

## **ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATION**

### *Operations and Performance of Virginia's Department of Elections, 2018*

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**Nonpartisan, professional agency leadership** ► The General Assembly may wish to consider amending § 2.2-2905 of the Code of Virginia to eliminate the appointed positions of chief deputy commissioner and confidential policy advisor for the Virginia Department of Elections. (Recommendation 20)

#### **POLICY OPTION**

*Staff typically propose policy options rather than make recommendations when (i) the action is a policy judgment best made by elected officials—especially the General Assembly, (ii) evidence suggests action could potentially be beneficial, or (iii) a report finding could be addressed in multiple ways.*

**Exclusive authority for voter registration** ► The General Assembly could amend the Code of Virginia to assign the Department of Elections exclusive authority to add and remove voters from the state's voter registration list. (Option 1)