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HB 16 Safety belt system; all occupants of motor vehicles to utilize.

Patrons: Krizek, Hope, Kory, McQuinn, Plum, Rasoul, Roem and Samirah

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1094 of the Code of Virginia, relating to safety belt system use in motor vehicles.

Summary as introduced:

Safety belt system use in motor vehicles. Requires all occupants of motor vehicles to utilize a safety belt system. Current law requires the use of safety belts only by (i) occupants under the age of 18, (ii) drivers, and (iii) passengers 18 years of age or older occupying the front seat. The bill changes a violation of safety belt system requirements by a person occupying a front seat from a secondary offense to a primary offense. This bill was incorporated into HB 1414.

11/19/19 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20100628D

11/19/19 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/14/20 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Motor Vehicles

01/27/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1414-Filler-Corn)

HB 17 Driver's license; suspension for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Patrons: Carroll Foy, Samirah and Carter; Senator: McClellan

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-258.1, 19.2-354, 19.2-354.1, 33.2-503, 46.2-301, 46.2-361, 46.2-391.1, 46.2-416, 46.2-819.1, 46.2-819.3, 46.2-819.3:1, 46.2-819.5, and 46.2-1200.1 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal § 46.2-395 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Summary as introduced:

Suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs. Repeals the requirement that 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 be suspended. The bill also removes a provision allowing the court to require a defendant to present a summary prepared by the Department of Motor Vehicles of the other courts in which the defendant also owes fines and costs. The bill requires the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles to return or reinstate any person's driver's license that was suspended prior to July 1, 2020, solely for nonpayment of fines or costs. Such person does not have to pay a reinstatement fee.

11/19/19 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice
01/20/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB17)
01/28/20 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal
01/29/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1196-Lopez)
01/31/20 House: Incorporated by Courts of Justice (HB1196-Lopez)

HB 44 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patron: Brewer

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain cancers.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases. Adds cancers of the colon, brain, or testes to the list of cancers that are presumed to be an occupational disease covered by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act when firefighters or certain employees develop the cancer. The measure removes the compensability requirement that the employee who develops cancer had contact with a toxic substance encountered in the line of duty.

11/21/19 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce
01/14/20 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1
01/20/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB44)
01/21/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB783-Askew)
01/23/20 House: Incorporated by Labor and Commerce (HB783-Askew)

HB 51 Line of Duty Act; eligible dependents.

Patrons: Knight, Bulova, Hope and Murphy

A BILL to amend and reenact § 9.1-400 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Line of Duty Act; coverage for a dependent born after the disability or death of an employee.

Summary as introduced:

Line of Duty Act; eligible dependents. Provides that children born or adopted after the death or disability of an employee covered by the Line of Duty Act are eligible for health insurance coverage if such coverage does not result in a premium increase. Under current law, such children are not eligible regardless of the effect on premiums.

02/03/20 House: Read second time
02/03/20 House: Committee substitute agreed to 20106850D-H1
02/03/20 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB51H1
02/04/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)
02/04/20 House: VOTE: Block Vote Passage (99-Y 0-N)

HB 52 Workers' compensation; occupational disease presumption, emergency medical technicians.

Patron: Knight

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; occupational disease presumptions; hypertension or heart disease.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; occupational disease presumption; emergency medical technicians. Establishes a presumption that hypertension or heart disease causing the death or disability of full-time salaried emergency medical technicians employed by the City of Virginia Beach is an occupational disease compensable under the Workers' Compensation Act.

11/25/19 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101265D

11/25/19 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce

01/14/20 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1

01/20/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB52)

01/21/20 House: Subcommittee recommends striking from docket (6-Y 0-N)

HB 130 Motor vehicle safety inspection program; abolishes the state program.

Patron: McNamara

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 16.1-69.48:1, 17.1-275.7, 46.2-325, 46.2-602, 46.2-602.1, 46.2-602.3, 46.2-602.4, 46.2-694.1, as it is currently effective and as it may become effective, 46.2-730, 46.2-730.1, 46.2-1000, 46.2-1005.1, 46.2-1025, 46.2-1043, 46.2-1048, 46.2-1053, 46.2-1065, 46.2-1072.1, 46.2-1092, 46.2-1150, 46.2-1176, 46.2-1190.2, 46.2-1213, 46.2-1531, 46.2-1539, 46.2-1539.1, 46.2-1600, as it shall become effective, 46.2-1605, 46.2-2099.50, and 63.2-1716 of the Code of Virginia, to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 46.2-1001.2, 46.2-1005.2, 46.2-1060.1, and 46.2-2000.4, and to repeal Article 21 (§§ 46.2-1157 through 46.2-1175.1) of Chapter 10 of Title 46.2 and § 46.2-1540 of the Code of Virginia, relating to motor vehicle safety inspection program.

Summary as introduced:

Motor vehicle safety inspection program. Abolishes the state motor vehicle safety inspection program.

12/17/19 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101215D

12/17/19 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/15/20 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Motor Vehicles

01/27/20 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 0-N)

HB 157 Drivers of vehicles approaching stationary vehicles displaying certain warning lights; duties, etc.

Patron: Fowler

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-861.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to duties of drivers of vehicles approaching stationary vehicles displaying certain warning lights; penalty.

Summary as introduced:

Duties of drivers of vehicles approaching stationary vehicles displaying certain warning lights; penalty. Makes a driver's failure to (i) move into a nonadjacent lane on a highway with at least four lanes when approaching a stationary towing vehicle or incident or traffic management vehicle displaying flashing, blinking, or alternating amber lights or (ii) proceed with due caution and maintain a safe speed when passing such a vehicle reckless driving, which is punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor. Under current law, such offense is a traffic infraction punishable by a fine of not more than \$250, and a failure to so move or proceed with due caution when approaching other such listed vehicles is reckless driving.

01/29/20 House: Reported from Appropriations (16-Y 3-N)

01/31/20 House: Read first time

02/03/20 House: Read second time and engrossed

02/04/20 House: Read third time and passed House (88-Y 11-N)

02/04/20 House: VOTE: Passage (88-Y 11-N)

HB 261 Drivers' license; suspension for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Patron: Lopez

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-354, 19.2-354.1, 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.

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.

12/30/19 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101641D

12/30/19 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/28/20 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal

01/29/20 House: Subcommittee recommends striking from docket (8-Y 0-N)

HB 312 Naloxone or other opioid antagonist; communication of information by Board of Pharmacy.

Patron: Gooditis

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 33 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-3309.1, relating to Board of Pharmacy; communication of information about naloxone.

Summary as introduced:

Board of Pharmacy; information about naloxone. Directs the Board of Pharmacy to include in each annual license renewal communication information about the dispensing, possession, and administration of naloxone or other opioid antagonist, including information about laws governing the dispensing, possession, and administration of naloxone or other opioid antagonist and civil immunity for individuals who administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist to a person believed to be experiencing an opioid overdose.

12/31/19 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101561D

12/31/19 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/13/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB312)

01/28/20 House: Stricken from docket by Health, Welfare and Institutions (22-Y 0-N)

HB 343 Volunteer or nonprofit organizations, certain; donation by locality of in-kind resources.

Patron: Bell

A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-953 of the Code of Virginia, relating to donation by locality of in-kind resources to certain volunteer or nonprofit organizations.

Summary as introduced:

Donation by locality of in-kind resources to certain volunteer or nonprofit organizations. Expands the scope of permitted in-kind donations by a locality to include the provision of in-kind resources for contract management services for capital projects; assistance in preparing requests for information, bids, or proposals; and budgeting services to any association or other organization furnishing voluntary firefighting services or a nonprofit or volunteer emergency medical services agency.

01/22/20 House: Referred from Finance

01/22/20 House: Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

01/29/20 House: Assigned CC & T sub: Charters

01/30/20 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

02/07/20 House: Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns (22-Y 0-N)

HB 377 Handheld personal communications devices; holding devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Patron: Willett

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1078.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Summary as introduced:

Holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle. Prohibits any person from holding a handheld personal communications device while driving a motor vehicle. Current law prohibits (i) the reading of any email or text message and manually entering letters or text in such a device as a means of communicating and (ii) holding a personal communications device while driving in a work zone. The bill expands the exemptions to include handheld personal communications devices that are being held and used (a) as an amateur radio or a citizens band radio or (b) for official Department of Transportation or traffic incident management services. This bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2021. This bill was incorporated into HB 874.

01/02/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20102351D

01/02/20 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/15/20 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Motor Vehicles

01/27/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB874-Bourne)

HB 394 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Director of; position created.

Patrons: Ward and Guzman

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Title 2.2 a chapter numbered 4.2:2, consisting of a section numbered 2.2-435.12, relating to the creation of the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

Summary as introduced:

Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; position created. Establishes the position of Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (the Director), to be appointed by the Governor. The Director is empowered to (i) develop a sustainable framework to promote inclusive practices across state government; (ii) implement a measurable, strategic plan to address systemic inequities in state government practices; and (iii) facilitate methods to turn feedback and suggestions from state employees, external stakeholders, and community leaders into concrete equity policy.

01/30/20 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 2-N)

02/04/20 House: Reported from General Laws (17-Y 5-N)

02/05/20 House: Read first time

02/06/20 House: Read second time and engrossed

02/07/20 House: Read third time and passed House (68-Y 32-N)

HB 429 Toll facilities; free use by teachers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.

