a claim made by a disadvantaged business or an economically disadvantaged individual against the Capital Access Fund for Disadvantaged Businesses created pursuant to § 2.2-2311. In order for such trade secrets or financial records to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the business shall (a) invoke such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought, (b) identify the data or other materials for which protection is sought, and (c) state the reasons why protection is necessary.

21. Documents and other information of a proprietary or confidential nature disclosed by a carrier to the State Health Commissioner pursuant to §§ 32.1-276.5:1 and 32.1-276.7:1.

22. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), including, but not limited to, financial records, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, and revenue and cost projections supplied by a private or nongovernmental entity to the State Inspector General for the purpose of an audit, special investigation, or any study requested by the Office of the State Inspector General in accordance with law.

In order for the records specified in this subdivision to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the private or nongovernmental entity shall make a written request to the State Inspector General:

1. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought;
2. Identifying with specificity the data or other materials for which protection is sought; and
3. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

The State Inspector General shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the private entity. The State Inspector General shall make a written determination of the nature and scope of the protection to be afforded by it under this subdivision.

23. Records submitted as a grant application, or accompanying a grant application, to the Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Community Revitalization Commission to the extent such records contain (i) trade secrets as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), (ii) financial records of a grant applicant that is not a public body, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise, or (iii) research-related information produced or collected by the applicant in the conduct of or as a result of study or research on medical, rehabilitative, scientific, technical, technological, or scholarly issues, when such information has not been publicly released, published, copyrighted, or patented, if the disclosure of such information would be harmful to the competitive position of the applicant; and memoranda, staff evaluations, or other records prepared by the Commission or its staff exclusively for the evaluation of grant applications. The exclusion provided by this subdivision shall apply to grants that are consistent with the powers of and in furtherance of the performance of the duties of the Commission pursuant to § 3.2-3103.

In order for the records specified in this subdivision to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the applicant shall make a written request to the Commission:

1. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought;

2. Identifying with specificity the data, records or other materials for which protection is sought; and

3. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

The Commission shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to protect the trade secrets, financial records or research-related information of the applicant. The Commission shall make a written determination of the nature and scope of the protection to be afforded by it under this subdivision.

24. a. Records of the Commercial Space Flight Authority relating to rate structures or charges for the use of projects of, the sale of products of, or services rendered by the Authority if public disclosure would adversely affect the financial interest or bargaining position of the Authority or a private entity providing records to the Authority; or

b. Records provided by a private entity to the Commercial Space Flight Authority, to the extent that such records contain (i) trade secrets of the private entity as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.); (ii) financial records of the private entity, including balance sheets and financial statements, that are not generally available to the public through regulatory disclosure or otherwise; or (iii) other information submitted by the private entity, where, if the records were made public, the financial interest or bargaining position of the Authority or private entity would be adversely affected.

In order for the records specified in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of subdivision 24 b to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the private entity shall make a written request to the Authority:

1. Invoking such exclusion upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought;

2. Identifying with specificity the data or other materials for which protection is sought; and

3. Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

The Authority shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure is necessary to protect the trade secrets or financial records of the private entity. To protect other records submitted by the private entity from disclosure, the Authority shall determine whether public disclosure would adversely affect the financial interest or bargaining position of the Authority or private entity. The Authority shall make a written determination of the nature and scope of the protection to be afforded by it under this subdivision.

25. Documents and other information of a proprietary nature furnished by an agricultural landowner or operator to the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services or any political subdivision, agency, or board of the Commonwealth pursuant to §§ 10.1-104.7, 10.1-104.8, and 10.1-104.9, other than when required as part of a state or federal regulatory enforcement action.

§ 2.2-3705.7. Exclusions to application of chapter; records of specific public bodies and certain other limited exemptions.

The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter but may be disclosed by the custodian in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

1. State income, business, and estate tax returns, personal property tax returns, scholastic and confidential records held pursuant to § 58.1-3.
2. Working papers and correspondence of the Office of the Governor; Lieutenant Governor; the Attorney General; the members of the General Assembly, the Division of Legislative Services, or the Clerks of the House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia; the mayor or chief executive officer of any political subdivision of the Commonwealth; or the president or other chief executive officer of any public institution of higher education in Virginia. However, no record, which is otherwise open to inspection under this chapter, shall be deemed exempt by virtue of the fact that it has been attached to or incorporated within any working paper or correspondence.

As used in this subdivision:

"Office of the Governor" means the Governor; his chief of staff, counsel, director of policy, Cabinet Secretaries, and the Assistant to the Governor for Intergovernmental Affairs; and those individuals to whom the Governor has delegated his authority pursuant to § 2.2-104.

"Working papers" means those records prepared by or for an above-named public official for his personal or deliberative use.

3. Library records that can be used to identify both (i) any library patron who has borrowed material from a library and (ii) the material such patron borrowed.
4. Contract cost estimates prepared for the confidential use of the Department of Transportation in awarding contracts for construction or the purchase of goods or services, and records and automated systems prepared for the Department's Bid Analysis and Monitoring Program.
5. Lists of registered owners of bonds issued by a political subdivision of the Commonwealth, whether the lists are maintained by the political subdivision itself or by a single fiduciary designated by the political subdivision.
6. Records and writings furnished by a member of the General Assembly to a meeting of a standing committee, special committee or subcommittee of his house established solely for the purpose of reviewing members' annual disclosure statements and supporting materials filed under § 30-110 or of formulating advisory opinions to members on standards of conduct, or both.
7. Customer account information of a public utility affiliated with a political subdivision of the Commonwealth, including the customer's name and service address, but excluding the amount of utility service provided and the amount of money paid for such utility service.

8. Personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, (i) filed with the Virginia Housing Development Authority concerning individuals who have applied for or received loans or other housing assistance or who have applied for occupancy of or have occupied housing financed, owned or otherwise assisted by the Virginia Housing Development Authority; (ii) concerning persons participating in or persons on the waiting list for federally funded rent-assistance programs; (iii) filed with any local redevelopment and housing authority created pursuant to § 36-4 concerning persons participating in or persons on the waiting list for housing assistance programs funded by local governments or by any such authority; or (iv) filed with any local redevelopment and housing authority created pursuant to § 36-4 or any other local government agency concerning persons who have applied for occupancy or who have occupied affordable dwelling units established pursuant to § 15.2-2304 or 15.2-2305. However, access to one's own information shall not be denied.

9. Records regarding the siting of hazardous waste facilities, except as provided in § 10.1-1441, if disclosure of them would have a detrimental effect upon the negotiating position of a governing body or on the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting agreement.

10. Records containing information on the site specific location of rare, threatened, endangered or otherwise imperiled plant and animal species, natural communities, caves, and significant historic and archaeological sites if, in the opinion of the public body that has the responsibility for such information, disclosure of the information would jeopardize the continued existence or the integrity of the resource. This exemption shall not apply to requests from the owner of the land upon which the resource is located.

11. Records, memoranda, working papers, graphics, video or audio tapes, production models, data and information of a proprietary nature produced by or for or collected by or for the State Lottery Department relating to matters of a specific lottery game design, development, production, operation, ticket price, prize structure, manner of selecting the winning ticket, manner of payment of prizes to holders of winning tickets, frequency of drawings or selections of winning tickets, odds of winning, advertising, or marketing, where such official records have not been publicly released, published, copyrighted or patented. Whether released, published or copyrighted, all game-related information shall be subject to public disclosure under this chapter upon the first day of sales for the specific lottery game to which it pertains.

12. Records of the Virginia Retirement System, acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, or of a local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, or of the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, acting pursuant to § 23-76.1, or of the Virginia College Savings Plan, acting pursuant to § 23-38.77, relating to the acquisition, holding or disposition of a security or other ownership interest in an entity, where such security or ownership interest is not traded on a governmentally regulated securities exchange, to the extent that: (i) such records contain confidential analyses prepared for the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, prepared by the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan, or provided to the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan under a promise of confidentiality, of the future value of such ownership interest or the future financial performance of the entity; and (ii) disclosure of such confidential analyses would have an adverse effect on the value of the

investment to be acquired, held or disposed of by the retirement system, the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, or the Virginia College Savings Plan. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prevent the disclosure of records relating to the identity of any investment held, the amount invested, or the present value of such investment.

13. Names and addresses of subscribers to Virginia Wildlife magazine, published by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, provided the individual subscriber has requested in writing that the Department not release such information.

14. Financial, medical, rehabilitative and other personal information concerning applicants for or recipients of loan funds submitted to or maintained by the Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority under Chapter 11 (§ 51.5-53 et seq.) of Title 51.5.

15. Records of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority pertaining to any of the following: an individual's qualifications for or continued membership on its medical or teaching staffs; proprietary information gathered by or in the possession of the Authority from third parties pursuant to a promise of confidentiality; contract cost estimates prepared for confidential use in awarding contracts for construction or the purchase of goods or services; data, records or information of a proprietary nature produced or collected by or for the Authority or members of its medical or teaching staffs; financial statements not publicly available that may be filed with the Authority from third parties; the identity, accounts or account status of any customer of the Authority; consulting or other reports paid for by the Authority to assist the Authority in connection with its strategic planning and goals; the determination of marketing and operational strategies where disclosure of such strategies would be harmful to the competitive position of the Authority; and data, records or information of a proprietary nature produced or collected by or for employees of the Authority, other than the Authority's 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 Authority alone or in conjunction with a governmental body or a private concern, when such data, records or information have not been publicly released, published, copyrighted or patented.

16. Records of the Department of Environmental Quality, the State Water Control Board, State Air Pollution Control Board or the Virginia Waste Management Board relating to (i) active federal environmental enforcement actions that are considered confidential under federal law and (ii) enforcement strategies, including proposed sanctions for enforcement actions. Upon request, such records shall be disclosed after a proposed sanction resulting from the investigation has been proposed to the director of the agency. This subdivision shall not be construed to prohibit the disclosure of records related to inspection reports, notices of violation, and documents detailing the nature of any environmental contamination that may have occurred or similar documents.

17. As it pertains to any person, records related to the operation of toll facilities that identify an individual, vehicle, or travel itinerary including, but not limited to, vehicle identification data, vehicle enforcement system information; video or photographic images; Social Security or other identification numbers appearing on driver's licenses; credit card or bank account data; home addresses; phone numbers; or records of the date or time of toll facility use.

18. Records of the State Lottery Department pertaining to (i) the social security number, tax identification number, state sales tax number, home address and telephone number, personal and lottery banking account and transit numbers of a retailer, and financial information regarding the nonlottery operations of specific retail locations; and (ii) individual lottery winners, except that a winner's name, hometown, and amount won shall be disclosed.

19. Records of the Board for Branch Pilots relating to the chemical or drug testing of a person regulated by the Board, where such person has tested negative or has not been the subject of a disciplinary action by the Board for a positive test result.

20. Records, investigative notes, correspondence, and information pertaining to the planning, scheduling and performance of examinations of holder records pursuant to the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act (§ 55-210.1 et seq.) prepared by or for the State Treasurer, his agents, employees or persons employed to perform an audit or examination of holder records.

21. Records of the Virginia Department of Emergency Management or a local governing body relating to citizen emergency response teams established pursuant to an ordinance of a local governing body, to the extent that such records reveal the name, address, including e-mail address, telephone or pager numbers, or operating schedule of an individual participant in the program.

22. Records of state or local park and recreation departments and local and regional park authorities to the extent such records contain information identifying a person under the age of 18 years, where the parent or legal guardian of such person has requested in writing that such information not be disclosed. However, nothing in this subdivision shall operate to prohibit the disclosure of information defined as directory information under regulations implementing the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, unless the public body has undertaken the parental notification and opt-out requirements provided by such regulations. Access shall not be denied to the parent, including a noncustodial parent, or guardian of such person, unless the parent's parental rights have been terminated or a court of competent jurisdiction has restricted or denied such access. For records of such persons who are emancipated, the right of access may be asserted by the subject thereof.

23. Records submitted for inclusion in the Statewide Alert Network administered by the Department of Emergency Management, to the extent that they reveal names, physical addresses, email addresses, computer or internet protocol information, telephone numbers, pager numbers, other wireless or portable communications device information, or operating schedules of individuals or agencies, where the release of such information would compromise the security of the Statewide Alert Network or individuals participating in the Statewide Alert Network.

24. Records of the Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission made confidential by § 17.1-913.

25. Records of the Virginia Retirement System acting pursuant to § 51.1-124.30, of a local retirement system acting pursuant to § 51.1-803 (hereinafter collectively referred to as the

retirement system), or of the Virginia College Savings Plan, acting pursuant to § 23-38.77 relating to:

a. Internal deliberations of or decisions by the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan on the pursuit of particular investment strategies, or the selection or termination of investment managers, prior to the execution of such investment strategies or the selection or termination of such managers, to the extent that disclosure of such records would have an adverse impact on the financial interest of the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan; and

b. Trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), provided by a private entity to the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan, to the extent disclosure of such records would have an adverse impact on the financial interest of the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan.

For the records specified in subdivision b to be excluded from the provisions of this chapter, the entity shall make a written request to the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan:

(1) Invoking such exclusion prior to or upon submission of the data or other materials for which protection from disclosure is sought;

(2) Identifying with specificity the data or other materials for which protection is sought; and

(3) Stating the reasons why protection is necessary.

The retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan shall determine whether the requested exclusion from disclosure meets the requirements set forth in subdivision b.

Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to authorize the withholding of the identity or amount of any investment held or the present value and performance of all asset classes and subclasses.

26. Records of the Department of Corrections made confidential by § 53.1-233.

27. Records maintained by the Department of the Treasury or participants in the Local Government Investment Pool (§ 2.2-4600 et seq.), to the extent such records relate to information required to be provided by such participants to the Department to establish accounts in accordance with § 2.2-4602.

28. Personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, contained in the Veterans Care Center Resident Trust Funds concerning residents or patients of the Department of Veterans Services Care Centers, except that access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject of the record.

29. Records maintained in connection with fundraising activities by the Veterans Services Foundation pursuant to § 2.2-2716 to the extent that such records reveal the address, electronic

mail address, facsimile or telephone number, social security number or other identification number appearing on a driver's license, or credit card or bank account data of identifiable donors, except that access shall not be denied to the person who is the subject of the record. Nothing in this subdivision, however, shall be construed to authorize the withholding of records relating to the amount, date, purpose, and terms of the pledge or donation or the identity of the donor. The exclusion provided by this subdivision shall not apply to protect from disclosure (i) the identities of sponsors providing grants to or contracting with the foundation for the performance of services or other work or (ii) the terms and conditions of such grants or contracts.

30. Names, physical addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses contained in correspondence between an individual and a member of the governing body, school board, or other public body of the locality in which the individual is a resident, unless the correspondence relates to the transaction of public business. However, no record that is otherwise open to inspection under this chapter shall be deemed exempt by virtue of the fact that it has been attached to or incorporated within any such correspondence.

§ 2.2-3705.8. Limitation on record exclusions.

A. Neither any provision of this chapter nor any provision of Chapter 38 (§ 2.2-3800 et seq.) of this title shall be construed as denying public access to (i) contracts between a public body and its officers or employees, other than contracts settling public employee employment disputes held confidential as personnel records under § 2.2-3705.1; (ii) records of the position, job classification, official salary or rate of pay of, and records of the allowances or reimbursements for expenses paid to any officer, official or employee of a public body; or (iii) the compensation or benefits paid by any corporation organized by the Virginia Retirement System or its officers or employees.

The provisions of this subsection, however, shall not require public access to records of the official salaries or rates of pay of public employees whose annual rate of pay is \$10,000 or less.

B. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as denying public access to the nonexempt portions of a report of a consultant hired by or at the request of a local public body or the mayor or chief executive or administrative officer of such public body if (i) the contents of such report have been distributed or disclosed to members of the local public body or (ii) the local public body has scheduled any action on a matter that is the subject of the consultant's report.

§ 2.2-3706. Disclosure of criminal records; limitations.

A. As used in this section:

"Criminal incident information" means a general description of the criminal activity reported, the date and general location the alleged crime was committed, the identity of the investigating officer, and a general description of any injuries suffered or property damaged or stolen.

"Criminal investigative file" means any documents and information including complaints, court orders, memoranda, notes, diagrams, maps, photographs, correspondence, reports, witness

statements, and evidence relating to a criminal investigation or prosecution, other than criminal incident information.

B. Law-enforcement agencies shall make available upon request criminal incident information relating to felony offenses. However, where the release of criminal incident information is likely to jeopardize an ongoing investigation or prosecution, or the safety of an individual; cause a suspect to flee or evade detection; or result in the destruction of evidence, such information may be withheld until the above-referenced damage is no longer likely to occur from release of the information. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the release of those portions of such information that are not likely to cause the above-referenced damage.

C. Information in the custody of law-enforcement agencies relative to the identity of any individual, other than a juvenile, who is arrested and charged, and the status of the charge or arrest shall be released.

D. The identity of any victim, witness or undercover officer, or investigative techniques or procedures need not but may be disclosed unless disclosure is prohibited or restricted under § 19.2-11.2.

E. The identity of any individual providing information about a crime or criminal activity under a promise of anonymity shall not be disclosed.

F. The following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter, but may be disclosed by the custodian, in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law:

1. Criminal investigative files as defined in subsection A;
2. Adult arrestee photographs when necessary to avoid jeopardizing an investigation in felony cases until such time as the release of the photograph will no longer jeopardize the investigation;
3. Reports submitted in confidence to (i) state and local law-enforcement agencies, (ii) investigators authorized pursuant to Chapter 3.2 (§ 2.2-307 et seq.), and (iii) campus police departments of public institutions of higher education established pursuant to Chapter 17 (§ 23-232 et seq.) of Title 23;
4. Portions of records of local government crime commissions that would identify individuals providing information about crimes or criminal activities under a promise of anonymity;
5. Records of local law-enforcement agencies relating to neighborhood watch programs that include the names, addresses, and operating schedules of individual participants in the program that are provided to such agencies under a promise of anonymity;
6. All records of persons imprisoned in penal institutions in the Commonwealth provided such records relate to the imprisonment;

7. Records of law-enforcement agencies, to the extent that such records contain specific tactical plans, the disclosure of which would jeopardize the safety or security of law-enforcement personnel or the general public;

8. All records of adult persons under (i) investigation or supervision by a local pretrial services agency in accordance with Article 5 (§ 19.2-152.2 et seq.) of Chapter 9 of Title 19.2; (ii) investigation, probation supervision or monitoring by a local community-based probation services agency in accordance with Article 9 (§ 9.1-173 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 9.1; or (iii) investigation or supervision by state probation and parole services in accordance with Article 2 (§ 53.1-141 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 53.1;

9. Records of a law-enforcement agency to the extent that they disclose the telephone numbers for cellular telephones, pagers, or comparable portable communication devices provided to its personnel for use in the performance of their official duties;

10. Those portions of any records containing information related to undercover operations or protective details that would reveal the staffing, logistics, or tactical plans of such undercover operations or protective details. Nothing in this subdivision shall operate to allow the withholding of information concerning the overall costs or expenses associated with undercover operations or protective details; and

11. Records of (i) background investigations of applicants for law-enforcement agency employment, (ii) administrative investigations relating to allegations of wrongdoing by employees of a law-enforcement agency, and (iii) other administrative investigations conducted by law-enforcement agencies that are made confidential by law.

