

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact §§ 9.1-101, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective,*
 3 *18.2-268.3, 18.2-270.1, 18.2-271.1, 18.2-271.5, and 46.2-507, as it shall become effective, of the Code of*
 4 *Virginia; to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 7 of Title 18.2 an article numbered 2.1,*
 5 *consisting of sections numbered 18.2-273.1 through 18.2-273.9; and to repeal §§ 18.2-270.2, 18.2-271.2,*
 6 *and 18.2-271.4 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action*
 7 *Program (VASAP).*

8 [H 862]

9 Approved

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

11 **1. That §§ 9.1-101, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, 18.2-268.3, 18.2-270.1,**
 12 **18.2-271.1, 18.2-271.5, and 46.2-507, as it shall become effective, of the Code of Virginia are amended**
 13 **and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 7 of Title 18.2 an article**
 14 **numbered 2.1, consisting of sections numbered 18.2-273.1 through 18.2-273.9, as follows:**

15 **§ 9.1-101. (Effective until July 1, 2026) Definitions.**

16 As used in this chapter or in Chapter 23 (§ 19.2-387 et seq.) of Title 19.2, unless the context requires a
 17 different meaning:

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 19 apprehension, detention, pretrial release, post-trial release, prosecution, adjudication, correctional
 20 supervision, or rehabilitation of accused persons or criminal offenders or the collection, storage, and
 21 dissemination of criminal history record information.

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25 "Correctional status information" means records and data concerning each condition of a convicted
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 27 termination of custody through expiration of sentence, parole, pardon, or court decision.

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 30 informations, or other formal charges, and any disposition arising therefrom. The term shall not include
 31 juvenile record information which is controlled by Chapter 11 (§ 16.1-226 et seq.) of Title 16.1, criminal
 32 justice intelligence information, criminal justice investigative information, or correctional status information.

33 "Criminal justice agency" means (i) a court or any other governmental agency or subunit thereof which as
 34 its principal function performs the administration of criminal justice and any other agency or subunit thereof
 35 which performs criminal justice activities, but only to the extent that it does so; (ii) for the purposes of
 36 Chapter 23 (§ 19.2-387 et seq.) of Title 19.2, any private corporation or agency which, within the context of
 37 its criminal justice activities, employs special conservators of the peace appointed under Chapter 2 (§ 19.2-12
 38 et seq.) of Title 19.2, provided that (a) such private corporation or agency requires its officers or special
 39 conservators to meet compulsory training standards established by the Criminal Justice Services Board and
 40 submits reports of compliance with the training standards and (b) the private corporation or agency complies
 41 with the provisions of Article 3 (§ 9.1-126 et seq.), but only to the extent that the private corporation or
 42 agency so designated as a criminal justice agency performs criminal justice activities; and (iii) the Office of
 43 the Attorney General, for all criminal justice activities otherwise permitted under clause (i) and for the
 44 purpose of performing duties required by the Civil Commitment of Sexually Violent Predators Act
 45 (§ 37.2-900 et seq.).

46 "Criminal justice agency" includes any program certified by the Commission on VASAP pursuant to
 47 ~~§ 18.2-271.2~~ *Article 2.1 (§ 18.2-273.1 et seq.) of Chapter 7 of Title 18.2.*

48 "Criminal justice agency" includes the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

49 "Criminal justice agency" includes the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission.

50 "Criminal justice agency" includes the Virginia State Crime Commission.

51 "Criminal justice information system" means a system including the equipment, facilities, procedures,
 52 agreements, and organizations thereof, for the collection, processing, preservation, or dissemination of
 53 criminal history record information. The operations of the system may be performed manually or by using
 54 electronic computers or other automated data processing equipment.

55 "Department" means the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

56 "Dissemination" means any transfer of information, whether orally, in writing, or by electronic means.

57 The term shall not include access to the information by officers or employees of a criminal justice agency
58 maintaining the information who have both a need and right to know the information.

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66 Resources; (v) investigator who is a sworn member of the security division of the Virginia Lottery; (vi)
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68 § 10.1-115; (vii) full-time sworn member of the enforcement division of the Department of Motor Vehicles
69 appointed pursuant to § 46.2-217; (viii) animal protection police officer employed under § 15.2-632 or
70 15.2-836.1; (ix) campus police officer appointed under Article 3 (§ 23.1-809 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title
71 23.1; (x) member of the investigations unit designated by the State Inspector General pursuant to § 2.2-311 to
72 investigate allegations of criminal behavior affecting the operations of a state or nonstate agency; (xi)
73 employee with internal investigations authority designated by the Department of Corrections pursuant to
74 subdivision 11 of § 53.1-10 or by the Department of Juvenile Justice pursuant to subdivision A 7 of § 66-3;
75 (xii) private police officer employed by a private police department; or (xiii) person designated as a sworn
76 unit investigator by the Attorney General pursuant to subsection A of § 32.1-320.1. Part-time employees are
77 those compensated officers who are not full-time employees as defined by the employing police department,
78 sheriff's office, or private police department.

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80 agents under the provisions of § 56-353, that employs private police officers operated by an entity authorized
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83 department or represent that it is a private police department unless such entity has been authorized by statute
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86 department shall be limited to real property owned, leased, or controlled by the entity and, if approved by the
87 local chief of police or sheriff, any contiguous property; such authority shall not supersede the authority,
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89 in §§ 15.2-1609 and 15.2-1704. The chief of police or sheriff who is the chief local law-enforcement officer
90 shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with the private police department that addresses the duties
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96 applicable to private police departments. An authorized private police department may use the word "police"
97 to describe its sworn officers and may join a regional criminal justice academy created pursuant to Article 5
98 (§ 15.2-1747 et seq.) of Chapter 17 of Title 15.2. Any private police department in existence on January 1,
99 2013, that was not otherwise established by statute or an act of assembly and whose status as a private police
100 department was recognized by the Department at that time is hereby validated and may continue to operate as
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109 chapter. A private police officer is not entitled to benefits under the Virginia Retirement System, is not a
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234 "Sealing" means to prohibit public access to records relating to an arrest, charge, or conviction, including
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236 any court; (iii) any police department, sheriff's office, or campus police department; or (iv) the Department of
237 Motor Vehicles unless dissemination is authorized for one or more of the purposes set forth in § 19.2-392.13
238 and pursuant to the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to § 9.1-128 and the procedures adopted pursuant
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243 accepted means of positive identification or (ii) due to an inconsistency, error, or omission within the content
244 of the submitted information.

245 **§ 18.2-268.3. Refusal of tests; penalties; procedures.**

246 A. It is unlawful for a person who is arrested for a violation of § 18.2-266 or 18.2-266.1 or subsection B
247 of § 18.2-272 or of a similar ordinance to unreasonably refuse to have samples of his breath taken for
248 chemical tests to determine the alcohol content of his blood as required by § 18.2-268.2, and any person who
249 so unreasonably refuses is guilty of a violation of this subsection, which is punishable as follows:

250 1. A first violation is a civil offense. For a first offense, the court shall suspend the defendant's privilege to
251 drive for a period of one year. This suspension period is in addition to the suspension period provided under
252 § 46.2-391.2.

253 2. If a person is found to have violated this subsection and within 10 years prior to the date of the refusal
254 he was found guilty of any of the following: a violation of this section, a violation of § 18.2-266, or a
255 violation of any offense listed in subsection E of § 18.2-270 arising out of separate occurrences or incidents,
256 he is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. A conviction under this subdivision shall of itself operate to deprive
257 the person of the privilege to drive for a period of three years from the date of the judgment of conviction.
258 This revocation period is in addition to the suspension period provided under § 46.2-391.2.

259 B. It is unlawful for a person who is arrested for a violation of § 18.2-266 or 18.2-266.1 or subsection B of
260 § 18.2-272 or of a similar ordinance to unreasonably refuse to have samples of his blood taken for chemical
261 tests to determine the alcohol or drug content of his blood as required by § 18.2-268.2 and any person who so
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263 follows:

264 1. For a first offense, the court shall suspend the defendant's privilege to drive for a period of one year.
265 This suspension period is in addition to the suspension period provided under § 46.2-391.2.

266 2. If a person is found to have violated this subsection and within 10 years prior to the date of the refusal
267 he was found guilty of any of the following: a violation of this section, a violation of § 18.2-266, or a
268 violation of any offense listed in subsection E of § 18.2-270 arising out of separate occurrences or incidents,
269 such violation shall of itself operate to deprive the person of the privilege to drive for a period of three years
270 from the date of the judgment. This revocation period is in addition to the suspension period provided under
271 § 46.2-391.2.

272 C. When a person is arrested for a violation of § 18.2-51.4, 18.2-266, or 18.2-266.1 or subsection B of
273 § 18.2-272 or of a similar ordinance and such person refuses to permit blood or breath or both blood and
274 breath samples to be taken for testing as required by § 18.2-268.2, the arresting officer shall advise the
275 person, from a form provided by the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court (i) that a person
276 who operates a motor vehicle upon a highway in the Commonwealth is deemed thereby, as a condition of
277 such operation, to have consented to have samples of his blood and breath taken for chemical tests to
278 determine the alcohol or drug content of his blood, (ii) that a finding of unreasonable refusal to consent may
279 be admitted as evidence at a criminal trial, (iii) that the unreasonable refusal to do so constitutes grounds for
280 the revocation of the privilege of operating a motor vehicle upon the highways of the Commonwealth, (iv) of
281 the civil penalties for unreasonable refusal to have blood or breath or both blood and breath samples taken,
282 and (v) of the criminal penalty for unreasonable refusal to have breath samples taken within 10 years of a
283 prior conviction for driving while intoxicated or unreasonable refusal, which is a Class 1 misdemeanor. The
284 form from which the arresting officer shall advise the person arrested shall contain a brief statement of the
285 law requiring the taking of blood or breath samples, a statement that a finding of unreasonable refusal to
286 consent may be admitted as evidence at a criminal trial, and the penalties for refusal. The Office of the
287 Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court shall make the form available on the ~~Internet~~ *internet* and the form
288 shall be considered an official publication of the Commonwealth for the purposes of § 8.01-388.

