



**FAIRFAX COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

2021 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Fairfax County Legislative Summary 2021 General Assembly

Board of Supervisors Report Key

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<p><u>HB 589</u> - Watts (39) Blue Star Memorial Highway; designating as portion of Old Keene Mill Road in Fairfax County.</p>	<p>1/10/2006 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation</p>	<p>12/5/2005</p>
<p>Initiate (067916260) Summary: Designates a portion of Old Keene Mill Road in Fairfax County a "Blue Star Memorial Highway."</p>		

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Fairfax County Initiatives

*Bills Introduced
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Bills	General Assembly Actions	Date of BOS Position
<p>HB 1919 - Kory (38) Local green banks; authorizes a locality, by ordinance, to establish.</p>	<p>1/10/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 1/29/2021 House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (13-Y 8-N) 2/3/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (55-Y 43-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Local Government (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Initiate (21102092D) Summary: Local green banks. Authorizes a locality, by ordinance, to establish a green bank to promote the investment in clean energy technologies in its locality and provide financing for clean energy technologies, defined in the bill. The bill establishes certain powers and functions of a green bank, including developing rules and procedures, financing and providing loans for clean energy projects, and stimulating demand for renewable energy. The bill requires the green bank to be a public entity, quasi-public entity, or nonprofit entity and requires the locality to hold a hearing and publish notice in a newspaper of general circulation prior to establishing the green bank.</p>		
<p>HB 1927 - Sickles (43) Economic development authorities; Fairfax County.</p>	<p>1/10/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 1/15/2021 House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (20-Y 1-N) 1/20/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (98-Y 0-N) 1/21/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 2/1/2021 Senate: Reported from Local Government (15-Y 0-N) 2/3/2021 Senate: Passed Senate (38-Y 1-N) 2/8/2021 House: Enrolled 2/10/2021 House: Signed by Speaker 2/10/2021 Senate: Signed by President 2/11/2021 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on February 11, 2021 2/11/2021 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline 11:59 p.m., March 10, 2021</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Initiate (21102409D) Summary: Allows Fairfax County to appoint nine, rather than seven, commissioners to the economic development authority.</p>		
<p>SB 1208 - Barker (39) Continuity of government; extends period of time that locality may provide after disaster, etc.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 1/18/2021 Senate: Reported from Local Government (14-Y 1-N) 1/21/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Counties, Cities and Towns by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>

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<p>Initiate (21102240D) Summary: Continuity of government. Extends from six to 12 months the period of time after an enemy attack or other disaster that a locality may, by ordinance, provide for a method to assure continuity in its government and requires the ordinance to provide a method for the locality to resume normal governmental authority by the end of that 12-month period.</p>		
<p>SB 1226 - Boysko (33) Compensation Board; determining staffing and salaries for an attorney for the Commonwealth.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 1/18/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Judiciary 1/25/2021 Senate: Reported from Judiciary (15-Y 0-N) 1/25/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/2/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with amendment (14-Y 2-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (35-Y 4-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Courts of Justice by voice vote 2/10/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N) 2/10/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Initiate (21102115D) Summary: Compensation Board determining staffing and salaries for an attorney for the Commonwealth. Provides that the Compensation Board shall consider workload totals comprehensively, including the use of diversion programs and specialty dockets, when determining staffing and funding levels for an attorney for the Commonwealth and the office. The provisions of the bill are contingent on funding in a general appropriation act.</p>		

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(Oppose or Amend)

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<p><u>HB 1874</u> - Coyner (62) Behavioral health; assessments in local correctional facilities, report.</p>	<p>1/8/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 1/19/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (7-Y 0-N) 1/21/2021 House: Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with substitute (20-Y 0-N) 1/26/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (100-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rehabilitation and Social Services (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Oppose Unless Amended (21102895D-H1) - Oppose unless amended to delay enactment until sufficient state funds are in place for implementation. Summary: Behavioral health assessments in local correctional facilities. Provides that the State Board of Local and Regional Jails, in establishing the minimum standards for behavioral health services in local correctional facilities, shall include a requirement that if a behavioral health screening indicates that the person may have a mental illness, an assessment of his need for mental health services shall be conducted within 72 hours of the time of the screening.</p>		
<p><u>HB 2019</u> - McQuinn (70) Public elementary and secondary schools; administration of undesignated stock albuterol inhalers.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Education 1/22/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 2-N) 1/25/2021 House: Reported from Education with amendment(s) (16-Y 6-N) 1/28/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (82-Y 18-N) 1/29/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Education and Health (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21102599D) Summary: Public elementary and secondary schools; possession and administration of undesignated stock albuterol inhalers and valved holding chambers. Requires each local school board to adopt and implement policies for the possession and administration of undesignated stock albuterol inhalers and valved holding chambers in every public school in the local school division, to be administered by any school nurse, employee of the school board, employee of a local governing body, or employee of a local health department who is authorized by the local health director and trained in the administration of albuterol inhalers and valved holding chambers for any student believed in good faith to be in need of such medication. The bill requires the Department of Health, in conjunction with the Department of Education, to develop and implement policies for the administration of stock albuterol in public schools.</p>		

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<p>Amend (21102822D) - Amend to state that localities may consider environmental justice strategy during each review of their comprehensive plans. Summary: Establishes the Interagency Environmental Justice Working Group as an advisory council in the executive branch of state government to further environmental justice in the Commonwealth and directs each of the Governor's Secretaries to designate at least one environmental justice coordinator to represent the secretariat as a member of the Working Group. The bill directs the Working Group to focus its work during its first year on the environmental justice of current air quality monitoring practices in Virginia and provides that the Working Group shall expire on July 1, 2031.</p>		

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<p>HB 2117 - VanValkenburg (72) Children's Services Act; funds expended special education programs.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 1/19/2021 House: Referred from Health, Welfare and Institutions by voice vote 1/19/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Education 1/25/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 House: Incorporates HB 2211 (Plum) 1/27/2021 House: Reported from Education with substitute (20-Y 2-N) 1/27/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations 1/29/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N) 1/29/2021 House: Reported from Appropriations (22-Y 0-N) 2/3/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (97-Y 2-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Education and Health (15-Y 0-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (14-Y 0-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>

Amend (21103572D-H1) - Support provisions that allow CSA funding for transitional services from private special education schools to public schools, and requirements that private special education schools be licensed to receive CSA funds. Also support retaining language in the legislation requiring a comprehensive study prior to moving administration of CSA funds from OCS to DOE, as that could potentially impact state sum sufficiency funding for CSA, which is a top County priority. See also SB 1313 (Mason). *Staff*

Recommendation: Monitor. The bill has been amended to minimize the County's concerns and provide new options to use CSA funding. Language establishing a workgroup has been further improved.

Summary: Children's Services Act; special education programs. Requires that funds expended for special education services under the Children's Services Act only be expended on educational programs that are licensed by the Department of Education. The bill adds children and youth previously placed in approved private school educational programs for at least six months who will receive transitional services, as that term is defined in the bill, in a public school setting to the target population for eligibility for the state pool of funds, provided, however, that such funds shall be allocated for such transitional services for no longer than 12 months. The bill requires the Secretary of Education, in conjunction with the Office of Children's Services and the Department of Education, to establish a work group (the Work Group) with, at minimum, certain identified stakeholders to develop a detailed plan to direct the transfer of Children's Services Act funds currently reserved for children requiring an educational placement in a private special education day school or residential facility to the Department of Education and to develop a standardized reporting process, template, and reporting requirement for private special education day school tuition rates to ensure that tuition rates can be accurately compared across schools and over time, among other duties. The bill requires that the Work Group submit its plan and recommendations to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Appropriations and Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations by November 1, 2021.

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<p><u>SB 1153</u> - Suetterlein (19) Absentee voting; ballots to be sorted and results to be reported by precinct.</p>	<p>1/7/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/4/2021 Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections (14-Y 1-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Passed Senate (37-Y 1-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Privileges and Elections by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21101986D) - The bill creates a substantial workload and logistical challenges. Summary: Elections; absentee voting; ballots to be sorted and results to be reported by precinct. Provides that absentee ballots processed at a central absentee precinct must be sorted by the precinct to which the voter who cast the absentee ballot is assigned and that the resulting vote totals from such ballots must be reported separately for each voter precinct.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1198</u> - Petersen (34) Government Data Collection and Dissemination Practices Act; license plate readers.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 1/27/2021 Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology with amendments (8-Y 4-N 3-A) 2/4/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (28-Y 11-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Public Safety by voice vote 2/11/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (4-Y 3-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21100940D) - Retention period in bill is insufficient. Summary: Prohibits law-enforcement and regulatory agencies from using license plate readers to collect and maintain personal information on individuals without a warrant. The bill provides that license plate data may be collected if intended for prompt evaluation and potential use in investigating suspected criminal activity, civil or regulatory violations, or terrorism, or in support of the Department of Motor Vehicle's (DMV) emissions inspection program. The data may only be retained for 30 days and shall not be subject to any outside inquiries or internal usage except for the investigation of a report of a missing person, suspected criminal activity, civil or regulatory violations, or terrorism by any person. The bill also prohibits an agency from acquiring personal information collected from license plate readers from a third-party private vendor if the agency would not have been permitted to collect or retain the information on its own, unless such license plate reader technology is being utilized as part of the DMV's emissions inspection program.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1304</u> - McPike (29) Community services boards; discharge planning.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health 1/28/2021 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with amendments (14-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/5/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Health, Welfare and Institutions by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>

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Oppose (21102367D) *Staff Recommendation: Monitor. The bill has been amended to minimize the County’s concerns.*

Summary: Reduces from within 30 days to within 72 hours of an individual's identification as ready for discharge the time by which a community services board must document its disagreement with the determination that an individual is ready for discharge from a state hospital or training center. The bill also directs the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to establish a work group with representatives of the Virginia Association of Community Services Boards to (i) review the current process for discharging patients from state mental health hospitals, including the current assigned responsibilities of state hospital staff and community services board staff, as well as the barriers to timely discharge for patients clinically ready to discharge, and (ii) develop potential options to expedite the discharge process for individuals who can be safely discharged back into the community. The bill directs the work group to develop a plan that includes recommendations for expediting the discharge process and identify the necessary funding to ensure that individuals receive essential services upon discharge and that discharges are timely. The bill requires the work group to report its findings and conclusions and its plan to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Education and Health by September 1, 2021.

SB 1313 - Mason (1) Children's Services Act; funds expended special education programs.