G. Records kept by law-enforcement agencies as required by § 15.2-1722 shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter except that those portions of noncriminal incident or other investigative reports or materials that contain identifying information of a personal, medical or financial nature may be withheld where the release of such information would jeopardize the safety or privacy of any person.

H. Records of the Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry maintained by the Department of State Police pursuant to Chapter 9 (§ 9.1-900 et seq.) of Title 9.1 are excluded from the provisions of this chapter, including information obtained from state, local and regional officials, except to the extent that information is required to be posted on the Internet pursuant to § 9.1-913.

I. In the event of conflict between this section as it relates to requests made under this section and other provisions of law, this section shall control.

§ 2.2-3707. Meetings to be public; notice of meetings; recordings; minutes.

A. All meetings of public bodies shall be open, except as provided in §§ 2.2-3707.01 and 2.2-3711.

B. No meeting shall be conducted through telephonic, video, electronic or other communication means where the members are not physically assembled to discuss or transact public business, except as provided in § 2.2-3708, 2.2-3708.1 or as may be specifically provided in Title 54.1 for the summary suspension of professional licenses.

C. Every public body shall give notice of the date, time, and location of its meetings by placing the notice in a prominent public location at which notices are regularly posted and in the office of the clerk of the public body, or in the case of a public body that has no clerk, in the office of the chief administrator. All state public bodies subject to the provisions of this chapter shall also post notice of their meetings on their websites and on the electronic calendar maintained by the Virginia Information Technologies Agency commonly known as the Commonwealth Calendar. Publication of meeting notices by electronic means by other public bodies shall be encouraged. The notice shall be posted at least three working days prior to the meeting. Notices for meetings of state public bodies on which there is at least one member appointed by the Governor shall state whether or not public comment will be received at the meeting and, if so, the approximate point during the meeting when public comment will be received.

D. Notice, reasonable under the circumstance, of special or emergency meetings shall be given contemporaneously with the notice provided members of the public body conducting the meeting.

E. Any person may annually file a written request for notification with a public body. The request shall include the requester's name, address, zip code, daytime telephone number, electronic mail address, if available, and organization, if any. The public body receiving such request shall provide notice of all meetings directly to each such person. Without objection by the person, the public body may provide electronic notice of all meetings in response to such requests.

F. At least one copy of all agenda packets and, unless exempt, all materials furnished to members of a public body for a meeting shall be made available for public inspection at the same time such documents are furnished to the members of the public body.

G. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit the gathering or attendance of two or more members of a public body (i) at any place or function where no part of the purpose of such gathering or attendance is the discussion or transaction of any public business, and such gathering or attendance was not called or prearranged with any purpose of discussing or transacting any business of the public body or (ii) at a public forum, candidate appearance, or debate, the purpose of which is to inform the electorate and not to transact public business or to hold discussions relating to the transaction of public business, even though the performance of the members individually or collectively in the conduct of public business may be a topic of discussion or debate at such public meeting. The notice provisions of this chapter shall not apply to informal meetings or gatherings of the members of the General Assembly.

H. Any person may photograph, film, record or otherwise reproduce any portion of a meeting required to be open. The public body conducting the meeting may adopt rules governing the placement and use of equipment necessary for broadcasting, photographing, filming or recording

a meeting to prevent interference with the proceedings, but shall not prohibit or otherwise prevent any person from photographing, filming, recording, or otherwise reproducing any portion of a meeting required to be open. No public body shall conduct a meeting required to be open in any building or facility where such recording devices are prohibited.

I. Minutes shall be recorded at all open meetings. However, minutes shall not be required to be taken at deliberations of (i) standing and other committees of the General Assembly; (ii) legislative interim study commissions and committees, including the Virginia Code Commission; (iii) study committees or commissions appointed by the Governor; or (iv) study commissions or study committees, or any other committees or subcommittees appointed by the governing bodies or school boards of counties, cities and towns, except where the membership of any such commission, committee or subcommittee includes a majority of the governing body of the county, city or town or school board.

Minutes, including draft minutes, and all other records of open meetings, including audio or audio/visual records shall be deemed public records and subject to the provisions of this chapter.

Minutes shall be in writing and shall include (i) the date, time, and location of the meeting; (ii) the members of the public body recorded as present and absent; and (iii) a summary of the discussion on matters proposed, deliberated or decided, and a record of any votes taken. In addition, for electronic communication meetings conducted in accordance with § 2.2-3708, minutes of state public bodies shall include (a) the identity of the members of the public body at each remote location identified in the notice who participated in the meeting through electronic communications means, (b) the identity of the members of the public body who were physically assembled at the primary or central meeting location, and (c) the identity of the members of the public body who were not present at the locations identified in clauses (a) and (b), but who monitored such meeting through electronic communications means.

§ 2.2-3707.01. Meetings of the General Assembly.

A. Except as provided in subsection B, public access to any meeting of the General Assembly or a portion thereof shall be governed by rules established by the Joint Rules Committee and approved by a majority vote of each house at the next regular session of the General Assembly. At least 60 days before the adoption of such rules, the Joint Rules Committee shall (i) hold regional public hearings on such proposed rules and (ii) provide a copy of such proposed rules to the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council.

B. Floor sessions of either house of the General Assembly; meetings, including work sessions, of any standing or interim study committee of the General Assembly; meetings, including work sessions, of any subcommittee of such standing or interim study committee; and joint committees of conference of the General Assembly; or a quorum of any such committees or subcommittees, shall be open and governed by this chapter.

C. Meetings of the respective political party caucuses of either house of the General Assembly, including meetings conducted by telephonic or other electronic communication means, without regard to (i) whether the General Assembly is in or out of regular or special session or (ii)

whether such caucuses invite staff or guests to participate in their deliberations, shall not be deemed meetings for the purposes of this chapter.

D. No regular, special, or reconvened session of the General Assembly held pursuant to Article IV, Section 6 of the Constitution of Virginia shall be conducted using electronic communication means pursuant § 2.2-3708.

§ 2.2-3707.1. Posting of minutes for state boards and commissions.

All boards, commissions, councils, and other public bodies created in the executive branch of state government and subject to the provisions of this chapter shall post minutes of their meetings on such body's website, if any, and on the electronic calendar maintained by the Virginia Information Technologies Agency commonly known as the Commonwealth Calendar. Draft minutes of meetings shall be posted as soon as possible but no later than ten working days after the conclusion of the meeting. Final approved meeting minutes shall be posted within three working days of final approval of the minutes.

§ 2.2-3708. Electronic communication meetings; applicability; physical quorum required; notice; report.

A. Except as expressly provided in subsection G of this section or § 2.2-3708.1, no local governing body, school board, or any authority, board, bureau, commission, district or agency of local government, any committee thereof, or any entity created by a local governing body, school board, or any local authority, board, or commission shall conduct a meeting wherein the public business is discussed or transacted through telephonic, video, electronic or other communication means where the members are not physically assembled. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the use of interactive audio or video means to expand public participation.

B. Except as provided in subsection D of § 2.2-3707.01, state public bodies may conduct any meeting wherein the public business is discussed or transacted through electronic communication means, provided (i) a quorum of the public body is physically assembled at one primary or central meeting location, (ii) notice of the meeting has been given in accordance with subsection C, and (iii) the remote locations, from which additional members of the public body participate through electronic communication means, are open to the public. All persons attending the meeting at any of the meeting locations shall be afforded the same opportunity to address the public body as persons attending the primary or central location. State public bodies, however, may meet by electronic communication means without a quorum of the public body physically assembled at one location when (a) the Governor has declared a state of emergency in accordance with § 44-146.17, (b) the meeting is necessary to take action to address the emergency, and (c) the public body otherwise complies with the provisions of this section.

If an authorized public body holds an electronic meeting pursuant to this section, it shall also hold at least one meeting annually where members in attendance at the meeting are physically assembled at one location and where no members participate by electronic communication means.

C. Notice of any meetings held pursuant to this section shall be provided at least three working days in advance of the date scheduled for the meeting. The notice shall include the date, time, place, and purpose for the meeting; shall identify the locations for the meeting; and shall include a telephone number that may be used at remote locations to notify the primary or central meeting location of any interruption in the telephonic or video broadcast of the meeting to the remote locations. Any interruption in the telephonic or video broadcast of the meeting shall result in the suspension of action at the meeting until repairs are made and public access restored.

D. Agenda packets and, unless exempt, all materials that will be distributed to members of the public body and that have been made available to the staff of the public body in sufficient time for duplication and forwarding to all locations where public access will be provided shall be made available to the public at the time of the meeting. Minutes of all meetings held by electronic communication means shall be recorded as required by § 2.2-3707. Votes taken during any meeting conducted through electronic communication means shall be recorded by name in roll-call fashion and included in the minutes.

E. Three working days' notice shall not be required for meetings authorized under this section held in accordance with subsection G or that are continued to address an emergency or to conclude the agenda of the meeting for which proper notice has been given, when the date, time, place, and purpose of the continued meeting are set during the meeting prior to adjournment. Public bodies conducting emergency meetings through electronic communication means shall comply with the provisions of subsection D requiring minutes of the meeting. The nature of the emergency shall be stated in the minutes.

F. Any authorized public body that meets by electronic communication means shall make a written report of the following to the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council and the Joint Commission on Technology and Science by December 15 of each year:

1. The total number of electronic communication meetings held that year;
2. The dates and purposes of the meetings;
3. The number of sites for each meeting;
4. The types of electronic communication means by which the meetings were held;
5. The number of participants, including members of the public, at each meeting location;
6. The identity of the members of the public body recorded as absent and those recorded as present at each meeting location;
7. A summary of any public comment received about the electronic communication meetings;
and
8. A written summary of the public body's experience using electronic communication meetings, including its logistical and technical experience.

G. Any local governing body, school board, or any authority, board, bureau, commission, district, or agency of local government may meet by electronic communication means without a quorum of the public body physically assembled at one location when the Governor has declared a state of emergency in accordance with § 44-146.17, provided (i) the catastrophic nature of the declared emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe to assemble a quorum in a single location and (ii) the purpose of the meeting is to address the emergency. The local public body convening a meeting in accordance with this subsection shall (a) give public notice using the best available method given the nature of the emergency, which notice shall be given contemporaneously with the notice provided members of the local public body conducting the meeting; (b) make arrangements for public access to such meeting; and (c) otherwise comply with the provisions of this section. The nature of the emergency and the fact that the meeting was held by electronic communication means shall be stated in the minutes.

§ 2.2-3708.1. Participation in meetings in event of emergency; certain disabilities; distance from meeting location for certain public bodies.

A. A member of a public body may participate in a meeting governed by this chapter through electronic communication means from a remote location that is not open to the public only as follows and subject to the requirements of subsection B:

1. If, on the day of a meeting, a member of the public body holding the meeting notifies the chair of the public body that such member is unable to attend the meeting due to an emergency and identifies with specificity the nature of the emergency, and the public body holding the meeting (a) approves such member's participation by a majority vote of the members present and (b) records in its minutes the specific nature of the emergency and the remote location from which the member participated.

Such participation by the member shall be limited each calendar year to two meetings or 25 percent of the meetings of the public body, whichever is fewer;

2. If a member of a public body notifies the chair of the public body that such member is unable to attend a meeting due to a temporary or permanent disability or other medical condition that prevents the member's physical attendance and the public body records this fact and the remote location from which the member participated in its minutes; or

3. If, on the day of a meeting, a member of a regional public body notifies the chair of the public body that such member's principal residence is more than 60 miles from the meeting location identified in the required notice for such meeting and the public body holding the meeting (a) approves such member's participation by a majority vote of the members present and (b) records in its minutes the remote location from which the member participated.

B. Participation by a member of a public body as authorized under subsection A shall be only under the following conditions:

1. A quorum of the public body is physically assembled at the primary or central meeting location; and

2. The public body makes arrangements for the voice of the remote participant to be heard by all persons at the primary or central meeting location.

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§ 2.2-3710. Transaction of public business other than by votes at meetings prohibited.

A. Unless otherwise specifically provided by law, no vote of any kind of the membership, or any part thereof, of any public body shall be taken to authorize the transaction of any public business, other than a vote taken at a meeting conducted in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. No public body shall vote by secret or written ballot, and unless expressly provided by this chapter, no public body shall vote by telephone or other electronic communication means.

B. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit (i) separately contacting the membership, or any part thereof, of any public body for the purpose of ascertaining a member's position with respect to the transaction of public business, whether such contact is done in person, by telephone or by electronic communication, provided the contact is done on a basis that does not constitute a meeting as defined in this chapter or (ii) the House of Delegates or the Senate of Virginia from adopting rules relating to the casting of votes by members of standing committees. Nothing in this subsection shall operate to exclude any public record from the provisions of this chapter.

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

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

1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments or schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve 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 involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided the teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board.

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

3. Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.
4. The protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business.
5. Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community.
6. Discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected.
7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.
8. In the case of boards of visitors of public institutions of higher education, discussion or consideration of matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities, and grants and contracts for services or work to be performed by such institution. However, the terms and conditions of any such gifts, bequests, grants, and contracts made by a foreign government, a foreign legal entity, or a foreign person and accepted by a public institution of higher education in Virginia shall be subject to public disclosure upon written request to the appropriate board of visitors. For the purpose of this subdivision, (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 created under the laws of the United States or of any state thereof if a majority of the ownership of the stock of such legal entity is owned by foreign governments or foreign persons or if a majority of the membership of any such entity is composed of foreign persons or foreign legal entities, or any legal entity created under the laws of a foreign government; and (iii) "foreign person" means any individual who is not a citizen or national of the United States or a trust territory or protectorate thereof.
9. In the case of the boards of trustees of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the Virginia Museum of Natural History, and The Science Museum of Virginia, discussion or consideration of matters relating to specific gifts, bequests, and grants.
10. Discussion or consideration of honorary degrees or special awards.

11. Discussion or consideration of tests, examinations, or other records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 4 of § 2.2-3705.1.
12. Discussion, consideration, or review by the appropriate House or Senate committees of possible disciplinary action against a member arising out of the possible inadequacy of the disclosure statement filed by the member, provided the member may request in writing that the committee meeting not be conducted in a closed meeting.
13. Discussion of strategy with respect to the negotiation of a hazardous waste siting agreement or to consider the terms, conditions, and provisions of a hazardous waste siting agreement if the governing body in open meeting finds that an open meeting will have an adverse effect upon the negotiating position of the governing body or the establishment of the terms, conditions and provisions of the siting agreement, or both. All discussions with the applicant or its representatives may be conducted in a closed meeting.
14. Discussion by the Governor and any economic advisory board reviewing forecasts of economic activity and estimating general and nongeneral fund revenues.
15. Discussion or consideration of medical and mental health records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.5.
16. Deliberations of the State Lottery Board in a licensing appeal action conducted pursuant to subsection D of § 58.1-4007 regarding the denial or revocation of a license of a lottery sales agent; and discussion, consideration or review of State Lottery Department matters related to proprietary lottery game information and studies or investigations exempted from disclosure under subdivision 6 of § 2.2-3705.3 and subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.7.
17. Those portions of meetings by local government crime commissions where the identity of, or information tending to identify, individuals providing information about crimes or criminal activities under a promise of anonymity is discussed or disclosed.
18. Those portions of meetings in which the Board of Corrections discusses or discloses the identity of, or information tending to identify, any prisoner who (i) provides information about crimes or criminal activities, (ii) renders assistance in preventing the escape of another prisoner or in the apprehension of an escaped prisoner, or (iii) voluntarily or at the instance of a prison official renders other extraordinary services, the disclosure of which is likely to jeopardize the prisoner's life or safety.
19. Discussion of plans to protect public safety as it relates to terrorist activity and briefings by staff members, legal counsel, or law-enforcement or emergency service officials concerning actions taken to respond to such activity or a related threat to public safety; or discussion of reports or plans related to the security of any governmental facility, building or structure, or the safety of 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 of any local retirement system, acting pursuant to § 51.1-803, or of the Rector and

Visitors of the University of Virginia, acting pursuant to § 23-76.1, or by the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan, acting pursuant to § 23-38.80, regarding the acquisition, holding or disposition of a security or other ownership interest in an entity, where such security or ownership interest is not traded on a governmentally regulated securities exchange, to the extent that such discussion (i) concerns confidential analyses prepared for the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, prepared by the retirement system or by the Virginia College Savings Plan or provided to the retirement system or the Virginia College Savings Plan under a promise of confidentiality, of the future value of such ownership interest or the future financial performance of the entity, and (ii) would have an adverse effect on the value of the investment to be acquired, held or disposed of by the retirement system, the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia, or the Virginia College Savings Plan. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prevent the disclosure of information relating to the identity of any investment held, the amount invested or the present value of such investment.

21. Those portions of meetings in which individual child death cases are discussed by the State Child Fatality Review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.1, and those portions of meetings in which individual child death cases are discussed by a regional or local child fatality review team established pursuant to § 32.1-283.2, and those portions of meetings in which individual death cases are discussed by family violence fatality review teams established pursuant to § 32.1-283.3.

22. Those portions of meetings of the University of Virginia Board of Visitors or the Eastern Virginia Medical School Board of Visitors, as the case may be, and those portions of meetings of any persons to whom management responsibilities for the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, have been delegated, in which there is discussed proprietary, business-related information pertaining to the operations of the University of Virginia Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case 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 Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case may be, has formed, or forms, any arrangement for the delivery of health care, if disclosure of such information would adversely affect the competitive position of the Medical Center or Eastern Virginia Medical School, as the case may be.

