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Bills to Discuss

Summary	Last Action	Position	Priority Alignment
General Government			
HB 850 Paul E. Krizek Virginia Public Procurement Act; additional public works contract requirements. Provides that public bodies shall require the contractor and its subcontractors for any capital outlay project, as defined in the bill, to complete certain safety training programs, maintain records of compliance with applicable laws, and participate in approved apprenticeship training programs. The bill provides exemptions ...	Assigned HAPP sub		Recommend: Oppose unless amended. Amend provisions to be non-mandatory.
HB 1046 Betsy B. Carr Virginia Public Procurement Act; additional public works contract requirements. Provides that public bodies shall require the contractor and its subcontractors for any capital outlay project, as defined in the bill, to complete certain safety training programs, maintain records of compliance with applicable laws, and participate in approved apprenticeship training programs. The bill provides exemptions ...	Assigned HAPP sub		Recommend: Oppose unless amended. Amend provisions to be non-mandatory.
SB 324 Jeremy S. McPike Virginia Public Procurement Act; additional public works contract requirements. Provides that public bodies shall require the contractor and its subcontractors for any capital outlay project, as defined in the bill, to complete certain safety training programs, maintain records of compliance with applicable laws, and participate in approved apprenticeship training programs. The bill provides exemptions ...	Assigned HAPP sub		Recommend: Oppose unless amended. Amend provisions to be non-mandatory.

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Housing - Accessory Units			
SB 531 Kannan Srinivasan Zoning; development and use of accessory dwelling units. Requires a locality to include in its zoning ordinances for single-family residential zoning districts accessory dwelling units, or ADUs, as defined in the bill, as a permitted accessory use. The bill requires a person to seek a permit for an ADU from the locality, requires the locality to issue such permit if the person meets certain requirements ...	Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 19-N 0-A)		
Housing - Affordability			
HB 594 Shelly A. Simonds Expedited approval for certain affordable housing developments. Allows a locality, by ordinance, to authorize a zoning administrator to use an administrative process to approve rezoning applications for affordable housing developments. The bill requires that the affordable housing development comply with the Virginia Fair Housing Law, connect to a public or community water supply or sewage system, ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government		
HB 1130 David A. Reid Workforce housing for employees of a locality or school board; lease of surplus property. Allows any local governing body or school board to lease as lessor surplus or underutilized property. The bill provides that such leases shall be conditioned on the development of workforce housing serving employees of the locality or school division with up to 120 percent of area median income. The bill also ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government		

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Housing - Manufactured Homes			
HB 655 Michelle Lopes Maldonado Zoning; manufactured housing. Amends existing provisions that require localities to permit manufactured housing in areas zoned for agriculture by expanding such requirement to all zoning districts where site-built housing is allowed. The bill provides that manufactured housing shall be subject to development standards that are equivalent to those applicable to site-built single-family dwellings but ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government		
HB 1463 Joshua E. Thomas Zoning; nonconforming uses; manufactured homes. Provides that a land owner or home owner may place a manufactured home that meets the current HUD manufactured housing code upon any open lot in a valid nonconforming mobile or manufactured home park regardless of whether a valid nonconforming manufactured home is currently located on such lot. The bill also provides that, for the purposes of determining ...	Read third time and passed House (98-Y 0-N 0-A)		
SB 346 Schuyler T. VanValkenburg Zoning; manufactured housing. Amends existing provisions that require localities to permit manufactured housing in areas zoned for agriculture by expanding such requirement to all zoning districts where site-built housing is allowed. The bill provides that manufactured housing shall be subject to development standards that are equivalent to those applicable to site-built single-family dwellings but ...	Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns		

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Housing - Parking			
HB 888 Irene Shin Minimum off-street parking requirements in certain areas. Provides that a locality shall not require, as a condition of zoning approval, minimum off-street parking for residential, multifamily, or mixed-use development located within a designated area, as defined in the bill, in amounts exceeding (i) 0.5 parking spaces per dwelling unit for multifamily or mixed-use residential development and (ii) ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government		
Housing - Zoning			
HB 1212 Briana D. Sewell Small lot residential zoning districts. Requires any locality with a population of 20,000 or more to adopt and maintain a zoning district classification that permits one-family and two-family dwellings and townhouses as a by-right use on lots with a minimum lot area not exceeding 3,000 square feet. The bill requires a locality to apply the zoning district classification to areas within its boundaries ...	Read third time and passed House (62-Y 35-N 0-A)		Recommend: Monitor

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Land Use			
SB 334 Danica A. Roem Conveyances of interests in real property; public hearing required. Requires localities disposing of any real property interest, including easements, licenses, rights-of-way, or similar interests across publicly owned land, for the purpose of allowing (i) electric transmission or distribution facilities, (ii) public utility infrastructure, (iii) data center operations or supporting utility infrastructure, ...	Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (9 -Y 6-N)		Recommend: Amend to ensure the provisions only effects large-scale projects.

