



# LIBRARY OF VIRGINIA

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*Librarian of Virginia*

TO: The Honorable Robert F. McDonnell  
Governor of Virginia

The Honorable Walter A. Stosch  
Chair, Senate Finance Committee

The Honorable Lacey E. Putney  
Chair, House Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Frank M. Ruff, Jr.  
Chair, Senate General Laws and Technology Committee

The Honorable S.C. Jones  
Chair, House General Laws Committee

FROM: Sandra G. Treadway

DATE: November 14, 2012

RE: Annual Report on Compliance with the State  
Publications Depository Act

Per the instructions in §42.1-97 of the Code of Virginia, requiring the Librarian of Virginia to report annually to the Governor and the chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on General Laws and the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees of the General Assembly, indicating which, if any, state agencies did not furnish or otherwise make available copies of their publications or other information required under this chapter, I wish to advise you on compliance with the Act through 31 October 2012.

Please accept this report as fulfillment of this responsibility. If you have any questions about this report, please let me know.

cc: Ms. Laura Wilborn, Division of Legislative Automated Systems

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## **Annual Report on Compliance with the State Publications Depository Act**

The role of the State Publications Depository Program, described in §42.1-92 of the Code of Virginia includes the following:

“ . . . the General Assembly recognizes that an informed citizenry is indispensable to the proper functioning of a democratic society. In order to remain informed, citizens must know about the activities of their government and benefit from information developed at public expense. Through the administration of the State Publications Depository Program, citizens will be ensured continued access to state publications, regardless of geographical location in the Commonwealth.”

To that end, the Library of Virginia contacts, at least annually, every state agency, commission and board to inquire about their publications during that year, and to ensure that the Library of Virginia has received copies of their digital publications for preservation and access at the Library or paper copies for distribution to designated state publications depository libraries around the state. The Library also requests a list of publications currently available to the public for inclusion in *Virginia State Documents*, the annual compilation of all state government publications in print.

This year, the Library received the largest number of electronic publications since the inception of the digital repository. Over nine hundred publications were deposited in the Library of Virginia's digital repository, where they can be safely stored and accessed by the public via the internet. However, there were several agencies that did not respond to our repeated requests. The following agencies did not provide any information to us this year:

Dabney S. Lancaster Community College  
Blind and Vision Impaired, Dept. for the  
Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Dept. for the  
Fire Programs, Dept. of  
Medical Assistance Services, Dept. of  
Frontier Culture Museum of Virginia  
Germanna Community College  
Gunston Hall  
Southside Virginia Community College  
Southwest Virginia Community College  
Virginia Racing Commission

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a report of progress to date.