

# Office of EMS Legislative Report

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## **HB 1398 Hate crimes; acts against law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and EMS personnel.**

*Patrons:* Bell, Richard P., Campbell, Cole, Dudenhefer, Edmunds, Fariss, Fowler, Greason, Hugo, Kory, Landes, Lingamfelter, Minchew, O'Quinn, Orrock and Poindexter

A BILL to amend and reenact § 52-8.5 of the Code of Virginia, relating to hate crimes; acts against law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and EMS personnel.

17100179D

*Summary as introduced:*

### **Hate crimes; acts against law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and EMS personnel.**

Expands the definition of hate crime for the purpose of reporting hate crimes within the Department of State Police to include acts against persons employed as law-enforcement officers, firefighters, or emergency medical services personnel.

08/09/16 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice  
01/13/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law  
01/13/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1398)  
01/30/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table  
02/07/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

## **HB 1404 Fire alarms; maliciously activating, penalty.**

*Patrons:* Cole (by request), Edmunds, Fariss and Levine

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 15.2-1716.1 and 18.2-212 of the Code of Virginia, relating to malicious activation of fire alarms; reimbursement of expenses; penalty.

*Summary as passed:*

**Activation of fire alarms; penalty.** Removes the provision that a building must be for public use in order for the Class 1 misdemeanor for maliciously activating a fire alarm to apply. The bill authorizes any locality to provide by ordinance that a person convicted of maliciously activating

a fire alarm shall be liable for the reasonable expense in responding to such a fire alarm. Current law allows such an ordinance to impose liability for the reasonable expense of an emergency response to an imitation version of a weapon of terrorism, fire bomb, other explosive device, bomb threat, or incitement of a bomb threat. The bill increases the maximum amount that a locality or volunteer emergency medical services agency may recover under such an ordinance from \$1,000 to \$2,500.

02/13/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/14/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/14/17

02/14/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 21, 2017

02/14/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1404ER)

02/20/17 Governor: Approved by Governor-Chapter 98 (effective 7/1/17)

### **HB 1413 Driver's licenses; expiration and renewal.**

*Patrons:* Cole (by request), Edmunds, Fariss, Herring, Jones, Levine, Mullin and Webert

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-330 of the Code of Virginia, relating to expiration and renewal of licenses.

17100350D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Expiration and renewal of driver's licenses.** Requires that the Department of Motor Vehicles treat a driver's license that has been expired for 30 days or less on the date of renewal the same as an unexpired license for purposes of renewal.

10/07/16 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

12/22/16 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1413)

01/13/17 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #2

01/16/17 House: Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (3-Y 3-N)

02/07/17 House: Left in Transportation

### **HB 1416 Line of Duty Act; payments to beneficiaries.**

*Patrons:* Helsel, Boysko and Kory

A BILL to amend and reenact § 9.1-402, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, of the Code of Virginia, relating to Line of Duty Act; payments to beneficiaries.

17100562D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Line of Duty Act; payments to beneficiaries.** Increases from \$100,000 to \$125,000 the sum payable out of the general fund to the beneficiary of a deceased law-enforcement officer or other

person covered by the Line of Duty Act whose death occurred on or after January 1, 2006, while in the line of duty as the direct or proximate result of the performance of his duty.

10/13/16 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations  
01/12/17 House: Assigned App. sub: Compensation and Retirement  
01/19/17 House: Impact statement from VRS (HB1416)  
01/26/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table  
02/08/17 House: Left in Appropriations

### **HB 1426 Emergency custody or involuntary admission process; alternative transportation model.**

*Patrons:* Garrett, Anderson and Bell, Robert B.

An Act to direct the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and the Director of Criminal Justice Services to develop a comprehensive model for the use of alternative transportation providers to provide safe and efficient transportation of individuals involved in the emergency custody or involuntary admission process.

*Summary as passed House:*

#### **Emergency custody or involuntary admission process; alternative transportation model.**

Directs the Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and the Director of Criminal Justice Services, in conjunction with the relevant stakeholders, to develop a comprehensive model for the use of alternative transportation providers to provide safe and efficient transportation of individuals involved in the emergency custody or involuntary admission process as an alternative to transportation by law enforcement. The bill requires that the model be completed by October 1, 2017, and reported to the Joint Subcommittee to Study Mental Health Services in the Commonwealth in the 21st Century, the House Committee for Courts of Justice, and the Senate Committee for Courts of Justice. This bill is identical to SB 1221.

02/16/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1426ER)  
02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President  
02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17  
02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017  
02/20/17 Governor: Approved by Governor-Chapter 94 (effective 7/1/17)

### **HB 1449 Naloxone; dispensing for use in opioid overdose reversal, etc.**

*Patrons:* Boysko, Bell, John J., LeMunyon, Cole, Filler-Corn, Hayes, Heretick, Hope, Kory, Krizek, Levine, Mullin, Murphy, Plum, Simon, Watts and Webert

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 8.01-225 and 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to dispensing of naloxone.

*Summary as introduced:*

**Dispensing of naloxone.** Allows a person who is authorized by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to train individuals on the administration of naloxone for use in opioid overdose reversal and who is acting on behalf of an organization that provides substance abuse treatment services to individuals at risk of experiencing opioid overdose or training in the administration of naloxone for overdose reversal and that has obtained a controlled substances registration from the Board of Pharmacy pursuant to § 54.1-3423 to dispense naloxone to a person who has completed a training program on the administration of naloxone for opioid overdose reversal, provided that such dispensing is (i) pursuant to a standing order issued by a prescriber, (ii) in accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health, and (iii) without charge or compensation. The bill also provides that a person who dispenses naloxone shall not be liable for civil damages of ordinary negligence for acts or omissions resulting from the rendering of such treatment if he acts in good faith and that a person to whom naloxone has been dispensed pursuant to the provisions of the bill may possess naloxone and may administer naloxone to a person who is believed to be experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose.

12/01/16 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/12/17 House: Assigned HWI sub: Subcommittee #1

01/16/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1449)

01/24/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

02/07/17 House: Left in Health, Welfare and Institutions

**HB 1453 Naloxone; dispensing for use in opioid overdose reversal, etc.**

*Patrons:* LaRock, Boysko, Greason, O'Bannon, Anderson, Bell, John J., Bell, Richard P., Bell, Robert B., Carr, Cole, Collins, Fariss, Filler-Corn, Hayes, Helsel, Heretick, Herring, Hope, Kory, Krizek, LeMunyon, Lindsey, Lingamfelter, Marshall, R.G., Minchew, Mullin, Murphy, Orrock, Plum, Price, Rasoul, Watts and Webert; *Senators:* Chase, Dunnavant, McClellan and Vogel

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 8.01-225 and 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to dispensing of naloxone.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Dispensing of naloxone.** Allows a person who is authorized by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to train individuals on the administration of naloxone for use in opioid overdose reversal and who is acting on behalf of an organization that provides services to individuals at risk of experiencing opioid overdose or training in the administration of naloxone for overdose reversal and that has obtained a controlled substances registration from the Board of Pharmacy pursuant to § 54.1-3423 to dispense naloxone to a person who has completed a training program on the administration of naloxone for opioid overdose reversal, provided that such dispensing is (i) pursuant to a standing order issued by a prescriber, (ii) in

accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health, and (iii) without charge or compensation. The bill also provides that dispensing may occur at a site other than that of the controlled substance registration, provided that the entity possessing the controlled substance registration maintains records in accordance with regulations of the Board of Pharmacy. The bill further provides that a person who dispenses naloxone shall not be liable for civil damages of ordinary negligence for acts or omissions resulting from the rendering of such treatment if he acts in good faith and that a person to whom naloxone has been dispensed pursuant to the provisions of the bill may possess naloxone and may administer naloxone to a person who is believed to be experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose. The bill contains an emergency clause. This bill is identical to SB 848.