289 D. The arresting officer shall, under oath before the magistrate, execute the form and certify (i) that the
290 defendant has refused to permit blood or breath or both blood and breath samples to be taken for testing; (ii)
291 that the officer has read the portion of the form described in subsection C to the arrested person; (iii) that the
292 arrested person, after having had the portion of the form described in subsection C read to him, has refused to
293 permit such sample or samples to be taken; and (iv) how many, if any, violations of this section, § 18.2-266,
294 or any offense described in subsection E of § 18.2-270 the arrested person has been convicted of within the
295 last 10 years. Such sworn certification shall constitute probable cause for the magistrate to issue a warrant or
296 summons charging the person with unreasonable refusal. The magistrate shall attach the executed and sworn
297 advisement form to the warrant or summons. The warrant or summons for a first offense under subsection A
298 or any offense under subsection B shall be executed in the same manner as a criminal warrant or summons. If
299 the person arrested has been taken to a medical facility for treatment or evaluation of his medical condition,
300 the arresting officer may read the advisement form to the person at the medical facility, and issue, on the
301 premises of the medical facility, a summons for a violation of this section in lieu of securing a warrant or
302 summons from the magistrate. The magistrate or arresting officer, as the case may be, shall forward the
303 executed advisement form and warrant or summons to the appropriate court.

304 E. A defendant who is found guilty of a first offense and whose license is suspended pursuant to

305 subdivision A 1 or B 1 may petition the court 30 days after the date of conviction for a restricted license and
 306 the court may, for good cause shown, provide that the defendant is issued a restricted license during the
 307 remaining period of suspension, or any portion thereof, for any of the purposes set forth in subsection E of
 308 § 18.2-271.1. No restricted license issued pursuant to this subsection shall permit any person to operate a
 309 commercial motor vehicle as defined in the Virginia Commercial Driver's License Act (§ 46.2-341.1 et seq.).
 310 If the court grants such petition and issues the defendant a restricted license, the court shall order (i) that
 311 reinstatement of the defendant's license to drive be conditioned upon (a) the installation of an ignition
 312 interlock system on each motor vehicle, as defined in § 46.2-100, owned by or registered to the person, in
 313 whole or in part, for a period of time not to exceed the period of license suspension and restriction, not less
 314 than six consecutive months without alcohol-related violations of the interlock requirements and (b) the
 315 requirement that such person not operate any motor vehicle that is not equipped with such a system for the
 316 period of time that the interlock restriction is in effect and (ii) that, as a condition of probation or otherwise,
 317 the defendant enter into and successfully complete an alcohol safety action program in the judicial district in
 318 which such charge is brought or in any other judicial district upon such terms and conditions as the court may
 319 set forth. However, upon motion of a person convicted of any such offense following an assessment of the
 320 person conducted by an alcohol safety action program, the court, for good cause, may decline to order
 321 participation in such a program if the assessment conducted by the alcohol safety action program indicates
 322 that intervention is not appropriate for such person. In no event shall such persons be permitted to enter any
 323 such program that is not certified as meeting minimum standards and criteria established by the Commission
 324 on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP) pursuant to this section and to ~~§ 18.2-271.2~~ *Article*
 325 *2.1* (§ 18.2-273.1 et seq.). The court shall require the person entering such program under the provisions of
 326 this section to pay a fee of no less than \$250 but no more than \$300. A reasonable portion of such fee, as may
 327 be determined by the Commission on VASAP, but not to exceed 10 percent, shall be forwarded monthly to
 328 be deposited with the State Treasurer for expenditure by the Commission on VASAP, and the balance shall
 329 be held in a separate fund for local administration of driver alcohol rehabilitation programs. Upon a positive
 330 finding that the defendant is indigent, the court may reduce or waive the fee. In addition to the costs of the
 331 proceeding, fees as may reasonably be required of defendants referred for intervention under any such
 332 program may be charged.

333 If the court grants a restricted license to any person pursuant to this section, the court shall order such
 334 person to surrender his driver's license to be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of § 46.2-398 and
 335 shall forward to the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles a copy of its order entered pursuant
 336 to this subsection. This order shall specifically enumerate the restrictions imposed and contain such
 337 information regarding the person to whom such a permit is issued as is reasonably necessary to identify such
 338 person. The court shall also provide a copy of its order to such person who may operate a motor vehicle on
 339 the order until receipt from the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles of a restricted license,
 340 but only if the order provides for a restricted license for that period. A copy of the order and, after receipt
 341 thereof, the restricted license shall be carried at all times by such person while operating a motor vehicle. The
 342 period of time during which the person is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with
 343 an ignition interlock system shall be calculated from the date the person is issued a restricted license by the
 344 court; however, such period of time shall be tolled upon the expiration of the restricted license issued by the
 345 court until such time as the person is issued a restricted license by the Department of Motor Vehicles. Any
 346 person who operates a motor vehicle in violation of any restrictions imposed pursuant to this section shall be
 347 guilty of a violation of § 18.2-272. The provisions of subsection F of § 18.2-271.1 shall apply to this
 348 subsection mutatis mutandis, except as herein provided.

349 F. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section or of § 18.2-271.1, nothing in this section shall
 350 permit the court to suspend, reduce, limit, or otherwise modify any disqualification from operating a
 351 commercial motor vehicle imposed under the provisions of the Virginia Commercial Driver's License Act
 352 (§ 46.2-341.1 et seq.).

353 **§ 18.2-270.1. Ignition interlock systems; penalty.**

354 A. For purposes of this section ~~and § 18.2-270.2:~~

355 "Commission" means the Commission on VASAP.

356 "Department" means the Department of Motor Vehicles.

357 "Ignition interlock system" means a device that (i) connects a motor vehicle ignition system to an analyzer
 358 that measures a driver's blood alcohol content; (ii) prevents a motor vehicle ignition from starting if a driver's
 359 blood alcohol content exceeds 0.02 percent; and (iii) is equipped with the ability to perform a rolling retest
 360 and to electronically log the blood alcohol content during ignition, attempted ignition, and rolling retest.

361 "Remote alcohol monitoring device" means an unsupervised mobile testing device with the ability to
 362 confirm the location and presence of alcohol in a person and that is capable of scheduled, random, and on-
 363 demand tests that provide immediate, or as-requested, results. A testing device may be worn or used by
 364 persons ordered by the court to provide measurements of the presence of alcohol in their blood.

365 "Rolling retest" means a test of the vehicle operator's blood alcohol content required at random intervals
 366 during operation of the vehicle, which triggers the sounding of the horn and flashing of lights if (i) the test

367 indicates that the operator has a blood alcohol content which exceeds 0.02 percent or (ii) the operator fails to
368 take the test.

369 B. In addition to any penalty provided by law for a conviction under § 18.2-51.4 or clauses (i), (ii), or (iv)
370 of § 18.2-266 or a substantially similar ordinance of any county, city, or town, any court of proper
371 jurisdiction shall, as a condition of a restricted license, prohibit an offender from operating a motor vehicle
372 that is not equipped with a functioning, certified ignition interlock system for any period of time not to
373 exceed the period of license suspension and restriction, not less than 12 consecutive months without
374 alcohol-related violations of the interlock requirements. In addition to any penalty provided by law for a
375 conviction under clauses (iii) or (v) of § 18.2-266 or a substantially similar ordinance of any county, city, or
376 town, any court of proper jurisdiction may, for a first offense, as a condition of a restricted license, prohibit
377 an offender from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a functioning, certified ignition interlock
378 system for any period of time not to exceed the period of license suspension and restriction, not less than 12
379 consecutive months without alcohol-related violations of the interlock requirements. The court shall, as a
380 condition of a restricted license for a conviction under § 18.2-51.4, a second or subsequent offense of
381 § 18.2-266 or a substantially similar ordinance of any county, city, or town, or as a condition of license
382 restoration pursuant to subsection C of § 18.2-271.1 or § 46.2-391, require that such a system be installed on
383 each motor vehicle, as defined in § 46.2-100, owned by or registered to the offender, in whole or in part, for
384 any period of time not less than 12 consecutive months without alcohol-related violations of the interlock
385 requirements. Such condition shall be in addition to any purposes for which a restricted license may be issued
386 pursuant to § 18.2-271.1. Whenever an ignition interlock system is required, the court may order the
387 installation of an ignition interlock system to commence immediately upon conviction. A fee of \$20 to cover
388 court and administrative costs related to the ignition interlock system shall be paid by any such offender to
389 the clerk of the court. The court shall require the offender to install an electronic log device with the ignition
390 interlock system on a vehicle designated by the court to measure the blood alcohol content at each attempted
391 ignition and random rolling retest during operation of the vehicle. The offender shall be enrolled in and
392 supervised by an alcohol safety action program pursuant to § 18.2-271.1 and Article 2.1 (§ 18.2-273.1 et seq.)
393 and to conditions established by regulation under ~~§ 18.2-270.2~~ such article by the Commission during the
394 period for which the court has ordered installation of the ignition interlock system. The offender shall be
395 further required to provide to such program, at least quarterly during the period of court ordered ignition
396 interlock installation, a printout from such electronic log indicating the offender's blood alcohol content
397 during such ignitions, attempted ignitions, and rolling retests, and showing attempts to circumvent or tamper
398 with the equipment. The period of time during which the offender (i) is prohibited from operating a motor
399 vehicle that is not equipped with an ignition interlock system or (ii) is required to have an ignition interlock
400 system installed on each motor vehicle owned by or registered to the offender, in whole or in part, shall be
401 calculated from the date the offender is issued a restricted license by the court; however, such period of time
402 shall be tolled upon the expiration of the restricted license issued by the court until such time as the person is
403 issued a restricted license by the Department.

