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RE: Annual report required by the Information Technology Access Act, Virginia Code § 2.2-3504

Members of the General Assembly:

Pursuant to § 2.2-3504 of the Code of Virginia, the Virginia Department of Planning and Budget (DPB) submits this report regarding information and communications technology (ICT) that may not conform to applicable digital accessibility requirements and is not otherwise excluded under applicable federal exceptions.

Accessibility of Public-Facing ICT

DPB continues to evaluate and improve accessibility as part of ongoing website enhancements, content updates, and routine maintenance. For example, in 2026 DPB added a language translation tool to its public website. An accessibility testing and monitoring tool provided by the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA), SiteImprove, indicates that DPB's website and the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall are very accessible, with site accessibility scores of 84 (DPB website) and 84.5 (Virginia Regulatory Town Hall). This accessibility testing also identifies areas for improvement, with identified issues prioritized and addressed as part of ongoing maintenance efforts where feasible.

Limitations of ICT Review

Due to limited staffing, as of the date of this report DPB has not identified which nonconforming items in the DPB website and Virginia Regulatory Town Hall are eligible for exceptions from the federal standards. DPB's accessibility testing has focused on the websites used by the general public; review is pending for DPB's other applications (Performance Budgeting System, EFIS/ELAS/EPAL) and accessibility testing of these applications will be completed after the applications are updated/modernized.

Modernization Efforts

DPB is in the process of modernizing its ICT. DPB's website and the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall were both built on ColdFusion and DPB is transitioning all of its applications to a new programming language with a conversion goal of November 30, 2027. WCAG 2.1 Level AA compliance will be addressed during this process. Since ColdFusion is being replaced, nonconforming items found in the legacy ColdFusion applications that cannot be remediated without additional costs beyond those associated with routine maintenance will not be remediated. If an accessibility concern is

reported by an impacted person, DPB will work with that person to provide the requested information in an accessible format.

Fiscal Impact

Currently, DPB does not anticipate a material fiscal impact specific to digital accessibility, as such costs are included in the ongoing maintenance and planned modernization of its websites and applications. DPB remains committed to improving digital accessibility and providing accessible digital services in accordance with applicable state and federal requirements.

Sincerely,

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Cc: The Honorable Mark D. Sickles
Secretary of Finance