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VA - HB1371 Education Savings Account Program established; Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits.County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Delegate Phillip A. Scott (R)

Summary:

Education Savings Account Program established; Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits. Establishes the Education Savings Account Program, to be administered by the Department of Education, whereby the parent of any individual who is a resident of the Commonwealth and who is eligible to enroll in a public elementary or secondary school may apply for an Education Savings Account for his child into which the Department of Education deposits certain state and local funds and from which the parent makes certain enumerated qualifying expenses to educate his child in a setting and a manner other than full-time education in a public school. The bill requires the Program to be fully implemented prior to the beginning of the 2023– 2024 school year.

The bill also increases the value of the Education Improvement Scholarships income tax credit for a donation to a scholarship foundation from 65 percent to 100 percent of the donation. The bill removes the aggregate limit on tax credits per year, which under current law is \$25 million, and removes individual minimum and maximum required donation amounts.

The bill raises the threshold for students to qualify for scholarships from 300 percent of the current poverty guidelines to 1,000 percent of free or reduced-price lunch standards or, for eligible students with a disability, from 400 percent of the current poverty guidelines to 1,200 percent of such standards. The bill grants scholarship foundations the discretion to determine what expenses may be funded by tax-credit-subsidized scholarships. Under current law, such expenses are limited by statute. The bill expands eligibility for scholarships to any student who is a resident of the Commonwealth and eligible to enroll in a public elementary or secondary school in the Commonwealth. Current law restricts eligibility to certain categories of students.

The bill removes the requirement that scholarship-funded schools report test results of scholarship-funded students. The provisions of the bill pertaining to the Education Improvement Scholarships income tax credits apply starting with taxable year 2023.

Actions:

January 24, 2023

- Assigned Education sub: Early Childhood/Innovation

September 9, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Education
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100177D

VA - HB1378 State Air Pollution Control Board; motor vehicle emissions standards.County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Delegate Tony O. Wilt (R)

Summary:

State Air Pollution Control Board; motor vehicle emissions standards. Repeals the requirement that the State Air Pollution Control Board implement a low-emissions and zero-emissions vehicle program for motor vehicles with a model year of 2025 and later. The bill prohibits the Board from adopting or enforcing any model year standards related to control of emissions from new motor vehicles or new motor vehicle engines, including low-emission vehicle and zero-emission vehicle standards pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act and prohibits the Commonwealth from requiring any new motor vehicle or new motor vehicle engine to be certified as compliant with model year standards related to the control of emissions adopted by California for which a waiver has been granted pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act.

Actions:

January 26, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 25, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (52-Y 48-N)
- Read third time and passed House (52-Y 48-N)

January 24, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 23, 2023

- Passed by for the day

January 20, 2023

- Read first time

January 18, 2023

- Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources (12-Y 10-N)

November 2, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100526D

VA - HB1427 Firearms, etc.; control of possession by locality.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed, see also SB 1236 (Obenshain).

Primary Patron: Delegate Dave A. LaRock (R)

Summary:

Control of firearms by localities. Removes a locality's authority to prohibit the possession or carrying of firearms, ammunition, or components or any combination thereof in (i) any public park owned or operated by the locality; (ii) any recreation or community center facility operated by the locality; or (iii) any public street, road, alley, or sidewalk or public right-of-way or any other place of whatever nature that is open to the public and is being used by or is adjacent to a permitted event or an event that would otherwise require a permit.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 31, 2023

- Read first time

January 27, 2023

- Reported from Public Safety (12-Y 10-N)

January 26, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 4-N)

January 24, 2023

- Assigned PS sub: Subcommittee #1

December 15, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Public Safety
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100752D

VA - HB1429 Public defender; supplementing compensation.

County Position: Oppose, Board has historically opposed, Funding court personnel is a critical state responsibility.

Primary Patron: Delegate Timothy V. Anderson (R)

Summary:

Supplementing compensation of public defender. Requires the governing body of any county or city that elects to supplement the compensation of the attorney for the Commonwealth, or any of his deputies or employees, above the salary set by the Compensation Board to proportionally supplement the compensation of the public defender, or any of his deputies or employees, commensurate with the compensation of the attorney for the Commonwealth, or any of his deputies or employees, and to pay for such additional compensation from the funds of the county or city.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 2-N)

January 24, 2023

- Assigned Courts sub: Subcommittee #1

December 16, 2022

- Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101071D

VA - HB1442 Transient occupancy tax; administration.

County Position: Monitor

Primary Patron: Delegate Joseph P. McNamara (R)

Summary:

Transient occupancy tax; administration. Requires the Department of Taxation to annually publish on its website the current transient occupancy tax rates imposed in each locality. The bill also (i) requires the tax-assessing officer of a locality to administer and enforce the assessment and collection of transient occupancy taxes from accommodations intermediaries, (ii) specifies certain return filing requirements for accommodations intermediaries, and (iii) directs the Compensation Board to contract with a third-party provider for development of an electronic interface that enables accommodations intermediaries, beginning on July 1, 2024, to provide a single filing and remittance system for transient occupancy taxes due for all localities.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 24, 2023

- VOTE: Block Vote Passage (100-Y 0-N)
- Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

January 23, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1442H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104573D-H1
- Read second time

January 20, 2023

- Read first time

January 18, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23104573D-H1
- Reported from Finance with substitute (21-Y 0-N)

January 16, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #1

December 20, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102584D

VA - HB1444 Elections; voter identification containing a photograph required, availability of absentee voting.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Delegate R. Lee Ware (R)

Summary:

Elections; voter identification containing a photograph required; availability of absentee voting in person; processing of returned absentee ballots; permanent absentee voter list repealed. Requires presentation of a form of identification containing a photograph in order to vote. A voter who does not show an accepted form of identification is entitled to cast a provisional ballot. The bill limits the period that absentee voting in person is available to the seven days prior to an election and allows localities to offer extended hours for absentee voting in person. Additionally, the bill repeals the provision that allows an absentee ballot that is returned after the close of polls to be counted if it is postmarked by election day and arrives by the Friday after the election. The bill makes changes to the processing of returned absentee ballots and repeals the permanent absentee voter list.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1444H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104635D-H1
- Read second time

January 31, 2023

- Read first time

January 27, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23104635D-H1
- Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (12-Y 10-N)

January 24, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 4-N)

January 12, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #1

December 20, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100770D

VA - HB1467 Elections; voter identification containing photograph required, availability of absentee voting.County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Delegate Scott A. Wyatt (R)

Summary:

Elections; voter identification containing photograph required; who may register up to and including the day of the election; availability of absentee voting in person; return of absentee ballots. Requires presentation of a form of identification containing a photograph in order to vote and provides that a voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification is entitled to cast a provisional ballot. The bill repeals a provision that would permit any person who is qualified to register to vote to do so in person up to and including the day of the election and limits the persons who are entitled to register to vote after the close of registration records to members of a uniformed service on active duty, persons who are residing temporarily outside of the United States, and their spouses and dependents. The bill limits the period during which absentee voting in person is available from 45 days preceding the date of the election to the Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday immediately preceding the date of the election. The bill requires that absentee ballots returned by mail be returned to the office of the general registrar by the close of polls on election day and be postmarked on or before the Saturday preceding the date of the election. The bill eliminates the use of drop-off locations for the return of absentee ballots. The bill requires absentee ballot applications to contain the last four digits of the applicant's social security number and provides that the failure of an absentee ballot to include a witness signature is a material omission, rendering the ballot void.

Actions:

January 24, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (10-Y 0-N)

January 12, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #1

December 28, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101089D

VA - HB1470 Real property; tax exemption for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses.County Position: **Amend**, amend to address implementation issues, Board has historically recommended amendment.

Primary Patron: Delegate Vivian E. Watts (D)

Summary:

Real property tax; exemption for disabled veterans and surviving spouses. Provides that a person who is eligible for the real property tax exemption for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses is entitled to a refund, retroactive to his date of eligibility, of taxes paid during the period of exemption, excluding interest or penalties. Under the bill, the refund is exempt from the statute of limitations for applications for correction of an assessment.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 31, 2023

- VOTE: (99-Y 0-N)
- Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

January 30, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 27, 2023

- Read first time

January 25, 2023

- Reported from Finance (22-Y 0-N)

January 20, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3

December 29, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101709D

VA - HB1484 Sales Tax; exemption for food purchased for human consumption, essential personal hygiene products.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Delegate Joseph P. McNamara (R)

Summary:

Sales tax; exemption for food purchased for human consumption and essential personal hygiene products. Provides an exemption from local sales and use tax beginning July 1, 2023, for food purchased for human consumption and essential personal hygiene products. The bill also provides an allocation of state revenues to fund the distribution to localities for funding that would have been distributed to them absent the exemption created by the bill. Under current law, such products are exempt from state sales and use tax but are subject to the standard local rate of one percent.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Appropriations
- Reported from Finance (12-Y 10-N)

January 23, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
- Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 3-N)

January 19, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #2

December 31, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101010D

VA - HB1485 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan; effective date.

County Position: ~~Oppose~~, Monitor, Bill has been amended to reflect an agreement reached by the stakeholders.

Primary Patron: Delegate Michael J. Webert (R)

Summary:

Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan; effective date. Changes the contingency for the effective date of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan provisions to (i) allow consideration of a combination of point or nonpoint source pollution reduction efforts other than agricultural best management conservation practices when determining whether the Commonwealth's commitments in the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load Phase III Watershed Implementation Plan have been satisfied and (ii) bar such provisions from becoming effective unless the

Commonwealth funds the Virginia Natural Resources Commitment Fund each year of the current or existing biennial period.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 24, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (52-Y 47-N)
- Read third time and passed House (52-Y 47-N)

January 23, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1485H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104627D-H1
- Read second time

January 20, 2023

- Read first time

January 18, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23104627D-H1
- Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources with substitute (12-Y 10-N)

January 16, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 4-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned ACNR sub: Chesapeake

January 1, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101756D

VA - HB1496 Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund; 3.5 percent of Fund may be allocated to NVTC.

County Position: Support provisions related to VRE and remove cap on state aid for WMATA.

Primary Patron: Delegate Terry L. Austin (R)

Summary:

Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund. Allocates 2.5 percent of the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund (the Fund) to the Commuter Rail Operating and Capital Fund (CROC) for operating purposes. The bill creates a subfund called the Subfund within CROC for such funds. The bill decreases from 27 percent to 24.5 percent the allocation from the Fund to support the operating costs of transit providers and excludes the Virginia Railway Express from receiving such allocations. The bill requires the actual distribution of the 2.5 percent of the Fund to CROC to be based on service delivery factors established by the Commonwealth Transportation Board and reverts remaining funds to existing allocation for supporting the operating costs of transit providers.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 31, 2023

- VOTE: (99-Y 0-N)
- Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

January 30, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1496H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104630D-H1
- Read second time

January 27, 2023

- Read first time

January 25, 2023

- Reported from Appropriations (20-Y 0-N)

January 23, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

January 20, 2023

- Assigned App. sub: Transportation & Public Safety

January 19, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23104630D-H1
- Referred to Committee on Appropriations
- Reported from Transportation with substitute (20-Y 0-N)

January 17, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)

January 16, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #2 Transportation Infrastructure and Funding

January 3, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101926D

VA - HB1501 Law-enforcement civilian oversight bodies; requirements of members.

County Position: **Monitor**

Primary Patron: Delegate Chris S. Runion (R)

Summary:

Law-enforcement civilian oversight bodies; requirements. Requires every member appointed to a locality's law-enforcement civilian oversight body to observe within 90 days of the member's appointment a law-enforcement officer employed with such locality's law-enforcement agency while such law-enforcement officer is engaged in his official duties and that such observation total no fewer than 24 hours, a portion of which includes a ride-along with a law-enforcement officer. The bill also provides that any disciplinary determination recommended by a law-enforcement civilian oversight body shall be advisory and that if any law-enforcement agency declines to implement such recommendation, such agency shall create and make available to the public within 30 days from the date such recommendation is reported to such agency a written public record of its rationale for declining to implement such recommendation. Finally, the bill requires each law-enforcement civilian oversight body to include at least one retired law-enforcement officer as a voting member; under current law, a retired law-enforcement officer may serve on such body as an advisory, nonvoting ex officio member.