404 C. However, if (i) a conviction was under § 18.2-266 or a substantially similar ordinance of any county,
405 city, or town; (ii) the conviction was for a first offense; and (iii) the offender was an adult at the time of the
406 offense, the only restriction of a restricted license that the court shall impose is to prohibit the offender from
407 operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a functioning, certified ignition interlock system for not
408 less than 12 consecutive months without alcohol-related violations of the interlock requirements. Upon
409 motion of an offender, a court may require a minimum of six consecutive months without alcohol-related
410 violations of the interlock requirements if additional restrictions are ordered for the duration of the restricted
411 license.

412 D. In any case in which the court requires the installation of an ignition interlock system, the court shall
413 order the offender not to operate any motor vehicle that is not equipped with such a system for the period of
414 time that the interlock restriction is in effect. The clerk of the court shall file with the Department of Motor
415 Vehicles a copy of the order, which shall become a part of the offender's operator's license record maintained
416 by the Department. The Department shall issue to the offender for the period during which the interlock
417 restriction is imposed a restricted license which shall appropriately set forth the restrictions required by the
418 court under this subsection and any other restrictions imposed upon the offender's driving privilege, and shall
419 also set forth any exception granted by the court under subsection I.

420 E. The court may, upon motion of an offender who is ineligible to receive a restricted license in
421 accordance with subsection C, order that the offender (i) use a remote alcohol monitoring device for a period
422 of time coextensive with the period of time of the prohibition imposed under subsection B and (ii) refrain
423 from alcohol consumption during such period of time. Additionally, upon such motion and pursuant to
424 § 18.2-271.1, the court may issue a restricted license to operate a motor vehicle for any purpose to a person
425 who is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a functioning, certified ignition
426 interlock system when such person is ordered to use a remote alcohol monitoring device pursuant to this
427 subsection and has a functioning, certified ignition interlock system installed on each motor vehicle, as
428 defined in § 46.2-100, owned by or registered to the offender, in whole or in part.

429 A fee of \$20 to cover court and administrative costs related to the remote alcohol monitoring device shall
430 be paid by any such offender to the clerk of the court. The offender shall be enrolled in and supervised by an
431 alcohol safety action program pursuant to § 18.2-271.1 and Article 2.1 (§ 18.2-273.1 et seq.) and shall
432 comply with all conditions established by regulation under ~~§ 18.2-270.2~~ such article by the Commission
433 during the period for which the court has ordered the use of a remote alcohol monitoring device. The offender
434 shall be further required to provide to such program, at least quarterly during the period of time the offender
435 is ordered to use a remote alcohol monitoring device, a copy of the data from such device indicating the
436 offender's blood alcohol content and showing attempts to circumvent or tamper with the device. The period of
437 time during which the offender is required to use a remote alcohol monitoring device shall be calculated from
438 the date the offender is issued a restricted license by the court; however, such period of time shall be tolled
439 upon the expiration of the restricted license issued by the court until such time as the person is issued a
440 restricted license by the Department.

441 F. The offender shall be ordered to provide the appropriate ASAP program, within 30 days of the effective
442 date of the order of court, proof of the installation of the ignition interlock system, and, if applicable, proof
443 that the offender is using a remote alcohol monitoring device. The Program shall require the offender to have
444 the system and device monitored and calibrated for proper operation at least every 30 days by an entity
445 approved by the Commission under the provisions of ~~§ 18.2-270.2~~ 18.2-273.9 and to demonstrate proof
446 thereof. The offender shall pay the cost of leasing or buying and monitoring and maintaining the ignition
447 interlock system and the remote alcohol monitoring device. Absent good cause shown, the court may revoke
448 the offender's driving privilege for failing to (i) timely install such system or use such device or (ii) have the
449 system or device properly monitored and calibrated.

450 G. No person shall start or attempt to start a motor vehicle equipped with an ignition interlock system for
451 the purpose of providing an operable motor vehicle to a person who is prohibited under this section from
452 operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with an ignition interlock system. No person shall tamper with,
453 or in any way attempt to circumvent the operation of, an ignition interlock system that has been installed in
454 the motor vehicle of a person under this section. Except as authorized in subsection I, no person shall
455 knowingly furnish a motor vehicle not equipped with a functioning ignition interlock system to any person
456 prohibited under subsection B from operating any motor vehicle that is not equipped with such system. A
457 violation of this subsection is punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor. The venue for the prosecution of a
458 violation of this subsection shall be where the offense occurred or the jurisdiction in which the order entered
459 pursuant to subsection B was entered.

460 H. No person shall tamper with, or in any way attempt to circumvent the operation of, a remote alcohol
461 monitoring device that an offender is ordered to use under this section. A violation of this subsection is
462 punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor.

463 Any person who violates this subsection shall have his restricted license issued pursuant to subsection E,
464 as it shall become effective on July 1, 2021, revoked. The court may, in its discretion and for good cause
465 shown, provide that such person be issued a restricted permit to operate a motor vehicle in accordance with
466 the terms of a restricted license issued pursuant to subsection E of § 18.2-271.1.

467 I. Any person prohibited from operating a motor vehicle under subsection B may, solely in the course of
468 his employment, operate a motor vehicle that is owned or provided by his employer without installation of an
469 ignition interlock system, if the court expressly permits such operation as a condition of a restricted license at
470 the request of the employer; such person shall not be permitted to operate any other vehicle without a
471 functioning ignition interlock system and, in no event, shall such person be permitted to operate a school bus,
472 school vehicle, or a commercial motor vehicle as defined in § 46.2-341.4. This subsection shall not apply if
473 such employer is an entity wholly or partially owned or controlled by the person otherwise prohibited from
474 operating a vehicle without an ignition interlock system.

475 J. The Commission shall promulgate such regulations and forms as are necessary to implement the
476 procedures outlined in this section.

477 **§ 18.2-271.1. Probation, education, and rehabilitation of person charged or convicted; person**
478 **convicted under law of another state or federal law.**

479 A. Any person convicted of a first or second offense of § 18.2-266, or any ordinance of a county, city, or
480 town similar to the provisions thereof, or provisions of subsection A of § 46.2-341.24, shall be required by
481 court order, as a condition of probation or otherwise, to enter into and successfully complete an alcohol safety
482 action program in the judicial district in which such charge is brought or in any other judicial district upon
483 such terms and conditions as the court may set forth. However, upon motion of a person convicted of any
484 such offense following an assessment of the person conducted by an alcohol safety action program, the court,
485 for good cause, may decline to order participation in such a program if the assessment by the alcohol safety
486 action program indicates that intervention is not appropriate for such person. In no event shall such persons
487 be permitted to enter any such program which is not certified as meeting minimum standards and criteria
488 established by the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP) pursuant to this
489 section and to ~~§ 18.2-271.2~~ Article 2.1 (§ 18.2-273.1 et seq.). However, any person charged with a violation
490 of a first or second offense of § 18.2-266, or any ordinance of a county, city, or town similar to the provisions

491 thereof, or provisions of subsection A of § 46.2-341.24, may, at any time prior to trial, enter into an alcohol
 492 safety action program in the judicial district in which such charge is brought or in any other judicial district.
 493 Any person who enters into such program prior to trial may pre-qualify with the program to have an ignition
 494 interlock system installed on any motor vehicle owned or operated by him and may have such ignition
 495 interlock system installed. Any installation period of time accrued by such person prior to trial for the
 496 pending charge shall count toward any (i) ignition interlock or restricted license period of time ordered by a
 497 court or (ii) restricted license, suspension, or revocation issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant
 498 to § 46.2-389.

499 B. The court shall require the person entering such program under the provisions of this section to pay a
 500 fee of no less than \$250 but no more than \$300. A reasonable portion of such fee, as may be determined by
 501 the Commission on VASAP, but not to exceed 10 percent, shall be forwarded monthly to be deposited with
 502 the State Treasurer for expenditure by the Commission on VASAP, and the balance shall be held in a separate
 503 fund for local administration of driver alcohol rehabilitation programs. Upon a positive finding that the
 504 defendant is indigent, the court may reduce or waive the fee. In addition to the costs of the proceeding, fees as
 505 may reasonably be required of defendants referred for intervention under any such program may be charged.

506 C. Upon conviction of a violation of § 18.2-266 or any ordinance of a county, city or town similar to the
 507 provisions thereof, or subsection A of § 46.2-341.24, the court shall impose the sentence authorized by
 508 § 18.2-270 or 46.2-341.28 and the license revocation as authorized by § 18.2-271. In addition, if the
 509 conviction was for a second offense committed within less than 10 years after a first such offense, the court
 510 shall order that restoration of the person's license to drive be conditioned upon the installation of an ignition
 511 interlock system on each motor vehicle, as defined in § 46.2-100, owned by or registered to the person, in
 512 whole or in part, for a period of 12 consecutive months without alcohol-related violations of the interlock
 513 requirements beginning at the end of the three-year license revocation, unless such a system has already been
 514 installed for 12 consecutive months without alcohol-related violations of the interlock requirements prior to
 515 that time pursuant to a restricted license order under subsection E. Upon a finding that a person so convicted
 516 is required to participate in the program described herein, the court shall enter the conviction on the warrant,
 517 and shall note that the person so convicted has been referred to such program. The court may then proceed to
 518 issue an order in accordance with subsection E, if the court finds that the person so convicted is eligible for a
 519 restricted license. If the court finds good cause for a person not to participate in such program or subsequently
 520 that such person has violated, without good cause, any of the conditions set forth by the court in entering the
 521 program, the court shall dispose of the case as if no program had been entered, in which event the revocation
 522 provisions of § 46.2-389 and subsection A of § 46.2-391 shall be applicable to the conviction. The court
 523 shall, upon final disposition of the case, send a copy of its order to the Commissioner of the Department of
 524 Motor Vehicles. If such order provides for the issuance of a restricted license, the Commissioner of the
 525 Department of Motor Vehicles, upon receipt thereof, shall issue a restricted license. The period of time during
 526 which the person (i) is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with an ignition
 527 interlock system, (ii) is required to have an ignition interlock system installed on each motor vehicle owned
 528 by or registered to the person, in whole or in part, or (iii) is required to use a remote alcohol monitoring
 529 device shall be calculated from the date the person is issued a restricted license by the court; however, such
 530 period of time shall be tolled upon the expiration of the restricted license issued by the court until such time
 531 as the person is issued a restricted license by the Department of Motor Vehicles. Appeals from any such
 532 disposition shall be allowed as provided by law. The time within which an appeal may be taken shall be
 533 calculated from the date of the final disposition of the case or any motion for rehearing, whichever is later.