23. In the case of the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority, discussion or consideration of any of the following: the acquisition or disposition of real or personal property where disclosure would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Authority; operational plans that could affect the value of such property, real or personal, owned or desirable for ownership by the Authority; matters relating to gifts, bequests and fund-raising activities; grants and contracts for services or work to be performed by the Authority; marketing or operational strategies where disclosure of such strategies would adversely affect the competitive position of the Authority; members of its medical and teaching staffs and qualifications for appointments thereto; and qualifications or evaluations of other employees.

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.

25. Meetings or portions of meetings of the Board of the Virginia College Savings Plan wherein personal information, as defined in § 2.2-3801, which has been provided to the Board 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 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.) of Title 23 is discussed.

26. Discussion or consideration, by the Wireless Carrier E-911 Cost Recovery Subcommittee created pursuant to § 56-484.15, of trade secrets, as defined in the Uniform Trade Secrets Act (§ 59.1-336 et seq.), 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.

28. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.6 by a responsible public entity or an affected local jurisdiction, as those terms are defined in § 56-557, or any independent review panel appointed to review information and advise the responsible public entity concerning such records.

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

30. Discussion or consideration of grant or loan application records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 17 of § 2.2-3705.6 by (i) the Commonwealth Health Research Board or (ii) the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority or the Research and Technology Investment Advisory Committee appointed to advise the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Investment Authority.

31. Discussion or consideration by the Commitment Review Committee of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 9 of § 2.2-3705.2 relating to individuals subject to commitment as sexually violent predators under Chapter 9 (§ 37.2-900 et seq.) of Title 37.2.

32. [Expired.]

33. Discussion or consideration of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 18 of § 2.2-3705.6.

34. Discussion or consideration by a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 19 of § 2.2-3705.6.
35. Discussion or consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of voting security matters made confidential pursuant to § 24.2-625.1.
36. Discussion or consideration by the Forensic Science Board or the Scientific Advisory Committee created pursuant to Article 2 (§ 9.1-1109 et seq.) of Chapter 11 of Title 9.1 of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision F 1 of § 2.2-3706.
37. Discussion or consideration by the Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Program Awards Committee of records or confidential matters excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 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.
38. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Port Authority of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 1 of § 2.2-3705.6.
39. 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 § 23-38.80, or by the Virginia College Savings Plan's Investment Advisory Committee appointed pursuant to § 23-38.79:1 of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 25 of § 2.2-3705.7.
40. Discussion or consideration of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 3 of § 2.2-3705.6.
41. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Education of records relating to the denial, suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 13 of § 2.2-3705.3.
42. Those portions of meetings of the Virginia Military Advisory Council or any commission created by executive order for the purpose of studying and making recommendations regarding preventing closure or realignment of federal military and national security installations and facilities located in Virginia and relocation of such facilities to Virginia, or a local or regional military affairs organization appointed by a local governing body, during which there is discussion of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 12 of § 2.2-3705.2.
43. Discussion or consideration by the Board of Trustees of the Veterans Services Foundation of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 29 of § 2.2-3705.7.

44. Discussion or consideration by the Virginia Tobacco Indemnification and Community Revitalization Commission of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 23 of § 2.2-3705.6.

45. Discussion or consideration by the board of directors of the Commercial Space Flight Authority of records excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 24 of § 2.2-3705.6.

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.

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

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

E. This section shall not be construed to (i) require the disclosure of any contract between the Department of Health Professions and an impaired practitioner entered into pursuant to Chapter 25.1 (§ 54.1-2515 et seq.) of Title 54.1 or (ii) require the board of directors of any authority created pursuant to the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond Act (§ 15.2-4900 et seq.), or any public body empowered to issue industrial revenue bonds by general or special law, to identify a business or industry to which subdivision A 5 applies. However, such business or industry shall be identified as a matter of public record at least 30 days prior to the actual date of the board's authorization of the sale or issuance of such bonds.

§ 2.2-3712. Closed meetings procedures; certification of proceedings.

A. No closed meeting shall be held unless the public body proposing to convene such meeting has taken an affirmative recorded vote in an open meeting approving a motion that (i) identifies the subject matter, (ii) states the purpose of the meeting and (iii) makes specific reference to the applicable exemption from open meeting requirements provided in § 2.2-3707 or subsection A of § 2.2-3711. The matters contained in such motion shall be set forth in detail in the minutes of the open meeting. A general reference to the provisions of this chapter, the authorized exemptions from open meeting requirements, or the subject matter of the closed meeting shall not be sufficient to satisfy the requirements for holding a closed meeting.

B. The notice provisions of this chapter shall not apply to closed meetings of any public body held solely for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the position of chief administrative officer. Prior to any such closed meeting for the purpose of interviewing candidates, the public body shall announce in an open meeting that such closed meeting shall be held at a disclosed or undisclosed location within 15 days thereafter.

C. The public body holding a closed meeting shall restrict its discussion during the closed meeting only to those matters specifically exempted from the provisions of this chapter and identified in the motion required by subsection A.

D. At the conclusion of any closed meeting, the public body holding such meeting shall immediately reconvene in an open meeting and shall take a roll call or other recorded vote to be included in the minutes of that body, certifying that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the public body. Any member of the public body who believes that there was a departure from the requirements of clauses (i) and (ii), shall so state prior to the vote, indicating the substance of the departure that, in his judgment, has taken place. The statement shall be recorded in the minutes of the public body.

E. Failure of the certification required by subsection D to receive the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the public body present during a meeting shall not affect the validity or confidentiality of such meeting with respect to matters considered therein in compliance with the provisions of this chapter. The recorded vote and any statement made in connection therewith, shall upon proper authentication, constitute evidence in any proceeding brought to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

F. A public body may permit nonmembers to attend a closed meeting if such persons are deemed necessary or if their presence will reasonably aid the public body in its consideration of a topic that is a subject of the meeting.

G. A member of a public body shall be permitted to attend a closed meeting held by any committee or subcommittee of that public body, or a closed meeting of any entity, however designated, created to perform the delegated functions of or to advise that public body. Such member shall in all cases be permitted to observe the closed meeting of the committee, subcommittee or entity. In addition to the requirements of § 2.2-3707, the minutes of the committee or other entity shall include the identity of the member of the parent public body who attended the closed meeting.

H. Except as specifically authorized by law, in no event may any public body take action on matters discussed in any closed meeting, except at an open meeting for which notice was given as required by § 2.2-3707.

I. Minutes may be taken during closed meetings of a public body, but shall not be required. Such minutes shall not be subject to mandatory public disclosure.

§ 2.2-3713. Proceedings for enforcement of chapter.

A. Any person, including the attorney for the Commonwealth acting in his official or individual capacity, denied the rights and privileges conferred by this chapter may proceed to enforce such rights and privileges by filing a petition for mandamus or injunction, supported by an affidavit

showing good cause. Such petition may be brought in the name of the person notwithstanding that a request for public records was made by the person's attorney in his representative capacity. Venue for the petition shall be addressed as follows:

1. In a case involving a local public body, to the general district court or circuit court of the county or city from which the public body has been elected or appointed to serve and in which such rights and privileges were so denied;

2. In a case involving a regional public body, to the general district or circuit court of the county or city where the principal business office of such body is located; and

3. In a case involving a board, bureau, commission, authority, district, institution, or agency of the state government, including a public institution of higher education, or a standing or other committee of the General Assembly, to the general district court or the circuit court of the residence of the aggrieved party or of the City of Richmond.

B. In any action brought before a general district court, a corporate petitioner may appear through its officer, director or managing agent without the assistance of counsel, notwithstanding any provision of law or Rule of the Supreme Court of Virginia to the contrary.

C. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 8.01-644, the petition for mandamus or injunction shall be heard within seven days of the date when the same is made, provided the party against whom the petition is brought has received a copy of the petition at least three working days prior to filing. The hearing on any petition made outside of the regular terms of the circuit court of a locality that is included in a judicial circuit with another locality or localities shall be given precedence on the docket of such court over all cases that are not otherwise given precedence by law.

D. The petition shall allege with reasonable specificity the circumstances of the denial of the rights and privileges conferred by this chapter. A single instance of denial of the rights and privileges conferred by this chapter shall be sufficient to invoke the remedies granted herein. If the court finds the denial to be in violation of the provisions of this chapter, the petitioner shall be entitled to recover reasonable costs, including costs and reasonable fees for expert witnesses, and attorneys' fees from the public body if the petitioner substantially prevails on the merits of the case, unless special circumstances would make an award unjust. In making this determination, a court may consider, among other things, the reliance of a public body on an opinion of the Attorney General or a decision of a court that substantially supports the public body's position.

E. In any action to enforce the provisions of this chapter, the public body shall bear the burden of proof to establish an exemption by a preponderance of the evidence. Any failure by a public body to follow the procedures established by this chapter shall be presumed to be a violation of this chapter.

F. Failure by any person to request and receive notice of the time and place of meetings as provided in § 2.2-3707 shall not preclude any person from enforcing his rights and privileges conferred by this chapter.

§ 2.2-3714. Violations and penalties.

In a proceeding commenced against any officer, employee, or member of a public body under § 2.2-3713 for a violation of § 2.2-3704, 2.2-3705.1 through 2.2-3705.8, 2.2-3706, 2.2-3707, 2.2-3708, 2.2-3708.1, 2.2-3710, 2.2-3711 or 2.2-3712, the court, if it finds that a violation was willfully and knowingly made, shall impose upon such officer, employee, or member in his individual capacity, whether a writ of mandamus or injunctive relief is awarded or not, a civil penalty of not less than \$500 nor more than \$2,000, which amount shall be paid into the State Literary Fund. For a second or subsequent violation, such civil penalty shall be not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000.

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§ 42.1-76. Legislative intent; title of chapter.

The General Assembly intends by this chapter to establish a single body of law applicable to all public officers and employees on the subject of public records management and preservation and to ensure that the procedures used to manage and preserve public records will be uniform throughout the Commonwealth.

This chapter may be cited as the Virginia Public Records Act.

(1976, c. 746.)

§ 42.1-76.1. Notice of Chapter.

Any person elected, reelected, appointed, or reappointed to the governing body of any agency subject to this chapter shall (i) be furnished by the agency or public body's administrator or legal counsel with a copy of this chapter within two weeks following election, reelection, appointment, or reappointment and (ii) read and become familiar with the provisions of this chapter.

(2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-77. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

"Agency" means all boards, commissions, departments, divisions, institutions, authorities, or parts thereof, of the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions and includes the offices of constitutional officers.

"Archival quality" means a quality of reproduction consistent with established standards specified by state and national agencies and organizations responsible for establishing such standards, such as the Association for Information and Image Management, the American National Standards Institute, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

"Archival record" means a public record of continuing and enduring value useful to the citizens of the Commonwealth and necessary to the administrative functions of public agencies in the conduct of services and activities mandated by law that is identified on a Library of Virginia approved records retention and disposition schedule as having sufficient informational value to be permanently maintained by the Commonwealth.

"Archives" means the program administered by The Library of Virginia for the preservation of archival records.

"Board" means the State Library Board.

"Conversion" means the act of moving electronic records to a different format, especially data from an obsolete format to a current format.

"Custodian" means the public official in charge of an office having public records.

"Disaster plan" means the information maintained by an agency that outlines recovery techniques and methods to be followed in case of an emergency that impacts the agency's records.

"Electronic record" means a public record whose creation, storage, and access require the use of an automated system or device. Ownership of the hardware, software, or media used to create, store, or access the electronic record has no bearing on a determination of whether such record is a public record.

"Essential public record" means records that are required for recovery and reconstruction of any agency to enable it to resume its core operations and functions and to protect the rights and interests of persons.

"Librarian of Virginia" means the State Librarian of Virginia or his designated representative.

"Lifecycle" means the creation, use, maintenance, and disposition of a public record.

"Metadata" means data describing the context, content, and structure of records and their management through time.

"Migration" means the act of moving electronic records from one information system or medium to another to ensure continued access to the records while maintaining the records' authenticity, integrity, reliability, and usability.

"Original record" means the first generation of the information and is the preferred version of a record. Archival records should to the maximum extent possible be original records.

"Preservation" means the processes and operations involved in ensuring the technical and intellectual survival of authentic records through time.

"Private record" means a record that does not relate to or affect the carrying out of the constitutional, statutory, or other official ceremonial duties of a public official, including the correspondence, diaries, journals, or notes that are not prepared for, utilized for, circulated, or communicated in the course of transacting public business.

"Public official" means all persons holding any office created by the Constitution of Virginia or by any act of the General Assembly, the Governor and all other officers of the executive branch of the state government, and all other officers, heads, presidents or chairmen of boards, commissions, departments, and agencies of the state government or its political subdivisions.

"Public record" or "record" means recorded information that documents a transaction or activity by or with any public officer, agency or employee of an agency. Regardless of physical form or characteristic, the recorded information is a public record if it is produced, collected, received or retained in pursuance of law

or in connection with the transaction of public business. The medium upon which such information is recorded has no bearing on the determination of whether the recording is a public record.

For purposes of this chapter, "public record" shall not include nonrecord materials, meaning materials made or acquired and preserved solely for reference use or exhibition purposes, extra copies of documents preserved only for convenience or reference, and stocks of publications.

"Records retention and disposition schedule" means a Library of Virginia-approved timetable stating the required retention period and disposition action of a records series. The administrative, fiscal, historical, and legal value of a public record shall be considered in appraising its appropriate retention schedule. The terms "administrative," "fiscal," "historical," and "legal" value shall be defined as:

1. "Administrative value": Records shall be deemed of administrative value if they have continuing utility in the operation of an agency.
2. "Fiscal value": Records shall be deemed of fiscal value if they are needed to document and verify financial authorizations, obligations, and transactions.
3. "Historical value": Records shall be deemed of historical value if they contain unique information, regardless of age, that provides understanding of some aspect of the government and promotes the development of an informed and enlightened citizenry.
4. "Legal value": Records shall be deemed of legal value if they document actions taken in the protection and proving of legal or civil rights and obligations of individuals and agencies.

(1976, c. 746; 1977, c. 501; 1981, c. 637; 1987, c. 217; 1990, c. 778; 1994, cc. 390, 955; 1998, cc. 427, 470; 2005, c. 787; 2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-78. Confidentiality safeguarded.

Any records made confidential by law shall be so treated. Records which by law are required to be closed to the public shall not be deemed to be made open to the public under the provisions of this chapter. Records in the custody of The Library of Virginia which are required to be closed to the public shall be open for public access 75 years after the date of creation of the record. No provision of this chapter shall be construed to authorize or require the opening of any records ordered to be sealed by a court. All records deposited in the archives that are not made confidential by law shall be open to public access.

(1976, c. 746; 1979, c. 110; 1990, c. 778; 1994, c. 64; 2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-79. Records management function vested in The Library of Virginia.

A. The archival and records management function shall be vested in The Library of Virginia. The Library of Virginia shall be the official custodian and trustee for the Commonwealth of all public records of whatever kind, and regardless of physical form or characteristics, that are transferred to it from any agency. As the Commonwealth's official repository of public records, The Library of Virginia shall assume ownership and administrative control of such records on behalf of the Commonwealth. The Library of Virginia shall own

and operate any equipment necessary to manage and retain control of electronic archival records in its custody, but may, at its discretion, contract with third-party entities to provide any or all services related to managing archival records on equipment owned by the contractor, by other third parties, or by The Library of Virginia.

B. The Librarian of Virginia shall name a State Archivist who shall perform such functions as the Librarian of Virginia assigns.

C. Whenever legislation affecting public records management and preservation is under consideration, The Library of Virginia shall review the proposal and advise the General Assembly on the effects of its proposed implementation.

(1976, c. 746; 1986, c. 565; 1990, c. 778; 1994, c. 64; 1998, c. 427; 2005, c. 787; 2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-79.1.

Repealed by Acts 2005, c. 787, cl. 2.

§§ 42.1-80. , 42.1-81.

Repealed by Acts 2003, c. 177.

§ 42.1-82. Duties and powers of Library Board.

A. The State Library Board shall:

1. Issue regulations concerning procedures for the disposal, physical destruction or other disposition of public records containing social security numbers. The procedures shall include all reasonable steps to destroy such documents by (i) shredding, (ii) erasing, or (iii) otherwise modifying the social security numbers in those records to make them unreadable or undecipherable by any means.

2. Issue regulations and guidelines designed to facilitate the creation, preservation, storage, filing, reformatting, management, and destruction of public records by agencies. Such regulations shall mandate procedures for records management and include recommendations for the creation, retention, disposal, or other disposition of public records.

B. The State Library Board may establish advisory committees composed of persons with expertise in the matters under consideration to assist the Library Board in developing regulations and guidelines.

(1976, c. 746; 1977, c. 501; 1981, c. 637; 1990, c. 778; 1994, cc. 64, 955; 2003, cc. 914, 918; 2005, c. 787; 2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-83.

Repealed by Acts 2006, c. 60, cl. 2.

§ 42.1-84.

Repealed by Acts 2005, c. 787, cl. 2.

§ 42.1-85. Records Management Program; agencies to cooperate; agencies to designate records officer.

A. The Library of Virginia shall administer a records management program for the application of efficient and economical methods for managing the lifecycle of public records consistent with regulations and guidelines promulgated by the State Library Board, including operation of a records center or centers. The Library of Virginia shall establish procedures and techniques for the effective management of public records, make continuing surveys of records and records keeping practices, and recommend improvements in current records management practices, including the use of space, equipment, software, and supplies employed in creating, maintaining, and servicing records.

B. Any agency with public records shall cooperate with The Library of Virginia in conducting surveys. Each agency shall establish and maintain an active, continuing program for the economical and efficient management of the records of such agency. The agency shall be responsible for ensuring that its public records are preserved, maintained, and accessible throughout their lifecycle, including converting and migrating electronic records as often as necessary so that information is not lost due to hardware, software, or media obsolescence or deterioration. Any public official who converts or migrates an electronic record shall ensure that it is an accurate copy of the original record. The converted or migrated record shall have the force of the original.