Actions:

January 27, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 26, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (51-Y 47-N)
- Read third time and passed House (51-Y 47-N)

January 25, 2023

- Printed as engrossed 23100457D-E
- Engrossed by House as amended HB1501E
- Committee amendment agreed to
- Read second time

January 24, 2023

- Read first time

January 20, 2023

- Reported from Public Safety with amendment(s) (12-Y 10-N)

January 19, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (5-Y 3-N)

January 17, 2023

- Assigned PS sub: Subcommittee #2

January 3, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Public Safety
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100457D

VA - HB1508 Virginia Education Success Account Program; established, report.

County Position: Oppose

Primary Patron: Delegate Glenn R. Davis (R)

Summary:

Virginia Education Success Account Program; establishment. Permits the parents of qualified students, defined in the bill, to apply for a one-year, renewable Virginia Education Success Account that consists of an amount that is equivalent to a certain percentage of all applicable annual Standards of Quality per pupil state funds appropriated for public school purposes and apportioned to the school division in which the qualified student resides, including the per pupil share of state sales tax funding in basic aid and any state per pupil share of special education funding for which the qualified student is eligible. The bill permits the parent of the qualified student to use the moneys in such account for certain qualified expenses of the qualified student, including tuition, deposits, fees, and required textbooks at a private elementary school or secondary school that is located in the Commonwealth. The bill also contains provisions relating to program and account administration by the Department of the Treasury and a third-party financial institution that serves as program administrator pursuant to a contract with the Department of the Treasury.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (4-Y 3-N)

January 25, 2023

- Assigned App. sub: Elementary & Secondary Education
- Referred to Committee on Appropriations
- Reported from Education with amendment(s) (11-Y 10-N)

January 17, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
- Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (5-Y 3-N)

January 16, 2023

- Assigned Education sub: K-12

January 4, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Education

- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102042D

VA - HB1516 Towing and recovery operators; vehicle storage.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Dawn M. Adams (D)

Summary:

Towing and recovery operators; vehicle storage. Prohibits towing and recovery operators from refusing, at their place of business, to allow the owner of a vehicle to access and recover any personal items not attached to the vehicle without retrieving the vehicle and without paying any fee. The bill requires the governing body of each county, city, and town to set reasonable limits on storage fees charged by towing and recovery operators after the first 24 hours, taking into consideration the average daily public parking rate in the locality. The bill requires periodic review and timely adjustment of such limitations.

Actions:

January 26, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 25, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (100-Y 0-N)
- Read third time and passed House (100-Y 0-N)

January 24, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1516H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104731D-H1
- Read second time

January 23, 2023

- Read first time

January 19, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23104731D-H1
- Reported from Transportation with substitute (19-Y 1-N)

January 17, 2023

- Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 4-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #2 Transportation Infrastructure and Funding

January 4, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101940D

VA - HB1534 Loan repayment programs; creates program for mental health professionals.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Nadarius E. Clark (D)

Summary:

Loan repayment programs; mental health professionals. Creates a loan repayment program for persons who have worked as mental health professionals in the Commonwealth for at least five years.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 3-N)

January 24, 2023

- Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources
- Referred to Committee on Appropriations
- Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions (17-Y 5-N)

January 19, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
- Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 0-N)

January 16, 2023

- Assigned HWI sub: Subcommittee #3

January 5, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101851D

VA - HB1559 Ordinances, local; vehicle exhaust, operation on property near residential district.County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Vivian E. Watts (D)

Summary:

Local ordinances; vehicle exhaust; operation on property near residential district. Allows local governing bodies to regulate, by ordinance, noise from vehicles not conforming to exhaust system requirements that are operated on highways or on public or private property in or within 500 feet of any residential district. Current law only allows such regulation by ordinance from such vehicles that are operated on a highway.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 3-N)

January 16, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #3 Highway Safety and Policy

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102375D

VA - HB1561 Arrest/prosecution of individual experiencing mental health emerg.; assault against law enforcement.County Position: **Monitor**, see also HB 2106 (Bourne)

Primary Patron: Delegate Vivian E. Watts (D)

Summary:

Assault or assault and battery against a law-enforcement officer; arrest and prosecution of individual experiencing a mental health emergency. Provides that no individual shall be subject to arrest or prosecution for an assault or assault and battery against a law-enforcement officer if at the time of the assault or assault and battery (i) the individual (a) is experiencing a mental health emergency or (b) meets the criteria for issuance of an emergency custody order pursuant to § 37.2-808 and (ii) the law-enforcement officer subject to the assault or assault and battery was responding to a call for

service requesting assistance for such individual. The bill provides that no law-enforcement officer acting in good faith shall be found liable for false arrest if it is later determined that the person arrested was immune from prosecution.

Actions:

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102003D

VA - HB1587 Commissioner of Highways; entering into certain agreements, civil penalties, agents.

County Position: **Initiate**

Primary Patron: Delegate Richard C. "Rip" Sullivan, Jr. (D)

Summary:

Commissioner of Highways; entering into certain agreements; civil penalties; agents. Adds contractors to the list of entities that the Commissioner of Highways, in agreement with Fairfax County, may authorize to act as agents for the enforcement of provisions related to signs or advertising within the limits of highways and the collection of associated civil penalties for violations of such provisions. The bill also requires such contractors to comply with applicable law and makes them subject to a right to reclaim a lawfully placed sign by the sign owner if such sign was confiscated in violation of the granted authority.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 30, 2023

- VOTE: (100-Y 0-N)
- Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

January 27, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 26, 2023

- Read first time

January 24, 2023

- Reported from Transportation (22-Y 0-N)

January 18, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (9-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #3 Highway Safety and Policy

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102486D

VA - HB1589 Pedestrian control signals; applicability to persons riding bicycles and other devices.

County Position: **Support with amendment, amend to address implementation issues.**

Primary Patron: Delegate Richard C. "Rip" Sullivan, Jr. (D)

Summary:

Pedestrian control signals; applicability to persons riding bicycles and other devices. Allows persons riding bicycles, electric personal assistive mobility devices, electric power-assisted bicycles, mopeds, or motorized skateboards or scooters to follow the pedestrian Walk signal at an intersection when traveling in the direction of the signal, provided they

yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk traveling in the same direction. The bill provides that a person riding a bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, moped, or motorized skateboard or scooter may not start to cross a highway in the direction of a Don't Walk signal, but such person who has partially completed his crossing on the Walk signal shall proceed to a sidewalk or safety island and remain there while the Don't Walk signal is showing.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 3-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #3 Highway Safety and Policy

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102848D

VA - HB1591 Data Governance and Analytics, Office of; repeals sunset provision.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Delegate Glenn R. Davis (R)

Summary:

Office of Data Governance and Analytics; Chief Data Officer. Repeals the sunset provision enacted in 2021 that created the Office of Data Governance and Analytics and the position of Chief Data Officer within the Office of the Secretary of Administration, making both permanent. The provision is currently scheduled to expire on July 1, 2023.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read first time

January 30, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23105800D-H1
- Reported from Appropriations with substitute (22-Y 0-N)
- Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 0-N)

January 24, 2023

- Assigned App. sub: General Government and Capital Outlay

January 23, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Appropriations
- Reported from Communications, Technology and Innovation (22-Y 0-N)

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Communications, Technology and Innovation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100957D

VA - HB1609 Transit Ridership Incentive Program; on-demand microtransit operations.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Delegate Anne Ferrell Tata (R)

Summary:

Transit Ridership Incentive Program; on-demand microtransit operations. Includes the development and implementation of on-demand microtransit operations, defined in the bill, to incentivize and promote transit ridership, as part of the goal of the Transit Ridership Incentive Program. The bill provides that an approved initiative or service is eligible to continue

receiving funding for the duration of the Program on an annual basis, for up to 80 percent of costs, from funds that are available to the urbanized area in which the initiative or service is located.

Actions:

January 24, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends striking from docket (7-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #2 Transportation Infrastructure and Funding

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103058D

VA - HB1632 Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act; regulations, effective date.

County Position: **Monitor**

Primary Patron: Delegate David L. Bulova (D)

Summary:

Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act; regulations; effective date. Directs the State Water Control Board to adopt regulations to implement before July 1, 2024, the requirements of amendments to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act enacted by the 2016 Session and amended by the 2017 Session and delays from July 1, 2018, to July 1, 2024, the effective date of the amendments made by the 2016 Session and regulations required to be adopted pursuant thereto.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (9-Y 0-N)

January 20, 2023

- Assigned ACNR sub: Chesapeake

January 7, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102679D

VA - HB1665 Local land use; extension of approvals, sunset provision.

County Position: **Oppose**, County has the tools to address this issue locally, see also SB 1205 (Lewis)

Primary Patron: Delegate Daniel W. Marshall, III (R)

Summary:

Local land use approvals; extension of approvals to address the COVID-19 pandemic. Extends from July 1, 2023, to July 1, 2025, the sunset date for various local land use approvals that were valid and outstanding as of July 1, 2020. The bill also provides that its provisions shall not be construed to extend previous extensions related to the housing crisis and that any extension of approvals outstanding as of July 1, 2020, shall apply to any such approvals granted subsequent to July 1, 2020, that expire prior to July 1, 2025. This provision is declarative of existing law.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Printed as engrossed 23104197D-E
- Engrossed by House as amended HB1665E
- Committee amendments agreed to
- Read second time

January 31, 2023

- Read first time

January 27, 2023

- Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns with amendment(s) (19-Y 3-N)

January 19, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 1-N)

January 17, 2023

- Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2

January 9, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104197D

VA - HB1685 Business local; taxes, penalties.

County Position: ~~Oppose~~, Monitor, Bill has been amended to remove provisions reducing the penalty on unpaid taxes.

Primary Patron: Delegate Karen S. Greenhalgh (R)

Summary:

Local business taxes; penalties. Caps the maximum amount of penalties that may be assessed on unpaid license taxes or tangible personal property taxes owed by a business at five percent of the amount due. The bill provides the same cap for penalties assessed for failing to apply for a license or file a return on time for such taxes. The bill requires the assessing official, upon assessing any such penalty, to notify the affected taxpayer of the amount of such penalty, any interest assessed, and the total amount of tax owed. The bill is a recommendation of the Small Business Commission.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 31, 2023

- VOTE: (99-Y 0-N)
- Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

January 30, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1685H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23105427D-H1
- Read second time

January 27, 2023

- Read first time

January 25, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23105427D-H1
- Reported from Finance with substitute (22-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #2

January 9, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100943D

VA - HB1693 Absentee voting; return of absentee ballots, drop-off locations.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Delegate John J. McGuire, III (R)

Summary:

Absentee voting; return of absentee ballots; drop-off locations. Repeals the provisions of the Code providing for the establishment of drop-off locations for the return of absentee ballots.