534 D. Any person who has been convicted under the law of another state or the United States of an offense
 535 substantially similar to the provisions of § 18.2-266 or subsection A of § 46.2-341.24, and whose privilege to
 536 operate a motor vehicle in this Commonwealth is subject to revocation under the provisions of § 46.2-389
 537 and subsection A of § 46.2-391, may petition the general district court of the county or city in which he
 538 resides that he be given probation and assigned to a program as provided in subsection A and that, upon entry
 539 into such program, he be issued an order in accordance with subsection E. If the court finds that such person
 540 would have qualified therefor if he had been convicted in this Commonwealth of a violation of § 18.2-266 or
 541 subsection A of § 46.2-341.24, the court may grant the petition and may issue an order in accordance with
 542 subsection E as to the period of license suspension or revocation imposed pursuant to § 46.2-389 or
 543 subsection A of § 46.2-391. The court (i) shall, as a condition of a restricted license, prohibit such person
 544 from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a functioning, certified ignition interlock system for
 545 a period of time not to exceed the period of license suspension and restriction, not less than 12 consecutive
 546 months without alcohol-related violations of interlock requirements, and (ii) may, upon request of such
 547 person and as a condition of a restricted license, require such person to use a remote alcohol monitoring
 548 device in accordance with the provisions of subsection E of § 18.2-270.1. Such order shall be conditioned
 549 upon the successful completion of a program by the petitioner. If the court subsequently finds that such
 550 person has violated any of the conditions set forth by the court, the court shall dispose of the case as if no
 551 program had been entered and shall notify the Commissioner, who shall revoke the person's license in
 552 accordance with the provisions of § 46.2-389 or subsection A of § 46.2-391. A copy of the order granting the

553 petition or subsequently revoking or suspending such person's license to operate a motor vehicle shall be
554 forthwith sent to the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles. The period of time during which
555 the person (a) is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with an ignition interlock
556 system or (b) is required to use a remote alcohol monitoring device shall be calculated from the date the
557 person is issued a restricted license by the court; however, such period of time shall be tolled upon the
558 expiration of the restricted license issued by the court until such time as the person is issued a restricted
559 license by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

560 No period of license suspension or revocation shall be imposed pursuant to this subsection which, when
561 considered together with any period of license suspension or revocation previously imposed for the same
562 offense under the law of another state or the United States, results in such person's license being suspended
563 for a period in excess of the maximum periods specified in this subsection.

564 E. Except as otherwise provided herein, if a person enters a certified program pursuant to this section, and
565 such person's license to operate a motor vehicle, engine, or train in the Commonwealth has been suspended or
566 revoked, or a person's license to operate a motor vehicle, engine, or train in the Commonwealth has been
567 suspended or revoked pursuant to former § 18.2-259.1 or 46.2-390.1, the court may, in its discretion and for
568 good cause shown, provide that such person be issued a restricted permit to operate a motor vehicle for any of
569 the following purposes: (i) travel to and from his place of employment; (ii) travel to and from an alcohol
570 rehabilitation or safety action program; (iii) travel during the hours of such person's employment if the
571 operation of a motor vehicle is a necessary incident of such employment; (iv) travel to and from school if
572 such person is a student, upon proper written verification to the court that such person is enrolled in a
573 continuing program of education; (v) travel for health care services, including medically necessary
574 transportation of an elderly parent or, as designated by the court, any person residing in the person's
575 household with a serious medical problem upon written verification of need by a licensed health professional;
576 (vi) travel necessary to transport a minor child under the care of such person to and from school, day care,
577 and facilities housing medical service providers; (vii) travel to and from court-ordered visitation with a child
578 of such person; (viii) travel to a screening, evaluation, and education program entered pursuant to § 18.2-251
579 or subsection H of § 18.2-258.1; (ix) travel to and from court appearances in which he is a subpoenaed
580 witness or a party and appointments with his probation officer and to and from any programs required by the
581 court or as a condition of probation; (x) travel to and from a place of religious worship one day per week at a
582 specified time and place; (xi) travel to and from appointments approved by the Division of Child Support
583 Enforcement of the Department of Social Services as a requirement of participation in an administrative or
584 court-ordered intensive case monitoring program for child support for which the participant maintains written
585 proof of the appointment, including written proof of the date and time of the appointment, on his person; (xii)
586 travel to and from jail to serve a sentence when such person has been convicted and sentenced to confinement
587 in jail and pursuant to § 53.1-131.1 the time to be served is on weekends or nonconsecutive days; (xiii) travel
588 to and from the facility that installed or monitors the ignition interlock in the person's vehicle; (xiv) travel to
589 and from a job interview for which he maintains on his person written proof from the prospective employer
590 of the date, time, and location of the job interview; or (xv) travel to and from the offices of the Virginia
591 Employment Commission for the purpose of seeking employment. However, (a) any such person who is
592 eligible to receive a restricted license as provided in subsection C of § 18.2-270.1 or (b) any such person
593 ordered to use a remote alcohol monitoring device pursuant to subsection E of § 18.2-270.1 who has a
594 functioning, certified ignition interlock system as required by law may be issued a restricted permit to operate
595 a motor vehicle for any lawful purpose. No restricted license issued pursuant to this subsection shall permit
596 any person to operate a commercial motor vehicle as defined in the Virginia Commercial Driver's License
597 Act (§ 46.2-341.1 et seq.). The court shall order the surrender of such person's license to operate a motor
598 vehicle to be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of § 46.2-398 and shall forward to the
599 Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles a copy of its order entered pursuant to this subsection,
600 which shall specifically enumerate the restrictions imposed and contain such information regarding the
601 person to whom such a permit is issued as is reasonably necessary to identify such person. The court shall
602 also provide a copy of its order to the person so convicted who may operate a motor vehicle on the order until
603 receipt from the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles of a restricted license, if the order
604 provides for a restricted license for that time period. A copy of such order and, after receipt thereof, the
605 restricted license shall be carried at all times while operating a motor vehicle. Any person who operates a
606 motor vehicle in violation of any restrictions imposed pursuant to this section is guilty of a violation of
607 § 18.2-272. Such restricted license shall be conditioned upon enrollment within 15 days in, and successful
608 completion of, a program as described in subsection A. No restricted license shall be issued during the first
609 four months of a revocation imposed pursuant to subsection B of § 18.2-271 or subsection A of § 46.2-391
610 for a second offense of the type described therein committed within 10 years of a first such offense. No
611 restricted license shall be issued during the first year of a revocation imposed pursuant to subsection B of
612 § 18.2-271 or subsection A of § 46.2-391 for a second offense of the type described therein committed within
613 five years of a first such offense. No restricted license shall be issued during any revocation period imposed
614 pursuant to subsection C of § 18.2-271 or subsection B of § 46.2-391. Notwithstanding the provisions of

615 § 46.2-411, the fee charged pursuant to § 46.2-411 for reinstatement of the driver's license of any person
 616 whose privilege or license has been suspended or revoked as a result of a violation of § 18.2-266, subsection
 617 A of § 46.2-341.24 or of any ordinance of a county, city, or town, or of any federal law or the laws of any
 618 other state similar to the provisions of § 18.2-266 or subsection A of § 46.2-341.24 shall be \$105. Forty
 619 dollars of such reinstatement fee shall be retained by the Department of Motor Vehicles as provided in
 620 § 46.2-411, \$40 shall be transferred to the Commission on VASAP, and \$25 shall be transferred to the
 621 Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative Trust Fund. Any person who is otherwise eligible to receive a
 622 restricted license issued in accordance with this subsection or as otherwise provided by law shall not be
 623 required to pay in full his fines and costs, as defined in § 19.2-354.1, before being issued such restricted
 624 license.

625 F. The court shall have jurisdiction over any person entering such program under any provision of this
 626 section, or under any provision of § 46.2-392, until such time as the case has been disposed of by either
 627 successful completion of the program, or revocation due to ineligibility or violation of a condition or
 628 conditions imposed by the court, whichever shall first occur. Revocation proceedings shall be commenced by
 629 notice to show cause why the court should not revoke the privilege afforded by this section. Such notice shall
 630 be made by first-class mail to the last known address of such person, and shall direct such person to appear
 631 before the court in response thereto on a date contained in such notice, which shall not be less than 10 days
 632 from the date of mailing of the notice. Failure to appear in response to such notice shall of itself be grounds
 633 for revocation of such privilege. Notice of revocation under this subsection shall be sent forthwith to the
 634 Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

635 G. For the purposes of this section, any court that has convicted a person of a violation of § 18.2-266,
 636 subsection A of § 46.2-341.24, any ordinance of a county, city, or town similar to the provisions of
 637 § 18.2-266, or any reckless driving violation under Article 7 (§ 46.2-852 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 46.2
 638 and such person was initially charged with a violation of § 18.2-266, subsection A of § 46.2-341.24, or any
 639 ordinance of a county, city, or town similar to the provisions of § 18.2-266 shall have continuing jurisdiction
 640 over such person during any period of license revocation related to that conviction, for the limited purposes
 641 of (i) referring such person to a certified alcohol safety action program, (ii) providing for a restricted permit
 642 for such person in accordance with the provisions of subsection E, and (iii) imposing terms, conditions and
 643 limitations for actions taken pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii), whether or not it took either such action at the
 644 time of the conviction. This continuing jurisdiction is subject to the limitations of subsection E that provide
 645 that no restricted license shall be issued during a revocation imposed pursuant to subsection C of § 18.2-271
 646 or subsection B of § 46.2-391 or during the first four months or first year, whichever is applicable, of the
 647 revocation imposed pursuant to subsection B of § 18.2-271 or subsection A of § 46.2-391. The provisions of
 648 this subsection shall apply to a person convicted of a violation of § 18.2-266, subsection A of § 46.2-341.24,
 649 any ordinance of a county, city, or town similar to the provisions of § 18.2-266, or any reckless driving
 650 violation under Article 7 (§ 46.2-852 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 46.2 and such person was initially charged
 651 with a violation of § 18.2-266, subsection A of § 46.2-341.24, or any ordinance of a county, city, or town
 652 similar to the provisions of § 18.2-266 on, after and at any time prior to July 1, 2003.

