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Initiatives

HB 793 - Speed limits; expands authority of any locality to reduce limit to less than 25 miles per hour.

Reduction of speed limits; local authority. Expands the current authority of any locality to reduce the speed limit to less than 25 miles per hour, but not less than 15 miles per hour, on highways within its boundaries that are located in a business district or residence district to include highways within the state highway system, provided that such reduced speed limit is indicated by lawfully placed signs. This bill was incorporated into HB 1071.

Bill Patron: Rozia A. Henson, Jr.24103385D (1/9/2024)House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: InitiateSee also HB 1071 (Carr).Date of ActionAction Notes1/9/2024House: Referred to Committee on Transportation1/18/2024House: Assigned Transportation sub: Transportation Infrastructure and Funding1/30/2024House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1071-Carr) by voice vote2/1/2024House: Incorporated by Transportation (HB1071-Carr) by voice vote

HB 998 - Conduct of elections; electoral board to meet and ascertain results.

Local electoral boards; certification and abstract of results; deadline. Extends the deadline for local electoral boards to meet after an election for the purpose of certifying the election results and submitting the abstract of results to the State Board of Elections from seven days after the date of the election to 10 days after such date.

Bill Patron: Bonita G. Anthony 24107071D-H1 (2/9/2024) House: Committee substitute printed County Position: Initiate See also HB 1238 (Sickles).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
2/9/2024	House: Incorporates HB1238 (Sickles)
	House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107071D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (88-Y 10-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
2/20/2024	Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections (12-Y 3-N)

HB 1071 - Speed limits; expands authority of any locality to reduce limit to less than 25 miles per hour.

Reduction of speed limits; local authority. Expands the current authority of any locality to reduce the speed limit to less than 25 miles per hour, but not less than 15 miles per hour, on highways within its boundaries that are located in a business district or residence district to include highways within the state highway system, provided that such reduced speed limit is indicated by lawfully placed signs. The bill authorizes a locality to restore a speed limit that has been reduced pursuant to this authority and requires the locality to notify the Commissioner of Highways of a change in speed limit. This bill incorporates HB 793.

Bill Patron: Betsy B. Carr
24102677D (1/10/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Initiate
See also HB 793 (Henson).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Transportation Infrastructure and Funding
1/30/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 2-N)
2/1/2024	House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (14-Y 8-N)
2/6/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106085D-H1
2/7/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (53-Y 46-N)
2/8/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
2/15/2024	Senate: Reported from Transportation (9-Y 6-N)
2/20/2024	Senate: Defeated by Senate (20-Y 20-N)
	Senate: Passed by for the day
	Senate: Read third time
	Senate: Reconsideration of defeated action agreed to by Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/21/2024	Senate: Passed Senate (23-Y 17-N)
	Senate: Read third time

HB 1238 - Local electoral boards; certification and abstract of results, extends deadline.

Local electoral boards; certification and abstract of results; deadline. Extends the deadline for local electoral boards to meet after an election for the purpose of certifying the election results and submitting the abstract of results to the State Board of Elections from seven days after the date of the election to 10 days after such date.

Bill Patron: Mark D.	Sickles	
24102598D (1/10/2	024)	
House: Prefiled and	ordered printed; offered 01/10/24	
County Position: Initiate		
Also see HB 998 (Anthony).		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections	
1/26/2024	House: Assigned P & E sub: Election Administration	
2/9/2024	House: Incorporated by Privileges and Elections (HB998-Anthony) by voice vote	

Oppose or Amend

HB 732 - Public elementary and secondary schools; policies and requirements relating to opioid antagonists.

Public elementary and secondary schools; policies and requirements relating to naloxone. Requires each local school board to develop, in accordance with the guidelines developed by the Department of Health in collaboration with the Department of Education, plans and policies for each public elementary and secondary school relating to opioid overdose prevention and reversal, including (i) the procurement, storage, and maintenance of at least two unexpired doses of naloxone at each such school; (ii) the possession and administration of naloxone by school board employees; and (iii) providing, pursuant to the provisions of the bill, immunity from any disciplinary action or civil or criminal liability to any employee of a public elementary or secondary school who, regardless of whether such employee was trained and certified in the administration of naloxone, in good faith administers naloxone for opioid overdose reversal to any individual who is believed to be experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose, except in the case of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Bill Patron: Briana D. Sewell

24105987D-H1 (1/24/2024)

House: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Amend

Amend to clarify that employees of local health departments are also covered by the liability provisions.

Staff Recommendation: Monitor. Bill was amended to also cover employees of local health departments.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Education
1/19/2024	House: Assigned Education sub: K-12 Subcommittee
1/23/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)
1/24/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Education with substitute (21-Y 0-N)
1/25/2024	House: Assigned App. sub: Elementary & Secondary Education
2/5/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N)
2/7/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations with amendment(s) (22-Y 0-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee on Appropriations amendment agreed to
	House: Committee on Education substitute agreed to 24105987D-H1
	House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute with amendment HB732EH1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/21/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Public Education

HB 878 - Affordable housing; purchase of development rights.

Purchase of development rights for affordable housing. Permits any local government to purchase development rights or accept the donation of development rights in an effort to preserve and provide affordable housing. The bill grants local governments the powers necessary to carry out the purchase of such development rights. The bill prohibits the conversion or diversion of such affordable housing once the development rights are purchased unless the local government determines that such diversion is essential to the development and growth of the locality and in accordance with the locality's comprehensive plan.

Bill Patron: David L. Bulova
24104341D (1/9/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Amend
Amend to clarify that the bill is optional local authority.

<u>Staff Recommendation: Monitor. Amendment resolves County's concerns about</u> <u>distinguishing current authority with new, permissive authority.</u>

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/23/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2
1/25/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)
1/26/2024	House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (19-Y 1-N)
2/1/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (85-Y 15-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
2/19/2024	Senate: Reported from Local Government with amendments (9-Y 6-N)

HB 940 - Elections administration; change to location of polling place, additional notice requirement.

Requires notice of a change in the location of a polling place to be posted at the location last used for such polling place on the day of the first primary election and first general election conducted in the new location. This notice is required to include information on how voters may find their polling place.

Bill Patron: Irene Shin 24100668D (1/9/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Amend

Amend to clarify that reasonable efforts must be made to post a notice in a change of location for a polling place.

Staff Recommendation: Monitor as amendment was adopted.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
1/26/2024	House: Assigned P & E sub: Election Administration
1/29/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N)
2/2/2024	House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with amendment(s) (15-Y 7-N)
2/7/2024	House: Committee amendment agreed to
2/8/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (66-Y 32-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
2/20/2024	Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections with amendment (14-Y 1-N)

HB 1052 - Local government; alternative and conventional onsite sewage systems.

Department of Health; local government; alternative and conventional onsite sewage systems. Requires localities to review the Department of Health's database prior to notifying the owners of an alternative or conventional onsite sewage system about their maintenance responsibility.

Bill Patron: Amanda E. Batten		
24106857D-H1 (2/6/2024)		
House: Committee substitute printed		
County Position: Amend		
Amend to exempt localities that maintain their own database.		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services	
1/19/2024	House: Assigned sub: Health	
2/1/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)	
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services with substitute (22-Y 0-N)	
2/9/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106857D-H1	
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)	
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government	

HB 1077 - Bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, etc.; exception to stopping requirement.

Exception to stopping requirement; bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, or motorized skateboard or scooter. Authorizes the operator of a bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, or motorized skateboard or scooter to yield instead of stop at an intersection controlled by a stop sign if (i) each intersecting highway has no more than three motor vehicle travel lanes; (ii) the operator is at least 15 years of age or accompanied by an adult; (iii) the operator slows to a reasonable speed based on existing conditions; and (iv) before proceeding into the intersection, the person stops for any pedestrian within the crosswalk and to any other vehicle approaching or entering such intersection from another direction.

Bill Patron: Betsy B. Carr24103016D (1/10/2024)House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Oppose

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Highway Safety and Policy
1/31/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (7-Y 1-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Transportation with amendment(s) (11-Y 10-N)
2/9/2024	House: Committee amendments agreed to
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (52-Y 47-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 1171 - Absentee voting; processing absentee ballots returned before election day, processing upon receipt.

Absentee voting; processing absentee ballots returned before election day; processing upon receipt. Requires the general registrars to complete the initial processing of absentee ballots that are returned before election day within three business days of receipt. Under current law, registrars are directed to mark the date of receipt in the voter's record and examine the ballot envelope to verify completion of the required voter affirmation when an absentee ballot is returned but are not subject to a deadline for doing so.

Bill Patron: H. Otto Wachsmann, Jr.

24101142D-E (1/31/2024)

House: Printed as engrossed

County Position: Amend

Amend to extend deadline to five days.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
1/19/2024	House: Assigned P & E sub: Election Administration
1/22/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N)
1/26/2024	House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with amendment(s) (22-Y 0-N)
1/31/2024	House: Committee amendment agreed to
2/1/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

HB 1266 - Bicycles and certain other vehicles; regulations when riding in traffic.

Traffic; bicycles and certain other vehicles. Clarifies the roadways on which bicycles, electric personal assistive mobility devices, electric power-assisted bicycles, motorized skateboards or scooters, or mopeds are exempt from the requirement to ride as close as safely practicable to the right curb from those with a "substandard width lane,"

defined as too narrow for same-lane passing, to those not wide enough to allow an overtaking motor vehicle to pass as required by law. The bill removes the requirement for persons riding bicycles, electric personal assistive mobility devices, electric power-assisted bicycles, or motorized skateboards or scooters on a highway two abreast to move into a single-file formation and limits the requirement that such persons not impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic to apply only on roadways with only one travel lane per direction and a posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour or more.

Bill Patron: Rodney T. Willett 24106977D-H1 (2/6/2024) House: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Oppose

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Highway Safety and Policy
1/31/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (11-Y 10-N)
2/9/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106977D-H1
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and defeated by House (49-Y 49-N)
	House: Reconsideration of defeated action agreed to by House
	House: VOTE: Defeated (49-Y 49-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 1395 - Historic preservation; filing of a historic designation application.

Historic preservation. Provides that the filing of a historic designation application shall stay a locality from issuing any permit to raze or demolish a proposed historic landmark, building, or structure until 30 days after the rendering of the final decision of the governing body of the locality. The bill also specifies that the affected property owner, the applicant, or any resident of the locality who provided public input on the locality's historic district plan may appeal to the circuit court for review of any final decision of the governing body pursuant to such application.

Bill Patron: Patrick A. Hope
24104538D (1/16/2024)
House: Presented and ordered printed
County Position: Oppose
Board has historically opposed.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/16/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/23/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #1
1/26/2024	House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (11-Y 8-N)
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)
2/1/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (52-Y 47-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government

SB 304 - Zoning; development and use of accessory dwelling units.

Requires a locality to include in its zoning ordinances for residential zoning districts accessory dwelling units, or ADUs, as defined in the bill, as a permitted accessory use. The bill requires a person to seek a permit for an ADU from the locality, requires the locality to issue such permit if the person meets certain requirements enumerated in the bill, and restricts the fee for such permit to \$250 or less. The bill prohibits the locality from requiring rear or side setbacks for the ADU greater than that of the primary dwelling or consanguinity or affinity between the occupants of the ADU and the primary dwelling. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Saddam Azlan Salim 24100831D (1/9/2024) Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Oppose

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
2/5/2024	Senate: Reported from Local Government with substitute (8-Y 6-N 1-A)
2/7/2024	Senate: Amendments by Senator Salim agreed to
	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107020D-S1
	Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendments SB304ES1
	Senate: Reading of amendment waived
2/8/2024	Senate: Passed by for the day
2/9/2024	Senate: Amendment by Senator Salim agreed to
	Senate: Passed Senate (22-Y 18-N)
	Senate: Reading of amendment waived
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
2/19/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2

SB 726 - Public schools; opioid antagonist procurement, possession, and administration.

Public schools; opioid antagonist procurement, possession, and administration; school board employee training and certification; opioid overdose prevention and reversal instruction; guidelines and requirements. Requires each local school board to develop, in accordance with the guidelines developed by the Department of Health in collaboration with the Department of Education, plans, policies, and procedures for (i) providing at each public secondary school that includes grades nine through 12 a program of instruction on opioid overdose prevention and reversal and for encouraging each student to complete such program of instruction prior to graduation; (ii) the procurement, placement, and maintenance in each public elementary and secondary school of a supply of opioid antagonists in an amount equivalent to at least two unexpired doses for the purposes of opioid overdose reversal; (iii) the possession and administration of an opioid antagonist by any employee of the school board who is authorized by a prescriber and trained in the administration of an opioid antagonist, including policies (a) requiring each public elementary and secondary school board who is authorized by a prescriber and trained in the administration of an opioid antagonist, (b) for partnering with a program administered or approved by the Department of Health to provide such training and certification, and (c) for maintaining records of each such trained and certified employee.

Bill Patron: Todd E. Pillion

24106276D-S1 (2/1/2024)

Senate: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Amend

Amend to clarify that employees of local health departments are also covered by the liability provisions.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/19/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/24/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Public Education
2/1/2024	Senate: Incorporates SB387 (Pekarsky)
	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
2/5/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106276D-S1
2/6/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Education

Support

HB 18 - Hate crimes and discrimination; ethnic animosity, penalties.

Hate crimes and discrimination; ethnic animosity; penalties. Provides that it is the policy of the Commonwealth to safeguard all individuals within the Commonwealth from unlawful discrimination in employment and in places of public accommodation because of such individual's ethnic origin and prohibits such discrimination. The bill also adds victims who are intentionally selected because of their ethnic origin to the categories of victims whose intentional selection for a hate crime involving assault, assault and battery, or trespass for the purpose of damaging another's property results in a higher criminal penalty for the offense. The bill also provides that no provider or user of an interactive computer service on the Internet shall be liable for any action voluntarily taken by it in good faith to restrict access to material that the provider or user considers to be intended to incite hatred on the basis of ethnic origin.

Bill Patron: Dan I. Helmer

24101031D (12/11/2023)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Board has historically supported. See also SB 7 (Reeves).

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/11/2023	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/31/2024	House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal
2/5/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)
2/7/2024	House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106860D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/21/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice (9-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

HB 22 - Auto sears; definition, prohibition on manufacture, importation, sale, etc., penalty.

Manufacture, importation, sale, etc., of auto sears; prohibition; penalty. Prohibits the manufacture, importation, sale or offer to sell, possession, transfer, or transportation of an auto sear, defined in the bill as a device made of any material designed for use in converting a firearm to shoot automatically more than one shot, without manual reloading, by a single function of the trigger. A violation is punishable as a Class 6 felony.

Bill Patron: Michael J. Jones

24101228D (12/13/2023)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/13/2023	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/13/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
1/18/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (10-Y 0-N)
1/19/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Public Safety with substitute (20-Y 0-N)
1/21/2024	House: Assigned App. sub: Transportation & Public Safety
1/24/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)
1/29/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations (21-Y 0-N)
2/1/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24105447D-H1
2/2/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (92-Y 0-N)
2/5/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/19/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (13-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

HB 36 - Abuse and neglect of children; causing or enabling child to gain possession of a firearm, penalty.

Abuse and neglect of children; causing or enabling child to gain possession of a firearm; penalty. Creates a Class 5 felony for any parent, guardian, or other person who is 18 years of age or older and is responsible for the care of a child under the age of 18 whose willful act or omission causes or enables that child to gain possession of a firearm (i) after having received notice of a preliminary determination, pursuant to relevant law, that such child poses a threat of violence or physical harm to self or others or (ii) when such parent, guardian, or other person responsible for the care of the child knows or reasonably should know that such child has been charged with, either by warrant or petition, convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent of a violent juvenile felony.

Bill Patron: Rodney T. Willett
24101071D (12/19/2023)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
See also SB 44 (VanValkenburg).

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/19/2023	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/31/2024	House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)
2/9/2024	House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107583D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (55-Y 43-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

HB 46 - Firearm; transfers to another person from a prohibited person.

Firearm transfers to another person from a prohibited person. Provides that a person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm because such person is subject to a protective order or has been convicted of an assault and battery of a family or household member may transfer a firearm owned by such prohibited person to any person who is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing such firearm, provided that such person who is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing such firearm is 21 years of age or older and does not reside with the person who is subject to the protective order. Under current law, there is no requirement that such transferee cannot be younger than 21 years of age and cannot reside with such prohibited person. The bill also provides that such prohibited person who transfers, sells, or surrenders a firearm pursuant to the provisions of the bill shall inform the clerk of the court of the name and address of the transferee, the federally licensed firearms dealer, or the law-enforcement agency in possession of the firearm and shall provide a copy of such form to the transferee. The bill also provides that a person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm because such person is subject to a protective order or has been convicted of an assault and battery of a family or household member shall be advised that a law-enforcement officer may obtain a search warrant to search for any firearms from such person if such law-enforcement officer has reason to believe that such person has not relinquished all firearms in his possession.

Bill Patron: Elizabeth B. Bennett-Parker
24104087D (12/21/2023)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
See also SB 47 (Favola).

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/21/2023	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/15/2024	House: Referred from Courts of Justice by voice vote
	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/16/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
1/18/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 4-N)
1/19/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (11-Y 9-N)
1/26/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (51-Y 44-N)
1/29/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/14/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice (6-Y 5-N)
2/19/2024	Senate: Passed Senate (20-Y 18-N)
	Senate: Read third time
2/21/2024	House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB46ER)
	House: Enrolled

HB 106 - Shared solar programs; amends existing program provisions to apply to Dominion Energy Virginia.