1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
 1/21/2021 Senate: Incorporates SB 1099 (Stuart)
 1/21/2021 Senate: Incorporates SB 1114 (Peake)
 1/21/2021 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (14-Y 0-N)
 1/21/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations
 2/3/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
 2/4/2021 Senate: Committee on Education and Health substitute rejected 21103505D-S1
 2/4/2021 Senate: Committee on Finance and Appropriations substitute agreed to 21104193D-S2
 2/4/2021 Senate: Passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)
 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Education
 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Education by voice vote

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Amend (21103505D-S1) - Support provisions that allow CSA funding for transitional services from private special education schools to public schools, and requirements that private special education schools be licensed to receive CSA funds. Also support retaining language in the legislation requiring a comprehensive study prior to moving administration of CSA funds from OCS to DOE, as that could potentially impact state sum sufficiency funding for CSA, which is a top County priority. See also HB 2117 (VanValkenburg). *Staff Recommendation: Monitor. The bill has been amended to minimize the County’s concerns and provide new options to use CSA funding. Language establishing a workgroup has been further improved.*

Summary: Children's Services Act; special education programs. Requires that funds expended for private special education services under the Children's Services Act only be expended on educational programs that are licensed by the Board of Education or an equivalent out-of-state licensing agency. The bill also provides that as of July 1, 2022, such funds may only be expended for programs that the Office of Children's Services certify as having reported their tuition rates.

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<p>SB 1419 - Marsden (37) Project labor agreements; public interest.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 1/20/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Commerce and Labor 2/6/2021 Senate: Left in Commerce and Labor</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>

Oppose (21102268D)

Summary: Requires that for contracts requiring the design or construction of a road, highway, bridge, or similar transportation improvement, a public body wishing to enter into a project labor agreement shall first determine by written finding that participation in such project labor agreement advances the public interest, based on objective criteria established by the public body by regulation, ordinance, or resolution that may include cost, efficiency, quality, safety, timeliness, maintenance of a skilled labor force, labor stability, or advancing minority-owned or women-owned business participation in the project.

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<p>HB 1810 - VanValkenburg (72) Voter registration; failure of online voter registration system, deadline extension.</p>	<p>1/5/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/13/2021 House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with amendment(s) (22-Y 0-N) 1/19/2021 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N) 1/20/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Privileges and Elections (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101534D-E) Summary: Voter registration; failure of online voter registration system; deadline extension. Provides that in the event that a failure of the Virginia online voter registration system occurs prior to the close of registration records, the Governor has the authority to order the online voter registration system to be available for registration activities after the date for closing the registration records for a period of time equal to the amount of time during which the online voter registration system was unavailable for registration activities, rounded up to the nearest whole day, plus an additional day to allow for voter education efforts. The extension of registration activities shall apply to in-person registration and mail voter registration applications.</p>		
<p>HB 1813 - Krizek (44) Highway construction by state or local employees; limit.</p>	<p>1/6/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation 1/14/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendment (6-Y 3-N) 1/14/2021 House: Reported from Transportation with amendment (17-Y 5-N) 1/19/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (79-Y 20-N) 1/20/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Transportation (15-Y 0-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Reported from Transportation (13-Y 1-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102052D-E) Summary: Increases from \$600,000 to \$700,000 the value of highway maintenance and construction projects eligible to be performed by state or local employees.</p>		

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<p><u>HB 1820</u> - Helmer (40) SNAP benefits program; eligibility for benefits, postsecondary education.</p>	<p>1/6/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 1/20/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 0-N) 1/20/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations 1/26/2021 House: Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with substitute (22-Y 0-N) 1/26/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations 1/27/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 House: Reported from Appropriations (18-Y 0-N) 2/1/2021 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rehabilitation and Social Services (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101472D) Summary: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; food stamp program; eligibility; postsecondary education. Adds participation in educational activities that lead to a post-secondary credential from an accredited institution of higher education or other postsecondary school licensed or certified by the Board of Education or the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia to the list of activities to which a participant in the Virginia Initiative for Education and Work may be enrolled and directs the Board of Social Services to amend the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP benefits program) to (i) establish broad-based categorical eligibility, (ii) set the gross income eligibility standard at 200 percent of the federal poverty guidelines, (iii) not impose an asset limit for eligibility, and (iv) increase opportunities for self-sufficiency through postsecondary education by allowing SNAP benefits program participants to satisfy applicable employment and training requirements through enrollment in an accredited public institution of higher education or other postsecondary school licensed or certified by the Board of Education or the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.</p>		
<p><u>HB 1888</u> - VanValkenburg (72) Absentee voting; procedural and process reforms, availability and accessibility reforms, penalty.</p>	<p>1/8/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/13/2021 House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with amendment(s) (13-Y 9-N) 1/19/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (55-Y 43-N) 1/20/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Privileges and Elections (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>

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<p>Support (21101608D-E) Summary: Absentee voting; procedural and process reforms; availability and accessibility reforms; penalty. Makes various reforms to absentee voting processes and procedures, including those related to availability and accessibility. The bill requires certain actions to be taken to process absentee ballots returned before the day of an election, including verifying the correct completion of the voter affirmation statement, and provides for an opportunity for an absentee voter to make corrections to the statement in certain circumstances. The bill requires the establishment of drop-off locations for the return of voted absentee ballots. Additionally, a central absentee voter precinct is required to be established in each locality; currently, establishment is optional. On the day of the election, officers of election are required to begin processing absentee ballots in the central absentee voter precincts prior to the close of polls, but no ballot vote counts are permitted to be transmitted outside of the central absentee voter precinct before the close of polls; a violation of such prohibition is a Class 1 misdemeanor. When reporting election results to the Department of Elections, the general registrars are required to report absentee ballots cast early in person separately from all other absentee ballots. Additionally, a voter who has applied for and received an absentee ballot may choose to instead vote at his polling place on election day, and such voter shall be entitled to cast a provisional ballot. The bill requires a ballot marking tool with screen reader assistive technology to be made available for absentee voters with a print disability. Restrictions on the availability of absentee voting for first-time voters who registered by mail are repealed. The bill contains technical amendments for organizational and readability purposes.</p>		
<p><u>HB 1903</u> - Carr (69) Local government; authority to reduce the speed limit in a business district or residence district.</p>	<p>1/8/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation 1/14/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (9-Y 0-N) 1/14/2021 House: Reported from Transportation (22-Y 0-N) 1/19/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (93-Y 6-N) 1/20/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Transportation (15-Y 0-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Reported from Transportation (9-Y 5-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101800D) Summary: Local government authority; reduction of speed limits. Authorizes local governing bodies to reduce the speed limit to less than 25 miles per hour, but not less than 15 miles per hour, in a business district or residence district.</p>		
<p><u>HB 1931</u> - Levine (45) Virginia Freedom of Information Act; public body authorized to conduct electronic meetings.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 1/19/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N) 1/21/2021 House: Reported from General Laws (21-Y 0-N) 1/26/2021 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in General Laws and Technology (14-Y 0-N) 2/10/2021 Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology (12-Y 2-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>

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<p>Support (21101369D) Summary: Virginia Freedom of Information Act; electronic meetings. Authorizes a public body to conduct through electronic communication means a meeting for which, on or before the day of the meeting, a member of the public body holding the meeting notifies the chair that such member is unable to attend the meeting due to a family member's medical condition that requires the member to provide care for such family member, thereby preventing the member's physical attendance. The bill also clarifies that participation in an electronic meeting by a member of a public body due to the inability to attend because of a personal matter is limited each calendar year to two such meetings, which is current law, or 25 percent of the meetings held that calendar year rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater. This bill is a recommendation of the Virginia Freedom of Information Advisory Council.</p>		
<p>HB 1962 - Gooditis (10) Foster care; termination of parental rights, relatives and fictive kin.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions (HHWI) 1/28/2021 House: Reported from HHWI with substitute (21-Y 0-N) 2/3/2021 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N 1-A) 2/3/2021 House: Reconsideration of passage agreed to by House 2/3/2021 House: Passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rehabilitation and Social Services (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21103967D-H1) Summary: Foster care; termination of parental rights; relatives and fictive kin. Requires local departments of social services and licensed child-placing agencies to involve in the development of a child's foster care plan the child's relatives and fictive kin who are interested in the child's welfare. The bill requires that a child 12 years of age or older be involved in the development of his foster care plan; under current law, a child's involvement is mandatory upon reaching 14 years of age. The bill contains other amendments to provisions governing foster care and termination of parental rights that encourage the placement of children with relatives and fictive kin.</p>		
<p>HB 1992 - Murphy (34) Firearms; purchase, etc., following conviction for assault and battery of a family member.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety 1/19/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N) 1/22/2021 House: Reported from Public Safety (10-Y 9-N) 1/26/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 1/27/2021 House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (13-Y 9-N) 2/1/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (54-Y 46-N) 2/2/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Judiciary (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21103651D-H1) - See also SB 1382 (Favola). Summary: Purchase, possession, or transportation of firearms following conviction for assault and battery of a family or household member; penalties. Prohibits a person who has been convicted of assault and battery of a family or household member, as defined in the bill, from purchasing, possessing, or transporting a firearm. A person who violates this provision is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.</p>		

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<p><u>HB 1996</u> - Murphy (34) Va Public Procurement Act; determination of responsibility, etc.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 1/19/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N) 1/21/2021 House: Reported from General Laws (14-Y 8-N) 1/26/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (56-Y 44-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in General Laws and Technology (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101375D) Summary: Virginia Public Procurement Act; determination of responsibility; local option to include criteria in Invitation to Bid. Allows localities to include in the Invitation to Bid criteria that may be used in determining whether any bidder, not just any bidder who is not prequalified by the Virginia Department of Transportation as under current law, is a responsible bidder.</p>		
<p><u>HB 2018</u> - Mullin (93) Emergency order for adult protective services; acts of violence, etc., or financial exploitation.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 1/20/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 0-N) 1/22/2021 House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (22-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N) 1/28/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Judiciary (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102761D) Summary: Emergency order for adult protective services; acts of violence, force, or threat or financial exploitation; penalty. Allows the circuit court, upon a finding that an incapacitated adult has been, within a reasonable period of time, subjected to an act of violence, force, or threat or been subjected to financial exploitation, to include in an emergency order for adult protective services one or more of the following conditions to be imposed on the alleged perpetrator: (i) a prohibition on acts of violence, force, or threat or criminal offenses that may result in injury to person or property; (ii) a prohibition on such other contacts by the alleged perpetrator with the adult or the adult's family or household members as the court deems necessary for the health and safety of such persons; or (iii) such other conditions as the court deems necessary to prevent (a) acts of violence, force, or threat; (b) criminal offenses that may result in injury to persons or property; (c) communication or other contact of any kind by the alleged perpetrator; or (d) financial exploitation by the alleged perpetrator. The bill provides that any person who violates any such condition is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Also, the bill provides that hearings on emergency orders for adult protective services shall be held no earlier than 24 hours and no later than 72 hours after the notice required has been given, unless such notice has been waived by the court. Current law just requires such hearing be held no earlier than 24 hours. Lastly, the bill provides that if the court enters an order containing any of the aforementioned conditions, the primary law-enforcement agency providing service and entry of protective orders shall enter the name of the perpetrator into the Virginia Criminal Information Network and the order shall be served forthwith on the perpetrator.</p>		