653 H. The State Treasurer, ~~the Commission on VASAP~~ or any city or county is authorized to accept any gifts
 654 or bequests of money or property, and any grant, loan, service, payment, or property from any source,
 655 including the federal government, for the purpose of driver alcohol education. Any such gifts, bequests,
 656 grants, loans, or payments shall be deposited in the separate fund provided in subsection B.

657 I. ~~The Commission on VASAP, or any county, city, or town, or any combination thereof, may establish~~
 658 ~~and, if established, shall operate, in accordance with the standards and criteria required by this subsection,~~
 659 ~~alcohol safety action programs in connection with highway safety. Each such program shall operate under the~~
 660 ~~direction of a local independent policy board. Such local independent policy board shall be chosen in~~
 661 ~~accordance with procedures approved and promulgated by the Commission on VASAP. Such procedures~~
 662 ~~shall provide that the board shall endeavor to select one criminal defense attorney who has specialized~~
 663 ~~knowledge in representing persons charged with driving while intoxicated offenses and one local attorney for~~
 664 ~~the Commonwealth to sit on such local independent policy board. Local sitting or retired district court judges~~
 665 ~~who regularly hear or heard cases involving driving under the influence and are familiar with their local~~
 666 ~~alcohol safety action programs may serve on such boards. The Commission on VASAP shall establish~~
 667 ~~minimum standards and criteria for the implementation and operation of such programs and shall establish~~
 668 ~~procedures to certify all such programs to ensure that they meet the minimum standards and criteria stipulated~~
 669 ~~by the Commission. The Commission shall also establish criteria for the administration of such programs for~~
 670 ~~public information activities, for accounting procedures, for the auditing requirements of such programs and~~
 671 ~~for the allocation of funds. Funds paid to the Commonwealth hereunder shall be utilized in the discretion of~~
 672 ~~the Commission on VASAP to offset the costs of state programs and local programs run in conjunction with~~
 673 ~~any county, city or town and costs incurred by the Commission. The Commission shall submit an annual~~
 674 ~~report as to actions taken at the close of each calendar year to the Governor and the General Assembly.~~

675 J. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section or of § 18.2-271, nothing in this section shall
 676 permit the court to suspend, reduce, limit, or otherwise modify any disqualification from operating a

677 commercial motor vehicle imposed under the provisions of the Virginia Commercial Driver's License Act
678 (§ 46.2-341.1 et seq.).

679 **§ 18.2-271.5. Restricted permits to operate a motor vehicle; ignition interlock systems.**

680 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in any criminal case for any violation of Article 7 (
681 § 46.2-852 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 46.2 where a defendant's license to operate a motor vehicle, engine,
682 or train in the Commonwealth is subject to revocation or suspension and the court orders a defendant, as a
683 condition of probation or otherwise, to enter into and successfully complete an alcohol safety action program
684 in the judicial district in which such charge is brought or in any other judicial district upon such terms and
685 conditions as the court may set forth, the court may, in its discretion and for good cause shown, issue the
686 defendant a restricted license to operate a motor vehicle in accordance with the provisions of subsection E of
687 § 18.2-271.1 where the only restriction of such restricted license that the court shall impose is to prohibit the
688 defendant from operating a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a functioning, certified ignition interlock
689 system for a period of not less than six consecutive months without alcohol-related violations of the interlock
690 requirements.

691 In no event shall a defendant be permitted to enter any such alcohol safety action program that is not
692 certified as meeting minimum standards and criteria established by the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol
693 Safety Action Program (VASAP) pursuant to ~~§ 18.2-271.2~~ Article 2.1 (§ 18.2-273.1 et seq.).

694 No restricted license issued pursuant to this section shall permit any person to operate a commercial motor
695 vehicle as defined in the Virginia Commercial Driver's License Act (§ 46.2-341.1 et seq.).

696 The provisions of subsections E and F of § 18.2-271.1 shall apply to this section mutatis mutandis, except
697 as herein provided.

698 *Article 2.1.*

699 *Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP).*

700 **§ 18.2-273.1. Definitions.**

701 *As used in this article, unless the context requires a different meaning:*

702 *"Commission" means the Commission on VASAP.*

703 *"Department" means the Department of Motor Vehicles.*

704 *"Executive finance committee" means the advisory subcommittee of the Commission, composed of the*
705 *Executive Director and such members as the Commission may designate, that is authorized to take action on*
706 *behalf of the Commission for a period not to exceed 90 days in matters of program certification, suspension,*
707 *or related fiscal oversight.*

708 *"Fiscal agent locality" means the county, city, or town designated pursuant to § 18.2-273.6 to serve as the*
709 *financial and human resources administrator for a local alcohol safety action program.*

710 *"Ignition interlock system," "remote alcohol monitoring device," and "rolling retest" mean the same as*
711 *those terms are defined in § 18.2-270.1.*

712 *"Local alcohol safety action program" or "local ASAP" means a program established pursuant to*
713 *§ 18.2-273.4 that provides probation, education, and rehabilitation services for persons referred by a court,*
714 *the Department, or any other source approved by the Commission.*

715 *"Policy board" means the local independent ASAP board established pursuant to § 18.2-273.5 to provide*
716 *local governance, budget review, and initial approval and work in consultation with the fiscal agent of the*
717 *local ASAP regarding employee matters of a certified alcohol safety action program.*

718 *"Supplemental or emergency funding" means funds allocated by the Commission pursuant to subsection D*
719 *of § 18.2-273.4 to ensure the continued operation or reestablishment of a local alcohol safety action program*
720 *experiencing financial hardship or other circumstances that threaten service continuity.*

721 **§ 18.2-273.2. Commission on VASAP; purpose; membership; terms; meetings; staffing; compensation**
722 **and expenses; chair's executive summary.**

723 *A. There is hereby established in the legislative branch of state government the Commission on the*
724 *Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP), which shall be deemed an agency of the Commonwealth*
725 *for the purposes of administration, regulation, and receipt or disbursement of funds pursuant to the*
726 *provisions of this article. The Commission shall administer and supervise the system of local alcohol safety*
727 *action programs throughout the Commonwealth, develop and maintain operation and performance standards*
728 *for such programs, and administer the allocation of supplemental or emergency funding to such programs*
729 *pursuant to subsection D of § 18.2-273.4.*

730 *B. The Commission shall have a total membership of 15 members that shall include six legislative*
731 *members and nine nonlegislative citizen members. Members shall be appointed as follows: four current or*
732 *former members of the House Committee for Courts of Justice, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House*
733 *of Delegates; two members of the Senate Committee for Courts of Justice, to be appointed by the Senate*
734 *Committee on Rules; three sitting or retired judges, one each from the circuit, general district, and juvenile*
735 *and domestic relations district courts, who regularly hear or heard cases involving driving under the*
736 *influence and are familiar with their local alcohol safety action programs, to be appointed by the chair of the*
737 *Committee on District Courts; one director of a local alcohol safety action program to be appointed by the*
738 *Speaker of the House of Delegates upon consideration of the recommendations of the legislative members of*

739 the Commission; one director of a local alcohol safety action program to be appointed by the Senate
 740 Committee on Rules upon consideration of the recommendations of the legislative members of the
 741 Commission; one representative from the law-enforcement profession, to be appointed by the Speaker of the
 742 House; one nonlegislative citizen at large, to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules; one
 743 representative from the Department whose duties are substantially related to matters to be addressed by the
 744 Commission to be appointed by the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles; and one
 745 representative from the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services whose duties also
 746 substantially involve such matters, to be appointed by the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and
 747 Developmental Services. Legislative members shall serve terms coincident with their terms of office. In
 748 accordance with the staggered terms previously established, nonlegislative citizen members shall serve two-
 749 year terms. All members may be reappointed. Appointments to fill vacancies, other than by expiration of a
 750 term, shall be made for the unexpired terms. Any appointment to fill a vacancy shall be made in the same
 751 manner as the original appointment.

752 C. The Commission shall meet at least four times each year at such places as it may designate. A majority
 753 of the members shall constitute a quorum. The Commission shall elect a chair and vice-chair from among its
 754 membership, who shall be members of the General Assembly.

755 D. The Commission shall establish and ensure the maintenance of minimum standards and criteria for
 756 program operations and performance, accounting, auditing, public information, and administrative
 757 procedures for the various local alcohol safety action programs, including certification, decertification,
 758 regionalization, reorganization, or mergers of such local programs and finances and personnel at such local
 759 programs, and shall be responsible for overseeing the administration of the statewide VASAP system. Such
 760 programs shall be certified by the Commission in accordance with procedures set forth in the VASAP
 761 Certification Manual pursuant to § 18.2-273.3. The Commission shall also oversee program plans,
 762 operations, and performance and create a system for allocating funds to cover deficits that may occur in the
 763 budgets of local programs. The Commission may enter into cooperative agreements or memoranda of
 764 understanding with courts, law-enforcement agencies, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Department of
 765 Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, or other public or private entities to improve coordination,
 766 data sharing, and service delivery within the statewide VASAP system. The Commission is authorized to
 767 accept any gifts or bequest of money or property and any grant, loan, service, payment, or property from any
 768 source, including the federal government, for the purpose of driver alcohol education, and any such gifts,
 769 bequests, grants, loans, or payments shall be deposited in the separate fund described in subsection B of
 770 § 18.2-271.1.