Shared solar programs; Dominion Energy Virginia; minimum bill; capacity. Amends existing shared solar program provisions applicable to Dominion Energy Virginia. The bill provides that a customer's net bill for participation in the shared solar program means the resulting amount a customer must pay the utility after the bill credit, defined in relevant law, is deducted from the customer's monthly gross utility bill. The bill divides the shared solar program into two parts, the first of which has an aggregate capacity of 200 megawatts. The bill provides that upon a determination that at least 90 percent of the megawatts of the aggregate capacity of part one of such program has been subscribed, as defined in the bill, and that project construction is substantially complete, the State Corporation shall approve up to an additional 150 megawatts of capacity as part two of such program, 75 megawatts of which shall serve no more than 51 percent low-income customers, as defined in relevant law. The bill directs the Commission to initiate a proceeding to recalculate the minimum bill within 30 days of the deamination of a final order in a proceeding establishing the value of a solar renewable energy certificate as required by relevant law. The bill specifies that the Commission shall update its shared solar program consistent with the requirements of the bill by March 1, 2025, and shall require each utility to file any associated tariffs, agreements, or forms necessary for implementing the program by December 1, 2025. Additionally, the bill requires the Department of Energy to convene a stakeholder work group to determine the amounts and forms of certain project incentives and to submit a written report to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Labor and Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor no later than November 30, 2024.

Bill Patron: Richard C. "Rip" Sullivan, Jr.

24101045D (1/1/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also SB 253 (Surovell).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/1/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce
1/16/2024	House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #3
2/6/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 4-N)
2/8/2024	House: Reported from Labor and Commerce with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107534D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (54-Y 44-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

HB 173 - Plastic firearms and unfinished frames, etc.; manufacture, import, etc. prohibited, penalties.

Manufacture, import, sale, transfer, or possession of plastic firearms and unfinished frames or receivers and unserialized firearms prohibited; penalties. Creates a Class 5 felony for any person who knowingly manufactures or assembles, imports, purchases, sells, transfers, or possesses any firearm that, after removal of all parts other than a major component, as defined in the bill, is not detectable as a firearm when subjected to inspection by the types of detection devices, including X-ray machines, commonly used at airports, government buildings, schools, correctional facilities, and other locations for security screening. The bill updates language regarding the types of detection devices that are used at such locations for detecting plastic firearms. Under current law, it is unlawful to manufacture, import, sell, transfer, or possess any plastic firearm and a violation is punishable as a Class 5 felony. The bill also creates a Class 1 misdemeanor, which is punishable as a Class 4 felony for a second or subsequent offense, making it unlawful for any person to knowingly import, purchase, sell, offer for sale, or transfer ownership of any completed or unfinished frame or receiver, unless the completed or unfinished frame or receiver (i) is deemed to be a firearm pursuant to federal law and (ii) is imprinted with a valid serial number. The bill creates a Class 1 misdemeanor, which is punishable as a Class 4 felony for a second or subsequent offense, making it unlawful for any person to knowingly possess a firearm that it not imprinted with a valid serial number, or to manufacture or assemble, cause to be manufactured or assembled, import, purchase, sell, offer for sale, or transfer ownership of any firearm that is not imprinted with a valid serial number. The portions of the bill prohibiting unfinished frames or receivers and unserialized firearms have a delayed effective date of January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Marcus B. Simon
24104103D (1/3/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/3/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/13/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
1/18/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 3-N)
1/19/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Public Safety with substitute (12-Y 9-N)
1/21/2024	House: Assigned App. sub: Transportation & Public Safety
1/24/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)
1/29/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations (12-Y 9-N)
2/1/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24105692D-H1
2/2/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (52-Y 48-N)
2/5/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/19/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (8-Y 5-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

HB 183 - Firearms; storage in residence where minor or person prohibited from possessing is present, penalty.

Storage of firearms in a residence where a minor or person prohibited from possessing a firearm is present; penalty. Requires any person who possesses a firearm in a residence where such person knows that a minor under 18 years of age or a person who is prohibited by law from possessing a firearm is present to store such firearm and the ammunition for such firearm in a locked container, compartment, or cabinet that is inaccessible to such minor or prohibited person. The bill provides that a violation is a Class 4 misdemeanor. The bill exempts (i) any person in lawful possession of a firearm who carries such firearm on or about his person and (ii) the storage of antique firearms and provides that the lawful authorization of a minor to access a firearm is not a violation of the bill's provisions. The bill also requires firearm dealers to post a notice stating such firearm storage requirements and the penalty for improperly storing such firearms.

Bill Patron: Marcus B. Simon 24104245D (1/3/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Board has historically supported. See also SB 368 (Boysko).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/3/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/13/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
1/25/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 4-N)
1/26/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/1/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (51-Y 49-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/19/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with amendments (8-Y 5-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

HB 264 - Legal notices and publications; online-only news publications, requirements.

Legal notices and publications; online-only news publications; requirements. Provides that, where any ordinance, resolution, notice, or advertisement is required by law to be published in a newspaper, such ordinance, resolution, notice, or advertisement instead may be published in an online-only news publication subject to certain requirements specified in the bill. The bill sets out a process by which an online-only news publication shall petition the circuit court of the appropriate jurisdiction to publish such ordinances, resolutions, notices, or advertisements and authorizes the court to grant such online-only news publication the authority to publish such ordinances, resolutions, notices, or advertisements for a period of one year. The bill also describes the process by which an online-only news publication may continue renewing such authority to publish each successive year. This bill is identical to SB 157.

Bill Patron: Patrick A. Hope
24104158D (1/5/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
See also SB 157 (Boysko).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/5/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/25/2024	House: Assigned Courts sub: Civil
1/29/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Communications, Technology and Innovation
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)
2/2/2024	House: Reported from Courts of Justice (20-Y 0-N)
2/8/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/19/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice (11-Y 0-N)
2/20/2024	Senate: Read third time
2/21/2024	Senate: Passed Senate (38-Y 2-N)
	Senate: Read third time

HB 318 - Firearm industry members; creates standards of responsible conduct, civil liability.

Firearm industry members; standards of responsible conduct; civil liability. Creates standards of responsible conduct for firearm industry members and requires such members to establish and implement reasonable controls regarding the manufacture, sale, distribution, use, and marketing of the firearm industry member's firearm-related products, as those terms are defined in the bill. Such reasonable controls include reasonable procedures, safeguards, and business practices that are designed to (i) prevent the sale or distribution of a firearm-related product to a straw purchaser, a firearm trafficker, a person prohibited from possessing a firearm under state or federal law, or a person who the firearm industry member has reasonable cause to believe is at substantial risk of using a firearm-related product to harm themselves or unlawfully harm another or of unlawfully possessing or using a firearm-related product; (ii) prevent the loss of a firearm-related product or theft of a firearm-related product from a firearm industry member; (iii) ensure that the firearm industry member complies with all provisions of state and federal law and does not otherwise promote the unlawful manufacture, sale, possession, marketing, or use of a firearm-related product; and (iv) ensure that the firearm industry member does not engage in an act or practice in violation of the Virginia Consumer Protection Act. The bill also provides that a firearm industry member may not knowingly or recklessly create, maintain, or contribute to a public nuisance, as defined in the bill, through the sale, manufacturing, importing, or marketing of a firearm-related product. The bill creates a civil cause of action for the Attorney General or a local county or city attorney to enforce the provisions of the bill or for any person who has been injured as a result of a firearm industry member's violation to seek an injunction and to recover costs and damages.

Bill Patron: Dan I. Helmer
24104492D (1/5/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
Board has historically supported. See also SB 491 (Carroll Foy).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/5/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/16/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
2/1/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee for Courts of Justice
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 3-N)
2/2/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/5/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)
2/9/2024	House: Reported from Courts of Justice (12-Y 10-N)
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (50-Y 48-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

HB 327 - Affordable and inclusive housing; DBHDS to develop plan to ensure people w/disabilities have access.

Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; inclusive housing plan; individuals with disabilities. Directs the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (the Commissioner) to work with stakeholders to develop a plan to ensure that people with disabilities across the Commonwealth, including individuals affected by the Settlement Agreement entered into on August 23, 2012 pursuant to U.S. of America v. Commonwealth of Virginia, have an opportunity to access affordable and inclusive housing, as defined in the bill. The bill requires the Commissioner to present the plan to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Health and Human Services and the Senate Committee on Education and Health by January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Michael B. Feggans 24106188D-H1 (1/30/2024) House: Committee substitute printed County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/5/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/17/2024	House: Assigned sub: Behavioral Health
1/25/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Rules
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 2-N)
1/30/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
	House: Reported from Health and Human Services with substitute (13-Y 9-N)
2/8/2024	House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (14-Y 6-N)
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 2-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107507D-H2
	House: Committee substitute rejected 24106188D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (63-Y 36-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

HB 362 - Firearms; purchase, etc., following an assault and battery against an intimate or dating partner.

Purchase, possession, or transportation of firearm following an assault and battery against a person in a dating relationship with the alleged offender, penalty. Provides that any person who knowingly and intentionally purchases, possesses, or transports any firearm following a misdemeanor conviction for an offense that occurred on or after July 1, 2024, for the offense of assault and battery against a person in a dating relationship, as defined in the bill, with the alleged offender or an offense substantially similar under the laws of any other state or of the United States is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. The bill provides that a court, after a finding of guilt has been made and prior to entering a final order of conviction, shall determine by a preponderance of the evidence whether the victim of the offense was a family or household member or an intimate or dating partner for the purposes of determining the firearms prohibition.

Bill Patron: Adele Y. McClure
24104469D (1/6/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
See also SB 642 (Perry).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/6/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/16/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
2/1/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 3-N)
2/2/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Public Safety with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/7/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations (13-Y 9-N)
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106143D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (53-Y 46-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

HB 405 - Electric vehicle charging facilities; infrastructure necessary to support installation.

Commission on Electric Utility Regulation; evaluation of infrastructure necessary for electric vehicle charging facilities. Directs the Commission on Electric Utility Regulation (the Commission) to evaluate the design and deployment of the electrical distribution infrastructure necessary to support the installation of electric vehicle charging facilities in new developments consisting of single-family and multifamily residential units. The bill requires the Commission to engage representatives from the residential and commercial development industries, private sector utility consultants, and other stakeholders.

Bill Patron: Adele Y. McClure
24104948D (1/8/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/16/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2
2/2/2024	House: Referred from Counties, Cities and Towns by voice vote
	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
2/8/2024	House: Incorporates HB567 (Askew)
	House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (13-Y 7-N)
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107557D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (58-Y 41-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government

HB 419 - Early childhood care and education system; need- and demand-based funding.

Early childhood care and education system; need-based and demand-based funding; educator incentive; nonreverting fund to capture unspent early childhood care and education funding balances. Requires the Department of Education to (i) annually project and report the state general funds needed for the upcoming two fiscal years, based on a cost of quality rate per child, in order to maintain the current number of slots, increase the number of slots using a growth rate differential based on enrollment and parent demand growth in prior biennia, and increase the number of slots to fully accommodate parent demand and eliminate waitlists at early childhood care and education sites; (ii) administer an early childhood educator incentive program to be known as RecognizeB5 whereby a monetary incentive is provided to teachers who work directly with children for at least 30 hours per week at early childhood care and education sites that participate in the uniform measurement and improvement system known as VQB5, with the exception of teachers who are employed by local school boards; and (iii) administer and make distributions, for the purpose of providing certain early childhood care and education services, from the Early Childhood Care and Education Fund established in the bill, to which all balances of state general funds intended for the provision of services to families at early childhood care and education sites that are unspent at the end of each fiscal year are required to be credited instead of reverting to the general fund.

Bill Patron: David L. Bulova
24104681D (1/8/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Education
1/19/2024	House: Assigned Education sub: Early Childhood
1/24/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 2-N)
1/29/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Education (17-Y 5-N)
1/30/2024	House: Assigned App. sub: Elementary & Secondary Education
2/5/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 0-N)
2/7/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107520D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (85-Y 13-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/21/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Public Education

HB 441 - Polling place; assistance for certain voters, clarifies definition of "person with a disability."

Assistance for certain voters outside of the polling place; definition of "person with a disability"; training. Amends the definition of "person with a disability" for purposes of the Elections title to mean any person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of his major life activities or who has a record of such impairment. The bill provides that any qualified voter who is a person with a disability shall be eligible for assistance outside of the polling place and makes technical amendments for consistency. The bill requires the training required for all officers of election to include specific training on voting outside of a polling place and directs the Department of Elections to incorporate into guidance documents for election officials the processes and procedures for voting outside of the polling place, including best practices for providing assistance for voters with disabilities.

Bill Patron: Elizabeth B. Bennett-Parker

24100437D (1/8/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
1/26/2024	House: Assigned P & E sub: Election Administration
1/29/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)
2/2/2024	House: Incorporates HB1222 (Higgins)
	House: Incorporates HB43 (Thomas)
	House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
2/7/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106596D-H1
2/8/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
2/20/2024	Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections (15-Y 0-N)

HB 519 - Unprofessional conduct; disciplinary action against doctor for providing abortion care, etc.

Board of Medicine; unprofessional conduct. Prohibits the Board of Medicine from taking disciplinary action against a doctor based on the alleged provision or receipt of abortion care that is not prohibited under the laws of the Commonwealth, regardless of where such abortion care was provided or received. The bill also specifies that grounds for refusal to issue a certificate or license to any applicant or to take disciplinary action for procuring or performing an abortion apply to such action only as it is prohibited by the laws of the Commonwealth. Under current law, such grounds for refusal or disciplinary action apply for procuring or performing a criminal abortion.

Bill Patron: Candi Mundon King

24103442D (1/8/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also SB 716 (Carroll Foy).

Date of Action Actio	n Notes
1/8/2024 Hous	e: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce
1/16/2024 Hous	e: Referred from Labor and Commerce by voice vote
Hous	e: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/31/2024 Hous	e: Assigned sub: Health
2/6/2024 Hous	e: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 2-N)
2/8/2024 Hous	e: Reported from Health and Human Services (13-Y 8-N)
2/13/2024 Hous	e: Read third time and passed House (54-Y 45-N)
2/14/2024 Senat	e: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/22/2024 Senat	e: Reported from Education and Health (9-Y 5-N)

HB 570 - Prescription Drug Affordability Board; established, drug cost affordability review, report.

Prescription Drug Affordability Board established; drug cost affordability review. Establishes the Prescription Drug Affordability Board for the purpose of protecting the citizens of the Commonwealth and other stakeholders within the health care system from the high costs of prescription drug products. The bill requires the Board to meet in open session at least four times annually, with certain exceptions and requirements enumerated in the bill. Members of the Board are required to disclose any conflicts of interest, as described in the bill. The bill also creates a stakeholder council for the purpose of assisting the Board in making decisions related to drug cost affordability. The bill tasks the Board with identifying prescription, generic, and other drugs, as defined in the bill, that are offered for sale in the Commonwealth and, at the Board's discretion, conducting an affordability review of any prescription drug product. The bill lists factors for the Board to consider that indicate an affordability challenge for the health care system in the Commonwealth or high out-of-pocket costs for patients. The bill also provides that any person aggrieved by a decision of the Board may request an appeal of the Board's decision and that the Attorney General shall have authority to enforce the provisions of the bill. The bill provides that the Board shall establish no more than 12 upper payment limit amounts annually between January 1, 2025, and January 1, 2028. The bill requires the Board to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly twice annually, beginning on July 1, 2025, and December 31, 2025. Provisions of the bill shall apply to state-sponsored and state-regulated health plans and health programs and obligate such policies to limit drug payment amounts and reimbursements to an upper payment limit amount set by the Board, if applicable, following an affordability review. The bill specifies that Medicare Part D plans shall not be bound by such decisions of the Board. The bill also requires the nonprofit organization contracted by the Department of Health to provide the Board access to certain data reported by manufacturers. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Karrie K. Delaney
24100122D (1/9/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
See all SB 274 (Deeds).

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Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/25/2024	House: Referred from Health and Human Services by voice vote
	House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce
1/30/2024	House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1
2/1/2024	House: Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources
	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Labor and Commerce with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/7/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 2-N)
2/9/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations (11-Y 9-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106760D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (52-Y 46-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/22/2024	Senate: Rereferred from Education and Health (12-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Commerce and Labor

HB 577 - Slot-retention requests; Developmental Disability waiver slots, sunset date.

Department of Medical Assistance Services; Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; slotretention requests; Developmental Disability waivers; sunset. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to amend their regulations to allow for support coordinators to request and subsequently obtain approval of consecutive waiver slot-retention requests for a period of up to 365 calendar days for individuals who have been assigned a Developmental Disability waiver slot. Current regulations allow for four consecutive 30-day slot-retention extensions. The bill sunsets on June 30, 2026.

Bill Patron: Chris S. Runion
24104893D (1/9/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
See also SB 610 (Suetterlein).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/17/2024	House: Assigned sub: Social Services
2/1/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services with amendment(s) (22-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	House: Committee amendment agreed to
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/22/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health (13-Y 0-N 1-A)

HB 609 - Contraception; establishes right to obtain.

Contraception; right to contraception; applicability; enforcement. Establishes a right to obtain contraceptives and engage in contraception, as defined in the bill. The bill creates a cause of action that may be instituted against anyone who infringes on such right.

Bill Patron: Marcia S. "Cia" Price 24102170D (1/9/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/31/2024	House: Assigned sub: Health
2/6/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 2-N)
2/8/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services (14-Y 8-N)
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (56-Y 43-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/19/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health

HB 698 - Cannabis control; retail market, penalties.