C. Each state agency and political subdivision of this Commonwealth shall designate as many as appropriate, but at least one, records officer to serve as a liaison to The Library of Virginia for the purposes of implementing and overseeing a records management program, and coordinating legal disposition, including destruction, of obsolete records. Designation of state agency records officers shall be by the respective agency head. Designation of a records officer for political subdivisions shall be by the governing body or chief administrative official of the political subdivision. Each entity responsible for designating a records officer shall provide The Library of Virginia with the name and contact information of the designated records officer, and shall ensure that such information is updated in a timely manner in the event of any changes.

D. The Library of Virginia shall develop and make available training and education opportunities concerning the requirements of and compliance with this chapter for records officers in the Commonwealth.

(1976, c. 746; 1990, c. 778; 1994, c. 64; 1998, c. 427; 2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-86. Essential public records; security recovery copies; disaster plans.

A. In cooperation with the head of each agency, The Library of Virginia shall establish and maintain a program for the selection and preservation of essential public records. The program shall provide for preserving, classifying, arranging, and indexing essential public records so that such records are made available to the public. The program shall provide for making recovery copies or designate as recovery copies existing copies of such essential public records.

B. Recovery copies shall meet quality standards established by The Library of Virginia and shall be made by a process that accurately reproduces the record and forms a durable medium. A recovery copy may also be made by creating a paper or electronic copy of an original electronic record. Recovery copies shall have the same force and effect for all purposes as the original record and shall be as admissible in evidence as the original record whether the original record is in existence or not. Recovery copies shall be preserved in the place and manner prescribed by the State Library Board and the Governor.

C. The Library of Virginia shall develop a plan to ensure preservation of public records in the event of disaster or emergency as defined in § 44-146.16. This plan shall be coordinated with the Department of Emergency Management and copies shall be distributed to all agency heads. The plan shall be reviewed and updated at least once every five years. The personnel of the Library shall be responsible for coordinating emergency recovery operations when public records are affected. Each agency shall ensure that a plan for the protection and recovery of public records is included in its comprehensive disaster plan.

(1976, c. 746; 1980, c. 365; 1990, c. 778; 1994, c. 64; 1998, c. 427; 2005, c. 787; 2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-86.1. Disposition of public records.

A. No agency shall sell or give away public records. No agency shall destroy or discard a public record unless (i) the record appears on a records retention and disposition schedule approved pursuant to § 42.1-82 and the record's retention period has expired; (ii) a certificate of records destruction, as designated by the Librarian of Virginia, has been properly completed and approved by the agency's designated records officer; and (iii) there is no litigation, audit, investigation, request for records pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§ 2.2-3700 et seq.), or renegotiation of the relevant records retention and disposition schedule pending at the expiration of the retention period for the applicable records series. After a record is destroyed or discarded, the agency shall forward the original certificate of records destruction to The Library of Virginia.

B. No agency shall destroy any public record created before 1912 without first offering it to The Library of Virginia.

C. Each agency shall ensure that records created after July 1, 2006 and authorized to be destroyed or discarded in accordance with subsection A, are destroyed or discarded in a timely manner in accordance with the provisions of this chapter; provided, however, such records that contain identifying information as defined in clauses (iii) through (ix), or clause (xii) of subsection C of § 18.2-186.3, shall be destroyed within six months of the expiration of the records retention period.

(1990, c. 778; 1998, c. 427; 2005, c. 787; 2006, cc. 60, 909.)

§ 42.1-87. Archival public records.

A. Custodians of archival public records shall keep them in fire-resistant, environmentally controlled, physically secure rooms designed to ensure proper preservation and in such arrangement as to be easily accessible. Current public records should be kept in the buildings in which they are ordinarily used. It shall be the duty of each agency to consult with The Library of Virginia to determine the best manner in which to store long-term or archival electronic records. In entering into a contract with a third-party storage provider

for the storage of public records, an agency shall require the third-party to cooperate with The Library of Virginia in complying with rules and regulations promulgated by the Board.

B. Public records deemed unnecessary for the transaction of the business of any state agency, yet deemed to be of archival value, may be transferred with the consent of the Librarian of Virginia to the custody of the Library of Virginia.

C. Public records deemed unnecessary for the transaction of the business of any county, city, or town, yet deemed to be of archival value, shall be stored either in The Library of Virginia or in the locality, at the decision of the local officials responsible for maintaining public records. Archival public records shall be returned to the locality upon the written request of the local officials responsible for maintaining local public records. Microfilm shall be stored in The Library of Virginia but the use thereof shall be subject to the control of the local officials responsible for maintaining local public records.

D. Record books deemed archival should be copied or repaired, renovated or rebound if worn, mutilated, damaged or difficult to read. Whenever the public records of any public official are in need of repair, restoration or rebinding, a judge of the court of record or the head of such agency or political subdivision of the Commonwealth may authorize that the records in need of repair be removed from the building or office in which such records are ordinarily kept, for the length of time necessary to repair, restore or rebind them, provided such restoration and rebinding preserves the records without loss or damage to them. Before any restoration or repair work is initiated, a treatment proposal from the contractor shall be submitted and reviewed in consultation with The Library of Virginia. Any public official who causes a record book to be copied shall attest it and shall certify an oath that it is an accurate copy of the original book. The copy shall then have the force of the original.

E. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to divest agency heads of the authority to determine the nature and form of the records required in the administration of their several departments or to compel the removal of records deemed necessary by them in the performance of their statutory duty.

(1976, c. 746; 1994, cc. 64, 955; 2005, c. 787; 2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-88. Custodians to deliver all records at expiration of term; penalty for noncompliance.

Any custodian of any public records shall, at the expiration of his term of office, appointment or employment, deliver to his successor, or, if there be none, to The Library of Virginia, all books, writings, letters, documents, public records, or other information, recorded on any medium kept or received by him in the transaction of his official business; and any such person who shall refuse or neglect for a period of ten days after a request is made in writing by the successor or Librarian of Virginia to deliver the public records as herein required shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.

(1976, c. 746; 1994, c. 64; 1998, c. 427.)

§ 42.1-89. Petition and court order for return of public records not in authorized possession.

The Librarian of Virginia or his designated representative such as the State Archivist or any public official who is the custodian of public records in the possession of a person or agency not authorized by the

custodian or by law to possess such public records shall petition the circuit court in the city or county in which the person holding such records resides or in which the materials in issue, or any part thereof, are located for the return of such records. The court shall order such public records be delivered to the petitioner upon finding that the materials in issue are public records and that such public records are in the possession of a person not authorized by the custodian of the public records or by law to possess such public records. If the order of delivery does not receive compliance, the plaintiff shall request that the court enforce such order through its contempt power and procedures.

(1975, c. 180; 1976, c. 746; 1998, c. 427.)

§ 42.1-90. Seizure of public records not in authorized possession.

A. At any time after the filing of the petition set out in § 42.1-89 or contemporaneous with such filing, the person seeking the return of the public records may by ex parte petition request the judge or the court in which the action was filed to issue an order directed at the sheriff or other proper officer, as the case may be, commanding him to seize the materials which are the subject of the action and deliver the same to the court under the circumstances hereinafter set forth.

B. The judge aforesaid shall issue an order of seizure upon receipt of an affidavit from the petitioner which alleges that the material at issue may be sold, secreted, removed out of this Commonwealth or otherwise disposed of so as not to be forthcoming to answer the final judgment of the court respecting the same; or that such property may be destroyed or materially damaged or injured if permitted to remain out of the petitioner's possession.

C. The aforementioned order of seizure shall issue without notice to the respondent and without the posting of any bond or other security by the petitioner.

(1975, c. 180; 1976, c. 746.)

§ 42.1-90.1. Auditing.

The Librarian may, in his discretion, conduct an audit of the records management practices of any agency. Any agency subject to the audit shall cooperate and provide the Library with any records or assistance that it requests. The Librarian shall compile a written summary of the findings of the audit and any actions necessary to bring the agency into compliance with this chapter. The summary shall be a public record, and shall be made available to the agency subject to the audit, the Governor, and the chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on General Laws and the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees of the General Assembly.

(2006, c. 60.)

§ 42.1-91.

Repealed by Acts 2006, c. 60, cl. 2.

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§ 2.2-3100. Policy; application; construction.

The General Assembly, recognizing that our system of representative government is dependent in part upon (i) citizen legislative members representing fully the public in the legislative process and (ii) its citizens maintaining the highest trust in their public officers and employees, finds and declares that the citizens are entitled to be assured that the judgment of public officers and employees will be guided by a law that defines and prohibits inappropriate conflicts and requires disclosure of economic interests. To that end and for the purpose of establishing a single body of law applicable to all state and local government officers and employees on the subject of conflict of interests, the General Assembly enacts this State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act so that the standards of conduct for such officers and employees may be uniform throughout the Commonwealth.

This chapter shall supersede all general and special acts and charter provisions which purport to deal with matters covered by this chapter except that the provisions of §§ 15.2-852, 15.2-2287, 15.2-2287.1, and 15.2-2289 and ordinances adopted pursuant thereto shall remain in force and effect. The provisions of this chapter shall be supplemented but not superseded by the provisions on ethics in public contracting in Article 6 (§ 2.2-4367 et seq.) of Chapter 43 of this title and ordinances adopted pursuant to § 2.2-3104.2 regulating receipt of gifts.

This chapter shall be liberally construed to accomplish its purpose.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.1; 1990, c. 672; 2001, c. 844; 2003, c. 694; 2008, c. 532.)

§ 2.2-3100.1. Copy of chapter; review by officers and employees.

Any person required to file a disclosure statement of personal interests pursuant to subsections A or B of § 2.2-3114, subsections A or B of § 2.2-3115 or § 2.2-3116 shall be furnished by the public body's administrator a copy of this chapter within two weeks following the person's election, reelection, employment, appointment or reappointment.

All officers and employees shall read and familiarize themselves with the provisions of this chapter.

(2004, cc. 134, 392.)

§ 2.2-3101. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

"Advisory agency" means any board, commission, committee or post which does not exercise any sovereign power or duty, but is appointed by a governmental agency or officer or is created by law for the purpose of making studies or recommendations, or advising or consulting with a governmental agency.

"Affiliated business entity relationship" means a relationship, other than a parent-subsidary relationship, that exists when (i) one business entity has a controlling ownership interest in the other business entity, (ii)

a controlling owner in one entity is also a controlling owner in the other entity, or (iii) there is shared management or control between the business entities. Factors that may be considered in determining the existence of an affiliated business entity relationship include that the same person or substantially the same person owns or manages the two entities, there are common or commingled funds or assets, the business entities share the use of the same offices or employees, or otherwise share activities, resources or personnel on a regular basis, or there is otherwise a close working relationship between the entities.

"Business" means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, firm, enterprise, franchise, association, trust or foundation, or any other individual or entity carrying on a business or profession, whether or not for profit.

"Contract" means any agreement to which a governmental agency is a party, or any agreement on behalf of a governmental agency that involves the payment of money appropriated by the General Assembly or political subdivision, whether or not such agreement is executed in the name of the Commonwealth, or some political subdivision thereof. "Contract" includes a subcontract only when the contract of which it is a part is with the officer's or employee's own governmental agency.

"Dependent" means a son, daughter, father, mother, brother, sister or other person, whether or not related by blood or marriage, if such person receives from the officer or employee, or provides to the officer or employee, more than one-half of his financial support.

"Employee" means all persons employed by a governmental or advisory agency, unless otherwise limited by the context of its use.

"Financial institution" means any bank, trust company, savings institution, industrial loan association, consumer finance company, credit union, broker-dealer as defined in § 13.1-501, or investment company or advisor registered under the federal Investment Advisors Act or Investment Company Act of 1940.

"Gift" means any gratuity, favor, discount, entertainment, hospitality, loan, forbearance, or other item having monetary value. It includes services as well as gifts of transportation, local travel, lodgings and meals, whether provided in-kind, by purchase of a ticket, payment in advance or reimbursement after the expense has been incurred. "Gift" shall not include any offer of a ticket or other admission or pass unless the ticket, admission, or pass is used. "Gift" shall not include honorary degrees and presents from relatives. For the purpose of this definition, "relative" means the donee's spouse, child, uncle, aunt, niece, or nephew; a person to whom the donee is engaged to be married; the donee's or his spouse's parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, or sister; or the donee's brother's or sister's spouse.

"Governmental agency" means each component part of the legislative, executive or judicial branches of state and local government, including each office, department, authority, post, commission, committee, and each institution or board created by law to exercise some regulatory or sovereign power or duty as distinguished from purely advisory powers or duties. Corporations organized or controlled by the Virginia Retirement System are "governmental agencies" for purposes of this chapter.

"Immediate family" means (i) a spouse and (ii) any other person residing in the same household as the officer or employee, who is a dependent of the officer or employee or of whom the officer or employee is a dependent.

"Officer" means any person appointed or elected to any governmental or advisory agency including local school boards, whether or not he receives compensation or other emolument of office. Unless the context requires otherwise, "officer" includes members of the judiciary.

"Parent-subsidiary relationship" means a relationship that exists when one corporation directly or indirectly owns shares possessing more than 50 percent of the voting power of another corporation.

"Personal interest" means a financial benefit or liability accruing to an officer or employee or to a member of his immediate family. Such interest shall exist by reason of (i) ownership in a business if the ownership interest exceeds three percent of the total equity of the business; (ii) annual income that exceeds, or may reasonably be anticipated to exceed, \$10,000 from ownership in real or personal property or a business; (iii) salary, other compensation, fringe benefits, or benefits from the use of property, or any combination thereof, paid or provided by a business or governmental agency that exceeds, or may reasonably be anticipated to exceed, \$10,000 annually; (iv) ownership of real or personal property if the interest exceeds \$10,000 in value and excluding ownership in a business, income, or salary, other compensation, fringe benefits or benefits from the use of property; (v) personal liability incurred or assumed on behalf of a business if the liability exceeds three percent of the asset value of the business; or (vi) an option for ownership of a business or real or personal property if the ownership interest will consist of (i) or (iv) above.

"Personal interest in a contract" means a personal interest that an officer or employee has in a contract with a governmental agency, whether due to his being a party to the contract or due to a personal interest in a business that is a party to the contract.

"Personal interest in a transaction" means a personal interest of an officer or employee in any matter considered by his agency. Such personal interest exists when an officer or employee or a member of his immediate family has a personal interest in property or a business or governmental agency, or represents or provides services to any individual or business and such property, business or represented or served individual or business (i) is the subject of the transaction or (ii) may realize a reasonably foreseeable direct or indirect benefit or detriment as a result of the action of the agency considering the transaction. Notwithstanding the above, such personal interest in a transaction shall not be deemed to exist where (a) an elected member of a local governing body serves without remuneration as a member of the board of trustees of a not-for-profit entity and such elected member or member of his immediate family has no personal interest related to the not-for-profit entity or (b) an officer or employee where an employee or elected member of a local governing body is appointed by such local governing body to serve on a governmental agency and the personal interest in the transaction of the governmental agency is the result of the salary, other compensation, fringe benefits, or benefits provided by the local governing body to the officer, employee, elected member, or member of his immediate family.

"State and local government officers and employees" shall not include members of the General Assembly.

"State filer" means those officers and employees required to file a disclosure statement of their personal interests pursuant to subsection A or B of § 2.2-3114.

"Transaction" means any matter considered by any governmental or advisory agency, whether in a committee, subcommittee, or other entity of that agency or before the agency itself, on which official action is taken or contemplated.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.2; 1988, c. 536; 1992, c. 865; 1993, c. 303; 1994, cc. 74, 724; 1995, c. 495; 1996, c. 77; 1997, c. 641; 2001, c. 844; 2003, c. 694; 2004, cc. 134, 392; 2012, cc. 345, 771.)

§ 2.2-3102. Application.

This article applies to generally prohibited conduct that shall be unlawful and to state and local government officers and employees.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.3; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3103. Prohibited conduct.

No officer or employee of a state or local governmental or advisory agency shall:

1. Solicit or accept money or other thing of value for services performed within the scope of his official duties, except the compensation, expenses or other remuneration paid by the agency of which he is an officer or employee. This prohibition shall not apply to the acceptance of special benefits that may be authorized by law;
2. Offer or accept any money or other thing of value for or in consideration of obtaining employment, appointment, or promotion of any person with any governmental or advisory agency;
3. Offer or accept any money or other thing of value for or in consideration of the use of his public position to obtain a contract for any person or business with any governmental or advisory agency;
4. Use for his own economic benefit or that of another party confidential information that he has acquired by reason of his public position and which is not available to the public;
5. Accept any money, loan, gift, favor, service, or business or professional opportunity that reasonably tends to influence him in the performance of his official duties. This subdivision shall not apply to any political contribution actually used for political campaign or constituent service purposes and reported as required by Chapter 9.3 (§ 24.2-945 et seq.) of Title 24.2;
6. Accept any business or professional opportunity when he knows that there is a reasonable likelihood that the opportunity is being afforded him to influence him in the performance of his official duties;
7. Accept any honoraria for any appearance, speech, or article in which the officer or employee provides expertise or opinions related to the performance of his official duties. The term "honoraria" shall not include any payment for or reimbursement to such person for his actual travel, lodging, or subsistence expenses incurred in connection with such appearance, speech, or article or in the alternative a payment of money or anything of value not in excess of the per diem deduction allowable under § 162 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time. The prohibition in this subdivision shall apply only to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Governor's Secretaries, and heads of departments of state government;

8. Accept a gift from a person who has interests that may be substantially affected by the performance of the officer's or employee's official duties under circumstances where the timing and nature of the gift would cause a reasonable person to question the officer's or employee's impartiality in the matter affecting the donor. Violations of this subdivision shall not be subject to criminal law penalties; or

9. Accept gifts from sources on a basis so frequent as to raise an appearance of the use of his public office for private gain. Violations of this subdivision shall not be subject to criminal law penalties.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.4; 1994, cc. 663, 815, 851; 2001, c. 844; 2006, cc. 787, 892.)

§ 2.2-3104. Prohibited conduct for certain officers and employees of state government.

In addition to the prohibitions contained in § 2.2-3103, no state officer or employee shall, during the one year after the termination of his public employment or service, represent a client or act in a representative capacity on behalf of any person or group, for compensation, on any matter before the agency of which he was an officer or employee.

