

C. 2017 VIRGINIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY LEGISLATION

HRTPO staff is monitoring transportation-related legislation during the 2017 General Assembly Session. The session began on January 11, 2017 and will adjourn on February 25, 2017. A summary tracking table of pertinent legislation that was proposed and/or passed as of February 6, 2017 is attached. Updated summaries after this date are available on the HRTPO website at <http://hrtpo.org/page/transportation-legislation/>.

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Bill	Summary	Introduced By:	Status
HB1346	Commonwealth Transportation Board; regional membership. Increases from 17 to 19 the membership of the Commonwealth Transportation Board by the addition of two nonlegislative citizen members: one from the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission and one from the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority. The terms of the new nonlegislative citizen members begin July 1, 2016.	Villanueva	12/01/16 House: Left in Transportation
HB1405	Designating the Trooper Chad Phillip Dermyer Memorial Bridge. Designates the State Route 143 bridge in the City of Newport News at exit 255 over Interstate 64 the "Trooper Chad Phillip Dermyer Memorial Bridge."	Hodges	01/31/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (97-Y 0-N) 02/01/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
HB1624	Host Cities Economic Development Incentive and Host Cities Transportation Support Funds. Creates the Host Cities Economic Development Incentive Fund, administered by the Secretary of Commerce and Trade, to support economic development, growth of existing businesses, and job creation related to the Port of Virginia in one or more host cities. The bill also creates the Host Cities Transportation Support Fund, administered by the Secretary of Transportation, to support transportation projects and facilities related to the Port of Virginia in one or more host cities. Summary: Focus on the fiscally stressed host cities of the Port of Virginia - Newport News, Norfolk, and Portsmouth. Host communities lose valuable waterfront property and bear the brunt of transportation issues associated with Port operations. The bill establishes a grant program similar to the State of Good Repair Program for Bridges where funding is dedicated to a specific need. In this case, the funds would be used to pay for any projects that alleviate and/or mitigate congestion created by increased rail activities and concentrated traffic linked to Port-related activities. <i>*See 436 #3H Budget Amendment</i>	James	01/25/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote
HB1693	Virginia Public Procurement Act; contracts for architectural and engineering services relating to multiple construction projects; maximum fee for any single project. Increases the maximum permissible fee for any single project encompassed in a contract for architectural or professional engineering services relating to multiple construction projects from \$100,000 to \$250,000.	Collins	01/30/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (98-Y 0-N) 01/31/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology
HB1761	Regulation of taxicabs. Provides that the governing body of any county, city, or town that regulates taxicabs may authorize any taxicab to operate software-based devices that utilize GPS or other measurement data in the calculation of time-and-distance fares, notwithstanding the requirements for the specifications and tolerances for measuring and weighing devices. The bill repeals the requirement that all taxicabs display roof signs and specific markings and provides that any local ordinance requiring such roof signs\ and markings for taxicabs is void.	Anderson	01/27/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (98-Y 0-N) 01/30/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
HB1804	Practical design standards for projects. Requires the Department of Transportation to employ practical design standards for any highway system project, including all projects costing more than \$5 million. "Practical design	Bell	02/03/17 House: Read first time

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	standards" are defined in the bill as standards that incorporate maximum flexibility in application of standards that reduce the cost of project delivery while preserving and enhancing safety and mobility.		
HB1831	Prioritization of statewide transportation projects; exceptions. Exempts projects on U.S. Route 121, commonly known as the Coalfield Expressway, and U.S. Route 460 from the prioritization process that the Commonwealth Transportation Board applies to projects for state funding.	Kilgore	01/19/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote
HB1881	Toll rate approval by the State Corporation Commission under the Virginia Highway Corporation Act of 1988. Requires the State Corporation Commission to ensure that the cost of operating tolled roadways under the Virginia Highway Corporation Act of 1988 is reasonably apportioned across all users on the basis of the relative distance each class of user travels on the roadway.	Bell	01/17/17 House: Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #2
HB1902	Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995; Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002; affected local jurisdictions and public entities; consideration of economic impact. Requires a private entity requesting approval to develop and operate a qualifying transportation facility under the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995 or a qualifying project under the Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002 to include an economic impact analysis identifying any potentially adverse economic or revenue impacts a potential comprehensive agreement may have on all affected local jurisdictions. The bill further provides that affected local jurisdictions be given reasonable opportunity to consult with the parties concerning the nature and scope of the impacts and regarding measures that may be taken to avoid or mitigate the impacts or make the agreement revenue-neutral. The bill directs that each responsible public entity must certify compliance with the review of the economic impact analysis provisions.	Heretick	01/13/17 House: Assigned Transportation sub: Subcommittee #3
HB1905	All-electronic toll facilities; penalty. Provides that within 30 days of receiving notice that a person is contesting an invoice for an unpaid toll incurred at an all-electronic toll facility, the toll facility operator must provide such person with any evidence of such unpaid toll. If such evidence is not so provided, the toll facility operator's claim becomes invalid. The bill provides that if the matter proceeds to a court of competent jurisdiction and the person contesting the invoice for the unpaid toll prevails, he may seek and obtain his attorney fees and costs associated with defending the action. The bill also requires any privately owned toll facility operator to maintain its principal place of business for all collection activities at a physical location within the Commonwealth and requires such location to provide for in-person as well as telephonic and electronic payments and dispute resolution from 8:00 a.m. through 9:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, except for legal holidays.	Heretick	01/19/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote
HB1929	Public-Private Transportation Act; comprehensive agreement. Requires all comprehensive agreements resulting in privately funded roads open for public transportation to include a provision ensuring funding for adequate staffing, defined in the bill, for general law enforcement by the Virginia State Police.	Bagby	01/27/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (98-Y 0-N) 01/30/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
HB1964	Secretary for Coastal Protection and Flooding Adaptation. Creates the position of Secretary for Coastal Protection and Flooding Adaptation (the Secretary). The Secretary shall be responsible for consolidating into a single office the resources for coastal flooding threats and adaptation. The Secretary also shall be the lead in	Stolle	02/01/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote

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	providing direction, ensuring accountability, and developing a statewide coastal flooding adaptation strategy. The Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary of Natural Resources, shall identify sources of funding for needed implementation of strategies for coastal protection and flooding adaptation.		
HB1993	Pipeline construction; Department of Transportation oversight. Requires the Department of Transportation (VDOT) to document by video the existing condition of the highways on the approved route of an interstate or intrastate pipeline prior to construction, obtain a geotechnical report, and provide a report of such condition on its website. The bill requires VDOT to enter into an agreement with the entity constructing the pipeline that outlines the responsibilities for any required improvements to affected highways.	Habeeb	02/06/17 House: Engrossed by House – committee substitute HB1993H1
HB2013	Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority; board of directors; qualifications. Adds the Executive Director of the Virginia Port Authority and the Vice President of Economic Development for the Virginia Port Authority, or their designees, as ex officio voting members of the board of directors of the Virginia Economic Development Partnership Authority and commensurately reduces the number of appointees from 18 to 16. The bill sets out required areas of expertise for the 16 members appointed variously by the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and the Senate Committee on Rules, with such appointment requirements applying to appointments made on and after July 1, 2017.	Yancey	02/01/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote
HB2015	DRIVE SMART Virginia Education Fund. Establishes a method by which holders of an account for an electronic toll collection device that is the property of the Commonwealth may opt in to make a voluntary contribution through electronic means to the DRIVE SMART Virginia Education Fund (the Fund), created by the bill. The bill requires that contributions to the Fund be used solely for the purposes of supporting educational projects through DRIVE SMART Virginia.	Villanueva	01/31/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (97-Y 0-N) 02/01/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
HB2021	Norfolk Southern Railway right-of-way; public transit or multimodal transportation projects. Provides that the right-of-way of the Norfolk Southern Railway acquired by the City of Virginia Beach may be used for various public transportation projects. Currently, the right-of-way may be used only for a light rail project.	Villanueva	01/10/17 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
HB2022	Department of Transportation; traffic incident response and management. Allows individuals or entities acting on behalf of the Department of Transportation to operate as needed in response to traffic incidents and to access and to remove from moving lanes on a highway vehicles and cargo that are impeding traffic flow due to a traffic incident. The bill requires a driver to move a vehicle from the roadway after an emergency, accident, or breakdown that did not result in injury or death if the vehicle is movable and the driver is capable of safely doing so. Current law allows drivers to move a vehicle from the roadway after an accident if the vehicle is movable and the driver is capable of safely doing so, but does not require it.	Villanueva	01/27/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (98-Y 0-N) 01/30/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
HB2023	Highway maintenance payments; bicycle lanes. Provides that cities and towns that receive highway maintenance payments from the Commonwealth based on moving-lane-miles of highway will not have such payments reduced if moving-lane-miles of highway are converted to bicycle-only lanes, provided that the number of moving-lane-miles is not more than 50 moving-lane-miles or three percent of the municipality's total number of moving-lane-miles, whichever is less, and that prior to such conversion the city or town	Villanueva	01/25/17 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

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	certifies that the conversion design has been assessed by a professional engineer and designed in accordance with certain national standards. Municipalities will not receive additional funds and cannot reduce their funding of road and street maintenance after a conversion. The bill also repeals the provision that allowed the City of Richmond to convert 20 moving-lane-miles to bicycle-only lanes.		
HB2032	Filing and application fees for transportation network companies. Allows transportation network companies two fee options when applying for an original or renewal of a certificate. A transportation network company may either pay the existing certificate fees of \$100,000 upon application and \$60,000 for renewal or pay a \$20 surcharge per record when purchasing a driver transcript in addition to the current transcript fee.	Adams	01/31/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (97-Y 0-N) 02/01/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation
HB2130	Motor vehicle fuels sales tax in certain transportation districts. Provides that the tax that is imposed on the sales price of motor fuel in Northern Virginia shall be imposed on the regional price of gas, defined and computed as a six-month average price of fuel. The regional price has an initial floor of January 11, 2017. If a newly averaged regional price is higher than the preceding regional price, the tax is imposed on the new regional price, but if a newly averaged regional price is less than the preceding regional price, the higher of the two remains the regional price. If the regional price is at any time equal to or greater than the statewide average wholesale price of unleaded regular gasoline on February 20, 2013, then the tax is imposed on the regional price, which moving forward shall not be less than the statewide average wholesale price of unleaded regular gasoline on February 20, 2013, and shall not be more than a price of \$4 per gallon of unleaded regular gasoline. The bill also raises the rate of taxation of motor fuel in Northern Virginia from 2.1% to 3%. The bill also changes the regional gas tax in Hampton Roads from a percentage to a cents-per-gallon tax that decreases as the price of gas increases. The regional gas tax in Hampton Roads would have a floor of \$0.05 per gallon and a ceiling of \$0.14 per gallon and would be determined on the basis of the average wholesale price of unleaded regular gasoline.	Levine	01/25/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on table by voice vote
HB2139	Commissioner of Highways; annual report requirements. Requires that the Commissioner of Highways, in his annual report, report specifically about transportation projects approved or modified during the prior fiscal year and data indicating the relationship between toll price and vehicle volume per unit time at selected toll lane locations for each public or private toll facility in which variable toll pricing is utilized.	LeMunyon	02/06/17 House: Engrossed by House – committee substitute HB2139H1
HB2145	Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; regulation of land surveyor photogrammetrists. Provides for the licensure of land surveyor photogrammetrists by the Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects. The bill defines "land surveyor photogrammetrists" and sets the criteria for their licensure.	LeMunyon	02/06/17 House: Engrossed by House – committee substitute HB2145H1
HB2241	Department of Transportation; Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment of the Secretary of Transportation; responsibilities. Shifts responsibilities for transportation planning activities from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment of the Secretary of Transportation. The bill specifies VDOT's core functions and limits the agency's duties to those core functions. The bill requires transparency in the development of the Six-Year Improvement Program by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) and requires the CTB and VDOT to make public certain information related to the selection of projects.	Jones	01/27/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (98-Y 0-N) 01/30/17 Senate: Referred to Committee on Transportation

