

Current Status of Bills on Which the City Has Taken a Position February 10, 2014

HB 1 Sexual and Domestic Violence Subfund; funding of sexual and domestic violence prevention, etc.

Patrons: Comstock, Peace, Anderson, Austin, Bell, Richard P., Byron, Chafin, Cline, Cox, Dance, Farrell, Fowler, Gilbert, Greason, Habeeb, Hodges, Howell, A.T., Krupicka, LaRock, LeMunyon, Lewis, Loupassi, McClellan, Minchew, Morefield, O'Bannon, O'Quinn, Poindexter, Ramadan, Ransone, Rasoul, Robinson, Rust, Simon, Stolle, Taylor, Torian, Villanueva and Yancey

Summary as introduced:

Funding of sexual and domestic violence prevention, intervention, and prosecution. Creates a new subfund in the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund to be known as the Sexual and Domestic Violence Subfund. The Subfund consists of all funds, from whatever source, in the Commonwealth related to sexual and domestic violence prevention, intervention, and prosecution. The bill also directs the Workers' Compensation Commission to appoint a coordinator to administer and oversee the use of the funds.

11/18/13 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

Notes: City position: support

HB 2 Commonwealth Transportation Board; allocations within highway construction districts.

Patrons: Stolle, Minchew, Ramadan, Yancey, Anderson, Cole, Hugo, Knight, LaRock, Rust, Scott and Villanueva

Summary as introduced:

Allocations within highway construction districts. Provides that funding allocations for the Northern Virginia highway construction district and the Hampton Roads highway construction district be made by giving priority to the projects expected to provide the greatest congestion reduction relative to the cost of the project and that funding allocations for the seven other highway construction districts be made by giving priority to either (i) the projects expected to provide the greatest congestion reduction relative to the cost of the project or (ii) the projects that promote economic development and promote commerce and trade. The bill provides for the choice to be made by each locality within the seven highway construction districts and for each highway construction district to determine the majority choice and submit it to the Commonwealth Transportation Board. Allocations by the Board using the priorities in the bill will begin July 1, 2015.

02/06/14 House: Engrossed by House

Notes: City position: oppose (Note: bill has now been substantially amended)

HB 5 Electoral board members and general registrars; reimbursement to localities for cost of expenses.

Patron: Ware

Summary as introduced:

Compensation and expenses of electoral board members and general registrars. Provides

for reimbursement by the Commonwealth to the localities of the full cost of compensation and expenses of electoral board members and general registrars.

11/18/13 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

01/10/14 House: Assigned P & E sub: Campaign Finance Subcommittee

01/15/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 35 School calendar; local school boards to set opening day.

Patron: Kory

Summary as introduced:

School calendar. Makes local school boards responsible for setting the school calendar and determining the opening day of the school year.

12/02/13 House: Referred to Committee on Education

01/23/14 House: Assigned Education sub: Education Reform

01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 41 Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; selection of projects.

Patron: Marshall, R.G.

Summary as introduced:

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; selection of projects. Provides that the Commonwealth Transportation Board shall select the transportation projects to be funded by the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority.

12/02/13 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/10/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 42 School calendar; local school to set opening day.

Patron: Habeeb

Summary as introduced:

School calendar. Makes local school boards responsible for setting the school calendar and determining the opening date of the school year.

12/02/13 House: Referred to Committee on Education

01/23/14 House: Assigned Education sub: Education Reform

01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 43 Federal firearms laws; enforcement.

Patron: Marshall, R.G.

Summary as introduced:

Federal firearms laws; enforcement. Provides that agencies and political subdivisions of the Commonwealth, and employees thereof, shall not knowingly aid any employee or entity of the federal government (i) in the enforcement of federal firearms laws that take effect on or after December 1, 2013, or (ii) in the conduct or enforcement of a criminal background check related to any intrastate sale, loan, gift, or other transfer of a firearm between citizens of Virginia.

02/03/14 House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (14-Y 7-N)

02/03/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 48 Firearms; possession following conviction of certain crimes, penalty.

Patron: Simon

Summary as introduced:

Possession of firearms following conviction of certain crimes; penalty. Prohibits any person who is convicted of stalking, sexual battery, or assault and battery of a family member that results in serious bodily injury from possessing, transporting, or carrying a firearm or any other weapon for a period of five years following his conviction. 12/03/13 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

02/03/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law

02/03/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 87 Transportation; Commonwealth priority of projects and funding.

Patron: Cole

Summary as introduced:

CTB priority of projects and funding. Requires all state funds expended on transportation projects be for projects expected to provide congestion reduction or increased safety.

12/11/13 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/10/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #4

01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 94 Business permits, etc.; assistance and documentation required from localities.

Patrons: Head, Ramadan and LaRock

Summary as introduced:

Assistance and documentation required from localities. Provides that in any instance in which a person is seeking a business permit, a license, or an application for any similar local government approval from a locality, the locality shall provide documentation and instructions that outline all steps necessary to obtain the permit, license, or approval. The locality shall also specify any further permit, license, or other approval that may be required to complete the original project or business activity and shall disclose the expected time required by the locality for the completion of each step of the process to obtain the permit, license, or other approval.

12/13/13 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

01/09/14 House: Assigned CC & T sub: #1

01/29/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 95 Legal notices; advertisement by locality on websites, radio, or television.

Patron: Head

Summary as introduced:

Legal notices; advertisement by locality. Allows localities with a population of 50,000 or more to meet certain notice requirements by using their websites, etc., instead of a newspaper.

12/13/13 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns
01/09/14 House: Assigned CC & T sub: #2
01/23/14 House: Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (3-Y 7-N)
Notes: City position: support

HB 114 Private or religious schools; possession of firearm, etc., on school property.

Patron: Cole (by request)

Summary as introduced:

Possession of firearm, etc., on school property; private or religious schools. Eliminates the crimes of possession on the property of a private or religious schools.

02/17/13 House: Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 116 Traffic light signal photo-monitoring; implementation of systems.

Patron: Morrissey

Summary as introduced:

Traffic light photo-monitoring systems. Amends provisions related to photo-monitoring systems by providing that certain safety analyses, currently required prior to implementation, shall also be required prior to renewal of such a system.

12/17/13 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/10/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #1

01/15/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (7-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 150 Jail authorities; sovereign immunity.

Patrons: Minchew; Senator: Vogel

Summary as introduced:

Jail authorities; sovereign immunity. Provides that regional jail authorities enjoy sovereign immunity in the performance of government functions.

01/17/14 House: Continued to 2015 in Militia, Police and Public Safety

Notes: City position: support

HB 173 Electronic devices; search without warrant prohibited.

Patron: Farrell (by request)

Summary as introduced:

Search of electronic device without warrant prohibited. Prohibits a law officer or anyone else from searching electronic devices without a search warrant.

12/23/13 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/10/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal

02/05/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 178 VRS; assumed rate of return on investments for employer contributions.

Patron: Farrell

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Retirement System; assumed rate of return on investments. Provides that if the

General Assembly adopts an assumed rate of return on investments that is different from the rate used by the Board of the Virginia Retirement System in determining employer contribution rates for contributions to VRS, the Board shall recalculate the employer contribution rate for each employer to incorporate the assumed rate of return adopted by the General Assembly.

12/23/13 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/10/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Compensation and Retirement

01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends striking from docket

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 181 VRS; collection of overpayments to retirees and beneficiaries.

Patron: Farrell

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Retirement System; collection of overpayments to retirees and beneficiaries.

Prohibits VRS from collecting overpayments made to a retiree or beneficiary if the proximate cause of the overpayment was a computational error made by VRS or one of its employees, subsidiaries, affiliates, agents, or contractors and the retiree or beneficiary could not reasonably have been expected to detect the error or overpayment.

12/23/13 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/10/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Compensation and Retirement

01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 192 Precious metals dealers; chief law-enforcement officer may waive permit fee.

Patron: Minchew

Summary as introduced:

Precious metals dealers; retail merchants; exemption. Allows the chief law-enforcement to waive the permit fee for retail merchants that are not required to be licensed as pawnbrokers, if (i) the retail merchant has a permanent place of business; and (ii) the purchases of precious metals or gems do not exceed five percent of the retail merchant's total business revenue.

02/03/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N)

02/04/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Notes: City position: oppose (Note: City concerns have now been addressed)

HB 234 VIEW program; screening and assessment for use of illegal substances.

Patrons: Bell, Robert B., Bell, Richard P. and Campbell

Summary as introduced:

Substance abuse screening and assessment of public assistance applicants and recipients.

Requires local departments of social services to screen each VIEW participant to determine whether probable cause exists to believe the participant is engaged in the use of illegal drugs.

01/28/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/29/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources

02/04/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 252 Public assets; misuse, penalty.

Patron: Surovell

Summary as introduced:

Misuse of public assets; penalty. Provides that any officer, agent, or employee of the Commonwealth or of any political subdivision who, without lawful authorization, uses or permits the use of public assets for private or personal purposes unrelated to the duties and office of the accused or any other legitimate government interest when the value of such use exceeds \$1,000 in any 12-month period is guilty of a Class 4 felony. Currently, only full-time officers, agents, or employees can be guilty of the crime.

01/17/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/24/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law

01/31/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 273 Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; changes applicability, security deposits.

Patrons: Loupassi and Miller

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; applicability; security deposits. Changes the applicability of the Virginia Residential Landlord Tenant Act from the ownership of no more than 10 single-family residences to ownership of no more than two single-family residences and makes the application uniform across the state. The bill also authorizes a landlord to expedite the disposition of security deposits under certain circumstances. The bill repeals the requirement for a landlord to accrue interest on security deposits, effective January 1, 2015.

01/29/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

01/30/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Notes: City position: support with amendments

HB 281 Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; contracts.

Patrons: Albo and LeMunyon

Summary as introduced:

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority contracts. Prohibits NVTa from providing funds in support of a transportation-related project being undertaken with the District of Columbia or another state unless NVTa has entered into a contract that provides for all costs of the project to be borne equally among the Authority and the District of Columbia or other state.