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Bills with Recommended Positions

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Administration of Government			
HB 1476 Charlie Schmidt Law-enforcement civilian oversight bodies; closed meetings; disclosure of certain law-enforcement records. Provides an exemption to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act to allow closed meetings for discussion or consideration by any law-enforcement civilian oversight body established pursuant to general law of the criminal investigative files, audit findings, and deliberations regarding police operations ...	Read third time and passed House (59-Y 39-N 0-A)	***Support***	Support for practices that balance promoting open and transparent government while protecting individual privacy, due process, and sensitive information (Legislative Program p. 5).
SB 50 Aaron R. Rouse Lobbying; registration; local governments; penalty. Expands the definition of "lobbying" to include influencing or attempting to influence local government action, defined in the bill, or solicitation of others to influence a local government official, also defined in the bill. Current law limits such influencing to executive or legislative action and soliciting to executive or legislative officials. ...	Referred to Committee on General Laws	***Amend***	Amend to address concerns regarding local public hearing process and community feedback.
SB 530 Kannan Srinivasan State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act; electronic disclosure by local government officers and employees. Requires local government officers and employees to file annual disclosure statements electronically with the Virginia Conflict of Interest and Ethics Advisory Council in accordance with approved standards. Such officers and employees shall be able to file the annual disclosure statement ...	General Laws and Technology Substitute agreed to	***Amend***	Amend to place on parity with other required entities.

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Data Centers			
HB 323 Richard C. "Rip" Sullivan, Jr. Department of Energy; use of waste heat from data centers; findings and recommendations; work group; report. Directs the Department of Energy to (i) identify opportunities for using waste heat from data centers in the Commonwealth; (ii) determine ways to share information and facilitate communication between data centers and heat users; (iii) evaluate best practices and policies for using waste heat ...	Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor	***Support***	Support for addressing the environmental impacts of data centers, without shifting responsibility for regulatory compliance onto localities (Legislative Program p. 6).
SB 94 Danica A. Roem Siting of data centers; property zoned for industrial use. Provides that any local government land use application for the siting of a data center shall only be approved if such application is for a data center located on a parcel of land zoned for industrial use or used for such purpose. The bill applies only to such applications submitted on or after July 1, 2026.	Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 18-N 1-A)	***Monitor***	Amendments have been made to address concerns.
Elections			
SB 438 Lamont Bagby Elections; absentee voting in person; available the second Sunday before all elections. Requires absentee voting in person to be made available a minimum of eight hours between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on the second Sunday immediately preceding all elections.	Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections	***Amend***	Amend to allow for local flexibility in administering elections.

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Environment			
HB 1443 Alfonso H. Lopez Owners of sewage treatment works; land application, marketing, or distributing of sewage sludge; perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances; testing requirements. Requires any owner of a sewage treatment works land applying, marketing or distributing sewage sludge in the Commonwealth to collect quarterly a representative sample of the finished sewage sludge product and have such sample analyzed ...	Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources with substitute (17-Y 5-N)	***Monitor***	Bill has been amended to address some concerns.
HB 1444 Alfonso H. Lopez Virginia Clean Energy Innovation Bank; established; report. Creates the Virginia Clean Energy Innovation Bank to finance clean energy projects, greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects, and other qualified projects through the strategic deployment of public funds in the form of grants, loans, credit enhancements, and other financing mechanisms. The Bank is governed by a 12-member Board of Directors, ...	Reported from Appropriations with amendment(s) (15-Y 7-N)	***Support***	Historical Support for green banks. Support efforts to increase climate resilience through efficiency, conservation, renewable energy, adaptation, education, and other measures (Legislative Program p. 11).
SB 386 Richard H. Stuart Distribution of sewage sludge; perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances testing requirements; civil penalty. Prohibits any person that holds a valid Virginia Pollutant Abatement permit to distribute or land apply sewage sludge in the Commonwealth from distributing or land applying sewage sludge that contains any trace of PFAS, as defined in the bill. The bill (i) requires such person to, prior ...	Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (10-Y 3-N 2-A)	***Oppose***	Concerns around local implementation costs (Legislative Program p. 5).