## EMERGENCY

02/15/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/16/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1453ER)

02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17

02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017

## **HB 1480 Mental health awareness training; law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency personnel.**

*Patrons:* Helsel, Aird, Boysko, Freitas, Kory, Minchew and Peace

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 9.1-102 and 32.1-111.4 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 27 a section numbered 27-23.11 and by adding a section numbered 37.2-312.3, relating to mental health awareness training; law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.

17100561D

### *Summary as introduced:*

**Mental health awareness training; law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.** Requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) to establish and administer a mental health awareness program for training persons in emergency services professions in recognizing potential mental health issues and assisting themselves and each other with mental health issues. The bill requires DBHDS to create and administer a process by which a program not created by DBHDS can be certified as a qualified mental health awareness program. The bill requires law-enforcement officers, emergency medical services personnel, and firefighters other than volunteer firefighters to participate in a mental health awareness program created or certified by DBHDS once every two years.

12/13/16 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/13/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Mental Health

01/18/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1480)  
01/27/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table  
02/07/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

**HB 1481 Ordinances relating to fire departments and fire companies; operators of emergency vehicles.**

*Patrons:* Helsel and Boysko

A BILL to amend and reenact § 27-14 of the Code of Virginia, relating to ordinances as to fire departments and fire companies; operators of emergency vehicles; Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course.

17101694D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Ordinances relating to fire departments and fire companies; operators of emergency vehicles; Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course.** Requires that ordinances relating to the powers and duties of fire departments and fire companies contain the requirement that a member of a fire department or fire company who operates an emergency vehicle possess a valid motor vehicle operator's permit and complete an approved Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course or equivalent training course recognized by the Department of Fire Programs or the Office of Emergency Medical Services. The bill requires operators of emergency vehicles prior to July 1, 2017, to successfully complete such a course no later than July 1, 2020.

12/13/16 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws  
01/16/17 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #1  
01/27/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1481)  
01/31/17 House: Subcommittee recommends striking from docket  
02/02/17 House: Stricken from docket by General Laws

**HB 1525 Revocation or suspension of driver's licenses; laws of other jurisdictions.**

*Patron:* Albo

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-410.2, relating to revocation or suspension of driver's licenses; laws of other jurisdictions.

17100315D

*Summary as passed House:*

**Revocation or suspension of driver's licenses; laws of other jurisdictions.** Precludes the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles from administratively revoking or suspending a person's driver's license solely on the basis that such person was convicted under the laws of another jurisdiction if the Supreme Court of Virginia or the Court of Appeals of

Virginia has held that the other jurisdiction's law is not substantially similar to the laws of the Commonwealth or a county, city, or town ordinance.

02/23/17 House: House acceded to request  
02/23/17 House: Conferees appointed by House  
02/23/17 House: Delegates: Albo, Loupassi, Murphy  
02/23/17 Senate: Conferees appointed by Senate  
02/23/17 Senate: Senators: Reeves, Cosgrove, Surovell

### **HB 1531 Department of Health; regulations governing Other Do Not Resuscitate Orders.**

*Patron:* Farrell (by request)

A BILL to require the Department of Health to amend regulations governing Other Do Not Resuscitate Orders.

17102093D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Department of Health; regulations governing Other Do Not Resuscitate Orders.** Directs the Department of Health to amend regulations governing Other Do Not Resuscitate Orders to require signed and witnessed informed consent to such orders.

12/27/16 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions  
01/12/17 House: Assigned HWI sub: Subcommittee #3  
01/13/17 House: Impact statement from VDH (HB1531)  
01/31/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table  
02/07/17 House: Left in Health, Welfare and Institutions

### **HB 1532 Fire Programs Fund.**

*Patrons:* Wright, Anderson, Edmunds and Lingamfelter

An Act to amend and reenact § 38.2-401 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Fire Programs Fund; rate of assessment; allocations.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Fire Programs Fund.** Increases the share of certain moneys in the Fund to be allocated to localities for the improvement of volunteer and career fire services from 75 percent to 80 percent. The measure has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2018.

02/21/17 Senate: Signed by President  
02/21/17 House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB1532ER)  
02/21/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/21/17

02/21/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, March 27, 2017

02/22/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1532ER)

### **HB 1590 Duty of care to law-enforcement officers and firefighters; fireman's rule.**

*Patrons:* Campbell and O'Quinn

An Act to amend and reenact § 8.01-226 of the Code of Virginia, relating to duty of care to law-enforcement officers and firefighters; the fireman's rule.

*Summary as introduced:*

**Duty of care to law-enforcement officers and firefighters; fireman's rule.** Provides that the common-law doctrine known as the fireman's rule, as described in the bill, shall not be a defense to certain claims. The fireman's rule is based on assumption of the usual risks of injury in such employment, whether caused by a negligent or a nonnegligent act of the defendant.

02/21/17 House: Placed on Calendar

02/21/17 House: Senate substitute agreed to by House 17105562D-S1 (97-Y 0-N)

02/21/17 House: VOTE: ADOPTION (97-Y 0-N)

02/24/17 House: Enrolled

02/24/17 House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB1590ER)

### **HB 1599 Suspension of driver's license for unpaid fines, etc.; written offer of employment.**

*Patron:* Fariss

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-395 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of driver's license for unpaid fines, etc.; written offer of employment.

17100207D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Suspension of driver's license for unpaid fines, etc.; written offer of employment.** Provides that the Department of Motor Vehicles shall restore a person's driver's license that has been suspended for failure to pay court-ordered fines, costs, forfeitures, restitution, or penalties if the person pays the required reinstatement fee and presents to the Department a written offer of employment that is contingent on the person's possessing a driver's license. The bill also provides that, in order for the license to be restored, the employer making the written offer of employment must agree to withhold 10 percent of the person's disposable earnings or \$100, whichever is greater, per month for the payment of unpaid fines, costs, forfeitures, restitution, or penalties. The bill also requires the person whose license is restored, within six months from the date of restoration, to petition each court that suspended his license for, and enter into, an agreement to make deferred payments or installment payments of unpaid fines, costs, forfeitures, restitution, or penalties and, if the person does not enter into an agreement with each court within the six-month period, requires the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to suspend his license.