12/31/13 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/24/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #4

01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: work on amendments with patron so that the bill has no detrimental impact on NVTa and WMATA. (Note: patron withdrew the bill)

HB 283 Alcoholic beverage control; suspension of license for local tax delinquency.

Patron: Albo

Summary as introduced:

Alcoholic beverage control; suspension of license for local tax delinquency. Authorizes the ABC Board to suspend or revoke the license of a licensee who is delinquent for a period of 90

days or more in the payment of any taxes, or any penalties or interest related thereto, lawfully imposed by the locality where the licensed business is located, as certified by the treasurer, commissioner of the revenue, or finance director of such locality, unless (i) the outstanding amount is de minimis; (ii) the licensee has pending a bona fide application or appeal with respect to such taxes, penalties, or interest; or (iii) the licensee has entered into a payment plan approved by the same locality to settle the outstanding liability.

01/22/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (97-Y 0-N)

01/23/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

Notes: City position: support

HB 293 Temporary detention; determining facility for individual.

Patrons: Bell, Robert B. and Leftwich

Summary as introduced:

Determining facility of temporary detention. Provides that an individual for whom a temporary detention order is issued shall be detained in a state facility unless the state facility or an employee or designee of the community services board is able to identify an alternative facility that is able and willing to provide temporary detention. The bill directs the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to establish an acute care psychiatric bed registry that shall provide real-time information on the availability of beds in public and private psychiatric facilities and residential crisis stabilization units for individuals who meet the criteria for temporary detention.

02/03/14 House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (22-Y 0-N)

02/03/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

02/05/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 296 Comprehensive plans; alignment of transportation infrastructure and facilities.

Patron: Villanueva

Summary as introduced:

Comprehensive plans; alignment of transportation services with accessible housing.

Requires localities to take steps to align transportation infrastructure and facilities with affordable, accessible housing and community services when developing the transportation component of the comprehensive plan for the physical development of the territory.

01/22/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (97-Y 0-N)

01/23/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government

Notes: City position: support

HB 310 First informer broadcaster; access to station in state emergency area to disseminate news.

Patron: Lingamfelter

Summary as introduced:

First informer broadcaster. Requires state and local governmental agencies to grant first informer broadcasters access to their broadcasting station or television system within an area declared a state of emergency area by the Governor for the purpose of provision of new, public service, and public safety information and repairing or resupplying their facility or equipment.

01/29/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

01/30/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 315 Incapacitated persons; expands class of victims of crime of financial exploitation.

Patrons: Kory and Rasoul

Summary as introduced:

Financial exploitation of incapacitated persons. Expands the class of victims of the crime of financial exploitation of mentally incapacitated persons to include persons incapacitated due to physical illness or disability, advanced age, or other causes.

01/02/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: support

HB 317 Prohibition on weapons at airport; exception for concealed handgun.

Patron: Berg

Summary as introduced:

Prohibition on weapons at airport; exception for concealed handgun. Allows a person who holds a valid concealed handgun permit to possess or transport a concealed handgun into any air carrier airport terminal.

01/02/14 House: Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 323 Temporary detention order; transportation.

Patron: O'Bannon

Summary as introduced:

Temporary detention order; transportation. Provides that the law-enforcement agency specified to execute a temporary detention order and transport the person who is the subject of the order shall be any law-enforcement agency that is willing and able to execute the order and provide transportation or, if no other law-enforcement agency is willing and able to execute the order and provide transportation, the law-enforcement agency of the jurisdiction in which the person resides or, if the nearest boundary of the jurisdiction in which the person resides is more than 50 miles from the nearest boundary of the jurisdiction in which the person is located, the law-enforcement agency of the jurisdiction in which the person is located.

02/03/14 House: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (22-Y 0-N)

02/06/14 House: Passed by until Monday, February 10, 2014

Notes: City position: support

HB 333 School calendar; local school boards to set opening day.

Patrons: Greason, Habeeb, Comstock, Kory, LeMunyon and Torian

Summary as introduced:

School calendar. Makes local school boards responsible for setting the school calendar and determining the opening date of the school year..

02/03/14 House: Reported from Education (14-Y 8-N)

02/05/14 House: Passed by until Monday, February 10, 2014

Notes: City position: support

HB 335 Family abuse protective orders; motor vehicles.

Patrons: Bell, Robert B. and Fariss

Summary as passed House:

Family abuse protective orders; motor vehicles. Modifies the provision specifying that the court may grant the petitioner temporary exclusive possession or use of a motor vehicle owned by the petitioner or jointly owned by the parties to provide that the court may direct a respondent to maintain insurance, registration, and taxes on a motor vehicle and enjoin the respondent from terminating such insurance, registration, and taxes.

01/24/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (95-Y 0-N)

01/27/14 Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: support

HB 340 Alternative Fuel Vehicle Conversion Fund; moneys in Fund to be used to assist local government, etc.

Patrons: Taylor, Marshall, D.W. and Miller

Summary as introduced:

Alternative Fuel Vehicle Conversion Fund. Allows moneys in the Fund to be used by local governments, local governmental agencies, and local school divisions.

01/27/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

01/28/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Notes: City position: support

HB 369 Parking management companies operating under contracts with localities.

Patron: Head

Summary as introduced:

Parking management companies. Expands the powers of parking management companies operating under contracts with local governments to enforce local parking restrictions.

02/06/14 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB369H1

Notes: City position: support

HB 386 School calendar; local school boards to set opening day.

Patron: Comstock

Summary as introduced:

School calendar. Makes local school boards responsible for setting the school calendar and determining the opening date of the school year.

01/03/14 House: Referred to Committee on Education

01/23/14 House: Assigned Education sub: Education Reform

01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 397 Social worker; family-services specialists & qualified equivalent workers allowed to perform tasks.

Patron: Toscano

Summary as introduced:

Social worker. Allows family-services specialists and qualified equivalent workers to perform tasks previously limited to social workers. The bill expands the authority of the Adult Protective

Services Unit to establish minimum standards of training and educational opportunities for all workers in the field of adult protective services, which minimum standards currently apply to social workers. The bill changes the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) employment requirement for a baccalaureate degree from "social work" positions to "family-services-specialist" positions. The bill adds family-services specialists to the list of individuals required to report suspicions of child abuse or neglect.

01/03/14 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/09/14 House: Assigned HWI sub: # 3

01/22/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 404 Cases involving alleged sexual abuse of a child; qualifications of investigator.

Patron: Bell, Robert B.

Summary as introduced:

Investigation of cases involving alleged sexual abuse of a child; qualifications of investigator. Prohibits any individual who has not previously participated in investigations of alleged abuse or neglect of a child from participating in investigations of cases of alleged sexual abuse of a child unless he has completed a training program for investigation of cases involving alleged sexual abuse of a child or is directly supervised by a person who has completed such training. The bill also prohibits individuals who have not completed training for investigation of cases involving alleged sexual abuse of a child from making dispositional findings in such cases.

01/03/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/09/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal

02/05/14 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2015

Notes: City position: support

HB 417 Virginia Human Rights Act; prohibited discrimination, sexual orientation.

Patrons: Simon, BaCote, Brink, Bulova, Carr, Dance, Filler-Corn, Futrell, Hester, Lewis, Lopez, Mason, McClellan, McQuinn, Plum, Rasoul, Sickles, Torian, Toscano, Tyler, Ward and Watts

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Human Rights Act; public employment; prohibited discrimination; sexual orientation. Prohibits discrimination in employment based on sexual orientation. The bill defines "sexual orientation" as a person's actual or perceived heterosexuality, bisexuality, homosexuality, or gender identity or expression. The bill expressly provides that "sexual orientation" does not include any person's attraction towards persons with whom sexual conduct would be illegal due to the age of the parties.

01/04/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

01/22/14 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 418 Fair Housing Law; unlawful discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Patrons: Simon, Rasoul, BaCote, Brink, Carr, Futrell, Hope, Kory, Krupicka, McQuinn, Morrissey, Plum, Surovell, Ware, O. and Watts; Senators: Barker, Ebbin, Favola, Puller and Saslaw

Summary as introduced:

Fair Housing Law; unlawful discrimination; sexual orientation. Adds discrimination based on sexual orientation as an unlawful discriminatory housing practice. The bill defines "sexual orientation" as a person's actual or perceived heterosexuality, bisexuality, homosexuality, or gender identity or expression. "Sexual orientation" does not include sexually deviant disorders (paraphilias) as defined in the Diagnostic and Statistic Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-IV).

01/04/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

01/22/14 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 419 Tenants; entireties in real and personal property.

Patron: Simon

Summary as introduced:

Tenants by the entireties in real and personal property. Broadens the class of individuals who may hold property as tenants by the entireties to include any married couple whose marriage is recognized under the laws of any state in the United States.

01/04/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

01/22/14 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 420 Public assets; misuse, penalty.

Patrons: Minchew; Senators: Garrett and Vogel

Summary as introduced:

Misuse of public assets. Subjects anyone who works for or is elected to any government body to the penalties for misuse of public assets. Currently, only full-time persons or officers are subject to the penalty.

01/04/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/09/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal

02/05/14 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendment(s) (11-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

HB 422 Local government; prohibit certain practices requiring contractors to provide certain benefits, etc.

Patrons: Davis, Comstock, Knight, Miller, Pogge and Webert

Summary as introduced:

Prohibiting certain local government practices that would require contractors to provide certain compensation or benefits. Prohibits local governing bodies from establishing provisions that would require a wage floor of any other employee benefit or compensation, above what is otherwise required by state or federal law, to be provided by a contractor to its employees as part of a local government contract.

02/05/14 House: Read third time and passed House (65-Y 29-N)

02/06/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government

Notes: City position: oppose (Note: bill has been amended to grandfather City program)

HB 425 Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; increases membership.

Patrons: LeMunyon and Ramadan

Summary as introduced:

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; membership. Increases Authority membership from 17 to 20 by the addition of one senator and two House members.