Actions:

January 27, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 26, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (51-Y 47-N)
- Read third time and passed House (51-Y 47-N)

January 25, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 24, 2023

- Read first time

January 20, 2023

- Reported from Privileges and Elections (12-Y 10-N)

January 17, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 4-N)

January 12, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #1

January 9, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100133D

VA - HB1723 Passing stopped school buses; purpose of stop, prima facie evidence.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Shelly A. Simonds (D)

Summary:

Passing stopped school buses; purpose of stop; prima facie evidence. Makes evidence that a bus was stopped with at least one warning device activated prima facie evidence that the bus was stopped for the purpose of taking on or discharging children, the elderly, or mentally or physically handicapped persons.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (99-Y 1-N)
- Read third time and passed House (99-Y 1-N)
- Passed by temporarily

January 31, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 30, 2023

- Read first time

January 26, 2023

- Reported from Transportation (18-Y 4-N)

January 24, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 1-N)

January 16, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #2 Transportation Infrastructure and Funding

January 9, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102405D

VA - HB1749 Real property taxes; rate of increase procedure.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Delegate Wendell S. Walker (R)

Summary:

Real property taxes; rate of increase procedure. Provides that a governing body of a locality may increase the real property tax rate (i) by an amount lower than three percent through a public hearing and a majority vote of the governing body; (ii) by an amount of three percent or more, but lower than five percent through a public hearing and a two-thirds majority vote of the governing body; and (iii) by an amount of five percent or more through holding a referendum. The bill provides that the governing body of a locality may not hold a public hearing for a proposed rate increase on the same day as the annual budget hearing. Under current law, the governing body of a locality is required to limit the real property tax rate to a rate that would collect no more than 101 percent of the amount of real property taxes collected for the previous year; increases above this rate may only be imposed if the locality holds a public hearing.

Actions:

January 19, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #2

January 9, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104015D

VA - HB1805 Virginia Resources Authority; community development and housing projects.

County Position: **Support**, see also SB 1401 (Lewis)

Primary Patron: Delegate Robert S. Bloxom, Jr. (R)

Summary:

Virginia Resources Authority; purpose; community development and housing projects. Adds community development projects related to the production and preservation of housing, including housing for persons and families of low and moderate income, to those projects that the Virginia Resources Authority may finance. The bill directs the Department of Housing and Community Development to assist the Authority with determining which local governments are to receive grants from the Authority for such projects.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #2

January 25, 2023

- Referred to Committee on General Laws
- Referred from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources by voice vote

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104158D

[VA - HB1812](#) Foreign interference in elections; registration, absentee voting, and conduct of elections.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Delegate Marie E. March (R)

Summary:

Elections; foreign interference in elections; registration, absentee voting, and conduct of election; penalty. Requires the Attorney General to provide assessments and reports on foreign interference, defined in the bill, in elections in the Commonwealth to the Governor and the General Assembly and to levy or recommend appropriate sanctions against any such foreign governments found to be interfering in elections in the Commonwealth. The bill also repeals the provision that allows persons 16 years of age or older to preregister to vote, removes the ability to register to vote using the websites of the Department of Elections or the Department of Motor Vehicles, and moves the deadline for registering to vote from 21 days prior to an election to 30 days prior to an election. In addition, the bill directs the Department of Elections to conduct list maintenance activities during the 30 days prior to any election in which a candidate for federal office is not on the ballot, including the removal of duplicate registrations, requires voters to provide an excuse in order to vote absentee, removes the option to vote absentee in person, reinstates provisions requiring the presentation of a valid form of photo identification in order to vote, and directs general registrars to provide a paper copy of the pollbook at each polling place during all elections. Finally, the bill eliminates curbside voting and same-day voter registration, prohibits the use of any voting system that can be connected to the Internet and directs the State Board of Elections to decertify any such voting system, and increases from a Class 6 felony to a Class 4 felony the penalty for voter registration fraud.

Actions:

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101719D

[VA - HB1847](#) Elections; registration, absentee, and conduct of election.

County Position: ~~Oppose~~, Monitor, Bill was stripped of language regarding major concerns.

Primary Patron: Delegate Dave A. LaRock (R)

Summary:

Elections; registration, absentee, and conduct of election. Restores the local option to hold May elections; repeals laws permitting registration on election day and requiring preregistration of certain persons under 18 years of age; eliminates the permanent absentee voter list; removes provisions allowing general registrars to contract with a third party for the printing, assembly, and mailing of absentee ballot packets; requires an excuse to vote absentee; reduces absentee voting in person to the 10 days prior to the date of an election; requires that mailed absentee ballots be returned by the United States Postal Service; repeals provisions allowing for absentee ballot drop boxes; requires absentee ballots to be received by the general registrar by the close of polls on election day in order to be counted; requires presentation of a form of identification containing a photograph in order to vote; repeals the provisions of law permitting a voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification to vote after signing a statement that he is the named registered voter he claims to be; and requires that provisional ballot envelopes have written on them certain required information in order to be considered, including the signature of the officer of election administering the provisional ballot and his indication of whether photo identification was shown, and if so, the type. The bill also amends provisions regarding risk-limiting audits to allow for (i) risk-limiting audits of the part of a district that covers multiple localities that lies in a single locality and (ii) the use of the batch comparison method when conducting a risk-limiting audit.

Actions:

January 12, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #1

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102822D

VA - HB1877 Absentee voting; limits availability of absentee voting in person.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Delegate Phillip A. Scott (R)

Summary:

Absentee voting; availability of absentee voting in person; hours of operation. Limits absentee voting in person to the two weeks immediately preceding an election. During these two weeks, the bill requires that absentee voting in person be available Monday through Saturday, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. each day.

Actions:

January 27, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 26, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (51-Y 47-N)
- Read third time and passed House (51-Y 47-N)

January 25, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1877H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104633D-H1
- Read second time

January 24, 2023

- Read first time

January 20, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23104633D-H1
- Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (12-Y 10-N)

January 17, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 4-N)

January 16, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #1

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101085D

VA - HB1896 Banks; payment of franchise tax.

County Position: **Monitor**, see also SB 1182(Ruff)

Primary Patron: Delegate Kathy J. Byron (R)

Summary:

Bank franchise tax. Establishes a process, as of January 1, 2024, whereby banks having \$40 billion or greater in Virginia deposits based on the June 30 FDIC deposit market share report of the preceding tax year may elect to pay the bank

franchise tax to the Department of Taxation and are bound by such election for 10 years absent permission from the Tax Commissioner. The bill directs the Department of Taxation, as of January 1, 2025, to apportion 80 percent of the bank franchise tax revenue from banks making such an election to localities through the newly created Local Bank Franchise Tax Fund.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Reported from Finance with substitute (21-Y 1-N)

January 30, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (6-Y 0-N)
- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104007D

VA - HB1910 Absentee voting; unsolicited absentee ballot applications, required information, penalty.

County Position: Monitor

Primary Patron: Delegate Amanda E. Batten (R)

Summary:

Absentee voting; unsolicited absentee ballot applications; required information; penalty. Requires any individual or organization sending an application for an absentee ballot to a registered voter that was not solicited or requested by the registered voter to include with the application instructions on completing the application and submitting it to the appropriate general registrar. The bill requires a statement that the application is not being sent by any state or local government official or agency to be printed on the envelope containing the application or on the first page of any enclosed materials. The bill specifies that individuals and organizations are required to use the information provided in the list of registered voters acquired by such individual or organization from the Department of Elections pursuant to relevant law and that a violation of this requirement is a Class 4 misdemeanor. The bill also requires the Department of Elections to ensure, when providing such list to such individual or organization for purposes of sending unsolicited applications, that no voter is included on such list if such voter has applied for an absentee ballot on or before the date such list is requested. Finally, the bill provides that no application for an absentee ballot sent to a registered voter that was not solicited or requested by the registered voter may be pre-populated with information that the applicant is required to provide.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 31, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (88-Y 11-N)
- Read third time and passed House (88-Y 11-N)

January 30, 2023

- Printed as engrossed 23101739D-E
- Engrossed by House as amended HB1910E
- Amendments by Delegate Batten agreed to
- Read second time

January 27, 2023

- Passed by for the day

January 26, 2023

- Passed by for the day

- Engrossment reconsidered by House
January 25, 2023
- Read second time and engrossed
January 24, 2023
- Read first time
January 20, 2023
- Reported from Privileges and Elections (21-Y 1-N)
January 10, 2023
- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101739D

VA - HB1939 Primary and secondary state highway systems; reducing speed limits on highways part of system.

County Position: **Initiate**

Primary Patron: Delegate Kenneth R. Plum (D)

Summary:

Powers of local authorities; reducing speed limits; highways in the primary and secondary state highway systems. Authorizes the governing body of any locality to reduce to less than 25 miles per hour, but not less than 15 miles per hour, the speed limit of highways that are part of the primary and secondary state highway systems located in a business district or residence district within the locality's boundaries, provided that the reduced speed limit is indicated by lawfully placed signs. Current law only authorizes the governing body of a locality that maintains its own roads to make such a reduction on highways in a business district or residence district within the locality's boundaries.

Actions:

- **January 24, 2023**
- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 3-N)
January 18, 2023
- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #2 Transportation Infrastructure and Funding
January 10, 2023
- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103064D

VA - HB1947 Absentee voting; annual absentee voter list.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Delegate Robert S. Bloxom, Jr. (R)

Summary:

Absentee voting; annual absentee voter list. Eliminates the permanent absentee voter list and provides for an annual absentee voter list by which any eligible voter who annually files an application and is enrolled on the list receives an absentee ballot for any election in which he is eligible to vote in the ensuing calendar year. The application for the annual absentee voter list requires, at a minimum, the voter to provide his printed name, his date of birth, and the last four digits of his social security number.

Actions:

- **February 1, 2023**
- Read second time and engrossed

January 31, 2023

- Read first time

January 27, 2023

- Reported from Privileges and Elections (12-Y 10-N)

January 25, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 3-N)

January 23, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #2

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100849D

VA - HB1948 Absentee voting; removes witness requirement, required information on return ballot envelope.

County Position: Support elimination of the witness requirement, but oppose requiring the voter's social security number and date of birth.

Primary Patron: Delegate Robert S. Bloxom, Jr. (R)

Summary:

Elections; absentee voting; witness requirement; required information on return ballot envelope. Removes the witness requirement for absentee ballots and replaces it with the requirement that the voter provide the last four digits of his social security number and his date of birth.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1948H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23105545D-H1
- Read second time

January 31, 2023

- Read first time

January 27, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23105545D-H1
- Reported from Privileges and Elections with substitute (22-Y 0-N)

January 25, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

January 23, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #2

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100850D

VA - HB1963 Individuals with developmental disabilities; financial flexibility, report.

County Position: **Support**, see also SB 945 (Suetterlein)

Primary Patron: Delegate Chris S. Runion (R)

Summary:

Department of Medical Assistance Services; services for individuals with developmental disabilities; financial flexibility; report. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services to take steps to amend the Family and Individual Supports, Community Living, and Building Independence waivers to provide greater financial flexibility to individuals with developmental disabilities who are receiving waiver services. The bill requires the Department to report on its progress to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2023.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Reported from Appropriations (22-Y 0-N)

January 31, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

January 24, 2023

- Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources
- Referred to Committee on Appropriations
- Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions (22-Y 0-N)

January 17, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations
- Subcommittee recommends reporting (9-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned HWI sub: Subcommittee #1

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104079D

VA - HB2018 Children's Services Act; information sharing, confidentiality exception.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Les R. Adams (R)

Summary:

Children's Services Act; information sharing; confidentiality exception. Allows family assessment and planning teams (FAPT) and community policy and management teams (CPMT) to share information with local law enforcement or threat assessment teams established by local school boards if a FAPT or CPMT obtains information from which the team determines that a child poses a threat of violence or physical harm to himself or others. Under current law, all information about specific children and families obtained by FAPT and CPMT members must be kept confidential.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 4-N)

January 25, 2023

- Assigned HWI sub: Subcommittee #1

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101405D

VA - HB2041 Parks, local; walking trails, liability for property owners.