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HB2244	<p>Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995. Changes the Transportation Public-Private Partnership Advisory Committee to the Transportation Public-Private Partnership Steering Committee and provides that the Deputy Secretary of Transportation on the Committee serves as the chairman of the Committee. The bill provides that the responsible public entity may grant approval for the development and/or operation of a transportation facility by a private entity if that entity can develop and/or operate the transportation facility for less cost than the Department of Transportation (VDOT) or the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT). The bill requires the chief executive officer of the responsible public entity to certify in writing to the Governor and the General Assembly that there has been no material change since the finding of public interest to the public contribution requested by the private entity does not exceed the maximum public contribution. The bill requires the responsible public entity, when such entity is VDOT or DRPT, to ensure competition through the procurement process and develop a public sector analysis of the cost for the responsible entity to develop and/or operate the transportation facility. The bill adds to the information required to be included in the finding of public interest a description of the benefits expected to be realized by the responsible public entity and a public sector analysis demonstrating that the private sector can deliver the project for less cost than the responsible public entity.</p>	Jones	02/03/17 House: VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (95-Y 0-N)
HB2319	<p>National Flood Insurance Program; participation by localities; report. Requires localities any part of whose occupied land is located in a floodplain as depicted on a current Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Boundary Rate Map or Flood Insurance Rate Map to comply with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) (42 U.S.C. § 4001 et seq.).</p> <p>The bill requires the Secretary of Natural Resources to issue an annual report no later than November 1 listing any affected locality that is not in compliance with the NFIP and recommending any legislation necessary to ensure compliance. The bill also requires the Secretary of Natural Resources to issue a report by November 1, 2018, listing any locality not participating in the Community Rating System of the NFIP and recommending any legislation necessary to encourage participation.</p>	Miyares	02/04/17 House: Read first time
HB2320	<p>Hurricane and Flooding Risk Reduction Act of 2017. Establishes the Commonwealth as a Nonfederal Sponsor of Hurricane and Flooding Risk Reduction Projects. The bill also establishes the Virginia Hurricane and Flooding Risk Reduction Authority, a Board of Directors for that Authority, and a Governor's Advisory Commission on Hurricane and Flooding Risk Reduction.</p>	Miyares	01/26/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote
HB2356	<p>Board of Trustees; Ft. Monroe Authority. Increases the number of members on the Board of Trustees of the Ft. Monroe Authority from 12 to 14. The bill removes the Lieutenant Governor as a member of the Board, provides that the Secretary of Natural Resources and the Secretary of Commerce and Trade shall serve ex officio without voting privileges, and increases from five to eight the number of nonlegislative citizen members appointed by the Governor to the Board. The bill provides for the staggering of terms for the three additional citizen members appointed by the Governor. The bill contains technical amendments.</p>	Helsel	02/04/17 House: Read first time