01/04/14 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/10/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 444 Individual income filing status; married persons.

Patron: Marshall, R.G.

Summary as introduced:

Individual income filing status; married persons. Provides that only those persons who are in a union that is a marriage recognized under Virginia law may file a joint Virginia income tax return for married persons or a separate Virginia income tax return as a spouse.

01/05/14 House: Referred to Committee on Finance

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 446 Traffic light signal photo-monitoring; criminal investigation.

Patron: Bulova

Summary as introduced:

Traffic signal photo-monitoring systems; criminal investigation. Allows law enforcement to use information from a photo-monitoring system for purposes of criminal investigation.

01/05/14 House: Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

01/14/14 House: Assigned MPPS sub: Subcommittee #2

01/16/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 450 Background checks; employment prior to receipt of results.

Patrons: Bell, Robert B. and Peace

Summary as introduced:

Background checks; employment prior to receipt of results. Provides that no person shall be employed in a position that involves direct contact with a patient of, or person or child receiving services from, a nursing home, home health organization, hospice, assisted living facility, adult day care, child welfare agency, or family day home approved by a family day system until the results of a criminal history background check have been received, unless the person works under the direct supervision of a person for whom a background check has been performed.

01/31/14 House: Read third time and passed House (94-Y 0-N 1-A)

02/03/14 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

02/03/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

Notes: City position: support

HB 469 Physically disabled or socially isolated persons; penalty for financial exploitation.

Patron: Yost

Summary as introduced:

Financial exploitation of physically disabled or socially isolated persons. Provides that it is unlawful for any person who knows or should know that another person suffers from a physical disability or social isolation to, through the use of that other person's physical disability or social isolation, take, obtain, or convert money or other thing of value belonging to that other person with the intent to permanently deprive him thereof. A violation is punishable as larceny.

01/06/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: support

HB 471 Mentally incapacitated persons; penalty for financial exploitation.

Patrons: Yost and Simon

Summary as introduced:

Financial exploitation of mentally incapacitated persons. Increases to a Class 3 felony the penalty for financial exploitation of mentally incapacitated persons. Currently, the crime is punishable as larceny.

01/06/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: support

HB 478 Emergency custody orders; duration, extension.

Patrons: Villanueva, Leftwich and Mason

Summary as introduced:

Emergency custody orders; duration; extension. Provides for a second two-hour extension of the time during which a person may be held pursuant to an emergency custody order.

02/07/14 House: Reported from Appropriations (21-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support w/amendments

HB 482 Motor vehicle safety belts; failure to wear enforceable as a primary offense.

Patron: Villanueva

Summary as introduced:

Motor vehicle safety belts. Makes failure to wear required motor vehicle safety belts enforceable as a primary offense.

01/06/14 House: Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

01/14/14 House: Assigned MPPS sub: Subcommittee #2

01/16/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 486 Human trafficking of children; reports and investigation.

Patrons: Hugo and Villanueva

Summary as introduced:

Human trafficking of children; reports and investigation. Requires individuals currently required to report suspected child abuse or neglect to also report suspected cases of human trafficking of a child and specifies the duties of local departments of social services and courts with regard to investigating complaints of suspected human trafficking of a child.

02/03/14 House: Continued to 2015 in Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 499 Real property tax; nonjudicial sale of certain delinquent property.

Patron: Yost

Summary as introduced:

Real property tax; nonjudicial sale of certain delinquent property. Reduces the number of years of delinquency in payment of taxes from 5 to 3 before a locality may sell real property that (i) measures less than 4,000 square feet; or (ii) is determined to be unsuitable for building.

01/23/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (97-Y 0-N)

01/24/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Finance

Notes: City position: support

HB 519 Zoning; attorney fees.

Patron: Morris

Summary as introduced:

Zoning; attorney fees. Provides that a court may award reasonable attorney fees, expenses, and court costs to any person, group, or entity that prevails in a zoning action brought against it or that successfully challenges the validity of a zoning ordinance.

01/06/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/17/14 House: Stricken from docket by Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 524 Uniform Statewide Building Code; accessible units.

Patron: Pogge

Summary as introduced:

Uniform Statewide Building Code; accessible units. Requires the Board of Housing and Community Development to revise the Uniform Statewide Building Code to require that at least 10 percent of all dwelling units, but in no case less than one dwelling unit, in any newly constructed multifamily residential building shall be affordable, accessible units.

01/23/14 House: Stricken from docket by General Laws

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 525 Real property tax; notice of assessment.

Patrons: Pogge and Morris

Summary as introduced:

Real property tax; notice of assessment. Requires every notice of assessment to set forth (i) the new and prior two appraised values of land and appraised value of improvements, and the assessed values of such if different from the appraised values; (ii) the new tax rate and the rates for the prior two tax years; (iii) the total new tax levy and the tax levies for the prior two years; and (iv) the percentage changes in such levies. Under current law, such information is required for the current year and the prior year.

01/30/14 House: Read third time and passed House (93-Y 6-N)

01/31/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Finance

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 558 State recordation taxes and fees; makes substantive and technical changes.

Patron: Minchew

Summary as introduced:

State recordation taxes and fees. Makes substantive and technical changes to state recordation taxes and fees, including defining the value of property for recordation tax purposes as the value determined by a licensed appraiser within the six months prior to the date of recordation, provided an affidavit is submitted to the clerk of the court stating, among other things, the name, state of licensing, and license number of the appraiser and stating the appraised value of the property as provided in the appraisal report. If no such appraisal was performed, then the value for recordation tax purposes would be the current assessed value of the property as shown on the local tax assessor's records. Under current law, the value for recordation tax purposes is the fair market value of the property at the time of recordation. The bill allows the parties to a deed or other instrument to allocate the liability for recordation taxes as the parties deem appropriate.

02/05/14 House: Continued to 2015 in Finance

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 562 Virginia Human Rights Act; discrimination, sexual orientation.

Patrons: Villanueva, Keam, Carr, Lopez, Mason, Rasoul and Rust; Senator: Ebbin

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Human Rights Act; public employment; prohibited discrimination; sexual orientation. Prohibits discrimination in employment based on sexual orientation. The bill defines "sexual orientation" as a person's actual or perceived heterosexuality, bisexuality, homosexuality, or gender identity or expression. The bill expressly provides that "sexual orientation" does not include any person's attraction towards persons with whom sexual conduct would be illegal due to the age of the parties.

01/06/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

01/22/14 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 595 Criminal Justice Services, Department of; human trafficking policy.

Patrons: BaCote, Ward, Yancey, Albo, Austin, Bell, Robert B., Brink, Bulova, Byron, Carr, Cline, Cole, Comstock, Cox, Dance, Farrell, Filler-Corn, Fowler, Futrell, Gilbert, Habeeb, Herring, Hester, Hodges, Hope, Howell, A.T., Howell, W.J., Hugo, Ingram, James, Keam, Kilgore, Knight, Kory, Krupicka, LeMunyon, Lewis, Lingamfelter, Lopez, Marshall, R.G., Mason, McClellan, Minchew, Morrissey, O'Bannon, Peace, Plum, Poindexter, Ramadan, Rasoul, Robinson, Rush, Rust, Sickles, Simon, Spruill, Surovell, Torian, Toscano, Tyler, Villanueva, Watts, Webert and Yost

Summary as introduced:

Department of Criminal Justice Services; human trafficking policy. Requires the Department of Criminal Justice Services to establish compulsory training standards and publish and disseminate a model policy or guideline for law-enforcement personnel involved in criminal investigations or assigned to vehicle or street patrol duties to ensure that law-enforcement personnel are sensitive to and aware of human trafficking offenses and the identification of victims of human trafficking offenses.

02/05/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Public Safety

02/06/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 614 Landlord and tenant law; energy submetering, local government fees.

Patron: Miller

Summary as introduced:

Landlord and tenant law; energy submetering; local government fees. Provides that in lieu of increasing the rent, the owner, manager, or operator of a commercial or residential building or campground may employ a program that utilizes a mathematical formula for allocating the actual or anticipated local government fees billed to the building or campground owner among the tenants in such building or campground. Such owner, manager, or operator of a commercial or residential building or campground may also charge and collect from each tenant additional service charges, including monthly billing fees, account set-up fees, or account move-out fees, to cover the actual costs of administrative expenses for administration of such a program. If the building is residential and is subject to the Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act, such local government fees and administrative expenses shall be deemed to be rent. The bill defines the term "local government fees" as any local government charges or fees assessed against a commercial or residential building or campground for stormwater, recycling, trash collection, elevator testing, fire or life safety testing, or residential rental inspection programs.

02/05/14 House: Read third time and passed House (92-Y 0-N 2-A)

02/06/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 621 Emergency custody orders; successive two-hour extensions of an order up to maximum of 48 hours.

Patron: Mason

Summary as introduced:

Emergency custody orders; extensions. Provides for successive two-hour extensions of an emergency custody order, up to a maximum of 48 hours total.

02/03/14 House: Incorporated by Courts of Justice (HB478-Villanueva)

Notes: City position: support

HB 624 Protective orders; companion animals.

Patrons: Watts, Lopez, McClellan and Minchew

Summary as introduced:

Protective orders. Provides that a court may include in a protective order provisions prohibiting harm to a companion animal.

02/03/14 House: Incorporated by Courts of Justice (HB972-Cline)

Notes: City position: support

HB 626 Highway systems; allocation of funds.

Patron: Watts

Summary as introduced:

Allocation of funds among highways systems. Eliminates required allocations of up to \$500

million per year for bridge reconstruction and rehabilitation, high priority projects, and smart roadway technology projects.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/10/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Transportation

02/03/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 633 Local fiscal impact bills; first day introduction.

Patron: Kilgore

Summary as introduced:

Local fiscal impact bills; first day introduction. Requires local fiscal impact bills to be introduced no later than the first day of the session.

01/31/14 House: Continued to 2015 in Rules

Notes: City position: support

HB 635 Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; use of revenues.