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Firearms			
SB 727 Michael J. Jones Carrying assault firearms in public areas prohibited in the Commonwealth; penalty. Prohibits the carrying of certain semi-automatic center-fire rifles, pistols, and shotguns or any firearm modified to be operable as an assault firearm on any public street, road, alley, sidewalk, or public right-of-way or in any public park or any other place of whatever nature that is open to the public, with certain ...	Referred to Committee on Public Safety	***Support***	Historical Position
Gaming			
SB 609 L. Louise Lucas Revenues, taxes, gaming, and lottery. Makes technical changes to describe distributions from the Gaming Proceeds Fund in revenue percentage terms rather than tax terms.	Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (10-Y 5-N)	***Monitor***	Support for the implementation of a statewide Gaming Commission (Legislative Program p. 16).
General Government			
HB 569 Michael B. Feggans Prevailing wage rate for public works contracts; localities. Requires each locality, when procuring services or letting contracts for public works paid for in whole or in part by state or local funds, or when overseeing or administering such contracts for public works, to ensure that its bid specifications or other public contracts applicable to the public works require bidders, offerors, contractors, ...	Reported from Labor and Commerce with substitute and referred to Appropriations (13-Y 7-N)	***Monitor***	Monitor due to concerns concerns about local fiscal impacts.

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Health & Human Services - Behavioral Health			
HB 1292/SB 735 Marcia S. "Cia" Price/J.D. "Danny" Diggs			
Temporary detention; certified evaluators; sunset repealed. Repeals the July 1, 2026 sunset on the current provisions of law authorizing hospitals with a psychiatric emergency department located in the City of Hampton to employ certain trained individuals to perform evaluations to determine whether a person meets the criteria for temporary detention for behavioral health treatment. The current law ...	HB 1292: Reported from Health and Human Services with substitute (21-Y 0-N) SB 735: Rereferred from Education and Health to Rehabilitation and Social Services (13-Y 0-N)	***Monitor***	Historical position. This bill would extend the pilot.
Health & Human Services - Child Welfare			
HB 1222 Karrie K. Delaney			
Local departments of social services; child abuse and neglect; recorded interviews. Requires local departments of social services, unless otherwise demonstrated by good cause shown, to record any child welfare interview, defined in the bill. Under the bill, any person may record any communications between themselves and child-protective services personnel that take place during the course of an investigation ...	Reported from Health and Human Services (22-Y 0-N)	***Amend***	Amend to retain flexibility in recording family assessments and address implementation issues concerning recording storage. Support continued autonomy in the administration of child welfare and oppose changes that increase administrative burden on LDSS (Legislative Program p. 14).

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HB 1490 Kathy K.L. Tran Department of Social Services; centralized intake system for reports or complaints of child abuse or neglect; response to complaints within 24 hours for children under three years of age. Creates a centralized system for intake for reports and complaints of child abuse or neglect. The bill directs the Department of Social Services (the Department) to be the agency responsible for the intake of reports ...	Assigned HAPP sub	***Monitor*** ~~*Amend*~~	Current Position: Amend. Recommended Position Change: Monitor. Amendments help alleviate some concerns around state-local partnership.
Health & Human Services - Early Childhood			
HB 1208 Briana D. Sewell Public education; early childhood care and education; child care access calculation; report. Requires the Department of Education to establish and maintain a calculation for the provision of early childhood care and education services based on cost of quality rate per child, actual data from the prior year, an estimate of parental demand and choice preferences based on historic growth trends and current ...	committee substitute agreed to	***Support***	Awaiting amendment to ensure state childcare funding is increased and provided equitably to localities throughout the Commonwealth (the bill currently includes language related to prioritizing childcare deserts). Support increased state funding for early childhood education and child care subsidy programs (Legislative Program p. 9-10).