Patrons: Scott, Heretick, Ayala, Jenkins, Mugler, Rasoul, Samirah and Simon

A BILL to amend and reenact § 33.2-613 of the Code of Virginia, relating to free use of toll facilities; teachers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.

Summary as introduced:

Free use of toll facilities; teachers, firefighters, and emergency medical services personnel.

Authorizes any teacher employed by a public school district, firefighter, or emergency medical services personnel to use all toll bridges, toll ferries, toll tunnels, and toll roads in the Commonwealth without the payment of toll while traveling between his place of residence and his place of employment.

01/03/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20102004D

01/03/20 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/14/20 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Transportation Systems

01/17/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB429)

01/23/20 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (10-Y 0-N)

HB 438 Workers' compensation; post-traumatic stress disorder, law-enforcement officers and firefighters.

Patrons: Heretick, Askew, Avoli, Ayala, Bagby, Bourne, Brewer, Carroll Foy, Collins, Davis, Delaney, Gooditis, Guy, Guzman, Hope, Kilgore, Knight, Kory, Krizek, Leftwich, Levine, Mugler, Plum, Price, Samirah, Subramanyam, Ward and Willett; Senators: Marsden, Morrissey and Peake

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 1 of Title 65.2 a section numbered 65.2-107, relating to workers' compensation; compensability of post-traumatic stress disorder incurred by a law-enforcement officer or firefighter.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; post-traumatic stress disorder; law-enforcement officers and firefighters. Provides that post-traumatic stress disorder incurred by a law-enforcement officer or firefighter is compensable under the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act if a mental health professional examines a law-enforcement officer or firefighter and diagnoses the individual as suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder as a result of the individual's undergoing a qualifying event, which includes an event occurring in the line of duty on or after July 1, 2020, in which a law-enforcement officer or firefighter views a deceased minor, witnesses the death of a person or an incident involving the death of a person, witnesses an injury to a person who subsequently dies, has physical contact with and treats an injured person who subsequently dies, transports an injured person who subsequently dies, or witnesses a traumatic physical injury that results in the loss of a vital body part or a vital body function that results in permanent disfigurement of the victim. Other conditions for compensability include (i) if the post-traumatic

stress disorder resulted from the law-enforcement officer or firefighter acting in the line of duty and, in the case of a firefighter, such firefighter complied with certain federal Occupational Safety and Health Act standards; (ii) if the law-enforcement officer's or firefighter's undergoing a qualifying event was a substantial factor in causing his post-traumatic stress disorder; (iii) if such qualifying event, and not another event or source of stress, was the primary cause of the post-traumatic stress disorder; and (iv) if the post-traumatic stress disorder did not result from any disciplinary action, work evaluation, job transfer, layoff, demotion, promotion, termination, retirement, or similar action of the officer or firefighter. The measure establishes procedural requirements on employers that contest a claim for such benefits. The measure also establishes requirements for resilience and self-care technique training.

01/30/20 House: Reported from Labor and Commerce with substitute (19-Y 3-N)

01/30/20 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/30/20 House: Committee substitute printed 20106944D-H1

02/03/20 House: Assigned App. sub: Compensation & General Government

02/04/20 House: House subcommittee amendments and substitutes offered

HB 474 Certified community health workers; establishes requirements for use of the title.

Patrons: Guzman, Levine and Rasoul; Senator: Morrissey

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-15.1, relating to certified community health workers.

Summary as introduced:

Certified community health workers. Establishes requirements for use of the title "certified community health worker."

01/03/20 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/09/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB474)

01/17/20 House: Assigned HWI sub: Health

01/21/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB688-Aird)

01/28/20 House: Incorporated by Health, Welfare and Institutions (HB688-Aird)

HB 480 Virginia Retirement System; enhanced retirement benefits for 911 dispatchers.

Patrons: Subramanyam and Reid

A BILL to amend and reenact § 51.1-138 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia Retirement System; enhanced retirement benefits for 911 dispatchers.

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Retirement System; enhanced retirement benefits for 911 dispatchers. Adds 911 dispatchers to the list of local employees eligible to receive enhanced retirement benefits for

hazardous duty service. Under current law, localities may provide such benefits to first responders, including firefighters and emergency medical technicians, and certain other hazardous duty positions. The bill provides that such benefits would be available only to dispatchers hired starting in 2021.

01/03/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20103616D
01/03/20 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
01/12/20 House: Impact statement from VRS (HB480)
01/14/20 House: Assigned App. sub: Compensation & General Government
01/28/20 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (5-Y 0-N)

HB 512 Handheld personal communications devices; holding devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Patrons: Bulova and Kory

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1078.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Summary as introduced:

Holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle. Prohibits any person from holding a handheld personal communications device while driving a motor vehicle. Current law prohibits (i) the reading of any email or text message and manually entering letters or text in such a device as a means of communicating and (ii) holding a personal communications device while driving in a work zone. The bill expands the exemptions to include handheld personal communications devices that are being held and used (a) as an amateur radio or a citizens band radio or (b) for official Department of Transportation or traffic incident management services. This bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2021. This bill was incorporated into HB 874.

01/04/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101521D
01/04/20 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
01/14/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB512)
01/15/20 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Motor Vehicles
01/27/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB874-Bourne)

HB 532 Safe reporting of overdoses; immunity from prosecution.

Patrons: Carr, Bagby, Hope, Kory, LaRock, Lopez, Samirah and Simon

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-251.03 of the Code of Virginia, relating to safe reporting of overdoses; immunity from prosecution.

Summary as introduced:

Safe reporting of overdoses; immunity from prosecution. Provides that no individual (i) who sought or obtained emergency medical attention for himself or for another individual because of

a drug or alcohol-related overdose or (ii) is experiencing a drug or alcohol-related overdose and another individual, in good faith, seeks or obtains emergency medical attention for such individual shall be prosecuted for unlawful purchase, possession, or consumption of alcohol, simple possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, intoxication in public, or possession of controlled paraphernalia. Under current law, an affirmative defense against such offenses is available for an individual who sought or obtained emergency medical attention for himself or for another individual because of a drug-related or alcohol-related overdose. The bill also adds the statewide poison control system to the list of emergency care providers to whom individuals must contemporaneously report such overdoses in order to qualify for immunity from prosecution. The bill also states that no individual who is immune from prosecution pursuant to the provisions of the bill shall be found to be in violation of any term or condition of probation, parole, postrelease supervision, pretrial supervision, a suspended sentence, or bail, bond, or recognizance on the basis of evidence obtained as a result of an individual's seeking or obtaining emergency medical attention and that the real or personal property of an individual who is immune from prosecution that was used in connection with or derived from the specified offenses shall not be subject to forfeiture to the Commonwealth. The bill also provides that immunity from prosecution does not apply to an individual who seeks or obtains emergency medical attention for himself or another individual, or who is experiencing an overdose when another individual seeks or obtains emergency medical attention for such individual, during the execution of a search warrant or during the conduct of a lawful search or a lawful arrest.

01/05/20 House: Referred to Committee on Public Safety

01/17/20 House: Referred from Public Safety

01/17/20 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/28/20 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal

01/29/20 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 3-N)

HB 635 Traffic incident management vehicles; exempt from certain regulations.

Patrons: LaRock; Senator: Vogel

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-920, 46.2-1023, 46.2-1029.2, and 46.2-1030 of the Code of Virginia, relating to traffic incident management vehicles.

Summary as introduced:

Traffic incident management vehicles. Adds traffic incident management vehicles, defined in the bill, operated by persons who meet certain training requirements to a list of vehicles exempt from certain traffic regulations at or en route to the scene of a traffic accident or similar incident. The bill also allows such vehicles to be equipped with sirens and flashing red or red and white secondary warning lights. This bill was incorporated into HB 983.

01/06/20 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/14/20 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Transportation Systems

01/15/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB635)

01/16/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB983-Delaney) (10-Y 0-N)

01/21/20 House: Incorporated by Transportation (HB983-Delaney)

HB 648 Prescription Monitoring Program; information disclosed to Emergency Department Information.

Patron: Hurst

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 54.1-2523 and 54.1-2525 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Prescription Monitoring Program; information disclosed to the Emergency Department Information Exchange; redisclosure.

Summary as introduced:

Prescription Monitoring Program; information disclosed to the Emergency Department Information Exchange; redisclosure. Provides for the mutual exchange of information between the Prescription Monitoring Program and the Emergency Department Information Exchange and clarifies that nothing shall prohibit the redisclosure of confidential information from the Prescription Monitoring Program or any data or reports produced by the Prescription Monitoring Program disclosed to the Emergency Department Information Exchange to a prescriber in an electronic report generated by the Emergency Department Information Exchange so long as the electronic report complies with relevant federal law and regulations governing privacy of health information.

01/27/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

01/27/20 House: VOTE: (99-Y 0-N)

01/28/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB648)

01/28/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

01/28/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

HB 649 Workers' compensation; occupational disease presumption, police dispatchers.

Patron: Campbell, R.R.

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; occupational disease presumptions; police dispatchers.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; occupational disease presumption; police dispatchers. Establishes a presumption that hypertension or heart disease causing the death or disability of full-time salaried police dispatchers is an occupational disease compensable under the Workers' Compensation Act.