County Position: Support, see also SB 807 (Favola)

Primary Patron: Delegate Irene Shin (D)

Summary:

Local parks; walking trails; liability; property owners. Authorizes a locality or park authority to establish, conduct, and regulate a system of walking trails and releases from certain civil liability the owner of any property leased, licensed, or provided by easement for such use in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 31, 2023

- Read first time

January 27, 2023

- Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (22-Y 0-N)

January 26, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (9-Y 0-N)

January 17, 2023

- Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102799D

VA - HB2049 Polling place; assistance for certain voters, definition of disability.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Delegate Elizabeth B. Bennett-Parker (D)

Summary:

Assistance for certain voters outside of the polling place; definition of disability. Defines the entitlement of voters with disabilities to vote outside the polls as those whose disability prevents them from entering the polling place. Expands the definition of disability for purposes of providing assistance outside of a polling place to voters with disabilities to include any permanent or temporary disability. Under current law, the disability is limited to a permanent or temporary physical disability.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 6-N)

January 30, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #1

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100155D

VA - HB2050 Virginia Freedom of Information Act; electronic meetings, local and regional public bodies.County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Elizabeth B. Bennett-Parker (D)

Summary:

Virginia Freedom of Information Act; electronic meetings; local and regional public bodies. Allows, with certain exceptions, local and regional public bodies to convene as many all-virtual public meetings as each such public body deems acceptable in its individual remote participation meeting policy, to be adopted at least once annually by recorded vote at a public meeting. Current law limits all-virtual public meetings to no more than two times per calendar year or 25 percent of the meetings held per calendar year rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater, and prohibits any such meeting from being held consecutively with another all-virtual public meeting.

Actions:

January 24, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 3-N)

January 18, 2023

- Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #4

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on General Laws
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100348D

VA - HB2095 Plans and programs; drought evaluation and response plans, Potomac River.County Position: **Support**, see also SB 1149 (Marsden)

Primary Patron: Delegate David L. Bulova (D)

Summary:

Plans and programs; drought evaluation and response plans; Potomac River. Requires the State Water Control Board to recognize service areas for water utilities in the Commonwealth that use the Potomac River as a water supply source as a distinct drought evaluation region. The bill requires the Board to incorporate certain provisions from the Metropolitan Washington Water Supply and Drought Awareness Response Plan: Potomac River System into the existing drought evaluation plans that are applicable to the Potomac River drought evaluation region.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 24, 2023

- VOTE: Block Vote Passage (100-Y 0-N)
- Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

January 23, 2023

- Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB2095H1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104567D-H1
- Read second time

January 20, 2023

- Read first time

January 18, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23104567D-H1
- Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources with substitute (22-Y 0-N)

January 16, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (10-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned ACNR sub: Chesapeake

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104033D

VA - HB2100 Accessory dwelling units; establishes authority & requirements for localities in development & use.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Delegate Sally L. Hudson (D)

Summary:

Accessory dwelling units. Establishes authority and requirements for localities in the development and use of accessory dwelling units (ADUs). An ADU is defined in the bill as an independent dwelling unit on a single-family dwelling (SFD) lot with its own living, bathroom, and kitchen space. An ADU may be within or attached to an SFD or in a detached structure on a lot containing an SFD. An ADU may include, but is not limited to, basements, attics, flats, guest houses, cottages, and converted structures such as garages and sheds. The bill specifies that an ADU is not permitted in cases where it would violate historic preservation rules, deed restrictions, or property owners' association rules.

Actions:

February 2, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 4-N)

January 23, 2023

- Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104025D

VA - HB2106 Arrest/prosecution of individual experiencing mental health emerg.; assault against law enforcement.

County Position: **Monitor**, see also HB 1561 (Watts)

Primary Patron: Delegate Jeffrey M. Bourne (D)

Summary:

Assault or assault and battery against a law-enforcement officer; arrest and prosecution of individual experiencing a mental health emergency. Provides that no individual shall be subject to arrest or prosecution for an assault or assault and battery against a law-enforcement officer if at the time of the assault or assault and battery (i) the individual (a) is experiencing a mental health emergency or (b) meets the criteria for issuance of an emergency custody order pursuant to § 37.2-808 and (ii) the law-enforcement officer subject to the assault or assault and battery was responding to a call for service requesting assistance for such individual. The bill provides that no law-enforcement officer acting in good faith shall be found liable for false arrest if it is later determined that the person arrested was immune from prosecution.

Actions:

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102120D

VA - HB2176 Income tax, state; distribution of revenues to localities, funds for local school construction.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Mark D. Sickles (D)

Summary:

Individual income tax; distribution of revenues; local school construction. Requires distribution of five percent of the individual income tax revenues collected from residents of a locality to be distributed to that locality. The bill requires such funds to be used for school construction or renovation purposes and to be repaid to the state if used for any other purpose. The bill provides that a locality shall be required to maintain its level of expenditure for public school purposes as a condition of receiving the income tax revenues; however, a locality may reduce its level of expenditure to account for a loss of revenues resulting from a reduction in machinery and tools taxes.

Actions:

January 27, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 3-N)

January 19, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104072D

VA - HB2231 Social Work, Board of; expands powers and duties.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Mark D. Sickles (D)

Summary:

Board of Social Work; powers and duties. Expands the powers and duties of the Board of Social Work to requires the Board to maintain a list of the names and contact information of persons approved by the Board to supervise candidates for licensure as a clinical social worker and allows supervisees pursuing licensure as a clinical social worker to change or add a supervisor from the Board's list of approved supervisors without prior approval from the Board.

Actions:

January 24, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services
- Constitutional reading dispensed

January 23, 2023

- VOTE: (99-Y 0-N)
- Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

January 20, 2023

- Printed as engrossed 23102964D-E
- Engrossed by House as amended HB2231E
- Committee amendment agreed to
- Read second time

January 19, 2023

- Read first time

January 17, 2023

- Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with amendment(s) (21-Y 0-N)

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102964D

VA - HB2234 Voter registration; registering in person up to and including the day of the election.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Delegate H. Otto Wachsmann, Jr. (R)

Summary:

Voter registration; registering in person up to and including the day of the election; limited to certain persons. Provides that only members of a uniformed service, as defined in relevant law, persons who are residing temporarily outside of the United States, and spouses or dependents of such members or persons are entitled to register to vote after the close of registration records in person up to and including the day of the election. Under current law, any person who is qualified to register to vote is entitled to register to vote after the close of registration records up to and including the day of the election.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 31, 2023

- Read first time

January 27, 2023

- Reported from Privileges and Elections (12-Y 10-N)

January 24, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (6-Y 4-N)

January 23, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #1

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101695D

VA - HB2248 Substance use disorder; providers of treatment, use of methadone or opioid replacements.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Delegate A.C. Cordoza (R)

Summary:

Providers of treatment for substance use disorder; use of methadone or opioid replacements; biometric certification. Requires providers of treatment for substance use disorder who administer methadone or opioid replacements as treatments to utilize biometric certification to verify the identity of the clinician and patient. Biometric certification includes iris scans of patients and either iris scans or two-finger fingerprint scans of clinicians. The bill requires the Board of Pharmacy to establish a statewide data repository for the storage of records of every transaction involving the administration of methadone or opioid replacements to a patient, with such records being held for no fewer than 10 years.

Actions:

January 26, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned HWI sub: Subcommittee #3

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102388D

VA - HB2266 Absentee ballot; SB to adopt policy regarding counting, etc., in a central absentee voter precinct.

County Position: ~~Amend~~, amend to extend the deadline for counting absentee ballots by precinct to the Friday after the election. Monitor, Bill has been amended to reflect deadline concerns.

Primary Patron: Delegate Margaret B. Ransone (R)

Summary:

State Board of Elections; adopt policy regarding counting and reporting of absentee ballots in a central absentee voter precinct. Directs the State Board of Elections to adopt a policy regarding the counting and reporting of absentee ballots in a central absentee voter precinct in order to ensure that the results of absentee ballots cast early in person are reported separately from mailed absentee ballots and the results of all absentee ballots cast by voters are reported by precinct in accordance with law. Such policy is required to also ensure that all such results are posted on the State Board of Elections website no later than noon on the day after the election. The bill requires such policy to be adopted no later than September 1, 2023, and the Chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on Privileges and Elections to be notified of such policy within seven days of its adoption.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Assigned P & E sub: Subcommittee #1

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103315D

VA - HB2271 Short-term rental property; locality's ability to restrict property managed by a Virginia realtor.

County Position: **Oppose**, see also SB 1391 (Lewis)

Primary Patron: Delegate Daniel W. Marshall, III (R)

Summary:

Short-term rental property; locality's ability to restrict property managed by a Virginia realtor. Provides that a locality may not restrict by ordinance any short-term rental property managed by a Virginia realtor, defined in the bill. The bill provides that a locality may not enforce an ordinance against such property where the ordinance (i) prohibits short-term rentals; (ii) limits occupancy in a short-term rental property to less than what is allowed under the building code or local zoning regulations; (iii) limits the number of days in a calendar year for which a short-term rental property can be rented; (iv) requires an owner to occupy the short-term rental property as his primary residence for any number of days in a calendar year; (v) requires any type of remote monitoring device to be installed on the short-term rental property, including decibel, audio, or video; (vi) requires exterior or interior inspections of the short-term rental property pertaining to any items defined under the building code more frequently than every five years, unless a complaint has been filed with the locality or building authority; (vii) requires repairs, renovations, or updates to the structure of the short-term rental property that are greater than those required under the applicable building code; or (viii) requires an owner to add additional or otherwise alter existing parking spaces for the short-term rental property. The provisions of the bill shall apply to any short-term rental property managed by a realtor and operating as such on or after January 1, 2023.

Actions:

January 23, 2023

- Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104168D

VA - HB2316 Sales and use tax, local; additional tax authorized in all counties & cities to support schools.County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Jeffrey M. Bourne (D)

Summary:

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

Actions:

January 27, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 3-N)

January 19, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Presented and ordered printed 23103527D

VA - HB2338 Transit Ridership Incentive Program; use of funds, improving accessibility.County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Delegate Delores L. McQuinn (D)

Summary:

Transit Ridership Incentive Program; funds; improving accessibility; transition to zero-emissions. Directs the Commonwealth Transportation Board to use up to 30 percent of available funds in the Transit Ridership Incentive Program to support local, regional, and state entities in improving the accessibility of transit bus passenger facilities and transitioning public transit bus fleets and infrastructure to zero-emission bus fleets and infrastructure. The bill directs the Board to develop guidelines for applications for grants to any local, regional, or state public entity that supports a transit system.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read first time

January 30, 2023

- Reported from Appropriations (20-Y 2-N)
- Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 1-N)

January 27, 2023

- Assigned App. sub: Transportation & Public Safety

January 26, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Appropriations
- Reported from Transportation with amendment(s) (21-Y 1-N)

January 24, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N)

January 18, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #2 Transportation Infrastructure and Funding

January 12, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Presented and ordered printed 23103486D

VA - HB2340 Motor vehicle license plates and registration; increases taxes and penalties.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Delegate David L. Bulova (D)

Summary:

Motor vehicle license plates and registration; taxes and penalties. Increases from \$100 to \$150 the maximum license tax that a locality is authorized to impose annually on motor vehicles not displaying current license plates. The bill increases from up to \$250 to up to \$350 the penalty on motor vehicles that have not been registered within the first 30 days of an individual's residency in the Commonwealth.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- VOTE: Passage (86-Y 14-N)
- Read third time and passed House (86-Y 14-N)
- Passed by temporarily

January 31, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 30, 2023

- Read first time

January 26, 2023

- Reported from Transportation (22-Y 0-N)

January 24, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

January 20, 2023

- Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #1 Department of Motor Vehicles

January 12, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Presented and ordered printed 23104119D

[VA - HB2361](#) Real property; tax exemption for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses.

County Position: **Amend**, amend to address implementation issues, Board has historically recommended amendment.

