

HB 1567 - Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority; operational plan submission.

Chief Patron: Wiley

Status: In Subcommittee

A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.2-2237.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority; operational plan submission.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority; operational plan submission. Requires the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority to include in the annual report on its operational plan the most recent available audit report from the Auditor of Public Accounts' annual examination of the accounts and books of the Authority and removes the requirement that such report contain the audited financial statements of the Authority for the year ending the previous June 30.

5 Last Events

12/23/2024	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25101407D
12/23/2024	House	Referred to Committee on General Laws
01/13/2025	House	Assigned GL sub: Professions/Occupations and Administrative Process
01/14/2025	House	Fiscal Impact Statement from Department of Planning and Budget (HB1567)

HB 1600 - Budget Bill.

Chief Patron: Torian

Status: In Committee

A BILL to amend and reenact Chapter 2 of the Acts of Assembly of 2024, Special Session I, as amended by Chapters 3 and 4 of the Acts of Assembly of 2024, Special Session I, which appropriates the public revenues for two years ending, respectively, on June 30, 2025, and June 30, 2026; a Bill to amend and reenact § 58.1-15, § 58.1-322.03, § 58.1-416, § 58.1-419, § 58.1-422.4, § 58.1-422.5, and § 58.1-492 of the Code of Virginia; and a Bill to amend the Code of Virginia by adding § 58.1-339.15 and § 58.1-416.1.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Budget Bill. Amends items of and adds items to Chapter 2 of the Acts of Assembly of 2024, Special Session I.

5 Last Events

12/18/2024	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25103935D
12/18/2024	House	Referred to Committee on Appropriations

HB 1676 - GO Virginia grants; matching funds; sunset repeal.

Chief Patron: Phillips

Status: In Subcommittee

A BILL to repeal the second enactment of Chapter 525 of the Acts of Assembly of 2020, as amended and reenacted by Chapter 146 of the Acts of Assembly of 2021, Special Session I, by Chapter 137 of the Acts of Assembly of 2022, and by Chapter 298 of the Acts of Assembly of 2023, relating to GO Virginia Grants; matching funds; sunset repeal.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

GO Virginia grants; matching funds; sunset repeal. Removes the July 1, 2025, sunset date of the program allowing a locality to use grant funds awarded by the Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission as matching funds for GO Virginia grants.

5 Last Events

01/03/2025	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25103208D
01/03/2025	House	Referred to Committee on Appropriations
01/11/2025	House	Assigned Approps sub: Commerce Agriculture & Natural Resources

HB 1901 - Virginia Sports Tourism Fund.

Chief Patron: Willett

Status: In Subcommittee

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 2.2-2320.3, relating to Virginia Sports Tourism Fund; established.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Virginia Sports Tourism Fund. Creates the Virginia Sports Tourism Fund, to be Administered by the Virginia Tourism Authority, to provide grants to sports tourism activity sponsors, defined in the bill, in order to develop and attract sports tourism activities, also defined in the bill, to the Commonwealth. The bill requires the Virginia Tourism Authority to establish guidelines and criteria for grant awards and to report annually on the Fund and grant program. The bill also requires a work group of stakeholders to be convened to recommend guidelines for grant disbursements from the Fund and report such recommendations to the General Assembly by October 31, 2025.

5 Last Events

01/06/2025	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-13-2025 25101627D
01/06/2025	House	Referred to Committee on Appropriations
01/13/2025	House	Assigned Approps sub: Commerce Agriculture & Natural Resources

HB 2147 - Tax increment financing; use of other local taxes.

Chief Patron: Milde

Status: Committee Referral Pending

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 58.1-3245 through 58.1-3245.3 and 58.1-3245.5 of the Code of Virginia, relating to tax increment financing; use of other local taxes.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Tax increment financing; use of other local taxes. Authorizes the governing body of a county, city, or town to apply tax revenues from sources other than real estate taxes for use in tax increment financing of development projects. Under current law, only real estate taxes are specifically authorized to be used for such projects. The governing body may choose any or all of such taxes to be applied in such manner. The amount of revenues to be so used shall be the amount of the increase of such taxes collected in the development project area in a given year compared with the base amount of revenues prior to the establishment of such area. The local taxes that may be so applied include local sales and use taxes, merchants' capital taxes, license taxes, admissions taxes, transient occupancy taxes, meals taxes, and other local taxes and fees for utilities and transportation purposes.

5 Last Events

01/07/2025	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25101270D
01/07/2025	House	Committee Referral Pending

HB 2163 - Enterprise Zone Grant Program.

Chief Patron: Carr

Status: Committee Referral Pending

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 59.1-539, 59.1-542, 59.1-545, and 58.1-548 of the Code of Virginia, relating to enterprise zone grant program.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Enterprise Zone Grant Program. Makes several changes to the enterprise zone grant program. The bill removes current distress factors considered with zone designation applications and instead assesses locality-wide need in part by determining whether such zones are located in a distressed or double distressed locality, both defined in the bill. The bill authorizes the Governor to designate up to 10 additional enterprise zones on or after July 1, 2025.

For enterprise zone real property investment grants, the bill (i) creates an elevated grant tier on and after July 1, 2025, for major qualified zone investors, defined in the bill, and caps grants for major qualified zone investors at \$300,000 within any five-year period for any individual building or facility and (ii) allows child day centers for purposes of qualified real property investments on which any enterprise zone real property investment grants are based.