Patron: LaRock

Summary as introduced:

Use of revenues by the NVTa. Requires that 70 percent of the revenues received by the Authority under § 15.2-4838.1 be used by the Authority solely to fund transportation projects selected by the Authority that are contained in the regional transportation plan in accordance with § 15.2-4830 and that have been rated in accordance with § 33.1-13.03:1.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/10/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 642 VIEW program; screening and assessment for use of illegal substances.

Patron: Campbell

Summary as introduced:

Substance abuse screening and assessment of public assistance recipients. Requires local departments of social services to screen each Virginia Initiative for Employment Not Welfare (VIEW) program participant to determine whether probable cause exists to believe the participant is engaged in the use of illegal drugs.

01/28/14 House: Tabled in Health, Welfare and Institutions

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 653 Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; allocations.

Patron: LaRock

Summary as introduced:

Allocations by Northern Virginia Transportation Authority. Limits allocations by the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority for transit, rail, and public transportation projects to no more than 25 percent of its total allocations.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
01/10/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #4
01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table
Notes: City position: oppose

HB 658 Northern Virginia highway construction district; CTB allocations.

Patron: LaRock

Summary as introduced:

CTB allocations to Northern Virginia highway construction district. Limits transit, rail, and public transportation allocations by the Commonwealth Transportation Board to the Northern Virginia highway construction district to no more than 25 percent of total allocations.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
01/24/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #4
01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table
Notes: City position: oppose

HB 685 Communications sales and use tax revenues; changes distribution.

Patron: Torian

Summary as introduced:

Distribution of communications sales and use tax revenues. Changes the distribution of communications sales and use tax revenues beginning with the month of August 2014 by providing that (i) first, each town would receive the same proportion of such revenues it received in fiscal year 2013-2014 and (ii) all of the remaining revenues would be distributed pro rata to those counties and cities that received a distribution in fiscal year 2013-2014, based upon the population of the county or city as shown by the most recent United States census. Currently, communications sales and use tax revenues are essentially distributed according to each locality's share of telecommunications and television cable funds (local consumer utility tax on landlines and wireless, E-911, business license tax in excess of 0.5 percent, cable franchise fee, video programming excise tax, local consumer utility tax on cable television) collected throughout the Commonwealth in fiscal year 2006.

02/03/14 House: Stricken from docket by Finance
Notes: City position: oppose

HB 709 Child abuse and neglect investigations; time for determination.

Patrons: Gilbert and Hugo

Summary as passed House:

Child abuse and neglect investigations; time for determination. Provides for an extension of the time period during which a local department of social services must determine if a report of child abuse or neglect is founded from 60 to 90 days in cases in which the investigation is being conducted in cooperation with a law-enforcement agency and both parties agree that circumstances so warrant.

01/28/14 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (98-Y 0-N)
01/29/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services
Notes: City position: support

HB 716 Trafficking in persons; penalties.

Patrons: McClellan and Watts

Summary as introduced:

Trafficking in persons; penalties. Creates new felonies for trafficking in persons for forced labor or sexual servitude and adds the new felonies as a predicate criminal act under the criminal gang statute, as racketeering crimes, and to the functions of a multijurisdiction grand jury, and also allows seizure and forfeiture of property used in committing such felonies. The new felonies and the existing felony of receiving money for procuring a person are added to the rape shield statute. The bill also makes sexual servitude an affirmative defense to the crime of prostitution and allows a petition for a child in need of services to be substituted for a delinquency petition for certain minors arrested for prostitution, disallows the release of certain victim information, specifies law-enforcement protocol for victims who may not be legally present, requires persons convicted of the new felonies to pay restitution that compensates for the victim's labor, and creates a civil action for trafficked persons. The Secretary of Public Safety is required to convene an anti-trafficking committee and the Virginia Prevention of Human Trafficking Victim Fund is created, which will be administered by the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/30/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law

02/05/14 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2015

Notes: City position: support

HB 722 Methadone clinics; location near schools and day care centers, exemptions for existing facilities.

Patrons: McClellan and Peace

Summary as introduced:

Location of methadone clinics near schools and day care centers; exemptions for existing facilities and providers. Provides that licensed providers of methadone treatment that are exempt from restrictions regarding proximity to a school or day care center do not retain the exemption when relocating an existing facility or establishing a new facility.

02/06/14 House: Engrossed by House as amended HB722E

Notes: City position: oppose (Note: amendments exempt City from provisions of bill)

HB 728 Fraud and Abuse Whistle Blower Protection Act; discriminatory and retaliatory action.

Patron: Lingamfelter

Summary as introduced:

Fraud and Abuse Whistle Blower Protection Act; discriminatory and retaliatory action against whistle blower; remedies. Provides that a whistle blower may bring a civil action for violation of discriminatory and retaliatory action provisions of the Fraud and Abuse Whistle Blower Protection Act. The bill provides that in a proceeding commenced against any employer, if the court finds that a violation was willfully and knowingly made, it shall impose on the officer, employee, or member in his individual capacity a civil penalty of not less than \$500 nor more than \$2,500. The bill also establishes a three-year statute of limitations and authorizes the court to order other appropriate remedies.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
01/10/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Civil
02/03/14 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendment(s) (5-Y 4-N)
Notes: City position: oppose

HB 736 Concealed handgun permits, lifetime; Department of State Police to issue, penalty.

Patrons: Lingamfelter, Wilt, Fariss and Poindexter

Summary as introduced:

Lifetime concealed handgun permits; Department of State Police to issue; penalty. Provides for the issuance of concealed handgun permits that do not expire to Virginia residents upon payment of a one-time fee of \$100, except that the fee for a person currently holding an unexpired permit is \$50. The bill also centralizes the issuance of concealed handgun permits with the Department of State Police, instead of current law which provides that the circuit court clerk for the jurisdiction where the applicant resides issues such permits.

02/06/14 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2015

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 772 Real property tax liens; assignment to third party.

Patron: Habeeb

Summary as introduced:

Real property tax liens. Provides that if a taxpayer agrees, a third party who pays the delinquent taxes due on the taxpayer's real property may be assigned the tax lien on the property.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Finance

01/28/14 House: Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #1

01/29/14 House: Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 778 School boards; administration of student surveys and questionnaires.

Patron: Wilt

Summary as introduced:

School boards; administration of student surveys and questionnaires. Prohibits school boards from administering surveys and questionnaires requesting of students medical, mental health, sexual, substance abuse, or similar information without parental consent.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Education

01/17/14 House: Assigned Education sub: Elementary and Secondary Education

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 780 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program; distribution of benefits.

Patrons: Wilt and Bell, Robert B.

Summary as passed House:

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program; distribution of benefits; restrictions. Requires the Department of Social Services to distribute TANF benefits only in the form of debit cards or direct deposits into savings or checking accounts.

02/04/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

02/05/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

Notes: City position: support

HB 792 Residential zoning; restrictions in Planning District 8.

Patrons: LeMunyon and Kory

Summary as introduced:

Residential zoning restrictions in Planning District 8. Requires localities in Planning District 8 (Northern Virginia) to include provisions in their zoning ordinances that limit the number of residential units with 500 square feet or less of living space to no more than 100 residential units per 100,000 population in the locality.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

01/10/14 House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 815 Fair Housing Law; unlawful discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Patrons: Lopez, Carr and Plum

Summary as introduced:

Fair Housing Law; unlawful discrimination; sexual orientation. Adds discrimination based on sexual orientation as an unlawful discriminatory housing practice.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

01/22/14 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 820 Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; retaliation by landlord.

Patron: Lopez

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; retaliation by landlord. Creates a rebuttable presumption that a landlord acted in retaliation against a tenant in violation of the Virginia Landlord and Tenant Act if such retaliation occurs within six months after a tenant has (i) complained to a governmental agency charged with responsibility for enforcement of a building or housing code of a violation applicable to the premises materially affecting health or safety; (ii) made a complaint to or filed a suit against the landlord for a violation of any provision of the Act; (iii) organized or become a member of a tenants' organization; or (iv) testified in a court proceeding against the landlord. The bill provides that after six months, the burden of proving retaliatory intent is on the tenant. Currently, the burden of proof is on the tenant.

01/07/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/10/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Civil

01/20/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 824 Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; bonding authority not effective until July 1, 2018.

Patrons: Minchew, LeMunyon and LaRock

Summary as introduced:

NVTA. Delays the Authority's bonding authority until July 1, 2018. After that, the Authority, prior to issuance of bonds, must demonstrate in the context of a bond validation lawsuit that the transportation projects proposed for funding with the sought bond proceeds have been thoroughly analyzed and provide the greatest degree of congestion reduction relative to cost.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/10/14 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 852 State Executive Council for Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families; application.

Patron: Gilbert (by request)

Summary as introduced:

State Executive Council for Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families; application of the Administrative Process Act. Provides that the State Executive Council in exercising certain powers and duties is subject to the Administrative Process Act.

01/31/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/31/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources

02/04/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 878 Firearms, certain; certification by chief law-enforcement officer.

Patron: LaRock

Summary as introduced:

Law-enforcement certification of certain firearms. Requires that when certification of a chief law-enforcement officer is required by federal law for transfer of a firearm, such certification must be provided within 15 days if the applicant is not prohibited by law from receiving the firearm. The definition of "firearm" includes machine guns, rifles and shotguns of a certain length, weapons made from certain rifles or shotguns, silencers, and destructive devices.

01/22/14 House: VOTE: PASSAGE (64-Y 32-N)

01/23/14 Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 879 Electric utility regulation; net energy metering by municipalities, etc.

