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Meetings Subcommittee of the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council

Monday, September 22, 2025 11:00 AM House South Subcommittee Room, Room 210 General Assembly Building

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PROPOSED AGENDA (Annotated)

- 1. Call to Order.
- **2. SB 876 (Ebbin).** As a reminder, at its last meeting the Subcommittee recommended an amended draft version of SB 876 to the FOIA Council for its consideration. The Council deferred consideration of the draft until its next meeting (scheduled to be held today at 1:00 PM).
- 3. Stakeholder meetings. Philip F. Abraham of the Vectre Corporation raised the issue of stakeholder group meetings at the state level where the groups did not include members of a state public body's governing board or any agency heads, but consisted solely of interested parties. He noted that different agencies treat these groups differently, with some treating them as public bodies that must adhere to FOIA's meetings rules and others saying these groups are not public bodies. He asked that the issue be studied with an eye toward addressing these meetings in the definitions section of FOIA. The Subcommittee considered this issue at its meeting on June 16, 2025 and decided it would like to hear from affected state agencies at a future meeting. Mr. Abraham has submitted draft language amending the definition of "public body" for the Subcommittee's consideration and provided a list of agency representatives who have been invited to speak at today's meeting.
- 4. Discussion.
- 5. Recommendations.
- 6. Other Business.

- 7. Schedule next meetings.
- 8. Adjournment.

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