01/03/17 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17100207D  
01/03/17 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice  
01/13/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law  
01/25/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table  
02/07/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

### **HB 1611 Child support arrearages; suspension of driver's license.**

*Patron:* Leftwich

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-320.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to child support arrearages; suspension of driver's license.

17101349D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Child support arrearages; suspension of driver's license.** Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to renew a driver's license or terminate a license suspension imposed due to delinquency in the payment of child support when it receives from the Department of Social Services a certification that (i) the person has reached an agreement with the Department of Social Services to satisfy the delinquency and has begun paying current support and arrears pursuant to an income withholding order or (ii) the person is indigent and has reached an agreement with the Department of Social Services to satisfy the delinquency based on the person's ability to pay.

01/03/17 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice  
01/13/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law  
01/25/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1611)  
01/30/17 House: Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (5-Y 6-N)  
02/07/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

### **HB 1642 Naloxone or other opioid antagonist; possession and administration.**

*Patrons:* Hope and Filler-Corn

An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the administering of naloxone.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Possession and administration of naloxone.** Adds employees of the Department of Forensic Science, employees of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, and employees of the Department of General Services Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services to the list of individuals who may possess and administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist, provided that they have completed a training program. The bill contains an emergency clause. This bill is identical to SB 1031.

## EMERGENCY

02/15/17 House: Signed by Speaker  
02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President  
02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17  
02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017  
02/21/17 Governor: Approved by Governor-Chapter 107 (effective 2/21/17)

### **HB 1719 Wireless E-911 Fund; distribution percentages.**

*Patron:* Anderson

An Act to amend and reenact § 56-484.17 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Wireless E-911 Fund; distribution percentages.

*Summary as passed:*

**Wireless E-911 Fund; distribution percentages.** Postpones from July 1, 2017, to July 1, 2018, the date by which the Department of Taxation is required to conduct its first recalculation of the percentage of funds in the Wireless E-911 Fund that is required to be distributed to each public safety answering point (PSAP). The recalculation is required to be based on the cost and call load data of each PSAP for the previous five fiscal years. This bill is identical to SB 1003.

02/20/17 House: Signed by Speaker  
02/21/17 Senate: Signed by President  
02/21/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/21/17  
02/21/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, March 27, 2017  
02/23/17 House: Impact statement from TAX (HB1719ER)

### **HB 1720 Flag at half staff or mast; public safety personnel.**

*Patrons:* Anderson, Cole, Greason, Hugo, Landes, Morefield and Peace; Senators: Carrico, Peake and Reeves

An Act to amend and reenact § 18.2-488.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to flag at half staff or mast; public safety personnel.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Flag at half staff or mast; public safety personnel.** Expands the category of flags required to be flown at half staff or mast when a service member, police officer, firefighter, or emergency medical services provider is killed in the line of duty to include flags flown at any building owned and operated by any political subdivision of the Commonwealth.

02/20/17 House: Placed on Calendar  
02/20/17 House: Senate amendment agreed to by House (95-Y 0-N)

02/20/17 House: VOTE: ADOPTION (95-Y 0-N)  
02/23/17 House: Enrolled  
02/23/17 House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB1720ER)

**HB 1728 Air transportation services providers; VDH to review rules for use in medical situations.**

*Patrons:* Ransone and Orrock

An Act to require the Department of Health to review the rules governing dispatch and use of air transportation services providers in emergency medical situations.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Department of Health; review rules governing dispatch and use of air transportation services providers in emergency medical situations.** Directs the Department of Health to convene a work group to review the rules governing use of air transportation services, also known as air ambulances, in emergency medical situations and protocols for the dispatch of air transportation services in response to emergency medical situations and to provide recommendations for changes to such rules or protocols. The Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2017.

02/15/17 House: Impact statement from VDH (HB1728ER)  
02/15/17 House: Signed by Speaker  
02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President  
02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17  
02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017

**HB 1739 Civil immunity; emergency services and communications.**

*Patron:* Minchew

A BILL to amend and reenact § 8.01-225 of the Code of Virginia, relating to civil immunity; emergency services and communications.

17102472D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Civil immunity; emergency services and communications.** Extends immunity from civil liability to persons involved in providing, operating, or maintaining services or equipment used for emergency assistance, unless the act or omission that gave rise to the injury is a result of such person's gross negligence or willful misconduct. Under current law, such immunity is limited to persons who are communications services providers, a term defined in Title 58.1.

01/08/17 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17102472D  
01/08/17 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/13/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Civil Law  
01/25/17 House: Subcommittee recommends striking from docket  
02/07/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

### **HB 1747 Advance medical directives; person authorized to provide assistance in completing.**

*Patron:* O'Bannon

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 54.1-2982 and 54.1-2988 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-2988.1 and by adding in Article 8 of Chapter 29 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-2993.1, relating to advance directives; persons authorized to provide assistance in completing.

17104443D

*Summary as passed House:*

**Advance medical directives; person authorized to provide assistance in completing.** Defines "qualified advance directive facilitator" as a person who has successfully completed a training program approved by the Department of Health for providing assistance in completing and executing a written advance directive; establishes requirements for training programs for qualified advance directive facilitators; and provides that distribution of a form for an advance directive that meets the requirements of § 54.1-2984 and the provision of ministerial assistance to a person with regard to the completion or execution of such form shall not constitute the unauthorized practice of law.

02/21/17 Senate: Senators: Dunnavant, Barker, Black  
02/23/17 Conference: Amended by conference committee  
02/23/17 House: Conference report agreed to by House (99-Y 0-N)  
02/23/17 House: VOTE: ADOPTION (99-Y 0-N)  
02/24/17 Senate: Conference report agreed to by Senate (40-Y 0-N)

### **HB 1750 Dispensing of naloxone; patient-specific order not required.**

*Patron:* O'Bannon

An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to dispensing of naloxone; patient-specific order not required.

*Summary as introduced:*

**Dispensing of naloxone; patient-specific order not required.** Provides that a pharmacist may dispense naloxone in the absence of a patient-specific prescription pursuant to a standing order issued by the Commissioner of Health authorizing the dispensing of naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal in the absence of an oral or written order for a specific

patient issued by a prescriber and in accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health.

02/15/17 House: Impact statement from VDH (HB1750ER)

02/15/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17

02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017

### **HB 1763 Special license plates; highway safety.**

*Patrons:* Greason, Anderson, Villanueva and LaRock

An Act to authorize the issuance of special license plates for supporters of highway safety.

*Summary as introduced:*

**Special license plates; highway safety.** Authorizes the issuance of special license plates for supporters of highway safety, including awareness of distracted driving. The bill exempts the plate from the requirement to obtain 450 prepaid applications prior to issuance and from the provision that prohibits issuance of additional plates in the series if, after five or more years after issuance, the plate has fewer than 200 active sets of plates. Additionally, the plate shall be subject only to a one-time fee of \$10 at the time the plates are issued, in addition to the prescribed cost of state license plates.