Cannabis control; retail market; penalties. Establishes a framework for the creation of a retail marijuana market in the Commonwealth, to be administered by the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority (the Authority). The bill allows the Authority to begin issuing all marijuana licenses on July 1, 2025; however, the bill (i) allows certain micro business to begin operations, other than retail sales, on July 1, 2024, or the date on which the Board of Directors of the Authority (the Board) provides notice to the Division of Legislative Services (the Division) that it is

prepared to provide oversight of such operations, whichever is later, and (ii) allows pharmaceutical processors, certain micro businesses, and five industrial hemp processors to fully operate, including engaging in retail sales, on January 1, 2025, or the date on which the Board provides notice to the Division that it is prepared to provide oversight of such operations and sales, whichever is later.

Bill Patron: Paul E. Krizek

24104440D (1/9/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support with Amendment

Support strong local government land use and taxation authority in any retail marijuana legalization legislation.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
2/1/2024	House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #5
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 0-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (11-Y 8-N)
2/9/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107122D-H1
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (52-Y 48-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services
2/23/2024	Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services with substitute (10-Y 5-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

HB 781 - Maternal Health Data and Quality Measures, Task Force on; State Health Commissioner to reestablish.

Task Force on Maternal Health Data and Quality Measures; report. Directs the State Health Commissioner to reestablish the Task Force on Maternal Health Data and Quality Measures for the purpose of evaluating maternal health data collection processes to guide policies in the Commonwealth to improve maternal care, quality, and outcomes for all birthing people in the Commonwealth. The bill directs the Task Force to report its findings and conclusions to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1 of each year regarding its activities. The bill directs the Task Force to conclude its work by December 1, 2025. This bill reestablishes the Task Force on Maternal Health Data and Quality Measures that concluded on December 1, 2023. The bill incorporates HB 169.

Bill Patron: Charniele L. Herring 24106067D-H1 (1/25/2024) House: Committee substitute printed **County Position: Support**

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/17/2024	House: Assigned sub: Health
1/23/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)
1/25/2024	House: Incorporates HB169 (Key-Gamarra)
	House: Incorporates HB169 (Keys-Gamarra)
	House: Reported from Health and Human Services with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
1/30/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106067D-H1
1/31/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (76-Y 23-N)
2/1/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/19/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health

HB 816 - FOIA; meetings held through electronic communication during declared states of emergency.

Virginia Freedom of Information Act; effective date of procedures for conducting meetings held through electronic communication means during declared states of emergency. Provides that the provisions for conducting a meeting by electronic means due to a state of emergency stated in the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) are declarative of existing law since March 20, 2020, with respect to the Governor's declared state of emergency due to COVID-19. Under the bill, any meeting by a public body using electronic communication means occurring from that date until July 1, 2021, and any otherwise lawful action taken at it is validated with respect to FOIA if the body provided public notice, public access, and public comment commensurate with the requirements of existing FOIA provisions regarding electronic and closed meetings. The bill is a response to the case Berry v. Bd. of Supervisors (Va. 2023) and is a recommendation of the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council.

Bill Patron: Mike A. Cherry 24104450D (1/9/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 **County Position: Support** See also SB 244 (McPike). Date of Action Action Notes 1/9/2024 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws House: Assigned GL sub: Procurement/Open Government 1/26/2024 2/6/2024 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 0-N) 2/8/2024 House: Reported from General Laws (20-Y 0-N) 2/13/2024 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N) 2/14/2024 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 2/21/2024 Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology (9-Y 0-N)

HB 894 - Virginia Freedom of Information Act; electronic meetings.

Amends the number of all-virtual public meetings that public bodies, with certain exceptions, may convene in a calendar year to no more than two times per calendar year or 50 percent of the meetings held per calendar year rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater. Current law limits the number of all-virtual public meetings to no more than two times per calendar year or 25 percent of the meetings held per calendar year rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater. The bill also provides that with respect to all-virtual public meetings, when audio-visual technology is available, a member of a public body shall, for purposes of a quorum, be considered absent from any portion of the meeting during which visual communication with the member is voluntarily disconnected or otherwise fails or during which audio communication involuntarily fails.

Bill Patron: Elizabeth B. Bennett-Parker
24100596D (1/9/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
1/22/2024	House: Assigned GL sub: Procurement/Open Government
1/23/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)
1/25/2024	House: Reported from General Laws (22-Y 0-N)
1/31/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (74-Y 26-N)
2/1/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
2/14/2024	Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology (14-Y 0-N 1-A)
2/19/2024	Senate: Passed Senate (32-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Passed Senate (32-Y 7-N)
	Senate: Read third time
	Senate: Reconsideration of Senate passage agreed to by Senate (39-Y 0-N)

HB 939 - Elections administration; prohibits possession of firearm within 100 feet of certain locations.

Elections administration; certain activities or conduct prohibited at polling places applicable to locations for absentee voting in person; prohibited possession of firearm within 100 feet of certain locations. Clarifies that the provisions of law prohibiting certain activities or conduct in and around a polling place shall also apply to locations where absentee voting in person is available. The bill also prohibits any person, with certain exceptions, from knowingly carrying a firearm on or about his person within 100 feet of the entrance of a polling place, the building used by the local electoral board to meet to ascertain election results, the building used to conduct a recount of an

election, and other additional locations used for voting-related and elections-related activities. Under current law, this prohibition applies within 40 feet of such entrances.

Bill Patron: Irene Shin 24106402D-H1 (2/2/2024) House: Committee substitute printed County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
1/26/2024	House: Assigned P & E sub: Election Administration
1/29/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)
2/2/2024	House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/7/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106402D-H1
2/8/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (51-Y 47-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

HB 947 - Local government; regulation by ordinance for locations of tobacco products, etc.

Local government powers; regulation of tobacco, nicotine, and hemp product retail sale locations. Allows a locality to regulate the retail sale locations of tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, alternative nicotine products, or hemp products intended for smoking, for any such retail sale location and may prohibit a retail sale location on property within 1,000 linear feet of a child day center or a public, private, or parochial school.

Bill Patron: Alfonso H. Lopez 24106162D-H1 (1/26/2024) House: Committee substitute printed County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/23/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2
1/25/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)
1/26/2024	House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns with substitute (20-Y 0-N)
1/31/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106162D-H1
2/1/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
2/19/2024	Senate: Reported from Local Government (15-Y 0-N)
2/20/2024	Senate: Read third time
2/21/2024	Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Read third time

HB 959 - Towing violations; enforcement.

Authorizes localities in Planning Districts 8 and 16 to require written authorization of the owner of the property from which the vehicle is towed at the time the vehicle is being towed and regulate the monitoring practices that may be used by towing and recovery operators. Current law authorizes localities other than those in Planning Districts 8 and 16 to require written authorization of the owner of the property from which the vehicle is towed at the time the vehicle is being towed. The bill also changes the penalty for certain trespass towing offenses in Planning District 8 from \$150 per violation paid to the Literary Fund to 10 times the total amount charged for such removal, towing, and storage to be paid to the victim of the unlawful towing.

Bill Patron: Alfonso H. Lopez24101550D (1/9/2024)House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (21-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24105910D-H1
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (98-Y 2-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 1028 - Affordable housing; assisted living facilities.

Allows localities that have adopted an affordable housing program to require that in an application for a special exception or special use permit affordable rental units be included for any proposed development of an assisted living facility. Such ordinance shall apply to newly licensed assisted living facilities and permit applications approved on or after January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Atoosa Reaser 24106816D-H1 (2/2/2024) House: Committee substitute printed County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/23/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2
2/1/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 2-N)
2/2/2024	House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/7/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106816D-H1
2/8/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (51-Y 47-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government

HB 1040 - Virginia Freedom of Information Act; definition of "caregiver," remote participation in meetings.

Virginia Freedom of Information Act; definition of "caregiver;" remote participation in meetings by persons with disabilities and caregivers; remote voting. Provides that for purposes of determining whether a quorum is physically assembled, an individual member of a public body who is a person with a disability or a caregiver, defined in the bill, and uses remote participation counts toward the quorum as if the individual was physically present. The bill also provides that the participation policy adopted by a public body, as required by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, shall not prohibit or restrict any individual member of a public body who is participating in an all-virtual meeting or who is using remote participation from voting on matters before the public body. The bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council.

Bill Patron: Elizabeth B. Bennett-Parker
24104336D (1/10/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
1/22/2024	House: Assigned GL sub: Procurement/Open Government
1/23/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)
1/25/2024	House: Reported from General Laws (22-Y 0-N)
1/31/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)
2/1/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
2/14/2024	Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology with substitute (14-Y 1-N)
2/19/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107743D-S1
	Senate: Passed Senate with substitute (26-Y 12-N)
	Senate: Read third time
2/21/2024	House: Senate substitute agreed to by House 24107743D-S1 (95-Y 3-N)

HB 1073 - Tow truck drivers; prohibited acts.

Prohibits tow truck drivers from driving by the scene of a wrecked or disabled vehicle for which a law-enforcement tow has been initiated by a law-enforcement agency, initiating contact with the owner or operator of such vehicle by soliciting or offering towing services, and towing such vehicle.

Bill Patron: Betsy B. Carr 24102177D (1/10/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County	Position:	Support	

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Transportation with amendment(s) (22-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	House: Committee amendment agreed to
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 1287 - Towing companies; provision of existing law authorizing localities in planning District 8.

Towing companies; local authority. Clarifies that the provisions of existing law authorizing localities in Planning District 8 to require towing companies that tow from the county to a storage or release location outside of the locality to obtain a permit to do so do not restrict or modify the authority of the locality to require that towing companies that tow and store or release vehicles within the county, city, or town to obtain from the locality a permit to do so.

Bill Patron: Adele Y. McClure 24104248D (1/10/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

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County Position: Support

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Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Transportation (21-Y 1-N)
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (93-Y 5-N 1-A))
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 1336 - Crisis stabilization services; facilities licensed by DBHDS, nursing homes.

Crisis stabilization services; facilities licensed by Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; nursing homes; dispensing and administration of drugs; emergency. Permits facilities licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services that provide crisis stabilization services to maintain a stock of Schedules II through VI controlled substances necessary for immediate treatment of patients admitted to such facility. Under current law, maintenance of a stock of Schedule VI controlled substances is allowed under certain conditions, but a stock of Schedules II through V controlled substances may be maintained only if authorized by federal law and Board of Pharmacy regulations. The bill also allows automated drug dispensing systems and remote dispensing systems to be used by state facilities established pursuant to Title 37.2 (Behavioral Health and Developmental Services), facilities that provide crisis stabilization services, nursing homes, and other facilities authorized by the Board of Pharmacy that meet certain conditions. The bill contains an emergency clause, directs the Board of Pharmacy to adopt emergency regulations to implement the provisions of the bill, and incorporates HB 1038.

Bill Patron: Mark D. Sickles

24101061D (1/12/2024)

House: Presented and ordered printed with emergency clause **County Position: Support** See also SB 568 (Deeds). Date of Action Action Notes 1/12/2024 House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services 1/30/2024 House: Incorporates HB1038 (Wachsmann) House: Reported from Health and Human Services with substitute (22-Y 0-N) 2/2/2024 House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106670D-H1 2/5/2024 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N) 2/6/2024 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health 2/15/2024 Senate: Reported from Education and Health (15-Y 0-N) 2/19/2024 Senate: Passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) Senate: Read third time 2/22/2024 House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB1336ER) House: Enrolled

HB 1397 - Manufactured Home Lot Rental Act; manufactured home park, notice of sale and relocation expenses.

Manufactured Home Lot Rental Act; manufactured home park; notice of sale and relocation expenses. Requires a manufactured home park owner to provide notice to the Department of Housing and Community Development and each manufactured home park tenant 90 days prior to unconditionally accepting an offer to purchase a manufactured home park. The bill permits an entity of tenants to negotiate for purchase of the manufactured home park. The bill permits an entity delivers a proposed purchase agreement with substantially similar terms and conditions as the entity of tenants to the manufactured home park. The bill provides an additional 60-day period for an entity to obtain financing for the purchase of a manufactured home park. The bill requires that its provisions be liberally construed to preserve affordable housing and expand the opportunities for owners of a manufactured home owner if a rental agreement is terminated due to the sale of the manufactured home park to a buyer that is going to redevelop the park and change its use. The provisions of the bill do not become effective unless reenacted by the 2025 Session of the General Assembly.

Bill Patron: Paul E. Krizek

24105316D (1/17/2024)

House: Presented and ordered printed		
County Position: Support with Amendment		
Support with amendment to remove reenactment clause.		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/17/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws	
1/26/2024	House: Assigned GL sub: Housing/Consumer Protection	
2/8/2024	House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (12-Y 8-N)	
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)	
2/12/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107465D-H1	
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (51-Y 46-N)	
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology	

HB 1486 - Vacant buildings; registration.

Permits any county, city, or town to require, by ordinance, the owner of any building that has been vacant for at least 12 months and (i) that meets the definition of "derelict building" in relevant law, (ii) that meets the definition of "criminal blight" in relevant law, or (iii) in which a locality has determined a person is living without the authority of the owner to register such building annually. Under current law, any city and certain towns are permitted to require the owner of any building that has been vacant for at least 12 months and meets the definition of "derelict building" in relevant law to register such building annually. This bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Housing Commission.

Bill Patron: Joshua E. Thomas24105791D (1/19/2024)House: Presented and ordered printedCounty Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/19/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/23/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #1
1/26/2024	House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (13-Y 7-N)
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)
2/1/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (61-Y 39-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
2/19/2024	Senate: Reported from Local Government (10-Y 4-N)
2/21/2024	Senate: Passed Senate (28-Y 12-N)
	Senate: Read third time

HJ 76 - Gun violence; JLARC to study effects on communities.

Study; JLARC; effects of gun violence on communities; report. Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to conduct a two-year study of the social, physical, emotional, and economic effects of gun violence on communities across the Commonwealth.

Bill Patron: Bonita G. Anthony

24104852D (1/18/2024)

House: Presented and ordered printed

County Position: Support

See also SB 338 (Shin).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/18/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Rules
1/25/2024	House: Assigned Rules sub: Studies Subcommittee
1/29/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (4-Y 2-N)
2/1/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Rules (12-Y 6-N)
2/7/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations (12-Y 9-N)
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)
2/12/2024	House: Agreed to by House (54-Y 45-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules

SB 7 - Hate crimes and discrimination; ethnic animosity, penalties.

Hate crimes and discrimination; ethnic animosity; penalties. Provides that it is the policy of the Commonwealth to safeguard all individuals within the Commonwealth from unlawful discrimination in employment and in places of public accommodation because of such individual's ethnic origin and prohibits such discrimination. The bill also adds victims who are intentionally selected because of their ethnic origin to the categories of victims whose intentional selection for a hate crime involving assault, assault and battery, or trespass for the purpose of damaging another's property results in a higher criminal penalty for the offense. The bill also provides that no provider or user of an interactive computer service on the Internet shall be liable for any action voluntarily taken by it in good faith to restrict access to material that the provider or user considers to be intended to incite hatred on the basis of ethnic origin. This bill incorporates SB 120.

Bill Patron: Bryce E. Reeves

24100086D (11/20/2023)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Board has historically supported. See also HB 18 (Helmer).

Date of Action	Action Notes
11/20/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/24/2024	Senate: Incorporates SB120 (Subramanyam)
	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (14-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/6/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 0-N 2-A)
2/8/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106213D-S1
2/9/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (36-Y 0-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Courts of Justice (22-Y 0-N)
2/21/2024	House: Read third time

SB 14 - Sales and use tax, local; additional tax authorized in all counties & cities to support schools.

Additional local sales and use tax to support schools; referendum. Authorizes all counties and cities to impose an additional local sales and use tax at a rate not to exceed one percent with the revenue used only for capital projects for the construction or renovation of schools if such levy is approved in a voter referendum. Under current law, only Charlotte, Gloucester, Halifax, Henry, Mecklenburg, Northampton, Patrick, and Pittsylvania Counties and the City of Danville are authorized to impose such a tax.

Bill Patron: Jeremy S. McPike

24100982D (11/25/2023)	
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24	
County Position: Support	
Board has historica	lly supported. See also HB 458 (Callsen) and HB 600 (Kilgore).
Date of Action	Action Notes
11/25/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations
1/23/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 4-N)
1/29/2024	Senate: Amendments by Senator Deeds agreed to
	Senate: Passed Senate (27-Y 13-N)
	Senate: Reading of amendments waived
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Finance
2/21/2024	House: Reported from Finance with substitute (13-Y 8-N)

SB 36 - Virginia Freedom of Information Act; definitions.

Virginia Freedom of Information Act; definitions of meetings and public business. Exempts certain public meetings from the definition of "meeting" under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act to clarify that three or more members of a public body may appear and participate in such public meeting without violating the Act, provided that no public business is transacted or discussed. The bill also exempts members of a public body who attend a public meeting of a second public body without violating the Act, provided that no public business is transacted or discussed. Finally, the bill defines "public business" as activity that a public body has undertaken or proposed to undertake on behalf of the people it represents.

Bill Patron: Mamie E. Locke
24102327D (12/16/2023)
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/16/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
1/24/2024	Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
1/29/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24105430D-S1
1/30/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
2/14/2024	House: Assigned GL sub: Procurement/Open Government
2/20/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)

SB 44 - Abuse and neglect of children; causing or enabling child to gain possession of a firearm, penalty.