Patrons: Yost, Simon and Torian

Summary as introduced:

Net energy metering by municipalities and multifamily customer-generators. Authorizes municipal renewable energy net metering projects. Participating municipalities are authorized to aggregate the electric energy load of their governmental buildings, facilities, and any other governmental operations requiring the consumption of electric energy for the purpose of net energy metering from a renewable energy generating facility. To be eligible, the generation facility for the municipal renewable energy net metering project shall use as its sole energy

source solar power, wind power, or aerobic or anaerobic digester gas and landfill gas; not have an aggregate generation capacity of more than five megawatts unless a utility elects a higher capacity; be located on land owned or controlled by the municipality; be interconnected and operated in parallel with an electric utility's transmission and distribution facilities; and be used primarily to provide energy to metered accounts of the municipality. The aggregated municipal net metered accounts may be served by multiple meters. The aggregated load shall be served under the appropriate rate schedules. The measure also requires the State Corporation Commission, by July 1, 2015, to establish a program of multifamily net energy metering, which will allow a customer or customers that operate a renewable energy generating facility in a condominium, apartment complex, neighborhood, or homeowners association served by a common distribution circuit to be an eligible multifamily net metering customer-generator. The generation facility for multifamily net metering shall use as its total source of fuel renewable energy; not have an aggregate generation capacity of more than 500 kilowatts; be located on land owned or controlled by the eligible condominium, apartment complex, or homeowners association or on customers' property within the condominium, apartment complex, neighborhood, or homeowners association; be interconnected and operated in parallel with an electric utility's transmission and distribution facilities; and be used primarily to provide energy to metered accounts of the eligible multifamily net metering customer-generator. Eligible multifamily net metering customer-generators are exempt from the monthly standby charge assessed on other eligible customer-generators.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

01/15/14 House: Assigned C & L sub: Special Subcommittee on Energy

01/30/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 883 Fair Housing Law; unlawful discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Patrons: Yost, Carr and Kory

Summary as introduced:

Fair Housing Law; unlawful discrimination; sexual orientation. Adds discrimination based on sexual orientation as an unlawful discriminatory housing practice.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

01/22/14 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #4

01/23/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 890 Social worker; family-services specialists & qualified equivalent workers allowed to perform tasks.

Patrons: Peace and Toscano

Summary as passed House:

Social worker. Allows family-services specialists and qualified equivalent workers to perform tasks currently limited to social workers. The bill expands the authority of the Adult Protective Services Unit to establish minimum standards of training and educational opportunities for all workers in the field of adult protective services, which minimum standards currently apply to social workers. The bill changes the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) employment requirement for a baccalaureate degree from "social work" positions to "family-services-specialist" positions. The bill adds family-services specialists to the list of individuals

required to report suspicions of child abuse or neglect and allows DMAS-designated assessors to serve in place of social workers on community-based screening teams.

01/31/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (96-Y 0-N)

02/03/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rehabilitation and Social Services

Notes: City position: support

HB 908 Contract passenger carriers; eliminates certain requirements.

Patron: Villanueva

Summary as introduced:

Contract passenger carriers. Eliminates the requirements that (i) contract passenger carrier service be provided for a minimum of one hour per vehicle trip and (ii) each vehicle carry a trip sheet showing passenger destinations.

01/23/14 House: Continued to 2015 in Transportation (18-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 920 Highway systems; funding.

Patron: Sickles

Summary as introduced:

Funding among highway systems. Advances from July 1, 2020, to July 1, 2014, the expiration date of the annual allocation that can be made by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

01/23/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/31/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Transportation

02/03/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: support

HB 939 Same-sex marriages; civil unions.

Patrons: Surovell, Krupicka and Plum

Summary as introduced:

Same-sex marriages; civil unions. Repeals the statutory prohibitions on same-sex marriages and civil unions or other arrangements between persons of the same sex purporting to bestow the privileges and obligations of marriage.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/10/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Civil

01/20/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position; support

HB 957 Transportation commission membership; Commonwealth Transportation Board's voting rights.

Patron: Filler-Corn

Summary as introduced:

Transportation commission membership. Delays the effective date of House Bill 2152 (2013), to July 1, 2015. That bill gives the Chairman of the Commonwealth Transportation Board equal voting weight on the Virginia Railway Express oversight board. It also provides that the Chairman of the Commonwealth Transportation Board shall be included for purposes of constituting a quorum on certain transportation commissions and shall have voting rights equal to the appointees of component governments.

02/07/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (97-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

HB 962 Concealed handgun; carrying in a secured container or compartment in vehicle.

Patrons: Cline and Fariss

Summary as introduced:

Carrying concealed handgun; secured container or compartment in vehicle. Provides that for purposes of the exception to the prohibition against carrying a concealed weapon in a secured container or compartment in a personal, private motor vehicle or vessel, the term "compartment" includes a console, glove compartment, or any other area within or on the vehicle or vessel that possesses the ability to be closed. The bill also provides that the term "secured" does not require that a container or compartment be locked, but merely closed.

01/22/14 House: Read third time and passed House (70-Y 27-N)

01/23/14 Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 972 Protective orders; companion animals.

Patrons: Cline, Minchew, Comstock, Lopez, McClellan and Rust

Summary as introduced:

Protective orders; companion animals. Provides that a court may include in a protective order provisions granting to the petitioner the care, custody, and control of an animal jointly owned, possessed, or cared for by (i) the petitioner and the respondent or (ii) a child residing in the petitioner's household and the respondent.

02/03/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

02/05/14 House: Reported from Appropriations (21-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

HB 973 Traffic light signal photo-monitoring; system for traffic light enforcement.

Patrons: Cline, LaRock and Morrissey

Summary as introduced:

Use of photo-monitoring systems for traffic lights; repeal. Repeals the authority for localities to operate a photo-monitoring system for traffic light enforcement.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

02/04/14 House: Failed to report (defeated) in Transportation (8-Y 13-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 979 Businesses, certain; local limitations on number.

Patrons: Surovell and Kory

Summary as introduced:

Local limitations on number of certain businesses. Allows a locality to reasonably limit the number of car title loan businesses, payday lenders, check cashers, and precious metals dealers that may be operated at any one time within its territorial limits.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

Notes: City position: support

HB 992 Firearms; prohibited in libraries owned or operated by localities.

Patrons: BaCote and Simon

Summary as introduced:

Control of firearms; libraries owned or operated by localities. Allows a locality to prohibit firearms, ammunition, or components in libraries owned or operated by the locality.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

01/14/14 House: Assigned MPPS sub: Subcommittee #1

Notes: City position: support

HB 994 Human trafficking; penalties.

Patrons: Comstock, Anderson, Fowler, Garrett, Head, McClellan, Peace, Ramadan, Rust, Simon and Yancey

Summary as introduced:

Human trafficking; penalties. Creates new felonies for trafficking in persons for forced labor or sexual servitude.

02/06/14 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB994H1

Notes: City position: support (Note: substitute actually makes no change in the law)

HB 1000 Real property tax; exemption for certain elderly and disabled.

Patrons: Minchew, Dance, Filler-Corn, Herring, Torian, Watts and Webert

Summary as introduced:

Real property tax exemption; elderly and disabled. Provides that the real property tax exemption for the sole dwelling of the elderly and disabled includes dwellings held by certain trusts. The bill also provides that if a locality establishes income restrictions for the exemption, then the locality shall exclude (i) the income of relatives living in the dwelling providing caregiving services whether or not they are compensated and (ii) the income of non-relative caregivers living in the home whether or not they are compensated.

02/03/14 House: Reported from Finance (20-Y 0-N)

02/06/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (98-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1010 Emergency medical services providers; certification.

Patron: Byron

Summary as introduced:

Emergency medical services providers; certification. Provides that regulations of the Board of Health governing qualifications for certification of emergency medical services providers shall require no more than 40 hours of classroom instruction for certification of an emergency medical services provider as an emergency medical responder or emergency medical services first responder and no more than 80 hours of classroom instruction for certification of an emergency medical services provider as an emergency medical technician.

02/04/14 House: Continued to 2015 in Health, Welfare and Institutions

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1017 Workers' compensation; cost and payment for medical services.

Patrons: Kilgore and Campbell

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; payment for medical services. Limits the liability of an employer for medical treatment provided to an injured person that is rendered by a nurse practitioner or physician assistant serving as an assistant-at-surgery to no more than 20 percent of the charge of the physician performing the surgery. The measure requires multiple procedures associated with medical, surgical, and hospital services rendered on or after July 1, 2014, to be coded and billed with appropriate CPT modifiers and paid according to the National Correct Coding Initiative rules. The measure also (i) establishes prompt payment requirements with respect to health care services provided under the Workers' Compensation Act; (ii) prohibits an employer or insurer from seeking recovery of a payment made to a health care provider for health care services rendered after July 1, 2014, absent fraud, unless recovery is sought less than one year from the date payment was made; and (iii) prohibits a health care provider from submitting a claim to the Workers' Compensation Commission contesting the sufficiency of payment for health care services rendered to a claimant on or after July 1, 2014, unless such claim is filed within one year from the date of service for which payment is sought, the date the employer or insurer notifies the provider that payment is denied, or the last date payment was made, whichever occurs last.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

01/15/14 House: Assigned C & L sub: Special Workers Comp

02/04/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1026 Check cashers; recordkeeping requirements, civil penalty.

Patrons: Ingram and Dance

Summary as introduced:

Check cashers; recordkeeping requirements; civil penalty. Requires each registered check casher to make copies of each item cashed and the customer's identification document prior to cashing the item. Records for each transaction are required to be retained for one year and made available to law-enforcement officials.

02/05/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (95-Y 0-N)

02/06/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

Notes: City position: support

HB 1048 Highway systems; funding.

Patron: Rust (by request)

Summary as passed House:

Funding among highway systems. Includes primary state highway system extensions, the part of the primary highway that runs through a city or town, in the list of highways that receive the 25 percent for reconstruction of deteriorated highways of the amount allocated each year by the Commonwealth Transportation Board. The bill also reduces the number of vehicles per day on unpaved roads from 200 to 50 for the unpaved roads that may be considered for five percent of the annual allocation.

01/31/14 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (96-Y 0-N)

02/03/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

Notes: City position: support

HB 1058 Workers' compensation; payments for medical services, liability of employer.