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Health & Human Services - General			
HB 222 Patrick A. Hope Public pools; regulations. Directs the Board of Health to adopt regulations governing swimming pools and other water recreational facilities operated for public use, including swimming pools and other water recreational facilities operated in conjunction with a tourist facility or health spa.	Referred to Committee on Education and Health	***Monitor***	Ensure continued local control and flexibility in protecting public health.
Housing			
HB 356 Joshua E. Thomas Department of Housing and Community Development; local housing policy; report to Department. Expands the range of local housing policy changes that are required to be submitted annually in a report to the Department of Housing and Community Development by any locality with a population greater than 3,500 and moves the reporting date from September 1 to August 1 of each year.	Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology	***Amend***	Amend to address concerns about overly burdensome reporting requirements.
SB 665 Kannan Srinivasan Department of Housing and Community Development; local housing policy; report to Department. Expands the range of local housing policy changes that are required to be submitted annually in a report to the Department of Housing and Community Development by any locality with a population greater than 3,500 and moves the reporting date from September 1 to August 1 of each year.	Reported from Finance and Appropriations (10-Y 5-N)	***Amend***	Amend to address concerns about overly burdensome reporting requirements.

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Housing - Affordability			
HB 164 Joshua E. Thomas Housing for local employees; grants for homeownership. Eliminates the maximum grant amount authorized to be granted by a locality for home ownership to employees of the locality, employees of the school board, and employees of constitutional officers. Current law imposes a maximum grant amount of $25,000 for individual grants per employee, as well as a maximum lifetime cumulative amount of $25,000 ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
HB 196 Joshua E. Thomas Virginia Residential Development Infrastructure Fund established. Establishes the Virginia Residential Development Infrastructure Fund to provide financial assistance to local governments for expanding or improving public infrastructure needed to support new residential development through the construction or installation of a project, as defined by the bill. The bill provides that the Department of ...	Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
HB 527/SB 628 Adele Y. McClure/Mamie E. Locke Department of Housing and Community Development; Eviction Reduction Program; report. Establishes the Eviction Reduction Program within the Department of Housing and Community Development to (i) promote housing stability, (ii) identify barriers that contribute to eviction filings, and (iii) provide interventions to prevent or divert evictions. The bill directs the Department to develop criteria and ...	HB 527: Reported from Appropriations (17-Y 5-N) SB 628: General Laws and Technology Substitute agreed to	***Support***	Aligns with the Board's housing goals as laid out in the Legislative Program (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).

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HB 820/SB 490 Dan I. Helmer/Schuyler T. VanValkenburg Virginia Housing Trust Fund; mixed-income development. Allows the Department of Housing and Community Development to use 20 percent of moneys in the Virginia Housing Trust Fund to provide loans to developers of mixed-income housing projects, as defined in the bill. The bill provides that the total amount of such a loan shall not exceed $60,000 per housing unit contained in the mixed-income housing ...	SB 490: Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations HB 820: Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (15-Y 0-N)	***Monitor***	Concerns about adding additional uses without adding additional dollars into the Housing Trust Fund.
HB 854 Rae Cousins Real property tax; local classification or designation for property. Clarifies that, in accordance with the Constitution of Virginia and by adoption of a local ordinance, any locality may by designation or classification exempt from real or personal property taxes, or both, the real or personal property, or both, owned by an ownership entity of which a controlling interest of the managing member or ...	Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
HB 867/SB 74 Rae Cousins/Jeremy S. McPike Affordable housing; local zoning ordinance authority. Authorizes any locality in the Commonwealth to provide for an affordable housing dwelling unit program by amending the zoning ordinance of such locality. Current law restricts such authorization to counties with an urban county executive form of government or county manager plan of government and certain other localities. The bill has a delayed ...	SB 74: Referred to Committee on Local Government HB 867: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns	***Support***	Support with Amendment. Amend to clarify our existing authority is grandfathered out. Support incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 15).

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HB 1144 Marty Martinez Water and sewer connection fees; first-time homebuyers; affordable housing. Provides that any locality may provide for the full or partial reimbursement to a first-time homebuyer of water and sewer connection fees, capital recovery charges, and availability fees paid in connection with any new residential development conveyed to such homebuyer. The bill also requires any locality that has adopted an ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
HB 1279 Joshua G. Cole Affordable housing; religious organizations and other nonprofit tax-exempt properties. Allows for the administrative approval of development and construction of housing on land owned by property tax-exempt religious organizations or certain property tax-exempt nonprofit organizations and provides that zoning ordinances for all purposes shall allow the by-right development and construction of housing ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government	***Amend***	Oppose unless amended to address concerns around limiting local flexibility to provide sustainable community growth and quality infrastructure.
SB 181 Angelia Williams Graves Real property tax; partial exemption for repurposing underutilized structures for residential use; local incentives. Permits localities to provide partial real estate taxation exemptions for converted real property where such conversion establishes a residential structure that has set aside at least 30 percent of the structure for households with a per capita income at or below 80 percent of the locality's ...	Referred to Committee on Finance	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).