Primary Patron: Delegate Bill D. Wiley (R)

Summary:

Real property tax; exemption for disabled veterans and surviving spouses. Provides that a person who is eligible for the real property tax exemption for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses is entitled to a refund, retroactive to his date of eligibility, of taxes paid during the period of exemption, excluding interest or penalties. Under the bill, the refund is exempt from the statute of limitations for applications for correction of an assessment.

Actions:

January 26, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3

January 13, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Presented and ordered printed 23103477D

[VA - HB2390](#) Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act; regulations; effective date.

County Position: **Monitor**, see also SB 1168 (Desteph)

Primary Patron: Delegate Chris S. Runion (R)

Summary:

Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act; regulations; effective date. Directs the State Water Control Board to adopt regulations to implement before July 1, 2024, the requirements of amendments to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act enacted by the 2016 Session and amended by the 2017 Session and delays from July 1, 2018, to July 1, 2024, the effective date of the amendments made by the 2016 Session and regulations required to be adopted pursuant thereto. The bill also directs such adopted regulations to include the reduction of regulations through consolidation of duplicative requirements.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources (22-Y 0-N)

January 30, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (9-Y 0-N)

January 20, 2023

- Assigned ACNR sub: Chesapeake

January 17, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
- Presented and ordered printed 23103204D

[VA - HB2424](#) Interpreters for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing; court my appoint certified interpreter.

County Position: **Support**, see also SB 814 (Surovell)

Primary Patron: Delegate Holly M. Seibold (D)

Summary:

Interpreters for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing. Provides that if the Department for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing cannot procure a qualified interpreter to assist a party or witness in a civil proceeding who is speech-impaired or who is

deaf or hard of hearing, then the court may appoint a readily available interpreter with full certification from the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc., or an equivalent national certification.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 31, 2023

- Read first time

January 27, 2023

- Reported from Courts of Justice (19-Y 1-N)

January 23, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 1-N)

January 20, 2023

- Assigned Courts sub: Subcommittee #2

January 18, 2023

- Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
- Presented and ordered printed 23104740D
- Unanimous consent to introduce

VA - HB2493 Plastic bag tax; fee usage.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Delegate Kaye Kory (D)

Summary:

Plastic bag tax; fee usage. Allows the revenue from the disposable plastic bag tax to be used for illegal roadside sign cleanup and litter pickup.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 1-N)

January 27, 2023

- Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3

January 20, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance
- Presented and ordered printed 23100728D

VA - HJ497 Constitutional amdmt.; prop. tax exemption for surviving spouses of certain members of armed forces.

County Position: Amend, amend to support as state tax credit, Board has historically recommended amendment.

Primary Patron: Delegate David A. Reid (D)

Summary:

Constitutional amendment (first reference); real property tax exemption; surviving spouses of certain members of the armed forces. Provides that the General Assembly may by general law exempt from taxation the real property of a surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces of the United States who died in the attack on the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. Under a current constitutional provision, only the surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces who was killed in action is eligible for the real property tax exemption.

Actions:

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100519D

VA - HJ516 Recurrent Flooding, Joint Subcommittee on; continued membership increase.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Delegate Elizabeth B. Bennett-Parker (D)

Summary:

Study; Joint Subcommittee on Recurrent Flooding; membership increase. Increases the total membership of the Joint Subcommittee on Recurrent Flooding from 11 to 17 by increasing the number of nonlegislative members from three to seven. The additional nonlegislative members include representatives from the environmental, development, and business communities, a certified floodplain manager, and three local elected officials representing three of Virginia's flood-prone communities.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Tabled in Rules (10-Y 5-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Rules
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102936D

VA - HJ520 Constitutional amendment; qualifications of voters and the right to vote (first reference).

County Position: Monitor

Primary Patron: Delegate Charniele L. Herring (D)

Summary:

Constitutional amendment (first reference); qualifications of voters; right to vote; persons not entitled to vote. Provides that every person who meets the qualifications of voters set forth in the Constitution of Virginia shall have the fundamental right to vote in the Commonwealth and that such right shall not be abridged by law, except for persons who have been convicted of a felony and persons who have been adjudicated to lack the capacity to understand the act of voting. A person who has been convicted of a felony shall not be entitled to vote during any period of incarceration for such felony conviction, but upon release from incarceration for that felony conviction and without further action required of him, such person shall be invested with all political rights, including the right to vote. Currently, in order to be qualified to vote a person convicted of a felony must have his civil rights restored by the Governor or other appropriate authority. The amendment also provides that a person adjudicated by a court of competent jurisdiction as lacking the capacity to understand the act of voting shall not be entitled to vote during this period of incapacity until his capacity has been reestablished as prescribed by law. Currently, the Constitution of Virginia provides that a person who has been adjudicated to be mentally incompetent is not qualified to vote until his competency is reestablished.

Actions:

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102047D

VA - HJ533 Const. amendment; prop. tax exemption for surviving spouses of soldiers who died in line of duty.

County Position: **Amend**, amend to provide localities with local option, flexible authority for enacting and implementing property tax exemption, see also SJ 231 (McPike).

Primary Patron: Delegate Kathy K.L. Tran (D)

Summary:

Constitutional amendment (first reference); real property tax exemption; surviving spouses of soldiers who died in the line of duty. Expands the current tax exemption for real property available to the surviving spouses of soldiers killed in action to the surviving spouses of soldiers who died in the line of duty with a Line of Duty determination from the U.S.

Department of Defense.

Actions:

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100802D

VA - SB790 Towing enforcement; violations of current law subject to Va. Consumer Protection Act.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Barbara A. Favola (D)

Summary:

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

Actions:

February 22, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Transportation

November 22, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101200D

VA - SB792 COVID-19 immunization; prohibition on requirement, discrimination prohibited, civil penalty.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Senator Amanda F. Chase (R)

Summary:

COVID-19 immunization; prohibition on requirement; discrimination prohibited; civil penalty. Prohibits the State Health Commissioner and the Board of Health, the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, the Department of Health Professions and any regulatory board therein, and the Department of Social Services from requiring any person, including any child, to undergo vaccination for COVID-19 and prohibits discrimination based on a person's COVID-19 vaccination status (i) with regard to education, employment, or issuance of a driver's license or other state identification or (ii) in numerous other contexts. The bill establishes a civil penalty for violation of this prohibition by an employer.

Actions:

February 2, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Education & Health (8-Y 5-N)

January 27, 2023

- Assigned Education sub: Health

November 29, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Education and Health
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100914D

VA - SB805 Firearms; control by localities of possession or carrying.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Senator Amanda F. Chase (R)

Summary:

Control of firearms by localities. Removes the authority for a locality by ordinance to prohibit the possession or carrying of firearms, ammunition, or components or any combination thereof in (i) any building, or part thereof, owned or used by such locality for governmental purposes; (ii) any public park owned or operated by the locality; (iii) any recreation or community center facility; or (iv) any public street, road, alley, or sidewalk or public right-of-way or any other place of whatever nature that is open to the public and is being used by or is adjacent to a permitted event or an event that would otherwise require a permit. The bill provides that any firearm received by the locality pursuant to a buy-back program shall be offered for sale by public auction or sealed bids to a person licensed as a dealer. Current law provides that any such firearm shall be destroyed by the locality unless the person surrendering the firearm requests in writing that the firearm be offered for sale. The bill also limits the authority of localities to bring lawsuits against certain firearms manufacturers and others and further provides that the right to bring any such action is reserved exclusively to the Commonwealth and shall be brought by the Attorney General.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Judiciary (10-Y 5-N)

December 9, 2022

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100913D

VA - SB807 Parks, local; walking trails, liability for property owners.

County Position: **Support**, see also HB 2041 (Shin)

Primary Patron: Senator Barbara A. Favola (D)

Summary:

Local parks; walking trails; liability; property owners. Authorizes a locality or park authority to establish, conduct, and regulate a system of walking trails and releases from certain civil liability the owner of any property leased, licensed, or provided by easement for such use in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Actions:

January 19, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (37-Y 3-N)

January 18, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 17, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (38-Y 0-N)

January 16, 2023

- Reported from Local Government (12-Y 1-N)

December 11, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Local Government
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101893D

VA - SB814 Interpreters; persons who are deaf or hard of hearing.

County Position: **Support**, see also HB 2424 (Seibold)

Primary Patron: Senator Scott A. Surovell (D)

Summary:

Interpreters for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing. Allows a court to appoint a certified interpreter for a person who is deaf or hard of hearing if the Department for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing cannot readily procure such interpreter.

Actions:

January 19, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

January 18, 2023

- Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB814S1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104569D-S1
- Reading of substitute waived
- Read second time

January 17, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (38-Y 0-N)

January 16, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23104569D-S1
- Reported from Judiciary with substitute (15-Y 0-N)

December 15, 2022

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103493D

VA - SB831 Individuals with developmental disabilities; DMAS to amend certain waivers providing services, etc.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Barbara A. Favola (D)

Summary:

Department of Medical Assistance Services; certain waivers for individuals with developmental disabilities; medically needy spend down provision. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services (the Department) to take steps to amend the Family and Individual Supports, Community Living, and Building Independence waivers to implement a medically needy spend down provision that allows otherwise eligible individuals to spend income in excess of the income limit for waiver services on medical expenses in order to meet the waiver income limit. The bill requires the Department to report on its activities and progress to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2023.

Actions:

December 22, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Rules
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102038D

VA - SB833 COVID-19 immunization; prohibition on requirement, discrimination prohibited, civil penalty.County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Senator Amanda F. Chase (R)

Summary:

COVID-19 immunization; prohibition on requirement; discrimination prohibited; civil penalty. Prohibits the State Health Commissioner and the Board of Health, the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, the Department of Health Professions and any regulatory board therein, and the Department of Social Services from requiring any person, including any child, to undergo vaccination for COVID-19 and prohibits discrimination based on a person's COVID-19 vaccination status (i) with regard to education, employment, or issuance of a driver's license or other state identification or (ii) in numerous other contexts. The bill establishes a civil penalty for violation of this prohibition by an employer.

Actions:

February 2, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Education & Health (8-Y 5-N)

January 27, 2023

- Assigned Education sub: Health

December 23, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Education and Health
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102361D

VA - SB847 Pedestrian control signals; applicability to persons riding bicycles and other devices.

County Position: ~~Support with amendment, amend to address implementation issues~~, Support, Bill has been amended to address implementation issues.

Primary Patron: Senator Barbara A. Favola (D)

Summary:

Pedestrian control signals; applicability to persons riding bicycles and other devices. Allows persons riding a bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, moped, or motorized skateboard or scooter to follow the pedestrian control signal at an intersection when traveling in the direction of the signal, provided they yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk traveling in the same direction. The bill specifies that such persons shall not start to cross the highway in the direction of such signal while the signal is solid, that pedestrians shall not start to cross the highway when such signal is solid or flashing, and that any person who has partially crossed the highway shall proceed to a sidewalk or safety island when the solid Don't Walk signal begins.

Actions:

February 2, 2023

- Reported from Finance & Appropriations (16-0)

January 26, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Committee substitute printed 23104693D-S1
- Incorporates SB1009 (DeSteph)
- Reported from Transportation with substitute (10-Y 5-N)

December 28, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102496D

VA - SB862 Highway use fee and mileage-based user fee program; eliminates the program.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Senator Stephen D. Newman (R)

Summary:

Highway use fee and mileage-based user fee program; repeal. Eliminates the highway use fee and mileage-based user fee program. The bill directs the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles to continue to reimburse the cost of the highway use fee to any applicant that paid a highway use fee and is eligible for reimbursement of the original vehicle registration fee pursuant to relevant law. The bill directs the Commissioner to refund the cost of the highway use fee to any owner of a vehicle who prepaid the fee before the effective date of the bill, prorated for the period after which the highway use fee is no longer in effect.