02/17/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1763ER)

02/17/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/20/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/21/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/21/17

02/21/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, March 27, 2017

### **HB 1785 Emergency vehicles, privately owned volunteer; exemptions and requirements.**

*Patrons:* Bell, Robert B. and Rasoul

An Act to amend and reenact § 46.2-1024 of the Code of Virginia, relating to warning lights on privately owned volunteer emergency vehicles; requirements.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Warning lights on privately owned volunteer emergency vehicles.** Clarifies that the current limit of no more than two flashing or steady-burning red or red and white combination warning lights applies to light units rather than individual lights on a vehicle owned by a member of a fire department, volunteer fire company, or volunteer EMS agency or a police chaplain.

02/15/17 House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB1785ER)  
02/15/17 House: Signed by Speaker  
02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President  
02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17  
02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017

**HB 1789 Emergency vehicles, privately owned volunteer; requirement for flashing lights and sirens.**

*Patrons:* Rasoul, Boysko, Kory, Plum and Simon

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-1024 and 46.2-1061 of the Code of Virginia, relating to flashing lights and sirens on privately owned volunteer emergency vehicles; requirements.

17100975D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Flashing lights and sirens on privately owned volunteer emergency vehicles; requirements.** Eliminates the current limit of no more than two flashing or steady-burning red or red and white warning lights that any member of a fire department, volunteer fire company, or volunteer emergency medical services agency and any police chaplain may utilize on one vehicle owned by him. The bill requires that such vehicles be equipped with a siren, exhaust whistle, or air horn designed to give automatically intermittent signals.

01/09/17 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17100975D  
01/09/17 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation  
01/13/17 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #1  
02/07/17 House: Left in Transportation

**HB 1829 Teacher licensure; certification or training in emergency first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation.**

*Patron:* Dudenhefer

An Act to amend and reenact § 22.1-298.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to teacher licensure; certification or training in emergency first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and the use of automated external defibrillators; hands-on practice.

*Summary as introduced:*

**Teacher licensure; certification or training in emergency first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and the use of automated external defibrillators; hands-on practice.** Specifies that the certification or training in emergency first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and the use of automated external defibrillators that is required of every person seeking initial licensure or renewal of a license as a teacher shall include hands-on practice of the skills necessary to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

02/20/17 Senate: Read third time  
02/20/17 Senate: Passed Senate (39-Y 1-N)  
02/23/17 House: Enrolled  
02/23/17 House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB1829ER)  
02/23/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1829ER)

### **HB 1862 Driver's license; suspension for nonpayment of fines or costs.**

*Patron:* Lopez

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-354, 46.2-301, 46.2-395, 46.2-416, and 46.2-1200.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of license for failure or refusal to pay fines or costs.

17102798D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs.** Removes the requirement that a court suspend the driver's license of a person convicted of any violation of the law who fails or refuses to provide for immediate payment of fines or costs. The bill allows a court, after 90 days of nonpayment where the court finds the nonpayment was not an intentional refusal to obey the sentence of the court, to provide additional time for payment, reduce the amount of each payment installment, assign community service in lieu of payment, or waive the unpaid portion in whole or in part. Upon a finding that the nonpayment was an intentional refusal to obey the sentence of the court, a court may suspend the defendant's driver's license until payment in full or until the defendant enters into a payment plan.

01/10/17 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17102798D  
01/10/17 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice  
01/13/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law  
01/25/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table  
02/07/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

### **HB 1878 Suspension of license; person legally adjudged incompetent.**

*Patrons:* Pogge and Hope

An Act to amend and reenact § 46.2-400 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal § 46.2-314 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of license of person not competent to drive; notice.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Suspension of license of person legally adjudged incapacitated and not competent to drive; notice to DMV Commissioner.** Clarifies the roles of the courts and the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles with regard to persons previously legally adjudged incapacitated and not competent to drive or whose license has been suspended following discharge from a facility operated or licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental

Services. The bill provides that under all such circumstances, the Department reserves the right to examine any licensed driver, any person applying for a driver's license or renewal thereof, or any person whose license has been suspended or revoked to determine his fitness to drive a motor vehicle with safety to persons and property. The bill contains an emergency clause.

#### EMERGENCY

02/15/17 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1878ER)

02/15/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17

02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017

### **HB 2049 Driver's license; suspension of license for nonpayment of fines and court costs.**

*Patrons:* Krizek, Aird, Bagby and Price

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 18.2-251, 46.2-395, 46.2-410.1, and 46.2-1200.1 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal §§ 18.2-259.1 and 46.2-390.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to driver's license suspensions for certain non-driving related offenses.

17102796D

#### *Summary as introduced:*

**Driver's license suspensions for certain non-driving related offenses.** Removes the existing provision that a person's driver's license is suspended (i) when he is convicted of or placed on deferred disposition for a drug offense and (ii) for violations not pertaining to the operator or operation of a motor vehicle. The provisions of this bill that affect the Code of Virginia have a delayed effective date of September 1, 2017.

01/10/17 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17102796D

01/10/17 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/16/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law

01/25/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

02/07/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

### **HB 2153 Durable Do Not Resuscitate Orders; reciprocity.**

*Patrons:* Rasoul, Simon, James and O'Bannon

An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-2987.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Durable Do Not Resuscitate Orders; reciprocity.

#### *Summary as introduced:*

**Durable Do Not Resuscitate Orders; reciprocity.** Provides that a Durable Do Not Resuscitate

order or other order regarding life-sustaining treatment executed in accordance with the laws of another state in which such order was executed shall be deemed to be valid and shall be given full effect in the Commonwealth.

02/15/17 House: Impact statement from VDH (HB2153ER)

02/15/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17

02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017

### **HB 2300 Health, Department of; frequency of inspections.**

*Patron:* O'Bannon

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 32.1-111.7, 32.1-125.1, 32.1-126, 32.1-162.4, 32.1-162.10, and 35.1-22 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Department of Health; frequency of inspections.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Department of Health; frequency of inspections.** Provides that in cases in which inspections of emergency medical services agencies and vehicles, hospitals, hospices, home care organizations, restaurants, summer camps, campgrounds, and hotels are required, no licensee shall receive additional inspections until every other licensee in that category has been inspected unless the additional inspection is (i) necessary to follow up on a preoperational inspection or one or more violations, (ii) required by a uniformly applied risk-based schedule established by the Department of Health, (iii) necessary to investigate a complaint, or (iv) otherwise deemed necessary to protect the public health and safety.

02/20/17 Senate: Reconsideration of Senate passage agreed to by Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/20/17 Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/23/17 House: Enrolled

02/23/17 House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB2300ER)

02/23/17 House: Impact statement from VDH (HB2300ER)

### **HB 2317 Harm reduction programs; public health emergency, etc.**

*Patron:* O'Bannon

An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-3467 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 32.1-45.4, relating to harm reduction programs; public health emergency; dispensing and distributing needles and syringes.