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<p><u>HB 2042</u> - Guy (83) Trees; replacement and conservation during development, effective date.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 1/21/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (6-Y 3-N) 1/22/2021 House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns with amendment(s) (13-Y 9-N) 1/27/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (57-Y 43-N) 1/28/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Local Government (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102573D) - See also SB 1393 (Marsden). Summary: Replacement and conservation of trees during development. Gives a locality the ability to exceed general requirements in its tree replacement and conservation ordinances in specific circumstances, including development that impacts stormwater permit requirements, recurrent flooding, formerly redlined areas, and comprehensive plan compliance. The provisions of the bill shall become effective July 1, 2022.</p>		
<p><u>HB 2081</u> - Levine (45) Polling places; prohibited activities, unlawful possession of a firearm, penalty.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/20/2021 House: Reported from Privileges and Elections (13-Y 9-N) 1/25/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (53-Y 47-N) 1/26/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Judiciary (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102618D) Summary: Polling places; prohibited activities; unlawful possession of a firearm; penalty. Prohibits any person from knowingly possessing a firearm within 40 feet of any building, or part thereof, used as a polling place, including one hour before and one hour after its use as a polling place, except for (i) a qualified law-enforcement officer or retired law-enforcement officer, (ii) any person occupying his own private property that falls within 40 feet of the polling place, or (iii) a licensed armed security officer whose employment or performance of his duties occurs within 40 feet of the polling place. The bill further provides that no person shall knowingly possess a firearm within 40 feet of a meeting place for the local electoral board while the electoral board meets to ascertain the results of an election or any place used as the setting for a recount. A violation of the provisions of the bill is a Class 1 misdemeanor.</p>		

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<p><u>HB 2113</u> - Herring (46) Criminal records; establishes a process for automatic expungement, etc., report.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice (HCT) 1/27/2021 House: Reported from HCT with substitute (14-Y 6-N) 1/27/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations (HAPP) 1/29/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N) 1/29/2021 House: Reported from HAPP with substitute (13-Y 8-N) 2/2/2021 House: HCT substitute rejected 21103298D-H1 2/2/2021 House: HAPP substitute agreed to 21103933D-H2 2/3/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (60-Y 39-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Judiciary (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support with Amendment (21103298D-H1) - Support concept of expungement for certain crimes; sufficient state funding for implementation is essential. Summary: Automatic expungement of criminal records; penalties. Establishes a process for the automatic expungement, defined in the bill, of criminal records for certain convictions, deferred dispositions, and acquittals and for offenses that have been nolle prossed or otherwise dismissed. The bill also provides a process for the automatic expungement of criminal records for charges arising from mistaken identity or the unauthorized use of identifying information. The bill has staggered delayed effective dates in order to develop systems for implementing the provisions of the bill. As introduced, this bill was a recommendation of the Virginia State Crime Commission.</p>		
<p><u>HB 2131</u> - Lopez (49) Alcoholic beverage control; license application, locality input.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 1/26/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N) 1/28/2021 House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (22-Y 0-N) 2/3/2021 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N 1-A) 2/3/2021 House: Reconsideration of passage agreed to by House 2/3/2021 House: Passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rehabilitation and Social Services (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101639D) Summary: Alcoholic beverage control; license application; locality input; corrective action. Adds the chief administrative officer of a locality to the list of persons who may be sent notice of certain license applications by the Board of Directors (the Board) of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority. The bill also expands the definition of criminal blight, for which the locality may require a property owner to take corrective action, to include a condition existing on real property that endangers public health or safety and is caused by (i) the regular presence on the property of persons in possession of controlled substances and (ii) the discharge of a firearm under certain conditions.</p>		

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<p><u>HB 2138</u> - Guzman (31) Identification privilege cards; authorizes DMV to issue, fee, confidentiality, penalties.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation 1/19/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (6-Y 2-N) 1/19/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations 1/21/2021 House: Reported from Transportation with amendment(s) (13-Y 8-N) 1/26/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (57-Y 43-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Transportation (15-Y 0-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Reported from Transportation (8-Y 7-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102728D-E) Summary: Identification privilege cards; fee; confidentiality; penalties. Authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue identification privilege cards to applicants who hold a citizenship or legal presence status that is eligible for a special identification card or a limited-duration special identification card and have reported income from Virginia sources or been claimed as a dependent on an individual tax return filed with the Commonwealth in the preceding 12 months. The bill provides that identification privilege cards shall be treated as special identification cards unless otherwise provided in the Code of Virginia. The bill limits the release of certain information stored by the Department. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2022.</p>		
<p><u>HB 2161</u> - Tran (42) Active military or a military spouse; prohibits discrimination in public accommodations, etc.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 1/28/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N) 1/28/2021 House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (20-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Committee on General Laws substitute rejected 21103874D-H1 2/2/2021 House: Substitute by Delegate Tran agreed to 21104006D-H2 2/3/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (99-Y 0-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in General Laws and Technology (14-Y 0-N) 2/10/2021 Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102352D) Summary: Prohibits discrimination in public accommodations, employment, and housing on the basis of a person's military status, defined as a member of the uniformed services of the United States or a reserve component thereof or a spouse or other dependent of the same. The bill also prohibits terms in a rental agreement in which the tenant agrees to waive remedies or rights under the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act prior to the occurrence of a dispute between the landlord and the tenant.</p>		

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<p><u>HB 2206</u> - Filler-Corn (41) Child Care Subsidy Program; expanding Program to serve more families.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 1/28/2021 House: Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with substitute (21-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N) 2/3/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Education and Health (15-Y 0-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Re-referred from Education and Health (13-Y 0-N 1-A) 2/11/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21103864D-H1) Summary: Child Care Assistance Program; emergency. Provides that regulations governing the Child Care Subsidy Program (the Program) shall be amended to provide that (i) a family shall be eligible for assistance through the Program if the family's income does not exceed 85 percent of the state median income, the family includes at least one child who is five years of age or younger and has not yet started kindergarten, and the family meets all other income and eligibility requirements of the Program and (ii) job search activities shall be considered eligible activities for the purposes of the Program. The bill provides that a family determined to be eligible for assistance through the Program shall be eligible to receive assistance for a period of 12 months or until the family's household income exceeds 85 percent of the state median income, whichever occurs sooner. The Department of Social Services shall administer the program, as amended by the bill, in cooperation with the Department of Education. The bill contains an emergency clause and provides that the provisions of the bill shall be applicable to applications for assistance through the Program received prior to August 1, 2021.</p>		
<p><u>HB 2227</u> - Kory (38) Uniform Statewide Building Code; amendments, energy efficiency and conservation.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 1/28/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 3-N) 2/2/2021 House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (13-Y 8-N) 2/5/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (55-Y 45-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in General Laws and Technology (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21104318D-H1) - Support as a step toward increasing green construction, which the County supports in its legislative program. Summary: Uniform Statewide Building Code; amendments; energy efficiency and conservation. Directs the Board of Housing and Community Development, upon each publication by the International Code Council of a new version of the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), to consider adopting amendments to the Uniform Statewide Building Code to address changes in the IECC related to energy efficiency and conservation.</p>		

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<p>HB 2312 - Herring (46) Marijuana; legalization of simple possession, etc.</p>	<p>1/20/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 1/30/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 1-N) 1/30/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee for Courts of Justice 1/30/2021 House: Incorporates HB 1815 (Heretick) 1/30/2021 House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (14-Y 6-N) 1/30/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 1/31/2021 House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (13-Y 8-N) 1/31/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations 2/3/2021 House: Reported from Appropriations (14-Y 7-N) 2/4/2021 House: Committee on General Laws substitute rejected 21104236D-H1 2/4/2021 House: Committee Courts of Justice substitute agreed to 21104248D-H2 2/5/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (55-Y 42-N 2-A) 2/5/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rehabilitation and Social Services (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support with Amendment (21104236D-H1) - Support strong local government land use and taxation authority in any marijuana legalization legislation. Summary: Marijuana; legalization; retail sales; penalties. Eliminates criminal penalties for simple possession of marijuana, modifies several other criminal penalties related to marijuana, and provides for an automatic expungement process for those convicted of certain marijuana-related crimes to have such crimes automatically expunged by July 1, 2026. The bill creates the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority (the Authority) and establishes a regulatory structure for the cultivation, manufacture, wholesale, and retail sale of retail marijuana and retail marijuana products, to be administered by the Authority. The bill contains social equity provisions that, among other things, provide support and resources to persons and communities that have been historically and disproportionately affected by drug enforcement. The bill has staggered effective dates and allows retail marijuana sales to begin on January 1, 2024. This bill incorporates HB 1815.</p>		
<p>HJ 527 - Bulova (37) Invasive plant species; DCR, et al., to study the sale and use of species.</p>	<p>1/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Rules 1/22/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 0-N) 1/22/2021 House: Reported from Rules (18-Y 0-N) 1/26/2021 House: Agreed to by House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rules (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>

