

OEMS Legislative Report

January 29, 2021

HB 1769 Health care providers, certain; licensure or certification by endorsement.

Patrons: Freitas and Cole, M.L.

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 54.1-2927, 54.1-2951.1, and 54.1-2957 of the Code of Virginia, relating to certain health care providers; licensure or certification by endorsement.

Summary as introduced:

Certain health care providers; licensure or certification by endorsement. Requires the Board of Medicine to issue a license or certificate by endorsement to an applicant who holds a valid, unrestricted license or certificate under the laws of another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory or possession with which the Commonwealth has not established a reciprocal relationship upon endorsement by the appropriate board or other appropriate authority of such other state, the District of Columbia, or United States territory or possession and a determination by the Board of Medicine that the applicant's credentials are satisfactory to the Board of Medicine and the examinations and passing grades required by such other board or authority are fully equal to those required by the Board of Medicine.

12/28/20 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21100648D

12/28/20 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/07/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1769)

01/13/21 House: Assigned HWI sub: Health Professions

01/21/21 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 0-N)

HB 1803 Approved local volunteer activities; enables localities to provide credit against taxes & fees.

Patron: Orrock

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 30 of Title 58.1 a section numbered 58.1-3019, relating to local credits for approved local volunteer activities.

Summary as introduced:

Local credits for approved local volunteer activities. Enables localities, by ordinance, to provide a credit against taxes and fees imposed by the locality to an individual who provides approved volunteer services in the locality. As defined in the bill, "approved volunteer services" includes (i) volunteer first responders or (ii) individuals who perform volunteer services to a nonprofit organization or to the locality, if such services are approved by the locality. The bill specifies that the credit may not be used against any property taxes or payments in lieu of property taxes. The bill gives localities discretion to determine which taxes or fees are permissible uses of the credit and which services qualify for the credit.

01/04/21 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21100893D
01/04/21 House: Referred to Committee on Finance
01/11/21 House: Impact statement from TAX (HB1803)
01/16/21 House: Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #1
01/25/21 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 4-N)

HB 1818 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patrons: Heretick, Convirs-Fowler, Adams, D.M., Askew, Ayala, Bagby, Carter, Guy, Helmer, Hope, Hudson, Keam, Kory, McGuire, Mugler, Plum, Reid, Samirah, Simon, Simonds, Subramanyam and Sullivan

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption of compensation for certain diseases; applicable to salaried and volunteer emergency medical services personnel.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases. Adds salaried or volunteer emergency medical services personnel to the list of persons to whom, after five years of service, the occupational disease presumption for death caused by hypertension or heart disease applies.

01/21/21 House: Committee substitute printed 21103348D-H1
01/21/21 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations
01/21/21 House: Incorporates HB2080 (Convirs-Fowler)
01/22/21 House: Assigned App. sub: Compensation & General Government
01/25/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1818H1)

HB 1821 Experiencing or reporting overdoses; prohibits arrest and prosecution.

Patrons: Bulova, Carr, Guzman, Helmer, Hurst, Kory, Levine, Lopez, Murphy and Willett

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-251.03 of the Code of Virginia, relating to arrest and prosecution when experiencing or reporting overdoses.

Summary as introduced:

Arrest and prosecution when experiencing or reporting overdoses. Prohibits the arrest or prosecution of an individual for the unlawful purchase, possession, or consumption of alcohol, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, intoxication in public, or possession of controlled paraphernalia if (i) such individual, in good faith, renders emergency care or assistance, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or the administration of naloxone or other opioid antagonist for overdose reversal, to an individual experiencing an overdose while another individual seeks or obtains emergency medical attention; (ii) such individual remains at the scene of the overdose or at any location to which he or the individual requiring emergency medical attention has been transported; (iii) such individual identifies himself to the law-enforcement officer who responds; and (iv) the evidence for a prosecution of

one of the enumerated offenses would have been obtained only as a result of the individual's rendering emergency care or assistance.

