

## **COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA**

## **Department of Taxation**

October 23, 2024

To: The Honorable L. Louise Lucas

Chair, Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Luke E. Torian Chair, House Appropriations Committee

## Dear Chairmen:

Pursuant to the third enactment clause of 2017 House Bill 2074 (Chapter 762 of the *Acts of Assembly*), the Department of Taxation ("the Department") is required to report annually regarding the number of registrations and certifications of Virginia venture capital accounts.

Virginia allows an individual and corporate income tax subtraction for income attributable to an investment in a Virginia venture capital account made on or after January 1, 2018, but before December 31, 2023. In order to be certified as a Virginia venture capital account, an investment fund is required to first register with the Department by submitting an application indicating that it intends to invest at least 50 percent of the capital committed to its fund in qualified portfolio companies and currently employs at least one investor who has at least four years of professional experience in venture capital investment or substantially equivalent experience. An investment fund that has registered with the Department and has invested at least 50 percent of the capital committed to its fund in qualified portfolio companies may submit an application to the Department for certification as a Virginia venture capital account.

For Taxable Year 2023, fewer than four Virginia venture capital accounts were registered or certified. Please note that the ability to register or certify a new Virginia venture capital account expired on December 31, 2023. Therefore, this will be the final report published pursuant to the third enactment clause of 2017 House Bill 2074 (Chapter 762 of the *Acts of Assembly*).

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

James J. Alex

State Tax Commissioner Commonwealth of Virginia

C: The Honorable Stephen E. Cummings, Secretary of Finance Kristin Collins, Deputy Commissioner for Tax Policy