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<p>Support (21102405D) Summary: Study; Department of Conservation and Recreation and Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; invasive plant species work group; report. Requests the Department of Conservation and Recreation, jointly with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, to establish a work group to study the sale and use of invasive plant species. The resolution requests that the departments work with several state agencies, conservation nonprofits, and plant industry and agriculture groups to develop recommendations regarding statutory and regulatory changes intended to reduce or eliminate the sale and use of invasive plant species in the Commonwealth and promote the sale and use of native plants.</p>		
<p><u>HJ 542</u> - McQuinn (70) Transit equity and modernization; Department of Rail and Public Transportation to study.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Rules 1/22/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 0-N) 1/22/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations 1/22/2021 House: Reported from Rules (17-Y 1-N) 1/22/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations 1/29/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N) 1/29/2021 House: Reported from Appropriations with substitute (22-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Agreed to by House (77-Y 19-N) 2/3/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rules (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102752D) Summary: Study; Department of Rail and Public Transportation; transit equity and modernization; report. Requests the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to conduct a two-year study of transit equity and modernization in the Commonwealth, with emphasis on transit services and engagement opportunities for underserved and underrepresented communities.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1148</u> - Kiggans (7) Elections; date of June primary election.</p>	<p>1/6/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/26/2021 Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections (10-Y 2-N) 2/1/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (27-Y 12-N) 2/5/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Privileges and Elections by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101028D) - Board has historically supported. Summary: Changes the date of the primary election held in June from the second Tuesday in June to the third Tuesday in June. The bill also changes candidate filing deadlines to reflect the change of date. The bill satisfies the reenactment requirement of Chapter 1253 of the Acts of Assembly of 2020.</p>		

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<p><u>SB 1156</u> - Howell (32) Technology Development Grant Fund; created.</p>	<p>1/7/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations 1/19/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N) 1/22/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (37-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations 2/7/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Appropriations by voice vote 2/10/2021 House: Reported from Appropriations (22-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102102D) Summary: Technology Development Grant Fund created. Creates the Technology Development Grant Fund to make grant payments to a qualified technology company that makes a capital investment of at least \$64 million at a facility in Fairfax County and creates at least 1,500 new full-time jobs at the facility. A qualified technology company would be eligible for an aggregate of \$22.5 million in grants paid over four years if it meets performance parameters and complies with the terms of a memorandum of understanding agreed upon by the company, the Commonwealth, and the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1197</u> - Locke (2) Virginia housing opportunity; tax credit established.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations 2/2/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (16-Y 0-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Finance 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Finance by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102520D) Summary: Virginia housing opportunity tax credit. Establishes, starting in taxable year 2021, a Virginia housing opportunity tax credit, which is equal to the amount of the federal low-income housing tax credit allocated or allowed by the Virginia Housing Development Authority to a low-income building that is eligible for the federal credit. The credit would be nonrefundable and could be carried forward for up to five years.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1206</u> - Barker (39) Confidentiality of juvenile court records; exceptions.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 1/25/2021 Senate: Reported from Judiciary with substitute (8-Y 7-N) 1/28/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (27-Y 11-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Courts of Justice by voice vote 2/10/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102736D) Summary: Provides that juvenile court service unit records and Department of Juvenile Justice records may be open for inspection to the Department of Social Services or any local department of social services that is providing services or care for, or has accepted a referral for family assessment or investigation and the provision of services regarding, a juvenile and these local agencies have entered into a formal agreement with the Department of Juvenile Justice to provide coordinated services to such juveniles.</p>		

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<p><u>SB 1242</u> - Edwards (21) Personal appearance by two-way electronic video and audio communication; entry of plea.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 1/20/2021 Senate: Reported from Judiciary (15-Y 0-N) 1/26/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Courts of Justice by voice vote 2/10/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (7-Y 1-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101001D) Summary: Personal appearance by two-way electronic video and audio communication; entry of plea or nolle prosequi; adjudication of probation violations. Provides that with the consent of the court and all parties, an appearance in a court may be made by two-way electronic video and audio communication for the purpose of (i) entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere and the related sentencing of the defendant charged with a misdemeanor or felony, (ii) entry of a nolle prosequi, or (iii) adjudication of an alleged violation of probation. This bill is a recommendation of the Judicial Council of Virginia and the Committee on District Courts.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1245</u> - Deeds (25) Absentee voting; establishment of drop-off locations, ballot defects, cure process.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/26/2021 Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (9-Y 6-N) 2/1/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 18-N) 2/5/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Privileges and Elections by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support with Amendment (21100967D) - Support with amendments to remove the requirement to establish the locations of satellite voter offices through local ordinances. Summary: Absentee voting; establishment of drop-off locations; ballot defects; cure process. Requires the establishment of a drop-off location for the return of marked absentee ballots at the office of the general registrar and each voter satellite office. On the day of any election, a drop-off location shall be available at each polling place in operation for such election. The bill allows the general registrar of any county or city to establish additional drop-off locations within the county or city as he deems necessary. The Department of Elections is required to set standards related to the establishment and operation of drop-off locations, including security requirements. The bill also requires general registrars to take certain actions to preprocess absentee ballots returned before election day and to notify an absentee voter of any errors or issues with the completion or return of his absentee ballot that would render the ballot void. The general registrars are required to enter into the voter's record in the registration system that the voter's absentee ballot has an issue requiring correction and to notify the voter in writing or by email of the error or failure, in addition to providing information on how to correct the issue. The absentee voter then has until noon on the third day following the election to make necessary corrections so that his ballot may be counted. This ballot cure process applies only to those absentee ballots received by the Friday immediately preceding the day of the election. The bill contains technical amendments for organizational purposes.</p>		

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<p><u>SB 1271</u> - McPike (29) Virginia Freedom of Information Act; meetings held through electronic communication means.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology (SGL) 1/20/2021 Senate: Reported from SGL (15-Y 0-N) 1/26/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in General Laws by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101309D) Summary: Virginia Freedom of Information Act; meetings held through electronic communication means during a state of emergency. Allows a public body, or a joint meeting thereof, to meet by electronic communication means without a quorum of the public body physically assembled at one location when a locality in which the public body is located has declared a local state of emergency, provided that (i) the catastrophic nature of the declared emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe to assemble a quorum in a single location and (ii) the purpose of the meeting is to provide for the continuity of operations of the public body or the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities. Under current law, public bodies may only meet in such manner when the Governor has declared a state of emergency, and only for the purpose of addressing the emergency. Finally, the bill requires public bodies meeting through electronic communication means during a local or state declaration of a state of emergency to (a) make arrangements for public access to such meeting through electronic communication means, including videoconferencing if already used by the public body, and (b) provide the public with the opportunity to comment at such meetings when public comment is customarily received.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1284</u> - Favola (31) Commonwealth Clean Energy Policy; established.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor (SCL) 2/1/2021 Senate: Reported from SCL with substitute (12-Y 3-N) 2/1/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/3/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (11-Y 4-N 1-A) 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 18-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Labor and Commerce by voice vote</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21103831D-S1) Summary: Commonwealth Clean Energy Policy. Establishes the Commonwealth Clean Energy Policy, replacing the Commonwealth Energy Policy. The bill sets out the energy policy and objectives of the Commonwealth Clean Energy Policy, which include: (i) the Commonwealth recognizes that effectively addressing climate change and enhancing resilience will advance the health, welfare, and safety of the residents of the Commonwealth and that addressing climate change requires reducing greenhouse gas emissions across the Commonwealth's economy sufficient to reach net-zero emission by 2045 in all sectors, including the electric power, transportation, industrial, agricultural, building, and infrastructure sectors; (ii) the Commonwealth recognizes the need to promote environmental justice and ensure that it is carried out throughout the Commonwealth and the need to address and prevent energy inequities in historically economically disadvantaged communities; and (iii) the Commonwealth must continue to prioritize economic competitiveness and workforce development in an equitable manner.</p>		

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<p><u>SB 1297</u> - Obenshain (26) Emergency order for adult protective services; acts of violence, etc., or financial exploitation.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 1/22/2021 Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services (15-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Courts of Justice by voice vote</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102422D) Summary: Emergency order for adult protective services; acts of violence, force, or threat or financial exploitation; penalty. Allows the circuit court, upon a finding that an incapacitated adult has been, within a reasonable period of time, subjected to an act of violence, force, or threat or been subjected to financial exploitation, to include in an emergency order for adult protective services one or more of the following conditions to be imposed on the alleged perpetrator: (i) a prohibition on acts of violence, force, or threat or criminal offenses that may result in injury to person or property; (ii) a prohibition on such other contacts by the alleged perpetrator with the adult or the adult's family or household members as the court deems necessary for the health and safety of such persons; or (iii) such other conditions as the court deems necessary to prevent (a) acts of violence, force, or threat; (b) criminal offenses that may result in injury to persons or property; (c) communication or other contact of any kind by the alleged perpetrator; or (d) financial exploitation by the alleged perpetrator. The bill provides that any person who violates any such condition is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Also, the bill provides that hearings on emergency orders for adult protective services shall be held no earlier than 24 hours and no later than 72 hours after the notice required has been given, unless such notice has been waived by the court. Current law just requires such hearing be held no earlier than 24 hours.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1309</u> - Ebbin (30) Local stormwater assistance; flood mitigation and protection.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 1/18/2021 Senate: Reported from Local Government with substitute (14-Y 0-N 1-A) 1/21/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Counties, Cities and Towns by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21103219D-S1) Summary: Authorizes grants from a local Stormwater Management Fund to be used for flood mitigation and protection measures that are part of a comprehensive flood mitigation and protection plan adopted by the locality, and requires such grants, where practicable, to prioritize projects that include nature-based practices. Current law allows such funds to be used only for the construction, improvement, or repair of a stormwater management facility or for erosion and sediment control.</p>		

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<p><u>SB 1328</u> - Mason (1) State-Funded Kinship Guardianship Assistance program; created.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 1/15/2021 Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services with substitute (14-Y 0-N) 1/15/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 1/26/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with amendments (16-Y 0-N) 1/29/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (37-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Health, Welfare and Institutions by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>

Support (21101857D)

Summary: State-Funded Kinship Guardianship Assistance program. Creates the State-Funded Kinship Guardianship Assistance program (the program) to facilitate child placements with relatives, including fictive kin, and ensure permanency for children. The bill sets forth eligibility criteria for the program, payment allowances to kinship guardians, and requirements for kinship guardianship assistance agreements.

<p><u>SB 1339</u> - Surovell (36) Police and court records; expungement and sealing of records, Expungement Fee Fund created.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 2/1/2021 Senate: Incorporates SB 1283 (Morrissey) 2/1/2021 Senate: Incorporates SB 1372 (Lucas) 2/1/2021 Senate: Reported from Judiciary with substitute (9-Y 3-N 3-A) 2/1/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/3/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (13-Y 3-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Committee on Judiciary substitute rejected 21103918D-S1 2/4/2021 Senate: Committee on Finance and Appropriations substitute rejected 21104284D-S2 2/4/2021 Senate: Substitute by Senator Surovell agreed to 21104416D-S3 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 17-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Reconsideration of passage agreed to by Senate (38-Y 0-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Passed Senate (21-Y 18-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Courts of Justice by voice vote</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
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Support with Amendment (21100793D) - Support concept of expungement for certain crimes; sufficient state funding for implementation is essential.