771 E. The Commission shall appoint and employ and, at its pleasure, remove an executive director and such
 772 other persons as it may deem necessary and shall determine their duties and fix their salaries or
 773 compensation.

774 F. The Commission shall appoint a Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program Advisory Board (the Board)
 775 to make recommendations to the Commission regarding its duties and administrative functions. The
 776 membership of the Board shall be appointed in the discretion of the Commission and include personnel from
 777 (i) local alcohol safety action programs; (ii) the State Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental
 778 Services, community services boards, or behavioral health authorities; and (iii) other community mental
 779 health services organizations. An assistant Attorney General who provides counsel in matters relating to
 780 driving under the influence shall also be appointed to the Board.

781 G. Legislative members of the Commission shall receive compensation as provided in § 30-19.12.
 782 Funding for the costs of compensation of legislative members shall be provided by the Commission. All
 783 members shall be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses as provided in §§ 2.2-2813 and
 784 2.2-2825 to be paid out of that portion of moneys paid in VASAP defendant entry fees that is forwarded to the
 785 Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program.

786 H. The chair of the Commission shall submit to the Governor and the General Assembly an annual
 787 executive summary of the interim activity and work of the Commission no later than December 1 of each
 788 year. The executive summary shall be submitted as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative
 789 Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents and reports and shall be posted on the
 790 General Assembly's website.

791 I. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 5 (§ 2.2-500 et seq.) of Title 2.2, the Attorney General shall
 792 provide representation in all cases, hearings, controversies, or matters involving the interests of the
 793 Commission. However, if, in the opinion of the Attorney General, it is impracticable or uneconomical for
 794 such legal services to be rendered by him or one of his assistants, the Commission may employ special
 795 counsel to represent it and provide such legal services. Any such special counsel shall be paid from funds
 796 appropriated to the Commission.

797 **§ 18.2-273.3. Additional powers and duties of the Commission.**

798 In addition to the powers and duties of the Commission pursuant to § 18.2-273.2, the Commission shall:

799 1. Approve the VASAP Certification Manual, which prescribes statewide standards, criteria, and
 800 procedures for certification, auditing, fiscal management, and overall performance of local ASAPs;

801 2. Prescribe a reasonable portion, not to exceed 10 percent, of the fee described in subsection B of
802 § 18.2-271.1 to be forwarded monthly for deposit with the State Treasurer for expenditure by the
803 Commission;

804 3. Prescribe a uniform schedule of offender fees for services provided pursuant to § 18.2-271.1;

805 4. Establish procedures for the collection, accounting, and use of fees for services provided pursuant to
806 § 18.2-271.1;

807 5. Prescribe minimum standards for local independent policy boards, including board composition,
808 meeting frequency, duties and procedures, and intervention by the Commission or reconstitution of a board
809 pursuant to subsection B of § 18.2-273.5. Such procedures shall provide that (i) the composition of the board
810 shall include at least (a) one attorney for the Commonwealth, (b) one criminal defense attorney who has
811 specialized knowledge in representing persons charged with driving while intoxicated offenses, (c) one
812 member of law-enforcement, and (d) one member of a local community services board and (ii) the board may
813 appoint a local sitting or retired judge of a general district court of the Commonwealth who regularly
814 oversees or oversaw cases involving driving while intoxicated offenses and who is familiar with the local
815 ASAP;

816 6. Establish minimum standards and procedures for the designation of a fiscal agent locality, required
817 pursuant to § 18.2-273.6, including requirements for written agreements, fiscal accountability,
818 recordkeeping, auditing, and reporting to the Commission;

819 7. Establish standards and procedures pursuant to § 18.2-273.4 for requiring (i) the issuance, renewal,
820 suspension, or revocation of certification; (ii) examination requirements; (iii) performance evaluation
821 standards; and (iv) an appeal process;

822 8. Suspend, revoke, or decline to renew the certification of a local ASAP. If such action is taken by the
823 Commission, it shall take any further action necessary to ensure continued availability of mandated alcohol
824 safety action services within the affected judicial district;

825 9. Develop and administer a certification process for local ASAP employees. Such process shall include
826 (i) successful completion of a background investigation, (ii) review of a driving history record, and (iii)
827 passing a written certification examination approved by the Commission with a minimum score of 80
828 percent; and

829 10. Establish certification requirements and performance metrics for the director of a local ASAP, which
830 shall include, at a minimum, competency and satisfactory performance in (i) management and supervision of
831 local ASAP staff; (ii) fiscal and budgetary management; (iii) compliance with Commission standards and
832 regulations; (iv) integrity and accountability in program operations; and (v) cooperation with courts, law
833 enforcement, and community partners.

834 **§ 18.2-273.4. Local alcohol safety action programs.**

835 A. The Commission, or any county, city, or town, or any combination thereof, may establish and, if
836 established, shall operate, in accordance with the standards and criteria required by this section, alcohol
837 safety action programs (ASAPs) in connection with highway safety. Each such program shall operate under
838 the direction of a local independent policy board established pursuant to § 18.2-273.5 and shall, at a
839 minimum, (i) employ a program director and such staff as necessary to carry out the duties of such local
840 ASAP and (ii) hold general liability, professional liability, and directors and officers insurance if such items
841 are not provided by the fiscal agent locality of such program. Each such program shall be accessible to the
842 public for all required services during days and hours established by the Commission, and the Commission
843 shall prescribe acceptable methods of accessibility, including remote and electronic service delivery.

844 B. The Commission shall establish minimum standards and criteria for the implementation and operation
845 of local ASAPs and shall establish procedures to certify all such programs to ensure that they meet the
846 minimum standards and criteria stipulated by the Commission. The Commission shall also establish criteria
847 for the administration of such programs for (i) public information activities, (ii) accounting procedures, (iii)
848 the auditing requirements of such programs, and (iv) the allocation of supplemental or emergency funding
849 pursuant to subsection D.

850 C. Each program director of the local ASAP shall be subject to an annual performance evaluation
851 conducted by the Executive Director of the Commission or his designee. A program director shall be required
852 to achieve and maintain, at minimum, a satisfactory performance rating as a condition of continued
853 certification. Failure to maintain such required certification or a satisfactory performance rating (i) may
854 result in suspension or revocation of certification and (ii) shall render such person ineligible to serve as a
855 program director or employee of any local ASAP.

856 D. Each county, city, or town that has established, or jointly participates in, a local ASAP shall provide
857 for the financial support of such program through annual appropriations in its local budget or through such
858 other funding mechanisms as may be agreed upon by the participating localities. Each local ASAP serving
859 multiple localities shall, as a condition of certification, have a written funding agreement among all
860 participating localities that equitably allocates costs of program operation. Such agreement shall be filed
861 with the Commission and reviewed for compliance with Commission standards. The Commission shall not be
862 responsible for routine operational or personnel funding of local ASAPs. The Commission may, subject to the

863 availability of funds, provide supplemental or emergency assistance to a local ASAP or its fiscal agent
864 locality if the Commission determines that (i) financial hardship threatens continued operation of the local
865 ASAP, (ii) the local ASAP has demonstrated compliance with all Commission standards, and (iii) the
866 participating localities have contributed funding in accordance with this subsection. In the event any locality
867 fails to provide financial support pursuant to this subsection, such locality may be subject to a fine as
868 prescribed by the Commission.

869 E. Each local ASAP shall (i) maintain financial records in accordance with generally accepted
870 accounting principles; (ii) be subject to local, state, and federal audits; and (iii) submit monthly financial
871 reports to the Commission by the fifteenth day of the following month and an annual income statement by
872 August 1 of each year. Any local ASAP that fails to timely file such information shall be subject to daily late
873 fees, prescribed by the Commission, and potential decertification.

874 F. Any local ASAP revenues that are derived from offender fees or other sources shall only be used for the
875 administration of such local ASAP and are subject to Commission oversight. The Commission may collect
876 unexpended revenue or reserve balances from any local ASAP to ensure statewide fiscal accountability and
877 maintain program standards.

878 G. Each local ASAP shall submit an annual operating budget and corresponding financial documents to
879 the Commission for approval by May 1 of each year in a format prescribed by the Commission. In the event a
880 local ASAP fails to submit, correct, or operate under an approved budget as required by the Commission, the
881 Commission may (i) withhold or recover any state-controlled or supplemental funds, (ii) suspend or revoke
882 certification of the local ASAP, (iii) suspend new offender referrals to the local ASAP, (iv) initiate temporary
883 administration or reorganization under § 18.2-273.7, or (v) take such other actions as necessary to ensure
884 compliance and fiscal accountability.

885 H. Each local ASAP shall operate under a program agreement approved by the Commission. Such
886 agreement shall (i) delineate the responsibilities of the Commission and the local ASAP; (ii) specify
887 conditions for receipt of any supplemental or emergency funding; (iii) identify performance measures related
888 to offender compliance, fiscal management, and program efficiency; and (iv) provide procedures for
889 monitoring, and remediation of, noncompliance. The Commission may withhold or recover funds or suspend
890 certification for failure of the local ASAP to comply with the terms of such agreement.

891 I. Two or more certified local ASAPs may, with the approval of the Commission, enter into joint service
892 agreements to provide education, monitoring, or administrative services and to share fiscal, personnel, or
893 technological resources. Any such agreement shall specify the (i) duration, purpose, and method of
894 administration; (ii) allocation of costs; and (iii) responsibilities of each participating program. Such
895 agreement shall be filed with the Commission for review and approval. However, participation in any such
896 agreement shall not relieve a local ASAP of its obligations under this article or regulations of the
897 Commission.

