

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to direct the Secretary of Transportation to convene a work group to identify and review issues*
3 *presented by the operation of autonomous driving systems in the Commonwealth and develop draft*
4 *legislation governing the operation of such systems.*

5 [H 2627]

6 Approved

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

8 **1. § 1.** *That the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Secretary of Public Safety and*
9 *Homeland Security, shall convene a work group to identify operational, technical, and legal issues*
10 *presented by the operation of autonomous driving systems in the Commonwealth for the purpose of*
11 *developing draft legislation addressing governance of such systems in the Commonwealth. The work group*
12 *shall consist of representatives from the Department of Transportation, the Department of State Police, and*
13 *the Department of Motor Vehicles; five members of the House of Delegates, selected by the Chair of the*
14 *House Committee on Transportation; three members of the Senate, selected by the Chair of the Senate*
15 *Committee on Transportation; and any other stakeholders deemed necessary by the Secretary of*
16 *Transportation. In identifying the issues presented by the operation of autonomous driving systems in the*
17 *Commonwealth, the work group shall examine and take into consideration developments in the regulation of*
18 *autonomous driving systems at the federal level and in other states, as well as recommendations by the*
19 *American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators and the American Association of State Highway and*
20 *Transportation Officials relating to such systems. The Department of Transportation, Department of State*
21 *Police, and Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide necessary staff support and resources to facilitate*
22 *the work group's activities. The work group shall complete its meetings no later than September 1, 2026,*
23 *and shall issue a report of its findings relating to the identified operational, technical, and legal issues to the*
24 *General Assembly no later than November 1, 2026. Such report shall include an executive summary and any*
25 *draft legislation recommended by the work group. Such report shall be submitted for publication as a House*
26 *or Senate document as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the*
27 *processing of legislative documents and reports and shall be posted on the General Assembly's website.*

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