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Bill	Title	Primary Sponsor	Summary	Link
HB7	State Air Pollution Control Board; regulations, low-emissions and zero-emissions vehicle standards.	Delegate Hyland F. "Buddy" Fowler, Jr. (R)	State Air Pollution Control Board; regulations; low-emissions and zero-emissions vehicle standards. Repeals the State Air Pollution Control Board's authority to implement low-emissions and zero-emissions vehicle standards that apply for vehicles with a model year of 2025 and later.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB7
HB221	Free-Roaming Cat Management Plan; regulations.	Delegate Robert D. Orrock, Sr. (R)	Free-Roaming Cat Management Plan; regulations. Directs the Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services to promulgate regulations establishing minimum requirements for a Free-Roaming Cat Management Plan and establish a model plan for localities to reduce and control the population of free-roaming cats and the abandonment of cats for the purpose of reducing the negative impacts of free-roaming cats on public health, wildlife, and the cat population. The bill permits a locality to adopt such plan created by the Board and include in such plan any ordinances related to cats that are currently in effect. The bill directs the Board, in consultation with relevant stakeholders, to promulgate such regulations no later than July 31, 2025.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB221
HB263	Retail Sales and Use Tax; accommodations for transients.	Delegate Joseph P. McNamara (R)	Sales and use tax; accommodations for transients. Provides that the term "retail sale" shall include the sale of accommodations to transients for less than 30 days. Under current law, "retail sale" includes such sales to transients for less than 90 days.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB263
HB311	Virginia Public Procurement Act; submissions of bids or proposals on electronic procurement system.	Delegate Patrick A. Hope	Virginia Public Procurement Act; submissions of bids or proposals on the Commonwealth's electronic procurement system. Mandates that all public bodies provide an option to submit bids or proposals for procurement contracts through the Commonwealth's statewide electronic procurement system, known as eVA. Current law only imposes such requirement on state public bodies.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB311
HB389	Concealed handgun; carrying without a permit.	Delegate Tim Griffin (R)	Carrying a concealed handgun; permit not required. Allows any person who is otherwise eligible to obtain a concealed handgun permit to carry a concealed handgun without a permit anywhere he may lawfully carry a handgun openly within the Commonwealth.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB389
HB390	Concealed handgun; carrying handgun when issued a protective order, civil penalty.	Delegate Tim Griffin (R)	Carrying concealed handguns; protective orders. Authorizes any person 21 years of age or older who is not prohibited from purchasing, possessing, or transporting a firearm and is protected by an unexpired protective order to carry a concealed handgun for 45 days after the protective order was issued. The bill provides that if the person issued the protective order applies for a concealed handgun permit during such 45-day period, such person will be authorized to carry a concealed handgun for an additional 45 days and be given a copy of the certified application, which shall serve as a de facto concealed handgun permit. The bill requires such person to have the order or certified application and photo identification on his person when carrying a concealed handgun and to display them upon demand by a law-enforcement officer; failure to do so is punishable by a \$25 civil penalty.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB390
HB397	Electric utilities; development of renewable energy facilities, etc.	Delegate Tim Griffin (R)	Regulation of electric utilities; development of renewable energy facilities; powers of State Air Pollution Control Board; powers of State Corporation Commission. Repeals provisions (i) requiring the State Air Pollution Control Board to adopt regulations to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from any electricity generating unit in the Commonwealth and authorizing the Board to establish an auction program for energy allowances; (ii) prohibiting the State Corporation Commission from approving any new utility-owned generation facilities that emit carbon dioxide as a by-product of energy generation, in certain circumstances; (iii) declaring that statutory allowances for energy derived from sunlight, onshore wind, offshore wind, and storage facilities are in the public interest; and (iv) relating to the development of solar and wind generation and energy storage capacity, development of offshore wind capacity, and generation of electricity from renewable and zero carbon sources. The bill provides that planning and development activities for new nuclear generation facilities are in the public interest.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB397
HB404	Abortion; use of public funds prohibited.	Delegate Tim Griffin (R)	Abortion; use of public funds prohibited. Provides that no agency of the Commonwealth shall enter into any contract with or make any grant of public funds, as defined in the bill, to any entity or any affiliate of any entity that provides abortion services or operates a facility at which abortion services are provided. The bill also repeals provisions authorizing the Board of Health to use state general funds appropriated to the Department of Health to pay the cost of abortions for women who otherwise meet the financial eligibility criteria for services through the state plan for medical assistance services in cases in which (i) a pregnancy occurs as a result of rape or incest that is reported to a law-enforcement or public health agency or (ii) a physician certifies in writing that he believes the fetus will be born with a gross and totally incapacitating physical deformity with a gross and totally incapacitating mental deficiency.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB404