898 J. Funds paid to the Commonwealth hereunder shall be utilized in the discretion of the Commission to
899 offset the costs of state programs and local programs run in conjunction with any county, city, or town and
900 costs incurred by the Commission. The Commission shall include in the executive summary required pursuant
901 to subsection H of § 18.2-273.2 all actions taken pursuant to this section.

902 **§ 18.2-273.5. Powers and duties of the local independent policy board.**

903 A. The local independent policy board responsible for directing the operation of a local ASAP established
904 pursuant to § 18.2-273.4 shall have the following powers and duties:

905 1. Review and approve the annual program budget prior to the submission of such budget to the
906 Commission in consultation with the fiscal agent locality designated pursuant to § 18.2-273.6;

907 2. Participate in the hiring and firing of the program director and other personnel and consult with the
908 fiscal agent locality to ensure such hiring and firing is consistent with the personnel policies and procedures
909 of the locality; and

910 3. Meet as required by the regulations of the Commission and maintain minutes and records of such
911 meetings in accordance with the standards established by the Commission.

912 B. Failure of a policy board to meet as required by subdivision A 3 shall constitute grounds for
913 intervention by the Commission, including the reconstitution or replacement of the policy board, appointment
914 of interim members, or any other corrective action the Commission deems necessary to ensure compliance
915 and continuity of program operations.

916 **§ 18.2-273.6. Fiscal agent locality.**

917 A. Each local ASAP shall, as a condition of certification by the Commission, designate a county, city, or
918 town for which it serves to act as its fiscal agent locality. Such fiscal agent locality shall (i) be responsible for
919 the receipt, disbursement, and accounting of all local ASAP funds in accordance with such standards
920 established by the Commission; (ii) serve as the employer of record for all local ASAP personnel, including
921 the program director; and (iii) provide payroll, benefits administration, and human resources functions on
922 behalf of the local ASAP. For any local ASAP that serves multiple jurisdictions, such jurisdictions shall
923 designate, by written agreement approved by the governing body of each respective jurisdiction, a single
924 jurisdiction to serve as the fiscal agent locality. Such fiscal agent locality shall file such agreement with the

925 Commission.

926 B. Any payroll and benefits paid by the fiscal agent locality shall be derived from offender fees paid to the
927 local ASAP and remitted by such local ASAP to the fiscal agent locality prior to disbursement. Additionally,
928 the fiscal agent locality may, at the beginning of each fiscal year, collect up to 10 percent of the Commission-
929 approved annual budget for such local ASAP for the administration of such services.

930 C. The local independent policy board established pursuant to § 18.2-273.5 shall retain the authority to
931 hire and recommend termination of the local program director and other local program personnel, subject to
932 applicable personnel policies of the fiscal agent locality. Any employment action taken by such board shall be
933 subject to the personnel policies, grievance procedures, and due process protections of the fiscal agent
934 locality.

935 D. The Commission shall not certify, recertify, or continue certification of any local ASAP that fails to
936 maintain a valid fiscal agent locality pursuant to this section. In the event any local ASAP fails to maintain a
937 valid fiscal agent locality, such locality shall be subject to a fine as prescribed by the Commission not to
938 exceed \$5,000 and shall be responsible for any administration costs incurred by the Commission in directly
939 administering or contracting for the administration of an interim program to provide mandatory alcohol
940 safety action services pursuant to § 18.2-273.7.

941 **§ 18.2-273.7. Procedure when suspension, revocation, etc., of certification of local ASAP.**

942 A. Every local ASAP shall be certified at least every three years. Any local ASAP that is found not in
943 compliance shall submit an action plan within 10 days of notice from the Commission that such local ASAP is
944 not in compliance. The Commission may issue conditional certification, extend corrective periods, or revoke
945 certification for noncompliance. The Commission may regionalize, merge, reorganize, or decertify any local
946 ASAPs as necessary to maintain statewide standards and may establish regional leadership teams to assist
947 programs in achieving compliance. The executive finance committee of the Commission may, for a period not
948 to exceed 90 days, suspend the certification of a local ASAP when the committee determines that such action
949 is necessary due to (i) noncompliance with Commission standards or regulations; (ii) fiscal mismanagement;
950 or (iii) any other conduct that threatens the integrity, efficiency, or public confidence in the statewide ASAP
951 system. Upon suspension by the executive finance committee, the Executive Director of the Commission may
952 take such administrative action necessary to protect program integrity, including prohibiting the suspended
953 local ASAP from receiving new referrals and restricting the suspended local ASAP from accessing any
954 information systems provided by or through the Commission. In the event the Commission suspends, revokes,
955 or declines to renew the certification of a local ASAP, the Commission shall take such actions as necessary to
956 ensure the continued availability of mandatory alcohol safety action services within the affected judicial
957 district. A local ASAP that has had its certification suspended shall continue to provide services for referrals
958 received prior to the effective date of the suspension unless otherwise directed by the Commission.

959 B. The Commission may, for a period not to exceed 12 months, directly administer or contract for the
960 administration of an interim program to provide mandatory alcohol safety action services. During such
961 interim period, the Commission shall have all powers and duties of a certified local program pursuant to
962 § 18.2-273.4. In lieu of direct administration, the Commission may authorize one or more neighboring
963 certified local ASAPs to provide services to offenders residing or convicted within the affected jurisdiction
964 under such terms and conditions as the Commission deems appropriate to maintain service continuity and
965 judicial compliance.

966 C. The Commission may enter into temporary contracts with qualified public or private entities that meet
967 minimum standards established by the Commission to provide assessment, monitoring, education, and related
968 services during the interim period.

969 D. Upon the decertification of a local ASAP, all unexpended revenues, reserve balances, accounts
970 receivable, and other funds or assets held by, or for the benefit of, the decertified program shall immediately
971 revert to the Commission. Such funds and assets shall be deposited with the State Treasurer for use solely in
972 the administration of interim services and the reestablishment, certification, or reformation of a new local
973 ASAP to serve the affected area.

974 E. The Commission shall, during the interim period, facilitate the reestablishment or certification of a
975 new local ASAP for the affected area.

976 F. Upon certification of the new program, or at the expiration of 12 months, whichever occurs first, the
977 temporary administration authority under this section shall cease unless extended by the Commission for
978 good cause. Such extension shall not exceed six months.

979 G. The Commission shall report all actions it takes pursuant to this section, including reasons for
980 decertification of a local ASAP, disposition of funds or assets received, and the status of interim service
981 delivery, in its annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly as required pursuant to
982 § 18.2-273.4.

983 **§ 18.2-273.8. Requirements of employees of local ASAPs.**

984 A. No person shall perform duties for, or be employed by, a local ASAP unless such person has obtained
985 and maintains a certification issued by the Commission.

986 B. Every case manager, and any other employee who is designated by the director of any VASAP-certified

987 local alcohol safety action program operated pursuant to this article to provide probation and related
 988 services, shall take an oath of office as prescribed in § 49-1, by a person authorized to administer oaths
 989 pursuant to § 49-3, before entering the duties of his office.

990 **§ 18.2-273.9. Ignition interlock system and remote alcohol monitoring device; certification by**
 991 **Commission on VASAP; regulations; sale or lease; monitoring use; reports; penalty.**

992 A. The Executive Director of the Commission or his designee shall, pursuant to approval by the
 993 Commission, certify ignition interlock systems for use in the Commonwealth and adopt regulations and forms
 994 for the installation, maintenance, and certification of such ignition interlock systems.

995 The regulations shall include requirements that ignition interlock systems:

996 1. Do not impede the safe operation of the vehicle;

997 2. Minimize opportunities to be bypassed, circumvented, or tampered with, and provide evidence thereof;

998 3. Correlate accurately with established measures of blood alcohol content and are calibrated according
 999 to the manufacturer's specifications;

1000 4. Work accurately and reliably in an unsupervised environment;

1001 5. Have the capability to provide an accurate written measure of blood alcohol content for each ignition,
 1002 attempted ignition, and rolling retest, and record each attempt to circumvent or tamper with the equipment;

1003 6. Minimize inconvenience to other users;

1004 7. Be manufactured or distributed by an entity responsible for installation, user training, service, and
 1005 maintenance, and meet the safety and operational requirements promulgated by the National Highway
 1006 Transportation Safety Administration;

1007 8. Operate reliably over the range of motor vehicle environments or motor vehicle manufacturing
 1008 standards;

1009 9. Be manufactured by an entity that is adequately insured against liability, in an amount established by
 1010 the Commission, including product liability and installation and maintenance errors;

1011 10. Provide for an electronic log of the driver's experience with the system with an information
 1012 management system capable of electronically delivering information to the agency supervising the interlock
 1013 user within 24 hours of the collection of such information from the datalogger; and

1014 11. Provide for a rolling retest of the operator's blood alcohol content.

1015 B. The Executive Director of the Commission or his designee shall, pursuant to approval by the
 1016 Commission, certify remote alcohol monitoring devices for use in the Commonwealth and adopt regulations
 1017 and forms for the installation, maintenance, and certification of such remote alcohol monitoring devices.

1018 C. Such regulations shall also provide for the establishment of a fund, using a percentage of fees received
 1019 by the manufacturer or distributor providing ignition interlock services or remote alcohol monitoring
 1020 devices, to afford persons found by the court to be indigent all or part of the costs of an ignition interlock
 1021 system or remote alcohol monitoring device.

1022 D. The Commission shall design and adopt a warning label to be affixed to an ignition interlock system or
 1023 remote alcohol monitoring device upon installation. The warning label shall state that a person tampering
 1024 with or attempting to circumvent the ignition interlock system or remote alcohol monitoring device is guilty
 1025 of a Class 1 misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be subject to a fine or incarceration or both.

1026 E. The Commission shall publish a list of certified ignition interlock systems and remote alcohol
 1027 monitoring devices and shall ensure that such systems and devices are available throughout the
 1028 Commonwealth. The local ASAP shall make the list available to eligible offenders, who shall have the
 1029 responsibility and authority to choose which certified ignition interlock company and certified remote alcohol
 1030 monitoring company will supply the offender's equipment. A manufacturer or distributor of an ignition
 1031 interlock system or a remote alcohol monitoring device that seeks to sell or lease the ignition interlock system
 1032 or remote alcohol monitoring device to persons subject to the provisions of § 18.2-270.1 shall pay the
 1033 reasonable costs of obtaining the required certification, as set forth by the Commission.