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HB2367	Virginia Port Authority; Board of Commissioners. Provides that the 11 members of the Board of Commissioners of the Virginia Port Authority appointed by the Governor no longer serve at the pleasure of the Governor and may be removed prior to the expiration of a five-year term only for cause.	Lindsey	02/04/17 House: Read first time
HB2403	Vehicles bearing clean special fuel license plates; use of high occupancy toll lanes. Exempts vehicles bearing clean special fuel license plates that were obtained from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) before July 1, 2011, from any high occupancy toll lane designation of Interstate 66, and exempts vehicles bearing clean special fuel license plates that were obtained from the DMV before July 1, 2006, from any high occupancy toll violation designation of Interstates 95 and 395 inside the Capital Beltway until January 1, 2020.	Greason	01/24/17: House: Assigned Transportation sub: #3
HB2448	Measures to relieve traffic congestion in certain areas of the Commonwealth. Requires that 50 percent of payments from the Commissioner of Highways to a locality for the maintenance, construction, and reconstruction of highways be based on the ratio of vehicle miles traveled on highways within the locality to the total vehicle miles traveled on highways in the Commonwealth. Under current law, such payments are based on the number of moving-lane-miles in the locality, and under the bill, the remaining 50 percent of such payments will continue on that basis. The bill establishes a refundable individual income tax credit, for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2017, but before January 1, 2022, in an amount equal to 50 percent of the value of any tolls paid for driving on Interstate Route 66.	Marshall	01/30/17 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote
HB2449	Term limits; certain public bodies in City of Chesapeake. Provides that members of the Chesapeake Economic Development Authority, Chesapeake Redevelopment and Housing Authority, Chesapeake Airport Authority, and Chesapeake Hospital Authority shall be limited to two terms.	Knight	02/04/17 House: Read first time
HB2463	Commissioner of Highways; commercial establishment entrances. Requires the Commissioner of Highways to document and maintain a list of permit applications requesting connections for commercial establishment entrances to the paved part of the highway. The bill requires that such list include recommendations regarding compliance with the Department of Transportation's design standards and access management regulations and the Commonwealth Transportation Board's regulations regarding land use permits, as well as associated cost estimates. Such list shall be provided to a locality upon request.	Hodges	02/06/17 House: Engrossed by House as amended HB2463E
HJ580	Study; JLARC; impact of state-owned ports on local governments; report. Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to review and update its 1999 study entitled "Review of the Impact of State-Owned Ports on Local Governments."	James	01/26/17 House: Tabled in Rules by voice vote
HJ632	Commending Naval Station Norfolk.	Stolle	01/13/17 House: Agreed to by House by voice vote 01/19/17 Senate: Agreed to by Senate by voice vote
HJ648	Study; JLARC; impact of state-owned ports on local governments; report. Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to review and update its 1999 study entitled "Review of the Impact of State-Owned	Heretick	01/26/17 House: Tabled in Rules by voice vote

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	Ports on Local Governments."		
HJ686	Memorializing the Congress of the United States to allow states and communities to expedite permitting for bridge safety. Expresses the sense of the General Assembly in urging the Congress of the United States to change its laws and impact associated federal regulations to allow states and communities throughout the United States to expedite permitting to emergency priority levels for the maintenance, reconstruction, or replacement of structurally deficient bridges.	Yancey	01/31/17 House: Tabled in Rules (15-Y 0-N)
HJ688	Study; joint committee to study the expansion of the Norfolk Airport Authority membership; report. Establishes a joint committee of the House Committee on Transportation and the Senate Committee on Transportation to study the expansion of the Norfolk Airport Authority membership.	Villanueva	01/26/17 House: Tabled in Rules by voice vote
HJ689	Study; joint subcommittee to study public transportation in Hampton Roads; report. Establishes a joint subcommittee to study governance and funding for public transportation in Hampton Roads.	Villanueva	01/16/17 House: Stricken from docket by Rules by voice vote
HJ690	Study; joint subcommittee to study mega-region airport in Greater Hampton Roads; report. Establishes a joint subcommittee to study the feasibility and practicality of building a mega-region airport in Greater Hampton Roads.	Villanueva	01/26/17 House: Tabled in Rules by voice vote
HJ691	Study; Virginia Department of Transportation; noise abatement remedies. Requests the Virginia Department of Transportation to develop, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, procedures to measure and assess the noise impact on neighborhoods that were previously studied for noise impact but ineligible for noise abatement mitigation remedies at the time of the study. See 452 #1h Budget Amendment.	Murphy	01/26/17 House: Tabled in Rules by voice vote
HJ693	Constitutional amendment (first resolution); Transportation Funds. Requires the General Assembly to maintain permanent and separate Transportation Funds to include the Commonwealth Transportation Fund, Transportation Trust Fund, Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund, and other funds established by general law for transportation. The amendment directs that revenues dedicated to Transportation Funds on January 1, 2018, by general law, other than a general appropriation law, shall be deposited to the Transportation Funds, unless the General Assembly by general law, other than a general appropriation law, alters the revenues dedicated to the Funds. The amendment limits the use of Fund moneys to transportation and related purposes. The amendment specifies that the General Assembly may borrow from the Funds for other purposes only by a vote of two-thirds plus one of the members voting in each house and that the loan must be repaid with reasonable interest within four years.	LaRock	02/03/17 House: Reported from Privileges and Elections (21-Y 0-N)
HJ700	Study; Broadband Advisory Council; broadband availability and the most cost-effective means to provide broadband coverage to the greatest number of people; report. Requests the Broadband Advisory Council to develop a system for rating communities where the most people can be served by increased broadband coverage for the least cost.	Levine	01/26/17 House: Tabled in Rules by voice vote
SB255	Department of Transportation to study toll relief. Requires the Department of Transportation to conduct a	Surovell	12/02/16: Left in Rules