HB414	Land records; recording and indexing fees.	Delegate Kelly K. Convis-Fowler (D)	Land records; recording and indexing fees. Provides that no clerk of a circuit court shall assess separate recording and indexing fees for one document that contains two or more instruments that may serve independent legal purposes, including a record of a mortgage as a financing statement, unless the person presenting such document or instruments requests that such document or instruments be recorded and indexed in more than a single instance. The bill also provides that no recordation tax shall be required of a quitclaim deed between a grantor and grantee when no consideration has passed between the parties, provided that such quitclaim deed shows on its face that no consideration has passed.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB414
HB421	Commonwealth Trespass Towing Rate-Setting Advisory Panel; established.	Delegate Delores L. McQuinn	Towing fees; Commonwealth Trespass Towing Rate-Setting Advisory Panel established. Creates the Commonwealth Trespass Towing Rate-Setting Advisory Panel to advise the General Assembly and the Governor on statewide trespass towing fees and related ancillary fees. The bill increases from \$150 to \$190 the maximum statewide hookup and initial towing fee of any passenger car, from \$30 to \$65 the maximum ancillary fee for towing a vehicle between 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., and from \$30 to \$35 the maximum ancillary fee for towing a vehicle on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday. The bill clarifies that such limitations on fees do not include any reasonable credit card fees. The bill requires localities to set their own towing rates to at least the amounts of the maximum statewide rates and removes requirements specific to Planning Districts 8 and 16 regarding localities setting their own towing rates.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB421
HB467	Real estate contract disclosures, certain; establishment by localities prohibited.	Delegate Marcus B. Simon (D)	Establishment by localities of certain real estate contract disclosures prohibited. Prohibits localities from establishing or enforcing a mandatory disclosure requirement for a real estate licensee, any party to a contract for the sale or listing of residential real property, or any authorized agent of such party. The bill provides that prohibited mandatory disclosures include mandatory notifications in contracts, contract amendments or addenda, advertising, other promotional materials, and subsequent deeds after the initial deed is recorded, related to the sale of residential real estate.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?2241+sum+HB467

HB540	Sales tax; exemption for food purchased for human consumption and essential personal hygiene.	Delegate Joseph P. McNamara (R)	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, 2024, 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.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB540
HB634	Residential dwelling units; rentals for 30 consecutive days or longer.	Delegate Marcus B. Simon (D)	Residential dwelling units; rentals for 30 consecutive days or longer. Prohibits a locality from enacting or enforcing an ordinance that bans the rental of residential dwelling units for 30 consecutive days or longer. The bill allows a locality by ordinance to regulate such rental if such regulations (i) are reasonable and (ii) do not exceed the requirements for an owner-occupied residential property or a residential property rented for a lease term of 12 months or more in the same zoning district.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB634
HB650	Zoning; residential and electrical generation projects, period of validity.	Delegate Carrie E. Coyner (R)	Zoning; residential and electrical generation projects; period of validity. Provides that the conditions of a special exception or special use permit may include a period of validity; however, in the case of a special exception or special use permit for residential and electrical generation projects, the period of validity shall be no fewer than five years.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB650
HB704	Localities; liability for owning or operating vehicle.	Delegate Michael J. Webert (R)	Localities; liability for owning or operating vehicle. Provides that in any case in which a locality is the owner of, or operator through medium of a driver of, or otherwise is the insured under the policy upon a vehicle involved in an accident, or is self-insured, the defense of governmental immunity shall not be a bar to action or recovery of damages arising from such accident against such locality.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB704
HB1030	Concealed handgun; carrying without a permit.	Delegate Nicholas J. Freitas	Carrying a concealed handgun; permit not required. Allows any person who is otherwise eligible to obtain a concealed handgun permit to carry a concealed handgun without a permit anywhere he may lawfully carry a handgun openly within the Commonwealth.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1030
HB1092	Uniform Statewide Building Code; amending Code, local building officials.	Delegate Delores Oates	Board of Housing and Community Development; Uniform Statewide Building Code; local building officials. Requires the Board of Housing and Community Development to amend the Uniform Statewide Building Code and corresponding regulations to remove any authority for local building departments to appoint local building officials for permanent terms. The bill requires the Board to require local building departments to appoint such officials for a term not to exceed 10 years and to only reappoint such officials after holding a performance evaluation.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1092