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SB 328 Russet Perry Housing for local employees; grants for homeownership and workforce housing alternatives. Eliminates the maximum amount a locality may provide (i) to employees of the locality, employees of the school board, and employees of constitutional officers for homeownership grants to purchase primary residences in the locality and (ii) to school division personnel for residential housing assistance grants ...	Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
SB 388 Jeremy S. McPike Affordable housing; religious organizations and other nonprofit tax-exempt properties. Allows for the administrative approval of development and construction of housing on land owned by property tax-exempt religious organizations or certain property tax-exempt nonprofit organizations and provides that zoning ordinances shall allow the by-right development and construction of housing on real property ...	Read third time and passed Senate (21-Y 18-N 0-A)	***Amend***	Oppose unless amended to address concerns around limiting local flexibility to provide sustainable community growth and quality infrastructure.
SB 666 Kannan Srinivasan Department of Housing and Community Development; housing development database. Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to collect from each locality and make available to the public, localities, state agencies, and other state and regional public entities in a centralized, machine-readable, screen reader compatible database various data for each new and existing housing development ...	Reported from Finance and Appropriations (15-Y 0-N)	***Amend***	Amend to address concerns around overly burdensome reporting requirements.

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Housing - Manufactured Homes			
HB 1325 Michelle Lopes Maldonado Manufactured Home Lot Rental Act; landlord obligations. Requires a landlord to provide a copy of any written rental agreement and the statement of tenant rights and responsibilities within 10 business days of the effective date of the written rental agreement; current law requires a landlord to provide such copies within one month of such effective date. The bill outlines required notice language regarding ...	Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology	***Support***	Aligns with the Board's housing goals as laid out in the Legislative Program (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
HB 1361 Michelle Lopes Maldonado Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; civil action for unlawful detainer; termination notice. Provides that no landlord shall file or maintain an action for unlawful detainer against a tenant unless such landlord has provided the tenant with a proper and effective notice of termination. The bill provides that no notice of termination shall be deemed proper or effective unless it contains a ...	Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (22-Y 0-N)	***Monitor***	Amend to address concerns around reporting timeframe requirements.

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Housing - Process and Timelines			
HB 256/SB 425 Shelly A. Simonds/Lamont Bagby Comprehensive plan; environmental justice strategy. Requires cities with populations greater than 20,000 and counties with populations greater than 100,000 to consider, at the next and all subsequent reviews of the comprehensive plan, adopting an environmental justice strategy. The bill provides that the locality's strategy shall be to identify environmental justice and fenceline communities within ...	SB 425: Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources HB 256: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
HB 257 Shelly A. Simonds Comprehensive plan; social determinants of health. Encourages localities to utilize relevant and available data and research related to social determinants of health to consider how the locality's adopted comprehensive plan will impact the locality's overall public health and access to health care services.	Referred to Committee on Local Government	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
HB 447 Marcus B. Simon Contesting local governing body or board of zoning appeals land use decisions; third-party standing requirements. Creates standing for any person who does not have an ownership interest in the property that is the direct subject of a local governing body or board of zoning appeals action if such person has alleged with particularity and proven by clear and convincing evidence that he (i) has an immediate, ...	Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendment (s) (6-Y 4-N)	***Monitor***	Monitor due to concerns regarding unrelated consequences.

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HB 1122 David A. Reid Vested rights. Alters the criteria for determining when a landowner's rights shall be deemed vested in a land use. Under current law, such vesting occurs when the landowner (i) obtains or is the beneficiary of a significant affirmative governmental act that remains in effect allowing development of a specific project, (ii) relies in good faith on the significant affirmative governmental act, and (iii) ...	Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 0-N)	***Amend***	Amend to address concerns around 14-day timeline, unclear definitions, and increased cost around attorney fees.
Housing - Zoning			
HB 804 Dan I. Helmer Statewide housing targets for localities. Requires localities to increase their total housing stock by at least 7.5 percent over the five-year period beginning January 1, 2028. The bill provides that in order to meet such 7.5 percent growth target, a locality shall develop a housing growth plan that best meets the needs of the locality while meeting the growth target rates. The bill provides that such ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government	***Amend***	Oppose unless amended to address concerns around limiting local flexibility to provide sustainable community growth and quality infrastructure as well as the proper role of the Board of Zoning Appeals.
HB 816 Dan I. Helmer Zoning; by-right multifamily development. Requires a locality to include provisions in its zoning ordinance allowing for the by-right development and construction of multifamily residential uses on at least 75 percent of all land contained in commercial or business zoning district classifications, including any land contained in commercial or business zoning district classifications that allow for ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government	***Amend***	Concerns around limiting local flexibility to provide sustainable community growth and quality infrastructure.