01/06/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20103905D

01/06/20 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce

01/16/20 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1

01/20/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB649)

01/21/20 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 1-N)

HB 650 Naloxone or other opioid antagonist; possession and administration.

Patron: Hope

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

Summary as introduced:

Naloxone; possession and administration. Provides that a person who is not otherwise authorized to administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal may administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal to a person who is believed to be experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose, provided the administration is in good faith and absent gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct.

01/06/20 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/15/20 House: Assigned HWI sub: Health Professions

01/28/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB650)

01/30/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB908-Hayes)

02/04/20 House: Incorporated by Health, Welfare and Institutions (HB908-Hayes)

HB 661 Exposure-prone incidents; Secretaries of HHR & PSHS to establish a work group.

Patron: Bell

A BILL to direct the Secretaries of Health and Human Resources and Public Safety to establish a work group to develop a plan to improve the Commonwealth's response to exposure-prone incidents involving law-enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical services providers.

Summary as introduced:

Secretaries of Health and Human Resources and Public Safety and Homeland Security; work group; improving response to exposure-prone incidents. Directs the Secretaries of Health and Human Resources and of Public Safety and Homeland Security to establish a work group to develop a plan to improve the Commonwealth's response to exposure-prone incidents involving employees of law-enforcement agencies, volunteers and employees of fire departments and companies, and volunteers and employees of emergency medical services agencies and other appropriate entities. The work group shall (i) develop a plan for an entity to assist with management of exposure-prone incidents involving employees of law-enforcement agencies, volunteers and employees of fire departments and companies, and volunteers and employees of emergency medical services agencies and other appropriate entities and (ii) study and develop recommendations related to developing the ability to perform postmortem testing for infection with human immunodeficiency (HIV) or hepatitis B or C viruses through the Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services. The work group shall report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2020.

The bill also directs the Department of General Services to take steps to implement postmortem testing for infection with HIV or hepatitis B or C viruses using a screening assay that is licensed for such purpose by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the status of the contract by December 1, 2020.

02/05/20 House: Reported from Appropriations with amendment (21-Y 0-N)

02/06/20 House: Read first time

02/07/20 House: Read second time

02/07/20 House: Committee amendment agreed to

02/07/20 House: Engrossed by House as amended HB661E

HB 664 Exposure to a decedent's body fluids; testing.

Patron: Bell

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 32.1-45.1, 32.1-45.2, 32.1-48.015, and 32.1-116.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to exposure to decedent's body fluids; testing.

Summary as introduced:

Exposure to a decedent's body fluids; testing. Provides that, in cases in which any law-enforcement officer, salaried or volunteer firefighter, or salaried or volunteer emergency medical services provider is directly exposed to body fluids of a deceased person in a manner that may, according to the then current guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, transmit human immunodeficiency virus or hepatitis B or C viruses, the next of kin of the deceased person shall be deemed to have consented to testing of the decedent's blood for infection with human immunodeficiency virus or hepatitis B or C viruses and release of such test results to the person who was exposed. Under current law, whenever a law-enforcement officer, salaried or volunteer firefighter, or salaried or volunteer emergency medical services provider is directly exposed to body fluids of a deceased person in a manner that may, according to the then current guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, transmit human immunodeficiency virus or hepatitis B or C viruses, consent for testing and release of the results must be obtained from the next of kin of the deceased person before testing may be initiated.

01/28/20 House: Assigned Courts sub: Criminal

01/31/20 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 0-N)

02/05/20 House: Reported from Courts of Justice (22-Y 0-N)

02/06/20 House: Read first time

02/07/20 House: Read second time and engrossed

HB 688 Certified community health workers; establishes requirements for use of the title.

Patron: Aird

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-15.1, relating to certified community health workers.

Summary as introduced:

Community health workers; certification. Requires the Department of Health to approve one or more entities to certify community health workers in the Commonwealth and prohibits a person from using or assuming the title of certified community health worker unless he is certified by a credentialing entity approved by the Department and submits an application to the Department with evidence of such certification. The bill defines the terms "certified community health worker" and "community health worker."

01/31/20 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB688H1

02/03/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

02/03/20 House: VOTE: Block Vote Passage (99-Y 0-N)

02/04/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

02/04/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

HB 727 PSAP dispatchers; definitions, telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation; EMD program.

Patrons: Hope, Carr, Hayes and Kory

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 56-484.16:1, relating to E-911 dispatchers; training in telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation and emergency medical dispatch.

Summary as introduced:

PSAP dispatchers; telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation; Emergency Medical Dispatch education program. Requires each public safety answering point (PSAP) to provide training and equipment for each of its dispatchers in high-quality telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction (TCPR), which is defined in the bill as the delivery by trained 911 telecommunicators of high-quality cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction for acute events requiring cardiopulmonary resuscitation, including out-of-hospital cardiac arrests. The measure (i) requires the 9-1-1 Services Board to adopt regulations that establish training and equipment standards and (ii) authorizes a PSAP to enter into reciprocal agreements with another PSAP to transfer callers to the other PSAP at times that the initial PSAP does not have a trained dispatcher on duty able to provide TCPR. The measure establishes immunity from civil damages for dispatchers who instruct a caller on TCPR. The measure also requires each operator of a PSAP to implement a requirement that each of its dispatchers complete an Emergency Medical Dispatch education program by July 1, 2024, and to conduct ongoing quality assurance of its TCPR program.

01/27/20 House: Impact statement from DHCD/CLG (HB727)

01/27/20 House: VOTE: Passage (82-Y 17-N)

01/28/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

01/28/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

02/04/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB727H1)

HB 733 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patrons: Reid, Helmer, Hope, Kory and Lopez

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain cancers.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases. Adds cancers of the colon, brain, or testes to the list of cancers that are presumed to be an occupational disease covered by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act when firefighters and certain employees develop the cancer. The measure removes the compensability requirement that the employee who develops cancer had contact with a toxic substance encountered in the line of duty.

01/06/20 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce

01/16/20 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1

01/20/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB733)

01/21/20 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB783-Askew)

01/23/20 House: Incorporated by Labor and Commerce (HB783-Askew)

HB 742 Unmanned aerial systems; political subdivision may regulate take-off and landing of system, etc.

Patrons: Bulova, Gooditis and LaRock

A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-926.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to local regulation of unmanned aerial systems.

Summary as passed House:

Local regulation of unmanned aerial systems. Authorizes a political subdivision, by ordinance or regulation, to regulate the takeoff or landing of unmanned aerial systems on property owned by the political subdivision in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the Department of Aviation. The bill requires the locality to report the ordinance or regulation to the Department and directs the Department to publish a summary on the locality's website. The bill also directs the Department, by January 1, 2021, to develop rules and regulations specific to take-offs and landings in consultation with representatives of the unmanned aircraft system industry, localities, and other stakeholders. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2021.

01/30/20 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB742H1

01/31/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

01/31/20 House: VOTE: Block Vote Passage (99-Y 0-N)

02/03/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

02/03/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government

HB 766 Income tax, state; subtractions for volunteer firefighters, etc.

Patrons: LaRock, Avoli, Batten, Brewer, Cole, M.L., Collins, Freitas, Kilgore, McGuire, O'Quinn, Robinson, Runion, Rush and Wilt; *Senators:* Chase and Peake

A BILL to amend and reenact § 58.1-322.02 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia taxable income; subtractions; volunteer firefighters and volunteer emergency medical services personnel.

Summary as introduced:

Virginia taxable income; subtractions; volunteer firefighters and volunteer emergency medical services personnel. Provides a state income tax subtraction of \$20 per hour, up to a maximum of 300 hours per taxable year, for bona fide volunteers who perform qualifying services, defined in the bill as volunteer firefighting and fire prevention services, emergency medical services, ambulance services, emergency rescue services, and all training and training-related activities required by law.

01/07/20 House: Referred to Committee on Finance

01/14/20 House: Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #1

01/17/20 House: Impact statement from TAX (HB766)

02/03/20 House: House subcommittee amendments and substitutes offered

02/03/20 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 4-N)

HB 783 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patrons: Askew, Brewer, Krizek, Reid, Ayala, Bourne, Davis, Guzman, Hope, Jenkins, Kory, Levine, Lopez, McGuire, McQuinn, Murphy, Price, Samirah, Subramanyam, Tyler and Ward

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases. Adds cancers of the colon, brain, or testes to the list of cancers that are presumed to be an occupational disease covered by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act when firefighters or certain employees develop the cancer. The measure removes the compensability requirement that the employee who develops cancer had contact with a toxic substance encountered in the line of duty.

02/03/20 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute with amendment HB783EH1

02/03/20 House: Printed as engrossed 20106358D-EH1

02/04/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB783EH1)

02/04/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

02/04/20 House: VOTE: Block Vote Passage (99-Y 0-N)

HB 805 Employment health and safety standards; heat illness prevention.

Patrons: Ward and Kory

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 40.1-44.2, relating to the protection of employees; standards for heat illness prevention.