Summary: Expungement and sealing of police and court records; Expungement Fee Fund created; protection of public record information; penalties. Establishes a process for the sealing of police and court records, defined in the bill, of criminal records for certain convictions, deferred dispositions, and acquittals and for offenses that

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<p>have been nolle prossed or otherwise dismissed. The bill also allows a person to petition for the expungement of the police and court records relating to convictions of marijuana possession, underage alcohol or tobacco possession, and using a false ID to obtain alcohol and for deferred disposition dismissals for possession of controlled substances or marijuana, underage alcohol or tobacco possession, and using a false ID to obtain alcohol.</p>		
<p>SB 1366 - Barker (39) Aging services; economic and social need.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 1/22/2021 Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services with substitute (9-Y 4-N 2-A) 1/29/2021 Senate: Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services substitute rejected 21103044D-S1 1/29/2021 Substitute by Senator Barker agreed to 21103857D-S2 2/1/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (23-Y 16-N) 2/5/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Health, Welfare and Institutions by voice vote 2/11/2021 House: Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with substitute (14-Y 6-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21103857D-S2) Summary: Aging services; social need. Requires the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services, in providing aging services, to use available resources to provide services to older persons with the greatest economic or social needs. The bill defines "economic need" as need resulting from an income level at or below the poverty line. The bill defines "social need" as need caused by noneconomic factors, including (i) physical and mental disabilities, which include developmental disabilities and human immunodeficiency virus; (ii) language barriers; and (iii) cultural, social, or geographic isolation, including that which is related to a history of discrimination for factors such as racial or ethnic status, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation that can affect an individual's ability to perform normal daily tasks or threatens such individual's capacity to live independently.</p>		
<p>SB 1384 - Surovell (36) Virginia Public Procurement Act; local arbitration agreements.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 1/27/2021 Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology (8-Y 7-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Substitute by Senator Surovell agreed to 21104413D-S3 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (20-Y 17-N 1-A) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in General Laws by voice vote</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>

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Support with Amendment (21102806D) - Support the concept for contracts that bind the public to terms and conditions that the County negotiates and amend legislation to improve implementation.

Summary: Allows a participating locality, for any procurement solicitation or contract exceeding \$10,000 for goods and services, to require the bidder or offeror to disclose certain information regarding pre-dispute arbitration clauses, defined in the bill, in employment, civil rights, and consumer disputes, and provides that a locality may consider the policies and practices related to arbitration of each bidder and offeror. The bill also provides that a participating locality shall require the bidder or offeror to provide written or electronic submissions to allow the locality to ascertain (i) whether the bidder or offeror requires persons with whom it is in a work relationship or prospective work relationship to sign or otherwise enter into a contract containing a pre-dispute arbitration clause that would cover an employment or civil rights dispute and (ii) whether the bidder or offeror requires consumers to sign or otherwise enter into a contract containing a pre-dispute arbitration clause that would cover a consumer or civil rights dispute as a condition of purchasing products or services, downloading mobile applications, or using websites. The bill authorizes a participating locality to cancel, terminate, or suspend, in whole or in part, the contract of any contractor that has violated a provision of the bill and to declare the contractor ineligible for further contracts with such locality for up to five years.

SB 1393 - Marsden (37) Trees; replacement and conservation during development.

1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government
 1/25/2021 Senate: Reported from Local Government with substitute (12-Y 3-N)
 2/1/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (26-Y 13-N)
 2/5/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources by voice vote
 2/10/2021 House: Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources with amendment(s) (14-Y 7-N)

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Support (21102865D) - See also HB 2042 (Guy).

Summary: Replacement and conservation of trees during development. Gives a locality the ability to exceed general requirements in its tree replacement and conservation ordinances in specific circumstances, including development that impacts stormwater permit requirements, recurrent flooding, formerly redlined areas, and comprehensive plan compliance. The bill also directs the Secretary of Natural Resources and Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry to convene a stakeholder work group for the purpose of developing and providing recommendations to state and local governments related to policies that encourage the conservation of mature trees and tree cover on sites being developed, increase tree canopy cover in communities, and encourage the planting of trees. This bill only becomes effective if reenacted during the 2022 Session of the General Assembly.

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<p>SB 1406 - Ebbin (30) Marijuana; legalization of simple possession, penalties.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 1/22/2021 Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services with substitute (8-Y 7-N) 1/22/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Judiciary 1/25/2021 Senate: Incorporates SB1243 (Morrissey) 2/1/2021 Senate: Reported from Judiciary with substitute (9-Y 5-N 1-A) 2/1/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/3/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with amendments (11-Y 4-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Rehabilitation and Social Services Committee substitute rejected 21103366D-S1 2/4/2021 Senate: Finance and Appropriations Committee amendments agreed to 2/4/2021 Senate: Judiciary Committee substitute agreed to 21104160D-S2 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (23-Y 15-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in General Laws by voice vote 2/11/2021 House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (15-Y 6-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support with Amendment (21103366D-S1) - Support strong local government land use and taxation authority in any marijuana legalization legislation.</p> <p>Summary: Marijuana; legalization; retail sales; penalties. Eliminates criminal penalties for simple possession of marijuana, modifies several other criminal penalties related to marijuana, and provides for an automatic expungement process for those convicted of certain marijuana-related crimes. The bill creates the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority (the Authority) and establishes a regulatory structure for the cultivation, manufacture, wholesale, and retail sale of retail marijuana and retail marijuana products, to be administered by the Authority. The bill contains social equity provisions that, among other things, provide support and resources to persons and communities that have been historically and disproportionately affected by drug enforcement. The bill has staggered effective dates and allows retail marijuana sales to begin on January 1, 2024. Certain provisions of the bill do not become effective unless reenacted by the 2022 Session of the General Assembly. This bill incorporates SB 1243.</p>		
<p>SB 1457 - Surovell (36) Historic sites; urban county executive form of gov't. (Fairfax County), provisions in its ordinance.</p>	<p>1/20/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 1/25/2021 Senate: Reported from Local Government with amendments (15-Y 0-N) 1/28/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (38-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Counties, Cities and Towns by voice vote</p>	<p>2/9/2021 1/26/2021</p>

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<p>Support (21102678D-E) - Bill has been amended as the County requested. Support with Amendment (21102678D) – Support with amendment to clarify language for implementation.</p> <p>Summary: Preservation of historic sites. Provides that any locality utilizing the urban county executive form of government (Fairfax County) may include a provision in its historic preservation ordinance that would allow public access to an historic area, landmark, building, or structure, or land pertaining thereto, or providing that no subdivision shall occur within any historic district unless approved by the review board or, on appeal, by the governing body of the locality as being compatible with the historic nature of such area, landmarks, buildings, or structures therein with regard to any parcel or parcels that collectively are (i) adjacent to a navigable river and a national park, and (ii) in part or as a whole subject to an easement granted to the National Park Service or Virginia Outdoors Foundation granted on or after January 1, 1973.</p>		
<p>SB 1472 - Suetterlein (19) DMAS; work group to study options for increasing access to virtual supports and services.</p>	<p>1/22/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 1/29/2021 Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services with substitute (14-Y 0-N) 2/2/2021 Senate: Passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/5/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Health, Welfare and Institutions by voice vote 2/11/2021 House: Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with substitute (22-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101385D) Summary: DMAS; work group to study options for increasing access to virtual supports and services; individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services to study and develop recommendations for the permanent use of virtual supports and increasing access to virtual supports and services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities by promoting access to assistive technology and environmental modifications. The bill requires the Department to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services and the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions by November 1, 2021.</p>		
<p>SJ 293 - Spruill, Sr. (5) Assisted living and auxiliary grants; Joint Commission on Health Care to study available data.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules 1/29/2021 Senate: Reported from Rules with amendments by voice vote 2/3/2021 Senate: Read third time and agreed to by Senate by voice vote 2/5/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Rules 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rules by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102328D) Summary: Study; Joint Commission on Health Care; assisted living and auxiliary grants; report. Requests the Joint Commission on Health Care to study available data regarding assisted living and auxiliary grants and develop a blueprint for implementing recommendations that will allow the Commonwealth to provide a more realistic system of addressing housing and care needs.</p>		

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<p>SJ 294 - Lewis, Jr. (6) JLARC; costs of education, report.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules 1/22/2021 Senate: Reported from Rules with amendments by voice vote 1/27/2021 Senate: Read third time and agreed to by Senate by voice vote 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Rules 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rules by voice vote</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102747D-E) Summary: Study; JLARC; costs of education; report. Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to study the true cost of education in the Commonwealth and provide an accurate assessment of the costs to implement the Standards of Quality.</p>		

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<p>HB 1736 - Adams (68) School nurses; nursing services in a public elementary or secondary school.</p>	<p>8/17/2020 House: Referred to Committee on Education 1/18/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 2-N) 1/20/2021 House: Reported from Education with substitute (13-Y 8-N) 1/25/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (68-Y 31-N 1-A) 1/26/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Education and Health (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021 1/26/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21102518D-H1) - Bill has been amended to address County's concerns. Oppose (21100241D) – Board has historically opposed. Potential fiscal impact to Fairfax County is approximately \$11.5 million. Summary: School nurses; nomenclature. Prohibits any individual who provides nursing services in a public elementary or secondary school as a school board employee or through a contract with the local health department from using the title of school nurse unless such individual is a registered nurse who possesses an active license to practice in the Commonwealth.</p>		
<p>HB 1778 - Ward (92) Removal of clutter from property; definition, civil penalty.</p>	<p>12/29/2020 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 1/21/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 2-N) 1/29/2021 House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (12-Y 9-N) 2/3/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (55-Y 43-N) 2/4/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Local Government (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21101674D) Summary: Removal of clutter from property; civil penalty. Provides that a locality may by ordinance require the removal of clutter from property, or may, whenever the governing body deems it necessary, after reasonable notice, have such clutter removed by its own agents or employees, in which event the cost or expenses thereof shall be chargeable to and paid by the owners of such property and may be collected by the locality as taxes are collected. The bill defines "clutter" as including mechanical equipment, household furniture, containers, and similar items that may be detrimental to the well-being of a community when they are left in public view for an extended period or are allowed to accumulate. Violations of the bill are subject to the existing civil penalty applicable to violations of provisions relating to the removal of trash, garbage, refuse, litter, and similar substances from property.</p>		