For the purposes of this section, "state officer or employee" shall mean (i) the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, and officers appointed by the Governor, whether confirmation by the General Assembly or by either house thereof is required or not, who are regularly employed on a full-time salaried basis; those officers and employees of executive branch agencies who report directly to the agency head; and those at the level immediately below those who report directly to the agency head and are at a payband 6 or higher and (ii) the officers and professional employees of the legislative branch designated by the joint rules committee of the General Assembly. For the purposes of this section, the General Assembly and the legislative branch agencies shall be deemed one agency.

The prohibitions of this section shall apply only to persons engaged in activities that would require registration as a lobbyist under § 2.2-422.

Any person subject to the provisions of this section may apply to the Attorney General, as provided in § 2.2-3126, for an advisory opinion as to the application of the restriction imposed by this section on any post-public employment position or opportunity.

(1994, cc. 727, 776, § 2.1-639.4:1; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3104.01. Prohibited conduct; bids or proposals under the Virginia Public Procurement Act, Public-Private Transportation Act, and Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act.

A. Neither the Governor, his political action committee, or the Governor's Secretaries, if the Secretary is responsible to the Governor for an executive branch agency with jurisdiction over the matters at issue, shall knowingly solicit or accept a contribution, gift, or other item with a value greater than \$50 from any bidder, offeror, or private entity, or from an officer or director of such bidder, offeror, or private entity, who has submitted a bid or proposal to an executive branch agency that is directly responsible to the Governor pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq.), the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 (§ 56-556 et seq.), or the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002 (§ 56-575.1 et seq.) (i) during the period between the submission of the bid and the award of the public contract

under the Virginia Public Procurement Act or (ii) following the submission of a proposal under the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 or the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002 until the execution of a comprehensive agreement thereunder.

B. The provisions of this section shall apply only for public contracts, proposals, or comprehensive agreements where the stated or expected value of the contract is \$5 million or more. The provisions of this section shall not apply to contracts awarded as the result of competitive sealed bidding as defined in § 2.2-4301.

C. Any person who knowingly violates this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$500 or up to two times the amount of the contribution or gift, whichever is greater. The attorney for the Commonwealth shall initiate civil proceedings to enforce the civil penalties. Any civil penalties collected shall be payable to the State Treasurer for deposit to the general fund.

(2010, c. 732; 2011, c. 624.)

§ 2.2-3104.02. Prohibited conduct for constitutional officers.

In addition to the prohibitions contained in § 2.2-3103, no constitutional officer shall, during the one year after the termination of his public service, act in a representative capacity on behalf of any person or group, for compensation, on any matter before the agency of which he was an officer.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to any attorney for the Commonwealth.

Any person subject to the provisions of this section may apply to the attorney for the Commonwealth for the jurisdiction where such person was elected as provided in § 2.2-3126, for an advisory opinion as to the application of the restriction imposed by this section on any post-public employment position or opportunity.

(2011, c. 591.)

§ 2.2-3104.1. Exclusion of certain awards from scope of chapter.

The provisions of this chapter shall not be construed to prohibit or apply to the acceptance by (i) any employee of a local government, or (ii) a teacher or other employee of a local school board of an award or payment in honor of meritorious or exceptional services performed by the teacher or employee and made by an organization exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(2001, c. 48, § 2.1-639.4:2; 2008, cc. 478, 497.)

§ 2.2-3104.2. Ordinance regulating receipt of gifts.

The governing body of any county, city, or town may adopt an ordinance setting a monetary limit on the acceptance of any gift by the officers, appointees or employees of the county, city or town and requiring the disclosure by such officers, appointees or employees of the receipt of any gift.

(2003, c. 694.)

§ 2.2-3105. Application.

This article proscribes certain conduct relating to contracts by state and local government officers and employees. The provisions of this article shall be supplemented but not superseded by the provisions on ethics in public contracting in Article 6 (§ 2.2-4367 et seq.) of Chapter 43 of this title.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.5; 2001, c. 844; 2003, c. 694.)

§ 2.2-3106. Prohibited contracts by officers and employees of state government and Eastern Virginia Medical School.

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

B. No officer or employee of any governmental agency of state government or Eastern Virginia Medical School shall have a personal interest in a contract with any other governmental agency of state government unless such contract is (i) awarded as a result of competitive sealed bidding or competitive negotiation as defined in § 2.2-4301 or (ii) is awarded after a finding, in writing, by the administrative head of the governmental agency that competitive bidding or negotiation is contrary to the best interest of the public.

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

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

2. The personal interest of an officer or employee of a state institution of higher education or the Eastern Virginia Medical School in additional contracts of employment with his own governmental agency that accrue to him because of a member of his immediate family, provided (i) the officer or 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 of the educational institution finds that it is in the best interests of the institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School and the Commonwealth for such dual employment to exist, and (iii) after such finding, the governing board of the educational institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School ensures that the officer or employee, or the immediate family member, does not have sole authority to supervise, evaluate or make personnel decisions regarding the other;

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

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

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

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

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 Virginia 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;

8. Subject to approval by the relevant board of visitors, an employee's personal interest in a contract for research and development or commercialization of intellectual property between a public institution of higher education in Virginia or the Eastern Virginia Medical School and a business in which the employee has a personal interest, if (i) the employee's personal interest has been disclosed to 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 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 Higher Education or, in the case of the Eastern Virginia Medical School, a formal policy regarding such contracts in conformity with any applicable federal regulations that has been approved by its board of visitors; and (iv) no later than December 31 of each year, the institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School files an annual report with the Secretary of the Commonwealth disclosing each open contract entered into subject to this provision, the names of the parties to each contract, the date each contract was executed and its term, the subject of each contractual arrangement, the nature of the conflict of interest, 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 investment of resources or finances for each contract, and any other information requested by the Secretary of the Commonwealth; or

9. Subject to approval by the relevant board of visitors, an employee's personal interest in a contract between a public institution of higher education in Virginia or the Eastern Virginia Medical School and a business in which the employee has a personal interest, if (i) the personal interest has been disclosed to the institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School prior to the time the contract is entered into; (ii) the employee files a disclosure statement pursuant to § 2.2-3117 and thereafter annually on or before January 15; (iii) the employee does not participate in the institution's or the Eastern 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 for quality patient care, including related medical education or research, by the institution's medical center or the Eastern Virginia Medical School, its affiliated teaching hospitals and other organizations necessary for the fulfillment of its mission,

including the acquisition of drugs, therapies and medical technologies; and (v) no later than December 31 of each year, the institution or the Eastern Virginia Medical School files an annual report with the Secretary of the Commonwealth disclosing each open contract entered subject to this provision, the names of the parties to each contract, the date each contract was executed and its term, the subject of each contractual arrangement, the nature of the conflict of interest, 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 investment of resources or finances for each contract, and any other information requested by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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

E. The board of visitors may delegate the authority granted under subdivision C 8 to the president of the institution. If the board elects to delegate such authority, the board shall include this delegation of 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 institution shall file a report with the relevant board of visitors disclosing each open contract entered into subject to this provision, the names of the parties to each contract, the date each contract was executed and its term, the subject of each contractual arrangement, the nature of the conflict of interest, 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 investment of resources or finances for each contract, the details of how revenues are to be dispersed, and any other information requested by the board of visitors.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.6; 1989, c. 74; 1991, c. 470; 1993, c. 876; 1995, c. 403; 1998, c. 838; 2001, c. 844; 2002, cc. 87, 478; 2003, c. 646; 2006, c. 839.)

§ 2.2-3107. Prohibited contracts by members of county boards of supervisors, city councils and town councils.

A. No person elected or appointed as a member of the governing body of a county, city or town shall have a personal interest in (i) any contract with his governing body, or (ii) any contract with any governmental agency that is a component part of his local government and which is subject to the ultimate control of the governing body of which he is a member, or (iii) any contract other than a contract of employment with any other governmental agency if such person's governing body appoints a majority of the members of the governing body of the second governmental agency.

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

1. A member's personal interest in a contract of employment provided (i) the officer or employee was employed by the governmental agency prior to July 1, 1983, in accordance with the provisions of the former Conflict of Interests Act, Chapter 22 (§ 2.1-347 et seq.) of Title 2.1 as it existed on June 30, 1983, or (ii) the employment first began prior to the member becoming a member of the governing body;

2. Contracts for the sale by a governmental agency of services or goods at uniform prices available to the public; or

3. A contract awarded to a member of a governing body as a result of competitive sealed bidding where the governing body has established a need for the same or substantially similar goods through purchases prior to the election or appointment of the member to serve on the governing body. However, the member shall have no involvement in the preparation of the specifications for such contract, and the remaining members of the governing body, by written resolution, shall state that it is in the public interest for the member to bid on such contract.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.7; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3108. Prohibited contracts by members of school boards.

A. No person elected or appointed as a member of a local school board shall have a personal interest in (i) any contract with his school board or (ii) any contract with any governmental agency that is subject to the ultimate control of the school board of which he is a member.

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

1. A member's personal interest in a contract of employment provided the employment first began prior to the member becoming a member of the school board;

2. Contracts for the sale by a governmental agency of services or goods at uniform prices available to the public; or

3. A contract awarded to a member of a school board as a result of competitive sealed bidding where the school board has established a need for the same or substantially similar goods through purchases prior to the election or appointment of the member to serve on the school board. However, the member shall have no involvement in the preparation of the specifications for such contract, and the remaining members of the school board, by written resolution, shall state that it is in the public interest for the member to bid on such contract.

(1996, c. 548, § 2.1-639.7:1; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3109. Prohibited contracts by other officers and employees of local governmental agencies.

A. No other officer or employee of any governmental agency of local government shall have a personal interest in a contract with the agency of which he is an officer or employee other than his own contract of employment.

B. No officer or employee of any governmental agency of local government shall have a personal interest in a contract with any other governmental agency that is a component of the government of his county, city or town unless such contract is (i) awarded as a result of competitive sealed bidding or competitive negotiation as defined in § 2.2-4301 or is awarded as a result of a procedure embodying competitive principles as authorized by subdivisions A 10 or A 11 of § 2.2-4343 or (ii) is awarded after a finding, in writing, by the administrative head of the governmental agency that competitive bidding or negotiation is contrary to the best interest of the public.

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

1. An employee's personal interest in additional contracts for goods or services, or contracts of employment with his own governmental agency that accrue to him because of a member of his immediate family, provided the employee does not exercise any control over (i) the employment or the employment activities of the member of his immediate family and (ii) the employee is not in a position to influence those activities or the award of the contract for goods or services;

2. An officer's or employee's personal interest in a contract of employment with any other governmental agency that is a component part of the government of his county, city or town;

3. Contracts for the sale by a governmental agency of services or goods at uniform prices available to the general public;

4. Members of local governing bodies who are subject to § 2.2-3107;

5. Members of local school boards who are subject to § 2.2-3108; or

6. Any ownership or financial interest of members of the governing body, administrators, and other personnel serving in a public charter school in renovating, lending, granting, or leasing public charter school facilities, as the case may be, provided such interest has been disclosed in the public charter school application as required by § 22.1-212.8.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.8; 1996, c. 548; 2001, c. 844; 2004, c. 530; 2009, c. 862.)

§ 2.2-3110. Further exceptions.

A. The provisions of Article 3 (§ 2.2-3106 et seq.) of this chapter shall not apply to:

1. The sale, lease or exchange of real property between an officer or employee and a governmental agency, provided the officer or employee does not participate in any way as such officer or employee in such sale, lease or exchange, and this fact is set forth as a matter of public record by the governing body of the governmental agency or by the administrative head thereof;

2. The publication of official notices;

3. Contracts between the government or school board of a town or city with a population of less than 10,000 and an officer or employee of that town or city government or school board when the total of such

contracts between the town or city government or school board and the officer or employee of that town or city government or school board or a business controlled by him does not exceed \$10,000 per year or such amount exceeds \$10,000 and is less than \$25,000 but results from contracts arising from awards made on a sealed bid basis, and such officer or employee has made disclosure as provided for in § 2.2-3115;

4. An officer or employee whose sole personal interest in a contract with the governmental agency is by reason of income from the contracting firm or governmental agency in excess of \$10,000 per year, provided the officer or employee or a member of his immediate family does not participate and has no authority to participate in the procurement or letting of such contract on behalf of the contracting firm and the officer or employee either does not have authority to participate in the procurement or letting of the contract on behalf of his governmental agency or he disqualifies himself as a matter of public record and does not participate on behalf of his governmental agency in negotiating the contract or in approving the contract;

5. When the governmental agency is a public institution of higher education, an officer or employee whose personal interest in a contract with the institution is by reason of an ownership in the contracting firm in excess of three percent of the contracting firm's equity or such ownership interest and income from the contracting firm is in excess of \$10,000 per year, provided that (i) the officer or employee's ownership interest, or ownership and income interest, and that of any immediate family member in the contracting firm is disclosed in writing to the president of the institution, which writing certifies that the officer or employee has not and will not participate in the contract negotiations on behalf of the contracting firm or the institution, (ii) the president of the institution makes a written finding as a matter of public record that the contract is in the best interests of the institution, (iii) the officer or employee either does not have authority to participate in the procurement or letting of the contract on behalf of the institution or disqualifies himself as a matter of public record, and (iv) does not participate on behalf of the institution in negotiating the contract or approving the contract;

6. Except when the governmental agency is the Virginia Retirement System, contracts between an officer's or employee's governmental agency and a public service corporation, financial institution, or company furnishing public utilities in which the officer or employee has a personal interest, provided the officer or employee disqualifies himself as a matter of public record and does not participate on behalf of his governmental agency in negotiating the contract or in approving the contract;

7. Contracts for the purchase of goods or services when the contract does not exceed \$500;

8. Grants or other payment under any program wherein uniform rates for, or the amounts paid to, all qualified applicants are established solely by the administering governmental agency; or

9. An officer or employee whose sole personal interest in a contract with his own governmental agency is by reason of his marriage to his spouse who is employed by the same agency, if the spouse was employed by such agency for five or more years prior to marrying such officer or employee.

B. Neither the provisions of this chapter nor, unless expressly provided otherwise, any amendments thereto shall apply to those employment contracts or renewals thereof or to any other contracts entered into prior to August 1, 1987, which were in compliance with either the former Virginia Conflict of Interests Act, Chapter 22 (§ 2.1-347 et seq.) or the former Comprehensive Conflict of Interests Act, Chapter 40 (§ 2.1-599 et seq.) of Title 2.1 at the time of their formation and thereafter. Those contracts shall continue to be governed by

the provisions of the appropriate prior Act. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (f) (4) of § 2.1-348 of Title 2.1 in effect prior to July 1, 1983, the employment by the same governmental agency of an officer or employee and spouse or any other relative residing in the same household shall not be deemed to create a material financial interest except when one of such persons is employed in a direct supervisory or administrative position, or both, with respect to such spouse or other relative residing in his household and the annual salary of such subordinate is \$35,000 or more.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.9; 1990, c. 51; 1993, c. 303; 1994, cc. 450, 713; 1997, c. 641; 2001, c. 844; 2006, c. 839; 2010, cc. 301, 304.)

§ 2.2-3111. Application.

This article proscribes certain conduct by state and local government officers and employees having a personal interest in a transaction.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.10; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3112. Prohibited conduct concerning personal interest in a transaction; exceptions.

A. Each officer and employee of any state or local governmental or advisory agency who has a personal interest in a transaction:

1. Shall disqualify himself from participating in the transaction if (i) the transaction has application solely to property or a business or governmental agency in which he has a personal interest or a business that has a parent-subsidiary or affiliated business entity relationship with the business in which he has a personal interest or (ii) he is unable to participate pursuant to subdivision 2, 3 or 4. Any disqualification under the provisions of this subdivision shall be recorded in the public records of the officer's or employee's governmental or advisory agency. The officer or employee shall disclose his personal interest as required by subsection E of § 2.2-3114 or subsection F of § 2.2-3115 and shall not vote or in any manner act on behalf of his agency in the transaction. The officer or employee shall be prohibited from (i) attending any portion of a closed meeting authorized by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§ 2.2-3700 et seq.) when the matter in which he has a personal interest is discussed and (ii) discussing the matter in which he has a personal interest with other governmental officers or employees at any time;

2. May participate in the transaction if he is a member of a business, profession, occupation, or group of three or more persons the members of which are affected by the transaction, and he complies with the declaration requirements of subsection F of § 2.2-3114 or subsection H of § 2.2-3115;

3. May participate in the transaction when a party to the transaction is a client of his firm if he does not personally represent or provide services to such client and he complies with the declaration requirements of subsection G of § 2.2-3114 or subsection I of § 2.2-3115; or

4. May participate in the transaction if it affects the public generally, even though his personal interest, as a member of the public, may also be affected by that transaction.

B. Disqualification under the provisions of this section shall not prevent any employee having a personal interest in a transaction in which his agency is involved from representing himself or a member of his immediate family in such transaction provided he does not receive compensation for such representation and provided he complies with the disqualification and relevant disclosure requirements of this chapter.

C. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if disqualifications of officers or employees in accordance with this section leave less than the number required by law to act, the remaining member or members shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business and have authority to act for the agency by majority vote, unless a unanimous vote of all members is required by law, in which case authority to act shall require a unanimous vote of remaining members. Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter to the contrary, members of a local governing body whose sole interest in any proposed sale, contract of sale, exchange, lease or conveyance is by virtue of their employment by a business involved in a proposed sale, contract of sale, exchange, lease or conveyance, and where such member's or members' vote is essential to a constitutional majority required pursuant to Article VII, Section 9 of the Constitution of Virginia and § 15.2-2100, such member or members of the local governing body may vote and participate in the deliberations of the governing body concerning whether to approve, enter into or execute such sale, contract of sale, exchange, lease or conveyance. Official action taken under circumstances that violate this section may be rescinded by the agency on such terms as the interests of the agency and innocent third parties require.

D. The provisions of subsection A shall not prevent an officer or employee from participating in a transaction merely because such officer or employee is a party in a legal proceeding of a civil nature concerning such transaction.

E. The provisions of subsection A shall not prevent an employee from participating in a transaction regarding textbooks or other educational material for students at state institutions of higher education, when those textbooks or materials have been authored or otherwise created by the employee.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.11; 2001, c. 844; 2003, c. 694; 2007, c. 613; 2012, c. 429.)

§ 2.2-3113. Application.

This article requires disclosure of certain personal and financial interests by state and local government officers and employees.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.12; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3114. Disclosure by state officers and employees.

A. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Justices of the Supreme Court, judges of the Court of Appeals, judges of any circuit court, judges and substitute judges of any district court, members of the State Corporation Commission, members of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission, members of the Commonwealth Transportation Board, members of the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Retirement System, and members of the State Lottery Board and other persons occupying such offices or positions of trust or employment in state government, including members of the governing bodies of authorities, as may be designated by the Governor or, in the case of officers or employees of the legislative branch, by the Joint Rules Committee of the General Assembly, shall file, as a condition to assuming office

or employment, a disclosure statement of their personal interests and such other information as is specified on the form set forth in § 2.2-3117 and thereafter shall file such a statement annually on or before January 15. When the filing deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the disclosure statement shall be filed on the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

B. Nonsalaried citizen members of all policy and supervisory boards, commissions and councils in the executive branch of state government, other than the Commonwealth Transportation Board, members of the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Retirement System, and the State Lottery Board, shall file, as a condition to assuming office, a disclosure form of their personal interests and such other information as is specified on the form set forth in § 2.2-3118 and thereafter shall file such form annually on or before January 15. When the filing deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the disclosure statement shall be filed on the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. Nonsalaried citizen members of other boards, commissions and councils, including advisory boards and authorities, may be required to file a disclosure form if so designated by the Governor, in which case the form shall be that set forth in § 2.2-3118.

C. The disclosure forms required by subsections A and B shall be provided by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to each officer and employee so designated, including officers appointed by legislative authorities, not later than November 30 of each year. Disclosure forms shall be filed and maintained as public records for five years in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

D. Candidates for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Attorney General shall file a disclosure statement of their personal interests as required by § 24.2-502.

E. Any officer or employee of state government who has a personal interest in any transaction before the governmental or advisory agency of which he is an officer or employee and who is disqualified from participating in that transaction pursuant to subdivision A 1 of § 2.2-3112, or otherwise elects to disqualify himself, shall forthwith make disclosure of the existence of his interest, including the full name and address of the business and the address or parcel number for the real estate if the interest involves a business or real estate, and his disclosure shall also be reflected in the public records of the agency for five years in the office of the administrative head of the officer's or employee's governmental agency or advisory agency or, if the agency has a clerk, in the clerk's office.

F. An officer or employee of state government who is required to declare his interest pursuant to subdivision A 2 of § 2.2-3112, shall declare his interest by stating (i) the transaction involved, (ii) the nature of the officer's or employee's personal interest affected by the transaction, (iii) that he is a member of a business, profession, occupation, or group the members of which are affected by the transaction, and (iv) that he is able to participate in the transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest. The officer or employee shall either make his declaration orally to be recorded in written minutes for his agency or file a signed written declaration with the clerk or administrative head of his governmental or advisory agency, as appropriate, who shall, in either case, retain and make available for public inspection such declaration for a period of five years from the date of recording or receipt. If reasonable time is not available to comply with the provisions of this subsection prior to participation in the transaction, the officer or employee shall prepare and file the required declaration by the end of the next business day.

G. An officer or employee of state government who is required to declare his interest pursuant to subdivision A 3 of § 2.2-3112, shall declare his interest by stating (i) the transaction involved, (ii) that a party to the transaction is a client of his firm, (iii) that he does not personally represent or provide services to the client, and (iv) that he is able to participate in the transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest. The officer or employee shall either make his declaration orally to be recorded in written minutes for his agency or file a signed written declaration with the clerk or administrative head of his governmental or advisory agency, as appropriate, who shall, in either case, retain and make available for public inspection such declaration for a period of five years from the date of recording or receipt. If reasonable time is not available to comply with the provisions of this subsection prior to participation in the transaction, the officer or employee shall prepare and file the required declaration by the end of the next business day.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.13; 1988, cc. 767, 849; 1992, c. 710; 1993, c. 303; 1997, c. 641; 2001, cc. 217, 844; 2003, c. 694; 2005, c. 169; 2006, c. 779.)

§ 2.2-3114.1. Filings of statements of economic interests by General Assembly members.

The filing of a current statement of economic interests by a General Assembly member, member-elect, or candidate for the General Assembly pursuant to §§ 30-110 and 30-111 of the General Assembly Conflict of Interests Act (§ 30-100 et seq.) shall suffice for the purposes of this chapter (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.). The Secretary of the Commonwealth may obtain from the Clerk of the House of Delegates or the Senate, as appropriate, a copy of the statement of a General Assembly member who is appointed to a position for which a statement is required pursuant to § 2.2-3114. No General Assembly member, member-elect, or candidate shall be required to file a separate statement of economic interests for the purposes of § 2.2-3114.

(2002, c. 36.)

§ 2.2-3115. Disclosure by local government officers and employees.

A. The members of every governing body and school board of each county and city and of towns with populations in excess of 3,500 shall file, as a condition to assuming office or employment, a disclosure statement of their personal interests and other information as is specified on the form set forth in § 2.2-3117 and thereafter shall file such a statement annually on or before January 15.

The members of the governing body of any authority established in any county or city, or part or combination thereof, and having the power to issue bonds or expend funds in excess of \$10,000 in any fiscal year, shall file, as a condition to assuming office, a disclosure statement of their personal interests and other information as is specified on the form set forth in § 2.2-3118 and thereafter shall file such a statement annually on or before January 15, unless the governing body of the jurisdiction that appoints the members requires that the members file the form set forth in § 2.2-3117.

Persons occupying such positions of trust appointed by governing bodies and persons occupying such positions of employment with governing bodies as may be designated to file by ordinance of the governing body shall file, as a condition to assuming office or employment, a disclosure statement of their personal interests and other information as is specified on the form set forth in § 2.2-3117 and thereafter shall file such a statement annually on or before January 15.

Persons occupying such positions of trust appointed by school boards and persons occupying such positions of employment with school boards as may be designated to file by an adopted policy of the school board shall file, as a condition to assuming office or employment, a disclosure statement of their personal interests and other information as is specified on the form set forth in § 2.2-3117 and thereafter shall file such a statement annually on or before January 15.

B. Nonsalaried citizen members of local boards, commissions and councils as may be designated by the governing body shall file, as a condition to assuming office, a disclosure form of their personal interests and such other information as is specified on the form set forth in § 2.2-3118 and thereafter shall file such form annually on or before January 15.

C. No person shall be mandated to file any disclosure not otherwise required by this article.

D. The disclosure forms required by subsections A and B shall be provided by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the clerks of the governing bodies and school boards not later than November 30 of each year, and the clerks of the governing body and school board shall distribute the forms to designated individuals no later than December 10 of each year. Forms shall be filed and maintained as public records for five years in the office of the clerk of the respective governing body or school board. Forms filed by members of governing bodies of authorities shall be filed and maintained as public records for five years in the office of the clerk of the governing body of the county or city.

E. Candidates for membership in the governing body or school board of any county, city or town with a population of more than 3,500 persons shall file a disclosure statement of their personal interests as required by § 24.2-502.

F. Any officer or employee of local government who has a personal interest in any transaction before the governmental or advisory agency of which he is an officer or employee and who is disqualified from participating in that transaction pursuant to subdivision A 1 of § 2.2-3112 or otherwise elects to disqualify himself, shall forthwith make disclosure of the existence of his interest, including the full name and address of the business and the address or parcel number for the real estate if the interest involves a business or real estate, and his disclosure shall be reflected in the public records of the agency for five years in the office of the administrative head of the officer's or employee's governmental or advisory agency.

G. In addition to any disclosure required by subsections A and B, in each county and city and in towns with populations in excess of 3,500, members of planning commissions, boards of zoning appeals, real estate assessors, and all county, city and town managers or executive officers shall make annual disclosures of all their interests in real estate located in the county, city or town in which they are elected, appointed, or employed. Such disclosure shall include any business in which such persons own an interest, or from which income is received, if the primary purpose of the business is to own, develop or derive compensation through the sale, exchange or development of real estate in the county, city or town. Such disclosure shall be filed as a condition to assuming office or employment, and thereafter shall be filed annually with the clerk of the governing body of such county, city or town on or before January 15. Such disclosures shall be filed and maintained as public records for five years. Forms for the filing of such reports shall be prepared and distributed by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the clerk of each governing body.

H. An officer or employee of local government who is required to declare his interest pursuant to subdivision A 2 of § 2.2-3112 shall declare his interest by stating (i) the transaction involved, (ii) the nature of the officer's or employee's personal interest affected by the transaction, (iii) that he is a member of a business, profession, occupation, or group the members of which are affected by the transaction, and (iv) that he is able to participate in the transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest. The officer or employee shall either make his declaration orally to be recorded in written minutes of his agency or file a signed written declaration with the clerk or administrative head of his governmental or advisory agency, as appropriate, who shall, in either case, retain and make available for public inspection such declaration for a period of five years from the date of recording or receipt. If reasonable time is not available to comply with the provisions of this subsection prior to participation in the transaction, the officer or employee shall prepare and file the required declaration by the end of the next business day. The officer or employee shall also orally disclose the existence of the interest during each meeting of the governmental or advisory agency at which the transaction is discussed and such disclosure shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

I. An officer or employee of local government who is required to declare his interest pursuant to subdivision A 3 of § 2.2-3112, shall declare his interest by stating (i) the transaction involved, (ii) that a party to the transaction is a client of his firm, (iii) that he does not personally represent or provide services to the client, and (iv) that he is able to participate in the transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest. The officer or employee shall either make his declaration orally to be recorded in written minutes for his agency or file a signed written declaration with the clerk or administrative head of his governmental or advisory agency, as appropriate, who shall, in either case, retain and make available for public inspection such declaration for a period of five years from the date of recording or receipt. If reasonable time is not available to comply with the provisions of this subsection prior to participation in the transaction, the officer or employee shall prepare and file the required declaration by the end of the next business day.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.14; 1988, c. 849; 1995, c. 495; 1996, c. 526; 2000, c. 317; 2001, cc. 217, 844; 2003, c. 694; 2012, c. 429.)

§ 2.2-3116. Disclosure by certain constitutional officers.

For the purposes of this chapter, holders of the constitutional offices of treasurer, sheriff, attorney for the Commonwealth, clerk of the circuit court and commissioner of the revenue of each county and city, shall be deemed to be local officers and shall be required to file the Statement of Economic Interests set forth in § 2.2-3117. These officers shall file statements pursuant to § 2.2-3115 and candidates shall file statements as required by § 24.2-502.

(1988, c. 469, § 2.1-639.14:1; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3117. Disclosure form.

The disclosure form to be used for filings required by subsections A and D of § 2.2-3114 and subsections A and E of § 2.2-3115 shall be substantially as follows:

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS.

Name

Office or position held or sought

Address

Names of members of immediate family

DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATORY MATERIAL.

"Business" means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, firm, enterprise, franchise, association, trust or foundation, or any other individual or entity carrying on a business or profession, whether or not for profit.

"Close financial association" means an association in which the person filing shares significant financial involvement with an individual and the filer would reasonably be expected to be aware of the individual's business activities and would have access to the necessary records either directly or through the individual. "Close financial association" does not mean an association based on (i) the receipt of retirement benefits or deferred compensation from a business by which the person filing this statement is no longer employed, or (ii) the receipt of compensation for work performed by the person filing as an independent contractor of a business that represents an entity before any state governmental agency when the person filing has had no communications with the state governmental agency.

"Contingent liability" means a liability that is not presently fixed or determined, but may become fixed or determined in the future with the occurrence of some certain event.

"Dependent" means any person, whether or not related by blood or marriage, who receives from the officer or employee, or provides to the officer or employee, more than one-half of his financial support.

"Gift" means any gratuity, favor, discount, entertainment, hospitality, loan, forbearance, or other item having monetary value. It includes services as well as gifts of transportation, local travel, lodgings and meals, whether provided in-kind, by purchase of a ticket, payment in advance or reimbursement after the expense has been incurred. "Gift" shall not include any offer of a ticket or other admission or pass unless the ticket, admission, or pass is used. "Gift" shall not include honorary degrees and presents from relatives. "Relative" means the donee's spouse, child, uncle, aunt, niece, or nephew; a person to whom the donee is engaged to be married; the donee's or his spouse's parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, or sister; or the donee's brother's or sister's spouse.

"Immediate family" means (i) a spouse and (ii) any other person residing in the same household as the officer or employee, who is a dependent of the officer or employee or of whom the officer or employee is a dependent.

TRUST. If you or your immediate family, separately or together, are the only beneficiaries of a trust, treat the trust's assets as if you own them directly. If you or your immediate family has a proportional interest in a

trust, treat that proportion of the trust's assets as if you own them directly. For example, if you and your immediate family have a one-third interest in a trust, complete your Statement as if you own one-third of each of the trust's assets. If you or a member of your immediate family created a trust and can revoke it without the beneficiaries' consent, treat its assets as if you own them directly.

REPORT TO THE BEST OF INFORMATION AND BELIEF. Information required on this Statement must be provided on the basis of the best knowledge, information and belief of the individual filing the Statement as of the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10. REFER TO SCHEDULES ONLY IF DIRECTED.

You may attach additional explanatory information.

1. Offices and Directorships.

Are you or a member of your immediate family a paid officer or paid director of a business?

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule A.

2. Personal Liabilities.

Do you or a member of your immediate family owe more than \$10,000 to any one creditor including contingent liabilities? (Exclude debts to any government and loans secured by recorded liens on property at least equal in value to the loan.)

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule B.

3. Securities.

Do you or a member of your immediate family, directly or indirectly, separately or together, own securities valued in excess of \$10,000 invested in one business? Account for mutual funds, limited partnerships and trusts.

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule C.

4. Payments for Talks, Meetings, and Publications.

During the past 12 months did you receive lodging, transportation, money, or anything else of value with a combined value exceeding \$200 for a single talk, meeting, or published work in your capacity as an officer or employee of your agency?

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule D.

5. Gifts.

During the past 12 months did a business, government, or individual other than a relative or personal friend (i) furnish you with any gift or entertainment at a single event, and the value received by you exceeded \$50 in value or (ii) furnish you with gifts or entertainment in any combination and the value received by you exceeded \$100 in total value; and for which you neither paid nor rendered services in exchange? Account for entertainment events only if the average value per person attending the event exceeded \$50 in value. Account for all business entertainment (except if related to your private profession or occupation) even if unrelated to your official duties.

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule E.

6. Salary and Wages.

List each employer that pays you or a member of your immediate family salary or wages in excess of \$10,000 annually. (Exclude state or local government or advisory agencies.)

If no reportable salary or wages, check here //.

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7. Business Interests.

Do you or a member of your immediate family, separately or together, operate your own business, or own or control an interest in excess of \$10,000 in a business?

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule F.

8. Payments for Representation and Other Services.

8A. Did you represent, excluding activity defined as lobbying in § 2.2-419, any businesses before any state governmental agencies, excluding courts or judges, for which you received total compensation during the past 12 months in excess of \$1,000, excluding compensation for other services to such businesses and representation consisting solely of the filing of mandatory papers and subsequent representation regarding the mandatory papers? (Officers and employees of local governmental and advisory agencies do NOT need to answer this question or complete Schedule G-1.)

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule G-1.

8B. Subject to the same exceptions as in 8A, did persons with whom you have a close financial association (partners, associates or others) represent, excluding activity defined as lobbying in § 2.2-419, any businesses before any state governmental agency for which total compensation was received during the past 12 months in excess of \$1,000? (Officers and employees of local governmental and advisory agencies do NOT need to answer this question or complete Schedule G-2.)

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule G-2.

8C. Did you or persons with whom you have a close financial association furnish services to businesses operating in Virginia pursuant to an agreement between you and such businesses, or between persons with whom you have a close financial association and such businesses for which total compensation in excess of \$1,000 was received during the past 12 months?

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule G-3.

9. Real Estate.

9A. State Officers and Employees.

Do you or a member of your immediate family hold an interest, including a partnership interest, valued at \$10,000 or more in real property (other than your principal residence) for which you have not already listed the full address on Schedule F? Account for real estate held in trust.

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule H-1.

9B. Local Officers and Employees.

Do you or a member of your immediate family hold an interest, including a partnership interest, or option, easement, or land contract, valued at \$10,000 or more in real property (other than your principal residence) for which you have not already listed the full address on Schedule F? Account for real estate held in trust.

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule H-2.

10. Real Estate Contracts with Governmental Agencies.

Do you or a member of your immediate family hold an interest valued at more than \$10,000 in real estate, including a corporate, partnership, or trust interest, option, easement, or land contract, which real estate is the subject of a contract, whether pending or completed within the past 12 months, with a governmental agency? If the real estate contract provides for the leasing of the property to a governmental agency, do you or a member of your immediate family hold an interest in the real estate valued at more than \$1,000? Account for all such contracts whether or not your interest is reported in Schedule F, H-1, or H-2. This requirement to disclose an interest in a lease does not apply to an interest derived through an ownership interest in a business unless the ownership interest exceeds three percent of the total equity of the business.

EITHER check NO // OR check YES // and complete Schedule I.

Statements of Economic Interests are open for public inspection.

AFFIRMATION BY ALL FILERS.

I swear or affirm that the foregoing information is full, true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

(Return only if needed to complete Statement.)

SCHEDULES to
STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS.

NAME

SCHEDULE A - OFFICES AND DIRECTORSHIPS.

Identify each business of which you or a member of your immediate family is a paid officer or paid director.

Name of Business	Address of Business	Position Held
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RETURN TO ITEM 2

SCHEDULE B - PERSONAL LIABILITIES.

Report personal liability by checking each category. Report only debts in excess of \$10,000. Do not report debts to any government. Do not report loans secured by recorded liens on property at least equal in value to the loan.

Report contingent liabilities below and indicate which debts are contingent.

1. My personal debts are as follows:

Check	Check one
appropriate	\$10,001 to More than
categories	\$50,000 \$50,000

Banks

Savings institutions

Other loan or finance companies

Insurance companies

Stock, commodity or other brokerage

companies

Other businesses:

(State principal business activity for each
creditor.)

Individual creditors:

(State principal business or
occupation of each creditor.)