Abuse and neglect of children; causing or enabling child to gain possession of a firearm; penalty. Creates a Class 5 felony for any parent, guardian, or other person who is 18 years of age or older and is responsible for the care of a child under the age of 18 whose willful act or omission causes or enables that child to gain possession of a firearm (i) after having received notice of a preliminary determination, pursuant to relevant law, that such child poses a threat of violence or physical harm to self or others or (ii) when such parent, guardian, or other person responsible for the care of the child knows or reasonably should know that such child has been charged with, either by warrant or petition, convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent of a violent juvenile felony.

Bill Patron: Schuyler T. VanValkenburg

24100621D (12/19/2023)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also HB 36 (Willett).

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/19/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/31/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (13-Y 0-N 2-A)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (14-Y 1-N)
2/12/2024	Senate: Courts of Justice Committee substitute rejected 24106369D-S1
	Senate: Finance and Appropriations Committee substitute agreed to 24107464D-S2
2/13/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (27-Y 13-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (13-Y 9-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House (55-Y 43-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 47 - Firearm; transfers to another person from a prohibited person.

Firearm transfers to another person from a prohibited person. Provides that a person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm because such person is subject to a protective order or has been convicted of an assault and battery of a family or household member may transfer a firearm owned by such prohibited person to any person who is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing such firearm, provided that such person who is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing such firearm is 21 years of age or older and does not reside with the person who is subject to the protective order. Under current law, there is no requirement that such transferee cannot be younger than 21 years of age and cannot reside with such prohibited person. The bill also provides that

such prohibited person who transfers, sells, or surrenders a firearm pursuant to the provisions of the bill shall inform the clerk of the court of the name and address of the transferee, the federally licensed firearms dealer, or the lawenforcement agency in possession of the firearm and shall provide a copy of such form to the transferee. The bill also provides that a person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm because such person is subject to a protective order or has been convicted of an assault and battery of a family or household member shall be advised that a law-enforcement officer may obtain a search warrant to search for any firearms from such person if such lawenforcement officer has reason to believe that such person has not relinquished all firearms in his possession.

Bill Patron: Barbara A. Favola	
24104086D (12/21/2023)	
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24	
County Position: Support	
See also HB 46 (Be	nnett-Parker).
Date of Action	Action Notes
12/21/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/22/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice (9-Y 6-N)
1/25/2024	Senate: Passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (23-Y 17-N)
	Senate: Reconsideration of passage agreed to by Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/21/2024	House: Read third time

SB 48 - Vacant buildings; registration.

Permits any county, city, or town to require, by ordinance, the owner of any building that has been vacant for at least 12 months and (i) that meets the definition of "derelict building" in relevant law, (ii) that meets the definition of "criminal blight" in relevant law, or (iii) in which a locality has determined a person is living without the authority of the owner to register such building annually. Under current law, any city and certain towns are permitted to require the owner of any building that has been vacant for at least 12 months and meets the definition of "derelict building" in relevant law to register such building annually. This bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Housing Commission.

Bill Patron: Mamie E. Locke 24105512D-S1 (1/15/2024) Senate: Committee substitute printed County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/21/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
1/15/2024	Senate: Incorporates SB478 (Aird)
	Senate: Reported from Local Government with substitute (11-Y 0-N)
1/17/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24105512D-S1
1/18/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (13-Y 9-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House (65-Y 35-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 49 - Community revitalization fund; expanding use for all localities.

Expands the current provisions of law allowing for the establishment of a community revitalization fund for the purpose of preventing neighborhood deterioration to apply to all localities. Currently, only the City of Richmond is authorized to establish such a fund. This bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Housing Commission.>

Bill Patron: Mamie E. Locke 24100699D (12/21/2023) Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/21/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
1/15/2024	Senate: Reported from Local Government (12-Y 0-N)
1/18/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (21-Y 1-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House (88-Y 12-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 73 - Photo-monitoring system for traffic signals; retired law-enforcement officials to review violations.

Photo-monitoring system for traffic signals; proof of violation; retired law-enforcement officials. Allows a locality to employ a retired sworn law-enforcement officer, as defined in the bill, to review photographs, microphotographs,

videotape, or other recorded images produced by the locality's traffic light signal violation monitoring system or traffic control device violation monitoring system. The bill allows such review to serve as prima facie evidence of the facts contained therein.

Bill Patron: Christie New Craig
24101768D (12/28/2023)
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/28/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/25/2024	Senate: Reported from Transportation (14-Y 1-N)
1/31/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (31-Y 9-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
2/20/2024	House: Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (3-Y 3-N)

SB 85 - Virginia Freedom of Information Act; definition of "caregiver," remote participation in meetings.

Virginia Freedom of Information Act; definition of "caregiver;" remote participation in meetings by persons with disabilities and caregivers; remote voting. Provides that for purposes of determining whether a quorum is physically assembled, an individual member of a public body who is a person with a disability or a caregiver, defined in the bill, and uses remote participation counts toward the quorum as if the individual was physically present. The bill also provides that the participation policy adopted by a public body, as required by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, shall not prohibit or restrict any individual member of a public body who is participating in an all-virtual meeting or who is using remote participation from voting on matters before the public body. The bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council.

Bill Patron: Barbara A. Favola
24101421D (1/1/2024)
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/1/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
1/17/2024	Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology (14-Y 0-N 1-A)
1/22/2024	Senate: Amendment by Senator Favola agreed to
	Senate: Reading of amendment waived
1/23/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (28-Y 11-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
2/20/2024	House: Reported from General Laws (21-Y 0-N)

SB 99 - Assault firearms; carrying in public areas prohibited, penalty.

Carrying assault firearms in public areas prohibited; penalty. Prohibits the carrying of certain semi-automatic centerfire rifles and shotguns on any public street, road, alley, sidewalk, or public right-of-way or in any public park or any other place of whatever nature that is open to the public, with certain exceptions. Under current law, the current prohibition on carrying certain shotguns and semi-automatic center-fire rifles and pistols applies to a narrower range of firearms, only in certain localities, and only when such firearms are loaded.

Bill Patron: Adam P. Ebbin 24100968D (1/3/2024) Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/3/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/22/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice (9-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
1/31/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (10-Y 5-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24105953D-S1
2/5/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/21/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107774D-H1
	House: Passed House with substitute (52-Y 48-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 100 - Plastic firearms and unfinished frames, etc.; manufacture, import, etc. prohibited, penalties.

Manufacture, import, sale, transfer, or possession of plastic firearms and unfinished frames or receivers and unserialized firearms prohibited; penalties. Creates a Class 5 felony for any person who knowingly manufactures or assembles, imports, purchases, sells, transfers, or possesses any firearm that, after removal of all parts other than a major component, as defined in the bill, is not detectable as a firearm when subjected to inspection by the types of detection devices, including X-ray machines, commonly used at airports, government buildings, schools, correctional facilities, and other locations for security screening. The bill updates language regarding the types of detection devices that are used at such locations for detecting plastic firearms. Under current law, it is unlawful to manufacture, import, sell, transfer, or possess any plastic firearm and a violation is punishable as a Class 5 felony.

Bill Patron: Adam P. Ebbin24104102D (1/3/2024)Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/3/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/22/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (9-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
1/31/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 5-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24105790D-S1
2/5/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House (52-Y 48-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 157 - Legal notices and publications; online-only news publications, requirements.

Legal notices and publications; online-only news publications; requirements. Provides that, where any ordinance, resolution, notice, or advertisement is required by law to be published in a newspaper, such ordinance, resolution, notice, or advertisement instead may be published in an online-only news publication subject to certain requirements specified in the bill. The bill sets out a process by which an online-only news publication shall petition the circuit court of the appropriate jurisdiction to publish such ordinances, resolutions, notices, or advertisements and authorizes the court to grant such online-only news publication the authority to publish such ordinances, resolutions, notices, or advertisements for a period of one year. The bill also describes the process by which an online-only news publication may continue renewing such authority to publish each successive year. This bill is identical to HB 264.

Bill Patron: Jennifer B. Boysko

24104298D (1/5/2024)	
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24	
County Position: Support	
See also HB 264 (Hope).	
Date of Action	Action Notes
1/5/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/17/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice (15-Y 0-N)
1/23/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (36-Y 3-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Courts of Justice (22-Y 0-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 210 - Auto sears; prohibition on manufacture, importation, sale, etc., penalty.

Manufacture, importation, sale, etc., of auto sears; prohibition; penalty. Prohibits the manufacture, importation, sale or offer to sell, possession, transfer, or transportation of an auto sear, defined in the bill as a device, other than a trigger activator, for use in converting a semi-automatic firearm to shoot automatically more than one shot, without manual reloading, by a single function of the trigger. A violation is punishable as a Class 6 felony. The bill also provides for the forfeiture of any auto sear concealed, possessed, transported, or carried in violation of the prohibition.

Bill Patron: Russet Perry 24101801D (1/8/2024) Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/22/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (11-Y 4-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
1/31/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (12-Y 3-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106016D-S1
2/5/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (28-Y 12-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
2/21/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107820D-H1
	House: Passed House with substitute (89-Y 2-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 231 - Children; comprehensive health care coverage program for certain individuals.

Comprehensive children's health care coverage program. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services (the Department) to establish a program to provide state-funded comprehensive health care coverage for individuals in the Commonwealth who (i) are under 19 years of age, (ii) are not covered under a group health plan or health insurance coverage, and (iii) but for their immigration status would be eligible for medical assistance services through the Commonwealth's program of medical assistance services established pursuant to Title XIX or XXI of the Social Security Act. The bill also requires the Department to ensure that all program information is made available in a manner that is accessible to individuals with limited English proficiency and individuals with disabilities through the provision of language access services, including oral interpretation and written translations, free of charge and to ensure that information obtained by the program remains confidential and is not disclosed for any purpose not related to the administration of the program or any purpose related to civil immigration enforcement unless the subject of the information consents to such disclosure or the requesting agency presents a valid judicial order, subpoena, or warrant.

Bill Patron: Ghazala F. Hashmi
24104864D (1/9/2024)
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
See also HB 970 (Tran).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/26/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health
2/1/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with amendment (9-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with amendment (11-Y 4-N)
2/12/2024	Senate: Education and Health Committee amendment agreed to
	Senate: Finance and Apporpriations Committee amendment agreed to
	Senate: Reading of amendment waived
2/13/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
2/16/2024	House: Assigned sub: Social Services

SB 237 - Contraception; establishes right to obtain, applicability, enforcement.

Contraception; right to contraception; applicability; enforcement. Establishes a right to obtain contraceptives and engage in contraception, as defined in the bill. The bill creates a cause of action that may be instituted against anyone who infringes on such right.

Bill Patron: Ghazala F. Hashmi
24101787D (1/9/2024)
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/5/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (9-Y 6-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107290D-S1
2/12/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
2/16/2024	House: Assigned sub: Health
2/20/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 2-N)
2/22/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services (13-Y 8-N)

SB 244 - FOIA; meetings held through electronic communication during declared states of emergency.

Virginia Freedom of Information Act; effective date of procedures for conducting meetings held through electronic communication means during declared states of emergency. Provides that the provisions for conducting a meeting by electronic means due to a state of emergency stated in the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) are declarative of existing law since March 20, 2020, with respect to the Governor's declared state of emergency due to COVID-19. Under the bill, any meeting by a public body using electronic communication means occurring from that date until July 1, 2021, and any otherwise lawful action taken at it is validated with respect to FOIA if the body provided public notice, public access, and public comment commensurate with the requirements of existing FOIA provisions regarding electronic and closed meetings.

Bill Patron: Jeremy S. McPike

24104842D (1/9/2024)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also HB 816 (Cherry).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
1/24/2024	Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology (15-Y 0-N)
1/30/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws
2/15/2024	House: Reported from General Laws (22-Y 0-N)
2/20/2024	House: Passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 253 - Shared solar programs; amends existing program provisions to apply to Dominion Energy Virginia.

Shared solar programs; Dominion Energy Virginia; minimum bill; capacity. Amends existing shared solar program provisions applicable to Dominion Energy Virginia. The bill provides that a customer's net bill for participation in the shared solar program means the resulting amount a customer must pay the utility after the bill credit, defined in relevant law, is deducted from the customer's monthly gross utility bill. The bill divides the shared solar program into two parts, the first of which has an aggregate capacity of 200 megawatts. The bill provides that upon a determination that at least 90 percent of the megawatts of the aggregate capacity of part one of such program has been subscribed, as defined in the bill, and that project construction is substantially complete, the State Corporation shall approve up to an additional 150 megawatts of capacity as part two of such program, 75 megawatts of which shall serve no more than 51 percent low-income customers, as defined in relevant law. The bill directs the Commission to initiate a proceeding to recalculate the minimum bill within 30 days of the deamination of a final order in a proceeding establishing the value of a solar renewable energy certificate as required by relevant law. The bill specifies that the Commission shall update its shared solar program consistent with the requirements of the bill

by March 1, 2025, and shall require each utility to file any associated tariffs, agreements, or forms necessary for implementing the program by December 1, 2025. Additionally, the bill requires the Department of Energy to convene a stakeholder work group to determine the amounts and forms of certain project incentives and to submit a written report to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Labor and Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor no later than November 30, 2024.

Bill Patron: Scott A. Surovell 24102098D (1/9/2024)		
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24		
County Position: Support		
See also HB 106 (Sullivan).		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor	
2/9/2024	Senate: Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (10-Y 5-N)	
2/12/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107563D-S1	
2/13/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (23-Y 17-N)	
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce	
2/20/2024	House: Reported from Labor and Commerce (13-Y 9-N)	

SB 258 - Substantial risk orders or factors.

Substantial risk orders; substantial risk factors and considerations. Provides various factors that a judge or magistrate must consider for the purpose of determining probable cause prior to issuing an emergency substantial risk order or a substantial risk order. The bill provides that such factors shall include whether the person who is subject to the order (i) committed any acts of violence or criminal offenses resulting in injury to himself or another person within the six months prior to the filing of the petition; (ii) made any threats or used any physical force against another person that resulted in injury within the six months prior to the filing of the petition; (iii) violated any provision of a protective order issued or was arrested for stalking within the six months prior to the filing of the petition; (iv) was convicted of any offense that would prohibit such person from possessing a firearm; (v) engaged in any conduct within the year prior to the filing of the petition that demonstrated a pattern of violent acts or threats to another person, including any acts or threats made against family members, neighbors, coworkers, or toward schools or students or government buildings or employees; (vi) committed any acts of violence or criminal offenses against an animal within the six months prior to the filing of the petition; (vii) made any attempt or threat of suicide or any act, attempted act, or threat of self-harm that caused or may have caused serious bodily injury; or (viii) recently acquired a firearm or ammunition, with evidence of such recent acquisition provided by the petitioner. The bill also outlines various other factors that a judge or magistrate may consider for the purpose of issuing an emergency substantial risk order or a substantial risk order. The bill also provides that possession includes actual access or the potential to readily access a firearm for the purposes of finding if a person possesses a firearm or if such firearm shall be voluntarily relinguished.

Bill Patron: Scott A. Surovell

24102865D (1/9/2024)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/31/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with amendments (9-Y 6-N)
2/5/2024	Senate: Committee amendments #'s 2, 3 and 4 agreed to
	Senate: Reading of amendments waived
2/6/2024	Senate: Committee amendment #1 agreed to
	Senate: Passed Senate (21-Y 18-N)
	Senate: Reading of amendment waived
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/16/2024	House: Referred from Courts of Justice by voice vote
	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/19/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
2/22/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 3-N)

SB 273 - Firearms; waiting period for purchases, penalty.

Purchase of firearms; waiting period; penalty. Provides that no person shall sell a firearm unless at least five days have elapsed from the time the prospective purchaser completes the written consent form to have a licensed dealer obtain criminal history record information, with exceptions enumerated in relevant law. This bill incorporates SB 55 and SB 551.

Bill Patron: Suhas Subramanyam 24106020D-S1 (1/22/2024) Senate: Committee substitute printed **County Position: Support**

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/22/2024	Senate: Incorporates SB55 (Salim)
	Senate: Incorporates SB551 (Deeds)
	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (9-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
1/31/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 5-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106020D-S1
2/5/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House (51-Y 49-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 274 - Prescription Drug Affordability Board; established, drug cost affordability review, report.

Prescription Drug Affordability Board established; drug cost affordability review. Establishes the Prescription Drug Affordability Board for the purpose of protecting the citizens of the Commonwealth and other stakeholders within the health care system from the high costs of prescription drug products. The bill requires the Board to meet in open session at least four times annually, with certain exceptions and requirements enumerated in the bill. Members of the Board are required to disclose any conflicts of interest, as described in the bill. The bill also creates a stakeholder council for the purpose of assisting the Board in making decisions related to drug cost affordability. The bill tasks the Board with identifying prescription, generic, and other drugs, as defined in the bill, that are offered for sale in the Commonwealth and, at the Board's discretion, conducting an affordability review of any prescription drug product. The bill lists factors for the Board to consider that indicate an affordability challenge for the health care system in the Commonwealth or high out-of-pocket costs for patients. The bill also provides that any person aggrieved by a decision of the Board may request an appeal of the Board's decision and that the Attorney General shall have authority to enforce the provisions of the bill. The bill provides that the Board shall establish no more than 12 upper payment limit amounts annually between January 1, 2025, and January 1, 2028. The bill requires the Board to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly twice annually, beginning on July 1, 2025, and December 31, 2025. Provisions of the bill shall apply to state-sponsored and state-regulated health plans and health programs and obligate such policies to limit drug payment amounts and reimbursements to an upper payment limit amount set by the Board, if applicable, following an affordability review. The bill specifies that Medicare Part D plans shall not be bound by such decisions of the Board. The bill also requires the nonprofit organization contracted by the Department of Health to provide the Board access to certain data reported by manufacturers. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: R. Creigh Deeds

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also HB 570 (Delaney).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/18/2024	Senate: Rereferred from Education and Health (15-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Commerce and Labor
2/5/2024	Senate: Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (10-Y 5-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (9-Y 6-N)
2/12/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106998D-S1
2/13/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (23-Y 16-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce
2/20/2024	House: Reported from Labor and Commerce (12-Y 10-N)

SB 291 - Court-appointed guardians; training; powers and duties.

Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services; training; powers and duties of guardian; annual reports by guardians; information required. Directs the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services to develop and provide training for court-appointed guardians by July 1, 2025. The bill requires a court-appointed guardian and any skilled professional retained by such guardian to perform guardianship duties to complete the initial training developed by the Department within four months after the date of qualification of such guardian. Under the bill, guardians appointed prior to July 1, 2025, must complete such training by January 1, 2027. The bill further requires a guardian to include in his annual report to the local department of social services a statement as to whether such training has been completed.

Bill Patron: Danica A. Roem
24104701D (1/9/2024)
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services
1/19/2024	Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services (15-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/6/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N)
2/8/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/14/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
2/20/2024	House: Assigned App. sub: General Government and Capital Outlay
	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Health and Human Services (21-Y 1-N)

SB 306 - Invasive plant species; retail sales, civil penalty.

Invasive plant species; retail sales; civil penalty. Requires, for the retail sale of any invasive plant species for outdoor use on a list established by the Department of Conservation and Recreation, a retail establishment to post in a conspicuous manner on the property at all public entrances a sign that identifies such plant as invasive. The bill requires the Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services to designate the format, size, and content of such signage no later than October 1, 2024, and requires the Commissioner to issue a stop sale order and mark or tag a plant in a conspicuous manner when an invasive plant is for sale at a retail establishment without appropriate signage. In such case, the bill requires the Commissioner to give written notice of a finding made to the owner, tenant, or person in charge of such retail establishment and requires the stop sale order issued to remain in effect until the required signage is posted. Any retail establishment that violates the provisions of the bill is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$500.

Bill Patron: Saddam Azlan Salim 24106629D-S1 (1/30/2024) Senate: Committee substitute printed County Position: Support with Amendment Amend to require signage be next to plant.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
1/16/2024	Senate: Reported from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources with amendment (10-Y 1-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
1/30/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
2/1/2024	Senate: Committee amendment rejected
	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106629D-S1
2/2/2024	Senate: Passed by for the day
2/5/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (37-Y 3-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
2/16/2024	House: Assigned ACNR sub: Agriculture
2/21/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (9-Y 1-N)

SB 336 - Photo speed monitoring devices; high-risk intersection segments.

Photo speed monitoring devices; high-risk intersection segments. Permits a state or local law-enforcement agency to place and operate a photo speed monitoring device at a high-risk intersection segment, defined in the bill, located within the locality for the purpose of recording violations resulting from the operation of a vehicle in excess of the speed limit, provided that such law-enforcement agency certifies that a traffic fatality has occurred since January 1, 2014, in such segment. The bill provides the same requirements for such devices, information collected from such devices, and any enforcement actions resulting from information collected from such devices as current law applies to the use of such devices in school crossing zones and highway work zones.

Bill Patron: Danica A. Roem

24105033D (1/9/2024)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Support efforts to expand speed camera programs.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/25/2024	Senate: Reported from Transportation (10-Y 5-N)
1/31/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (22-Y 18-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
2/14/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)
2/20/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)
2/22/2024	House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (17-Y 5-N)

SB 338 - Gun violence; JLARC to study effects on communities.

Study; JLARC; effects of gun violence on communities; report. Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to study the social, physical, emotional, and economic effects of gun violence on communities across the Commonwealth.

Bill Patron: Saddam Azlan Salim	
24106292D-S1 (1/26/2024) Senate: Committee substitute printed	
County Position: Support	
See also HJ 76 (Anthony).	
Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules
1/26/2024	Senate: Reported from Rules with substitute (11-Y 4-N)
1/30/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106292D-S1
1/31/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Rules
2/22/2024	House: Assigned Rules sub: Studies Subcommittee

SB 368 - Firearms; storage in residence where minor or person prohibited from possessing is present, penalty.

Storage of firearms in a residence where a minor or person prohibited from possessing a firearm is present; penalty. Requires any person who possesses a firearm in a residence where such person knows that a minor or a person who is prohibited by law from possessing a firearm is present to store such firearm and the ammunition for such firearm in a locked container, compartment, or cabinet that is inaccessible to such minor or prohibited person. The bill provides that a violation is a Class 4 misdemeanor. The bill exempts (i) any person in lawful possession of a firearm who carries such firearm on or about his person and (ii) the storage of antique firearms and provides that the lawful authorization of a minor to access a firearm is not a violation of the bill's provisions. The bill also requires firearm dealers to post a notice stating such firearm storage requirements and the penalty for improperly storing such firearms.

Bill Patron: Jennifer B. Boysko
24104295D (1/9/2024)
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
Board has historically supported. See also HB 183 (Simon).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/29/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with amendments (9-Y 6-N)
1/31/2024	Senate: Committee amendments agreed to
	Senate: Reading of amendments waived
2/1/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House (51-Y 49-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 447 - Firearm in unattended motor vehicle; civil penalty.

Firearm in unattended motor vehicle; civil penalty. Provides that no person shall leave, place, or store a handgun in an unattended motor vehicle, as defined in the bill, when such handgun is visible to any person who is outside such motor vehicle. The bill provides that any person violating such prohibition is subject to a civil penalty of no more than \$500 and such unattended motor vehicle may be subject to removal for safekeeping.

Bill Patron: David W. Marsden

24100642D (1/9/2024)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Board has historically supported.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/22/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice (9-Y 6-N)
1/25/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House (51-Y 49-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 448 - Cannabis control; establishes a framework for creation of a retail marijuana market, penalties.

Cannabis control; retail market; penalties. Establishes a framework for the creation of a retail marijuana market in the Commonwealth, which would be administered by the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority. The bill allows the

Authority to begin issuing marijuana licenses on July 1, 2024, but provides that no marijuana sales may occur prior to January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Aaron R. Rouse

24106849D-S2 (1/31/2024)

Senate: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Support with Amendment

Support strong local government land use and taxation authority in any retail marijuana legalization legislation.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services
1/22/2024	Senate: Assigned Rehab sub: Cannabis
1/26/2024	Senate: Incorporates SB423 (Ebbin)
	Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services with substitute (10-Y 5-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Courts of Justice
1/31/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (7-Y 5-N 3-A)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (9-Y 5-N 1-A)
2/12/2024	Senate: Courts of Justice Committee substitute rejected 24106849D-S2
	Senate: Finance and Appropriations Committee substitute agreed to 24107530D-S3
	Senate: Rehabilitation and Social Services Committee substitute rejected 24106324D-S1
2/13/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 18-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

SB 491 - Firearm industry members; creates standards of responsible conduct, civil liability.

Firearm industry members; standards of responsible conduct; civil liability. Creates standards of responsible conduct for firearm industry members and requires such members to establish and implement reasonable controls regarding the manufacture, sale, distribution, use, and marketing of the firearm industry member's firearm-related products, as those terms are defined in the bill. Such reasonable controls include reasonable procedures, safeguards, and business practices that are designed to (i) prevent the sale or distribution of a firearm-related product to a straw purchaser, a firearm trafficker, a person prohibited from possessing a firearm under state or federal law, or a person who the firearm industry member has reasonable cause to believe is at substantial risk of using a firearm-related product to harm themselves or unlawfully harm another or of unlawfully possessing or using a firearm industry member; (ii) prevent the loss of a firearm related product or theft of a firearm-related product; (ii) prevent the loss of a firearm industry member complies with all provisions of state and federal law and does not otherwise promote the unlawful manufacture, sale, possession, marketing, or use of a firearm-related product; and (iv) ensure that the firearm industry member does not engage in an act or practice in violation of the Virginia Consumer Protection Act. The bill also provides that a firearm industry member

may not knowingly or recklessly create, maintain, or contribute to a public nuisance, as defined in the bill, through the sale, manufacturing, importing, or marketing of a firearm-related product. The bill creates a civil cause of action for the Attorney General or a local county or city attorney to enforce the provisions of the bill or for any person who has been injured as a result of a firearm industry member's violation to seek an injunction and to recover costs and damages.

Bill Patron: Jennifer D. Carroll Foy

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24104526D (1/9/2024)	
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24	
County Position: Support	
Board has historica	ally supported. See also HB 318 (Helmer).
Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/29/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with amendments (9-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/7/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 5-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Committee amendments agreed to
	Senate: Reading of amendments waived
2/12/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/21/2024	House: Passed House (51-Y 49-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 568 - Crisis stabilization services; facilities licensed by DBHDS, nursing homes.

Crisis stabilization services; facilities licensed by Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; nursing homes; dispensing and administration of drugs; emergency. Permits facilities licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services that provide crisis stabilization services to maintain a stock of Schedules II through VI controlled substances necessary for immediate treatment of patients admitted to such facility. Under current law, maintenance of a stock of Schedule VI controlled substances is allowed under certain conditions, but a stock of Schedules II through V controlled substances may be maintained only if authorized by federal law and Board of Pharmacy regulations. The bill also allows automated drug dispensing systems and remote dispensing systems to be used by state facilities established pursuant to Title 37.2 (Behavioral Health and Developmental Services), facilities that provide crisis stabilization services, nursing homes, and other facilities authorized by the Board of Pharmacy that meet certain conditions. The bill contains an emergency clause and directs the Board of Pharmacy to adopt emergency regulations to implement the provisions of the bill.

Bill Patron: R. Creigh Deeds

24102020D (1/10/2024)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed with emergency clause; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also HB 1336 (Sickles).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/31/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health Professions
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106466D-S1
	Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
2/20/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services with amendment(s) (22-Y 0-N)

SB 574 - Behavioral Health Commission; Commission to study processes related to civil admissions.

Behavioral Health Commission; behavioral health and crisis response services; civil admissions laws and processes; work group; report. Directs the Behavioral Health Commission to convene a work group to study how to effectively align current civil admissions laws and processes with new behavioral health and crisis response services and resources in the Commonwealth. The bill directs the Behavioral Health Commission to make recommendations for any statutory, regulatory, licensing, training, and reimbursement changes related to Virginia's current civil admissions process and to report such recommendations by July 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: R. Creigh Deeds 24106268D-S1 (1/26/2024) Senate: Committee substitute printed County Position: Support

Date of ActionAction Notes1/10/2024Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules1/26/2024Senate: Reported from Rules with substitute (14-Y 0-N)1/30/2024Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106268D-S11/31/2024Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)2/13/2024House: Referred to Committee on Rules

SB 605 - Polling place; assistance for certain voters, definition of "disability," training for all officers.

Assistance for certain voters outside of the polling place; definition of "disability"; training. Expands the definition of "disability" for purposes of providing assistance outside of a polling place for voters with disabilities to include any permanent or temporary disability. Under current law, such definition of "disability" is limited to a permanent or temporary physical disability. The bill requires the training required for all officers of election to include specific training on voting outside of a polling place and directs the Department of Elections to incorporate into guidance documents for election officials the processes and procedures for voting outside of the polling place, including best practices for providing assistance for voters with disabilities.

Bill Patron: Suhas Subramanyam
24104168D (1/10/2024)
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
1/23/2024	Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections (11-Y 0-N 3-A)
1/29/2024	Senate: Passed by for the day
	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 1-N)
	Senate: Reconsideration of passage agreed to by Senate (39-Y 1-N)
1/30/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 1-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
2/16/2024	House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (21-Y 0-N)
2/21/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107791D-H1
	House: Passed House with substitute BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)
	House: Read third time

SB 610 - Slot-retention requests; Developmental Disability waiver slots, sunset date.

Department of Medical Assistance Services; Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; slotretention requests; Developmental Disability waivers; sunset. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to amend their regulations to allow for support coordinators to request and subsequently obtain approval of consecutive waiver slot-retention requests for a period of up to 365 calendar days for individuals who have been assigned a Developmental Disability waiver slot. Current regulations allow for four consecutive 30-day slot-retention extensions. The bill sunsets on June 30, 2026.

Bill Patron: David R. Suetterlein

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also HB 577 (Runion).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/18/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health
2/1/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with amendment (15-Y 0-N)
2/5/2024	Senate: Committee amendment agreed to
	Senate: Reading of amendment waived
2/6/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
2/15/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services (22-Y 0-N)
2/20/2024	House: Read third time

SB 615 - Medicaid- & CHIP-enrolled beneficiaries; DMAS shall convene work group to design services benefits.

Department of Medical Assistance Services; community health worker services benefit; work group; report. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services to convene a work group of stakeholders to design a community health worker services benefit for Medicaid-enrolled and CHIP-enrolled beneficiaries. The bill requires the work group to complete its work and submit a report to the Chairs of the House Committees on Appropriations and Health and Human Services and the Senate Committees on Finance and Appropriations and Education and Health by December 1, 2024.

Bill Patron: Todd E. Pillion 24106966D-S1 (2/2/2024) Senate: Committee substitute printed **County Position: Support**

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules
2/2/2024	Senate: Reported from Rules with substitute (14-Y 0-N)
2/6/2024	Senate: Passed by for the day
2/7/2024	Senate: Passed by for the day
2/8/2024	Senate: Amendment by Senator Pillion agreed to
	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106966D-S1
	Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendment SB615ES1
	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Reading of amendment waived
2/14/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
2/16/2024	House: Assigned sub: Social Services
2/22/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

SB 642 - Firearms; purchase, etc., following an assault and battery of a family or household member, etc.

Purchase, possession, or transportation of firearm; assault and battery of a family or household member or intimate partner; penalties. Adds to the existing definition of "family or household member" a person's intimate partner, defined in the bill as an individual who, within the previous 12 months, was in a romantic, dating, or sexual relationship with the person. The bill also provides that any person who knowingly and intentionally purchases, possesses, or transports any firearm following a misdemeanor conviction for an offense that occurred on or after July 1, 2024, for the offense of assault and battery against an intimate partner or an offense substantially similar under the laws of any other state or of the United States is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. The bill incorporates SB 319.

Bill Patron: Russet Perry 24105186D (1/11/2024) Senate: Presented and ordered printed County Position: Support See also HB 362 (McClure).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/11/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/5/2024	Senate: Incorporates SB319 (Salim)
	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (9-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/7/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 5-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107066D-S1
2/12/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/16/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
	House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
	House: Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)
2/21/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107834D-H1
	House: Read third time

SB 716 - Unprofessional conduct; disciplinary action against doctor for providing abortion care, etc.

Board of Medicine; unprofessional conduct. Prohibits the Board of Medicine from taking disciplinary action against a doctor based on the alleged provision or receipt of abortion care that is not prohibited under the laws of the Commonwealth, regardless of where such abortion care was provided or received. The bill also specifies that grounds for refusal to issue a certificate or license to any applicant or to take disciplinary action for procuring or performing an abortion apply to such action only as it is prohibited by the laws of the Commonwealth. Under current law, such grounds for refusal or disciplinary action apply for procuring or performing a criminal abortion.

Bill Patron: Jennifer D. Carroll Foy
24106224D-S1 (2/1/2024)
Senate: Committee substitute printed
County Position: Support
See also HB 519 (Mundon King).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/19/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/25/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health Professions
2/1/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (9-Y 6-N)
2/5/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106224D-S1
2/6/2024	Senate: Passed Senate (21-Y 18-N)
	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (23-Y 16-N)
	Senate: Reconsideration of passage agreed to by Senate (39-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
2/15/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services (14-Y 8-N)
2/20/2024	House: Passed House (54-Y 45-N)
	House: Read third time

SJ 28 - Public transit systems, joint subcommittee to study funding needs.

Study; joint subcommittee; funding needs in certain transit systems; report. Establishes a joint subcommittee to study long-term, sustainable, dedicated funding and cost-containment controls and strategies to ensure the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, the Virginia Railway Express, and the public transit systems that serve the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission and Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission transportation districts meet the growing needs of public transit in the region.

Bill Patron: Adam P. Ebbin

24104157D (1/10/2024)

Senate: Presented and ordered printed

County Position: Support with Amendment

Support with amendments to address local representation and timeline.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules
1/26/2024	Senate: Reported from Rules with substitute by voice vote
1/30/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24105637D-S1
1/31/2024	Senate: Agreed to by Senate by voice vote
	Senate: Read third time
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Rules
2/22/2024	House: Assigned Rules sub: Studies Subcommittee

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HB 314 - State hospitals; discharge planning.

State hospitals; discharge planning; report. Provides that (i) when an individual is to be discharged from Central State Hospital, Southwestern Virginia Mental Health Institute, or Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute in 30 days or less after admission, the appropriate community services board shall implement the discharge plan developed by the state facility and (ii) when an individual is to be discharged from any other state facility in 30 days or less after admission, or from a state hospital more than 30 days after admission, the appropriate community services board or behavioral health authority shall be responsible for the individual's discharge planning. Under current law, community services boards and behavioral health authorities provide discharge planning for all individuals discharged from state hospitals, regardless of the duration of their stay. The bill requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to make certain annual reports by August 1 to the Governor and the General Assembly and to provide the General Assembly with a one-time evaluation of the impacts of the changes to discharge planning implemented by the bill by November 1, 2025. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Patrick A. Hope

24106488D-H1 (2/1/2024)

House: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Monitor

See also SB 179 (Favola).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/5/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/17/2024	House: Assigned sub: Health
1/30/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)
2/1/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
2/6/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106488D-H1
2/7/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)
2/8/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
2/15/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health (13-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

HB 623 - Rights of voters; covered practices, civil cause of action, standing, jurisdiction, and venue.