Actions:

January 26, 2023

- Stricken at request of Patron in Transportation (15-Y 0-N)

December 30, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103025D

VA - SB884 Elections; registration, absentee voting, and conduct of election.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Senator Amanda F. Chase (R)

Summary:

Elections; registration, absentee voting, and conduct of election. Repeals provisions of law permitting registration on election day; requires an excuse to vote absentee; removes the option to vote absentee in person; requires absentee ballots to either be accompanied by a copy of an approved form of identification or be notarized; requires absentee ballots returned to drop boxes to be returned by the voter; requires absentee ballots to be received by the general registrar by the close of polls on election day in order to be counted; requires presentation of a form of identification containing a photograph in order to vote; repeals the provisions of law permitting a voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification to vote after signing a statement that he is the named registered voter he claims to be; eliminates the use of electronic poll books and voting machines while polls are open; and requires that ballots be manually tabulated in order to determine the results of an election.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Privileges and Elections (9-Y 5-N)

January 4, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102294D

VA - SB900 Voter identification; identification containing a photograph required.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Senator Ryan T. McDougle (R)

Summary:

Voter identification; identification containing a photograph required. Requires presentation of a form of identification containing a photograph in order to vote. The bill repeals the provisions of law permitting a voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification to vote after signing a statement, subject to felony penalties for false statements, that he is the named registered voter he claims to be. Instead, the bill provides that such voter is entitled to cast a provisional ballot.

Actions:

January 5, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101118D

VA - SB901 Firearm in unattended motor vehicle; civil penalty.

County Position: **Support**, Board has historically supported.

Primary Patron: Senator David W. Marsden (D)

Summary:

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

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (24-Y 16-N)

January 31, 2023

- Printed as engrossed 23103458D-E
- Engrossed by Senate as amended SB901E
- Committee amendments agreed to
- Reading of amendments waived
- Read second time

January 30, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (39-Y 0-N)

January 26, 2023

- Reported from Transportation with amendments (8-Y 7-N)

January 16, 2023

- Rereferred to Transportation
- Rereferred from Judiciary (11-Y 4-N)

January 5, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103458D

VA - SB922 Income tax, state; manufactured home park sale.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Ghazala F. Hashmi (D)

Summary:

Income tax subtraction; manufactured home park sale. Exempts income earned from the sale of a manufactured home park, as defined in relevant law, to either (i) an entity that is owned by at least 25 percent of the residents of such manufactured home park or (ii) an organization exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, provided that such sale terms require the guaranteed maintenance of the property as a manufactured home park for a period of at least 30 years following the sale.

Actions:

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101649D

VA - SB945 Individuals with developmental disabilities; financial flexibility, report.

County Position: **Support**, see also HB 1963 (Runion)

Primary Patron: Senator David R. Suetterlein (R)

Summary:

Department of Medical Assistance Services; services for individuals with developmental disabilities; financial flexibility; report. Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services to take steps to amend the Family and Individual Supports, Community Living, and Building Independence waivers to provide greater financial flexibility to individuals with developmental disabilities who are receiving waiver services. The bill requires the Department to report on its progress to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2023.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

January 31, 2023

- Reported from Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N)

January 19, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Reported from Education and Health (15-Y 0-N)

January 13, 2023

- Assigned Education sub: Health

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Education and Health
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103672D

VA - SB966 Jails, local; compensation for cost of incarceration.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Mark J. Peake (R)

Summary:

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

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Finance and Appropriations (16-Y 0-N)

January 27, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services (15-Y 0-N)

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101388D

VA - SB977 Transit Ridership Incentive Program; on-demand microtransit operations.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator T. Montgomery "Monty" Mason (D)

Summary:

Transit Ridership Incentive Program; on-demand microtransit operations. Includes the development and implementation of on-demand microtransit operations, defined in the bill, to incentivize and promote transit ridership, as part of the goal of the Transit Ridership Incentive Program. The bill provides that an approved initiative or service is eligible to continue receiving funding for the duration of the Program on an annual basis, for up to 80 percent of costs, from funds that are available to the urbanized area in which the initiative or service is located.

Actions:

January 26, 2023

- Stricken at request of Patron in Transportation (13-Y 0-N)

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102068D

VA - SB1067 Substantial risk orders; substantial risk factors and considerations.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Scott A. Surovell (D)

Summary:

Substantial risk orders; substantial risk factors and considerations. Provides various factors that a judge or magistrate shall consider for the purpose of determining probable cause prior to issuing an emergency substantial risk order or a substantial risk order. The bill provides that such factors shall include whether the person who is subject to the order (i) committed any acts of violence or criminal offenses resulting in injury to himself or another person within the six months prior to the filing of the petition; (ii) made any threats or used any physical force against another person that resulted in injury within the six months prior to the filing of the petition; (iii) violated any provision of a protective order issued or was arrested for stalking within the six months prior to the filing of the petition; (iv) was convicted of any offense that would prohibit such person from possessing a firearm; (v) engaged in any conduct within the year prior to the filing of the petition that demonstrated a pattern of violent acts or threats to another person, including any acts or threats made against family members, neighbors, co-workers, or toward schools or students or government buildings or employees; (vi) committed any acts of violence or criminal offenses against an animal within the six months prior to the filing of the petition; (vii) made any attempt or threat of suicide or any act, attempted act, or threat of self-harm that caused or may have caused serious bodily injury; or (viii) evidence of recent acquisition of a firearm or ammunition by the respondent. The bill also outlines various other factors that a judge or magistrate may, but is not required to, consider for the purpose of issuing an emergency substantial risk order or a substantial risk order.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (23-Y 16-N)

January 27, 2023

- Passed by for the day

January 26, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed
- Substitute by Senator Stuart withdrawn 23105335D-S1

January 25, 2023

- Passed by for the day
- Floor substitute printed 23105335D-S1 (Stuart)

January 24, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (38-Y 0-N)

January 23, 2023

- Reported from Judiciary (10-Y 5-N)

January 8, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103667D

VA - SB1069 Pedestrians; drivers stopping at certain signs.

County Position: **Initiate**

Primary Patron: Senator Richard L. Saslaw (D)

Summary:

Drivers stopping for pedestrians; certain signs; stops. Requires the driver of a vehicle on a highway approaching a pedestrian who is crossing such highway to stop for such pedestrian. Currently, a driver is required to yield the right-of-way to such pedestrian by stopping and remaining stopped. The bill also provides that localities that are already authorized to install signs directing motor vehicles to yield the right-of-way to pedestrians crossing or attempting to cross a highway may also install signs directing motor vehicles to stop for such pedestrians.

Actions:

February 2, 2023

- Reported from Finance & Appropriations with Amendment (16-Y 0-N)

January 24, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Motion to rerefer to committee agreed to

January 23, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (38-Y 0-N)

January 19, 2023

- Reported from Transportation (12-Y 2-N)

January 9, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103053D

VA - SB1079 Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund; allocation to commuter rail systems,

County Position: **Support provisions related to VRE and remove cap on state aid for WMATA.**

Primary Patron: Senator John A. Cosgrove, Jr. (R)

Summary:

Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund. Allocates 3.5 percent of the Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund (the Fund) to commuter rail systems jointly operated by transportation districts and excludes such commuter rail systems from receiving allocations pursuant to other distributions of the Fund. The bill requires such commuter rail systems to submit reports to the Commonwealth Transportation Board. The bill limits allocations by the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) for distribution to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) to 50 percent of the total operating and capital assistance required to be provided by NVTC or other Virginia entities in the approved WMATA budget and establishes reporting requirements for NVTC. The bill codifies requirements for WMATA to adopt and submit

certain planning documents first required pursuant to the eighth enactment of Chapter 854 and the eighth enactment of Chapter 856 of the Acts of Assembly of 2018 and repeals the original requirements.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)

January 27, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 26, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

January 25, 2023

- Reported from Finance and Appropriations (14-Y 1-N)

January 9, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101351D

VA - SB1085 Motor vehicle exhaust systems; aftermarket amplifying devices, inspections.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Senator Adam P. Ebbin (D)

Summary:

Motor vehicle exhaust systems; aftermarket amplifying devices; inspections. Prohibits the sale and use of devices designed to create or amplify noise emitted from a motor vehicle, moped, or motorized skateboard or scooter to a level higher than that of the originally manufactured vehicle and requires motor vehicle inspection regulations to include compliance with such requirements. The bill creates a noise limit of 85 decibels as measured from a distance of 50 feet that a motor vehicle, moped, or motorized skateboard or scooter may emit.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Reported from Finance and Appropriations (16-Y 0-N)

January 26, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Committee substitute printed 23105694D-S1
- Reported from Transportation with substitute (9-Y 6-N)

January 9, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103884D

VA - SB1129 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan; changes contingency for effective date.

County Position: ~~Oppose~~, Monitor, Bill has been amended to reflect an agreement reached by the stakeholders.

Primary Patron: Senator Emmett W. Hanger, Jr. (R)

Summary:

Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan; effective date. Changes the contingency for the effective date of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan to (i) allow consideration of a combination of point or nonpoint source pollution reduction efforts other than agricultural best management conservation practices when determining whether the Commonwealth's commitments in the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load Phase III Watershed Implementation Plan have been satisfied and (ii) bar such provisions from becoming effective unless the Commonwealth has fully funded the Virginia Natural Resources Commitment Fund until June 30, 2030. The bill also advances from July 1, 2026, to July 1,

2030, the contingency effective date of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan. The bill requires the Department of Conservation and Recreation to submit an annual report analyzing the use of funds from the Virginia Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost-Share Program to demonstrate whether farmers or landowners are participating in the Program at levels to maximize nutrient load reductions. The bill directs each soil and water conservation district to report to the Department any recommendations for improving the disbursement of funds from the Virginia Natural Resources Commitment Fund and program efficiencies that would expedite the disbursement of such funds. Finally, the bill prohibits any regulatory action to be imposed on agricultural practices before the effective date of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23106002D-S1
- Reported from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources with substitute (12-Y 0-N 2-A)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104207D

VA - SB1139 Firearms; storage in residence where minor present, penalty.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Jennifer B. Boysko (D)

Summary:

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

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (22-Y 16-N)

January 30, 2023

- Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB1139S1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23104965D-S1
- Reading of substitute waived
- Read second time

January 27, 2023

- Passed by for the day

January 26, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

January 25, 2023

- Reported from Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 4-N)

January 23, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Committee substitute printed 23104965D-S1
- Reported from Judiciary with substitute (9-Y 6-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104008D

VA - SB1140 DARS; training, powers, and duties of guardian.County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Jeremy S. McPike (D)

Summary:

Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services; training; powers and duties of guardian; annual reports by guardians; information required. Directs the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services to develop and provide training for court-appointed guardians by July 1, 2024. The bill requires an appointed guardian and any staff employed by such guardian to perform guardianship duties to complete the initial training developed by the Department within four months of the date of the initial court order of appointment and guardians and such staff appointed prior to July 1, 2024, to complete such training by January 1, 2026. The bill further requires a guardian to include in his annual report to the local department of social services a statement as to whether such training has been completed.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

January 31, 2023

- Reported from Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N)

January 27, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Reported from Rehabilitation and Social Services with amendments (15-Y 0-N)

January 18, 2023

- Rereferred to Rehabilitation and Social Services
- Rereferred from Judiciary (8-Y 0-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102600D

VA - SB1149 Plans and programs; drought evaluation and response plans, Potomac River.County Position: **Support**, see also HB 2095 (Bulova)

Primary Patron: Senator David W. Marsden (D)

Summary:

Plans and programs; drought evaluation and response plans; Potomac River. Requires the State Water Control Board to recognize service areas for water utilities in the Commonwealth that use the Potomac River as a water supply source as a distinct drought evaluation region. The bill requires the Board to incorporate certain provisions from the Metropolitan Washington Water Supply and Drought Awareness Response Plan: Potomac River System into the existing drought evaluation plans that are applicable to the Potomac River drought evaluation region.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)

January 27, 2023

- Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB1149S1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23105229D-S1

- Reading of substitute waived
- Read second time
- **January 26, 2023**
- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)
- **January 24, 2023**
- Committee substitute printed 23105229D-S1
- Reported from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources with substitute (15-Y 0-N)
- **January 10, 2023**
- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104277D

VA - SB1167 Firearm industry members; standards of responsible conduct, civil liability.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator J. Chapman Petersen (D)

Summary:

Firearm industry members; standards of responsible conduct; civil liability. Creates standards of responsible conduct for firearm industry members, as that term is defined in the bill. The bill requires any firearm industry member that sells, manufactures, distributes, markets, or intends to sell, manufacture, distribute, or market firearm industry products, as that term is defined in the bill, within the Commonwealth, or that sells, manufactures, distributes, markets, or intends to sell, manufacture, distribute, or market firearm industry products to be used or possessed within the Commonwealth to comply with such standards of responsible conduct. Such standards include establishing and implementing reasonable controls regarding the manufacture, distribution, importation, marketing, and wholesale or retail sale of firearm industry products and taking reasonable precautions to ensure that such firearm industry products are not sold or distributed to a distributor or retailer that fails to establish and implement such reasonable controls. The bill also creates a civil cause of action for any person who suffers harm as a result of a firearm industry member's violation of the provisions of the bill.