2. The personal debts of the members of my immediate family are as follows:

Check	Check one		
appropriate	\$10,001 to	More than	
categories	\$50,000	\$50,000	
Banks			_____
Savings institutions			_____
Other loan or finance companies			_____
Insurance companies			_____
Stock, commodity or other brokerage			
companies			_____
Other businesses:			
(State principal business activity			
for each creditor.)			_____
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Individual creditors:			
(State principal business or			
occupation of each creditor.)			_____
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SCHEDULE C - SECURITIES.

"Securities" INCLUDES stocks, bonds, "Securities" EXCLUDES

mutual funds, limited partnerships, certificates of deposit,

and commodity futures contracts. money market funds, annuity

contracts, and insurance policies.

Identify each business or Virginia governmental entity in which you or a

member of your immediate family, directly or indirectly, separately or

together, own securities valued in excess of \$10,000. Name each entity and

type of security individually.

Do not list U.S. Bonds or other government securities not issued by the

Commonwealth of Virginia or its authorities, agencies, or local governments.

Do not list organizations that do not do business in this Commonwealth, but

most major businesses conduct business in Virginia. Account for securities

held in trust.

If no reportable securities, check here / / .

Check one

Type of Security \$10,001 \$50,001 More

Type of (stocks, bonds, mutual to to

than

Name of Issuer	Entity	funds, etc.)	\$50,000	\$250,000	\$250,000
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SCHEDULE D - PAYMENTS FOR TALKS, MEETINGS, AND PUBLICATIONS.

List each source from which you received during the past 12 months lodging, transportation, money, or any other thing of value (excluding meals or drinks coincident with a meeting) with combined value exceeding \$200 for your presentation of a single talk, participation in one meeting, or publication of a work in your capacity as an officer or employee of your agency.

List payments or reimbursements by an advisory or governmental agency only for meetings or travel outside the Commonwealth.

List a payment even if you donated it to charity.

Do not list information about a payment if you returned it within 60 days or if you received it from an employer already listed under Item 6 or from a source of income listed on Schedule F.

If no payment must be listed, check here // .

Type of payment

(e.g. honoraria,

travel reimburse-

Payer	Approximate Value	Circumstances	ment, etc.)
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SCHEDULE E - GIFTS.

List each business, governmental entity, or individual that, during the past 12 months, (i) furnished you with any gift or entertainment at a single event and the value received by you exceeded \$50 in value, or (ii) furnished you with gifts or entertainment in any combination and the value received by you exceeded \$100 in total value; and for which you neither paid nor rendered services in exchange. List each such gift or event. Do not list entertainment events unless the average value per person attending the event exceeded \$50 in value. Do not list business entertainment related to your private profession or occupation. Do not list gifts or other things of value given by a relative or personal friend for reasons clearly unrelated to your public position. Do not list campaign contributions publicly reported as required by Chapter 9.3 (§ 24.2-945 et seq.) of Title 24.2 of the Code of Virginia.

Name of Business, Organization, or Individual	City or County and State	Gift or Event	Approximate Value
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SCHEDULE F - BUSINESS INTERESTS.

Complete this Schedule for each self-owned or family-owned business (including rental property, a farm, or consulting work), partnership, or corporation in which you or a member of your immediate family, separately or together, own an interest having a value in excess of \$10,000.

If the enterprise is owned or operated under a trade, partnership, or corporate name, list that name; otherwise, merely explain the nature of the enterprise. If rental property is owned or operated under a trade, partnership, or corporate name, list the name only; otherwise, give the address of each property. Account for business interests held in trust.

Name of Business,		Gross Income
Corporation,		
Partnership,	Nature of Enterprise	\$50,001 More
Farm; Address of City or	(farming, law, rental	\$50,000 to than
County		
Rental Property and State property, etc.)		or less \$250,000 \$250,000

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SCHEDULE G-1 - PAYMENTS FOR REPRESENTATION BY YOU.

List the businesses you represented, excluding activity defined as lobbying in § 2.2-419, before any state governmental agency, excluding any court or judge, for which you received total compensation during the past 12 months in excess of \$1,000, excluding compensation for other services to such businesses and representation consisting solely of the filing of mandatory papers and subsequent representation regarding the mandatory papers filed by you.

Identify each business, the nature of the representation and the amount received by dollar category from each such business. You may state the type, rather than name, of the business if you are required by law not to reveal the name of the business represented by you.

Only STATE officers and employees should complete this Schedule.

Amount Received

Name	Type	Pur-	Name					
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ness	ness	Repre-	cy	\$1,001	\$10,001	\$50,001	\$100,001	\$250,001
		enta-	to	to	to	to	and	
		tion	\$10,000	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$250,000	over	

If you have received \$250,001 or more from a single business within the reporting period, indicate the amount received, rounded to the nearest \$10,000.

Amount Received:_____.

SCHEDULE G-2 - PAYMENTS FOR REPRESENTATION BY ASSOCIATES.

List the businesses that have been represented, excluding activity defined as lobbying in § 2.2-419, before any state governmental agency, excluding any court or judge, by persons who are your partners, associates or others with whom you have a close financial association and who received total compensation in excess of \$1,000 for such representation during the past 12 months, excluding representation consisting solely of the filing of mandatory papers and subsequent representation regarding the mandatory papers filed by your partners, associates or others with whom you have a close financial association.

Identify such businesses by type and also name the state governmental agencies before which such person appeared on behalf of such businesses.

Only STATE officers and employees should complete this Schedule.

Type of business Name of state governmental agency

SCHEDULE G-3 - PAYMENTS FOR SERVICES GENERALLY.

Indicate below types of businesses that operate in Virginia to which services were furnished by you or persons with whom you have a close financial association pursuant to an agreement between you and such businesses, or between persons with whom you have a close financial association and such businesses and for which total compensation in excess of \$1,000 was received during the past 12 months.

Identify opposite each category of businesses listed below (i) the type of business, (ii) the type of service rendered and (iii) the value by dollar category of the compensation received for all businesses falling within each category.

Value of Compensation

Check	Type					
if	of					
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vices	vice					
were	ren-					
ren-	dered					
dered		\$1,001	\$10,001	\$50,001	\$100,001	\$250,001
		to	to	to	to	and

\$10,000 \$50,000 \$100,000 \$250,000 over

Electric utilities ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Gas utilities ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Telephone utilities ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Water utilities ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Cable television

companies ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Interstate

transportation

companies ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Intrastate

transportation

companies ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Oil or gas retail

companies ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Banks

Savings institutions ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Loan or finance

companies ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Manufacturing

companies (state

type of product,

e.g., textile,

furniture, etc.)	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Mining companies							
Life insurance							
companies	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Casualty insurance							
companies	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Other insurance							
companies		___	___	___	___	___	___
Retail companies		___	___	___	___	___	___
Beer, wine or liquor							
companies or							
distributors	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Trade associations	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Professional							
associations	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Associations of							
public employees or							
officials	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Counties, cities or							
towns		___	___	___	___	___	___
Labor organizations	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Other		___	___	___	___	___	___

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SCHEDULE I - REAL ESTATE CONTRACTS WITH GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES.

List all contracts, whether pending or completed within the past 12 months, with a governmental agency for the sale or exchange of real estate in which you or a member of your immediate family holds an interest, including a corporate, partnership or trust interest, option, easement, or land contract, valued at \$10,000 or more. List all contracts with a governmental agency for the lease of real estate in which you or a member of your immediate family holds such an interest valued at \$1,000 or more. This requirement to disclose an interest in a lease does not apply to an interest derived through an ownership interest in a business unless the ownership interest exceeds three percent of the total equity of the business.

State officers and employees report contracts with state agencies.

Local officers and employees report contracts with local agencies.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.15; 1988, c. 849; 1994, cc. 724, 733, 777, 793; 1995, c. 763; 1996, c. 77; 1997, cc. 577, 844; 1998, c. 732; 2001, c. 844; 2006, cc. 310, 779, 787, 892; 2008, c. 239; 2010, c. 670; 2012, c. 429.)

§ 2.2-3118. Disclosure form; certain citizen members.

A. The financial disclosure form to be used for filings required pursuant to subsection B of § 2.2-3114 and subsection B of § 2.2-3115 shall be signed by the filer either originally or by electronic signature as authorized by the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (§ 59.1-479 et seq.). The financial disclosure form shall be substantially as follows:

DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATORY MATERIAL.

"Business" means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, firm, enterprise, franchise, association, trust or foundation, or any other individual or entity carrying on a business or profession, whether or not for profit.

"Close financial association" means an association in which the person filing shares significant financial involvement with an individual and the filer would reasonably be expected to be aware of the individual's business activities and would have access to the necessary records either directly or through the individual. "Close financial association" does not mean an association based on (i) the receipt of retirement benefits or deferred compensation from a business by which the person filing this statement is no longer employed, or (ii) the receipt of compensation for work performed by the person filing as an independent contractor of a business that represents an entity before any state governmental agency when the person filing has no communications with the state governmental agency.

"Contingent liability" means a liability that is not presently fixed or determined, but may become fixed or determined in the future with the occurrence of some certain event.

"Immediate family" means (i) a spouse and (ii) any other person residing in the same household as the filer, who is a dependent of the filer or of whom the filer is a dependent.

"Dependent" means any person, whether or not related by blood or marriage, who receives from the filer, or provides to the filer, more than one-half of his financial support.

"Personal interest" means, for the purposes of this form only, a personal and financial benefit or liability accruing to a filer or a member of his immediate family. Such interest shall exist by reason of (i) ownership in real or personal property, tangible or intangible; (ii) ownership in a business; (iii) income from a business; or (iv) personal liability on behalf of a business; however, unless the ownership interest in a business exceeds three percent of the total equity of the business, or the liability on behalf of a business exceeds three percent of the total assets of the business, or the annual income, and/or property or use of such property, from the business exceeds \$10,000 or may reasonably be anticipated to exceed \$10,000, such interest shall not constitute a "personal interest."

Name

Office or position held or to be held

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Address I. FINANCIAL INTERESTS

My personal interests and those of my immediate family are as follows:

Include all forms of personal interests held at the time of filing: real estate, stocks, bonds, equity interests in proprietorships and partnerships. You may exclude:

1. Deposits and interest bearing accounts in banks, savings institutions and other institutions accepting such deposits or accounts;

2. Interests in any business, other than a news medium, representing less than three percent of the total equity value of the business;
3. Liability on behalf of any business representing less than three percent of the total assets of such business; and
4. Income (other than from salary) less than \$10,000 annually from any business. You need not state the value of any interest. You must state the name or principal business activity of each business in which you have a personal interest.

A. My personal interests are:

1. Residence, address, or, if no address, location
2. Other real estate, address, or, if no address, location
3. Name or principal business activity of each business in which stock, bond or equity interest is held

B. The personal interests of my immediate family are:

1. Real estate, address or, if no address, location
2. Name or principal business activity of each business in which stock, bond or equity interest is held

II. OFFICES, DIRECTORSHIPS AND SALARIED EMPLOYMENTS

The paid offices, paid directorships and salaried employments which I hold or which members of my immediate family hold and the businesses from which I or members of my immediate family receive retirement benefits are as follows:

(You need not state any dollar amounts.)

A. My paid offices, paid directorships and salaried employments are:

Position held	Name of business
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B. The paid offices, paid directorships and salaried employments of members of my immediate family are:

Position held	Name of business
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III. BUSINESSES TO WHICH SERVICES WERE FURNISHED

A. The businesses I have represented, excluding activity defined as lobbying in § 2.2-419, before any state governmental agency, excluding any court or judge, for which I have received total compensation in excess of \$1,000 during the preceding year, excluding compensation for other services to such businesses and representation consisting solely of the filing of mandatory papers, are as follows:

Identify businesses by name and name the state governmental agencies before which you appeared on behalf of such businesses.

Name of business	Name of governmental agency
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B. The businesses that, to my knowledge, have been represented, excluding activity defined as lobbying in § 2.2-419, before any state governmental agency, excluding any court or judge, by persons with whom I have a close financial association and who received total compensation in excess of \$1,000 during the preceding year, excluding compensation for other services to such businesses and representation consisting solely of the filing of mandatory papers, are as follows:

Identify businesses by type and name the state governmental agencies before which such person appeared on behalf of such businesses.

Type of business	Name of state governmental agency
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C. All other businesses listed below that operate in Virginia to which services were furnished pursuant to an agreement between you and such businesses and for which total compensation in excess of \$1, 000 was received during the preceding year:

Check each category of business to which services were furnished.

- Electric utilities _____
- Gas utilities _____
- Telephone utilities _____
- Water utilities _____
- Cable television companies _____
- Intrastate transportation companies _____
- Interstate transportation companies _____
- Oil or gas retail companies _____
- Banks _____
- Savings institutions _____
- Loan or finance companies _____
- Manufacturing companies (state type of product, e.g.,
textile, furniture, etc.) _____
- Mining companies _____

Life insurance companies _____

Casualty insurance companies _____

Other insurance companies _____

Retail companies _____

Beer, wine or liquor companies or distributors _____

Trade associations _____

Professional associations _____

Associations of public employees or officials _____

Counties, cities or towns _____

Labor organizations _____

IV. COMPENSATION FOR EXPENSES

The persons, associations, or other sources other than my governmental agency from which I or a member of my immediate family received remuneration in excess of \$200 during the preceding year, in cash or otherwise, as honorariums or payment of expenses in connection with my attendance at any meeting or other function to which I was invited in my official capacity are as follows:

Name of Source	Description of occasion	Amount of remuneration for each occasion
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B. The provisions of Part III A and B of the disclosure form prescribed by this section shall not be applicable to officers and employees of local governmental and local advisory agencies.

C. Except for real estate located within the county, city or town in which the officer or employee serves or a county, city or town contiguous to the county, city or town in which the officer or employee serves, officers and employees of local governmental or advisory agencies shall not be required to disclose under Part I of the form any other interests in real estate.

(1988, c. 849, § 2.1-639.15:1; 1996, c. 77; 2001, c. 844; 2006, c. 779; 2011, cc. 123, 177.)

§ 2.2-3118.1. Special provisions for individuals serving in or seeking multiple positions or offices; reappointees.

A. The filing of a single current statement of economic interests by a state officer or employee required to file the form prescribed in § 2.2-3117 shall suffice for the purposes of this chapter as filing for all state positions or offices held or sought by such individual during a single reporting period. The filing of a single current financial disclosure statement by a state officer or employee required to file the form prescribed in § 2.2-3118 shall suffice for the purposes of this chapter as filing for all state positions or offices held or sought by such individual and requiring the filing of the § 2.2-3118 form during a single reporting period.

B. Any individual who has met the requirement for annually filing a statement provided in § 2.2-3117 or 2.2-3118 shall not be required to file an additional statement upon such individual's reappointment to the same office or position for which he is required to file, provided such reappointment occurs within 12 months after the annual filing.

(2005, c. 397.)

§ 2.2-3119. Additional provisions applicable to school boards and employees of school boards; exceptions.

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, it shall be unlawful for the school board of any county or city or of any town constituting a separate school division to employ or pay any teacher or other school board employee from the public funds, federal, state or local, or for a division superintendent to recommend to the school board the employment of any teacher or other employee, if the teacher or other employee is the father, mother, brother, sister, spouse, son, daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, sister-in-law or brother-in-law of the superintendent, or of any member of the school board.

This section shall apply to any person employed by any school board in the operation of the public free school system, adult education programs or any other program maintained and operated by a local county, city or town school board.

B. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the employment, promotion, or transfer within a school division of any person within a relationship described in subsection A when such person:

1. Has been employed pursuant to a written contract with a school board or employed as a substitute teacher or teacher's aide by a school board prior to the taking of office of any member of such board or division superintendent of schools; or

2. Has been employed pursuant to a written contract with a school board or employed as a substitute teacher or teacher's aide by a school board prior to the inception of such relationship; or

3. Was employed by a school board at any time prior to June 10, 1994, and had been employed at any time as a teacher or other employee of any Virginia school board prior to the taking of office of any member of such school board or division superintendent of schools.

C. A person employed as a substitute teacher may not be employed to any greater extent than he was employed by the school board in the last full school year prior to the taking of office of such board member or division superintendent or to the inception of such relationship. The exceptions in subdivisions B 1, B 2, and B 3 shall apply only if the prior employment has been in the same school divisions where the employee and the superintendent or school board member now seek to serve simultaneously.

D. If any member of the school board or any division superintendent knowingly violates these provisions, he shall be personally liable to refund to the local treasury any amounts paid in violation of this law, and the funds shall be recovered from the individual by action or suit in the name of the Commonwealth on the petition of the attorney for the Commonwealth. Recovered funds shall be paid into the local treasury for the use of the public schools.

E. The provisions of this section shall not apply to employment by a school district located in Planning Districts 3, 11, 12, and 13 of the father, mother, brother, sister, spouse, son, daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, sister-in-law, or brother-in-law of any member of the school board provided (i) the member certifies that he had no involvement with the hiring decision and (ii) the superintendent certifies to the remaining members of the governing body in writing that the employment is based upon merit and fitness and the competitive rating of the qualifications of the individual and that no member of the board had any involvement with the hiring decision.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.16; 1994, c. 758; 1995, c. 186; 1997, c. 84; 2001, c. 844; 2010, cc. 676, 759; 2011, c. 517.)

§ 2.2-3120. Knowing violation of chapter a misdemeanor.

Any person who knowingly violates any of the provisions of Articles 2 through 6 (§§ 2.2-3102 through 2.2-3119) of this chapter shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor, except that any member of a local governing body who knowingly violates subsection A of § 2.2-3112 or subsection D or F of § 2.2-3115 shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor. A knowing violation under this section is one in which the person engages in conduct, performs an act or refuses to perform an act when he knows that the conduct is prohibited or required by this chapter.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.17; 2001, c. 844; 2012, c. 429.)

§ 2.2-3121. Advisory opinions.

A. A state officer or employee shall not be prosecuted for a knowing violation of this chapter if the alleged violation resulted from his good faith reliance on a written opinion of the Attorney General made in response to his written request for such opinion and the opinion was made after a full disclosure of the facts.

B. A local officer or employee shall not be prosecuted for a knowing violation of this chapter if the alleged violation resulted from his good faith reliance on a written opinion of the attorney for the Commonwealth made in response to his written request for such opinion and the opinion was made after a full disclosure of the facts. The written opinion shall be a public record and shall be released upon request.

