

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to direct the State Board of Local and Regional Jails to make recommendations regarding*
3 *certain fees in local and regional correctional facilities.*

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5 Approved

[S 581]

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

7 **1.** *§ 1. The State Board of Local and Regional Jails (the Board) shall convene a work group to review*
8 *and make recommendations regarding the reduction or elimination of costs and fees charged to inmates*
9 *in local or regional correctional facilities to defray the costs of an inmate's keep, work release, or*
10 *participation in educational or rehabilitative programs; to use telephone services; to purchase items or*
11 *services from stores or commissaries; to utilize electronic visitation systems; and otherwise deemed*
12 *relevant by the Board. The work group shall be composed of two members of the House Committee on*
13 *Public Safety who are not members of the same political party and two members of the Senate*
14 *Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services who are not members of the same political party. Such*
15 *legislative members shall appoint as members of the work group one formerly incarcerated person, one*
16 *family member of a currently incarcerated person, and at least one representative of the following*
17 *organizations or companies: the Virginia Sheriffs' Association, the Virginia Association of Chiefs of*
18 *Police, the Virginia Association of Regional Jails, the American Civil Liberties Union of Virginia, Worth*
19 *Rises, Social Action Linking Together, Justice Forward Virginia, the Sistars in Prison Reform, Americans*
20 *for Prosperity, a vendor that provides telephone services to local correctional facilities within the*
21 *Commonwealth, and a vendor that provides commissary services to local correctional facilities within*
22 *the Commonwealth. The work group shall report its findings and recommendations to the Chairmen of*
23 *the House Committee on Public Safety and the Senate Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services*
24 *by December 1, 2022.*

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