Summary as introduced:

Employment health and safety standards; heat illness prevention. Requires the Safety and Health Codes Board to adopt regulations establishing reasonable standards designed to protect employees from heat illness. The measure directs the standards to apply to all indoor and outdoor places of employment and require employers to provide water, shade or a climate-controlled environment, rest periods of 15 to 45 minutes per hour, training, and emergency response procedures. The standards are also directed to require employers in certain industries to implement high-heat procedures when the temperature is 90 degrees Fahrenheit or warmer. The measure requires employers to pay employees one additional hour of pay at his regular compensation for each workday that it fails to provide the employee with a required rest period. The measure authorizes a person to bring a court action based on a violation in which he may seek to obtain injunctive relief; to recover damages of \$500 or actual monetary loss, whichever is greater; or both.

01/07/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20104780D

01/07/20 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce

01/16/20 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1

01/28/20 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2021

01/30/20 House: Continued to 2021 in Labor and Commerce

HB 817 Public schools; use of digital devices.

Patrons: Hope, Helmer and Delaney

A BILL to require the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Health and medical professional societies, to develop and implement health and safety best practice guidelines for the use of digital devices in public schools.

Summary as introduced:

Department of Education; Department of Health; guidelines for use of digital devices in public schools. Requires the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Health and medical professional societies, to develop and implement health and safety best practice guidelines for the use of digital devices in public schools no later than the 2021 - 2022 school year.

01/30/20 House: Printed as engrossed 20104624D-E

01/31/20 House: Read third time and passed House (85-Y 13-N 1-A)

01/31/20 House: VOTE: Passage (85-Y 13-N 1-A)

02/03/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed
02/03/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

HB 822 Health insurance; credentialing, health care or professional health-related services.

Patron: Head

A BILL to amend and reenact § 38.2-3407.10:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to health insurance; reimbursement for services rendered during pendency of credentialing application.

Summary as introduced:

Health insurance; credentialing; health care providers. Requires health insurers and other carriers that credential certain health professionals in their provider networks to establish reasonable protocols and procedures for reimbursing such a professional who has submitted a completed credentialing application to a carrier, within 15 days of being credentialed by the carrier, for services provided to covered persons during the period in which the applicant's completed credentialing application is pending. The bill makes this requirement applicable to a person, corporation, facility, or institution licensed by the Commonwealth to provide health care or professional services as a physician or hospital, dentist, pharmacist, registered nurse or licensed practical nurse or person who holds a multistate privilege to practice such nursing under the Nurse Licensure Compact, nurse practitioner, optometrist, podiatrist, physician assistant, chiropractor, physical therapist, physical therapy assistant, clinical psychologist, clinical social worker, professional counselor, licensed marriage and family therapist, licensed dental hygienist, health maintenance organization, or emergency medical care attendant or technician who provides services on a fee basis. Such a requirement exists in current law for participating physicians and participating mental health professionals but without a time limit for reimbursement. The bill applies the 15-day limit to such participating physicians and participating mental health professionals.

02/03/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)
02/03/20 House: VOTE: Block Vote Passage (99-Y 0-N)
02/04/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed
02/04/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor
02/04/20 House: Impact statement from SCC (HB822E)

HB 874 Handheld personal communications devices; holding devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Patrons: Bourne, Bulova, Willett, Askew, Bagby, Fowler, Jones, Krizek and Wyatt

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1078.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Summary as introduced:

Holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle. Prohibits any person from holding a handheld personal communications device while driving a motor vehicle. Current law prohibits (i) the reading of any email or text message and manually entering letters or text in such a device as a means of communicating and (ii) holding a personal communications device while driving in a work zone. The bill expands the exemptions to include handheld personal communications devices that are being held and used (a) as an amateur radio or a citizens band radio or (b) for official Department of Transportation or traffic incident management services. This bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2021. This bill incorporates HB 377, HB 387, HB 512, and HB 1672.

02/04/20 House: Read second time

02/04/20 House: Committee substitute agreed to 20106899D-H1

02/04/20 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB874H1

02/05/20 House: Read third time and passed House (72-Y 24-N)

02/05/20 House: VOTE: Passage (72-Y 24-N)

HB 908 Naloxone; possession and administration, employee or person acting on behalf of a public place.

Patrons: Hayes, Gooditis, Guzman, Hope and Rasoul

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

Summary as introduced:

Naloxone; possession and administration; employee or person acting on behalf of a public place. Provides that an employee or other person acting on behalf of a public place who has completed a training program on the administration of naloxone or other opioid antagonist may possess and administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist, other than naloxone in an injectable formulation with a hypodermic needle or syringe, in accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health. The bill defines "public place" as any enclosed area that is used or held out for use by the public, whether owned or operated by a public or private interest.

02/05/20 House: Read first time

02/06/20 House: Read second time

02/06/20 House: Committee substitute agreed to 20107306D-H1

02/06/20 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB908H1

02/07/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

HB 909 Driver's license; suspensions for certain non-driving related offenses.

Patrons: Hayes, Bagby, Lopez, Guzman, Hope, Jenkins and Samirah

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 18.2-251, 46.2-410.1, 46.2-819.2, and 53.1-127.3 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal §§ 18.2-259.1, 46.2-320.2, 46.2-390.1, 46.2-416.1, and 53.1-127.4 of the Code of Virginia, relating to driver's license suspensions for certain non-driving related offenses.

Summary as introduced:

Driver's license suspensions for certain non-driving related offenses. Removes the existing provisions that allow a person's driver's license to be suspended (i) when he is convicted of or placed on deferred disposition for a drug offense; (ii) for non-payment of certain fees owed to a local correctional facility or regional jail; and (iii) for shoplifting motor fuel.

01/31/20 House: Reported from Courts of Justice with amendments (14-Y 5-N)

02/04/20 House: Read first time

02/05/20 House: Passed by for the day

02/06/20 House: Passed by for the day

02/07/20 House: Passed by for the day

HB 983 Traffic incident management vehicles; equipped with certain lights.

Patrons: Delaney and LaRock; Senator: Vogel

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-1023, 46.2-1029.2, and 46.2-1030 of the Code of Virginia, relating to traffic incident management vehicles.

Summary as passed House:

Traffic incident management vehicles. Authorizes traffic incident management vehicles, defined in the bill, operated by persons who meet certain training requirements to be equipped with flashing red or red and white secondary warning lights and to be exempt from certain traffic regulations at or en route to the scene of a traffic accident or similar incident. This bill incorporates HB 635.

01/29/20 House: Engrossed by House - floor substitute HB983H2

01/30/20 House: Read third time and passed House (97-Y 1-N)

01/30/20 House: VOTE: Passage (97-Y 1-N)

01/31/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

01/31/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 991 Firefighting equipment; weight limitation on interstate.

Patron: Reid

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1102 of the Code of Virginia, relating to firefighting equipment; weight limitation on interstate.

Summary as passed House:

Firefighting equipment; weight limitation on interstate. Requires firefighting equipment to comply with existing weight limitations for emergency vehicles on interstate highways. Current law exempts firefighting equipment from all size and weight limitations. The bill exempts emergency vehicles registered to a federal, state, or local agency or a fire company from any fee typically charged for the issuance of an overweight permit for such vehicle.

01/24/20 House: Printed as engrossed 20105111D-E

01/27/20 House: Read third time and passed House (91-Y 8-N)

01/27/20 House: VOTE: Passage (91-Y 8-N)

01/28/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

01/28/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

HB 1147 Epinephrine; certain public places may make available for administration.

Patron: Keam

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 8.01-225 and 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-3408.5, relating to epinephrine; required in certain public places.

Summary as introduced:

Epinephrine required in certain public places. Requires public places to make epinephrine available for administration. The bill allows employees of such public places who are authorized by a prescriber and trained in the administration of epinephrine to possess and administer epinephrine to a person present in such public place believed in good faith to be having an anaphylactic reaction. The bill also provides that an employee of such public place who is authorized by a prescriber and trained in the administration of epinephrine and who administers or assists in the administration of epinephrine to a person present in the public place believed in good faith to be having an anaphylactic reaction, or is the prescriber of the epinephrine, shall not be liable for any civil damages for ordinary negligence in acts or omissions resulting from the rendering of such treatment.

02/06/20 House: Committee amendment agreed to

02/06/20 House: Engrossed by House as amended HB1147E

02/06/20 House: Printed as engrossed 20103677D-E

02/07/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1147E)

02/07/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

HB 1196 Driver's license; suspension for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Patrons: Lopez, Guzman and Levine

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-258.1, 19.2-354, 19.2-354.1, 33.2-503, 46.2-203.1, 46.2-301, 46.2-361, 46.2-383, 46.2-391.1, 46.2-416, 46.2-819.1, 46.2-819.3, 46.2-819.3:1, 46.2-819.5, 46.2-940, and 46.2-1200.1 of the Code of Virginia; to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-808.2; and to repeal § 46.2-395 and Article 18 (§§ 46.2-944.1 through 46.2-947) of Chapter 8 of Title 46.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs.

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 provides that the fine for any moving violation while operating a motor vehicle in a designated highway safety corridor shall be no more than \$500 for any violation that is a traffic infraction and not less than \$200 for any violation that is a criminal offense. The bill also repeals the Nonresident Violator Compact of 1977. The bill contains an emergency clause.