*Summary as passed House:*

**Comprehensive harm reduction program; public health emergency.** Authorizes the Commissioner of Health (the Commissioner) to establish and operate local or regional

comprehensive harm reduction programs during a declared public health emergency that include the provision of sterile and disposal of used hypodermic needles and syringes. The objectives of the programs are to reduce the spread of HIV, viral hepatitis, and other blood-borne diseases in Virginia, to reduce the transmission of blood-borne diseases through needlestick injuries to law-enforcement and other emergency personnel, and to provide information to individuals who inject drugs regarding addiction recovery treatment services. The programs will be located in at-risk communities, in accordance with criteria established by the Department of Health. The bill requires the Commissioner to establish standards and protocols for the comprehensive harm reduction programs and requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Public Safety to approve such standards and protocols.

The bill also provides that the Commissioner may authorize persons who are not otherwise authorized by law to dispense or distribute hypodermic needles and syringes to do so as part of a comprehensive harm reduction program during a declared public health emergency.

The bill requires the Department of Health to submit, to the Governor and to the General Assembly, a progress report concerning any such program established under this bill by October 1, 2018, and a report evaluating the effectiveness of any such program by October 1, 2019. The bill has an expiration date of July 1, 2020.

02/15/17 House: Impact statement from VDH (HB2317ER)

02/15/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/17/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/17/17

02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017

### **HJ 687 Commending the Rappahannock Emergency Medical Services Council.**

*Patrons:* Cole, Bell, John J., Boysko, Byron, Carr, Dudenhefer, Fariss, Freitas, Heretick, Herring, Hester, Hope, Krizek, Lindsey, Mullin, O'Bannon, Orrock, Plum, Rasoul, Simon, Ware, Watts and Webert; *Senators:* McPike, Reeves, Spruill and Vogel

Commending the Rappahannock Emergency Medical Services Council.

17103422D

*Summary as introduced:*

### **Commending the Rappahannock Emergency Medical Services Council.**

01/13/17 House: Engrossed by House

01/13/17 House: Agreed to by House by voice vote

01/16/17 Senate: Received

01/16/17 Senate: Laid on Clerk's Desk

01/19/17 Senate: Agreed to by Senate by voice vote

### **HJ 732 Commending the Sterling Volunteer Fire Company.**

*Patrons:* Bell, John J., Boysko, Murphy and Minchew

Commending the Sterling Volunteer Fire Company.

17102506D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Commending the Sterling Volunteer Fire Company.**

01/20/17 House: Engrossed by House

01/20/17 House: Agreed to by House by voice vote

01/23/17 Senate: Received

01/23/17 Senate: Laid on Clerk's Desk

01/26/17 Senate: Agreed to by Senate by voice vote

**SB 790 Crimes against law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and other emergency personnel; penalty.**

*Patron:* Cosgrove

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 18.2-31, 18.2-51.1, and 18.2-57 of the Code of Virginia, relating to crimes against law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and other emergency personnel; penalty.

17100181D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Crimes against law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and other emergency personnel; penalty.** Eliminates, for the crime of capital murder of a law-enforcement officer or fire marshal, the element that the killing must be committed for the purpose of interfering with the performance of the victim's official duties for the defendant to be guilty of the crime. For the crimes of (i) malicious or unlawful wounding of a law-enforcement officer, firefighter, search and rescue personnel, or emergency medical services personnel and (ii) assault or assault and battery of a judge, magistrate, law-enforcement officer, correctional officer, firefighter, emergency medical services personnel, or certain other employees of custodial facilities, the bill eliminates the element that the victim must be engaged in the performance of his public duties for the defendant to be guilty of such crimes.

08/31/16 Senate: Impact statement from VCSC (SB790)

01/16/17 Senate: Reported from Courts of Justice (12-Y 0-N)

01/16/17 Senate: Rereferred to Finance

01/30/17 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB790)

01/31/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Finance (16-Y 0-N)

**SB 805 Vehicle registration fees; funds for Department of State Police.**

*Patron:* Carrico

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-686 and 46.2-694, as it is currently effective and as it may become effective, of the Code of Virginia, relating to vehicle registration fees; funds for Department of State Police.

17100646D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Vehicle registration fees; funds for Department of State Police.** Raises the vehicle registration fee by \$1.25 on each July 1 from 2017 through 2026 and allocates the funds to the Department of State Police.

10/14/16 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/18/17 Senate: Rereferred from Transportation (13-Y 0-N)

01/18/17 Senate: Rereferred to Finance

01/23/17 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB805)

01/25/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Finance (16-Y 0-N)

### **SB 848 Naloxone; dispensing for use in opioid overdose reversal, etc.**

*Patrons:* Wexton, Chase, Dunnivant and McClellan; *Delegates:* Bell, John J., Boysko and Kory

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 8.01-225 and 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to dispensing of naloxone.

*Summary as passed Senate:*

**Dispensing of naloxone.** Allows a person who is authorized by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to train individuals on the administration of naloxone for use in opioid overdose reversal and who is acting on behalf of an organization that provides services to individuals at risk of experiencing opioid overdose or training in the administration of naloxone for overdose reversal and that has obtained a controlled substances registration from the Board of Pharmacy pursuant to § 54.1-3423 to dispense naloxone to a person who has completed a training program on the administration of naloxone for opioid overdose reversal, provided that such dispensing is (i) pursuant to a standing order issued by a prescriber, (ii) in accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health, and (iii) without charge or compensation. The bill also provides that dispensing may occur at a site other than that of the controlled substance registration, provided that the entity possessing the controlled substance registration maintains records in accordance with regulations of the Board of Pharmacy. The bill further provides that a person who dispenses naloxone shall not be liable for civil damages of ordinary negligence for acts or omissions resulting from the rendering of such treatment if he acts in good faith and that a person to whom naloxone has been dispensed pursuant to the provisions of the bill may possess naloxone and may administer naloxone to a person who is believed to be experiencing or about

to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose. The bill contains an emergency clause. This bill is identical to HB 1453.

#### EMERGENCY

02/14/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/15/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/15/17 Senate: Enrolled Bill Communicated to Governor on 2/15/17

02/15/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 22, 2017

02/20/17 Governor: Approved by Governor-Chapter 55 (effective 2/20/17)

#### **SB 867 Lien against person whose negligence causes injury; emergency medical services agency.**

*Patron:* Stuart

A BILL to amend and reenact § 8.01-66.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to lien against person whose negligence causes injury; emergency medical services providers or agencies.

17101129D

*Summary as introduced:*

#### **Lien against person whose negligence causes injury; emergency medical services agency.**

Clarifies that whenever any person sustains personal injuries caused by the alleged negligence of another and receives emergency medical services and transportation provided by an emergency medical services vehicle, the emergency medical services provider or agency shall have a lien for the amount of a just and reasonable charge for the services rendered, not to exceed \$200 for each emergency medical services provider or agency, on the claim of such injured person or of his personal representative against the person, firm, or corporation whose negligence is alleged to have caused such injuries.