Rights of voters; covered practices; civil cause of action; standing, jurisdiction, and venue. Provides that, in addition to voters who are members of a protected class and the Attorney General, any organization whose membership includes voters who are members of a protected class or any organization whose mission, in whole or in part, is to ensure voting access shall be entitled to institute a civil cause of action for alleged violations of certain laws related

to the rights of voters. The bill provides that the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond shall have jurisdiction over such actions and such actions shall be subject to expedited pretrial and trial proceedings and receive an automatic calendar preference. The bill also adds to the definition of "covered practice" any change that reduces the number of voter satellite offices in a locality or reduces the number of days or the hours of operation of a voter satellite office in a locality.

Bill Patron: Marcia S. "Cia" Price 24103841D (1/9/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

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County Position: Monitor

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Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
2/2/2024	House: Assigned P & E sub: Election Administration
2/5/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)
2/9/2024	House: Reported from Privileges and Elections (12-Y 10-N)
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (50-Y 48-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

HB 657 - Pedestrian control signals; applicability to persons riding bicycles and other devices.

Allows persons riding a bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, moped, or motorized skateboard or scooter to, while remaining in the travel lane, follow the pedestrian control signal corresponding to the person's direction of travel, provided that they travel straight or turn right and yield to pedestrians lawfully in the crosswalk and any vehicle approaching the intersection from the right.

Bill Patron: Richard C. "Rip" Sullivan, Jr.
24106480D-H1 (2/6/2024)
House: Committee substitute printed
County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/18/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Highway Safety and Policy
1/31/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 1-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (14-Y 7-N)
2/9/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106480D-H1
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (56-Y 42-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 775 - License plate reader systems; use by law-enforcement agencies, civil penalty.

License plate reader systems; civil penalty. Provides requirements for the use of license plate reader systems, defined in the bill, by law-enforcement agencies. The bill limits the use of such systems to scanning, detecting, and recording data about vehicles and license plate numbers for the purpose of identifying a vehicle that is (i) associated with a wanted, missing, or endangered person or human trafficking; (ii) stolen; (iii) involved in an active law-enforcement investigation; or (iv) in the vicinity of a recent crime and may be connected to that crime. The bill authorizes and requires the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a permitting process for installing and using such systems in state highway rights-of-way. This bill incorporates HB 1037.

Bill Patron: Charniele L. Herring

24102759D (1/9/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Monitor

See also SB 503 (Surovell).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Communications, Technology and Innovation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned CT & I sub: Technology and Innovation
1/31/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 1-N)
2/5/2024	House: Incorporates HB1037 (Bloxom)
	House: Reported from Communications, Technology and Innovation with substitute (14- Y 6-N)
2/8/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106751D-H1
2/9/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (66-Y 27-N)
2/12/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 888 - Civil commitments & temporary detention orders; def. of mental illness neurocognitive disorders.

Civil commitments and temporary detention orders; definition of mental illness; neurocognitive disorders and neurodevelopmental disabilities; Secretary of Health and Human Resources to evaluate placements for certain individuals; report. Specifies that for the purpose of civil commitments and temporary detention orders, behaviors and symptoms that manifest from a neurocognitive disorder or neurodevelopmental disability are excluded from the definition of mental illness and are, therefore, not a basis for placing an individual under a temporary detention order or committing an individual involuntarily to an inpatient psychiatric hospital. The bill provides that if a state facility has reason to believe that an individual's behaviors or symptoms are solely a manifestation of a neurocognitive disorder or neurodevelopmental disability, the state facility may require that a licensed psychiatrist or other licensed mental health professional reevaluate the individual's eligibility for a temporary detention order before the individual is admitted and shall promptly authorize the release of an individual held under a temporary detention order if the licensed psychiatrist or other licensed mental health professional determines the individual's behaviors or symptoms are solely a manifestation of a neurocognitive disorder or neurodevelopmental disability. The foregoing provisions of the bill do not become effective unless reenacted by the 2025 Session of the General Assembly. The bill also directs the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to convene a work group to evaluate, identify, and develop placements for individuals with neurocognitive disorders and neurodevelopmental disabilities, as well as any statutory or funding changes needed to prevent inappropriate placements for such individuals, and to report his findings and recommendations by November 1, 2024. This bill is a recommendation of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission and the Behavioral Health Commission.

Bill Patron: Vivian E. Watts

24106312D-H1 (1/26/2024)

House: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Monitor

See also SB 176 (Favola).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Rules
1/26/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
	House: Reported from Rules with substitute (17-Y 0-N)
2/1/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services (22-Y 0-N)
	House: Reported from Health and Human Services with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
2/7/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106312D-H1
2/8/2024	House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules

HB 925 - Towing; vehicles with expired registration, civil penalty.

Towing; vehicles with expired registration; civil penalty. Requires a towing operator ;for a parking lot of a multifamily dwelling unit, defined in the bill, to post written notice on a vehicle providing at least 48 hours' notice to a resident prior to removing a resident's vehicle, defined in the bill, from such parking lot of the multifamily dwelling unit for an expired registration or expired vehicle inspection sticker and to provide a copy of such notice to the landlord of such multifamily dwelling unit to transmit to the resident. The bill provides that a towing and recover operator or landlord who fails to comply with these requirements shall be required to reimburse the resident for the cost of the tow and provides that the towing operator shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$100.

Bill Patron: Irene Shin24105001D (1/9/2024)House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)
2/6/2024	House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/9/2024	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24106829D-H1
2/12/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (51-Y 49-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 1496 - Surveillance Technology; reporting by localities, report.

Surveillance technology reporting by localities; report. Requires localities to provide to the Department of Criminal Justice Services (the Department) a list of surveillance technologies, defined in the bill, used by law-enforcement agencies of the locality and requires the Department to provide such information to the Joint Commission on Technology and Science (the Commission). The bill requires the Commission to conduct a study, in consultation with a representative from the Virginia State Crime Commission, on the use of each such surveillance technology and the implications of its use, susceptibility to misuse or cyberattack, and cost.

Bill Patron: Sam Rasoul 24107026D-H1 (2/5/2024) House: Committee substitute printed County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/19/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Communications, Technology and Innovation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned CT & I sub: Communications
2/5/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Communications, Technology and Innovation with substitute (17- Y 5-N)
2/9/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations with substitute (12-Y 8-N)
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 0-N)
2/12/2024	House: Committee on Appropriations substitute agreed to 24107305D-H2
	House: Committee on Communications, Technology and Innovation substitute rejected 24107026D-H1
2/13/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (82-Y 17-N)
2/14/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
2/21/2024	Senate: Rereferred from General Laws and Technology (9-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Courts of Justice

HJ 67 - Fair school funding reform; joint committee of various House and Senate committees to study.

Study; joint committee of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education and Health to study fair school funding reform; report. Establishes a joint committee consisting of five members of the House Committee on Education and three members of the Senate Committee on Education and Health to study fair school funding reform by, among other things, utilizing the recommendations from the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission in its July 2023 report, "Virginia's K-12 Funding Formula," and any stakeholder input and feedback received by the joint committee to produce and submit to the Division of Legislative Automated Services by the first day of the 2025 Regular Session of the General Assembly, an executive summary of its findings and recommendations.

Bill Patron: Shelly A. Simonds 24107115D-H1 (2/7/2024) House: Committee substitute printed County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Rules
1/25/2024	House: Assigned Rules sub: Studies Subcommittee
1/29/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 0-N)
2/1/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Rules (18-Y 0-N)
2/5/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)
2/7/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
2/12/2024	House: Agreed to by House BLOCK VOTE (97-Y 0-N)
	House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107115D-H1
2/13/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules

SB 34 - Temporary detention; certified evaluators, report.

Temporary detention; certified evaluators; report. Authorizes hospitals with a psychiatric emergency department located in Senate District 23 to employ certain trained individuals to perform evaluations to determine whether a person meets the criteria for temporary detention for behavioral health treatment. The bill requires participating hospitals with psychiatric emergency departments in Senate District 23 to annually report the length of time between when a person who is the subject of an emergency custody order arrives at the psychiatric emergency department of a participating hospital and when the temporary detention order evaluation is completed and (ii) the number of (a) admissions, (b) psychiatric emergency department visits, (c) temporary detention order evaluations completed, (d) temporary detention orders executed, (e) individuals under temporary detention admitted to the participating hospital, and (f) individuals transferred from the psychiatric emergency department of the participating hospital to a state facility to the Senate Committee on Education and Health, the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions, and the Behavioral Health Commission. The bill requires participating hospitals with psychiatric emergency departments in Senate District 23 to report monthly to the Commissioner of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services the number of (i) crisis evaluations conducted each month; (ii) temporary detention orders executed as a result of such evaluations and the percentage of evaluations such temporary detention orders represent; (iii) reportable events associated with such temporary detention orders and the percentage of temporary detention orders that such reportable events represent; (iv) certain reportable events; and (v) other events. The bill requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to submit by October 1, 2026, to the Senate Committee on Education and Health and the House Committee on Health and Human Services an evaluation of the overall effectiveness of certified evaluators conducting temporary detention order pursuant to the bill. The bill has an expiration date of July 1, 2026.

Bill Patron: Mamie E. Locke

24106740D-S1 (2/1/2024)

Senate: Committee substitute printed County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/16/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/26/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health
2/1/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with amendments (15-Y 0-N)
2/12/2024	Senate: Committee amendments agreed to
	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106740D-S1
	Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendments SB34ES1
	Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Reading of amendments waived
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/16/2024	House: Referred from Courts of Justice by voice vote
	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SB 66 - Towing without consent of vehicle owner; prohibited acts by towing and recovery operator.

Towing without consent of vehicle owner; fee. Prohibits towing and recovery operators from requiring an individual who appears to retrieve a vehicle towed to provide to the towing and recovery operator, in addition to payment of fees, any document not otherwise required by law before releasing the vehicle to the individual.

Bill Patron: Mark J. Peake24100895D (12/28/2023)Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
12/28/2023	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
2/1/2024	Senate: Reported from Transportation with substitute (14-Y 0-N 1-A)
2/6/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24106930D-S1
2/7/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
2/20/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

SB 105 - Elementary and secondary education achievement; At-Risk Program established.

Public school staffing and funding; National Teacher Certification Incentive Reward Program and Fund; eligibility; atrisk program. Renames the National Teacher Certification Incentive Reward Program and Fund as the National Board Certification Incentive Reward Program and Fund, expands eligibility for incentive grant awards from such Fund pursuant to such Program from solely teachers who have obtained national certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards to (i) all public school staff who are candidates for initial national certification or maintenance of national certification to cover certain costs of obtaining or maintaining such certification and (ii) all public school staff who have successfully obtained or maintained such certification. The bill also declares as eligible for an annual incentive grant award in the amount of \$7,500 all public school staff who have obtained or maintained such certification. Current law declares as eligible for an annual incentive grant award of \$5,000 in the first year and \$2,500 in each subsequent year all teachers who have obtained or maintained such certification. The bill also establishes the At-Risk Program for the purpose of supporting programs and services for students who are educationally at risk, including prevention, intervention, or remediation activities required pursuant to relevant law, teacher recruitment programs and initiatives, programs for English language learners, the hiring of additional school counselors and other support staff, and other programs relating to increasing the success of disadvantaged students in completing a high school degree and providing opportunities to encourage further education and training. The bill also contains provisions relating to certain funding requirements for the At-Risk Program. Finally, the bill directs the Department of Education to (a) develop and implement a data collection process related to English language learner expenditures and student English proficiency levels to begin to address the recommendations of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission's 2023 review of Virginia's K-12 Funding Formula and (b) develop, in coordination with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services or any other relevant stakeholders, a plan for revised special education staffing requirements that addresses the staffing needs of each special education program in each school division. The bill provides for the inclusion of the provisions of the first enactment in the general appropriation act beginning July 1, 2026. This bill incorporates SB 127, SB 128, SB 187, SB 227, SB 228, and SB 609.

Bill Patron: L. Louise Lucas 24103015D (1/3/2024) Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/3/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/11/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health (15-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/8/2024	Senate: Incorporates SB127 (VanValkenburg)
	Senate: Incorporates SB128 (VanValkenburg)
	Senate: Incorporates SB187 (Subramanyan)
	Senate: Incorporates SB227 (Hashmi)
	Senate: Incorporates SB228 (Hashmi)
	Senate: Incorporates SB609 (Aird)
	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
2/12/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107564D-S1
	Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/15/2024	House: Assigned Education sub: K-12 Subcommittee
	House: Referred to Committee on Education
2/20/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 1-N)
2/21/2024	House: Reported from Education with substitute (22-Y 0-N)

SB 176 - Civil commitments & temporary detention orders; def. of mental illness neurocognitive disorders.

Civil commitments and temporary detention orders; definition of mental illness neurocognitive disorders and neurodevelopmental disabilities; Secretary of Health and Human Resources to evaluate placements for certain individuals; workgroup; report. Specifies that for the purpose of civil commitments and temporary detention orders, behaviors and symptoms that manifest from a neurocognitive disorder or neurodevelopmental disability are excluded from the definition of mental illness and are, therefore, not a basis for placing an individual under a temporary detention order or committing an individual involuntarily to an inpatient psychiatric hospital. The bill provides that if a state facility has reason to believe that an individual's behaviors or symptoms are solely a manifestation of a neurocognitive disorder or neurodevelopmental disability, the state facility may require that a licensed psychiatrist or other licensed mental health professional reevaluate the individual's eligibility for a temporary detention order before the individual is admitted. Under the bill, if the licensed psychiatrist or other licensed mental health professional determines the individual's behaviors or symptoms are solely a manifestation of a neurocognitive disorder or neurodevelopmental disorder, the state facility shall promptly authorize the release of the person held under a temporary detention order and the local community services board shall provide a discharge plan. The foregoing provisions of the bill do not become effective unless reenacted by the 2025 Session of the General Assembly. The bill also directs the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to convene a workgroup to evaluate, identify, and develop placements for individuals with neurocognitive disorders and neurodevelopmental disabilities, specify any statutory or funding changes needed to prevent inappropriate placements for such individuals, as well as provide recommendations for training of magistrates and community

services boards related to the implementation of the bill, and to report the findings and recommendations by November 1, 2024. This bill is a recommendation of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission and the Behavioral Health Commission.

Bill Patron: Barbara A. Favola	
24103977D (1/8/2024)	
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24	
County Position: Monitor	
See also HB 888 (W	Vatts).
Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services
1/19/2024	Senate: Rereferred from Rehabilitation and Social Services (10-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Education and Health
2/5/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/12/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24105404D-S1
	Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/16/2024	House: Referred from Courts of Justice by voice vote
	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SB 179 - State hospitals; discharge planning.

State hospitals; discharge planning; report. Provides that (i) when an individual is to be discharged from Central State Hospital, Southwestern Virginia Mental Health Institute, or Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute in 30 days or less after admission, the appropriate community services board shall implement the discharge plan developed by the state facility and (ii) when an individual is to be discharged from any other state facility in 30 days or less after admission, or from a state hospital more than 30 days after admission, the appropriate community services board or behavioral health authority shall be responsible for the individual's discharge planning. Under current law, community services boards and behavioral health authorities provide discharge planning for all individuals discharged from state hospitals, regardless of the duration of their stay. The bill requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to make certain annual reports by August 1 to the Governor and the General Assembly and to provide the General Assembly with a one-time evaluation of the impacts of the changes to discharge planning implemented by the bill by November 1, 2025. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Barbara A. Favola

24105720D-S1 (1/25/2024)

Senate: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Monitor

See also HB 314 (Hope).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/18/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health
1/25/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/6/2024	Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N)
2/8/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24105720D-S1
	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/14/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
2/20/2024	House: Reported from Health and Human Services (22-Y 0-N)

SB 502 - Juvenile & domestic relations district ct.; parent filing petition for protective order against minor.

Petitions in juvenile and domestic relations district court; parents; minors. Prohibits the parent of a minor from filing a petition for a family abuse protective order against such minor, provided that the minor has not otherwise been emancipated pursuant to law. The bill also authorizes the parent, guardian, or other person standing in loco parentis of a minor to file a petition for a child in need of services or in need of supervision with the clerk of the juvenile and domestic relations district court if an intake officer refuses to file such petition. Under current law, the decision by an intake officer to file such petition is final.

Bill Patron: Scott A. Surovell 24100778D (1/9/2024) Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/12/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (5-Y 4-N)
2/13/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107537D-S1
	Senate: Passed Senate (25-Y 15-N)
2/16/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/21/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)

SB 544 - Short-term rental property; locality's ability to prohibit use of accessory dwelling unit.

Short-term rental property; special exceptions. Prohibits a locality from barring the use of or requiring that a special exception, special use, or conditional use permit be obtained for the use of a residential dwelling as a short-term rental where the dwelling unit is also legally occupied by the property owner as his primary residence

Bill Patron: Lamont Bagby 24105415D-S1 (2/5/2024) Senate: Committee substitute printed County Position: Monitor Oppose (24104353D)

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
2/5/2024	Senate: Reported from Local Government with substitute (11-Y 4-N)
2/7/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24105415D-S1
2/9/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (25-Y 15-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

SB 575 - Discharge plans; copies to public elementary and secondary schools.