02/06/20 House: Amendment by Delegate Lopez agreed to

02/06/20 House: Emergency clause deleted

02/06/20 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute with amendment HB1196EH1

02/06/20 House: Printed as engrossed 20107235D-EH1

02/07/20 House: Read third time and passed House (72-Y 27-N)

HB 1332 Telehealth services; definition, report.

Patrons: Kilgore and Tran

A BILL to amend and reenact § 32.1-325 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 32.1-122.03:1, relating to Statewide Telehealth Plan.

Summary as introduced:

Telehealth services. Defines "telehealth services" as the delivery of health care services, including telemedicine services and other medical, emergency medical, and behavioral health services that are not equivalent to health care services provided through face-to-face consultation or contact between a health care provider and a patient, through the use of telecommunications and information technology that supports the delivery of remote or long-distance health care services. The bill requires the Board of Medical Assistance Services to include in the state plan for medical assistance services a provision for coverage of telehealth services. The bill also requires (i) requires the Board of Health to develop and maintain an Emergency Telehealth Plan as a component of the Statewide Emergency Medical Services Plan, (ii) every insurer proposing to issue individual or group accident and sickness insurance policies providing hospital, medical and surgical, or major medical coverage on an expense-incurred basis; (iii) each corporation providing individual or group accident and sickness subscription contracts; and (iv) each health

maintenance organization providing a health care plan for health care services to provide coverage for the cost of such health care services provided through telehealth services.

The bill also requires the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to establish a workgroup to develop recommendations for innovative payment models that support the use of telehealth services and telemedicine services in accordance with the Statewide Emergency Telehealth Plan including payment of the cost of transporting of a patient to a destination providing services appropriate to the patient's level of acuity and in-place treatment of a patient at the scene of an emergency response or vial telehealth services or telemedicine services where appropriate, and appropriate liability protections for health care providers providing services through telehealth services and telemedicine services. The workgroup shall report its recommendations to the Governor and the Chairmen of the House Committees on Appropriations and Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committees on Education and Health and Finance by November 1, 2020.

02/05/20 House: Read first time

02/06/20 House: Read second time

02/06/20 House: Committee substitute agreed to 20107088D-H1

02/06/20 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1332H1

02/07/20 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

HB 1367 Higher educational institutions, public; in-state tuition, volunteer firefighters and EMS providers.

Patron: LaRock

A BILL to amend and reenact § 23.1-506 of the Code of Virginia, relating to public institutions of higher education; in-state tuition; volunteer firefighters and emergency medical services providers.

Summary as introduced:

Public institutions of higher education; in-state tuition; volunteer firefighters and emergency medical services providers. Declares eligible for in-state tuition charges regardless of domicile any individual who volunteers as a firefighter or an emergency medical services provider in the Commonwealth and has earned the minimum activity points to be eligible for a length of service award pursuant to a length of service award program.

01/08/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20102144D

01/08/20 House: Referred to Committee on Education

01/13/20 House: Assigned Education sub: Post-Secondary and Higher Ed

01/20/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1367)

HB 1397 Income tax, state; subtractions for volunteer firefighters, etc.

Patrons: Robinson and Byron

A BILL to amend and reenact § 58.1-322.02 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia taxable income; subtractions; volunteer firefighters and volunteer emergency medical services personnel.

Summary as introduced:

Virginia taxable income; subtractions; volunteer firefighters and volunteer emergency medical services personnel. Provides a state income tax subtraction of \$20 per hour, up to a maximum of 300 hours per taxable year, for bona fide volunteers who perform qualifying services, defined in the bill as volunteer firefighting and fire prevention services, emergency medical services, auxiliary police officers, ambulance services, emergency rescue services, and all training and training-related activities required by law.

01/08/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101546D

01/08/20 House: Referred to Committee on Finance

01/14/20 House: Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #1

01/19/20 House: Impact statement from TAX (HB1397)

01/27/20 House: Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (3-Y 3-N)

HB 1414 Transportation; amends numerous laws related to funds, safety programs, revenue sources, etc.

Patrons: Filler-Corn, McQuinn, Jones, Watts and Murphy

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 2.2-1509.2, 2.2-1514,

Summary as introduced:

Transportation. Amends numerous law related to transportation funds, revenue sources, construction, and safety programs.

The bill adopts numerous structural changes to the transportation funding system in the Commonwealth. Most transportation revenues are directed to a new Commonwealth Transportation Fund and the existing Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund. Funds are then disbursed, based on codified formulas, to subfunds established to meet the varying transportation needs of different modes of transportation. The bill contains transitional provisions phasing in the new funding structure over a period of four years.

The existing gas tax based on a percentage of the wholesale price of gasoline and diesel fuel is converted to a cents-per-gallon tax. A rate of \$0.282 per gallon of gasoline will be phased in over three years, and then indexed every year thereafter. The regional gas tax will be converted to a rate of \$0.076 per gallon of gasoline.

Registration fees for motor vehicles will be lowered. The Department of Motor Vehicles will implement a Highway Use Fee for alternative fuel and fuel efficient vehicles. Alternatively, a

person whose vehicles would be subject to this new fee may elect to instead enroll in a mileage-based user fee program to be developed by the Department.

In Northern Virginia, the regional transportation improvement fee, used to support WMATA, is lowered to \$0.10 per \$100 for the recordation of conveyance of a deed. A new regional congestion fee is imposed at a rate of \$0.15 per \$100 for the recordation of conveyance of a deed. The regional transient occupancy tax is raised from \$2 to \$3.

The bill authorizes the use of transportation bonds to complete the final section of Corridor Q of the Appalachian Development Highway System, and authorizes a bond issuance for improvements in the Interstate 81 and Interstate 66 corridors.

The bill establishes a new Virginia Passenger Rail Authority.

The bill adopts several safety initiatives, including: (i) making it illegal to possess an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle, (ii) requiring all passengers in a vehicle to wear safety belts and making failure to wear a safety belt a primary offense, (iii) prohibiting the use of handheld personal communication devices, (iv) establishing a speed monitoring program in highway safety corridors that uses a vehicle sensor to take a picture of a vehicle traveling more than 10 miles over the speed limit, subjecting the driver to a monetary fine, and (v) allowing localities to lower the speed limit below 25 miles per hour in business and residential districts. The Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles will establish an advisory committee to oversee education and enforcement of policies such as the seatbelt and hands-free provisions.

The bill also creates numerous new transportation safety programs, including an Interstate Operations and Enhancement Program, a Virginia Highway Safety Improvement Program, the Robert O. Norris Bridge and Statewide Special Structures Program, and a Transit Incentive Program.

02/05/20 House: Incorporates HB1538 (Austin)

02/05/20 House: Committee substitute printed 20107735D-H2

02/06/20 House: Read first time

02/07/20 House: Passed by for the day

02/07/20 House: Motion to reconsidered pass by for the day agreed to

HB 1439 Transportation safety; adopting several initiatives.

Patron: Jones

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 16.1-69.48:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to transportation safety.

Summary as introduced:

Transportation safety. Adopts several initiatives related to transportation and safety, including: (i) making it illegal to possess an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle, (ii) requiring all

passengers in a vehicle to wear safety belts and making failure to wear a safety belt a primary offense, (iii) prohibiting the use of handheld personal communication devices, (iv) establishing a speed monitoring program in highway safety corridors that uses a vehicle sensor to take a picture of a vehicle traveling more than 10 miles over the speed limit, subjecting the driver to a monetary fine, and (v) allowing localities to lower the speed limit below 25 miles per hour in business and residential districts. The Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles will establish an advisory committee to oversee education and enforcement of policies such as the seatbelt and hands-free provisions. The bill also changes the vehicle inspection safety program to only require inspections of salvage vehicles that have been rebuilt for highway use, converted electric vehicles, and off-road motorcycles that have been converted to on-road use. The bill contains numerous technical amendments.

01/30/20 House: House committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered
01/30/20 House: Reported from Transportation with substitute (12-Y 10-N)
01/30/20 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
01/30/20 House: Assigned App. sub: Transportation & Public Safety
01/30/20 House: Committee substitute printed 20107173D-H1

HB 1449 Physicians; medical specialty board certification options.

Patrons: Rasoul and Coyner

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 18.2-270.01, 32.1-127, 32.1-134.1, 38.2-2806, 38.2-4214, and 38.2-4319 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 34 of Title 38.2 a section numbered 38.2-3407.21 and by adding a section numbered 54.1-2912.1:1, relating to physicians; requirement of medical specialty board certification.

Summary as introduced:

Physicians; medical specialty board certification options. Prohibits requiring maintenance of certification from physicians licensed to practice medicine in the Commonwealth, as a prerequisite to hospital medical staff membership, employment, malpractice liability insurance coverage, network status, or reimbursement for services provided to a person covered by a health insurance policy.

01/08/20 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce
01/16/20 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #2
01/23/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1449)
02/04/20 House: House subcommittee amendments and substitutes offered
02/04/20 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 2-N)

HB 1468 Secretary of Health and Human Resources; work group to study information about opioid overdoses.

Patron: Gooditis

A BILL to require the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to convene a work group to study the role of public safety answering points and regional Poison Control Centers in providing information about opioid overdose and administration of naloxone or other opioid antagonist. Report.