02/20/17 House: Reported from Courts of Justice (21-Y 0-N)

02/21/17 House: Read second time

02/22/17 House: Read third time

02/22/17 House: Passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

02/22/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (100-Y 0-N)

#### **SB 873 Authority of fire chief over unmanned aircraft systems at a fire, etc.; civil liability.**

*Patron:* Marsden

A BILL to amend and reenact § 27-15.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the authority of a fire chief over unmanned aircraft at a fire, explosion, or other hazardous situation.

17104285D

*Summary as passed:*

**Authority of fire chief over unmanned aircraft systems at a fire, explosion, or other hazardous situation.** Includes immediate airspace under the current authority of the fire chief or other officer in charge at fires, explosions, or other hazardous to maintain order at the incident.

02/22/17 House: Committee amendment agreed to  
02/22/17 House: Engrossed by House as amended  
02/22/17 House: Passed House with amendment BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)  
02/22/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (100-Y 0-N)  
02/23/17 Senate: House amendment agreed to by Senate (40-Y 0-N)

**SB 888 Civil immunity; emergency services and communications.**

*Patron:* Chafin

A BILL to amend and reenact § 8.01-225 of the Code of Virginia, relating to civil immunity; emergency services and communications.

17101052D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Civil immunity; emergency services and communications.** Extends immunity from civil liability to persons involved in providing, operating, or maintaining services or equipment used for emergency assistance, unless the act or omission that gave rise to the injury is a result of such person's gross negligence or willful misconduct. Under current law, such immunity is limited to persons who are communications services providers, a term defined in Title 58.1.

12/20/16 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17101052D  
12/20/16 Senate: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice  
01/30/17 Senate: Stricken at the request of Patron in Courts of Justice (14-Y 0-N)

**SB 896 Volunteer Firefighters' and Rescue Squad Workers' Service Award Fund Board; meetings.**

*Patron:* Ruff

An Act to amend and reenact § 51.1-1201 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Volunteer Firefighters' and Rescue Squad Workers' Service Award Fund Board; meetings.

*Summary as introduced:*

**Volunteer Firefighters' and Rescue Squad Workers' Service Award Fund Board; meetings.** Requires the Volunteer Firefighters' and Rescue Squad Workers' Service Award Fund Board to meet at least annually. Current law requires the Board to meet at least quarterly.

02/16/17 House: Signed by Speaker  
02/17/17 Senate: Signed by President  
02/17/17 Senate: Impact statement from VRS (SB896ER)  
02/17/17 Senate: Enrolled Bill Communicated to Governor on 2/17/17  
02/17/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 24, 2017

**SB 980 Statewide Fire Prevention Code; State Fire Marshal; consumer fireworks; penalties.**

*Patron:* Stanley

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 18.2-85, 27-34.4, 27-95, 27-96.1, and 27-97 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 27-6.03 and by adding in Chapter 17 of Title 58.1 an article numbered 11, consisting of sections numbered 58.1-1743, 58.1-1744, and 58.1-1745, relating to the Statewide Fire Prevention Code; State Fire Marshal; consumer fireworks; penalties.

17100688D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Statewide Fire Prevention Code; State Fire Marshal; consumer fireworks; penalties.**

Authorizes the use of consumer fireworks in the Commonwealth and distinguishes by definition consumer fireworks from display fireworks and permissible fireworks. The bill defines "consumer fireworks" as small fireworks devices (i) containing restricted amounts of pyrotechnic composition designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion and (ii) complying with certain federal regulations regarding composition and labeling. The bill also provides that the storage and transportation of consumer fireworks are to be considered the same hazard class as the storage and transportation of 1.4G explosives under the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (SFPC) and Uniform Statewide Building Code. The bill excludes from the provisions of the SFPC, unless prohibited by a local ordinance, (a) the sale of permissible or consumer fireworks; (b) any person using, igniting, or exploding permissible or consumer fireworks on residential or agricultural property with the consent of the owner of such property; or (c) such permissible or consumer fireworks when they are being transported from a locality where they were legally obtained to a locality where they are legally permitted. Current law only excludes sale of permissible fireworks or the use of such fireworks on private property. The bill also creates a 12 percent tax on the purchase of all consumer fireworks to be paid to the locality in which the tax was collected for the support of fire and rescue services. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2018. The bill contains technical amendments.

01/03/17 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17100688D  
01/03/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology  
01/12/17 Senate: Impact statement from VCSC (SB980)  
01/23/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in General Laws and Technology (10-Y 5-N)

**SB 1003 Wireless E-911 Fund; distribution percentages.**

*Patron:* Ebbin

An Act to amend and reenact § 56-484.17 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Wireless E-911 Fund; distribution percentages.

*Summary as passed:*

**Wireless E-911 Fund; distribution percentages.** Postpones from July 1, 2017, to July 1, 2018, the date by which the Department of Taxation is required to conduct its first recalculation of the percentage of funds in the Wireless E-911 Fund that is required to be distributed to each public safety answering point (PSAP). The recalculation is required to be based on the cost and call load data of each PSAP for the previous five fiscal years. This bill is identical to HB 1719.

02/13/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/14/17 Senate: Enrolled Bill Communicated to Governor on 2/14/17

02/14/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 21, 2017

02/16/17 Senate: Impact statement from TAX (SB1003ER)

02/17/17 Governor: Approved by Governor-Chapter 22 (effective 7/1/17)

**SB 1031 Naloxone or other opioid antagonist; possession and administration.**

*Patrons:* Marsden and McClellan

An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the administering of naloxone.

*Summary as passed Senate:*

**Possession and administration of naloxone.** Adds employees of the Department of Forensic Science, employees of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, and employees of the Department of General Services Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services to the list of individuals who may possess and administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist, provided that they have completed a training program. The bill contains an emergency clause. This bill is identical to HB 1642.

**EMERGENCY**

02/07/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/07/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/08/17 Senate: Enrolled Bill Communicated to Governor on 2/8/17

02/08/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, February 15, 2017

02/13/17 Governor: Approved by Governor-Chapter 3 (effective 2/13/17)

**SB 1064 Mental health awareness training; law enforcement officers, firefighters, etc.**

*Patrons:* Deeds, Ebbin and McClellan

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 9.1-102 and 32.1-111.4 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 27 a section numbered 27-23.11, relating to mental health awareness training; law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.

17104652D

*Summary as passed Senate:*

**Mental health awareness training; law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.** Requires the Department of Criminal Justice Services to develop compulsory training standards for law-enforcement officers regarding mental health awareness. The bill also emergency medical services personnel, and firefighters other than volunteer firefighters to participate in a mental health awareness program created or certified by the Mental Health Work Group, established in the Department of Fire Programs.

02/03/17 House: Read first time

02/03/17 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

02/07/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Mental Health

02/08/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

02/21/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

**SB 1118 Line of Duty Act; Act includes firefighter trainees.**

*Patrons:* McPike and Ebbin

A BILL to amend and reenact § 9.1-400, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, of the Code of Virginia, relating to Line of Duty Act; firefighter trainees.