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	survey of other states' toll relief programs and evaluate potential methods of toll relief for citizens of the Commonwealth. The Department shall submit a report of its findings no later than the first day of the 2017 Regular Session of the General Assembly.		
SB365	Prioritization of statewide transportation projects; exceptions. Provides that projects on U.S. Route 460 and U.S. Route 121 are not subject to the prioritization process that the Commonwealth Transportation Board applies to projects eligible for state funding.	Chafin	12/02/16: Left in Finance
SB669	Highway maintenance payments; bicycle lanes. Provides that cities and towns that receive highway maintenance payments from the Commonwealth based on moving-lane miles of highway will not have such payments reduced if moving-lane miles of highway are converted to bicycle-only lanes, provided that the number of moving-lane-miles is not more than 50 moving-lane-miles or 3% of the municipality's total number of moving-lane-miles, whichever is less. Municipalities will not receive additional funds and cannot reduce their funding of road and street maintenance after a conversion. The bill also repeals the provision that allowed City of Richmond to convert 20 moving-lane-miles to bicycle-only lanes.	Alexander	12/01/16 Senate: Left in Transportation
SB702	Bridge structures; attachment to locality; annual service fee. Provides that a bridge constructed and operated in accordance with Chapter 581 of the Acts of Assembly of 2009, known as the Jordan Bridge, is not within either locality to which it is attached. The bill requires the owners of such bridge to pay each such locality, the Cities of Chesapeake and Portsmouth, an annual service fee of five cents per toll paid on the bridge, divided equally between the two localities.	Lucas	12/02/16: Left in Transportation
SB742	Motor vehicle fuels sales tax in certain transportation districts. Changes the regional gas tax in Hampton Roads to a cents per gallon tax that decreases as the price of gas increases. The tax would be imposed on the basis of the price of gas as determined by the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles using a prescribed formula to calculate the average wholesale price.	Wagner	12/01/16: House: Left in Finance
SB806	Interstate 73 Corridor Development Fund and Program. Reallocates and transfers the U.S. Route 58 Corridor Development Fund and Program to the Interstate 73 Corridor Development Fund effective either July 1, 2020, or upon completion of all parts of the U.S. Route 58 Corridor Development Program, whichever occurs sooner. Currently, \$40 million is allocated annually to the Route 58 project.	Stanley	02/03/17 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (26-Y 13-N)
SB855	Designating the Trooper Chad Phillip Dermyer Memorial Bridge. Designates the State Route 143 bridge in the City of Newport News at exit 255 over Interstate 64 the "Trooper Chad Phillip Dermyer Memorial Bridge."	Norment	01/31/17 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
SB877	Prioritization of statewide transportation projects; exceptions. Exempts projects on U.S. Route 121, commonly known as the Coalfield Expressway, and U.S. Route 460 from the prioritization process that the Commonwealth Transportation Board applies to projects for state funding.	Chafin	01/19/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Education and Health (8-Y 7-N)

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SB921	Commonwealth Transportation Board; statewide prioritization process. Requires travel time reliability to be one of the factors used by the Commonwealth Transportation Board in its statewide prioritization process.	Edwards	1/25/17 Senate: Stricken at request of Patron in Transportation (12-Y 0-N)
SB967	Local industrial development authorities; port authority. Authorizes an industrial development authority or a locality, by ordinance, to create an advisory port authority committee, with powers necessary to operate a port in the locality and promote commerce. The bill expands the definition of "authority facilities" to include port facilities.	Cosgrove	1/30/17 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N) 02/03/17 House: Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #1
SB1013	Host Cities Economic Development Incentive and Host Cities Transportation Support Funds. Creates the Host Cities Economic Development Incentive Fund, administered by the Secretary of Commerce and Trade, to support economic development, growth of existing businesses, and job creation related to the Port of Virginia in one or more host cities. The bill also creates the Host Cities Transportation Support Fund, administered by the Secretary of Transportation, to support transportation projects and facilities related to the Port of Virginia in one or more host cities. Summary: Focus on the fiscally stressed host cities of the Port of Virginia - Newport News, Norfolk, and Portsmouth. Host communities lose valuable waterfront property and bear the brunt of transportation issues associated with Port operations. The bill establishes a grant program similar to the State of Good Repair Program for Bridges where funding is dedicated to a specific need. In this case, the funds would be used to pay for any projects that alleviate and/or mitigate congestion created by increased rail activities and concentrated traffic linked to Port-related activities. <i>See 436 #2s & 105 #1s Budget Amendments.</i>	Lucas	02/03/17 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (28-Y 11-N)
SB1022	Annual report by toll operators. Requires all toll operators and HOT lanes operators to annually report data on toll violations, civil penalties, and administrative fees to the Department of Transportation (VDOT). The bill requires VDOT to submit such information to the Chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on Transportation. <i>See 455 #1s Budget Amendment.</i>	Ebbin	1/18/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Transportation (7-Y 6-N)
SB1092	Motor vehicle fuels sales tax in certain transportation districts; price floor. Establishes a floor on the 2.1 percent tax imposed on motor vehicle fuels sold in Northern Virginia by requiring that the average sales price upon which the tax is based be no less than the statewide average sales price on July 1, 2013.	Petersen	01/31/17 Senate: Incorporated by Finance (SB1456-Wagner) (16-Y 0-N)
SB1101	Filing and application fees for transportation network companies. Allows transportation network companies two fee options when applying for an original or renewal of a certificate. A transportation network company may either pay the existing certificate fees of \$100,000 upon application and \$60,000 for renewal or pay a \$20 surcharge per record when purchasing a driver transcript in addition to the current transcript fee.	Newman	01/24/17 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) 01/31/17 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation

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SB1259	Conveyance of utility easements; transportation. Exempts from the public hearing requirement prior to disposal of real property by a locality the conveyance of utility easements related to transportation projects.	Black	01/31/17 Senate: Incorporated by Local Government (SB932-Favola) (13-Y 0-N)
SB1322	Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995. Changes the Transportation Public-Private Partnership Advisory Committee to the Transportation Public-Private Partnership Steering Committee and provides that the Deputy Secretary of Transportation on the Committee serves as the chairman of the Committee. The bill provides that the responsible public entity may grant approval for the development and/or operation of a transportation facility by a private entity if that entity can develop and/or operate the transportation facility for less cost than the Department of Transportation (VDOT) or the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT). The bill requires the chief executive officer of the responsible public entity to certify in writing to the Governor and the General Assembly that there has been no material change since the finding of public interest to the public contribution requested by the private entity does not exceed the maximum public contribution. The bill requires the responsible public entity, when such entity is VDOT or DRPT, to ensure competition through the procurement process and develop a public sector analysis of the cost for the responsible entity to develop and/or operate the transportation facility. The bill adds to the information required to be included in the finding of public interest a description of the benefits expected to be realized by the responsible public entity and a public sector analysis demonstrating that the private sector can deliver the project for less cost than the responsible public entity.	Carrico	02/02/17 Senate: Passed Senate (40-Y 0-N) 02/06/17 House: Assigned App. Sub: Transportation
SB1331	Department of Transportation; Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment of the Secretary of Transportation; responsibilities. Shifts responsibilities for transportation planning activities from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment of the Secretary of Transportation. The bill specifies VDOT's core functions and limits the agency's duties to those core functions. The bill requires transparency in the development of the Six-Year Improvement Program by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) and requires the CTB and VDOT to make public certain information related to the selection of projects.	Carrico	01/31/17 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N) 02/03/17 House: Referred to Committee on Transportation
SB1396	Norfolk Southern Railway right-of-way; public transit or multimodal transportation projects. Provides that the right-of-way of the Norfolk Southern Railway acquired by the City of Virginia Beach may be used for construction of a public transit or multimodal transportation project instead of a Light Rail project.	Wagner	02/01/17 Senate: Stricken at request of Patron in Transportation (11-Y 0-N)
SB1415	Virginia Port Authority; Board of Commissioners. Provides that the 11 members of the Board of Commissioners of the Virginia Port Authority appointed by the Governor no longer serve at the pleasure of the Governor and may be removed prior to the expiration of a five-year term only for cause.	Spruill	01/24/17 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (40-Y 0-N) 02/04/17 House: Assigned App. Sub: Transportation
SB1456	Motor vehicle fuels sales tax in certain transportation districts; price floor. Places a floor on the 2.1 percent tax imposed on motor vehicle fuels sold in Northern Virginia and Hampton Roads by ensuring that the tax is not imposed on a sales price less than the statewide average sales price on February 20, 2013, which is the date used as a floor on the statewide motor vehicle fuels sales tax.	Wagner	02/03/17 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (26-Y 12-N)

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SB1494	Transportation network company; brokers. Allows brokers to arrange rides with transportation network company (TNC) partner vehicles. The bill requires such brokers to be licensed by the Department of Motor Vehicles and includes insurance requirements for TNC partner vehicles operating at the request of a broker.	McClellan	02/06/17 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (40-Y 0-N)
SB1517	School transportation; fees. Authorizes a school board to charge a reasonable fee, when it provides transportation to pupils who live outside the school division, to each pupil utilizing such transportation. The bill requires that the school board waive such fee for any pupil whose parent is financially unable to pay it, including any pupil who is eligible for free and reduced lunch. The bill contains technical amendments.	Black	02/03/17 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (39-Y 0-N)
SB1522	Vehicles bearing clean special fuel license plates; use of high occupancy toll lanes. Exempts vehicles bearing clean special fuel license plates that were obtained from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) before July 1, 2011, from any high occupancy toll lane designation of Interstate 66, and exempts vehicles bearing clean special fuel license plates that were obtained from the DMV before July 1, 2006, from any high occupancy toll lane designation of Interstates 95 and 395 inside the Capital Beltway until January 1, 2020.	McPike	01/25/17 Senate: Stricken at request of Patron in Transportation (11-Y 0-N)
SB1572	Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; regulation of land surveyor photogrammetrists. Provides for the licensure of land surveyor photogrammetrists by the Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects. The bill defines "land surveyor photogrammetrists" and sets the criteria for their licensure.	Stanley	02/03/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in General Laws and Technology (9-Y 4-N)
SJ233	Study; Virginia Department of Transportation; noise abatement remedies. Requests the Virginia Department of Transportation to develop, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, procedures to measure and assess the noise impact on neighborhoods that were previously studied for noise impact but ineligible for noise abatement mitigation remedies at the time of the study. See 451 #1s Budget Amendment.	Favola	02/02/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Rules by voice vote
SJ246	Study; inland port facility in the Roanoke Region and New River Valley; report. Requests the Secretary of Transportation to study the feasibility of an additional inland port facility in the Roanoke Region and New River Valley.	Edwards	02/02/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Rules by voice vote
SJ294	Commending Naval Station Norfolk	Wagner	01/19/17 Senate: Agreed to by Senate by voice vote 01/27/17 House: Agreed to by House by voice vote
SJ297	Study; JLARC; coastal flooding adaptation and resiliency. Directs the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to study the ongoing efforts throughout the Commonwealth with regard to coastal flooding adaptation and resiliency and to determine the effectiveness of such efforts and issue appropriate recommendations.	Wagner	02/02/17 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Rules by voice vote
SJ369	Celebrating the life of Trooper Chad Phillip Dermeyer.	Norment	02/03/17 Senate: Laid on Clerk's desk