C. If any officer or employee serving at the local level of government is charged with a knowing violation of this chapter, and the alleged violation resulted from his reliance upon a written opinion of his city, county or town attorney, made after a full disclosure of the facts, that such action was not in violation of this chapter, then the officer or employee shall have the right to introduce a copy of the opinion at his trial as evidence that he did not knowingly violate this chapter.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.18; 2001, c. 844; 2003, c. 694.)

§ 2.2-3122. Knowing violation of chapter constitutes malfeasance in office or employment.

Any person who knowingly violates any of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of malfeasance in office or employment. Upon conviction thereof, the judge or jury trying the case, in addition to any other fine or penalty provided by law, may order the forfeiture of such office or employment.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.19; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3123. Invalidation of contract; rescission of sales.

A. Any contract made in violation of § 2.2-3103 or §§ 2.2-3106 through 2.2-3109 may be declared void and may be rescinded by the governing body of the contracting or selling governmental agency within five years of the date of such contract. In cases in which the contract is invalidated, the contractor shall retain or receive only the reasonable value, with no increment for profit or commission, of the property or services furnished prior to the date of receiving notice that the contract has been voided. In cases of rescission of a contract of sale, any refund or restitution shall be made to the contracting or selling governmental agency.

B. Any purchase by an officer or employee made in violation of § 2.2-3103 or §§ 2.2-3106 through 2.2-3109 may be rescinded by the governing body of the contracting or selling governmental agency within five years of the date of such purchase.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.20; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3124. Civil penalty from violation of this chapter.

In addition to any other fine or penalty provided by law, an officer or employee who knowingly violates any provision of §§ 2.2-3103 through 2.2-3112 shall be subject to a civil penalty in an amount equal to the amount of money or thing of value received as a result of such violation. If the thing of value received by

the officer or employee in violation of §§ 2.2-3103 through 2.2-3112 increases in value between the time of the violation and the time of discovery of the violation, the greater value shall determine the amount of the civil penalty. Further, all money or other things of value received as a result of such violation shall be forfeited in accordance with the provisions of § 19.2-386.33.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.21; 1994, cc. 727, 776; 2001, c. 844; 2012, cc. 283, 756.)

§ 2.2-3125. Limitation of actions.

The statute of limitations for the criminal prosecution of a person for violation of any provision of this chapter shall be one year from the time the Attorney General, if the violation is by a state officer or employee, or the attorney for the Commonwealth, if the violation is by a local officer or employee, has actual knowledge of the violation or five years from the date of the violation, whichever event occurs first. Any prosecution for malfeasance in office shall be governed by the statute of limitations provided by law.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.22; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3126. Enforcement.

A. The provisions of this chapter relating to an officer or employee serving at the state level of government shall be enforced by the Attorney General.

In addition to any other powers and duties prescribed by law, the Attorney General shall have the following powers and duties within the area for which he is responsible under this section:

1. He shall advise the agencies of state government and officers and employees serving at the state level of government on appropriate procedures for complying with the requirements of this chapter. He may review any disclosure statements, without notice to the affected person, for the purpose of determining satisfactory compliance, and shall investigate matters that come to his attention reflecting possible violations of the provisions of this chapter by officers and employees serving at the state level of government;

2. If he determines that there is a reasonable basis to conclude that any officer or employee serving at the state level of government has knowingly violated any provision of this chapter, he shall designate an attorney for the Commonwealth who shall have complete and independent discretion in the prosecution of such officer or employee;

3. He shall render advisory opinions to any state officer or employee who seeks advice as to whether the facts in a particular case would constitute a violation of the provisions of this chapter. He shall determine which opinions or portions thereof are of general interest to the public and may, from time to time, be published.

Irrespective of whether an opinion of the Attorney General has been requested and rendered, any person has the right to seek a declaratory judgment or other judicial relief as provided by law.

B. The provisions of this chapter relating to an officer or employee serving at the local level of government shall be enforced by the attorney for the Commonwealth within the political subdivision for which he is elected.

Each attorney for the Commonwealth shall be responsible for prosecuting violations by an officer or employee serving at the local level of government and, if the Attorney General designates such attorney for the Commonwealth, violations by an officer or employee serving at the state level of government. In the event the violation by an officer or employee serving at the local level of government involves more than one local jurisdiction, the Attorney General shall designate which of the attorneys for the Commonwealth of the involved local jurisdictions shall enforce the provisions of this chapter with regard to such violation.

Each attorney for the Commonwealth shall establish an appropriate written procedure for implementing the disclosure requirements of local officers and employees of his county, city or town, and for other political subdivisions, whose principal offices are located within the jurisdiction served by such attorney for the Commonwealth. The attorney for the Commonwealth shall provide a copy of this act to all local officers and employees in the jurisdiction served by such attorney who are required to file a disclosure statement pursuant to Article 5 (§ 2.2-3113 et seq.) of this chapter. Failure to receive a copy of the act shall not be a defense to such officers and employees if they are prosecuted for violations of the act.

Each attorney for the Commonwealth shall render advisory opinions as to whether the facts in a particular case would constitute a violation of the provisions of this chapter to the governing body and any local officer or employee in his jurisdiction and to political subdivisions other than a county, city or town, including regional political subdivisions whose principal offices are located within the jurisdiction served by such attorney for the Commonwealth. If the advisory opinion is written, then such written opinion shall be a public record and shall be released upon request. In case the opinion given by the attorney for the Commonwealth indicates that the facts would constitute a violation, the officer or employee affected thereby may request that the Attorney General review the opinion. A conflicting opinion by the Attorney General shall act to revoke the opinion of the attorney for the Commonwealth. The Attorney General shall determine which of his reviewing opinions or portions thereof are of general interest to the public and may, from time to time, be published.

Irrespective of whether an opinion of the attorney for the Commonwealth or the Attorney General has been requested and rendered, any person has the right to seek a declaratory judgment or other judicial relief as provided by law.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.23; 2001, c. 844; 2003, c. 694.)

§ 2.2-3127. Venue.

Any prosecution for a violation involving an officer serving at the state level of government shall be brought in the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond. Any prosecution for a violation involving an employee serving at the state level of government shall be within the jurisdiction in which the employee has his principal place of state employment.

Any proceeding provided in this chapter shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction within the county or city in which the violation occurs if the violation involves an officer or employee serving at the local level of government.

(1987, Sp. Sess., c. 1, § 2.1-639.24; 2001, c. 844.)

§ 2.2-3128. Semiannual orientation course.

Each state agency shall offer at least semiannually to each of its state filers an orientation course on this chapter, on ethics in public contracting pursuant to Article 6 (§ 2.2-4367 et seq.) of Chapter 43 of this title, if applicable to the filer, and on any other applicable regulations that govern the official conduct of state officers and employees.

(2004, cc. 134, 392.)

§ 2.2-3129. Records of attendance.

Each state agency shall maintain records indicating the specific attendees, each attendee's job title, and dates of their attendance for each orientation course offered pursuant to § 2.2-3128 for a period of not less than five years after each course is given. These records shall be public records subject to inspection and copying consistent with § 2.2-3704.

(2004, cc. 134, 392.)

§ 2.2-3130. Attendance requirements.

Except as set forth in § 2.2-3131, each state filer shall attend the orientation course required in § 2.2-3128, as follows:

1. For a state filer who holds a position with the agency on January 1, 2004, not later than December 31, 2004 and, thereafter, at least once during each consecutive period of two calendar years commencing on January 1, 2006.
2. For a person who becomes a state filer with the agency after January 1, 2004, within two months after he or she becomes a state filer and at least once during each consecutive period of two calendar years commencing on the first odd-numbered year thereafter.

(2004, cc. 134, 392.)

§ 2.2-3131. Exemptions.

A. The requirements of § 2.2-3130 shall not apply to state filers with a state agency who have taken an equivalent ethics orientation course through another state agency within the time periods set forth in subdivision 1 or 2 of § 2.2-3130, as applicable.

B. State agencies may jointly conduct and state filers from more than one state agency may jointly attend an orientation course required by § 2.2-3128, as long as the course content is relevant to the official duties of the attending state filers.

C. Before conducting each orientation course required by § 2.2-3128, state agencies shall consult with the Attorney General regarding appropriate course content.

(2004, cc. 134, 392.)

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Supervisors
FR: Thomas Judge, Director of Joint Administrative Services
DT: January 7, 2013
RE: *January Finance Committee Agenda*

1. Supplemental Appropriations.

- a) *"Be it resolved that the Sheriff's budget for travel be increased \$3,626, the same appropriated, and that revenue from the Commonwealth be recognized, all for the purpose of extraditing a person to the Commonwealth of Virginia."*
- b) *"Be it resolved that the Water Quality Management budget be increased \$4,000, the same appropriated, and revenue from the Commonwealth recognized in the same amount, all for the purpose of funding a citizen water quality monitoring program."*
- c) *"Be it resolved that the Commission on the Arts revenue from the Commonwealth be decreased \$4,000, and local funding increased in the same amount, to offset the loss of Commonwealth funding resulting from an uncommunicated procedural change by the Commonwealth that further resulted in a missed deadline, all for the purpose of supporting the Opus Oaks Studio Art School, MALCOLM Museum and Sculpture Gardens, and Art Library."*

2. **Acceptance of December Bills and Claims.** Acceptance of this report by the Board of Supervisors is recommended.

3. **Clarification of November Bills and Claims.** A question was raised at the November board meeting regarding an overage in the Recreation Center Maintenance accounts. At the time it was believed to be related to the repair of the brick at the corners of that building. It was subsequently determined that an encumbrance of \$20,667 had not closed when payment was made, thereby duplicating the expenditure. This has been corrected on the December report.

4. **Standing Reports.** The following are included: Reconciliation of Appropriations. General Government Expenditure Summary.



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November 5, 2012

Ms. Alison Teetor
Clarke County Planning Department
101 Chalmers Court
Berryville, Va. 22611

Dear Ms. Teetor,

This letter is to inform you that DEQ is preparing to award \$4,000.00 to the Clarke County Planning Department under the 2013 Citizen Monitoring Grant Program. The period of performance is from January 1 to December 31, 2013.

You will receive a contract package shortly that will detail the terms and conditions of the grant. Please sign and return the grant contract by December 2, 2012. If we do not receive a signed contract by that date, we may not be able to process the grant payment until after the start of the grant period.

If you have any questions, please contact Stuart Torbeck by phone at (804) 698-4461 or by e-mail at Charles.torbeck@deq.virginia.gov we wish you success in your water quality monitoring efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stuart Torbeck".

Stuart Torbeck
Water Quality Data Liaison

Clarke Co. **Reconciliation of Appropriations** Year Ending June 30, 2013 03-Jan-13

Date		Total	General Fund	Soc Svcs Fund	CSA Fund	Sch Oper Fund	Food Serv Fund	GG Cap Fund	School Cap Fund	GG Debt Fund	School Debt Fund	Joint Fund	Conservation Easements	Unemploy. Fund
04/30/12	Appropriations Resolution: Total	37,814,887	8,312,819	1,432,321	761,000	20,542,386	754,252	366,310	504,200	389,200	4,034,879	542,520	150,000	25,000
	<i>Adjustments:</i>													
6/19/2012	Various One-Time School Items					92,543			40,000					
7/17/2012	Electoral Board Electronic Poll Books		3,400											
7/17/2012	Regional Jail VRS increase		12,044											
08/24/12	CCSA Land Use Fees		2,000											
11/20/12	Commonwealth Economic Dev pass-through							200,000						
11/20/12	Clerk of the Circuit Court Payroll		104,629											
11/20/12	School Operating Contingency					61,000								
11/20/12	School Transfer for Boyce Comcast					30,000			-30,000					
01/15/13	<i>Sheriff Extradition</i>		3,626											
01/15/13	<i>Water Quality Management Grant</i>		4,000											
	Revised Appropriation	38,338,129	8,442,518	1,432,321	761,000	20,725,929	754,252	566,310	514,200	389,200	4,034,879	542,520	150,000	25,000
	Change to Appropriation	523,242	129,699	0	0	183,543	0	200,000	10,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Original Revenue Estimate	14,625,767	2,431,764	955,261	351,000	9,670,210	754,252	117,024	206,510		136,746	3,000	0	0
	<i>Adjustments:</i>													
06/19/12	ARRA Revenue Error								-52,000					
11/20/12	Commonwealth Economic Dev pass-through							200,000						
11/20/12	Clerk of the Circuit Court Payroll		104,629											
11/20/12	School Operating Contingency					61,000								
01/15/13	<i>Sheriff Extradition</i>		3,626											
01/15/13	<i>Water Quality Management Grant</i>		4,000											
01/15/13	<i>Commission on the Arts Grant</i>		-4,000											
	Revised Revenue Estimate	14,943,022	2,540,019	955,261	351,000	9,731,210	754,252	317,024	154,510	0	136,746	3,000	0	0
	Change to Revenue Estimate	317,255	108,255	0	0	61,000	0	200,000	-52,000	0	0	0	0	0
	Original Local Tax Funding	23,189,120	5,881,055	477,060	410,000	10,872,176	0	249,286	297,690	389,200	3,898,133	539,520	150,000	25,000
	Revised Local Tax Funding	23,395,107	5,902,499	477,060	410,000	10,994,719	0	249,286	359,690	389,200	3,898,133	539,520	150,000	25,000
	Change to Local Tax Funding	205,987	21,444	0	0	122,543	0	0	62,000	0	0	0	0	0

Italics = Proposed actions

Title: General Fund Balance

Source: Clarke County Joint Administrative Services

	<u>Prior</u>	<u>Current</u>
General Fund Balance Year End FY 11	15,177,059	15,177,059
Expenditure FY 12	(24,402,638)	(24,402,638)
Revenue FY 12	25,236,917	25,236,917
General Fund Balance Year End FY 12	16,011,338	16,011,338

Adjustments and Designations

	<u>Designations</u>	
Liquidity Designation @ 12% of FY 13 Budgeted Operating Revenue	(\$2,985,415)	(\$2,985,415)
Stabilization Designation @ 3% of FY 13 Budgeted Operating Revenue	(746,354)	(746,354)
Continuing Local GF Appropriations for Capital Projects	(5,902,305)	(5,902,305)
School Capital/Debt	(1,448,000)	(1,448,000)
Government Construction/Debt	(759,562)	(759,562)
Property Acquisition	(265,000)	(265,000)
Conservation Easements from Government Savings	(153,462)	(153,462)
Community Facilities	(\$325,000)	(\$325,000)
Comprehensive Services Act Shortfall	(250,000)	(250,000)
Parks Master Plan	(100,000)	(100,000)
School Operating Carryover	(433,461)	(433,461)
Government Carryover Requests from Government Savings	(396,600)	(396,600)
Energy Efficiency	(200,000)	(200,000)
Data and Communications Technology	(350,000)	(350,000)
Joint Government Center Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning	(240,000)	(240,000)
Landfill costs	(50,000)	(50,000)
Leave Liability	(75,000)	(75,000)
FY 13 Original Budget Surplus (Deficit)	(695,236)	(695,236)
TOTAL Designations	(15,375,395)	(15,375,395)
FY 13 Expenditure Budget Adjustments	(515,616)	(523,242)
FY 13 Revenue Budget Adjustments	313,629	317,255
Undesignated Fund Balance Projected June 30	433,956	429,956

12/31/2012										
Government Capital Projects										
December 31, 2012										
		FY 12	FY 13 Original	FY13	Inter-project	Cumulative	Outstanding	Year-to Date	Available	
Code	Description	Carryover	Budget/ Revenue Estimate	Supplemental Budget	Adjusts	Budget With Adjusts	Encumbrance	Expenditure/ Revenue	Balance	Notes
301	General Government Capital Expenditure									
800										
94203	Sheriff's Equipment (fingerprinting, etc.)	20,827	8,925			29,752	8,925		20,827	
94204	HVAC Systems	-	15,000		228,384	243,384	193,937		49,446	County portion of HVAC for JGC is 243,383.84 and Town's portion is 144,788.16
94210	Auto Replacement	33,929	26,456			60,385	26,460	25,372	8,553	
94214	Resurface Tennis Courts	90,000				90,000		36,599	53,401	
94215	Pool Repair	19,999				19,999			19,999	
94216	Fencing - Ballfield & Pool		10,000			10,000			10,000	
94271	Additional Parking	10,000				10,000			10,000	
94278	Sheriff's Vehicles	87,811	83,542		(39,769)	131,584	70,953	37,089	23,542	
94280	Communications Study		50,000			50,000			50,000	
94283	Sheriff's Mobile Radio System	15,580			(15,580)	-			-	
94284	Park Expansion	30,000				30,000			30,000	
94294	Phone System (E-911)		117,024		55,349	172,373	172,373		-	
94298	Economic Development	332,803			150,891	483,694		306,180	177,514	
94299	Technology Improvements	3,520	55,363			58,883		30,876	28,007	
94318	Sheriff's Building Renovation	404,922			(228,384)	176,538			176,538	
94319	Roofing	112,333				112,333			112,333	
94320	Plan Updates	9,661			49,109	58,770			58,770	
94324	Carpeting (Includes Gen Dist Courthouse Seating)	39,080				39,080		8,252	30,828	courthouse area, etc.
94325	Landscaping	15,375				15,375			15,375	
94331	Parks Westside Sitework/Parking	47,024				47,024			47,024	
94334	Parks Signs/Pool Roof	20,000				20,000			20,000	
94337	Recreation Center Additions/Wall Crack	647,559				647,559	143,615	410,727	93,217	
94338	Systems Integration	75,900				75,900			75,900	
	Total Expenditure	2,016,323	366,310	-	200,000	2,582,633	616,263	855,095	1,111,275	
	Revenue			366,310						
301-000	Debt Proceeds	75,758				75,758			75,758	\$15,007.50 of the \$334,936 has been requested from RDA but not yet received
301-000	Senior Center Fund Raising	35,384				35,384		1,357	34,027	
	Donation for Dog Park	3,035				3,035		1,162	1,873	
301-000	Commonwealth Revenue - Governors Opportunity Fund				200,000	200,000		200,000	-	
	Total Revenue	114,177	-	-	200,000	314,177		202,519	111,658	
	Capital Projects Fund Balance									
	Economic Development	332,803			(49,109)	283,694		106,180	177,514	
	Total Revenue and Fund Balance	446,980	-	-	150,891	597,871			289,172	
	Total Expenditures less Revenue and Fund Balance	1,569,343				1,984,762			822,103	