Current law prohibits arrest or prosecution for such offenses only 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 him.

01/25/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1821E)

01/25/21 House: Read third time and passed House (87-Y 13-N)

01/25/21 House: VOTE: Passage (87-Y 13-N)

01/26/21 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

01/26/21 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

HB 1913 Career fatigue and wellness in certain health care providers; programs to address, civil immunity.

Patrons: Hope, Adams, D.M., Kory, Hurst, Keam, Mundon King, Plum, Rasoul, Samirah, Simon, Simonds and Willett

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 8.01-581.16, 54.1-2400.6, and 54.1-2909 of the Code of Virginia, relating to programs to address career fatigue and wellness in certain health care providers; civil immunity.

Summary as introduced:

Programs to address career fatigue and wellness in certain health care providers; civil immunity. Expands civil immunity for health care professionals serving as members of or consultants to entities that function primarily to review, evaluate, or make recommendations related to health care services to include health care professionals serving as members of or consultants to entities that function primarily to address issues related to career fatigue and wellness in health care professionals licensed, registered, or certified by the Boards of Medicine, Nursing, or Pharmacy, or in students enrolled in a school of medicine, osteopathic medicine, nursing, or pharmacy located in the Commonwealth. The bill contains an emergency clause.

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01/25/21 House: Read second time and engrossed

01/26/21 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (99-Y 0-N)

01/26/21 House: VOTE: Block Vote Passage (99-Y 0-N)

01/27/21 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

01/27/21 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

HB 1938 Firefighting, emerg. medical services, or law-enforcement equipment & vehicles; destroying, penalty.

Patrons: Wyatt, Fowler, Marshall, McGuire, Walker, Wiley and Wright

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-151.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to destroying, removing, or tampering with emergency medical services equipment or law-enforcement vehicles and equipment; penalty.

Summary as introduced:

Destroying or tampering with firefighting or emergency medical services equipment or law-enforcement equipment and vehicles; penalty. Increases from a Class 1 misdemeanor to a Class 6 felony the penalty for injuring, destroying, removing, or tampering with any firefighting equipment or apparatus, emergency medical services vehicle, or law-enforcement vehicle or equipment. The bill also adds to this prohibition such interference with any other equipment or apparatus used by emergency medical services personnel or law-enforcement officers.

01/11/21 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21102624D

01/11/21 House: Impact statement from VCSC (HB1938)

01/11/21 House: Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice

01/18/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1938)

HB 1950 Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Team; Va. Department of Health, et al., to establish, report.

Patrons: Ayala, Adams, D.M., Carr, Gooditis, Keam, Kory, Levine, Mugler and Willett;
Senators: Hashmi and McClellan

A BILL to require the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to convene a work group to develop a plan for the establishment of a Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Team; report.

Summary as introduced:

Department of Health and the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner; plan for the establishment of a Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Team; report. Directs the Department of Health and the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to develop a plan for the establishment of a Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Team and to report such plan to the Chairmen of the House Committees on Appropriations and Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committees on Finance and Appropriations and Education and Health by December 1, 2021. The bill also requires the Department of Health to convene a work group to participate in development of the plan and, upon inclusion in a general appropriation act adopted by the General Assembly of funds for such purpose, to hire such contract staff as may be necessary to assist the work group with development of the plan.

01/27/21 House: Committee amendments agreed to

01/27/21 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute with amendments HB1950EH1

01/27/21 House: Printed as engrossed 21103383D-EH1

01/28/21 House: Read third time and passed House BLOCK VOTE (100-Y 0-N)

01/28/21 House: VOTE: Block Vote Passage (100-Y 0-N)

HB 1954 Minimum wage; application to certain persons providing fire or emergency medical services.

Patron: Avoli

A BILL to amend and reenact § 40.1-28.9 of the Code of Virginia, relating to minimum wage; application to certain persons providing fire or emergency medical services.

