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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 01/10/24

County Position: Initiate See also HB 1071 (Carr).

Date of Action Action Notes

1/9/2024 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

1/18/2024 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Transportation Infrastructure

and Funding

1/30/2024 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1071-Carr) by

voice vote

2/1/2024 House: Incorporated by Transportation (HB1071-Carr) by voice vote

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)

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 (1/10/2024)

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

County Position: Initiate

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

Oppose or Amend

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 Owen 24103317D (1/7/2024)

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

County 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)

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

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 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: 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 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.

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

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 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)

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.

Bill Patron: Chris Obenshain 24105089D (1/10/2024)

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

County Position: Oppose

See also SB 617 (Obenshain, M.).

Date of Action Action Notes

1/10/2024 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

1/21/2024 House: Assigned App. sub: Transportation & Public Safety

1/31/2024 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 3-N)

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

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

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 \$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; (iv) owner occupancy of the ADU or the primary dwelling; and (v) redundant water, sewer, or septic capacity for the ADU. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 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

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

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

Short-term rental property; locality's ability to prohibit use of accessory dwelling unit. 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 an accessory dwelling unit for a short-term rental in an area zoned for residential use where the primary dwelling unit on the site is occupied by the property owner.

Bill Patron: Lamont Bagby 24104353D (1/10/2024)

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

County Position: Oppose

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

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)

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. 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)

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. Jones 24101210D (12/13/2023)

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

County Position: Support

Support efforts to expand speed camera programs.

Date of Action Action Notes

12/13/2023 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

1/18/2024 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Innovations (Ad Hoc)

2/2/2024 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2025 by voice vote

2/6/2024 House: Continued to 2025 in Transportation by voice vote

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

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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. Thomas 24101099D (12/21/2023)

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

County Position: Support

Board has historically supported.

Date of Action Action Notes

12/21/2023 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

1/26/2024 House: Assigned P & E sub: Election Administration

1/29/2024 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB441-Bennett-

Parker) by voice vote

2/2/2024 House: Incorporated by Privileges and Elections (HB441-Bennett-

Parker) by voice vote

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

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 for Dominion Energy Virginia (Phase II Utility). 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 requires the State Corporation Commission to establish a minimum bill, below which a subscriber's net bill cannot go, that is calculated based on the amount of kilowatt-hours billed by the utility. The bill also changes the shared solar program capacity to at least 10 percent of each utility's adjusted Virginia peak load and requires the Commission's regulations to allow for program participation by all jurisdictional and nonjurisdictional customer classes.

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)

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)

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

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 1/19/2024 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations House: Reported from Public Safety with substitute (12-Y 9-N) 1/24/2024 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N) House: Reported from Appropriations (12-Y 9-N) 1/29/2024 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

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)

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

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

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)

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.

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 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.

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)

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 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 firearmrelated 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.

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)

HB 362 - Firearms; purchase, etc., following an assault and battery against person in dating relationship.

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.

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)

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

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

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 directs the Governor to appoint the members and alternate members of the Board and 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.

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).

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: 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)

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

Department of Medical Assistance Services; Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; slot-retention 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 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)

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

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 ordered printed; offered 01/10/24

County Position: Support See also SB 305 (Salim).

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)

2/2/2024 House: Motion to rerefer to committee agreed to

House: Rereferred to Counties, Cities and Towns

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. 24106299D-H1 (1/26/2024)

House: Committee substitute printed

County Position: Support

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

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

1/26/2024 House: Assigned GL sub: Procurement/Open Government 2/6/2024 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-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

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 Shin 24102336D (1/9/2024)

House: 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 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 959 - Towing enforcement; violations of current law subject to Va. Consumer Protection Act.

Towing violations; enforcement. Provides that violations of current law regarding tow truck drivers and towing and recovery operators are subject to the Virginia Consumer Protection Act. The bill repeals the \$150 civil penalty for certain towing violations in Planning District 8.

Bill Patron: Alfonso H. Lopez

24101550D (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

1/26/2024 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)

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 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: 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)

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

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

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

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 (5-Y 3-N)

2/6/2024 House: Reported from Transportation (21-Y 1-N)

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

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. 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: 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

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 historically 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

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)

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. Peake 24100912D (12/18/2023)

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

County Position: Support

Board has historically supported.

Date of Action Action Notes

12/18/2023 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

1/31/2024 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 5

-N)

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 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: Barbara A. Favola 24104086D (12/21/2023)

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

County Position: Support

See also HB 46 (Bennett-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)

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)

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)

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)

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 center-fire rifles, pistols, 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. 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)

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. Ebbin 24104102D (1/3/2024)

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

Action Notes

County Position: Support

Date of Action

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)

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.

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)

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 made of metal or plastic 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: 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)

SB 231 - 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 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

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)

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 to apply to Dominion Energy Virginia (Phase II Utility). 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 requires the State Corporation Commission to establish a minimum bill, below which a subscriber's net bill cannot go, that is calculated based on the amount of kilowatt-hours billed by the utility. The bill also changes the shared solar program capacity to 450 megawatts and requires the Commission's regulations to allow for program participation by all jurisdictional and nonjurisdictional customer classes.

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

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; or (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 whether evidence of recent acquisition of a firearm or ammunition by the person who is subject to the order is provided by the respondent. 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 relinquished.

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

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 directs the Governor to appoint the members and alternate members of the Board and 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.

Bill Patron: R. Creigh Deeds 24101144D (1/9/2024)

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

SB 291 - Court-appointed quardians; 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)

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 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)

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

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 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: Jennifer B. Boysko

24104295D (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

1/29/2024 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

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)

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 firearmrelated 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: Jennifer D. Carroll Foy

24104526D (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

1/29/2024 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)

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)

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: 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)

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

Department of Medical Assistance Services; Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; slot-retention 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 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

24105008D (1/10/2024)

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)

SB 642 - Firearms; purchase, etc., following an assault and battery against person in dating relationship.

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.

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)

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

Study; JLARC; funding needs in certain transit systems; report. Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to study long-term, sustainable, dedicated funding and cost-containment controls and strategies to ensure the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, Virginia Railway Express, and all Northern Virginia transit systems 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

Monitor

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)

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.

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

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

1/9/2024 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

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

Towing; vehicles with expired registration; civil penalty. Requires a landlord that owns the parking lot of a multifamily dwelling unit, defined in the bill, to provide 48 hours' notice to a resident prior to removing or requesting the removal of 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 any towing operator with whom the landlord has contracted to enforce towing in such parking lot. The bill provides that if a landlord fails to provide such notice or does not wait the required 48 hours before removing or requesting the removal of the vehicle, he shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$250. The bill also prohibits towing operators, having such notice, from towing such vehicle until after the 48 hours have passed.

Bill Patron: Irene Shin 24105001D (1/9/2024)

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

County 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)

HB 1017 - 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 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)

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.

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

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

Towing without consent of vehicle owner; fee. Decreases the maximum hookup and initial towing fee of any passenger car towed without the consent of its owner from \$150 to \$50. The bill also prohibits an ordinance made by a governing body of any locality for limiting towing fees from setting such limit for hookup and initial towing fee higher than statewide limits and removes the minimum fee limit for hookup and initial towing fees for such ordinance made by localities in Planning District 8 and Planning District 16.

Bill Patron: Mark J. Peake 24100895D (12/28/2023)

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

County 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)

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. "Danny" 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 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

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

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 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: 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)

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 onequarter 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)