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SB 454 Schuyler T. VanValkenburg			
Zoning; by-right multifamily development. Requires a locality to include provisions in its zoning ordinance allowing for the by-right development and construction of multifamily residential uses on at least 75 percent of all land contained in commercial or business zoning district classifications, including any land contained in commercial or business zoning district classifications that allow for ...	Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns	***Amend***	Concerns around limiting local flexibility to provide sustainable community growth and quality infrastructure.
SB 717 Saddam Azlan Salim			
Transit-oriented housing overlay districts; report. Requires certain localities to establish one or more transit-oriented housing overlay districts covering qualifying areas, as defined in the bill, within its boundaries. The bill provides that within such overlay district, the locality shall permit, by right, the construction of up to 10 dwelling units per lot, notwithstanding any ordinance limiting ...	Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns	***Amend***	Amend to address concerns around undoing carefully planned, high-density development around transportation hubs.
Housing- Other			
HB 593 Shelly A. Simonds			
Summons for unlawful detainer; additional information; legal resources; plain-language overview of process. Provides that any summons for an unlawful detainer issued may include additional information attached, prepared by the Commonwealth, the locality in which the unlawful detainer hearing is to be held, or a nonprofit organization serving the jurisdiction in which such hearing is to be held, regarding ...	Reported from Courts of Justice with amendment(s) (22-Y 0-N)	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).

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HB 802 Betsy B. Carr Vacant building registration; registered agents. Permits any locality to require, by ordinance, the owner, or his registered agent, of any building that has been continuously vacant for at least three years to register such building with the locality annually. The bill also allows the registered agent of an owner of any building that has been vacant for at least 12 months and (i) that meets the definition ...	Referred to Committee on Local Government	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).
HB 833 Adele Y. McClure Land subdivision and development; optional provisions of a subdivision ordinance; electric vehicle charging stations; Commission on Electric Utility Regulation; report. Allows, effective July 1, 2027, a locality to include in its subdivision ordinance a requirement for electric vehicle (EV) supply equipment, EV-ready charging spaces, or EV-capable parking spaces that provide infrastructure to facilitate ...	committee amendments agreed to	***Support***	Support for proactive infrastructure to support electric vehicles (Legislative Program p. 14).
HB 910 Irene Shin Department of Housing and Community Development; powers and duties of Director; a comprehensive statewide housing needs assessment; review of certain parcels. Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to conduct a review of parcels owned by certain partnerships, corporation, or real estate investment trusts in its comprehensive statewide housing needs assessment conduct at least ...	Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology	***Support***	Support additional tools and incentives to increase the availability of affordable, accessible, and integrated housing options (Legislative Program p. 5-6, 14-16).

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SB 504 R. Creigh Deeds			
Vested rights; rulings or orders of the local circuit court. Provides that a landowner's rights shall be deemed vested in his zoning and shall not be affected by a subsequent ruling or order of the local circuit court applicable to a zoning ordinance amendment when such ruling or order affects at least 25 individual parcels within a locality and the landowner (i) obtains or is the beneficiary of a ...	Rereferred from Local Government to Courts of Justice (13-Y 0-N 1-A)	***Monitor***	Concerns about unintended consequences.
Information Technology			
HB 1161 Kathy K.L. Tran			
Government Data Collection and Dissemination Practices Act; dissemination of personal information to federal government; civil penalties. Provides that any agency or political subdivision of the Commonwealth shall only disseminate personal information (i) to the extent necessary to comply with state or federal law, including the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act; (ii) to the ...	Read third time and passed House (66-Y 32-N 0-A)	***Amend***	Amend to strike out "only" to allow agencies to disseminate information necessary to accomplish a "proper purpose" of the agency.
Labor			
SB 518 Aaron R. Rouse			
Prevailing wage rate for public works contracts; localities. Requires each locality, when procuring services or letting contracts for public works paid for in whole or in part by state or local funds, or when overseeing or administering such contracts for public works, to ensure that its bid specifications or other public contracts applicable to the public works require bidders, offerors, contractors, ...	Reported from Finance and Appropriations with substitute (10-Y 5-N)	***Monitor***	Monitor due to concerns concerns about local fiscal impacts.