Summary as introduced:

Minimum wage; exception. Provides that the minimum wage requirements of the Virginia Minimum Wage Act do not apply to any person who provides fire or emergency medical services for a fire company or nongovernmental emergency medical services agency.

01/11/21 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21100690D

01/11/21 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce

01/14/21 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1

01/22/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1954)

HB 1987 Telemedicine; coverage of telehealth services by an insurer, etc.

Patrons: Adams, D.M., Ayala, Bell, Carter, Cole, M.L., Coyner, Filler-Corn, Fowler, Guzman, Head, Kilgore, Kory, Levine, Lopez, Mugler, Mundon King, Murphy, Plum, Rasoul, Robinson, Roem, Samirah, Sickles, Simon, Simonds, Sullivan, Tran and Webert; Senators: Boysko, Marsden and McPike

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 32.1-325, 38.2-3418.16, and 54.1-3303 of the Code of Virginia, relating to telemedicine.

Summary as introduced:

Telemedicine. Clarifies that nothing shall preclude coverage of telehealth services by an 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; a corporation providing individual or group accident and sickness subscription contracts; or a health maintenance organization providing a health care plan for health care services. The bill requires the Board of Medical Assistance Services to amend the state plan for medical assistance to provide for payment of medical assistance for remote patient monitoring services provided via telemedicine for certain high-risk patients, and provides for the establishment of a practitioner-patient relationship via telemedicine for the prescribing of Schedule II through VI controlled substances.

01/26/21 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/26/21 House: Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources

01/28/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1987H1)

01/29/21 House: House subcommittee amendments and substitutes offered

01/29/21 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N)

HB 1989 Public health emergency; emergency medical services agencies, real-time access to information.

Patrons: Aird, Adams, D.M., Cox, Coyner, Hope, Rasoul and Ware; Senators: Hashmi and Morrissey

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-48.001, relating to public health emergency; emergency medical services agencies; real-time access to information.

Summary as introduced:

Public health emergency; emergency medical services agencies; real-time access to information. Directs the Department of Health to develop and implement a system for sharing information regarding confirmed cases of communicable diseases of public health threat with emergency medical services agencies in real time during a declared public health emergency related to a communicable disease of public health threat and with the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board and regional emergency medical services councils upon request, in order to protect the health and safety of emergency medical services personnel and the public.

01/21/21 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/21/21 House: House committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered

01/22/21 House: Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources

01/26/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB1989)

01/29/21 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

HB 2029 Fire training activities; prohibition on the use of certain oriented strand board.

Patrons: Krizek, Bulova and Lopez

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 9.1-207.2, relating to Department of Fire Programs; prohibition on the use of certain oriented strand board in fire training activities.

Summary as introduced:

Department of Fire Programs; prohibition on the use of certain oriented strand board in fire service training activities. Prohibits the use by any person, local government, or agency of the Commonwealth of Class A fuel materials that contain oriented strand board, defined in the bill, during fire service training activities.

01/27/21 House: Read first time

01/28/21 House: Read second time

01/28/21 House: Committee amendments agreed to

01/28/21 House: Engrossed by House as amended HB2029E

01/28/21 House: Printed as engrossed 21102658D-E

HB 2061 VIIS; any health care provider in the Commonwealth that administers immunizations to participate.

Patrons: Willett, Ayala and Levine

A BILL to amend and reenact § 32.1-46.01 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia Immunization Information System; health care entities; required participation.

Summary as introduced:

Virginia Immunization Information System; health care entities; required participation. Requires any health care provider in the Commonwealth that administers immunizations to participate in the Virginia Immunization Information System (VIIS) and report patient immunization history and information to VIIS. Under current law, participation in VIIS is optional for authorized health care entities. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2022.

01/25/21 House: Read second time and engrossed

01/26/21 House: Read third time and passed House (81-Y 19-N)

01/26/21 House: VOTE: Passage (81-Y 19-N)

01/27/21 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

01/27/21 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

HB 2066 Public health emergency; reports of suspected violations of orders and regulations, penalty.