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<p>HB 1841 - Keam (35) Crosswalk design; Dept. of Transportation to convene work group to determine model policies.</p>	<p>1/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation 1/19/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute with amendments (8-Y 0-N) 1/21/2021 House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (21-Y 0-N) 1/26/2021 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Transportation (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21103284D-H1) Summary: Commissioner of Highways; crosswalk design. Directs the Commissioner of Highways to convene a working group to determine whether there should be model policies for crosswalk design and installation and, if so, establish recommendations for such model policies. The bill directs the working group to monitor and provide input to the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration as updates to crosswalk designs in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways are considered. The working group shall submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a report on its findings and recommendations by November 1, 2021.</p>		
<p>HB 1890 - Price (95) Discrimination; prohibited in voting and elections administration, etc.</p>	<p>1/8/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/22/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (4-Y 2-N) 1/27/2021 House: Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (13-Y 9-N) 2/1/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (55-Y 45-N) 2/2/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Privileges and Elections (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21103495D-H1) - See also SB 1395 (McClellan). Summary: Elections; prohibited discrimination in voting and elections administration; required process for enacting certain covered practices; civil causes of action. Prohibits any voting qualification or any standard, practice, or procedure related to voting from being imposed or applied in a manner that results in the denial or abridgment of the right of any United States citizen to vote based on his race or color or membership in a language minority group. The bill further prohibits at-large methods of election from being imposed or applied in a locality in a manner that impairs the ability of a protected class, defined in the bill, to elect candidates of its choice or to influence the outcome of an election, by diluting or abridging the rights of voters who are members of a protected class. Prior to enacting or administering a covered practice, defined in the bill, the governing body of a locality is required to publish the proposed covered practice and accept public comment for a minimum of 30 days on the proposed covered practice; after the public comment period, a 30-day waiting period is required. During this period, any person who will be subject to or affected by the covered practice may challenge the covered practice as (i) having the purpose or effect of denying or abridging the right to vote on the basis of race or color or membership in a language minority group or (ii) resulting in the retrogression in the position of members of a racial or ethnic group with respect to their effective exercise of the electoral franchise. The bill permits the local governing body to</p>		

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<p>instead submit the proposed covered practice to the Office of the Attorney General for issuance of a certification of no objection and, once such certification is issued, to enact or administer the covered practice. Certain unlawful actions, including knowingly communicating false information to voters, that are currently subject to criminal penalties will create civil causes of action under the bill. The bill authorizes the Attorney General to commence civil actions when there is reasonable cause to believe that a violation of an election law has occurred and the rights of any voter or group of voters have been affected by the violation. Civil penalties assessed as a result of such action are payable to the Voter Education and Outreach Fund, established by the bill. Current provisions related to language minority accessibility are moved to a newly created chapter relating to the rights of voters.</p>		
<p>HB 2071 - Convirs-Fowler (21) Transportation funding; statewide prioritization process, resiliency.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation 1/21/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 3-N) 1/26/2021 House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (15-Y 5-N) 1/29/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (64-Y 35-N) 2/1/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Transportation (15-Y 0-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Reported from Transportation with amendment (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21103472D) - See also SB 1350 (Lewis). Summary: Transportation projects; resiliency. Requires the Commonwealth Transportation Board to determine whether a project has been designed to be resilient when evaluating projects for the Six-Year Improvement Program and consider resiliency when establishing the Statewide Transportation Plan. The bill also requires the Commissioner of Highways to ensure resiliency is incorporated into the design standards for new construction projects.</p>		
<p>HB 2191 - Leftwich (78) Social services, local department of; location of child in local department's custody.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions (HHWI) 1/20/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (5-Y 0-N) 1/20/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations 1/26/2021 House: Reported from HHWI with substitute (21-Y 0-N) 1/29/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (99-Y 0-N) 2/1/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Rehabilitation and Social Services (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21103371D-EH1) Summary: Local department of social services; location of child in local department's custody. Provides that a local department of social services shall, upon request of the legal guardian or custodian of a child, disclose to such legal guardian or custodian the location of the child when the child is in the custody of another legal guardian or custodian, unless the local department finds that such disclosure would compromise the safety of the child or the legal guardian or custodian.</p>		

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<p>HB 2262 - Hurst (12) Bicycles; permits operators to treat a stop sign as a yield sign in certain situations.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation 1/25/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 2-N) 1/28/2021 House: Reported from Transportation (16-Y 5-N) 2/2/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (75-Y 24-N) 2/3/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Transportation (15-Y 0-N) 2/11/2021 Senate: Reported from Transportation (9-Y 5-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21101122D) Summary: Traffic regulation; bicycles. Permits operators of bicycles to treat a stop sign as a yield sign in certain situations. The bill requires the driver of a motor vehicle to change lanes when overtaking a bicycle or certain other vehicles when the lane of travel is not wide enough for the overtaking motor vehicle to pass at least three feet to the left of the overtaken vehicle. The bill also removes the limitations on riding bicycles and certain other vehicles two abreast.</p>		
<p>HB 2322 - Herring (46) Opioid Abatement Authority; established, report.</p>	<p>1/21/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 1/28/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 1-N) 1/28/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations 1/28/2021 House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (20-Y 2-N) 1/28/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations 2/1/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N) 2/1/2021 House: Reported from Appropriations with substitute (22-Y 0-N) 2/3/2021 House: Committee on General Laws substitute rejected 21103991D-H1 2/3/2021 House: Committee on Appropriations substitute agreed to 21104247D-H2 2/4/2021 House: Read third time and passed House (97-Y 3-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 2/5/2021 Senate: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in General Laws and Technology (14-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21103485D) - See also SB 1469 (Barker). Summary: Establishes the Opioid Abatement Authority. The Authority, with the assistance of the Office of the Attorney General, would administer the Opioid Abatement Fund, which would receive moneys from settlements, judgments, verdicts, and other court orders relating to claims regarding the manufacturing, marketing, distribution, or sale of opioids and any other funds received on the fund's behalf that would be used to provide grants and loans to Virginia agencies and certain localities for the purpose of treating, preventing, or reducing opioid use disorder and the misuse of opioids or otherwise abating or remediating the opioid epidemic in the Commonwealth.</p>		

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HJ 556 - Lopez (49) Constitutional amendment; environmental justice (first reference).	1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/5/2021 House: Left in Privileges and Elections	2/9/2021
<p>Monitor (21101762D) - Support concept of environmental justice; maintaining local authority to develop innovative approaches is essential.</p> <p>Summary: Constitutional amendment (first reference); environmental justice. Establishes that it is the policy of the Commonwealth to follow the principles of environmental justice in the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies and to ensure that no population, especially minority, low-income, or historically economically disadvantaged communities, faces higher levels or greater impacts of pollution and climate change than other populations.</p>		
SB 1274 - Marsden (37) Wildlife corridors; various agencies to consider and incorporate.	1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources 1/19/2021 Senate: Reported from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources with amendment (12-Y 3-N) 1/25/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (29-Y 10-N) 2/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources by voice vote	2/9/2021 1/26/2021
<p>Monitor (21101399D-E) - Additional clarification has determined that there will be no direct impact on the County's comprehensive plan. Amend (21101399D) – Amend to make optional for localities. Fairfax County has extensive environmental planning that has been successful.</p> <p>Summary: Government planning; wildlife corridors. Directs various agencies to consider and incorporate, where applicable, wildlife corridors and any recommendation of the Wildlife Corridor Action Plan. The bill directs the Department of Wildlife Resources to publish the Plan and subsequent updates on its website and to assist state agencies and political subdivisions, and by request any federal agency, in considering and incorporating, where applicable, wildlife corridors and the recommendations of the Plan when developing any governmental strategic plan, map, or action.</p>		
SB 1350 - Lewis, Jr. (6) Transportation funding; statewide prioritization process, resiliency.	1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation 1/21/2021 Senate: Reported from Transportation with substitute (12-Y 0-N 2-A) 1/21/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/2/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (16-Y 0-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Transportation by voice vote 2/11/2021 House: Reported from Transportation with amendment(s) (15-Y 6-N)	1/26/2021

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<p>Monitor (21101744D) - See also HB 2071 (Convirs-Fowler). Summary: Transportation projects; resiliency. Requires the Commonwealth Transportation Board to determine whether a project has been designed to be resilient when evaluating projects for the Six-Year Improvement Program and consider resiliency when establishing the Statewide Transportation Plan. The bill also requires the Commissioner of Highways to ensure resiliency is incorporated into the design standards for new construction projects.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1385</u> - Surovell (36) Underground utility facilities; Fairfax County.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 2/1/2021 Senate: Reported from Local Government with substitute (13-Y 0-N 1-A) 2/4/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (33-Y 6-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Counties, Cities and Towns by voice vote</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21102804D) Summary: Removes the sunset on a pilot program allowing a locality that has adopted the urban county executive form of government (Fairfax County) to request an electric utility to place underground electric distribution lines as part of a transportation infrastructure improvement project and changes a number of provisions in the program including (i) expanding the scope to include electric cooperatives, telecommunications providers, cable providers, and other utilities; (ii) expanding the scope to include all underground facilities; (iii) making negotiable in the agreement the costs of relocating the facilities; (iv) placing additional limits on the levy to fund the project and the types of projects for which it may be imposed; and (v) authorizing the locality to secure necessary permits on behalf of the utility or provider.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1395</u> - McClellan (9) Discrimination; prohibited in voting and elections administration, etc.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/26/2021 Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (9-Y 6-N) 1/26/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/3/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (10-Y 4-N 2-A) 2/4/2021 Senate: Committee on Privileges and Elections substitute rejected 21103648D-S1 2/4/2021 Senate: Committee on Finance and Appropriations substitute agreed to 21103866D-S2 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 17-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Privileges and Elections by voice vote 2/10/2021 House: Reported from Privileges and Elections (13-Y 9-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>