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Law Enforcement			
HB 1482 Charlie Schmidt Law-enforcement officers; restrictions on wearing of facial coverings; required identification; exceptions; civil liability; penalty. Prohibits state and local law-enforcement officers from wearing facial coverings, defined in the bill, while engaged in the performance of their official duties. The bill sets out several exceptions to such prohibition, including protective facial coverings to protect ...	Read third time and passed House (63-Y 35-N 0-A)	***Monitor***	Recommend: Monitor per January 30, 2026 Legislative Committee meeting. All Fairfax County concerns addressed.
Public Safety			
HB 592 Shelly A. Simonds Public schools; wearable panic alarm systems; grant program. Permits any school board to provide any school board employee in a public elementary and secondary school building in the local school division with a wearable panic alarm system, defined in the bill as a security system that is capable of being worn on the body of the user and by which the user manually activates a device that sends (i) ...	committee substitute agreed to	***Support***	Support legislation providing law enforcement and first responders with necessary tools to help respond to public safety emergencies (Legislative Program p.17).

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Taxation			
HB 1449 Kimberly Pope Adams Local tax authority; nicotine vapor products. Authorizes localities by ordinance to impose a sales and use tax on nicotine vapor products and includes directives for the administration and enforcement of any such ordinance. The bill states that any tax so imposed may exceed the rate of tax imposed on such products otherwise provided by relevant law. The bill also directs the Department of Taxation ...	Referred from General Laws and referred to Appropriations (Voice Vote)	***Support***	Historical Position
Transportation			
HB 88 Amy J. Laufer Highway rights-of-way; invasive species. Requires the Commonwealth Transportation Board (Board) to establish and implement a policy for identifying and removing or controlling any invasive plant on the list of invasive plants created by the Department of Conservation and Recreation on any state highway right-of-way and prohibits the Commonwealth Transportation Board and Commissioner of Highways from ...	Read third time and passed House (98-Y 0-N 0-A)	***Monitor***	Monitor for potential effect on transportation project funding. Support invasive species management (Legislative Program p. 12).

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Transportation - Speed Cameras			
HB 1330 Holly M. Seibold Speed safety cameras, pedestrian crossing violation monitoring systems, and stop sign violation monitoring systems; placement and operation; violation enforcement; civil penalties. Authorizes state and local law-enforcement agencies to place and operate pedestrian crossing violation and stop sign violation monitoring systems in school crossing zones, highway work zones, and high-risk speed corridors ...	Reported from Transportation with substitute (15-Y 6-N)	***Oppose***	Concerns regarding sovereign immunity and traffic safety operations.
SB 59 J.D. "Danny" Diggs Photo speed monitoring devices; photo-monitoring system for traffic signals; proof of violation; certain persons swearing to or affirming certificates; training. Authorizes retired sworn law-enforcement officers, registered special conservators of the peace, and technicians employed by a locality to swear to or to affirm certificates for the purposes of enforcement of violations recorded by traffic ...	Referred to Committee on Transportation	***Monitor***	Concerns on implementation of training requirement but expands reviewers to include retired officers. Support for additional automated traffic safety enforcement tools and technology in targeted, data-driven locations (Legislative Program p. 6).

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Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS)			
HB 1219/SB 647 Briana D. Sewell/Todd E. Pillion			
Use of unmanned aircraft systems by law-enforcement officers; search warrants. Expedites the issuance of a search warrant for unmanned aircraft systems by law-enforcement officers upon a finding of reasonable and probable cause by an authorized judicial official as defined in the bill. The bill permits the use of unmanned aircraft systems without a search warrant when law enforcement is surveying the ...	HB 1219: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (22-Y 0-N) SB 647: Reported from Courts of Justice with substitute (13-Y 1-N 1-A)	***Support***	Support expanded authority for local law enforcement to employ advanced technology by law enforcement and emergency responders to enhance public safety, situational awareness, and emergency response (Legislative Program p. 17).