Summary as introduced:

Secretary of Health and Human Resources; work group; information about opioid overdose and naloxone; role of public safety answering points and Poison Control Centers; report. Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to convene a work group to (i) study the role of public safety answering points and regional Poison Control Centers in providing information and assistance to the public regarding opioid overdose and administration of naloxone or other opioid antagonist in emergency and nonemergency situations and (ii) develop recommendations for legislative or budget actions necessary to enhance the role of public safety answering points and regional Poison Control Centers in providing such information and assistance. The work group shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 1, 2020.

01/08/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101562D

01/08/20 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/14/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1468)

01/28/20 House: Stricken from docket by Health, Welfare and Institutions (22-Y 0-N)

HB 1600 Volunteer firefighters and emergency medical services providers; leaves of absence from work.

Patron: Edmunds

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 40.1 a section numbered 40.1-28.7:7, relating to leave for volunteer firefighters and volunteer emergency medical services providers.

Summary as introduced:

Leave for volunteer firefighters and emergency medical services providers. Requires private employers to allow volunteer firefighters and volunteer emergency medical services providers to take leaves of absence from their employment at times when the employee leaves work, or is late for work, due to the employee's providing emergency services as a volunteer firefighter or volunteer emergency medical services provider for or on behalf of, and within the scope of his duties with, his volunteer fire department, or is returning from providing such emergency services. This provision does not apply if the absence of employees from the place of employment reduces the number of employees remaining on the job or at work at such place of employment by 50 percent or more. The bill allows employers to treat such leaves of absence as unpaid leave. Employers are prohibited from requiring such employee to exhaust any other leave to which he is entitled prior to such leaves of absence. The bill provides that if such an employee fails to provide the employer, upon request, with verification from the chief or deputy chief of the employee's volunteer fire department that the employee was providing such services, or

returning from providing them, during the time that the employee took a leave of absence, the employee shall not thereafter be entitled to take such leave.

01/15/20 House: Presented and ordered printed 20105308D

01/15/20 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce

01/21/20 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1

HB 1603 Traffic incident management vehicles; definition.

Patron: Austin

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-1023, 46.2-1029.2, and 46.2-1030 of the Code of Virginia, relating to traffic incident management vehicles.

Summary as introduced:

Traffic incident management vehicles. Allows traffic incident management vehicles, defined in the bill, to be equipped with flashing red or red and white secondary warning lights.

01/24/20 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Transportation Systems

01/30/20 House: House subcommittee amendments and substitutes offered

01/30/20 House: Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2021

02/04/20 House: Continued to 2021 in Transportation

02/06/20 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1603)

HB 1710 Vehicle registration fees; Public Safety Trust Fund.

Patron: Bagby

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 and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-694.2, relating to vehicle registration fees; Public Safety Trust Fund.

Summary as introduced:

Vehicle registration fees; Public Safety Trust Fund. Imposes an additional vehicle registration fee to be deposited into the Public Safety Trust Fund, established by the bill. The additional registration fee would be \$1.25 per year beginning July 1, 2020, and would be increased over a period of 10 years to \$12.50 per year. The revenues in the Public Safety Trust Fund would be used to address staffing, retention, and pay suppression issues at the Department of State Police.

01/28/20 House: House subcommittee amendments and substitutes offered

01/28/20 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (6-Y 2-N)

01/30/20 House: House committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered

01/30/20 House: Reported from Transportation with amendments (14-Y 8-N)

01/30/20 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

HJ 32 Emergency response vehicles; DCJS to study use of certain colored warning lights on vehicles.

Patron: Bell

Requesting the Department of Criminal Justice Services to study the use of certain colored warning lights on emergency response vehicles. Report.

Summary as introduced:

Study; Department of Criminal Justice Services; colored warning lights; report. Requests the Department of Criminal Justice Services to study the use of certain colored warning lights on emergency response vehicles.

01/02/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20102293D

01/02/20 House: Referred to Committee on Rules

01/27/20 House: Assigned Rules sub: Studies

02/03/20 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 0-N)

HJ 42 Honor and Sacrifice Flag; emblem for honoring fallen public safety personnel.

Patrons: Heretick, Askew, Cole, J.G., Cole, M.L., Hope, Sickles, Ware and Willett; Senators: Morrissey, Peake, Ruff and Spruill

Designating the Honor and Sacrifice Flag as the Commonwealth's emblem for honoring the brave men and women who have given their lives for public safety.

Summary as introduced:

Emblem for honoring fallen public safety personnel; the Honor and Sacrifice Flag.

Designates the Honor and Sacrifice Flag as the Commonwealth's emblem for honoring the brave men and women who have given their lives for public safety.

01/29/20 House: Engrossed by House

01/29/20 House: Agreed to by House BLOCK VOTE (95-Y 0-N)

01/29/20 House: VOTE: Block Vote Passage (95-Y 0-N)

01/30/20 Senate: Reading waived

01/30/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Rules

HJ 69 Virginia State Police; air emergency medical services, report.

Patron: LaRock

Requesting the Virginia State Police to study the availability and affordability of air emergency medical services throughout the Commonwealth. Report.

Summary as introduced:

Study; Virginia State Police; air emergency medical services; report. Requests the Virginia State Police study the availability and affordability of air emergency medical services within the Commonwealth.

01/07/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20102653D

01/07/20 House: Referred to Committee on Rules

01/27/20 House: Assigned Rules sub: Studies

02/03/20 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 0-N)

HR 27 Commending the Princess Anne Courthouse Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Patron: Knight

Commending the Princess Anne Courthouse Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Summary as introduced:

Commending the Princess Anne Courthouse Volunteer Rescue Squad.

01/20/20 House: Presented and laid on Speaker's table 20101329D

01/27/20 House: Engrossed by House

01/27/20 House: Agreed to by House by voice vote

SB 1 Driver's license; suspension for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Patrons: Stanley, McClellan, Suetterlein, Ebbin, Edwards, Morrissey, Bell, Boysko, Hashmi, Lewis, Mason, McPike and Surovell; *Delegates:* Kory and Rasoul

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-258.1 of Chapter 8 of Title 46.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Summary as introduced:

Suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs. Repeals the requirement that 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 be suspended. The bill also removes a provision allowing the court to require a defendant to present a summary prepared by the Department of Motor Vehicles of the other courts in which the defendant also owes fines and costs. The bill requires the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles to return or reinstate any person's driver's license that was suspended prior to July 1, 2020, solely for nonpayment of fines or costs. Such person does not have to pay a reinstatement fee.

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01/31/20 Senate: Committee amendment agreed to

01/31/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendment SB1ES1

01/31/20 Senate: Printed as engrossed 20105850D-ES1

02/03/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/06/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1ES1)

SB 9 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patrons: Saslaw, Cosgrove, McPike, Vogel, Barker, Boysko, Deeds, DeSteph, Ebbin, Hanger, Hashmi, Howell, Lewis, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, Peake, Petersen and Spruill; *Delegate:* Kory

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases. Adds cancers of the colon, brain, or testes to the list of cancers that are presumed to be an occupational disease covered by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act when firefighters and certain employees develop the cancer. The measure removes the compensability requirement that the employee who develops cancer had contact with a toxic substance encountered in the line of duty.

02/04/20 Senate: Reading of substitute waived

02/04/20 Senate: Committee substitute agreed to (28-Y 12-N)

02/04/20 Senate: Title replaced 20107320D-S2

02/04/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB9S2

02/05/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

SB 10 Driver's license; suspension for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Patrons: Ebbin and McClellan; *Delegate:* Kory

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-258.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Summary as introduced:

Suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs. Repeals the requirement that 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 be suspended. The bill also removes a provision allowing the court to require a defendant to present a summary prepared by the Department of Motor Vehicles of the other courts in which the defendant also owes fines and costs. The bill requires the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles to return or reinstate any person's driver's license that was suspended prior to July 1, 2020, solely for nonpayment of fines or costs. Such person does not have to pay a reinstatement fee.

11/18/19 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101045D

11/18/19 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

01/08/20 Senate: Moved from Courts of Justice to Judiciary due to a change of the committee

name

01/15/20 Senate: Incorporated by Judiciary (SB1-Stanley) (14-Y 0-N)

SB 40 Line of Duty Act; eligible dependents.

Patrons: DeSteph, Chase, Morrissey, Peake and Ruff; *Delegates:* Bulova, Delaney, Fowler, Murphy and Watts

A BILL to amend and reenact § 9.1-400 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Line of Duty Act; coverage for a dependent born after the disability or death of an employee.

Summary as passed Senate:

Line of Duty Act; eligible dependents. Provides that children born or adopted after the death or disability of an employee covered by the Line of Duty Act are eligible for health insurance coverage if the pregnancy or adoption occurred before July 1, 2017. Under current law, such children are not eligible.

01/30/20 Senate: Read second time

01/30/20 Senate: Reading of substitute waived

01/30/20 Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 20106759D-S1

01/30/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB40S1

01/31/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

SB 58 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patrons: Cosgrove and DeSteph

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain cancers.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases. Adds cancers of the colon, brain, or testes to the list of cancers that are presumed to be an occupational disease covered by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act when firefighters or certain employees develop the cancer. The measure removes the compensability requirement that the employee who develops cancer had contact with a toxic substance encountered in the line of duty.

11/19/19 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20100466D

11/19/19 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

01/13/20 Senate: Incorporated by Commerce and Labor (SB9-Saslaw) (15-Y 0-N)

SB 100 Locality health insurance policies; option of including independent-contractor emergency services.