Discharge plans; copies to public elementary and secondary schools. Provides that, prior to the discharge of any minor admitted to inpatient treatment (i) who is a student at a public elementary or secondary school and (ii) for whom the facility deems (a) such discharge poses a threat of violence or physical harm to self and others or (b) additional educational services are needed, such facility is required to provide to the school's mental health professional or school counselor the portions of such discharge plan relevant to the threat of violence or harm or the necessary additional educational services. The bill requires such facility to, prior to providing any such portions of any minor's discharge plan, provide to the parent of such minor student reasonable notice of the types of information that would be included in any portions of the discharge plan being provided and of the parent's right to, upon written request, refuse the provision of any such information.

Bill Patron: Mark D. Obenshain

24100254D (1/10/2024)	
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24	
County Position: Monitor	
See also HB 1017 (Wilt).	
Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
1/18/2024	Senate: Assigned Education and Health Sub: Health
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107376D-S1
	Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Education

SB 697 - Solar and energy facilities; local regulation.

Prohibits a locality from including in an ordinance (i) limits on the total amount, density, or size of any groundmounted solar facility or energy storage facility until such time that the total area under panels within the locality exceeds four percent of the total area within the locality or (ii) any prohibitions on the use of solar panels that comply with generally accepted national environmental protection and product safety standards, provided that such installation is in compliance with any provisions of a local ordinance that establishes criteria and requirements for siting.

Bill Patron: Schuyler T. VanValkenburg 24107025D-S1 (2/8/2024) Senate: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/19/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Local Government with substitute (9-Y 6-N)
2/9/2024	Senate: Amendments by Senator VanValkenburg agreed to
	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107025D-S1
	Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendments SB697ES1
	Senate: Reading of amendments waived
2/12/2024	Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 18-N)
2/15/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

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HB 20 - Photo speed monitoring devices; location.

Photo speed monitoring devices; location. Authorizes the governing body of any county, city, or town to provide by ordinance for the placement and operation of photo speed monitoring devices in any location deemed necessary by the locality for the purposes of recording violations resulting from the operation of a vehicle in excess of the speed limit. The bill provides the same requirements for such devices, information collected from such devices, and any enforcement actions resulting from information collected from such devices as current law applies to the use of such devices in school crossing zones and highway work zones. The bill requires that two signs, rather than one, be placed warning of such device if the device is placed somewhere other than a school crossing zone or highway work zone.

Bill Patron: Michael J. Jones24101210D (12/13/2023)House: Prefiled and Ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: SportPortSupport efforts to Speed camera programs.Date of ActionAction Notes12/13/2023House: Referred to Committee on Transportation1/18/2024House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)2/2/2024House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2025 by voice vote2/6/2024House: Continued to 2025 in Transportation by voice vote

HB 270 - Commonwealth Comprehensive Gun Safety Program; established, etc.

Sale, transfer, etc., of certain firearms and firearm magazines; Virginia Firearm Buy-Back Program and Fund established; penalties. Provides that, unless otherwise prohibited by law, any person may import, sell, transfer, manufacture, or purchase an authorized rifle, defined in the bill, in accordance with the relevant provisions of law. The bill makes it a Class 6 felony for any person to import, sell, transfer, manufacture, or purchase a restricted rifle or large-capacity firearm magazine, both defined in the bill, with certain exceptions. The bill also provides that a person is civilly liable for injuries to person or property or wrongful death of another caused by a third party if it can be shown that the civil defendant sold or transferred a restricted rifle or large-capacity firearm magazine in violation of the provisions of the bill to the person who committed the crime resulting in such injury or death.

Bill Patron: David A. Reid
24100015D (1/5/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/5/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/16/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
2/1/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 2-N)
2/2/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Public Safety with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/7/2024	House: Continued to 2025 in Appropriations by voice vote
	House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2025 by voice vote

HB 774 - Alcohol safety action program; local administrative fee.

Provides that any county, city, or town, or any combination thereof, that has established and operates an alcohol safety action program and supplements fees collected for the program pursuant to general law by more than 33 percent annually in order to fully fund the program may charge a local administrative fee of no more than \$100 to each person entering such program.

Bill Patron: Charniele L. Herring
24102760D (1/9/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
1/19/2024	House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal
1/22/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 2-N)
1/26/2024	House: Reported from Courts of Justice (11-Y 10-N)
2/1/2024	House: Read third time and passed House (62-Y 37-N)
2/2/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/14/2024	Senate: Continued to 2025 in Courts of Justice (8-Y 7-N)

HB 900 - Zoning; developmental and use of accessory dwelling units.

Zoning; development and use of accessory dwelling units. Requires a locality to include in its zoning ordinances for single-family residential zoning districts accessory dwelling units, or ADUs, as defined in the bill, as a permitted accessory use. The bill requires a person to seek a permit for an ADU from the locality, requires the locality to issue such permit if the person meets certain requirements enumerated in the bill, and restricts the fee for such permit to

\$100 or less. The bill prohibits the locality from requiring (i) dedicated parking for the ADU; (ii) lot sizes or setbacks for the ADU greater than that of the primary dwelling; (iii) consanguinity or affinity between the occupants of the ADU and the primary dwelling; and (iv) redundant water, sewer, or septic capacity for the ADU. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2025.

Bill Patron: Kannan Srinivasan
24100886D (1/9/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Oppose

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/23/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2
2/1/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2025 with substitute by voice vote
2/2/2024	House: Continued to 2025 with substitute in Counties, Cities and Towns by voice vote

HB 920 - License plate readers; penalties.

Provides requirements for the use of license plate readers, defined in the bill, by law-enforcement agencies. The bill requires such agencies to enter into an agreement with the license plate reader owner or other responsible non-law-enforcement entity to operate a data trust, defined in the bill, to store the data collected by a license plate reader and requires any such law-enforcement agency to apply to the data trust for access to such data. The bill limits the use of license plate readers to scanning, detecting, and identifying license plate numbers for the purpose of identifying vehicles involved in certain crimes.

 Bill Patron: Irene Shin

 24101949D (1/9/2024)

 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

 County Position: Monitor

 See also SB 539 (Bagby).

 Date of Action
 Action Notes

 1/0/2024

1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/19/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Public Safety
2/8/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2025 with substitute by voice vote
2/9/2024	House: Continued to 2025 with substitute in Public Safety by voice vote

SB 305 - Gas-powered leaf blowers; local prohibition or regulation, civil penalty.

Local prohibition or regulation of gas-powered leaf blowers; civil penalty. Provides that any locality may by ordinance prohibit or regulate the use of gas-powered leaf blowers. The bill provides that the ordinance may include provisions for a civil penalty and that the funds from such civil penalties may be used by the locality to assist with the purchase of nonprohibited leaf blowers by residents and local businesses.

Bill Patron: Saddam Azlan Salim		
24102210D (1/9/2024)		
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24		
County Position: Support		
See also HB 644 (Sullivan).		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government	
2/5/2024	Senate: Continued to 2025 in Local Government (11-Y 4-N)	

SB 346 - Net energy metering; solar interconnection, cost recovery.

Net energy metering; solar interconnection; cost recovery. Provides that an electric distribution company shall pay \$1 per kilowatt per day for the costs of lost electricity production for any and all delays beyond the regulatory notice period required by State Corporation Commission related to net energy metering. The bill requires that, for the purposes of net energy metering, an eligible customer-generator shall bear all reasonable costs of equipment required at the eligible customer-generator's side of the meter for the interconnection to the supplier's electric distribution system, including reasonable and prudent costs of additional controls, tests, or liability insurance. Additionally, the bill allows for cost recovery by Phase I and Phase II Utilities for electric distribution grid transformation projects that support the interconnection of generating facilities using energy derived from sunlight that are owned or contracted by eligible customer-generators, subject to the Commission finding those costs to be reasonable and prudent in accordance with existing law.

Bill Patron: Suhas Subramanyam		
24104922D (1/9/2024)		
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24		
County Position: Support		
See also HB 117 (Sullivan).		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor	
2/9/2024	Senate: Continued to 2025 in Commerce and Labor (14-Y 1-N)	

SB 617 - Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; budget, operating assistance.

Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund; Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; budget; operating assistance. Provides that payments and obligations arising from or related to any contract pertaining to employee compensation and work conditions under the normal operation of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) may be included in the calculation of a WMATA budget increase for purposes of the cap of such budget increase. Current law provides that any payment or obligation of any kind arising from or related to legal disputes or proceedings between or among WMATA and any other person or entity shall not be used in calculating a WMATA budget increase.

Bill Patron: Mark D.	Obenshain	
24105088D (1/10/2024)		
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24		
County Position: Oppose		
See also HB 1201 (Obenshain, C.).		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation	
2/1/2024	Senate: Continued to 2025 in Transportation (15-Y 0-N)	

SB 675 - Casino gaming; eligible host localities.

Adds Fairfax County to the list of localities eligible to host a casino in the Commonwealth and provides that any proposed site for a casino gaming establishment considered by Fairfax County shall be (i) located within oneguarter of a mile of an existing station on the Metro Silver Line, (ii) part of a coordinated mixed-use project development, (iii) outside of the Dulles airport flight path, (iv) within two miles of a major shopping destination containing not less than 1.5 million square feet of gross building area, and (v) outside of the Interstate 495 Beltway. The bill also requires an eligible host locality in selecting a preferred casino gaming operator to consider and give substantial weight to the proposer's history of or commitment to (a) paying or contracting for the payment of prevailing wages to those individuals providing construction labor during the initial construction of the casino gaming establishment and any hospitality facilities on the premises, and (b) entering into labor peace agreements with labor organizations that are actively engaged in representing or seeking to represent employees in the gaming or hospitality industries in the Commonwealth. The bill also requires an eligible host locality to provide with its submission of its preferred casino gaming operator to the Virginia Lottery an executed agreement with its preferred casino gaming operator certifying that such casino gaming operator and any subcontractor or sublessee responsible for the performance of casino gaming or hospitality operations at the proposed casino gaming establishment will enter into a labor peace agreement with each labor organization actively engaged in representing or seeking to represent employees in the gaming or hospitality industries in the Commonwealth that requests such labor peace agreement, and evidence of all such signed labor peace agreements.

Bill Patron: David W. Marsden

24104966D (1/17/2024)

Senate: Presented and ordered printed

County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/17/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
1/18/2024	Senate: Assigned GL&T sub: Gaming
1/24/2024	Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology with substitute (10-Y 4-N 1-A)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/6/2024	Senate: Continued to 2025 in Finance and Appropriations (13-Y 2-N)

Failed Legislation

HB 43 - Polling place; assistance for certain voters, expands definition of disability.

Assistance for certain voters outside of the polling place; definition of disability. Expands the definition of disability for purposes of providing assistance outside of a polling place to voters with disabilities to include any permanent or temporary disability. Under current law, the disability is limited to a permanent or temporary physical disability.

Bill Patron: Joshua E. Thomas24101099D (12/21/2023)House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Suported.Board has historically supported.Date of ActionAction Notes12/21/2023House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections1/26/2024House: Assigned P & E sub: Election Administration1/29/2024House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB441-Bennett-Parker) by voice vote2/2/2024House: Incorporated by Privileges and Elections (HB441-Bennett-Parker) by voice vote

HB 117 - Net energy metering; solar interconnection, cost recovery.

Net energy metering; solar interconnection; cost recovery. Provides that an electric distribution company shall pay 33 cents (\$0.33) per kilowatt-hour per day for the costs of lost electricity production for any and all delays beyond the regulatory notice period required by State Corporation Commission related to net energy metering. The bill requires that, for the purposes of net energy metering, an eligible customer-generator shall bear all reasonable costs of equipment required at the eligible customer-generator's premises for the interconnection to the supplier's electric distribution system, including commercially reasonable costs of additional controls, tests, or liability insurance. Additionally, the bill allows for cost recovery by Phase I and Phase II Utilities for electric distribution grid transformation projects that support the interconnection of generating facilities using energy derived from sunlight that are owned or contracted by eligible customer-generators, subject to the Commission finding those costs to be reasonable and prudent in accordance with existing law.

Bill Patron: Richard C. "Rip" Sullivan, Jr.

24101754D (1/1/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also SB 346 (Subramanyam).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/1/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce
1/16/2024	House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #3
2/6/2024	House: Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (5-Y 5-N)
2/13/2024	House: Left in Labor and Commerce

HB 177 - Federal Early Intervention Program for Infants & Toddlers w/Disabilities; reimbursement rates.

Department of Medical Assistance Services; reimbursement rates for Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities; work group; report. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services to convene a work group of relevant stakeholders to assess and make recommendations related to reimbursement rates for the federal Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities. The bill requires the work group to report its recommendations to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Education and Health by November 1, 2024.

Bill Patron: Debra D. Gardner 24101244D (1/3/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/3/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/16/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Health and Human Services (22-Y 0-N)
1/17/2024	House: Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (8-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Left in Appropriations

HB 229 - Legal notices; locality to advertise on their website.

Advertisement of legal notices; website. Allows a locality to advertise legal notices on the locality's website instead of, or in addition to, publishing such notices in a newspaper having general circulation in the locality.

Bill Patron: Ellen H. Campbell

24102922D (1/4/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/4/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/18/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #3
2/8/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends striking from docket (7-Y 0-N)
2/9/2024	House: Stricken from docket by Counties, Cities and Towns (21-Y 0-N)

HB 245 - PFAS; facilities that have engaged in manufacture, etc., to produce report on use of chemicals.

Reports relating to PFAS; Department of Environmental Quality; one-time report. Requires all facilities that have engaged since January 1, 2021, in the manufacture of or knowing use in the production process of one or more chemicals listed as PFAS target analytes to produce a one-time report on the use of such chemicals. The report shall be limited to facilities that discharge to (i) a surface water under a Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit issued by the Department of Environmental Quality (the Department) or (ii) a publicly owned treatment works under an industrial pretreatment program permit or other written authorization issued by a local permit control authority. The report shall be submitted to the Department and, if such facility discharges to a publicly owned treatment works, also to the local permit control authority no later than October 1, 2024. The bill also requires certain facilities to perform a limited PFAS discharge characterization during the one-year period from October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025, for each waterway discharge outfall consisting of representative quarterly monitoring using the applicable laboratory test method, as specified in the bill. Such facilities shall report results to the Department and, if the facility discharges to a publicly owned treatment works, also to the local permit control authority, within 30 days after the end of each quarter. This bill was incorporated into HB 1085.

Bill Patron: David L. Bulova 24101337D (1/4/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/4/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
1/15/2024	House: Assigned ACNR sub: Chesapeake
1/29/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1085-Rasoul) by voice vote
1/31/2024	House: Incorporated by Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources (HB1085- Rasoul) by voice vote

HB 377 - Zoning; traffic impact statements.

Prohibits a locality from requiring a local traffic impact statement as a condition for approval of a rezoning application that involves a multifamily residential use of fewer than 50 residential units.

Bill Patron: David Owen24103317D (1/7/2024)House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Oppose

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/7/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
1/23/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2
2/1/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 3-N)
2/13/2024	House: Left in Counties, Cities and Towns

HB 389 - Concealed handgun; carrying without a permit.

Carrying a concealed handgun; permit not required. Allows any person who is otherwise eligible to obtain a concealed handgun permit to carry a concealed handgun without a permit anywhere he may lawfully carry a handgun openly within the Commonwealth.

Bill Patron: Timothy P. Griffin
24103283D (1/8/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Oppose

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/13/2024	House: Left in Public Safety

HB 421 - Commonwealth Trespass Towing Rate-Setting Advisory Panel; established.

Towing fees; Commonwealth Trespass Towing Rate-Setting Advisory Panel established. Creates the Commonwealth Trespass Towing Rate-Setting Advisory Panel to advise the General Assembly and the Governor on statewide trespass towing fees and related ancillary fees. The bill increases from \$150 to \$190 the maximum statewide hookup and initial towing fee of any passenger car, from \$30 to \$65 the maximum ancillary fee for towing a vehicle between

7:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., and from \$30 to \$35 the maximum ancillary fee for towing a vehicle on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday. The bill clarifies that such limitations on fees do not include any reasonable credit card fees. The bill requires localities to set their own towing rates to at least the amounts of the maximum statewide rates and removes requirements specific to Planning Districts 8 and 16 regarding localities setting their own towing rates.

Bill Patron: Delores L. McQuinn
24101500D (1/8/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Monitor

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/26/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends striking from docket (8-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Left in Transportation

HB 458 - Sales and use tax, local; additional tax authorized in all counties & cities to support schools.

Additional local sales and use tax to support schools; referendum. Authorizes all counties and cities to impose an additional local sales and use tax at a rate not to exceed one percent with the revenue used only for capital projects for the construction or renovation of schools if such levy is approved in a voter referendum. Under current law, only Charlotte, Gloucester, Halifax, Henry, Mecklenburg, Northampton, Patrick, and Pittsylvania Counties and the City of Danville are authorized to impose such a tax.

Bill Patron: Katrina Callsen		
24102900D (1/8/2024)		
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24		
County Position: Support		
Board has historically supported. See also HB 600 (Kilgore) and SB 14 (McPike).		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/8/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Finance	
2/2/2024	House: Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3	
2/5/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB805-Rasoul) by voice vote	
2/13/2024	House: Left in Finance	

HB 533 - Photo speed monitoring devices; local gov't to provide by ordinance for placement and operation.