HB1101	Virginia Public Procurement Act; adds to definition of professional services.	Delegate Bill Wiley (R)	Virginia Public Procurement Act; professional services; definition. Adds to the definition of "professional services," for use throughout the Virginia Public Procurement Act, services of an investment and financial advisor procured by the Department of the Treasury.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1101
HB1108	Virginia Public Procurement Act; construction management and design-build contracting.	Delegate Betsy B. Carr (D)	Virginia Public Procurement Act; construction management and design-build contracting. Limits the use of construction management or design-build contracts by state public bodies and covered institutions for complex projects. The bill requires state public bodies, covered institutions, and local public bodies to provide documentation of the processes used for the final selection of a contract to all the unsuccessful applicants upon request. The bill adds certain requirements for covered institutions, including posting all documents exchanged between the Department of General Services and the covered institution on the central electronic procurement website eVA and requires approval by the covered institution's board of visitors or governing board if the covered institution chooses to proceed with construction management or design-build against the recommendation of the Department. The bill requires a local public body to adopt a resolution or motion to use construction management or design-build prior to issuing a Request for Qualifications and to publish notice of such resolution or motion on its website or eVA. Finally, the bill provides that the Department shall report annually, for any construction management or design-build project, on the qualifications that made such project complex.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1108
HB1191	Virginia Public Procurement Act; construction management and design-build contracting.	Delegate Mark D. Sickles	Virginia Public Procurement Act; construction management and design-build contracting; applicability. States that design-bid-build, defined in the bill, utilizing competitive sealed bidding is the preferred method of procurement for construction services in the Commonwealth. Complex projects, defined in the bill, may request an exemption from the provisions of the bill and relevant law from the Division of Engineering and Buildings of the Department of General Services. The bill requires all documents related to the proposed use of construction management or design-build by state public bodies and institutions of higher education and any available subcontractor opportunities to be posted on eVA. The bill transfers from the Department of General Services to the Division of Engineering and Buildings the authority to evaluate the proposed use of construction management or design-build by state public bodies and institutions of higher education and specifies that a local governing body must approve at a public meeting the use of construction management or design-build by a local public body. Finally, the bill prohibits state public bodies, institutions of higher education, and local governing bodies from considering prior construction management or design-build experience of contractors on comparable projects.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1191
HB1198	Resident concealed handgun permits; elimination of fees.	Delegate Phillip A. Scott (R)	Fees for resident concealed handgun permits. Eliminates the fees that may be charged for the processing of an application for or issuing of a resident concealed handgun permit, including any costs associated with the clerk's consultation with law-enforcement agencies, which under current law is \$10; a fee not to exceed \$35 to the law-enforcement agency conducting the background investigation; and a fee not to exceed \$5 to the State Police to cover its costs associated with processing the application.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1198
HB1270	Mold inspections; certification of inspection before issuing building permit.	Delegate Delores L. McQuinn	Board of Housing and Community Development; mold inspections. Prohibits any local building department from issuing a building permit until the local building department receives certification from the owner or his agent that the building has been inspected for the presence of black mold and that no black mold was found or that appropriate remediation will be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Statewide Building Code. The bill directs the Board of Housing and Community Development to adopt emergency regulations to implement the provisions of the bill relating to the requirements of the Uniform Statewide Building Code. The provisions of the bill relating to the issuance of a building permit contain a contingent effective date, to be certified in writing by the Code Commission, to take effect on the date on which the emergency regulations become effective.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1270
HB1273	Va. Public Procurement Act; competitive sealed bidding, required criteria in invitations to bid.	Delegate Paul E. Krizek (D)	Virginia Public Procurement Act; competitive sealed bidding; required criteria in invitations to bid. Requires all public bodies to include in any Invitation to Bid criteria that will be used in determining whether a bidder who is not prequalified by the Virginia Department of Transportation is a responsible bidder. Current law authorizes, but does not require, localities to include such criteria in Invitations to Bid.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1273