Patron: Webert

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-48.001, relating to public health emergency; reports of suspected violations of orders and regulations; penalty; emergency.

Summary as introduced:

Public health emergency; reports of suspected violations of orders and regulations; penalty; emergency. Provides that any system created by the Department of Health to receive information regarding an alleged violation of an order or regulation of the Board of Health or the Commissioner of Health enacted in response to a public health emergency related to a communicable disease of public health threat shall require, for each report received, the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the individual making the report. The bill makes knowingly making a false report of such violation a Class 1 misdemeanor. The bill contains an emergency clause.

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01/12/21 House: Prefiled and ordered printed with emergency clause; offered 01/13/21 21100772D

01/12/21 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/13/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB2066)

01/19/21 House: Tabled in Health, Welfare and Institutions (12-Y 9-N)

HB 2080 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patrons: Convirs-Fowler, Askew, Ayala, Guy, Hope, Keam and Simonds

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

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases; local authority to apply to certain emergency services personnel. Adds full-time, salaried emergency medical services personnel employed by any locality that has authorized such presumption by ordinance to the list of persons to whom, after five years of service, the occupational disease presumption for death caused by hypertension or heart disease applies.

01/12/21 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21100611D

01/12/21 House: Referred to Committee on Labor and Commerce

01/18/21 House: Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1

01/19/21 House: House committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered

01/19/21 House: Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1818-Heretick)

HB 2207 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for COVID-19.

Patrons: Jones, Krizek, Hope, Kory and Sickles

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption as to death or disability from COVID-19.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for COVID-19. Establishes a presumption that COVID-19 causing the death or disability of firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, law-enforcement officers, and correctional officers is an occupational disease compensable under the Workers' Compensation Act. The bill provides that the COVID-19 virus is established by a positive diagnostic test for COVID-19, an incubation period consistent with COVID-19, and signs and symptoms of COVID-19 that require medical treatment. The bill provides that such presumption applies to any death or disability occurring on or after March 12, 2020, caused by infection from the COVID-19 virus, provided that for any such death or disability that occurred on or after March 12, 2020, and prior to December 31, 2021, the claimant received a diagnosis of COVID-19 from a licensed physician, after either a presumptive positive test or a laboratory confirmed test for COVID-19, and presented with signs and symptoms of COVID-19 that required medical treatment.

01/21/21 House: Reported from Labor and Commerce (21-Y 1-N)

01/21/21 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/22/21 House: Assigned App. sub: Compensation & General Government

01/22/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB2207)

01/29/21 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)

HB 2260 Vehicle registration fees; imposes an additional fee to be deposited into Public Safety Trust Fund.

Patrons: Scott, Helmer, Bagby, Bourne, Hope, Rasoul, Samirah and Simon; Senator: Boysko

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 establishment of the Public Safety Trust Fund.

Summary as introduced:

Vehicle registration fees; Public Safety Trust Fund. Imposes an additional \$4 vehicle registration fee to be deposited into the Public Safety Trust Fund, established by the bill. The moneys in the Public Safety Trust Fund are to be used to eliminate barriers to an inclusive, diverse, and well-qualified workforce by addressing compensation issues related to staffing, retention, and pay compression at the Department of State Police.

01/19/21 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting (7-Y 1-N)

01/19/21 House: Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations

01/21/21 House: Reported from Transportation (14-Y 7-N)

01/21/21 House: Referred to Committee on Appropriations

01/21/21 House: Impact statement from DPB (HB2260)

HB 2300 Hospitals; emergency treatment for substance use-related emergencies.

Patrons: Delaney and Coyner; Senator: Bell

A BILL to amend and reenact § 32.1-127 of the Code of Virginia, relating to State Board of Health; hospitals; emergency treatment for substance use-related emergencies; services.