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<p>Monitor (21103648D-S1) - See also HB 1890 (Price). Summary: Elections; prohibited discrimination in voting and elections administration; required process for enacting certain covered practices; civil causes of action. Prohibits any voting qualification or any standard, practice, or procedure related to voting from being imposed or applied in a manner that results in the denial or abridgment of the right of any United States citizen to vote based on his race or color or membership in a language minority group. The bill further prohibits at-large methods of election from being imposed or applied in a locality in a manner that impairs the ability of a protected class, defined in the bill, to elect candidates of its choice or to influence the outcome of an election, by diluting or abridging the rights of voters who are members of a protected class. Prior to enacting or administering a covered practice, defined in the bill, the governing body of a locality is required to publish the proposed covered practice and accept public comment for a minimum of 30 days on the proposed covered practice; after the public comment period, a 30-day waiting period is required. During this period, any person who will be subject to or affected by the covered practice may challenge the covered practice as (i) having the purpose or effect of denying or abridging the right to vote on the basis of race or color or membership in a language minority group or (ii) resulting in the retrogression in the position of members of a racial or ethnic group with respect to their effective exercise of the electoral franchise. The bill permits the local governing body to instead submit the proposed covered practice to the Office of the Attorney General for issuance of a certification of no objection and, once such certification is issued, to enact or administer the covered practice. Certain unlawful actions, including knowingly communicating false information to voters, that are currently subject to criminal penalties will create civil causes of action under the bill. The bill authorizes the Attorney General to commence civil actions when there is reasonable cause to believe that a violation of an election law has occurred and the rights of any voter or group of voters have been affected by the violation. Civil penalties assessed as a result of such action are payable to the Voter Education and Outreach Fund, established by the bill. Current provisions related to language minority accessibility are moved to a newly created chapter relating to the rights of voters.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1404</u> - Lewis, Jr. (6) Stormwater Local Assistance Fund; grants awarded for projects related to Chesapeake Bay.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources 2/4/2021 Senate: Reported from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (15-Y 0-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Passed Senate (38-Y 0-N) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources 2/8/2021 House: Continued to 2021 Special Session 1 in Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources by voice vote 2/10/2021 House: Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources (21-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Monitor (21102801D) Summary: Stormwater Local Assistance Fund; grant requirements. Authorizes grants from the Stormwater Local Assistance Fund awarded for projects related to Chesapeake Bay total maximum daily load (TMDL) requirements to take into account total phosphorus reductions or total nitrogen reductions. The bill authorizes grants awarded for eligible projects in localities with high or above average fiscal stress as reported by the Commission on Local Government to account for more than 50 percent of the costs of a project.</p>		

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<p>SB 1469 - Barker (39) Opioid Abatement Authority; established, Fund created, report, membership.</p>	<p>1/22/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology 1/27/2021 Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology (13-Y 0-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/3/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (14-Y 0-N 2-A) 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (36-Y 0-N 2-A) 2/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 2/8/2021 House: Continued to Special Session 1 in General Laws by voice vote 2/11/2021 House: Reported from General Laws with substitute (20-Y 2-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>

Monitor (21103486D) - See also HB 2322 (Herring).

Summary: Establishing an Opioid Abatement Authority. Establishes the Opioid Abatement Authority. The Authority, with the assistance of the Office of the Attorney General, would administer the Opioid Abatement Fund, which would receive moneys from settlements, judgments, verdicts, and other court orders, or related agreements, concerning claims regarding the manufacturing, marketing, distribution, or sale of opioids that would be used to provide grants and loans to Virginia agencies and certain localities for the purpose of treating, preventing, and reducing opioid use disorder and the misuse of opioids in the Commonwealth.

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<p>HB 1757 - McGuire, III (56) Firearm-free zones designated by the Commonwealth or a locality; waiver of sovereign immunity.</p>	<p>12/17/2020 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice 2/5/2021 House: Left in Courts of Justice</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21101679D) Summary: Provides that if (i) the Commonwealth designates any property owned by it as a firearm-free zone or (ii) any locality designates such locality or any part of such locality as a firearm-free zone, the Commonwealth or such locality waives its sovereign immunity as it relates to any injuries sustained by persons lawfully present in such firearm-free zone.</p>		
<p>HB 1773 - Freitas (30) Carrying a concealed handgun; permit not required.</p>	<p>12/28/2020 House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety 1/26/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 2-N) 2/5/2021 House: Left in Public Safety</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21100642D) Summary: 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.</p>		
<p>HB 1793 - Davis (84) Concealed handgun permit; local control of firearms.</p>	<p>1/2/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety 1/26/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (5-Y 3-N) 2/5/2021 House: Left in Public Safety</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21101843D) Summary: Local control of firearms; concealed handgun permit. Provides that any local ordinance that prohibits the possession, carrying, or transportation of any firearms, ammunition, or components or combination thereof on specified public property shall not apply to a person who has a valid concealed handgun permit.</p>		
<p>HB 1857 - Subramanyam (87) Virginia Public Procurement Act; architectural and professional engineering term contracting.</p>	<p>1/7/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 2/5/2021 House: Left in General Laws</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21101307D) Summary: Virginia Public Procurement Act; architectural and professional engineering term contracting; certain localities. Exempts any locality with a population in excess of 400,000 from the limitations on architectural and professional engineering contract single-project fees for environmental, location, design, and inspection work regarding highways and bridges. Current law exempts the Commissioner of Highways from such limitations and the exemption is continued in the bill.</p>		

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HB 1880 - Krizek (44) Illegal gambling; skill games, temporary exemption for truck stops.	1/8/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 2/5/2021 House: Left in General Laws	2/9/2021

Monitor (21102510D)

Summary: Illegal gambling; skill games; temporary exemption for truck stops and alcoholic beverage control retail licensees. Delays by one additional year, from July 1, 2021, to July 1, 2022, the prohibition on the play or offering for play of skill games that was instituted in the 2020 Regular Session. The bill extends the one-year phase-out of existing skill games by one additional year to July 1, 2022, but decreases to 90 percent the total number of machines that a distributor may provide for play to truck stops and Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority retail licensees (ABC retail licensees) relative to the number of machines such distributor previously reported to the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority (the Authority) on July 1, 2020. The bill caps the total number of skill games that persons operating truck stops and ABC retail licensees may make available for play to no more than 20 and six, respectively. The bill extends the prohibition on distributors offering new skill games for play. The bill keeps oversight authority over skill games with the Authority. The bill extends the requirement that each distributor pay a monthly tax of \$1,200 for each skill game provided for play during the previous month. Revenues will accrue one percent to the Problem Gambling Treatment and Support Fund, three percent to the Authority for the purposes of implementing the bill, 33 percent to the localities in which the skill games are located, one percent to the Family and Children's Trust Fund, two percent to the Virginia Breeders Fund, and 60 percent to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund. The bill extends the requirement that distributors report monthly to the Authority the number of skill games provided for play. Finally, the bill prohibits persons younger than 21 years of age from playing skill games or redeeming the evidence of winnings for them.

HB 1883 - VanValkenburg (72) Elections; preclearance of certain covered practices required.	1/8/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 2/5/2021 House: Left in Privileges and Elections	2/9/2021
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Monitor (21102660D)

Summary: Requires the governing body of a covered jurisdiction, prior to enacting or seeking to administer any voting qualification or prerequisite to voting, or any standard, practice, or procedure with respect to voting, to either (i) institute an action in the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond for a declaratory judgment that the covered practice neither has the purpose or effect of denying or abridging the right to vote on account of race or color or membership in a language minority group nor will result in the retrogression in the position of members of a racial or ethnic group with respect to their effective exercise of the electoral franchise or (ii) submit such covered practice to the Office of the Attorney General for issuance of a certification of no objection. No covered practice can be given effect until the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond has entered such judgment or the Attorney General has issued such certification. The bill permits certain persons to institute an action to compel the governing body of a covered jurisdiction to institute an action in the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond or to seek issuance of a certification of no objection and provides for appeals by the governing body or certain persons to decisions made by the Attorney General. A covered jurisdiction is defined by the bill as any county or city that is determined by the Attorney General using annual American Community Survey data to have a voting age population that contains two or more racial or ethnic groups, each constituting at least 20 percent of its voting age population, but excludes any county or city that, on or after January 1, 2008, was exempt from the preclearance requirements of § 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, pursuant to a declaratory jurisdiction issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia under § 4 of that Act.

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<p><u>HB 1917</u> - Mugler (91) Local planning and zoning; publication of certain notices on locality's website.</p>	<p>1/10/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 1/29/2021 House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns with amendment(s) (13-Y 7-N) 2/3/2021 House: Re-referred to Counties, Cities and Towns 2/5/2021 House: Left in Counties, Cities and Towns</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21100328D) - Board has historically supported. Summary: Publication of certain notices on locality's website. Provides that in any instance in which a locality is required to publish certain notices related to local planning and zoning in a newspaper having general circulation in the locality, the locality may instead choose to meet such requirement by publishing the notice on the locality's website.</p>		
<p><u>HB 2050</u> - Bourne (71) Virginia housing opportunity; tax credit established starting in taxable year 2021.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Finance 1/22/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (7-Y 1-N) 2/5/2021 House: Left in Finance</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102648D) Summary: Virginia housing opportunity tax credit. Establishes, starting in taxable year 2021, a Virginia housing opportunity tax credit, which is equal to the amount of the federal low-income housing tax credit allocated or allowed by the Virginia Housing Development Authority to a low-income building that is eligible for the federal credit. The credit would be nonrefundable and could be carried forward for up to five years.</p>		
<p><u>HB 2114</u> - Ransone (99) Public hearings; notice submitted by localities to newspapers.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 1/21/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N) 1/22/2021 House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (17-Y 4-N) 1/26/2021 House: Re-referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns 1/29/2021 House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (13-Y 8-N) 2/3/2021 House: Re-referred to Counties, Cities and Towns 2/5/2021 House: Left in Counties, Cities and Towns</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Support (21100430D) Summary: Hearing notice by localities. Expands from only localities in Planning District 23 to all localities a provision that provides that in any instance in which a locality has submitted a timely notice of public hearing to a newspaper published or having general circulation in the locality and the newspaper fails to publish the notice, such locality shall be deemed to have met certain notice requirements so long as the notice was published in the next available edition. Under current law, this provision that was created by the 2020 Regular Session and only applies to localities in Planning District 23 will expire on July 1, 2022. The provision in the bill as it applies to all localities will also expire on July 1, 2022.</p>		