Actions:

- **January 26, 2023**
- Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N)
- **January 25, 2023**
- Read second time and engrossed
- **January 24, 2023**
- Constitutional reading dispensed (38-Y 0-N)
- **January 23, 2023**
- Reported from Judiciary (9-Y 6-N)
- **January 10, 2023**
- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102513D

VA - SB1168 Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act; regulations; effective date.

County Position: **Monitor**, see also HB 2390 (Runion)

Primary Patron: Senator Bill DeSteph (R)

Summary:

Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act; regulations; effective date. Directs the State Water Control Board to adopt regulations to implement before July 1, 2024, the requirements of amendments to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act enacted by the 2016 Session and amended by the 2017 Session and delays from July 1, 2018, to July 1, 2024, the effective date of the amendments made by the 2016 Session and regulations required to be adopted pursuant thereto. The bill also directs such adopted regulations to include the reduction of regulations through consolidation of duplicative requirements.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Reported from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (12-Y 0-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103206D

VA - SB1182 Banks; payment of franchise tax.

County Position: **Monitor**, see also HB 1896 (Byron)

Primary Patron: Senator Frank M. Ruff, Jr. (R)

Summary:

Bank franchise tax. Establishes a process, as of January 1, 2024, whereby banks having \$40 billion or greater in Virginia deposits based on the June 30 FDIC deposit market share report of the preceding tax year may elect to pay the bank franchise tax to the Department of Taxation and are bound by such election for 10 years absent permission from the Tax Commissioner. The bill directs the Department of Taxation, as of January 1, 2025, to apportion 80 percent of the bank franchise tax revenue from banks making such an election to localities through the newly created Local Bank Franchise Tax Fund.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

January 31, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23105692D-S1
- Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (15-Y 0-N)

January 16, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Rereferred from Commerce and Labor (15-Y 0-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104204D

[VA - SB1183](#) Applicant Fingerprint Database; participation in FBI Next Generation Identification Rap Back Serv.County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Bryce E. Reeves (R)

Summary:

Applicant Fingerprint Database; participation in FBI Next Generation Identification Rap Back Service, through Virginia Rap Back Service, for fingerprint-based criminal history record monitoring; penalty. Requires the Department of State Police (the Department) to participate in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Next Generation Identification (NGI) Rap Back Service, through the Virginia Rap Back Service (the Service), for the purpose of allowing those agencies and governmental entities that require a fingerprint-based criminal background check as a condition of (i) providing care to (a) children, (b) the disabled, or (c) the elderly or (ii) (a) licensure, (b) certification, (c) employment, or (d) volunteer service to be advised when an individual subject to such screening is arrested for, or convicted of, a criminal offense. The bill provides that fingerprints submitted to the FBI through the Virginia Rap Back Service may be used for future searches, including latent searches.

The bill requires the Department to ensure that notification is made to the participating entity, defined in the bill, when an FBI Rap Back report is received. Any unauthorized use of the information submitted to the Service is prohibited; any willful violation with the intent to harass or intimidate another is a Class 1 misdemeanor. The bill requires the Department to promulgate regulations governing the Service and the removal and destruction of records on persons who are deceased or are no longer enrolled in the Service. The bill authorizes the Department to charge a reasonable fee per individual enrolled in the Service, paid by any participating entity enrolling the individual in the Service and provides that when more than one participating agency enrolls the same individual in the Service, both entities shall be responsible for paying the full cost for maintenance and notification. The bill requires that any fees collected shall be deposited in a special account to offset costs of subscription fees, maintenance fees, and enhancements related to the Criminal and Rap Back Information Service.

Under current law, the Department maintains an Applicant Fingerprint Database (the Database) that functions similarly to the Service. The bill transitions the Department from using the Database and requires the Service to be operational no later than July 1, 2025, contingent upon appropriation of funds.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Reported from Judiciary with amendment (14-Y 0-N 1-A)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104211D

[VA - SB1205](#) Local land use approvals; extension of approvals to address the COVID-19 pandemic, sunset provision.County Position: **Oppose**, County has the tools to address this issue locally, see also HB 1665 (Marshall).

Primary Patron: Senator Lynwood W. Lewis, Jr. (D)

Summary:

Local land use approvals; extension of approvals to address the COVID-19 pandemic. Extends from July 1, 2023, to July 1, 2025, the sunset date for various local land use approvals that were valid and outstanding as of July 1, 2020. The bill also provides that its provisions shall not be construed to extend previous extensions related to the housing crisis and that any extension of approvals outstanding as of July 1, 2020, shall apply to any such approvals granted subsequent to July 1, 2020, that expire prior to July 1, 2025. This provision is declarative of existing law.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)
- Read second time and engrossed

January 31, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (39-Y 0-N)

January 30, 2023

- Reported from Local Government (15-Y 0-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Local Government
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104290D

VA - SB1293 Bicycles; exemptions to certain traffic control devices, local ordinances.County Position: **Monitor**

Primary Patron: Senator R. Creigh Deeds (D)

Summary:

Bicycles; exemptions to certain traffic control devices; local ordinances. Authorizes the local governing body of any county, city, or town to by ordinance authorize a bicyclist to treat a stop light as a stop sign and a stop sign as a yield right-of-way sign, provided that certain safety measures are observed.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (24-Y 16-N)

January 31, 2023

- Printed as engrossed 23100569D-E
- Engrossed by Senate as amended SB1293E
- Committee amendments agreed to
- Reading of amendments waived
- Read second time

January 30, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (39-Y 0-N)

January 26, 2023

- Reported from Transportation with amendments (9-Y 6-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23100569D

VA - SB1312 Electric vehicle charging stations; requirement for certain developments.County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Jennifer B. Boysko (D)

Summary:

Requirement for electric vehicle charging stations for certain developments. Provides that any locality may by ordinance require electric vehicle charging stations as part of subdivision or site plan approval for a development containing commercial, industrial, or multifamily residential uses with a density of seven residential dwelling units per acre or greater.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Printed as engrossed 23104300D-E
- Engrossed by Senate as amended SB1312E
- Committee amendment agreed to
- Reading of amendment waived
- Amendment by Senator Boysko withdrawn
- Read second time

January 31, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (39-Y 0-N)

January 30, 2023

- Reported from Local Government with amendment (9-Y 6-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Local Government
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104300D

VA - SB1315 Localities, public & private schools, higher educational institution, & employers; face coverings.County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed

Primary Patron: Senator Amanda F. Chase (R)

Summary:

Localities, public and private schools, institutions of higher education, and employers; face coverings. Prohibits any locality, school board, division superintendent, school principal, private school, institution of higher education, or employer from adopting, implementing, or enforcing any policy, rule, or order related to COVID-19 that requires individuals to wear a face covering.

Actions:

February 2, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Education and Health (15-Y 0-N)

January 27, 2023

- Assigned Education sub: Health

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Education and Health
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102309D

VA - SB1326 Transit Ridership Incentive Program; use of funds, improving accessibility.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Senator Jennifer L. McClellan (D)

Summary:

Transit Ridership Incentive Program; funds; improving accessibility; transition to zero-emissions. Directs the Commonwealth Transportation Board to use up to 30 percent of available funds in the Transit Ridership Incentive Program to support local, regional, and state entities in improving the accessibility of transit bus passenger facilities and transitioning public transit bus fleets and infrastructure to zero-emission bus fleets and infrastructure. The bill directs the Board to develop guidelines for applications for grants to any local, regional, or state public entity that supports a transit system.

Actions:

February 2, 2023

- Reported from Finance & Appropriations (10-Y 6-N)

January 26, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Reported from Transportation with amendments (10-Y 5-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Transportation
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102475D

VA - SB1351 Virginia Freedom of Information Act; electronic meetings, local and regional public bodies.

County Position: Support

Primary Patron: Senator David W. Marsden (D)

Summary:

Virginia Freedom of Information Act; electronic meetings; local and regional public bodies. Allows, with certain exceptions, local and regional public bodies to convene as many all-virtual public meetings as each such public body deems acceptable in its individual remote participation meeting policy, to be adopted at least once annually by recorded vote at a public meeting. Current law limits all-virtual public meetings to no more than two times per calendar year or 25 percent of the meetings held per calendar year rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater, and prohibits any such meeting from being held consecutively with another all-virtual public meeting.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (25-Y 14-N)

January 30, 2023

- Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB1351S1
- Committee substitute agreed to 23105274D-S1
- Reading of substitute waived
- Read second time

January 27, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

January 25, 2023

- Committee substitute printed 23105274D-S1
- Reported from General Laws and Technology with substitute (10-Y 5-N)

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102031D

VA - SB1382 Assault firearms and certain ammunition feeding devices; purchase, possession, etc., prohibited.

County Position: **Support**, Board has historically supported.

Primary Patron: Senator R. Creigh Deeds (D)

Summary:

Purchase, possession, sale, transfer, etc., of assault firearms and certain ammunition feeding devices prohibited; penalty. Creates a Class 1 misdemeanor for any person who imports, sells, manufactures, purchases, possesses, transports, or transfers an assault firearm, as that term is defined in the bill, and prohibits a person who has been convicted of such violation from purchasing, possessing, or transporting a firearm for a period of three years from the date of conviction. The bill provides that an assault firearm does not include any firearm that is an antique firearm, has been rendered permanently inoperable, is manually operated by bolt, pump, lever, or slide action, or was manufactured before July 1, 2023. The bill also prohibits the sale of a large capacity ammunition feeding device, as that term is defined in the bill. The bill provides that any person who willfully and intentionally (i) sells an assault firearm to another person or (ii) purchases an assault firearm from another person is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor and that any person who imports, sells, barter, or transfers a large capacity ammunition feeding device is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. The bill also makes it a Class 1 misdemeanor for any person younger than 21 years of age to import, sell, manufacture, purchase, possess, transport, or transfer an assault firearm regardless of the date of manufacture of such assault firearm.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (23-Y 16-N)

January 30, 2023

- Passed by for the day

January 27, 2023

- Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB1382S2
- Committee substitute agreed to 23105315D-S2
- Reading of substitute waived
- Committee substitute rejected 23104992D-S1
- Read second time

January 26, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

January 25, 2023

- Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (10-Y 4-N)
- Committee substitute printed 23105315D-S2
- Incorporates SB1283 (Edwards)
- Incorporates SB918 (Morrissey)

January 23, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Committee substitute printed 23104992D-S1
- Incorporates SB1283 (Edwards)
- Incorporates SB918 (Morrissey)
- Reported from Judiciary with substitute (9-Y 6-N)

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104134D

VA - SB1391 Short-term rental property; locality's ability to restrict property managed by a Virginia realtor.