HB1328	Transient occupancy taxes; administration.	Delegate Joseph P. McNamara (R)	Transient occupancy taxes; administration. Makes changes to the administration of transient occupancy taxes by requiring the Department of Taxation, instead of the locality, to collect such taxes. The bill directs accommodations intermediaries to file aggregated returns with the Department, which shall include the gross receipts, applicable tax rates, amounts due to each locality, and other information. The bill provides that the Department shall then distribute such tax revenues to the applicable locality. The bill also directs the Department to contract with a third-party provider for development of an electronic interface that enables accommodations intermediaries, beginning on July 1, 2025, to provide a single filing and remittance system for transient occupancy taxes due for all localities.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1328
HB1356	Local planning commission; action on proposed plats, site plans, and development plans.	Delegate David Owen (R)	Local planning commission; action on proposed plats, site plans, and development plans; residential use. Requires local planning commissions to use the same approval process for residential development projects as is currently required for commercial development projects.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1356
HB1380	Real property tax; assessment of real property used for affordable housing.	Delegate Chris S. Runion (R)	Real property tax; assessment of real property used for affordable housing. Requires the duly authorized real estate assessor of a locality to appraise affordable rental housing in accordance with the income approach, as described by the bill. The bill provides that, should the duly authorized real estate assessor fail to follow generally accepted appraisal practices, the assessment will not be entitled to a presumption of correctness, and if the owner then successfully appeals such assessment, the locality shall reimburse the owner for attorney fees and costs incurred.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1380
HB1446	Real property tax; assessment of real property used for affordable housing.	Delegate Carrie E. Coyner (R)	Real property tax; assessment of real property used for affordable housing. Requires the duly authorized real estate assessor of a locality to appraise affordable rental housing in accordance with the income approach, as described by the bill. The bill provides that, should the duly authorized real estate assessor fail to follow generally accepted appraisal practices, the assessment will not be entitled to a presumption of correctness, and if the owner then successfully appeals such assessment, the locality shall reimburse the owner for attorney fees and costs incurred.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1446
HB1472	Water certificates or permits; compliance with water quality standards.	Delegate Debra D. Gardner (D)	Water certificates or permits; compliance with water quality standards. Requires the State Water Control Board to ensure all activities allowed under any water certificate or permit are in compliance with the water quality standards promulgated by the Board.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1472
HB1483	Local tax; penalties and interest.	Delegate Delores L. McQuinn	Local tax; penalties and interest. Requires localities to apply voluntary payments made by a taxpayer to the tax return that accompanies such payment. The bill provides that no interest will accrue on any unpaid balances 90 days after the date on which a taxpayer files an application for correction by the locality, an administrative appeal, or an application to court for meals taxes, until such appeal is resolved. The bill creates notice procedures prior to a locality making a levy on property due to delinquent tax payments. With respect to any local food or beverage tax, following the denial of a taxpayer's application for correction, the bill provides that the locality and taxpayer may agree to settle the liability pursuant to an offer in compromise. The bill also provides that following an application to court to correct erroneous assessments of local levies, the court may award reasonable attorney fees to the prevailing party.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1483
HB1496	Surveillance Technology Registry; created.	Delegate Sam Rasoul (D)	Surveillance Technology Registry; created. Directs the Department of Criminal Justice Services (the Department) to create and maintain a registry of surveillance technologies, defined in the bill, and related information provided by localities and to provide notice to localities that fail to properly register. The bill requires localities, prior to implementing the use of any surveillance technology, to register such surveillance technology with the Surveillance Technology Registry and provide information including (i) the type of surveillance technology used, (ii) the cost and vendor of the surveillance technology, (iii) the approximate location of the surveillance technology, and (iv) any storage and use requirements for the surveillance technology. The bill requires the Department, for any type of surveillance technology that has not previously been registered, to request the Joint Commission on Technology and Science to study and issue a report on such surveillance technology.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+HB1496
SB18	Virginia Public Procurement Act; construction management & design-build contracting, applicability.	Senator Mamie E. Locke (D)	Virginia Public Procurement Act; construction management and design-build contracting; applicability. States that design-bid-build, defined in the bill, utilizing competitive sealed bidding is the preferred method of procurement for construction services in the Commonwealth. Complex projects, defined in the bill, may request an exemption from the provisions of the bill and relevant law from the Division of Engineering and Buildings of the Department of General Services. The bill requires all documents related to the proposed use of construction management or design-build by state public bodies and institutions of higher education and any available subcontractor opportunities to be posted on eVA. The bill transfers from the Department of General Services to the Division of Engineering and Buildings the authority to evaluate the proposed use of construction management or design-build by state public bodies and institutions of higher education and specifies that a local governing body must approve at a public meeting the use of construction management or design-build by a local public body. Finally, the bill prohibits state public bodies, institutions of higher education, and local governing bodies from considering prior construction management or design-build experience of contractors on comparable projects.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB18