Patron: Kilgore

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; payments for medical services. Requires that, for health care services rendered to a workers' compensation claimant on or after July 1, 2014, (i) the charge master used by a health care provider shall be the same charge master used by a health care provider when providing health care services to patients other than claimants; (ii) the pecuniary liability of the employer for treatment rendered by an assistant-at-surgery will be limited to those services as coded and billed consistent with the then current Physician Fee Schedule Relative Value file; and (iii) multiple procedures shall be coded and billed as agreed upon by a work group composed of subject matter experts. The measure also establishes (a) a procedure for advanced authorization for medical treatment and testing of an injured employee when requested by the provider; (b) prompt payment requirements; and (c) a two-year limitations period on a health care provider's submission of claims contesting the sufficiency of payment for services rendered on or after July 1, 2014.

01/08/14 House: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

01/15/14 House: Assigned C & L sub: Special Workers Comp

02/04/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1067 Animal shelters; definitions.

Patron: Orrock

Summary as passed House:

Animal shelters; definitions. Substitutes the terms "private animal shelter" for "animal shelter" and "public animal shelter" for "pound."

01/28/14 House: Read third time and passed House (98-Y 0-N)

01/29/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1100 CTB Six-Year Improvement Program; requirements.

Patrons: Yancey and LaRock

Summary as introduced:

CTB Six-Year Improvement Program. Requires that the CTB's Six-Year Improvement Program give priority to either projects that are expected to provide the greatest congestion reduction relative to the cost of the project or projects that promote economic development and promote commerce and trade within the highway construction district where they are located.

01/10/14 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1113 Adoption; person other than spouse of a parent may adopt child.

Patrons: Yost, Carr, Helsel, Kory, McClellan, Rasoul, Rust and Surovell

Summary as introduced:

Adoption by person other than spouse of a parent. Allows a person other than the spouse of a parent to adopt a child if the child has only one parent, the adoption would not terminate the parental rights of the parent, and the parent joins in the petition to indicate his consent.

01/13/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
01/16/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Civil Law
01/29/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table
Notes: City position: support

HB 1118 Firearms; criminal background check concealed permits.

Patrons: Wilt, Lingamfelter and Fariss

Summary as introduced:

Criminal background check for transfer of firearms; exemption for holders of concealed handgun permits. Provides that a licensed firearms dealer does not have to have a criminal background check performed to determine a person's eligibility to purchase a firearm if the purchaser possesses a valid concealed handgun permit and presents a photo-ID issued by an agency of the Commonwealth or the Department of Defense.

01/13/14 House: Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

01/14/14 House: Assigned MPPS sub: Subcommittee #1

02/06/14 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2015

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1125 Temporary detention; time during which a person may be held, 72 hours' notice to leave facility.

Patron: Ingram

Summary as introduced:

Temporary detention; time during which a person may be held. Provides that a person held pursuant to a temporary detention order shall be held for at least 24 hours but no more than 72 hours. Currently, a person may be held for up to 48 hours.

01/13/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/16/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Mental Health

Notes: City position: support

HB 1153 Real property tax; assessments, appeal to court.

Patron: Pogge

Summary as introduced:

Real property tax assessments; appeal to court. Permits courts to grant reasonable attorney fees to taxpayers who prevail in appeals of real property tax assessments on residential property.

01/14/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/17/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Civil Law

02/03/14 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2015

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1159 Political contributions; prohibitions during procurement process.

Patron: Rasoul

Summary as introduced:

Political contributions; prohibitions during procurement process. Includes the mayor or chief executive officer of a locality, school superintendent, and any member of a local governing body, planning commission, or school board in the current prohibition against knowingly soliciting or accepting a contribution, gift, or other item with a value greater than \$50 from any

bidder, offeror, or private entity who has submitted a bid or proposal pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act, the Public-Private Transportation Act, or the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act during the bidding period. The restrictions only apply if the stated or expected value of the contract is \$5 million or more and do not apply to contracts awarded as the result of competitive sealed bidding. Furthermore, no bidder, offeror, or private entity who has submitted a bid or proposal under such acts shall offer or promise to make such a gift to the mayor or chief executive officer of a locality, school superintendent, or any member of a local governing body, planning commission, or school board.

02/03/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

02/04/14 House: Continued to 2015 in General Laws

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1219 Unconstitutional acts and ultra vires enforcement by localities; remedies.

Patrons: Marshall, R.G. and LaRock

Summary as introduced:

Unconstitutional acts and ultra vires enforcement by localities. Provides that any zoning ordinance of a locality that violates or unreasonably restricts the free exercise of rights guaranteed under the United States Constitution or the Constitution of Virginia shall be null and void and shall constitute a violation. Any enforcement by a locality of such ordinance shall be deemed a violation. In any litigation in which the constitutionality of a zoning ordinance or its enforcement is at issue, the ordinance shall not be given a presumption of constitutionality or presumption of validity. In any litigation involving a challenge under this statute, the burden of establishing compliance with the statute shall be on the locality. Any locality that violates the statute shall be liable to aggrieved persons in amounts equal to the fines and penalties that the locality seeks to impose on such aggrieved persons, plus actual damages including reasonable attorney fees. Any locality that willfully violates this statute, or whose interpretation or enforcement of ordinances willfully operates in violation of this statute, shall be liable to the aggrieved person for treble damages, plus reasonable attorney fees. Any official or employee of a locality that willfully violates this statute, or whose interpretation or enforcement of duties willfully operates in violation of the statute, may be personally liable to aggrieved persons in the amount equal to the fines and penalties that such official or employee seeks or sought to impose on such aggrieved persons plus actual damages and attorney fees. The Attorney General of Virginia shall establish a procedure whereby persons, including officials and employees of localities, may report violations. No locality may take disciplinary action against any official or employee for reporting such violations.

01/17/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

02/04/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Constitutional Law

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1226 Stalking; penalty.

Patron: Rasoul

Summary as introduced:

Stalking; penalty.

01/17/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
02/05/14 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law
02/05/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table
Notes: City position: support

HB 1254 Northern Virginia Transportation Authority; use of revenues.

Patron: Marshall, R.G.

Summary as introduced:

NVTA. Places limitations and conditions on funding by the Authority of mass transit and highway projects to ensure comparative analysis of project costs and benefits.

01/17/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/23/14 House: Assigned App. sub: Transportation

02/03/14 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

Notes: City position: oppose

HB 1269 Government Data Collection & Dissemination Practices Act; collection & use of personal information.

Patron: Anderson

Summary as introduced:

Passive collection and use of personal information by law enforcement agencies. Limits the ability of law-enforcement and regulatory agencies to use technology to collect and maintain personal information on individuals and organizations where a warrant has not been issued and there is no reasonable suspicion of criminal activity by the individual or organization.

01/17/14 House: Referred to Committee on Militia, Police and Public Safety

01/29/14 House: Assigned MPPS sub: Subcommittee #2

02/06/14 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2015

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 4 Sexual and Domestic Violence Subfund; funding of sexual and domestic violence prevention, etc.

Patrons: Howell and Vogel; Delegate: Simon

Summary as introduced:

Funding of sexual and domestic violence prevention, intervention, and prosecution. Creates a new subfund in the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund to be known as the Sexual and Domestic Violence Subfund. The Subfund consists of all funds, from whatever source, in the Commonwealth related to sexual and domestic violence prevention, intervention, and prosecution.

12/02/13 Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/27/14 Senate: Continued to 2015 in Courts of Justice (15-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 6 DNA; adds certain crimes to list for which a sample must be taken upon arrest.

Patron: Stuart

Summary as passed Senate:

DNA sample upon arrest. Adds indecent exposure and obscene sexual display to the list of crimes for which a DNA sample must be taken upon conviction or arrest for commission or

attempted commission and adds sexual battery, peeping or spying into a dwelling, and penetration of mouth of a child with lascivious intent to the list of crimes for which a sample must be taken upon arrest.

01/21/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (38-Y 0-N)

01/23/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: support

SB 53 Stormwater management; waiver of charges for places of worship.

Patrons: Stuart and Smith

Summary as introduced:

Regulation of stormwater; waiver of charges for places of worship. Requires a locality that adopts a system of stormwater management service charges to provide for a waiver of at least 50 percent of such charge to any church, synagogue, or other place of worship.

01/30/14 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 63 Uniform Statewide Building Code; accessible units.

Patron: Puller

Summary as introduced:

Uniform Statewide Building Code; accessible units. Requires the Board of Housing and Community Development to revise the Uniform Statewide Building Code to require that at least 10 percent of all dwelling units, but in no case less than one dwelling unit, in any newly constructed multifamily residential building shall be affordable, accessible.

01/20/14 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in General Laws and Technology with letter (12-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 71 Emergency protective orders; arrests for certain offenses.

Patron: Stuart

Summary as passed Senate:

Emergency protective orders; arrests for certain offenses. Includes special conservators of the peace in the definition of a law-enforcement officer for the purposes of obtaining an emergency protective order and for making arrests for assault and battery against a household member, stalking, and violation of a protective order.

01/21/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (38-Y 0-N)

01/24/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 95 Precious metals dealers; chief law-enforcement officer may waive permit fee for retail merchants.

Patron: Black

Summary as introduced:

Precious metals dealers; retail merchants; exemption. Authorizes the chief law enforcement officer of a locality to waive the fee for obtaining a precious metals dealer permit for a retail merchant if (i) the retail merchant has a permanent place of business and (ii) the purchases of precious metals or gems do not exceed five percent of the retail merchant's annual businesses.

01/31/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

Notes: City position: oppose (Note: amendments address the City's concerns)

SB 109 Health insurance; credit for certain retired employees.

Patron: Stanley

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Retirement System; health insurance credit. Increases the monthly health insurance credit for retired local government employees, local officers, general registrars, employees of a general registrar, and employees of local social services boards from \$1.50 per year of creditable service with a cap of \$45, to \$4 per year of creditable service, with no cap.

01/29/14 Senate: Continued to 2015 in Finance (17-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 117 Methadone clinics; location near schools and day care centers, exemptions for existing facilities.