1034 F. A person may not sell or lease or offer to sell or lease an ignition interlock system or a remote alcohol
 1035 monitoring device to any person subject to the provisions of § 18.2-270.1 unless:

1036 1. The system or device has been certified by the Commission; and

1037 2. The warning label adopted by the Commission is affixed to the system.

1038 G. A manufacturer or distributor of an ignition interlock system or remote alcohol monitoring device shall
 1039 provide such services as may be required at no cost to the Commonwealth. Such services shall include a toll-
 1040 free, 24-hour telephone number for the users of ignition interlock systems or remote alcohol monitoring
 1041 devices.

1042 **§ 46.2-507. (Effective July 1, 2026) Establishment of Intelligent Speed Assistance Program; penalty.**

1043 A. As used in this section:

1044 "Commission" means the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP) as
 1045 established pursuant to § ~~18.2-271.2~~ 18.2-273.2.

1046 "Intelligent speed assistance system" means a system that limits the speed at which a motor vehicle is
 1047 capable of traveling based on the applicable speed limit where such motor vehicle is being operated.

1048 "Program" means the Intelligent Speed Assistance Program established pursuant to this section.

1049 B. The Executive Director of the Commission or his designee shall, pursuant to approval by the
1050 Commission, establish the Intelligent Speed Assistance Program for the administration of the provisions of
1051 this section and supervise the installation and compliance of intelligent speed assistance systems.

1052 C. Upon receipt of notice from a court that a person is required to enroll in the Program, the Department
1053 shall:

1054 1. Require such person's enrollment in the Program as a condition for obtaining and maintaining a
1055 restricted driver's license;

1056 2. Suspend such person's driver's license and issue such person a restricted driver's license that indicates
1057 his participation in the Program; and

1058 3. Not issue such person any other driver's license until such person successfully completes a period of
1059 enrollment as provided in subsection E.

1060 D. The Department shall provide notice to any person required to enroll in the Program of the
1061 requirements of this section. Such notice shall be deemed to have been delivered if it is (i) hand-delivered to
1062 such person or (ii) sent by mail to the address on such person's driver's license.

1063 E. A person's driver's license shall remain suspended pursuant to subdivision C 3, and a person's
1064 enrollment in the Program shall remain a condition for obtaining and maintaining a restricted driver's license
1065 pursuant to subdivision C 1, for the duration of time ordered by the court or, if such enrollment is pursuant to
1066 § 46.2-506, for a period of nine months and after satisfactory completion of a driver improvement clinic.

1067 F. A person enrolled in the Program pursuant to this section shall enter into and successfully complete the
1068 Program and (i) shall install a certified intelligent speed assistance system on each motor vehicle owned by or
1069 registered to such person and (ii) shall not operate any motor vehicle that is not equipped with a functioning,
1070 certified intelligent speed assistance system.

1071 G. A person enrolled in the Program shall pay all costs associated with enrollment and participation in the
1072 Program, unless such person is found by the court or the Commission to be indigent.

1073 H. The Executive Director of the Commission or his designee shall, pursuant to approval by the
1074 Commission, certify intelligent speed assistance systems for use in the Commonwealth and adopt regulations
1075 and forms for the installation, maintenance, and certification of such intelligent speed assistance systems.
1076 Such regulations shall include requirements that such intelligent speed assistance systems:

1077 1. Do not impede the safe operation of the motor vehicle;

1078 2. Minimize opportunities to be bypassed, circumvented, or tampered with, and provide evidence that
1079 such system has not been bypassed, circumvented, or tampered with;

1080 3. Work accurately and reliably in an unsupervised environment;

1081 4. Have the capability to provide an accurate measure of speed and record each attempt to bypass,
1082 circumvent, or tamper with such intelligent speed assistance systems;

1083 5. Minimize inconvenience to other users of the motor vehicle;

1084 6. Be manufactured or distributed by an entity that is responsible for the installation, user training, service,
1085 and maintenance of such intelligent speed assistance systems;

1086 7. Operate reliably over the range of motor vehicle environments or motor vehicle manufacturing
1087 standards;

1088 8. Be manufactured by an entity that is adequately insured against liability, in an amount established by
1089 the Commission, including product liability and liability against installation and maintenance errors; and

1090 9. Provide for an electronic log of the driver's experience with such intelligent speed assistance system
1091 with an information management system capable of electronically delivering information to the Commission
1092 within 24 hours of the collection of such information from the data logger.

1093 I. The regulations adopted pursuant to subsection H shall also provide for the establishment of a Fund,
1094 administered by the Commission, using a percentage of fees received by the manufacturer or distributor
1095 providing the intelligent speed assistance systems from a person enrolled in the Program, to assist any person
1096 found by the court or the Commission to be indigent with all or part of the costs of an intelligent speed
1097 assistance system.

1098 J. The Commission shall publish a list of certified intelligent speed assistance systems and shall ensure
1099 that such intelligent speed assistance systems are available throughout the Commonwealth. The Commission
1100 shall make the list available to eligible offenders, who shall have the responsibility and authority to choose
1101 which certified intelligent speed assistance system manufacturer or distributor will supply such offender's
1102 certified intelligent speed assistance system. A manufacturer or distributor of intelligent speed assistance
1103 systems that seeks to sell or lease the intelligent speed assistance systems to persons subject to the provisions
1104 of this section shall pay the reasonable costs of obtaining the required certification, as established by the
1105 Commission.

1106 K. A person may not sell or lease or offer to sell or lease an intelligent speed assistance system to any
1107 person unless:

1108 1. The intelligent speed assistance system has been certified by the Commission; and

1109 2. The warning label adopted by the Commission pursuant to subsection N is affixed to the intelligent

1110 speed assistance system.

1111 L. A manufacturer or distributor of an intelligent speed assistance system shall provide such support
1112 services as may be required at no cost to the Commonwealth. Such services shall include a toll free, 24-hour
1113 telephone number for the users of intelligent speed assistance systems.

1114 M. No person shall tamper with, or in any way attempt to circumvent, bypass, or tamper with the
1115 operation of, an intelligent speed assistance system that has been installed in a motor vehicle pursuant to this
1116 section. A violation of this subsection is punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor. The venue for the prosecution
1117 of a violation of this subsection shall be where the offense occurred.

1118 N. The Commission shall design and adopt a warning label to be affixed to an intelligent speed assistance
1119 system upon installation in a motor vehicle. The warning label shall state that a person tampering with or
1120 attempting to bypass or circumvent the intelligent speed assistance system is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor
1121 and, upon conviction, is subject to a fine or incarceration or both.

1122 O. Any person who enters into the Program prior to trial may pre-qualify with the Program to have an
1123 intelligent speed assistance system installed on any motor vehicle owned or operated by him and the court
1124 may consider such pre-qualification and installation.

1125 P. The Commission shall promulgate such regulations and forms as are necessary to implement the
1126 Program established by this section.

1127 **2. That §§ 18.2-270.2, 18.2-271.2, and 18.2-271.4 of the Code of Virginia are repealed.**

1128 **3. That the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP), as created by this**
1129 **act, shall promulgate regulations for the implementation of this act. Such regulations shall include**
1130 **procedures for the collection and reporting of data necessary for statewide performance monitoring**
1131 **while protecting the confidentiality of individual offender information in compliance with federal and**
1132 **state law.**

1133 **4. That this act shall not be construed to affect existing appointments to the Commission on the**
1134 **Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP) for the terms that have not expired. However, all**
1135 **new appointments to the Commission on VASAP established pursuant to § 18.2-273.2 of the Code of**
1136 **Virginia, as created by this act, made on or after July 1, 2026, shall be made in accordance with the**
1137 **provisions of this act.**

1138 **5. That the regulations of any department or agency related to the existing Virginia Alcohol Safety**
1139 **Action Program (VASAP) affected by this act that are in effect on the effective date of this act shall**
1140 **continue in effect to the extent that they are not in conflict with this act and shall be deemed to be**
1141 **regulations adopted under this act.**

1142 **6. That each local alcohol safety action program shall designate a fiscal agent locality, required**
1143 **pursuant to § 18.2-273.6 of the Code of Virginia, as created by this act, by January 1, 2028.**

1144 **7. That the provisions of subsection D of § 18.2-273.4 and § 18.2-273.6 of the Code of Virginia, as**
1145 **created by this act, shall become effective January 1, 2028.**

1146 **8. That the Commission on the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (the Commission) shall**
1147 **convene a work group to review the sustainability of the structure and funding model for the Virginia**
1148 **Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP), including (i) a review of funding models for similar**
1149 **programs in other states; (ii) factors affecting funding sustainability of the program, including fees and**
1150 **funding sources for the program; and (iii) factors affecting operational stability of the system of local**
1151 **alcohol safety action programs (ASAPs). Such review shall include an assessment of the minimum**
1152 **standards and criteria for the implementation and operation of local ASAPs, recommended funding**
1153 **levels for successful operations and programming, the appropriate structure for staffing and**
1154 **accountability at all levels of a local ASAP, and the roles and responsibilities of VASAP to ensure the**
1155 **success of local ASAPs. The work group shall include Commission staff and representatives of local**
1156 **ASAPs; staff of the House Committee on Appropriations and Senate Committee on Finance and**
1157 **Appropriations; representatives of the Virginia Association of Counties and the Virginia Municipal**
1158 **League; and any other relevant stakeholders. The work group shall submit a report of its findings and**
1159 **recommendations, if any, to the Commission and the Chairs of the House Committees on**
1160 **Appropriations and for Courts of Justice and the Senate Committees on Finance and Appropriations**
1161 **and for Courts of Justice by October 1, 2026.**