Summary as introduced:

State Board of Health; hospitals; emergency treatment for substance use-related emergencies; services. Requires each hospital with an emergency department that is currently required by the State Board of Health (the Board) to establish a protocol for treatment of individuals experiencing a substance use-related emergency to include in such protocol the following requirements: (i) for any individual experiencing a substance use-related emergency, a substance use disorder screening or assessment shall be given and evaluated to determine whether additional treatment may be appropriate; (ii) for patients who have been treated for an opioid-related overdose, the emergency department shall provide the patient with take-home naloxone or other opioid antagonist used for overdose reversal; and (iii) for any individual experiencing a substance use-related emergency, the hospital shall provide written information on appropriate community-based providers of behavioral health services upon discharge. The bill also provides that hospitals in the Commonwealth may contract with the Department of Health or other appropriate state agencies to assist with the provision of providing naloxone to a patient who is uninsured or who qualifies for charity care. Current law requires a hospital to include appropriate assessments to identify medical interventions necessary for an individual experiencing a substance use-related emergency and allows a hospital to include a process for the

recommendation of follow-up care for patients who are discharged directly from the emergency department.

01/23/21 House: Assigned HWI sub: Health

01/26/21 House: House subcommittee amendments and substitutes offered

01/26/21 House: Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (7-Y 0-N)

01/28/21 House: Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with substitute (21-Y 0-N)

01/28/21 House: Committee substitute printed 21103718D-H1

HB 2328 COVID-19; administration of vaccine.

Patrons: Byron, Avoli, Batten, Cole, M.L., Edmunds, Fowler, Gilbert, Head, Hodges, Kilgore, Miyares, Orrock, Runion, Walker, Wiley, Wilt and Wyatt; *Senators:* Peake, Ruff, Stanley and Stuart

A BILL to facilitate the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine; emergency.

Summary as introduced:

Facilitate the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine; emergency.

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01/22/21 House: Presented and ordered printed with emergency clause 21103579D

01/22/21 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

01/26/21 House: Incorporated by Health, Welfare and Institutions (HB2333-Bagby)

HB 2333 COVID-19; administration of vaccine.

Patrons: Bagby, Askew, O'Quinn, Tyler, Adams, D.M., Aird, Ayala, Bell, Bourne, Bulova, Carr, Cole, J.G., Cole, M.L., Delaney, Filler-Corn, Fowler, Guy, Guzman, Helmer, Heretick, Herring, Hope, Hurst, Jenkins, Jones, Keam, Kilgore, Krizek, Levine, Lopez, McQuinn, Mugler, Mullin, Murphy, Plum, Price, Rasoul, Reid, Samirah, Simon, Simonds, Subramanyam, Sullivan, Torian, Tran, Ware, Watts, Wiley, Willett, Williams Graves and Wilt

A BILL to facilitate the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine; emergency.

Summary as introduced:

Facilitate the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine; emergency.

EMERGENCY

01/28/21 Senate: Senate committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered

01/28/21 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (15-Y 0-N)

01/28/21 Senate: Committee substitute printed 21103922D-S1

01/29/21 Senate: Senate committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered

01/29/21 Senate: Read second time

HJ 531 Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; Joint Com. on Health Care to study advisability of joining.

Patron: Helmer

Directing the Joint Commission on Health Care to study the advisability of the Commonwealth's joining the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. Report.

Summary as introduced:

Study; Joint Commission on Health Care; advisability of the Commonwealth's joining the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; report. Directs the Joint Commission on Health Care to study the advisability of the Commonwealth's joining the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (the Compact), including the legal effects of joining of the Compact in the Commonwealth and possible positive and negative outcomes resulting from the adoption of the Compact, and develop recommendations as to whether the Commonwealth should join the Compact. The Joint Commission on Health Care shall complete its work by November 30, 2021, and submit an executive report of its findings and conclusions no later than the first day of the 2022 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

01/09/21 House: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21102370D

01/09/21 House: Referred to Committee on Rules

01/22/21 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 0-N)

HJ 532 Commending the McLean Volunteer Fire Department.