Patron: Marsden

A BILL to amend and reenact § 15.2-1517 of the Code of Virginia, relating to locality health insurance policies; option of including independent-contractor emergency medical services personnel.

Summary as introduced:

Locality health insurance policies; option of including independent-contractor emergency services personnel. Authorizes a locality to provide health insurance coverage to independent contractors that it employs as emergency medical services personnel.

12/05/19 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20100936D

12/05/19 Senate: Referred to Committee on Local Government

01/13/20 Senate: Stricken at request of Patron in Local Government (13-Y 0-N)

01/18/20 Senate: Impact statement from DHCD (SB100)

SB 125 Motor vehicle safety inspection program; abolishes the state program.

Patron: Suetterlein

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 16.1-69.48:1 of the Code of Virginia, to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 46.2-1001.2, 46.2-1005.2, 46.2-1060.1, and 46.2-2000.4, and to repeal Article 21 (§§ 46.2-1157 through 46.2-1175.1) of Chapter 10 of Title 46.2 and § 46.2-1540 of the Code of Virginia, relating to motor vehicle safety inspection program.

Summary as introduced:

Motor vehicle safety inspection program. Abolishes the state motor vehicle safety inspection program.

12/17/19 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20103748D

12/17/19 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

02/06/20 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Transportation (12-Y 3-N)

SB 136 Handheld personal communications devices; holding devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Patron: Stuart

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1078.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Summary as introduced:

Holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle. Prohibits

any person from holding a handheld personal communications device while driving a motor vehicle. Current law prohibits (i) the reading of any email or text message and manually entering letters or text in such a device as a means of communicating and (ii) holding a personal communications device while driving in a work zone. The bill expands the exemptions to include handheld personal communications devices that are being held and used (a) as an amateur radio or a citizens band radio or (b) for official Department of Transportation or traffic incident management services. This bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2021.

12/18/19 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20101412D

12/18/19 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/10/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB136)

01/23/20 Senate: Incorporated by Transportation (SB160-Surovell) (15-Y 0-N)

SB 160 Handheld personal communications devices; holding devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Patrons: Surovell, Saslaw, Stuart, Barker, Bell, Boysko, Cosgrove, Deeds, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hashmi, Howell, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, McPike, Morrissey, Petersen, Spruill and Stanley; *Delegate:* Kory

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1078.1 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 46.2 a section numbered 46.2-224.1, relating to holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle; report.

Summary as introduced:

Holding handheld personal communications devices while driving a motor vehicle. Prohibits any person from holding a handheld personal communications device while driving a motor vehicle. Current law prohibits (i) the reading of any email or text message and manually entering letters or text in such a device as a means of communicating and (ii) holding a personal communications device while driving in a work zone. The bill expands the exemptions to include handheld personal communications devices that are being held and used (a) as an amateur radio or a citizens band radio or (b) for official Department of Transportation or traffic incident management services. This bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2021.

01/28/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB160S1

01/29/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (33-Y 7-N)

02/03/20 House: Placed on Calendar

02/03/20 House: Read first time

02/03/20 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

SB 168 Line of Duty Act; Virginia licensed health practitioners required to conduct medical reviews.

Patrons: DeSteph, Chase and Morrissey

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 9.1-404 and 9.1-405 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Line of Duty Act; requiring Virginia licensed health practitioners to conduct medical reviews.

Summary as introduced:

Line of Duty Act; requiring Virginia licensed health practitioners to conduct medical reviews. Requires that, for any medical review of a claim made pursuant to the provisions of the Line of Duty Act (LODA), the Virginia Retirement System shall require that such review be conducted by a doctor, nurse, or psychologist who is licensed in Virginia. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2021.

01/31/20 Senate: Reading of amendments waived

01/31/20 Senate: Committee amendments agreed to

01/31/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate as amended SB168E

01/31/20 Senate: Printed as engrossed 20101138D-E

02/03/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

SB 276 Safety belt system; use in motor vehicles.

Patron: Barker

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1094 of the Code of Virginia, relating to safety belt system use in motor vehicles.

Summary as introduced:

Safety belt system use in motor vehicles. Requires all occupants of motor vehicles to utilize a safety belt system. Current law requires the use of safety belts only by (i) occupants under the age of 18, (ii) drivers, and (iii) passengers 18 years of age or older occupying the front seat. The bill changes a violation of safety belt system requirements from a secondary offense to a primary offense.

01/03/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20103297D

01/03/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

02/06/20 Senate: Incorporated by Transportation (SB907-Lucas) (15-Y 0-N)

SB 289 Driver's license designation; traumatic brain injury.

Patrons: Deeds and Mason

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-342 of the Code of Virginia, relating to driver's license designation; traumatic brain injury.

Summary as introduced:

Driver's license designation; traumatic brain injury. Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles, upon the request of the applicant and presentation of a signed statement by a licensed physician confirming the applicant's condition, to designate a traumatic brain injury on the applicant's driver's license.

01/29/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

01/29/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB289E)

02/03/20 House: Placed on Calendar

02/03/20 House: Read first time

02/03/20 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

SB 301 Medically underserved areas; transporting patients to 24-hour urgent care facilities.

Patron: Stanley

A BILL to direct the Board of Health to develop regulations related to the transport of patients to 24-hour urgent care facilities by emergency medical services agencies in medically underserved areas.

Summary as introduced:

Medically underserved areas; emergency medical services; medical care facilities. Provides that emergency medical services vehicles may transport patients to 24-hour urgent care medical facilities or other appropriate medical facilities when deemed appropriate by emergency medical services personnel or a physician. The bill requires the Board of Health to develop regulations for when emergency medical services agencies in medically underserved areas as defined by the Board may transport patients to 24-hour urgent care facilities or appropriate medical care facilities other than hospitals. The regulations shall include provisions for what constitutes a medically underserved area, cases appropriate for transferring a patient to a medical facility other than a hospital, and other information deemed relevant by the Board.

01/27/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB301S1

01/28/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

02/03/20 House: Placed on Calendar

02/03/20 House: Read first time

02/03/20 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

SB 370 Motor vehicle safety inspection; new motor vehicle.

Patron: Bell

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-1158 and 46.2-1158.01 of the Code of Virginia, relating to motor vehicle safety inspection; new motor vehicle.

Summary as introduced:

Motor vehicle safety inspection; new motor vehicle. Extends from 12 months to 24 months the validity period of the first motor vehicle safety inspection of a new motor vehicle, so long as the vehicle has not been driven more than 15,000 miles.

01/06/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20102387D
01/06/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
02/06/20 Senate: Incorporated by Transportation (SB907-Lucas) (12-Y 0-N)

SB 381 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patron: McPike

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain cancers.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases. Adds cancers of the colon, brain, or testes to the list of cancers that are presumed to be an occupational disease covered by the Virginia Workers' Compensation Act when firefighters and certain employees develop the cancer. The measure also incorporates some of the recommendations of the 2019 study of the workers' compensation system and disease presumptions conducted by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission by (i) reducing the required number of years of service from 12 to five; (ii) removing the requirement that the employee's years of service be continuous; and (iii) providing that an eligible employee may meet the toxic exposure requirement by demonstrating either exposure to a toxic substance, as is currently required, or participation in responses to fire scenes, either during the fire or afterward as part of clean-up or investigation. The measure also removes the definition of a "toxic substance" as one that is a known or suspected carcinogen as defined by the International Agency for Research on Cancer.

01/06/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20105047D
01/06/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor
01/13/20 Senate: Incorporated by Commerce and Labor (SB9-Saslaw) (15-Y 0-N)

SB 386 Emergency Medical Services Patient Care Information System; trauma data, confidentiality.

Patron: McPike

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 32.1-116.1 and 32.1-116.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to emergency medical services; trauma data; confidentiality.

Summary as introduced:

Emergency Medical Services Patient Care Information System; trauma data; confidentiality. Authorizes the State Health Commissioner to disclose certain confidential data in the Emergency Medical Services Patient Care Information System, including information, research, or medical data that identifies patients by name or address, with entities that seek to improve the delivery of prehospital and hospital emergency medical services, the quality of patient care, and access to medical services or to make other system improvements.

01/27/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB386S1
01/28/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
02/03/20 House: Placed on Calendar
02/03/20 House: Read first time
02/03/20 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

SB 394 Virginia Health Club Act; automated external defibrillator required in health clubs.

Patron: McPike

A BILL to amend and reenact § 59.1-296 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 59.1-296.2:2, relating to Virginia Health Club Act; automated external defibrillators required in health clubs.

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Health Club Act; automated external defibrillator required in health clubs.

Requires each health club location to have a working automated external defibrillator.

01/20/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB394)
01/20/20 Senate: Reported from Commerce and Labor (15-Y 0-N)
01/22/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)
01/23/20 Senate: Read second time and engrossed
01/24/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)

SB 411 Employment health and safety standards; heat illness prevention, definition.

Patron: Hashmi

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 40.1-44.2, relating to the protection of employees; standards for heat illness prevention.