5 Last Events

01/07/2025	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25101760D
01/07/2025	House	Committee Referral Pending

HB 2179 - Virginia Investment Performance Grants.

Chief Patron: Clark

Status: Committee Referral Pending

A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.2-5101 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia Investment Performance Grants.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Virginia Investment Performance Grants. Authorizes Virginia Investment Performance Grants to be awarded under more lenient requirements if the recipient is located in a locality with an unemployment rate and poverty rate than exceeds the state average. Specifically, the bill would authorize payment of such grants if the average wage paid by the eligible manufacturer or research and development service, excluding fringe benefits, is no less than 85 percent of the prevailing average wage. Grants may be paid for projects in such localities that pay less than 85 percent of the prevailing average wage, upon a written finding by the Governor that the economic circumstances in the area are sufficiently distressed such that assistance to the locality to attract the project is justified. However, the minimum private investment and number of new jobs required to be created are still a condition of eligibility.

5 Last Events

01/07/2025	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25100959D
01/07/2025	House	Committee Referral Pending

HB 2203 - Department of Housing and Community Development reports; consolidation.

Chief Patron: Kilgore

Status: Committee Referral Pending

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 36-142 and 36-150 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 36-139.10, relating to Department of Housing and Community Development reports; consolidation.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Department of Housing and Community Development reports; consolidation. Consolidates varying due dates for certain reports relating to the Department of Housing and Community Development to October 1 and requires such reports be submitted as part of one annual report, to be presented to the Governor and the General Assembly. The bill creates a requirement for (i) an annual report on the outcomes associated with closed projects that received a grant from the Virginia Growth and Opportunity Fund and requires the Department to use such report to create and maintain a public facing performance dashboard with such information to be updated annually and (ii) a comprehensive annual report on the state's homeless programs. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2026.

5 Last Events

01/07/2025	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25100708D
01/07/2025	House	Committee Referral Pending
01/14/2025	House	Fiscal Impact Statement from Department of Planning and Budget (HB2203)

HB 2397 - Virginia Growth and Opportunity Act; eligibility for grants.

Chief Patron: Glass

Status: Committee Referral Pending

A BILL to amend and reenact § 2.2-2489 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia Growth and Opportunity Act; eligibility for grants.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Virginia Growth and Opportunity Act; eligibility for grants. Expands eligibility for regional councils to receive Virginia Growth and Opportunity Grants. The bill would allow regional councils to apply for and utilize grant funds for regional activities not described in, but related to the core objectives of, the council's economic growth and diversification plan. Such activities may include (i) child or senior care, (ii) general health care, or (iii) creative entrepreneurship. Any regional council seeking to utilize funds for such purposes shall detail in its grant application how such use of funds will further the objectives described in such plan and improve the score utilized by the Growth and Opportunity Board in making grant fund allocations.

5 Last Events

01/08/2025	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25100157D
01/08/2025	House	Committee Referral Pending

HB 2490 - Study; Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity; small business set-asides; report.

Chief Patron: Henson

Status: Committee Referral Pending

A BILL to direct the Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity to study small business set-asides; report.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Study; Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity; small business set-asides; report. Directs the Department of Small Business and Supplier Diversity to study small business set-asides and their effectiveness in promoting the growth and economic development of small businesses through participation in government contracting. For purposes of the study, "small business" includes women-owned and minority-owned businesses.

5 Last Events

01/08/2025	House	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25103737D
01/08/2025	House	Committee Referral Pending

SB 800 - Budget Bill.

Chief Patron: Lucas

Status: In Committee

A BILL to amend and reenact Chapter 2 of the Acts of Assembly of 2024, Special Session I, as amended by Chapters 3 and 4 of the Acts of Assembly of 2024, Special Session I, which appropriates the public revenues for two years ending, respectively, on June 30, 2025, and June 30, 2026; a Bill to amend and reenact § 58.1-15, § 58.1-322.03, § 58.1-416, § 58.1-419, § 58.1-422.4, § 58.1-422.5, and § 58.1-492 of the Code of Virginia; and a Bill to amend the Code of Virginia by adding § 58.1-339.15 and § 58.1-416.1.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Budge Bill. Amends items of and adds items to Chapter 2 of the Acts of Assembly of 2024, Special Session I.

5 Last Events

12/18/2024	Senate	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25103938D
12/18/2024	Senate	Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations

SB 927 - Virginia Sports Tourism Fund.

Chief Patron: Head

Status: In Committee

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 2.2-2320.3, relating to Virginia Sports Tourism Fund; established.

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

Virginia Sports Tourism Fund. Creates the Virginia Sports Tourism Fund, to be Administered by the Virginia Tourism Authority, to provide grants to sports tourism activity sponsors, defined in the bill, in order to develop and attract sports tourism activities, also defined in the bill, to the Commonwealth. The bill requires the Virginia Tourism Authority to establish guidelines and criteria for grant awards and to report annually on the Fund and grant program. The bill also requires a work group of stakeholders to be convened to recommend guidelines for grant disbursements from the Fund and report such recommendations to the General Assembly by October 31, 2025.

5 Last Events

01/06/2025	Senate	Prefiled and ordered printed; Offered 01-08-2025 25101628D
01/06/2025	Senate	Referred to Committee on Finance and Appropriations

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