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Item	Summary	Patron	Fund Information
436 #3H	<p>Host Cities Transportation Support Fund</p> <p>Page 429, after line 31, insert: "Q. Included in the amounts provided in this item is \$5,000,000 from the general fund in the second year which shall be used to fund roadway improvement projects directly tied to roadway degradation resulting directly from activity at Virginia's port facilities. The Secretary of Transportation is directed to establish objective and transparent criteria that shall be used by the Commonwealth Transportation Board to allocate these funds to projects on an annual basis as part of the Six Year Improvement Program process. Initial criteria for project submissions shall be developed and released no later than July 1, 2017 to allow eligible port host cities to apply on for grants on a competitive basis. In future years the selection process shall be concurrent with the process used to the develop the Six Year Improvement Program."</p> <p>This amendment provides \$5.0 million from the general fund in the second year to establish a new transportation fund to support projects to help Port host cities address roadway degradation and congestion directly associated with activity at the ports of Virginia. The Fund would be established pursuant to the provisions of House Bill 1624, 2017 Session of the General Assembly.</p>	James	Second Year – FY18: \$5 million Secretary of Transportation
449 #2h	<p>Rail EIS for Richmond to Hampton Roads Rail</p> <p>Page 437, after line 47, insert: "F. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 33.2-1601 and § 33.2-1603, Code of Virginia, from the amounts appropriated in this item, \$10,000,000 in the first year and \$10,000,000 in the second year shall be allocated by the department to the Hampton Roads Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to conduct the Richmond to Hampton Roads Tier II Passenger Rail Environmental Impact Study (EIS). Any Rail Enhancement Funds utilized for this purpose shall be administered according to the guidelines governing the use of Intercity Passenger Rail Operating and Capital Funds."</p> <p>(This amendment directs \$10.0 million each year from existing rail funding to the Hampton Roads MPO to conduct a Tier II EIS for Richmond to Hampton Roads rail service.)</p>	Stolle	Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT)
452 #1h	<p>Reevaluation of Noise Abatement Studies</p> <p>Page 439, after line 18, insert: "E. Pursuant to the requirements of House Joint Resolution 691, 2017 Session of the General Assembly, the department, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, shall develop procedures to measure and assess the highway related noise impact on neighborhoods that were previously studied for noise impact but ineligible for noise abatement and mitigation remedies at the time of the initial study."</p> <p>(This amendment directs VDOT to work with FHWA to reevaluate the highway related noise impacts on certain neighborhoods deemed ineligible for noise abatement actions at the initial time of the study and</p>	Murphy	Second Year – FY18: \$25,000 GF Department of Transportation

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	provides \$25,000 from the general fund in the second year for the conduct of the study, which is required by House Joint Resolution 691, 2017 Session of the General Assembly.)		
455 #1h	<p>Reporting of Toll Violations and Revenues Generated</p> <p>Page 442, after line 20, insert:</p> <p>"D. Fiscal year annual data on the total number and total monetary amount of toll violations, civil penalties, and administrative fees levied, and amounts collected, shall be reported by all toll operators and High Occupancy Toll lane operators and compiled by the Department of Transportation and submitted to the Chairmen of the House Committees on Transportation and Appropriations, the Senate Committees on Finance and Transportation, and to the Transportation Accountability Commission no later than September 1, 2017, and by December 1 of each year thereafter."</p> <p>(This amendment requires public and private toll road operators to report on the total number of violations and civil penalties and administrative fees levied and collected each year.)</p>	Greason	Department of Transportation
456 #2h	<p>Increase Funding for Urban Maintenance Payments</p> <p>Page 443, after line 15 insert:</p> <p>"E. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 33.2-219, Code of Virginia, beginning with fiscal year 2018, payments to cities and towns eligible for urban maintenance funds under this section shall be made to affected localities based on vehicle miles traveled on the urban street system. No town or city shall receive less funding than it received in fiscal year 2016. The Commonwealth Transportation Board shall approve program payment amounts at a level sufficient to accomplish this purpose. The Board is further authorized to reallocate funds from such other programs as it deems necessary to accomplish this purpose."</p> <p>This amendment provides increased funding for the Urban Street Maintenance Payment program. Accompanying language directs that the payments be made based on vehicle miles traveled rather than based on moving lane miles to better reflect actual maintenance needs. The language includes a hold harmless provision and the increased funds ensure that each town and city receives at least the same level of funds they currently receive.</p>	<p>Carr</p> <p>Co-Patrons: Hayes, Hester, James, Loupassi, McQuinn, Price, Stolle, Villanueva, Ward</p>	<p>Second Year – FY18: \$54,694,882</p> <p>Department of Transportation</p>

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464 #1h	<p>Portsmouth PILOT Payment from VPA</p> <p>Page 451, line 38, after "A." insert "1." Page 451, after line 49, insert: "2. In addition to the amounts provided in paragraph A.1. of this item, the Commonwealth shall provided \$1,700,000 in the second year from the general fund to the City of Portsmouth to offset losses in property taxes resulting from the capital lease agreement between the Virginia Ports Authority and Virginia International Gateway's relating to port facilities in the City of Portsmouth."</p> <p>This amendment provides \$1.7 million from the general fund in the second year as the first part of a three-year payment to the City of Portsmouth to offffset the loss of property taxes resulting from the Commonwealth's altered capital lease of the Virginia International Gateway port facility.</p>	James Co-Patron: Heretick	Second Year – FY18: \$1.7 million GF Virginia Port Authority
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Budget Bill – Amendment Summaries: SB900