17102238D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Line of Duty Act; firefighter trainees.** Includes a person with a recognized membership status with a fire company or department who is enrolled in a Fire Service Training course offered by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs or required to become a certified firefighter under the Line of Duty Act.

02/20/17 House: Reported from Appropriations (21-Y 0-N)

02/21/17 House: Read second time

02/22/17 House: Read third time

02/22/17 House: Passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

02/22/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (100-Y 0-N)

**SB 1120 Workers' compensation; volunteer firemen and emergency medical services personnel.**

*Patron:* McPike

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-101 and 65.2-102 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; coverage for volunteer firemen and emergency medical services personnel.

17102241D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Workers' compensation; volunteer firemen and emergency medical services personnel.**

Provides that for the purposes of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act volunteer firemen and emergency medical services personnel shall be deemed employees of the political subdivision or state institution of higher education in which the principal office of the volunteer fire company or volunteer emergency medical services agency is located. The measure repeals the existing provision that volunteer firemen and emergency medical services personnel shall be deemed the employees of the political subdivision or state institution of higher education if its governing body has adopted a resolution acknowledging those persons as employees. The measure also repeals the provision that volunteer firemen and emergency medical services personnel shall be deemed the employees of the volunteer fire company or volunteer emergency medical services agency if the company or agency elects to be included and maintains coverage as an employer under the Act.

01/09/17 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17102241D

01/09/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

01/22/17 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1120)

01/30/17 Senate: Committee substitute printed to LIS only 17104619D-S1

01/30/17 Senate: Failed to report (defeated) in Commerce and Labor (5-Y 9-N)

**SB 1198 Operators of emergency vehicles; completion of Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course.**

*Patrons:* DeSteph, Mason and Spruill; Delegate: Knight

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 27-9 and 27-14 of the Code of Virginia, relating to operators of emergency vehicles; Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course.

17103587D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Operators of emergency vehicles; Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course.** Requires that ordinances relating to the powers and duties of fire departments and fire companies and regulations made by fire companies contain the requirement that a member of a fire department or fire company who operates an emergency vehicle possess a valid motor vehicle operator's

permit and complete an approved Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course or equivalent training course recognized by the Department of Fire Programs or the Office of Emergency Medical Services. The bill requires such operators of emergency vehicles prior to July 1, 2017, to successfully complete such a course no later than July 1, 2020.

02/08/17 House: Read first time

02/08/17 House: Referred to Committee on General Laws

02/10/17 House: Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #1

02/14/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

02/21/17 House: Left in General Laws

### **SB 1242 Advance directives; persons authorized to provide assistance in completing, training programs.**

*Patron:* Dunnavant

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 54.1-2982 and 54.1-2988 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-2988.1 and by adding in Article 8 of Chapter 29 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-2993.1, relating to advance directives; persons authorized to provide assistance in completing.

*Summary as passed:*

**Qualified advance directive facilitators.** Defines "qualified advance directive facilitator" as a person who has successfully completed a training program approved by the Department of Health for providing assistance in completing and executing a written advance directive; establishes requirements for training programs for qualified advance directive facilitators; and provides that distribution of a form for an advance directive that meets the requirements of § 54.1-2984 and the provision of ministerial assistance to a person with regard to the completion or execution of such form shall not constitute the unauthorized practice of law.

02/20/17 Senate: Impact statement from VDH (SB1242ER)

02/20/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/21/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/21/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/21/17

02/21/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, March 27, 2017

### **SB 1244 Glucagon; administration by emergency medical services providers.**

*Patron:* Dunnavant

A BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to glucagon; administration by emergency medical services providers.

17102786D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Glucagon; administration by emergency medical services providers.** Authorizes emergency medical services providers who are certified and authorized to administer drugs and devices and who hold an advanced life support certificate or basic life support certificate issued by the Commissioner of Health to possess and administer glucagon for the emergency treatment of hypoglycemia in accordance with existing protocols.

01/10/17 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17102786D

01/10/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

01/19/17 Senate: Impact statement from VDH (SB1244)

01/23/17 Senate: Assigned Education sub: Health Professions

01/26/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Education and Health with letter (15-Y 0-N)

**SB 1280 Driver's license; suspension for nonpayment of fines or costs.**

*Patron:* Ebbin

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-395 and 46.2-416 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of license for failure or refusal to pay fines or costs.

17104799D

*Summary as passed Senate:*

**Suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs.** Extends the timeframe for which a person who is convicted of any violation of the law of the Commonwealth or of the United States or of any valid local ordinance may pay any fine, costs, forfeitures, restitution, or penalty lawfully assessed against him to 90 days before a Court shall suspend the person's privilege to drive a motor vehicle on the highways in the Commonwealth. Under current law, a person only has 30 days before a Court shall suspend such privilege.

02/03/17 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

02/08/17 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal Law

02/09/17 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1280S1)

02/15/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table

02/21/17 House: Left in Courts of Justice

**SB 1330 Critical incident stress management team; peer support team privileged communications.**

*Patron:* Carrico

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-271.4 and 32.1-111.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to critical incident stress management teams and privileged communications of critical stress management teams.

17105059D

*Summary as passed Senate:*

**Critical incident stress management team and critical stress management team privileged communications.** Provides that certain communications regarding a critical incident to a "peer support team" member are included in the critical incident stress management team privilege. Under current law, the privilege only applies to members of a critical incident stress management team. The bill also defines a critical incident an incident in which a person employed as an emergency medical services or public safety employee experiences a serious bodily injury or loss of consciousness or witnesses the death, serious bodily injury, or loss of consciousness of another person. The bill also specifies that a peer support team shall be headed by a Virginia-licensed clinical psychologist, Virginia-licensed psychiatrist, Virginia-licensed clinical social worker, or Virginia-licensed professional counselor with at least five years of experience as a mental health consultant who works directly with emergency medical services personnel or public safety personnel to meet the accreditation standards.

02/22/17 House: Committee amendment agreed to

02/22/17 House: Engrossed by House as amended

02/22/17 House: Passed House with amendment BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

02/22/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (100-Y 0-N)

02/23/17 Senate: House amendment agreed to by Senate (40-Y 0-N)

**SB 1365 Statewide Fire Prevention Code; authority of Va. Fire Services Bd., fees for school inspections.**

*Patron:* Edwards

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 9.1-203, 27-97, 27-98, 36-118, 36-119.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Statewide Fire Prevention Code; authority of the Virginia Fire Services Board; fees for school inspections.

17101238D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Statewide Fire Prevention Code; authority of the Virginia Fire Services Board; fees for school inspections.** Transfers primary authority for the adoption of the Statewide Fire Prevention Code from the Board of Housing and Community Development to the Virginia Fire Services Board. The bill also removes the prohibition against the State Fire Marshal's charging fees for school inspections. The bill contains technical amendments.