Photo speed monitoring devices; location. Authorizes the governing body of any county, city, or town to provide by ordinance for the placement and operation of photo speed monitoring devices on any highway in such locality with a speed limit of 45 miles per hour or less that is located in a priority pedestrian corridor as identified by the Department of Transportation in the statewide Pedestrian Safety Action Plan or other high-risk pedestrian corridor as designated by the Commissioner of Highways for the purposes of recording violations resulting from the operation of a vehicle in excess of the speed limit. The bill provides the same requirements for such devices, information collected from such devices, and any enforcement actions resulting from information collected from such devices, and envices in school crossing zones and highway work zones. The bill requires that two signs, rather than one, be placed warning of such device if the device is placed somewhere other than a school crossing zone or highway work zone.

Bill Patron: Holly M. Seibold

24100852D (1/8/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Amend

Amend to address operational and funding issues.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/8/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/18/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB20-Jones) by voice vote
2/6/2024	House: Incorporated by Transportation (HB20-Jones) by voice vote

HB 600 - Sales and use tax, local; additional tax authorized in all counties & cities to support schools.

Additional local sales and use tax to support schools; referendum. Authorizes all counties and cities to impose an additional local sales and use tax at a rate not to exceed one percent with the revenue used only for capital projects for the construction or renovation of schools if such levy is approved in a voter referendum. Under current law, only Charlotte, Gloucester, Halifax, Henry, Mecklenburg, Northampton, Patrick, and Pittsylvania Counties and the City of Danville are authorized to impose such a tax.

Bill Patron: Terry G. Kilgore
24103515D (1/9/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
Board has historically supported. See also HB 458 (Callsen) and SB 14 (McPike).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Finance
2/2/2024	House: Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3
2/5/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB805-Rasoul) by voice vote
2/13/2024	House: Left in Finance

HB 644 - Gas-powered leaf blowers; local prohibition or regulation, civil penalty.

Local prohibition or regulation of gas-powered leaf blowers; civil penalty. Provides that any locality may by ordinance prohibit or regulate the use of gas-powered leaf blowers. The ordinance may include provisions for a civil penalty.

Bill Patron: Richard C. "Rip" Sullivan, Jr.		
24101764D (1/9/2024)		
House: Prefiled and	House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24	
County Position: Su	pport	
See also SB 305 (Sa	lim).	
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns	
1/23/2024	House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #1	
1/26/2024	House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (11-Y 9-N)	
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)	
2/1/2024	House: Passed by for the day	
2/2/2024	House: Motion to rerefer to committee agreed to	
	House: Rereferred to Counties, Cities and Towns	
2/13/2024	House: Left in Counties, Cities and Towns	
2/13/2024		

HB 695 - Short-term rentals; Department of Taxation to establish a registry, civil penalty.

Short-term rentals; registration; civil penalty. Directs the Department of Taxation to establish a registry of short-term rental properties and require accommodations providers and intermediaries to register. Under the bill, an accommodations provider shall provide to the Department its name and the address of each property it offers for short-term rental. The bill states that the Department shall issue each such accommodations provider a unique numerical identifier for each such property. Furthermore, an accommodations intermediary shall provide the Department with its name and the contact information for the individual responsible for liaising with state and local officials regarding noncompliant short-term rental listings. The bill states that as a condition of listing a short-term rental on its platform, an accommodations intermediary shall require each accommodations provider to provide such provider's name and the unique numerical identifier and specific address for each short term-rental

offered. Under the bill, such information, as well as information regarding receipts and taxes paid, shall be provided to the Department by the accommodations intermediary on a quarterly basis.

Bill Patron: R. Lee Ware 24107319D-H1 (2/7/2024) House: Committee substitute printed **County Position: Support**

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Finance
2/2/2024	House: Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #2
2/6/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N)
2/7/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Finance with substitute (19-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Left in Appropriations

HB 791 - Pneumatic guns; Class 6 felony to possess.

Pneumatic guns; penalties. Makes it a Class 6 felony to possess a pneumatic gun upon (i) the property of any child day center or public, private, or religious preschool or elementary, middle, or high school, including buildings and grounds; (ii) that portion of any property open to the public and then exclusively used for school-sponsored functions or extracurricular activities while such functions or activities are taking place; or (iii) any school bus owned or operated by any such school.

Bill Patron: Rozia A. Henson, Jr.
24104704D (1/9/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Support
Board has historically supported.

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
1/19/2024	House: Assigned PS sub: Firearms
1/25/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (7-Y 4-N)
1/26/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Public Safety with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
1/31/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)
2/2/2024	House: Reported from Appropriations with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/7/2024	House: Motion to rerefer to committee agreed to
	House: Rereferred to Public Safety
2/13/2024	House: Left in Public Safety

HB 883 - Vehicle exhaust systems; operation in certain locations.

Expands the locations for which operation of a motor vehicle, moped, or motorized skateboard or foot-scooter that does not comply with requirements for mufflers and a vehicle that does not comply with the requirements for exhaust systems is prohibited to include any driveway or premises of a church, school, recreational facility, or business; any governmental property open to the public; any industrial establishment providing parking space for customers, patrons, or employees; and any highway under construction or not yet open to the public.

Bill Patron: Vivian E. Watts 24101206D (1/9/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/18/2024	House: Assigned Transportation sub: Highway Safety and Policy
1/24/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)
1/30/2024	House: Reported from Transportation (12-Y 10-N)
2/9/2024	House: Motion to refer to committee agreed to
	House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety
2/13/2024	House: Left in Public Safety

HB 905 - Photo speed monitoring devices; location.

Photo speed monitoring devices; location. Authorizes the governing body of any county, city, or town to provide by ordinance for the placement and operation of photo speed monitoring devices in any location deemed necessary by the locality for the purposes of recording violations resulting from the operation of a vehicle in excess of the speed limit. The bill provides the same requirements for such devices, information collected from such devices, and any enforcement actions resulting from information collected from such devices as current law applies to the use of such devices in school crossing zones and highway work zones. The bill requires that two signs, rather than one, be placed warning of such device if the device is placed somewhere other than a school crossing zone or highway work zone.

Bill Patron: Irene Shin24102336D (1/9/2024)House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Support efforts to printed; offered 01/10/24Support efforts to printed; offered 01/10/24Support efforts to printed; offered 01/10/24Date of ActionAction Notes1/9/2024House: Referred to Committee on Transportation1/18/2024House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)2/2/2024House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB20-Jones) by voice vote2/6/2024House: Incorporated by Transportation (HB20-Jones) by voice vote

HB 970 - Children; comprehensive health care coverage program.

Comprehensive children's health care coverage program. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services (the Department) to establish a program to provide state-funded comprehensive health care coverage for individuals in the Commonwealth who (i) are under 19 years of age, (ii) are not covered under a group health plan or health insurance coverage, and (iii) but for their immigration status would be eligible for medical assistance services through the Commonwealth's program of medical assistance services established pursuant to Title XIX or XXI of the Social Security Act. The bill also requires the Department to ensure that all program information is made available in a manner that is accessible to individuals with limited English proficiency and individuals with disabilities through the provision of language access services, including oral interpretation and written translations, free of charge and to ensure that information obtained by the program or any purpose related to civil immigration enforcement unless the subject of the information consents to such disclosure or the requesting agency presents a valid judicial order, subpoena, or warrant.

Bill Patron: Kathy K.L. Tran

24104867D (1/9/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

See also SB 231 (Hashmi).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/19/2024	House: Assigned sub: Social Services
1/25/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (6-Y 0-N)
1/30/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Health and Human Services with amendment(s) (22-Y 0-N)
2/2/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (7-Y 0-N)
2/13/2024	House: Left in Appropriations

HB 1001 - Collective bargaining by public employees; labor organization representation.

Collective bargaining by public employees; labor organization representation. Repeals the existing prohibition on collective bargaining by public employees. The bill creates the Public Employee Relations Board, which shall determine appropriate bargaining units and provide for certification and decertification elections for exclusive bargaining representatives of state employees and local government employees. The bill requires public employers and employee organizations that are exclusive bargaining representatives to meet at reasonable times to negotiate in good faith with respect to wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment. The bill repeals a provision that declares that, in any procedure providing for the designation, selection, or authorization of a labor organization to represent employees, the right of an individual employee to vote by secret ballot is a fundamental right that shall be guaranteed from infringement.

Bill Patron: Kathy K.L. Tran

24102581D (1/10/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Amend

Amend to exempt localities that have adopted collective bargaining ordinances. See also SB 374 (Boysko).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce
1/23/2024	House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #2
1/25/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N)
1/30/2024	House: Incorporates HB780 (Callsen)
	House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
	House: Reported from Labor and Commerce with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
2/13/2024	House: Left in Appropriations

HB 1017 - Minors admitted to inpatient treatment; discharge plans.

Discharge plans; copies to public elementary and secondary schools. Provides that prior to the discharge of any minor or individual who has been admitted to inpatient treatment and is a student at a public elementary or secondary school, a copy of such minor's or individual's discharge plan shall be provided to the division superintendent and the division safety official in the local school division in which such minor or individual attends such school.

Bill Patron: Tony O. Wilt 24100255D (1/10/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24 **County Position: Monitor** See also SB 575 (Obenshain, M.). Date of Action Action Notes 1/10/2024 House: Referred to Committee on Education 2/1/2024 House: Assigned Education sub: K-12 Subcommittee 2/6/2024 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 2-N) 2/7/2024 House: Reported from Education with substitute (12-Y 10-N) House: Committee substitute agreed to 24107354D-H1 2/12/2024 2/13/2024 House: Read third time and defeated by House (42-Y 55-N) House: VOTE: Defeated (42-Y 55-N)

HB 1032 - Photo speed monitoring device; establishes a default process for collection of civil penalties.

Photo speed monitoring device; civil penalty; default process. Establishes a default process for the collection of civil penalties from residents of the Commonwealth who fail to respond to a summons for a speed violation issued

based on evidence collected from a photo speed monitoring device. Current law requires personal service on such person who fails to respond.

Bill Patron: Robert S. Bloxom, Jr. 24103017D (1/10/2024) House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/30/2024	House: Referred from Transportation by voice vote
	House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
2/2/2024	House: Assigned Courts sub: Civil
2/13/2024	House: Left in Courts of Justice

HB 1037 - Law-enforcement purposes; installation, etc., of devices in highway right-of-way.

Installation, maintenance, and operation of devices in highway right-of-way for law-enforcement purposes; regulation authority; civil penalty. Authorizes the Department of State Police or the chief law-enforcement officer of a locality to install devices for law-enforcement purposes in the right-of-way of highways under state jurisdiction. The bill defines law-enforcement purposes as an active felony investigation, an effort to prevent a targeted act of violence, or an attempt to locate missing, endangered, or wanted persons by law enforcement through the identification of a motor vehicle and excludes from the definition the enforcement of speed limits, traffic laws, tolling requirements, or high-occupancy vehicle requirements. The bill authorizes entering into agreements with private entities for the maintenance and operation of such devices. The bill requires the data collected to be maintained for no more than 30 days following its collection and limits the data and information collected to data and information about (i) the make, model, condition, location, and color of a vehicle and the information on the vehicle's license plate and (ii) the date and time the data and information was collected. This bill was incorporated into HB 775.

Bill Patron: Robert S. Bloxom, Jr.
24103025D (1/10/2024)
House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24
County Position: Monitor

See also SB 206 (Diggs).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
1/30/2024	House: Assigned CT & I sub: Technology and Innovation
	House: Referred from Transportation by voice vote
	House: Referred to Committee on Communications, Technology and Innovation
1/31/2024	House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB775-Herring) by voice vote
2/5/2024	House: Incorporated by Communications, Technology and Innovation (HB775-Herring) by voice vote

HB 1201 - Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; budget, operating assistance.

Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund; Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; budget; operating assistance. Provides that payments and obligations arising from or related to any contract pertaining to employee compensation and work conditions under the normal operation of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) may be included in the calculation of a WMATA budget increase for purposes of the cap of such budget increase. Current law provides that any payment or obligation of any kind arising from or related to legal disputes or proceedings between or among WMATA and any other person or entity shall not be used in calculating a WMATA budget increase.

HB 1204 - Mobile food units; VDH to amend regulations and guidance documents.

Department of Health; mobile food units. Directs the Department of Health to amend its regulations and each local health department and health district to amend its regulations and guidance documents to allow a mobile food unit to conduct up to 20 percent of its sanitation and food preparation activities within a 50-foot radius of the mobile food unit.

Bill Patron: Phillip A. Scott

24100247D (1/10/2024)

House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Oppose

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	House: Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
1/23/2024	House: Assigned sub: Health
2/13/2024	House: Left in Health and Human Services

SB 41 - Jails, local; compensation for cost of incarceration as calculated in report.

Local jails; compensation for cost of incarceration. Requires the Department of Corrections to compensate local jails for the actual cost, based on the rate calculated in the Compensation Board's annual Jail Cost Report, of incarcerating felons who should otherwise be confined in a state correctional facility. Current law provides for local jails to be compensated at the rate set forth in the general appropriation act.

Bill Patron: Mark J. Peake24100912D (12/18/2023)Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24County Position: Supported printed; offered 01/10/24Board has historics: supported.Date of ActionAction Notes12/18/2023Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services1/19/2024Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services (15-Y 0-N)
Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations1/31/2024Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 5-N)

SB 206 - Law-enforcement purposes; installation, maintenance, & operation of devices in highway right-of-way.

Installation, maintenance, and operation of devices in highway right-of-way for law-enforcement purposes; regulation authority; civil penalty. Authorizes the Department of State Police or the chief law-enforcement officer of a locality to install devices for law-enforcement purposes in the right-of-way of highways under state jurisdiction. The bill defines law-enforcement purposes as an active felony investigation, an effort to prevent a targeted act of violence, or an attempt to locate missing, endangered, or wanted persons by law enforcement through the identification of a motor vehicle and excludes from the definition the enforcement of speed limits, traffic laws, tolling requirements, or high-occupancy vehicle requirements. The bill authorizes entering into agreements with private entities for the maintenance and operation of such devices. The bill requires the data collected to be

maintained for no more than 30 days following its collection and limits the data and information collected to data and information about (i) the make, model, condition, location, and color of a vehicle and the information on the vehicle's license plate and (ii) the date and time the data and information was collected.

Bill Patron: J.D. "Da	nny" Diggs	
24103098D (1/8/2024)		
Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24		
County Position: Monitor		
See also HB 1037 (Bloxom).		
Date of Action	Action Notes	
1/8/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation	
2/1/2024	Senate: Incorporated by Transportation (SB503-Surovell) (15-Y 0-N)	

SB 374 - Collective bargaining by public employees; labor organization representation.

Collective bargaining by public employees; labor organization representation. Repeals the existing prohibition on collective bargaining by public employees. The bill creates the Public Employee Relations Board, which shall determine appropriate bargaining units and provide for certification and decertification elections for exclusive bargaining representatives of state employees and local government employees. The bill requires public employers and employee organizations that are exclusive bargaining representatives to meet at reasonable times to negotiate in good faith with respect to wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment. The bill repeals a provision that declares that, in any procedure providing for the designation, selection, or authorization of a labor organization to represent employees, the right of an individual employee to vote by secret ballot is a fundamental right that shall be guaranteed from infringement.

Bill Patron: Jennifer B. Boysko

24105023D (1/9/2024)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Amend

Amend to exempt localities that have adopted collective bargaining ordinances. See also HB 1001 (Tran).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor
1/29/2024	Senate: Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (9-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
2/14/2024	Senate: Left in Finance and Appropriations

SB 503 - License plate reader systems; use by law-enforcement agencies, civil penalty.

License plate reader systems; civil penalty. Provides requirements for the use of license plate reader systems, defined in the bill, by law-enforcement agencies. The bill limits the use of such systems to scanning, detecting, and recording data about vehicles and license plate numbers for the purpose of identifying a vehicle that is (i) associated with a wanted, missing, or endangered person or human trafficking; (ii) stolen; (iii) involved in an active law-enforcement investigation; or (iv) in the vicinity of a recent crime and may be connected to that crime. The bill authorizes and requires the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a permitting process for installing and using such systems in state highway rights-of-way.

Bill Patron: Scott A. Surovell

24100926D (1/9/2024)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Monitor

See also HB 775 (Herring).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/9/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
2/1/2024	Senate: Incorporates SB (Diggs)
	Senate: Reported from Transportation with substitute (9-Y 6-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Courts of Justice
2/12/2024	Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (6-Y 4-N 2-A)
2/13/2024	Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 24107647D-S2
	Senate: Committee substitute rejected 24106928D-S1
	Senate: Defeated by Senate (19-Y 21-N)

SB 539 - License plate readers; requirements for use by law-enforcement agencies, penalties.

License plate readers; penalties. Provides requirements for the use of license plate readers, defined in the bill, by law-enforcement agencies. The bill requires such agencies to enter into an agreement with the license plate reader owners or other responsible non-law-enforcement entity to operate a data trust, defined in the bill, to store the data collected by a license plate reader and requires any such law-enforcement agency to apply to the data trust for access to such data. The bill limits the use of license plate readers to scanning, detecting, and identifying license plate numbers for the purpose of identifying vehicles involved in certain crimes.

Bill Patron: Lamont Bagby

24103148D (1/10/2024)

Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Monitor

See also HB 920 (Shin).

Date of Action	Action Notes
1/10/2024	Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
2/8/2024	Senate: Reported from Transportation with substitute (9-Y 5-N)
	Senate: Rereferred to Courts of Justice
2/14/2024	Senate: Left in Courts of Justice