436 #2s	<p>Host Cities Transportation Support Fund</p> <p>Page 429, following line 31, insert: "Q. Out of the amounts authorized in this item, \$5,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Host Cities Transportation Support Fund created pursuant to SB 1013 of the 2017 General Assembly. The Secretary, in collaboration with the Secretary of Commerce and Trade, shall develop appropriate grant guidelines for the administration of the program consistent with the provisions of the legislation. The funding shall be disbursed in the form of grants to eligible localities in accordance with provisions of the legislation and used solely for the purposes of supporting transportation projects and facilities related to the Port of Virginia."</p> <p>This amendment provides \$5.0 million from the general fund in the second year for road projects directly tied to Port activity. A companion amendment in the Secretary of Commerce establishes the Host Cities Economic Development Incentive Fund.</p>	Lucas	Second Year – FY18: \$5 million Secretary of Transportation
105 #1s	<p>Host Cities Economic Development Incentive Fund</p> <p>Page 90, following line 38, insert: "E. Out of the amounts authorized in this item, \$1,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be deposited to the Host Cities Economic Development Incentive Fund created pursuant to SB 1013 of the 2017 General Assembly. The Secretary, in collaboration with the Secretary of Transportation, shall develop appropriate grant guidelines for the administration of the program consistent with the provisions of the legislation. The funding shall be disbursed in the form of grants to eligible localities in accordance with provisions of the legislation and used solely for the purposes of supporting economic development, growth of existing businesses, and job creation related to the Port of Virginia."</p>	Lucas	Second Year – FY18: \$1 million Secretary of Commerce and Trade

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	<p>This amendment provides \$1.0 million GF in the second year for the creation of the Host Cities Economic Development Incentive Fund to support economic development related projects in the host localities to the Port of Virginia. A companion amendment in the Secretary of Transportation establishes the Host Cities Transportation Support Fund.</p>		
449 #1s	<p>Hampton Roads Passenger Rail Tier II EIS Page 437, following line 47, insert: "F. Of the amounts dedicated in this item for Passenger and Freight Rail Financial Assistance Programs, \$10,000,000 from the proceeds of the Rail Enhancement Fund shall be allocated to the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization to conduct the Richmond / Hampton Roads Tier II Passenger Rail Environmental Impact Study. Such funds shall be administered as Intercity Passenger Rail Operating and Capital Funds."</p> <p>This amendment allocates \$10.0 million NGF from the Rail Enhancement Fund to the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization to conduct the Richmond/Hampton Roads Tier II Passenger Rail Environment Impact Study.</p>	Wagner	DRPT
451 #1s	<p>Noise Abatement Study</p> <p>Page 438, following line 31, insert: "The Commissioner, Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, shall develop policies and procedures to measure and assess the noise impact on neighborhoods that were previously studied for noise impact abatement but were determined ineligible for mitigation remedies at the time of the initial study."</p> <p>This amendment directs the Virginia Department of Transportation to develop procedures to measure and assess the noise impact on neighborhoods that have previously been studied and were ineligible for noise mitigation remedies at the time of the study.</p>	Favola	Department of Transportation
455 #1s	<p>Annual Report by Toll Operators</p> <p>Page 442, following line 20, insert: "D. Annual data on the total number and total monetary amounts of toll violations, civil penalties, and administrative fees levied shall be reported by all toll operators and High Occupancy Toll lanes operators and compiled by the Virginia Department of Transportation and submitted to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Transportation and Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Transportation and Finance and the Joint Commission of Transportation Accountability not later than September 1, 2017 and by December 1 of each year thereafter."</p> <p>This amendment requires public and private toll road operators to report on the total number of violations and all civil penalties and administrative fees levied each year.</p>	Ebbin	Department of Transportation

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455 #2s	<p>Judicial Discretion for Toll Violations (language only)</p> <p>"D. In future contracts with toll operators, the Commonwealth shall allow courts to consider extenuating circumstances; such as failure to receive notification of the offense by mail, technical errors with an electronic toll collection device or account, or offenses occurring within such close proximity as not to allow for receipt of notification."</p> <p>(This amendment provides that future contracts with toll operators require courts to consider extenuating circumstances.)</p>	Ebbin	Department of Transportation
456 #2s	<p>Urban Maintenance Payments</p> <p>Page 443, following line 15, insert: "E. Notwithstanding the provisions of §33.2-319, Code of Virginia, payment to cities and towns eligible for urban maintenance funds under this section shall be made to the affected localities based on vehicle miles traveled. No city or town shall receive less funding than it received in FY 2016. The Commonwealth Transportation Board shall approve program payment amounts at a level sufficient to accomplish this purpose. The Board is further authorized to reallocate funds from such other programs as it deems necessary to accomplish this purpose."</p> <p>This amendment provides increased funding for the Urban Street Maintenance Payment program and directs that the payments be made on the Vehicle Miles Traveled rather than Moving Lane Miles distribution to better reflect actual maintenance needs. The language includes a hold harmless provision and the increased funds ensure that each town and city receives at least the same level of funds that they currently receive.</p>	Dance	Second Year – FY18: \$54,694,882 Department of Transportation
464 #1s	<p>Supplement for Virginia International Gateway Personal Property Tax</p> <p>Page 452, following line 1, insert: "C. Included in the amounts for Payments in Lieu of Taxes is \$1,700,000 from the general fund in the second year for the first of three annual payments to the City of Portsmouth concluding not later than June 30, 2020 to offset any local personal property tax revenue losses incurred as the result of the conversion of the Virginia International Gateway to a publicly owned facility."</p> <p>This amendment directs \$1.7 million GF in the second year, as the first part of a three year payment, to the City of Portsmouth for Personal Property Tax losses resulting from the Virginia International Gateway lease.</p>	Lucas	Second Year – FY18: \$1.7 million GF Virginia Port Authority