Patron: Watkins

Summary as passed Senate:

Location of methadone clinics near schools and day care centers. Provides that licensed providers of methadone treatment that are exempt from restrictions regarding proximity to a school or day care center do not retain the exemption when relocating an existing facility or establishing a new facility. The bill provides an exception to location requirements for certain facilities operated by a community services board and located in a city in Planning District 23.

01/21/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (38-Y 0-N)

01/24/14 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 134 Independent living services; individuals between 18 and 21 years of age.

Patron: Favola

Summary as introduced:

Independent living services; individuals between 18 and 21 years of age. Requires local departments of social services and child-placing agencies to provide independent living services to any person between 18 and 21 years of age who is transitioning from a commitment to the Department of Juvenile Justice to self-sufficiency when such individual was in the custody of the local department of social services immediately prior to his commitment, provides written notice of his intent to receive independent living services, and enters into a written agreement for independent living services with the local board of social services or child-placing agency within 60 days of his release.

01/22/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (38-Y 0-N)

01/24/14 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Notes: City position: support

SB 151 Family abuse protective orders; allowable conditions.

Patron: Stuart

Summary as passed Senate:

Family abuse protective orders; allowable conditions. Modifies the provision specifying that the court may grant the petitioner temporary exclusive possession or use of a motor vehicle owned by the petitioner or jointly owned by the parties to provide that the court may direct a respondent to maintain insurance, registration, and taxes on a motor vehicle and enjoin the respondent from terminating such insurance, registration, and taxes. The bill also specifies that the court may require the respondent to pay certain housing costs for the petitioner and may award temporary spousal support.

01/22/14 Senate: Passed Senate (37-Y 0-N)

01/24/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: support

SB 188 State and local employees; deferred compensation plans.

Patron: McDougale

Summary as introduced:

Deferred compensation plans for state and local employees. Authorizes the inclusion of a Roth contribution program in deferred compensation retirement plans for state and local government employees beginning July 1, 2015.

02/04/14 Senate: Reported from Finance (17-Y 0-N)

02/06/14 Senate: Read second time and engrossed

Notes: City position: support

SB 193 Emergency custody; extends time that person may be held.

Patron: Black

Summary as introduced:

Emergency custody; time limit. Extends the time that a person may be held pursuant to an emergency custody order to 24 hours. Currently, a person may be held pursuant to an emergency custody order for up to four hours, with an additional two-hour extension available upon a finding by a magistrate that good cause exists for an extension.

01/30/14 Senate: Incorporated by Education and Health (SB260-Deeds) (14-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 194 Eminent domain; date of valuation, inverse condemnation proceeding.

Patrons: Black and Garrett

Summary as introduced:

Eminent domain; date of valuation; inverse condemnation proceeding. Provides that the "date of valuation" of property in an eminent domain proceeding may be the date on which an action is taken by the petitioner which substantially affects the use and enjoyment of the property by the owner. The bill also adds the language "or damage" to the provision of the Code directing the court to reimburse a plaintiff for the costs of an inverse condemnation proceeding if a judgment is entered for the plaintiff to correspond with the language of the amendment to Article 1, Section 11 of the Constitution of Virginia, which became effective on January 1, 2013.

01/02/14 Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
02/05/14 Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (14-Y 0-N)
Notes: City position: oppose

SB 195 Child care; services for TANF and low-income families.

Patron: Stanley

Summary as introduced:

Child care services for TANF and low-income families. Directs the Department of Social Services to provide financial assistance to offset the cost of child care for individuals receiving TANF and other individuals whose incomes are less than 185% of the federal poverty level and who are employed or participating in job placement, job training, or education in accordance with the requirements of the Virginia Initiative for Employment Not Welfare program.

01/24/14 Senate: Stricken at request of Patron in Rehabilitation and Social Services (12-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 199 Service districts; different classifications of property may be taxed differently.

Patron: Alexander

Summary as introduced:

Service districts. Provides that different classifications of property within a service district may be taxed at different rates based on the benefit received within that particular classification.

01/14/14 Senate: Stricken at request of Patron in Local Government (10-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 200 Temporary detention order; facility of detention.

Patron: Howell

Summary as introduced:

Temporary detention order; facility of detention. Provides that in cases in which a facility for temporary detention has not been identified prior to the running of the time for emergency custody, the magistrate shall issue the temporary detention order if the person meets the criteria for temporary detention and the community services board certifies that it will continue to make good faith efforts to identify the facility of temporary detention until such time as a facility is identified or the temporary detention order expires for lack of execution.

01/30/14 Senate: Incorporated by Education and Health (SB260-Deeds) (14-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 254 Law-enforcement officers; exceptions to territorial limits.

Patron: McDougale

Summary as introduced:

Law-enforcement officers; exceptions to territorial limits; sex offenses. Provides that whenever the necessity arises for the enforcement of laws related to child pornography, grooming videos, or use of a communications system to facilitate certain sexual offenses against children, police officers and other officers, agents, and employees of a locality; Capitol Police officers; and campus police may be sent beyond their territorial limits.

01/20/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (38-Y 0-N)

01/23/14 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Notes: City position: support

SB 260 Emergency custody; extends time that person may be held pursuant to custody order to 24 hours.

Patrons: Deeds, Barker, Black, Favola and Howell; *Delegates:* Plum and Torian

Summary as introduced:

Emergency custody; time limit. Extends the time that a person may be held pursuant to an emergency custody order to 24 hours. Currently, a person may be held for up to four hours, with an additional two-hour extension available upon a finding by a magistrate that good cause exists.

02/06/14 Senate: Passed by for the day

Notes: City position: support

SB 331 Cases involving alleged sexual abuse of a child; qualifications of investigator.

Patron: Howell

Summary as introduced:

Investigation of cases involving alleged sexual abuse of a child; qualifications of investigator. Prohibits any individual who has not previously participated in investigations of alleged abuse or neglect of a child from participating in investigations of cases of alleged sexual abuse of a child unless he has completed a training program for investigation of cases involving alleged sexual abuse of a child or is directly supervised by a person who has completed such training. The bill also prohibits individuals who have not completed training for investigation of cases involving alleged sexual abuse of a child from making dispositional findings in such cases.

01/30/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Notes: City position: support

SB 332 Suspected abuse or neglect of a child; reports to law enforcement.

Patron: Howell

Summary as introduced:

Suspected abuse or neglect of a child; reports to law enforcement. Requires the local department of social services to complete a written report on a form provided by the Board of Social Services for such purpose for each case in which a local law-enforcement agency is notified of a case of suspected child abuse or neglect.

01/30/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 339 Secondhand fixtures and scrap metal; payment for materials to be in form of check.

Patron: Lucas

Summary as introduced:

Secondhand fixtures and scrap metal; payment. Requires persons acquiring secondhand building fixtures, scrap, metal articles, and proprietary articles to make payments for the materials in the form of a check.

01/20/14 Senate: Continued to 2015 in Commerce and Labor (15-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 343 Statewide Fire Prevention Code; use of consumer and restricted consumer fireworks, etc.

Patron: Garrett

Summary as introduced:

Statewide Fire Prevention Code; State Fire Marshal; consumer grade fireworks. Authorizes the use of consumer-grade fireworks in the Commonwealth. The bill defines "consumer fireworks" as small fireworks devices containing restricted amounts of pyrotechnic composition designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion and complying with certain federal regulations regarding composition and labeling. The bill also defines "display fireworks" and "restricted consumer fireworks."

01/24/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (35-Y 2-N)

01/31/14 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

Notes: City position: support

SB 350 Net energy metering by municipalities & multifamily customer-generators; projects authorized.

Patrons: Edwards and Ebbin; *Delegate:* Rasoul

Summary as introduced:

Net energy metering by municipalities and multifamily customer-generators. Authorizes municipal renewable energy net metering projects. Participating municipalities are authorized to aggregate the electric energy load of their governmental buildings, facilities, and any other governmental operations requiring the consumption of electric energy for the purpose of net energy metering from a renewable energy generating facility. To be eligible, the generation facility for the municipal renewable energy net metering project shall use as its sole energy source solar power, wind power, or aerobic or anaerobic digester gas and landfill gas; not have an aggregate generation capacity of more than five megawatts unless a utility elects a higher capacity; be located on land owned or controlled by the municipality; be interconnected and operated in parallel with an electric utility's transmission and distribution facilities; and be used primarily to provide energy to metered accounts of the municipality. The aggregated municipal net metered accounts may be served by multiple meters. The aggregated load shall be served under the appropriate rate schedules. The measure also requires the State Corporation Commission, by July 1, 2015, to establish a program of multifamily net energy metering, which will allow a customer or customers that operate a renewable energy generating facility in a condominium, apartment complex, neighborhood, or homeowners association served by a common distribution circuit to be an eligible multifamily net metering customer-generator. The generation facility for multifamily net metering shall use as its total source of fuel renewable energy; not have an aggregate generation capacity of more than 500 kilowatts; be located on land owned or controlled by the eligible condominium, apartment complex, or homeowners association or on customers' property within the condominium, apartment complex, neighborhood, or homeowners association; be interconnected and operated in parallel with an electric utility's transmission and distribution facilities; and be used primarily to provide energy to metered accounts of the eligible multifamily net metering customer-generator. Eligible multifamily net metering customer-generators are exempt from the monthly standby charge assessed on other eligible customer-generators.

02/03/14 Senate: Continued to 2015 in Commerce and Labor (13-Y 3-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 370 Emergency custody & temporary detention; extends time person may be held pursuant to custody order.

Patron: Favola

Summary as introduced:

Emergency custody and temporary detention. Extends the time that a person may be held pursuant to an emergency custody order to 12 hours. Currently, a person may be held for up to four hours, with an additional two-hour extension available upon a finding by a magistrate that good cause exists for an extension.

01/30/14 Senate: Incorporated by Education and Health (SB260-Deeds) (14-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 374 Neighborhood revitalization; locality may adopt program to establish, etc.