SB249	Virginia Public Procurement Act; construction management and design-build contracting.	Senator Jeremy S. McPike (D)	Virginia Public Procurement Act; construction management and design-build contracting. Limits the use of construction management or design-build contracts by state public bodies and covered institutions for complex projects. The bill requires state public bodies, covered institutions, and local public bodies to provide documentation of the processes used for the final selection of a contract to all the unsuccessful applicants upon request. The bill adds certain requirements for covered institutions, including posting all documents exchanged between the Department of General Services and the covered institution on the central electronic procurement website eVA and requires approval by the covered institution's board of visitors or governing board if the covered institution chooses to proceed with construction management or design-build against the recommendation of the Department. The bill requires a local public body to adopt a resolution or motion to use construction management or design-build prior to issuing a Request for Qualifications and to publish notice of such resolution or motion on its website or eVA. Finally, the bill provides that the Department shall report annually, for any construction management or design-build project, on the qualifications that made such project complex.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB249
SB294	Local tax; penalties and interest.	Senator Bill DeSteph (R)	Local tax; penalties and interest. Requires localities to apply voluntary payments made by a taxpayer to the tax return that accompanies such payment. The bill provides that no interest will accrue on any unpaid balances 90 days after the date on which a taxpayer files an application for correction by the locality, an administrative appeal, or an application to court for meals taxes, until such appeal is resolved. The bill creates notice procedures prior to a locality making a levy on property due to delinquent tax payments.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB294
SB296	Local planning commission; action on proposed plats, site plans, and development plans.	Senator Schuyler T. VanValkenburg (D)	Local planning commission; action on proposed plats, site plans, and development plans; residential use. Requires local planning commissions to use the same approval process for residential development projects as is currently required for commercial development projects.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB296

SB304	Zoning; development and use of accessory dwelling units.	Senator Saddam Azlan Salim (D)	Zoning; development and use of accessory dwelling units. Requires a locality to include in its zoning ordinances for residential zoning districts accessory dwelling units, or ADUs, as defined in the bill, as a permitted accessory use. The bill requires a person to seek a permit for an ADU from the locality, requires the locality to issue such permit if the person meets certain requirements enumerated in the bill, and restricts the fee for such permit to \$100 or less. The bill prohibits the locality from requiring (i) dedicated parking for the ADU; (ii) lot sizes or setbacks for the ADU greater than that of the primary dwelling; (iii) consanguinity or affinity between the occupants of the ADU and the primary dwelling; (iv) owner occupancy of the ADU or the primary dwelling; and (v) redundant water, sewer, or septic capacity for the ADU. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2025.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB304
SB308	Residential dwelling units; rentals for 30 consecutive days or longer.	Senator Jeremy S. McPike (D)	Residential dwelling units; rentals for 30 consecutive days or longer. Prohibits a locality from enacting or enforcing an ordinance that bans the rental of residential dwelling units for 30 consecutive days or longer. The bill allows a locality by ordinance to regulate such rental if such regulations (i) are reasonable and (ii) do not exceed the requirements for an owner-occupied residential property or a residential property rented for a lease term of 12 months or more in the same zoning district.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB308
SB487	Artificial intelligence; use by public bodies prohibitions.	Senator Lashrecce D. Aird	Use of artificial intelligence by public bodies; prohibitions. Prohibits any public body from implementing any system that employs artificial intelligence unless such public body (i) performs an initial impact assessment and ongoing impact assessments of such system to ensure its use will not result in any unlawful discrimination against any individual or group of individuals or have any disparate impact on any individual or group of individuals and (ii) does not implement or ceases to use such system if such effects occur. The bill requires all public bodies that implement such systems to submit an annual report on such assessments and provide an inventory of all such systems used to the appropriate entity designated in the bill. The bill directs the Chief Information Officer of the Commonwealth to develop, publish, and maintain policies and procedures concerning systems that employ artificial intelligence and are used by public bodies.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB487