01/11/17 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17101238D

01/11/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

01/30/17 Senate: Committee amendments

01/30/17 Senate: Failed to report (defeated) in General Laws and Technology (5-Y 10-N)

**SB 1411 Statewide Fire Prevention Code; authorizes use of consumer fireworks, penalties.**

*Patron:* Suetterlein

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 18.2-85, 27-34.4, 27-95, 27-96.1, and 27-97 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Statewide Fire Prevention Code; State Fire Marshal; consumer fireworks; penalties.

17102877D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Statewide Fire Prevention Code; State Fire Marshal; consumer fireworks; penalties.**

Authorizes the use of consumer fireworks in the Commonwealth and distinguishes by definition consumer fireworks from display fireworks and permissible fireworks. The bill defines "consumer fireworks" as small fireworks devices (i) containing restricted amounts of pyrotechnic composition designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion and (ii) complying with certain federal regulations regarding composition and labeling. The bill also provides that the storage and transportation of consumer fireworks are to be considered the same hazard class as the storage and transportation of 1.4G explosives under the Statewide Fire Prevention Code (SFPC) and Uniform Statewide Building Code. The bill excludes from the provisions of the SFPC, unless prohibited by a local ordinance, (a) the sale of permissible or consumer fireworks; (b) any person using, igniting, or exploding permissible or consumer fireworks on residential or agricultural property with the consent of the owner of such property; or (c) such permissible or consumer fireworks when they are being transported from a locality where they were legally obtained to a locality where they are legally permitted. Current law only excludes sale of permissible fireworks or the use of such fireworks on private property. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2018. The bill contains technical amendments.

01/11/17 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/11/17 17102877D

01/11/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

01/13/17 Senate: Impact statement from VCSC (SB1411)

01/23/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in General Laws and Technology (9-Y 6-N)

**SB 1511 Advance directives; admission of person for mental health treatment, capacity determinations.**

*Patron:* Deeds

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 54.1-2983.2 and 54.1-2986.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to advance directives.

*Summary as passed:*

**Advance directives; mental health treatment; capacity determinations.** Provides that in cases in which a person has executed an advance directive granting an agent the authority to consent to

the person's admission to a facility for mental health treatment and the advance directive so authorizes, the person's agent may exercise such authority after a determination that the person is incapable of making an informed decision regarding such admission has been made by (i) the attending physician, (ii) a psychiatrist or licensed clinical psychologist, (iii) a licensed psychiatric nurse practitioner, (iv) a licensed clinical social worker, or (v) a designee of the local community services board as defined in § 37.2-809. The bill also provides that a person's agent may make a health care decision over the protest of the person if, in addition to other factors, at the time the advance directive was made, a licensed physician, licensed clinical psychologist, licensed physician assistant, licensed nurse practitioner, licensed professional counselor, or licensed clinical social worker who is familiar with the person attested in writing that the person was capable of making an informed decision and understood the consequences of the provision. This bill is identical to HB 1548.

02/20/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/21/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/21/17 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1511ER)

02/21/17 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on 2/21/17

02/21/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, March 27, 2017

### **SB 1557 Community health workers; VDH to establish work group to examine risks, etc.**

*Patron:* Barker

A BILL to direct the Department of Health to establish a work group of interested stakeholders to examine the risks and benefits of having community health workers in the Commonwealth.

17104205D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Department of Health Professions; community health workers.** Directs the Department of Health to establish a work group of interested stakeholders to examine the risks and benefits of having community health workers in the Commonwealth. The bill directs the Department to submit a report on the work group's findings and recommendations to the Governor and Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees by October 15, 2017.

01/20/17 Senate: Presented and ordered printed 17104205D

01/20/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules

01/26/17 Senate: Impact statement from VDH (SB1557)

02/02/17 Senate: Committee amendments

02/02/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Rules (11-Y 3-N)

### **SB 1561 Emergency Department Care Coordination Program; established.**

*Patron:* Dunnivant

An Act to amend and reenact § 2.2-3705.5 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Title 32.1 a chapter numbered 19, consisting of a section numbered 32.1-372, relating to Emergency Department Care Coordination Program.

*Summary as passed:*

**Emergency Department Care Coordination Program established.** Establishes the Emergency Department Care Coordination Program in the Department of Health to provide a single, statewide technology solution that connects all hospital emergency departments in the Commonwealth to facilitate real-time communication and collaboration between physicians, other health care providers, and other clinical and care management personnel for patients receiving services in hospital emergency departments, for the purpose of improving the quality of patient care services. The bill shall not become effective unless and until the Commonwealth receive federal HITECH funds to implement its provisions.

02/22/17 Senate: Impact statement from VDH (SB1561ER)

02/22/17 Senate: Signed by President

02/22/17 House: Signed by Speaker

02/23/17 Senate: Enrolled Bill Communicated to Governor on 2/23/17

02/23/17 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline Midnight, March 27, 2017

#### **SJ 244 Commending the Sterling Volunteer Fire Company.**

*Patrons:* Favola, McPike and Wexton; *Delegate:* Murphy

Commending the Sterling Volunteer Fire Company.

17100567D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Commending the Sterling Volunteer Fire Company.**

01/12/17 Senate: Engrossed by Senate

01/12/17 Senate: Agreed to by Senate by voice vote

01/13/17 House: Received

01/13/17 House: Laid on Speaker's table

01/20/17 House: Agreed to by House by voice vote

#### **SJ 308 Governor; confirming appointments.**

*Patron:* Vogel

Confirming appointments by the Governor of certain persons communicated August 1, 2016.

17100273D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Confirming Governor's appointments of certain persons.** Confirms appointments of certain persons made by Governor McAuliffe and communicated to the General Assembly on August 1, 2016.

02/08/17 House: VOTE: ADOPTION (65-Y 34-N)

02/08/17 House: Engrossed by House as amended

02/08/17 House: Agreed to by House with amendment (87-Y 10-N)

02/08/17 House: VOTE: ADOPTION (87-Y 10-N)

02/10/17 Senate: House amendment agreed to by Senate (37-Y 2-N)

### **SJ 310 Governor; confirming appointments.**

*Patron:* Vogel

Confirming appointments by the Governor of certain persons communicated December 1, 2016.

17101995D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Confirming Governor's appointments of certain persons.** Confirms appointments of certain persons made by Governor McAuliffe and communicated to the General Assembly on December 1, 2016.

02/02/17 House: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

02/07/17 House: Reported from Privileges and Elections (20-Y 0-N)

02/08/17 House: Taken up

02/08/17 House: Agreed to by House (99-Y 0-N)

02/08/17 House: VOTE: ADOPTION (99-Y 0-N)

### **SJ 339 Commending Brett R. Bowman.**

*Patron:* McPike

Commending Brett R. Bowman.

17102225D

*Summary as introduced:*

**Commending Brett R. Bowman.**

01/26/17 Senate: Engrossed by Senate

01/26/17 Senate: Agreed to by Senate by voice vote

01/27/17 House: Received

01/27/17 House: Laid on Speaker's table

02/03/17 House: Agreed to by House by voice vote