

## Committee Teams: Week of 2/17- 2/21

Hello VA NOW General Assembly Advocates! Please use this document as a tool to figure out where legislation you care about is. Legislation will either be:

- In a committee, waiting for a vote (each committee has a link to its docket, which is where you can find out if your legislation will be voted on that week or day). Typically, dockets are only posted a day or two in advance, so be sure to check your committee docket more than once!
- On the floor, waiting for a full body vote
- Assigned to the opposite chamber or opposite chamber committee

*Remember, we are only asking for you to take action if you see that your bill is on the docket in its committee! If it is on the floor of either the House or the Senate, don't worry about it for now! **Crossover is THIS week, meaning we should be seeing House bills assigned to Senate Committees and Senate bills assigned to House Committees***

You will also see an added section called: **On the Desk of the Governor**. Those are bills that have passed both the Senate and the House and are awaiting the Governor's signature or veto.

When you see a bill (s) on the docket that you care about, send out an email to committee members:

- List of standing committees: <http://lis.virginia.gov/141/com/COM.HTM> (**remember, you can find legislator emails for each committee by clicking on their names, highlighted in blue!**)
- State: who you are and what group you are a part of (VA NOW),
- if you support or oppose the bill (s) up for vote,
- why they should support or oppose the bill (s) –use your fact sheets from the 1<sup>st</sup> GA advocacy email, or simply google the topic for statistics or facts, &
- if you like, ask for a follow up response

### **HOUSE FLOOR (Just FYI, no need to take action on these bills yet!):**

Support SB 416 Family Access to Medical Insurance Security Plan; eligibility for assistance.

#### **HOUSE Education (Mon, 9:00 a.m., House Room C and Wed, 8:30 a.m., 9th Floor Appropriations Room)**

Landes (Chairman), Lingamfelter, Rust, Cole, Pogge, Massie, Greason, Bell, Richard P., LeMunyon, Robinson, Yost, Yancey, Farrell, Davis, Leftwich, McClellan, Tyler, Bulova, Morrissey, Keam, Hester, Brink

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCH09>

Oppose SB 236 Students; codifies right to religious viewpoint expression

#### **HOUSE Courts of Justice (Mon, Wed and Fri, 1/2 hour after adjournment, House Room C)**

Albo (Chairman), Kilgore, Bell, Robert B., Cline, Gilbert, Miller, Loupassi, Villanueva, Habeeb, Minchew, Morris, Leftwich, Chafin, Adams, Campbell, Watts, Toscano, Herring, McClellan, Hope, Keam, Mason

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCH08>

Support SB 14 Crimes against nature; clarifies provisions of clause, penalty

Support SB 260 Temporary detention order; facility of detention

Support SB 658 Physical evidence recovery kits; DFS required to create and maintain inventory

### **HOUSE Privileges and Elections (Fri, 9:30 a.m., 9th Floor Appropriation Room)**

Cole (Chairman), Ingram, Jones, Albo, O'Bannon, Miller, Landes, Hugo, Ramadan, Ransone, O'Quinn, Yost, Minchew, Rush, Fowler, Brink, Joannou, Sickles, Howell, A.T., Krupicka, Futrell, Rasoul

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCH18>

Support SB 16 Absentee voting; persons age 65 or older on day of an election are entitled to vote absentee ballot.  
Support SB 11 Absentee voting and procedures; secure return of voted military-overseas ballots.  
Support SJ 78 United States Constitution; General Assembly to ratify and affirm Equal Rights Amendment  
Support SB 191 Voter registration; duties of State Board of Elections

### **House Rules (Friday afternoon, 6th Floor Speaker's Conference Room)**

Howell, W.J. (Chairman), Landes, Cox, Kilgore, Ware, Jones, Orrock, Knight, Ingram, Massie, Habeeb, Joannou, Plum, Howell, A.T., Toscano

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCH20>

Support SJ 47 Study; joint subcommittee to study the mental health services in the Commonwealth; report  
Support SJ 10 Study; improving access to higher ed for students with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

### **House Counties, Cities and Towns (Friday, 8:00 a.m., House Room D)**

Ingram (Chairman), Marshall, R.G., Marshall, D.W., Poindexter, Morefield, Stolle, Wilt, Morris, Hodges, Webert, Taylor, Austin, DeSteph, Campbell, LaRock, Spruill, McQuinn, Surovell, Torian, Krupicka, Herring, Mason

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCH07>

Support SB 10 Water and sewer; discounted fees and charges for certain low-income and disabled customers  
Support SB 67 Discounted fees and charges; City of Richmond may develop criteria for certain customers.

### **SENATE Floor (Just FYI, no need to take action on these bills yet!):**

Support HB 669 Absentee ballots; date requirement.  
Support HB 1187 School Safety, Virginia Center for; bullying.

Senate Conference Committee Requested:

Oppose HB 157 Charter schools, conversion; restrictions and pre-lottery enrollment for current students

### **SENATE Courts of Justice (Mon, 8:00 a.m. and Wed, 1/2 hour after adjournment, Senate Room B)**

Norment (Chairman), Saslaw, Marsh, Howell, Lucas, Edwards, Puller, Obenshain, McDougle, McEachin, Stuart, Vogel, Stanley, Reeves, Garrett  
Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCS03>

Support HB 1 Sexual and Domestic Violence Subfund; funding of sexual and domestic violence prevention, etc.  
Support HB 708 Assault and battery; family or household member.  
Support HB 1233 Address Confidentiality Program; victims of stalking eligible for Program.

### **SENATE Education and Health (Thurs, 8:30 a.m. Senate Room B)**

Martin (Chairman), Saslaw, Lucas, Howell, Newman, Locke, Barker, Miller, Smith, McWaters, Black, Carrico, Garrett  
Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCS04>

Support HB 134 Diabetes; care of students who have been diagnosed  
Support HB 293 Temporary detention order; facility of detention.

### **SENATE Privileges and Elections (Tues, 4:00 p.m, Senate Room A)**

Obenshain (Chairman), Howell, Martin, Deeds, Edwards, McEachin, Petersen, Smith, Vogel, McWaters, Carrico, Reeves, Garrett, Alexander

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCS08>

Support HB 670 Absentee ballots; name and signature requirements.

Support HB 838 Absentee ballot; procedures for return of envelope.

Support HB 759 Absentee voting and procedures; secure return of voted military-overseas ballots

### **SENATE Finance (Tuesday and Wednesday, 9:00 a.m., Senate Room B)**

Stosch (Chairman), Colgan, Howell, Saslaw, Norment, Hanger, Watkins, Marsh, Lucas, Newman, Ruff, Wagner, McDougle, Vogel, Carrico

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCS05>

Support HB 86 Inpatient psychiatric hospital admission from local correctional facility; criteria.

### **HOUSE Finance (Monday, 8:30 a.m. 9th Floor Appropriations Room)**

Ware (Chairman), Orrock, Byron, Cole, Hugo, Cline, Marshall, R.G., Pogge, Bell, Richard P., O'Quinn, Head, Farrell, Fariss, Fowler, DeSteph, Watts,  
Lewis, Keam, James, Carr, Filler-Corn, Futrell

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCH10>

### **HOUSE Appropriations (Mon, Wed, and Fri, 1/2 hour after adjournment, 9th Floor Appropriations Room)**

Jones (Chairman), Ingram, Cox, Landes, O'Bannon, Lingamfelter, Poindexter, Massie, Scott, Peace, Greason, Knight, Anderson, Garrett, Stolle,  
Joannou, Brink, Howell, A.T., BaCote, Dance, Torian, Hester

Docket link: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+doc+DOCH02>

### **On the Desk of the Governor**