Patron: Marsh

Summary as introduced:

Neighborhood revitalization.

Allows a locality to adopt a program to establish and impose an annual blighted property assessment fee on real properties that have remained vacant for one year or longer if the property has been permitted by the owner to deteriorate to the extent that it has become detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare of the locality or surrounding area and has contributed to the reduction of surrounding property values.

02/04/14 Senate: Continued to 2015 in Local Government (15-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 420 Virginia Retirement System; impact statements.

Patron: Hanger

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Retirement System; impact statements. Requires VRS impact statements to detail the financial impact of a proposed bill on members and beneficiaries.

01/17/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (38-Y 0-N)

01/23/14 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

Notes: City position: support

SB 424 Temporary detention; time during which a person may be held, 72 hours notice to leave facility.

Patron: Hanger

Summary as introduced:

Temporary detention; time during which a person may be held. Provides that a person held under a temporary detention order shall be held for at least 24 hours but no more than 72 hours. Currently, a person may be held pursuant to a temporary detention order for up to 48 hours.

01/27/14 Senate: Incorporated by Courts of Justice (SB115-Barker) (15-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 426 State Executive Council for Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families; regulations.

Patrons: Hanger and Edwards

Summary as introduced:

State Executive Council for Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families; regulations. Provides that the State Executive Council for Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families may promulgate regulations necessary to carry out its powers and duties.

02/05/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/07/14 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Notes: City position: support

SB 428 Personal property tax; localities authorized to tax telephone and telegraph companies.

Patrons: Hanger and Vogel

Summary as introduced:

Personal property tax; telephone and telegraph companies. Authorizes localities to tax the personal property of telephone and telegraph companies not used in furnishing telegraph, telephone, broadband personal, or mobile commercial communication services, at the applicable personal property rate. Under current law, all personal property of telegraph and telephone companies must be taxed at the locality's real property tax rate. The bill also requires telephone and telegraph companies to include in their annual report to the State Corporation Commission separate listings of property according to whether or not it is used in furnishing telegraph, telephone, broadband personal, or mobile commercial communication services.

01/28/14 Senate: Continued to 2015 in Finance (14-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 453 Human trafficking; penalties.

Patron: Obenshain

Summary as introduced:

Human trafficking; penalties. Creates new felonies for trafficking in persons for forced labor or sexual servitude. The bill adds definitions of coercion, commercial sexual activity, debt bondage, and serious harm.

01/27/14 Senate: Incorporated by Courts of Justice (SB373-Edwards) (15-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 472 Legal notices; advertisement by localities.

Patron: Smith

Summary as introduced:

Advertisement of legal notices by localities. Allows localities to meet certain notice requirements by utilizing their websites, radio, or television rather than being limited to a newspaper of general circulation.

02/04/14 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Local Government (12-Y 3-N)

Notes: City position: support

SB 480 Real property tax; notice of assessment.

Patron: Norment

Summary as introduced:

Real property tax; notice of assessment. Requires every notice of assessment to set forth (i) the new and prior two appraised values of land and appraised value of improvements, and the assessed values of such if different from the appraised values; (ii) the new tax rate and the rates for the prior two tax years; (iii) the total new tax levy and the tax levies for the prior two years; and (iv) the percentage changes in such levies. Under current law, such information is required for the current year and the prior year.

01/24/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (37-Y 0-N)

01/31/14 House: Referred to Committee on Finance

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 483 Real property tax liens; assignment to third party.

Patron: Stuart

Summary as introduced:

Real property tax liens. Provides that if a taxpayer agrees, a third party who pays the delinquent taxes due on the taxpayer's real property may be assigned the tax lien on the property.

01/08/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Finance

01/28/14 Senate: Continued to 2015 in Finance (11-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 493 Line of Duty Act; funding and review.

Patron: Puckett

Summary as introduced:

Line of Duty Act; funding and review. Creates a Line of Duty Death and Health Benefits Fund and provides for the funding of Line of Duty claims. The bill also establishes an advisory review board to assist the Comptroller in the review of claims involving a claimant who has not received a disability determination from the Virginia Retirement System, Social Security Administration, Workers' Compensation Commission, or any recognized retirement system or who is, as of the time the claim for benefits had been filed, working in an alternative position.

01/21/14 Senate: Incorporated by Finance into SB289, which was carried over

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 495 Conservators of the peace, special; various changes to laws providing for appointment.

Patron: Norment

Summary as introduced:

Special conservators of the peace. Makes various changes to the laws providing for the appointment of special conservators of the peace, including (i) requiring the Criminal Justice Services Board to establish graduated training standards for special conservators; (ii) removing the limits on the number of hours the Board is able to require for training;; (iii) requiring all applicants to register with DCJS, regardless of a person's standing as a law-enforcement officer; (iv) requiring the employer of a special conservator to notify DCJS and the circuit court within 30 days after a person employed as a special conservator has left his position; and (v) requiring the order of appointment to specify the geographic location in which the special conservator will

serve; (viii) as of October 1, 2014, disallowing special conservators from using the seal of the Commonwealth or the word "police" on any uniform, badge, credential, or vehicle.

02/05/14 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendment SB495ES1

02/06/14 Senate: Passed by for the day

Notes: City position: support

SB 510 Firearms; possession following conviction of certain crimes.

Patrons: Favola and Wexton; *Delegates:* Simon and Surovell

Summary as introduced:

Possession of firearms following conviction of certain crimes; penalty. Prohibits any person who is convicted of stalking, sexual battery, or assault and battery of a family member involving the use of force from possessing, transporting, or carrying a firearm or any other weapon for a period of five years following his conviction. A violation would constitute a Class 6 felony. The bill also provides for the forfeiture of any weapon possessed, transported, or carried in violation of the prohibition. Finally, the bill provides for a process by which a violator may petition the circuit court for a reinstatement of his rights to possess, transport, or carry a weapon.

02/06/14 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB510S1

Notes: City position: support

SB 518 Highway systems; funding.

Patron: Wagner

Summary as introduced:

Funding among highway systems. Includes primary state highway system extensions, the part of the primary highway that runs through a city or town, in the list of highways that receive the 25 percent for reconstruction of deteriorated highways of the amount allocated each year by the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

01/21/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (36-Y 1-N)

01/24/14 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

Notes: City position: support

SB 523 Local fiscal impact bills; first day introduction.

Patrons: Ruff and Hanger

Summary as introduced:

Local fiscal impact bills; first day introduction. Requires local fiscal impact bills to be introduced no later than the first day of the session.

01/08/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules

Notes: City position: support

SB 528 Warrants; issuance by magistrate for arrest of certain persons.

Patron: Stuart

Summary as introduced:

Issuance of warrants by magistrates. Requires a magistrate to receive the results of a law-enforcement investigation prior to issuing a misdemeanor arrest warrant where the accused is an elected official, judge, magistrate, law-enforcement officer, public school teacher, firefighter, or court employee and the alleged offense is directly related to his employment or service and the complainant is not a law-enforcement officer or animal control officer.

01/29/14 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Courts of Justice (10-Y 4-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 533 Statewide Fire Prevention Code; redefines permissible fireworks.

Patron: Stuart

Summary as introduced:

Statewide Fire Prevention Code; permissible fireworks. Redefines what constitutes permissible fireworks in Virginia.

01/27/14 Senate: Stricken at request of Patron in General Laws and Technology (9-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 566 Virginia Retirement System; increase of retirement allowance.

Patrons: Colgan, Barker, Favola and Puller; *Delegates:* Hope, Kory, Plum, Rasoul and Simon

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Retirement System benefits. Provides for an increase, beginning July 1, 2014, of the monthly retirement allowance payable to any person who retired with at least 15 years of creditable service before January 1, 1990, under the Virginia Retirement System or the State Police Officers' Retirement System (or predecessor retirement systems).

01/29/14 Senate: Continued to 2015 in Finance (17-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 574 Local fiscal impact bills; first day introduction.

Patron: Garrett

Summary as introduced:

Local fiscal impact bills; first day introduction. Requires local fiscal impact bills to be introduced no later than the first day of the session.

01/10/14 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules

Notes: City position: support

SB 578 Permits and approvals, certain; unconstitutional grant or denial by localities, damages, etc.

Patrons: Obenshain and Garrett

Summary as passed Senate:

Damages, attorney fees, and costs for unconstitutional grant or denial by locality of certain permits and approvals. Provides that an applicant aggrieved by the grant or denial by a locality of any approval or permit, where such grant included, or denial was based upon an unconstitutional condition, shall be entitled to an award of compensatory damages, and may be awarded reasonable attorney fees and costs. The bill also provides that the applicant shall be entitled to an order remanding the matter to the locality with a direction to grant or issue such permits or approvals without the unconstitutional condition. The provisions of this bill shall only apply to approvals or permits that are granted or denied on or after July 1, 2014.

01/31/14 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/07/14 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 608 Concealed handgun permits, lifetime; Department of State Police to issue, penalty.

Patrons: Carrico and Garrett

Summary as introduced:

Lifetime concealed handgun permits; Department of State Police to issue; penalty. Provides for the issuance of concealed handgun permits that do not expire to Virginia residents upon payment of a one-time fee of \$100, except that the fee for a person currently holding an unexpired permit is \$50. Currently, the fee for issuing such permits is \$50, and the permits must be renewed every five years with an additional \$50 fee charged each time. Such lifetime permits will include a photograph of the permittee.

The bill also centralizes the issuance of concealed handgun permits with the Department of State Police, instead of current law which provides that the circuit court clerk for the jurisdiction where the applicant resides issues such permits.

02/06/14 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB608S1

Notes: City position: oppose

SB 659 Protective orders, preliminary; changes standard for issuing.

Patron: Black

Summary as introduced:

Preliminary protective orders. Changes the standard for issuing a preliminary protective order by requiring that the petitioner be subjected to act in furtherance of the violence, force, or threat.

02/03/14 Senate: Stricken at the request of Patron in Courts of Justice (13-Y 0-N)

Notes: City position: oppose