

Legislative Update



HANOVER COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AGENDA 2014 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

JANUARY 8, 2014

Legislative Committee's Recommended Additions to the Legislative Agenda



- 1) Support for a study by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC) of Medicaid-funded transportation services.
- 2) Opposition to any measures to create a regional transportation authority, whether that be an expanded or renamed Richmond Metropolitan Authority or other entity, which does not include all localities in the region having proportional representation.
- 3) Support for the position taken by the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo) regarding the implementation of local stormwater programs.

HB 0066 School resource officers; local school board to place officer in each public school.

Patron: David I. Ramadan

Requires each local school board to place a school resource officer in each public elementary and secondary school.

HB 0071 Agricultural operations; local regulation of certain activities.

Patron: Brenda L. Pogge

Protects customary agritourism activities at agricultural operations from local bans in the absence of substantial impacts on the public welfare.

HB 0178 Virginia Retirement System; assumed rate of return on investments.

Patron: Peter F. Farrell

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 (VRS), the Board shall recalculate the employer contribution rate for each employer to incorporate the assumed rate of return adopted by the General Assembly.

HB 0182 Retirement benefits for local employees.

Patron: Peter F. Farrell

Provides that any locality may establish and maintain a defined contribution retirement plan for its employees in lieu of any other retirement plans for employees hired on or after July 1, 2014.

HB 0199 Legislation affecting local government expenditures or reductions.

Patron: R. Steven Landes

Requires the Division of Legislative Services to identify and forward to the Commission on Local Government (Commission) joint resolutions introduced calling for a study of local government expenditures or revenues.

SB 048 Prohibition on oil and gas drilling.

Patron: Richard H. Stuart

Prohibits the drilling for oil and gas in the Eastern Virginia Groundwater Management Area.

SB 053 Regulation of stormwater; waiver of charges for places of worship.

Patron: Richard H. Stuart

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.

HB 0204 Secretary of the Commonwealth; centralized filing of disclosure forms.

Patron: K. Rob Krupicka

Centralizes the filing of economic interest disclosure forms in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

HJ 040 Study; JLARC; Medicaid-funded transportation services in the Commonwealth; report.

Patron: David B. Albo

Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC) to review the Commonwealth's contract with Logisticare for Medicaid-funded transportation services, identify remedies and alternatives available to the Commonwealth to resolve the issues surrounding Logisticare's questionable performance, and review the Department of Medical Assistance Service's oversight of the Commonwealth's contract with Logisticare. The resolution provides that the Commonwealth's contract with Logisticare not be renewed or extended prior to the completion of this study.