SB544	Short-term rental property; locality's ability to prohibit use of accessory dwelling unit.	Senator Lamont Bagby	Short-term rental property; locality's ability to prohibit use of accessory dwelling unit. Prohibits a locality from barring the use of or requiring that a special exception, special use, or conditional use permit be obtained for the use of an accessory dwelling unit for a short-term rental in an area zoned for residential use where the primary dwelling unit on the site is occupied by the property owner.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB544
SB590	Community services boards; core of services.	Senator R. Creigh Deeds (D)	Community services boards; core of services. Adds to the list of core services to be provided by community services boards (i) crisis services for individuals with a mental illness or substance use disorder, (ii) outpatient mental health and substance abuse services, (iii) psychiatric rehabilitation services, (iv) peer support and family support services, (v) mental health services for members of the armed forces located 50 miles or more from a military treatment facility and veterans located 40 miles or more from a Veterans Health Administration medical facility, and (vi) care coordination services. The bill removes language that conditions the duty of community services boards to provide case management services on the availability of funding. The bill further requires community services boards to provide core services (i) to every adult who has a serious mental illness, child who has or is at risk of serious emotional disturbance, and individual who has a substance use disorder and (ii) in a timely manner and at a location that is near the individual. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2026, for most provisions.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB590
SB617	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; budget, operating assistance.	Senator Mark D. Obenshain	Commonwealth Mass Transit Fund; Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; budget; operating assistance. Provides that payments and obligations arising from or related to any contract pertaining to employee compensation and work conditions under the normal operation of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) may be included in the calculation of a WMATA budget increase for purposes of the cap of such budget increase. Current law provides that any payment or obligation of any kind arising from or related to legal disputes or proceedings between or among WMATA and any other person or entity shall not be used in calculating a WMATA budget increase.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB617
SB671	Youth Health Protection Act established; civil penalty.	Senator Mark J. Peake	Youth Health Protection Act established; civil penalty. Creates the Youth Health Protection Act, which makes it unlawful for any individual to provide gender transition procedures, defined in the bill, for minors and prohibits the use of public funds for gender transition procedures. The bill allows parents, guardians, or custodians to withhold consent for any treatment, activity, or mental health care services that are designed and intended to form their child's conceptions of sex and gender or to treat gender dysphoria or gender nonconformity. The bill prohibits government agents, other than law-enforcement personnel, from encouraging or coercing a minor to withhold information from the minor's parent. The bill establishes a duty for a government agent with knowledge that a minor has exhibited symptoms of gender dysphoria or gender nonconformity or otherwise demonstrates a desire to be treated in a manner incongruent with the minor's sex to immediately notify each of the minor's parents, guardians, or custodians in writing, with descriptions of relevant circumstances. The bill prohibits discrimination against persons (i) providing information regarding violations of the Act to their employer or specified public entities or (ii) who make disclosures under the Act of information that evinces any violation of law, rule, or regulation; any violation of any standard of care or other ethical guidelines for the provision of health care service; or gross mismanagement, a gross waste of funds, an abuse of authority, or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety. The bill establishes a civil action for any violation of the Act by a clinic, health care system, medical professional, or other responsible person with a two-year statute of limitations. The bill prohibits political subdivisions of the Commonwealth from enacting, adopting, maintaining, or enforcing any measure that interferes with the professional conduct and judgment of a mental health care professional or counselor undertaken within the course of treatment and communication with clients, patients, other persons, or the public. The bill provides for enforcement by the Attorney General or a mental health care professional or counselor through an action for injunctive relief and allows a mental health care professional to recover reasonable attorney fees and reasonable costs incurred in obtaining an injunction. The bill waives sovereign immunity to suit and immunity from liability under this statute.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB671
SB701	Vested rights; building permits.	Senator Timmy French (R)	Vested rights; building permits. Provides that if a locality has issued a building permit, despite nonconformance with the zoning ordinance, and a property owner, relying in good faith on the issuance of the building permit, incurs extensive obligations or substantial expenses in diligent pursuit of a building project that is in conformance with the building permit, the locality shall not treat such building as an illegal use but rather as a legal nonconforming use. Current law requires that such project be completed and a certificate of occupancy issued in order to receive such protection.	http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?241+sum+SB701