Summary as introduced:

Employment health and safety standards; heat illness prevention. Requires the Safety and Health Codes Board to adopt regulations establishing reasonable standards designed to protect employees from heat illness. The measure directs the standards to require employers to provide water, shade, rest periods, training, and emergency response procedures. The standards are also directed to require employers in certain industries to implement high-heat procedures when the temperature is 90 degrees Fahrenheit or warmer. The measure requires employers to pay employees one additional hour of pay at his regular compensation for each workday that it fails to provide the employee with five-minute rest period every hour or every half hour if the temperature is 90 degrees Fahrenheit or warmer.

01/07/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20104779D
01/07/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

01/20/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB411)

01/27/20 Senate: Continued to 2021 in Commerce and Labor (15-Y 0-N)

SB 566 Naloxone or other opioid antagonist; possession and administration.

Patron: Edwards

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

Summary as introduced:

Naloxone; possession and administration. Provides that a person who is not otherwise authorized to administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal may administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal to a person who is believed to be experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opioid overdose, provided the administration is in good faith and absent gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct.

01/07/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

01/27/20 Senate: Assigned Education sub: Health Professions

01/28/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB566)

02/06/20 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with amendment (15-Y 0-N)

02/07/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (37-Y 0-N)

SB 644 Traffic incident management vehicles; exempt from certain regulations.

Patrons: Boysko and Vogel; *Delegates:* Delaney and Gooditis

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-920, 46.2-1023, 46.2-1029.2, and 46.2-1030 of the Code of Virginia, relating to traffic incident management vehicles.

Summary as introduced:

Traffic incident management vehicles. Adds traffic incident management vehicles, defined in the bill, operated by persons who meet certain training requirements to a list of vehicles exempt from certain traffic regulations at or en route to the scene of a traffic accident or similar incident. The bill also allows such vehicles to be equipped with sirens and flashing red or red and white secondary warning lights.

01/07/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20102092D

01/07/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

01/15/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB644)

01/23/20 Senate: Committee substitute printed to LIS only 20105925D-S1

01/23/20 Senate: Failed to report (defeated) in Transportation (6-Y 9-N)

SB 720 PSAP dispatchers; telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Patron: McClellan

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 56-484.16:1, relating to E-911 dispatchers; training in telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation and emergency medical dispatch.

Summary as introduced:

PSAP dispatchers; telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation; Emergency Medical Dispatch education program. Requires each public safety answering point (PSAP) to provide training and equipment for each of its dispatchers in telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation (T-CPR), which is defined in the bill as the delivery of cardiopulmonary resuscitation instructions to a caller by a dispatcher before arrival of medical assistance by emergency responders. The measure (i) requires the 9-1-1 Services Board to adopt regulations that establish training and equipment standards and (ii) authorizes a PSAP to enter into reciprocal agreements with another PSAP to transfer callers to the other PSAP at times that the initial PSAP does not have a trained dispatcher on duty able to provide T-CPR. The measure establishes immunity from civil damages for dispatchers who instruct a caller on T-CPR. The measure also requires each operator of a PSAP to implement a requirement that each of its dispatchers complete an Emergency Medical Dispatch education program by July 1, 2024.

01/07/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20103020D

01/07/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

01/27/20 Senate: Impact statement from DHCD/CLG (SB720)

SB 814 Driver's licenses; suspension for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Patrons: Morrissey; Delegate: Samirah

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 19.2-258.1, 19.2-354, 19.2-354.1, 33.2-503, 46.2-301, 46.2-361, 46.2-391.1, 46.2-416, 46.2-819.1, 46.2-819.3, 46.2-819.3:1, 46.2-819.5, and 46.2-1200.1 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal § 46.2-395 of the Code of Virginia, relating to suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs.

Summary as introduced:

Suspension of driver's license for nonpayment of fines or costs. Repeals the requirement that 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 be suspended. The bill also removes a provision allowing the court to require a defendant to present a summary prepared by the Department of Motor Vehicles of the other courts in which the defendant also owes fines and costs. The bill requires the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles to return or reinstate any person's driver's license that was suspended prior to July 1, 2020, solely for nonpayment of fines or costs. Such person does not have to pay a reinstatement fee.

01/08/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/08/20 20103844D
01/08/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
01/15/20 Senate: Incorporated by Judiciary (SB1-Stanley) (14-Y 0-N)

SB 836 Naloxone; possession and administration, employee or person acting on behalf of a public place.

Patron: Suetterlein

A BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-3408 of the Code of Virginia, relating to naloxone; possession and administration; employee or person acting on behalf of a public place.

Summary as introduced:

Naloxone; possession and administration; employee or person acting on behalf of a public place. Provides that an employee or other person acting on behalf of a public place who has completed a training program on the administration of naloxone or other opioid antagonist may possess and administer naloxone or other opioid antagonist, other than naloxone in an injectable formulation with a hypodermic needle or syringe, in accordance with protocols developed by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health. The bill defines "public place" as any enclosed area that is used or held out for use by the public, whether owned or operated by a public or private interest.

01/08/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health
01/16/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB836)
01/27/20 Senate: Assigned Education sub: Health Professions
02/06/20 Senate: Reported from Education and Health (15-Y 0-N)
02/07/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (37-Y 0-N)

SB 903 Hospitals; screening emergency department patients, etc.

Patrons: Vogel; Delegates: Collins and LaRock

A BILL to amend and reenact § 32.1-127 of the Code of Virginia, relating to hospitals; screening emergency department patients; treatment of individuals experiencing a substance-use related emergency.

Summary as introduced:

Hospitals; emergency treatment for substance use-related emergencies; services. Requires the Board of Health to amend regulations governing hospitals to require each hospital that provides emergency treatment to an individual experiencing a substance use-related emergency to (i) complete a comprehensive assessment to identify appropriate medical interventions necessary for the treatment of the individual; (ii) complete a comprehensive behavioral health assessment to determine whether additional treatment may be appropriate; (iii) initiate pharmacotherapy for treatment of drug or alcohol dependence, where appropriate; and (iv) provide the patient with naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal. Such regulations shall also require each hospital that provides emergency treatment to an individual

experiencing a substance use-related emergency to establish and implement a protocol for connecting such patients receiving emergency treatment with appropriate community-based providers of behavioral health services upon discharge.

01/27/20 Senate: Read second time

01/27/20 Senate: Reading of substitute waived

01/27/20 Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 20106163D-S1

01/27/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB903S1

01/28/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)

SB 972 Vehicle registration fees; Public Safety Trust Fund.

Patron: Edwards

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 and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-694.2, relating to vehicle registration fees; Public Safety Trust Fund.

Summary as introduced:

Vehicle registration fees; Public Safety Trust Fund. Imposes an additional vehicle registration fee to be deposited into the Public Safety Trust Fund, established by the bill. The additional registration fee would be \$1.25 per year beginning July 1, 2020, and would be increased over a period of 10 years to \$12.50 per year. The revenues in the Public Safety Trust Fund would be used to address staffing, retention, and pay suppression issues at the Department of State Police.

02/04/20 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (13-Y 2-N)

02/05/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)

02/06/20 Senate: Read second time

02/06/20 Senate: Passed by for the day

02/07/20 Senate: Passed by for the day

SB 1008 Emergency and disaster law; political subdivisions.

Patrons: Peake; Delegate: Fariss

A BILL to amend and reenact § 44-146.19 of the Code of Virginia, relating to emergency services and disaster law; political subdivisions.

Summary as introduced:

Emergency and disaster law; political subdivisions. Provides that no locality shall prohibit another locality from providing emergency services across local boundaries solely on the basis of financial reasons.

01/27/20 Senate: Committee amendment agreed to

01/27/20 Senate: Engrossed by Senate as amended SB1008E

01/27/20 Senate: Printed as engrossed 20105360D-E

01/28/20 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N)
02/03/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1008E)

SB 1088 Rescue squad; dissolution of rescue squad, return of property purchased with public funds.

Patron: Stuart

A BILL to amend and reenact § 27-10 of the Code of Virginia, relating to fire companies; dissolution of rescue squad; return of property purchased with public funds.

Summary as introduced:

Rescue squad; dissolution of rescue squad; return of property purchased with public funds.

Provides that upon the dissolution of a rescue squad, any property in the possession of such rescue squad that was purchased using public funds shall be returned to the city or county in which the rescue squad was located for life saving purposes.

01/17/20 Senate: Introduced bill reprinted 20104655D
01/30/20 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1088)
02/05/20 Senate: Reported from General Laws and Technology with substitute (12-Y 2-N 1-A)
02/05/20 Senate: Committee substitute printed 20107855D-S1
02/07/20 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (37-Y 0-N)

SJ 31 Honor and Sacrifice Flag; emblem for honoring fallen public safety personnel.

Patrons: Cosgrove, DeSteph and Morrissey

Designating the Honor and Sacrifice Flag as the Commonwealth's emblem for honoring the brave men and women who have given their lives for public safety.

Summary as introduced:

Emblem for honoring fallen public safety personnel; the Honor and Sacrifice Flag.

Designates the Honor and Sacrifice Flag as the Commonwealth's emblem for honoring the brave men and women who have given their lives for public safety.

01/27/20 Senate: Reading waived (38-Y 0-N)
01/28/20 Senate: Read second time and engrossed
01/29/20 Senate: Read third time and agreed to by Senate by voice vote
02/03/20 House: Placed on Calendar
02/03/20 House: Referred to Committee on Rules