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<p>HB 2237 - McQuinn (70) Virginia Public Procurement Act; project labor agreements, transportation projects.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws 2/5/2021 House: Left in General Laws</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21102029D) Summary: Virginia Public Procurement Act; project labor agreements; transportation projects. Requires every public body, prior to requiring bidders, offerors, contractors, subcontractors, or operators on contracts for the design or construction of a road, highway, bridge, or similar transportation improvement to enter into, become or remain signatories to, or adhere to project labor agreements, to make a written determination that requiring such bidders, offerors, contractors, subcontractors, or operators to enter into, become or remain signatories to, or adhere to such project labor agreements advances the public's interests based on objective criteria established by the public body by regulation or ordinance, such as cost, efficiency, quality, safety, timeliness, maintenance of a skilled labor force, labor stability, or advancing minority-owned and women-owned business participation in the project.</p>		
<p>HB 2239 - Robinson (27) Absentee voting; ballots to be processed before election day and sorted and counted.</p>	<p>1/13/2021 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/26/2021 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 2-N) 2/5/2021 House: Left in Privileges and Elections</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21101712D) - The bill creates a substantial workload and logistical challenges. Summary: Elections; absentee voting; ballots to be processed before election day and sorted and counted by precinct. Requires certain actions to be taken to process absentee ballots that are returned by mail before election day. The general registrar is required to examine the ballot envelopes to verify completion of the required voter affirmation; mark the pollbook, or the absentee voter applicant list if the pollbook is not available, that the voter has voted; and open the sealed ballot envelopes and insert the ballots in optical scan counting equipment or other secure ballot container without initiating any ballot count totals. Current law requires only that the general registrar undertake at least one such activity before election day. So that ballots can be separated from ballot envelopes and scanned, the bill requires that the office of the general registrar be used as a central absentee voter precinct. The bill requires that absentee ballots processed at any central absentee voter precinct be sorted by the precinct to which the voter who cast the absentee ballot is assigned and that the resulting vote totals from such ballots be reported separately for each voter precinct.</p>		
<p>SB 1118 - Peake (22) Voter registration; verification of social security numbers, provisional registration status.</p>	<p>12/21/2020 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 1/26/2021 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Privileges and Elections (9-Y 6-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>

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<p>Oppose (21101474D) - Board has historically opposed.</p> <p>Summary: Voter registration; verification of social security numbers; provisional registration status. Requires the general registrars to verify that the name, date of birth, and social security number provided by an applicant on the voter registration application match the information on file in the Social Security Administration database or other database approved by the State Board of Elections (the State Board) before registering such applicant. If the information provided by the applicant does not match the information in such database, the applicant (i) is provisionally registered to vote and notified as to what steps are needed to be fully registered to vote and (ii) is permitted to vote by provisional ballot but such ballot shall not be counted until the voter presents certain information. The bill also requires the general registrars to verify annually no later than August 1 that the name, date of birth, and social security number in the registration record of each registered voter in the registrar's jurisdiction match the information on file with the Social Security Administration or other database approved by the State Board and, in accordance with current law, to initiate the cancellation of the registration of any voter whose registration record information does not match the database information. The State Board is authorized to approve the use of any government database to the extent required to enable each general registrar to carry out the provisions of this bill and to promulgate rules for the use of such database. The Department of Elections is required to provide to the general registrars access to the Social Security Administration database and any other database approved by the State Board. The Department of Elections is further required to enter into any agreement with any federal or state agency to facilitate such access. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2023.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1133</u> - Suetterlein (19) Children's Services Act; eligibility for state pool of funds, pilot program.</p>	<p>12/31/2020 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health 1/21/2021 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (8-Y 6-N) 1/21/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/3/2021 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Finance and Appropriations (14-Y 1-N)</p>	<p>2/9/2021</p>
<p>Amend (21103477D-S1) - Support provisions that allow CSA funding for transitional services from private special education schools to public schools, and requirements that private special education schools be licensed to receive CSA funds. Also support retaining language in the legislation requiring a comprehensive study prior to moving administration of CSA funds from OCS to DOE, as that could potentially impact state sum sufficiency funding for CSA, which is a top County priority.</p> <p>Summary: Children's Services Act; eligibility for state pool of funds; pilot program related to educational placement transition for certain students with disabilities. Expands eligibility for use of the state pool of funds under the Children's Services Act to services that are provided in a public school setting and requires that private day schools be approved and licensed by the Department of Education or an equivalent out-of-state licensing agency to be eligible for the state pool of funds. The bill requires the Department of Education and relevant local school boards to develop and implement a pilot program for up to four years in two to eight local school divisions in the Commonwealth. In developing the pilot, the Department is required to partner with the appropriate school board employees in each such local school division to (i) identify the resources, services, and supports required by each student who resides in each such local school division and who is educated in a private school setting pursuant to his Individualized Education Program; (ii) study the feasibility of transitioning each such student from his private school setting to an appropriate public school setting in the local school division and providing the identified resources, services, and supports in such public school setting; and (iii) recommend a process for redirecting federal, state, and local funds, including funds provided pursuant to the Children's Services Act, provided for the education of each such student to the local school division for the purpose of providing the identified resources, services, and supports in the appropriate public school setting. The bill requires the Department of Education to make a report to the Governor, the Senate Committees on Education and Health and Finance and Appropriations, and the House Committees on Education and Appropriations on the findings of each pilot program after two and four years.</p>		

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<p><u>SB 1185</u> - Dunnavant (12) Assisted living facilities; residents that are auxiliary grant recipients.</p>	<p>1/8/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services 1/22/2021 Senate: Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services with amendments (15-Y 0-N) 1/22/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/3/2021 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose Unless Amended (21101560D) - Oppose unless amended to direct state to assume increased payment rate over current rate, thereby removing added local costs. Summary: Auxiliary grants; assisted living facilities. Directs the Commissioner for Aging and Rehabilitative Services to adopt regulations that allow an assisted living facility in which 30 percent or more of the residents are auxiliary grant recipients to receive 200 percent of the auxiliary grant rate.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1186</u> - Hashmi (10) Landfill siting; historic preservation.</p>	<p>1/10/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources 2/4/2021 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (13-Y 2-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21100531D) Summary: Prohibits the construction of any new municipal solid waste landfill within three miles of any designated historic district, building, structure, object, or site.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1191</u> - Kiggans (7) School nurses; excludes positions from certain requirements, school board to employ in each school.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health 1/14/2021 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with amendment (12-Y 1-N 1-A) 1/14/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 1/27/2021 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Finance and Appropriations (16-Y 0-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21102426D) - Board has historically opposed. Potential fiscal impact to Fairfax County is approximately \$11.5 million. Summary: School personnel; school nurses. Excludes school nurse positions from requirements for student support positions and instead requires each local school board to employ at least one full-time equivalent school nurse position in each elementary school, middle school, and high school in the local school division. The bill also requires the Department of Education to establish and administer a waiver process for local school boards for which the requirements of the bill create an undue hardship.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1200</u> - Hashmi (10) Waste disposal; local approval.</p>	<p>1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources 2/4/2021 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (13-Y 1-N 1-A)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Oppose (21101204D) Summary: Requires any application (i) to store, provide treatment for, or dispose of hazardous waste or (ii) for a new solid waste management facility permit, except for a noncaptive industrial landfill, to include certification from the governing body for each locality within a five-mile radius of the facility, other than the locality in which the facility is or will be located, granting approval of the facility or activity.</p>		

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SB 1249 - Stuart (28) Local planning commissions; review deadlines.	1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government 1/25/2021 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Local Government (14-Y 0-N)	1/26/2021
<p>Oppose (21100584D) Summary: Adds rezoning or generalized development plans, special use permits, and special exception applications to various review deadlines and requirements for local planning commissions.</p>		
SB 1264 - Morrissey (16) Emergency and preliminary protective orders; expungement of orders.	1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 2/1/2021 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Judiciary with letter (15-Y 0-N)	1/26/2021
<p>Oppose (21101089D) Summary: Expungement of emergency and preliminary protective orders. Provides that a person against whom an emergency or preliminary protective order has been issued may petition to have police and court records relating to such order expunged if the order expires, is dissolved by the issuing court, or if a hearing for the issuance of a permanent protective order is scheduled or held and such permanent protective order is subsequently not issued.</p>		
SB 1283 - Morrissey (16) Criminal records, certain; establishes a process for the automatic expungement, report.	1/11/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 2/1/2021 Senate: Incorporated by Judiciary (SB 1339-Surovell) (13-Y 0-N)	2/9/2021
<p>Support with Amendment (21102250D) - Support concept of expungement for certain crimes; sufficient state funding for implementation is essential. Summary: Automatic expungement of criminal records. Establishes a process for the automatic expungement of criminal records for misdemeanors, certain felony convictions, deferred dispositions, and acquittals and for offenses that have been nolle prossed or otherwise dismissed. The bill also provides a process for the automatic expungement of criminal records for charges arising from mistaken identity or the unauthorized use of identifying information. The bill has staggered delayed effective dates in order to develop systems for implementing the provisions of the bill.</p>		
SB 1372 - Lucas (18) Criminal records; establishes a process for automatic expungement for certain convictions, report.	1/13/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 2/1/2021 Senate: Incorporated by Judiciary (SB 1339-Surovell) (14-Y 0-N)	2/9/2021

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<p>Support with Amendment (21102017D) - Support concept of expungement for certain crimes; sufficient state funding for implementation is essential.</p> <p>Summary: Automatic expungement of criminal records. Establishes a process for the automatic expungement, defined in the bill, of criminal records for certain convictions, deferred dispositions, and acquittals and for offenses that have been nolle prossed or otherwise dismissed. The bill also provides a process for the automatic expungement of criminal records for charges arising from mistaken identity or the unauthorized use of identifying information. The bill has staggered delayed effective dates in order to develop systems for implementing the provisions of the bill.</p>		
<p><u>SB 1382</u> - Favola (31) Firearms; purchase, etc., following conviction for assault and battery of a family member.</p>	<p>1/12/2021 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary 1/27/2021 Senate: Reported from Judiciary (8-Y 5-N) 1/27/2021 Senate: Re-referred to Finance and Appropriations 2/3/2021 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (8-Y 7-N) 2/5/2021 Senate: Read third time and defeated by Senate (16-Y 22-N)</p>	<p>1/26/2021</p>
<p>Support (21102782D) - See also HB 1992 (Murphy).</p> <p>Summary: Purchase, possession, or transportation of firearms following conviction for assault and battery of a family or household member; penalties. Prohibits a person who has been convicted of assault and battery of a family or household member from purchasing, possessing, or transporting a firearm. A person who violates this provision is guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor.</p>		

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