

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 2 of Title 9.1 a section numbered*
3 *9.1-208.1, relating to the Volunteer Fire Department Training Fund.*

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5 Approved

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6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 2 of Title 9.1 a section numbered**
8 **9.1-208.1 as follows:**

9 **§ 9.1-208.1. Volunteer Fire Department Training Fund.**

10 *There is hereby created in the state treasury a special nonreverting fund to be known as the*
11 *Volunteer Fire Department Training Fund, referred to in this section as "the Fund." The Fund shall be*
12 *established on the books of the Comptroller. All funds appropriated for such purpose and any gifts,*
13 *donations, grants, bequests, and other funds received on its behalf shall be paid into the state treasury*
14 *and credited to the Fund. Interest earned on moneys in the Fund shall remain in the Fund and be*
15 *credited to it. Any moneys remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal*
16 *year shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in the Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be*
17 *used solely for the purposes of assisting or reimbursing volunteer fire departments or volunteer fire*
18 *companies with the costs of training and certifying volunteer firefighters. Expenditures and*
19 *disbursements from the Fund shall be made by the State Treasurer on warrants issued by the*
20 *Comptroller upon written request signed by the Executive Director of the Department of Fire Programs.*

21 **2. That the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security shall establish a workgroup**
22 **composed of the Executive Director of the Department of Fire Programs; the State Fire Marshal;**
23 **a volunteer fire department chief; a volunteer firefighter; and such other stakeholders as the**
24 **Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security shall deem appropriate to study the accessibility**
25 **and availability of training programs with a specific focus on providing training programs to**
26 **volunteer fire departments, volunteer fire companies, and volunteer firefighters in a cost-efficient**
27 **and effective manner.**

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