County Position: **Oppose**, see also HB 2271 (Marshall)

Primary Patron: Senator Lynwood W. Lewis, Jr. (D)

Summary:

Short-term rental property; locality's ability to restrict property managed by a Virginia realtor. Provides that a locality may not restrict by ordinance any short-term rental property managed by a Virginia realtor, defined in the bill. The bill provides that a locality may not enforce an ordinance against such property where the ordinance (i) prohibits short-term rentals; (ii) limits occupancy in a short-term rental property to less than what is allowed under the building code or local zoning regulations; (iii) limits the number of days in a calendar year for which a short-term rental property can be rented; (iv) requires an owner to occupy the short-term rental property as his primary residence for any number of days in a calendar year; (v) requires any type of remote monitoring device to be installed on the short-term rental property, including decibel, audio, or video; (vi) requires exterior or interior inspections of the short-term rental property pertaining to any items defined under the building code more frequently than every five years, unless a complaint has been filed with the locality or building authority; (vii) requires repairs, renovations, or updates to the structure of the short-term rental property that are greater than those required under the applicable building code; or (viii) requires an owner to add additional or otherwise alter existing parking spaces for the short-term rental property. The provisions of the bill shall apply to any short-term rental property managed by a realtor and operating as such on or after January 1, 2023.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Local Government with letter (13-Y 0-N)

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Local Government
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23104169D

VA - SB1401 Virginia Resources Authority; community development and housing projects.

County Position: **Support**, see also HB 1805 (Bloxom)

Primary Patron: Senator Lynwood W. Lewis, Jr. (D)

Summary:

Virginia Resources Authority; purpose; community development and housing projects. Adds community development projects related to the production and preservation of housing, including housing for persons and families of low and moderate income, to those projects that the Virginia Resources Authority may finance. The bill directs the Department of Housing and Community Development to assist the Authority with determining which local governments are to receive grants from the Authority for such projects.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Committee substitute printed 23105058D-S1
- Reported from General Laws and Technology with substitute (15-Y 0-N)

January 24, 2023

- Rereferred to General Laws and Technology
- Rereferred from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (13-Y 0-N)

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103834D

VA - SB1408 Sales and use tax, local; additional tax authorized in all counties & cities to support schools.County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator Jennifer L. McClellan (D)

Summary:

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

Actions:

January 23, 2023

- Read third time and passed Senate (26-Y 10-N)

January 20, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 19, 2023

- Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

January 18, 2023

- Reported from Finance and Appropriations (13-Y 3-N)

January 11, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102623D

VA - SB1463 Public libraries, certain; parental advisory label to be affixed to sexually explicit materials.County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Senator Amanda F. Chase (R)

Summary:

Certain public libraries; books; sexually explicit materials; parental advisory label. Requires each local school board, any local governing body or library board that governs a free public library system or regional library board that governs a regional library system, and the Library Board to require a parental advisory label to be affixed to the front of any book that contains sexually explicit content, as that term is defined elsewhere in law, and that is made available to minors in any public elementary or secondary school library, any public library in the free public library system or regional public library system, or the Library of Virginia, respectively.

Actions:

February 2, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Education and Health (9-Y 6-N)

January 25, 2023

- Assigned Education sub: Public Education

January 16, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Education and Health

- Presented and ordered printed 23103847D

VA - SB1485 Natural gas utilities; retail supply choice.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Senator Joseph D. Morrissey (D)

Summary:

Natural gas utilities; retail supply choice. Allows every person access to distribution service or retail natural gas from a natural gas company authorized to provide natural gas service to the area where the service will be received. The bill prohibits a public entity from adopting an ordinance, resolution, or any other requirement that limits or prohibits customers from acquiring natural gas service and supply from both utility and non-utility gas companies. The bill prohibits public entities from denying building permits solely based on a proposed utility provider and directs public entities to ensure that all applicable permits and fees are reasonable, as compared to other utility providers, and do not restrict an applicant's ability to use the services of an authorized utility provider.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Stricken at request of Patron in Commerce and Labor (14-Y 0-N)

January 24, 2023

- Assigned C&L sub: Energy

January 19, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor
- Presented and ordered printed 23104013D

VA - SB1488 Firearms; removal from persons posing substantial risk, penalties.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Senator Amanda F. Chase (R)

Summary:

Firearms; removal from persons posing substantial risk; penalties. Repeals the procedure by which any attorney for the Commonwealth or law-enforcement officer may apply to a general district court, circuit court, or juvenile and domestic relations district court judge or magistrate for an emergency substantial risk order to prohibit a person who poses a substantial risk of injury to himself or others from purchasing, possessing, or transporting a firearm. The bill also removes the substantial risk order registry for the entry of orders issued.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Judiciary (10-Y 5-N)

January 19, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Presented and ordered printed 23104312D

VA - SB1495 Local enforcement action; willful disregard for applicable law, damages.

County Position: **Oppose**

Primary Patron: Senator Scott A. Surovell (D)

Summary:

Local enforcement action; willful disregard for applicable law; damages. Provides that any person aggrieved by an enforcement action by a locality, where the enforcement action was based upon a willful disregard for applicable law,

regulation, or ordinance, shall be entitled to an award of compensatory damages and to an order remanding the matter to the locality with a direction to terminate such enforcement and may be entitled to reasonable attorney fees and court costs.

Actions:

January 30, 2023

- Rereferred to Judiciary
- Rereferred from Local Government (10-Y 0-N)

January 20, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Local Government
- Presented and ordered printed 23103576D

VA - SJ230 Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; VSCC to study hate crimes and bias-motivated acts.

County Position: **Support**

Primary Patron: Senator John J. Bell (D)

Summary:

Study; Virginia State Crime Commission; hate crimes and bias-motivated acts directed toward Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; report. Directs the Virginia State Crime Commission to study the increase in hate crimes and bias-motivated acts directed toward Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the Commonwealth.

Actions:

January 25, 2023

- Read third time and agreed to by Senate by voice vote

January 24, 2023

- Read second time and engrossed

January 23, 2023

- Reading waived (38-Y 0-N)

January 20, 2023

- Reported from Rules by voice vote

December 23, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Rules
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103327D

VA - SJ231 Const. amendment; prop. tax exemption for surviving spouses of soldiers who died in line of duty.

County Position: **Amend**, amend to provide localities with local option, flexible authority for enacting and implementing property tax exemption, see also HJ 533 (Tran).

Primary Patron: Senator Jeremy S. McPike (D)

Summary:

Constitutional amendment (first reference); real property tax exemption; surviving spouses of soldiers who died in the line of duty. Expands the current tax exemption for real property available to the surviving spouses of soldiers killed in action to the surviving spouses of soldiers who died in the line of duty with a Line of Duty determination from the U.S. Department of Defense.

Department of Defense.

Actions:

February 1, 2023

- Read first time

January 31, 2023

- Reported from Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N)

January 17, 2023

- Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations
- Reported from Privileges and Elections (15-Y 0-N)

December 27, 2022

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101950D

VA - SJ247 Constitutional amendment; exemption of property owned and occupied by persons of low income, etc.

County Position: **Monitor**

Primary Patron: Senator Ghazala F. Hashmi (D)

Summary:

Constitutional amendment (first reference); tax and finance; exempt property; affordable housing tax exemption. Amends the Constitution of Virginia by providing that the General Assembly may by general law authorize the governing body of any county, city, town, or regional government to provide for the exemption from local real property taxation, or a portion thereof, within such restrictions and upon such conditions as may be prescribed, of real estate owned and occupied by persons of low income or low financial worth.

Actions:

January 31, 2023

- Reported from Privileges and Elections (9-Y 5-N)

January 20, 2023

- Assigned to P&E sub: Subcommittee #1

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103108D

Legislation No Longer Under Consideration**VA - SB918 Assault firearms and certain ammunition feeding devices; carrying, sale, transfer, etc.**

County Position: **Support**, Board has historically supported.

Primary Patron: Senator Joseph D. Morrissey (D)

Summary:

Carrying, sale, transfer, etc., of assault firearms and certain ammunition feeding devices prohibited; penalties. Prohibits the sale of an assault firearm and a large capacity ammunition feeding device, as those terms are defined in the bill. The bill provides that an assault firearm does not include any firearm that is an antique firearm, has been rendered permanently inoperable, is manually operated by bolt, pump, lever, or slide action, or was manufactured before July 1, 2023. The bill provides that any person who willfully and intentionally (i) sells an assault firearm to another person or (ii) purchases an assault firearm from another person is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor and that any person who imports, sells, barter, or transfers a large capacity ammunition feeding device is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. The bill also prohibits the carrying of certain shotguns and semi-automatic center-fire rifles and pistols on any public street, road, alley, sidewalk, or public right-of-way or in any public park or any other place of whatever nature that is open to the public. Under current law, the current prohibition on carrying certain shotguns and semi-automatic center-fire rifles and pistols applies to a narrower range of firearms, only in certain localities, and only when such firearms are loaded. The bill

prohibits a firearms dealer from selling, renting, trading, or transferring from his inventory any assault firearm to any person.

Actions:

January 23, 2023

- Incorporated by Judiciary (SB1382-Deeds) (14-Y 0-N)

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102000D

VA - SB968 Voter identification; identification containing a photograph required.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed.

Primary Patron: Senator Mark J. Peake (R)

Summary:

Voter identification; identification containing a photograph required. Requires presentation of a form of identification containing a photograph in order to vote. The bill repeals the provisions of law permitting a voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification to vote after signing a statement, subject to felony penalties for false statements, that he is the named registered voter he claims to be. Instead, the bill provides that such voter is entitled to cast a provisional ballot.

Actions:

January 17, 2023

- Incorporated by Privileges and Elections (SB794-McDougle) (15-Y 0-N)

January 6, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23101391D

VA - SB1158 Garbage and refuse pickup and disposal services; regulation, exclusive service areas.

County Position: **Support** concept of addition local authority to manage solid waste collection.

Primary Patron: Senator David W. Marsden (D)

Summary:

Regulation of garbage and refuse pickup and disposal services; exclusive service areas; Planning District 8. Grants localities in Planning District 8 (Northern Virginia) authority to establish exclusive service areas and award such service areas to businesses that as of July 1, 2024, are legally engaged in the pickup and disposal of garbage, trash, or refuse, wherein service will be provided to the residents of the locality. For each such business, the locality may establish a separate service area with a customer base that approximates the number of residential customers served by the business in the locality on July 1, 2023. The ordinance shall establish procedures for removing or adding businesses and adjusting the boundaries of such service areas as needed. Property owners' associations may continue to contract with properly licensed businesses of their choice notwithstanding the establishment of exclusive service areas. The bill contains a reenactment clause.

Actions:

January 23, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Local Government (10-Y 3-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Local Government

- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23103885D

VA - SB1236 Firearms, etc.; control of possession by locality.

County Position: **Oppose**, Board has historically opposed, see also HB 1427 (Larock).

Primary Patron: Senator Mark D. Obenshain (R)

Summary:

Control of firearms by localities. Removes a locality's authority to prohibit the possession or carrying of firearms, ammunition, or components or any combination thereof in (i) any public park owned or operated by the locality; (ii) any recreation or community center facility operated by the locality; or (iii) any public street, road, alley, or sidewalk or public right-of-way or any other place of whatever nature that is open to the public and is being used by or is adjacent to a permitted event or an event that would otherwise require a permit.

Actions:

January 23, 2023

- Passed by indefinitely in Judiciary (9-Y 6-N)

January 16, 2023

- Rereferred to Judiciary
- Rereferred from Local Government (8-Y 6-N)

January 10, 2023

- Referred to Committee on Local Government
- Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/23 23102674D