Patrons: Sullivan and Simon; Senator: Howell

Commending the McLean Volunteer Fire Department.

Summary as introduced:

Commending the McLean Volunteer Fire Department.

01/18/21 House: Engrossed by House

01/18/21 House: Agreed to by House by voice vote

01/19/21 Senate: Received

01/19/21 Senate: Laid on Clerk's Desk

01/21/21 Senate: Agreed to by Senate by voice vote

SB 1116 State Health Commissioner; powers during an epidemic, vaccinations, religious tenets or practices.

Patrons: Peake; Delegate: Cole, M.L.

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 32.1-46, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, and 32.1-48 of the Code of Virginia, relating to powers of State Health Commissioner in epidemic; vaccine; religious tenets or practices.

Summary as introduced:

Powers of State Health Commissioner in epidemic; vaccine; religious tenets or

practices. Allows a parent or guardian to object to the vaccination or immunization of a child on the grounds that the administration of immunizing agents conflicts with his religious tenets or practices, even if an emergency or epidemic of disease has been declared by the State Board of Health, which is not allowed under current law. The bill also provides that nothing shall preclude the State Health Commissioner from requiring immediate immunization of all persons in the case of an epidemic of any disease of public health importance for which a vaccine exists other than a person, including a parent or guardian on behalf of a child, who objects on the grounds that the administration of the vaccine conflicts with his religious tenets or practices. Under current law, the only exception to the Commissioner's power to require immediate immunization of all persons in case of an epidemic of any disease of public health importance for which a vaccine exists is for a person to whose health the administration of a vaccine would be detrimental as certified in writing by a physician licensed to practice medicine in the Commonwealth.

12/21/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21101449D

12/21/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

01/11/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1116)

01/18/21 Senate: Assigned Education sub: Health

01/21/21 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Education and Health (9-Y 5-N)

SB 1131 Emergency Services and Disaster Law; limitation on duration of executive orders.

Patrons: Suetterlein, DeSteph, Dunnivant, Kiggans, Peake, Pillion, Reeves, Ruff and Stanley;
Delegates: Byron, Head and Runion

A BILL to amend and reenact § 44-146.17, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, of the Code of Virginia, relating to Emergency Services and Disaster Law; limitation on duration of executive orders.

Summary as introduced:

Emergency Services and Disaster Law; limitation on duration of executive orders. Limits the duration of any executive order issued by the Governor pursuant to his powers under the Emergency Services and Disaster Law to no more than 45 days from the date of issuance. The bill provides that if the General Assembly does not take any action on the rule, regulation, or order within the 45 days during which the rule, regulation, or order is effective, the Governor shall thereafter be prohibited from issuing the same or a similar rule, regulation, or order relating to the same emergency. Under current law, once issued, such executive orders are effective until June 30 following the next regular session of the General Assembly.

12/31/20 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21101206D

12/31/20 Senate: Referred to Committee on General Laws and Technology

01/13/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1131)

01/27/21 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in General Laws and Technology (8-Y 7-N)

SB 1167 Nursing, Board of; licensure or certification by endorsement for members of the U.S. military.

Patron: Kiggans

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 54.1-3018, 54.1-3021, and 54.1-3024 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Board of Nursing; licensure or certification by endorsement for members of the United States military.

Summary as introduced:

Board of Nursing; licensure or certification by endorsement for members of the United States military. Permits the Board of Nursing to issue licenses and certifications by endorsement for registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and certified nurse aides who hold a similar or equivalent license or certification from the medical corps of a branch of the United States military.

01/08/21 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21101018D

01/08/21 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

01/12/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1167)

01/13/21 Senate: Assigned Education sub: Health Professions

01/21/21 Senate: Stricken at request of patron in Education and Health (14-Y 0-N)

SB 1205 Career fatigue and wellness in certain health care providers; programs to address, civil immunity.

Patron: Barker

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 8.01-581.16, 54.1-2400.6, and 54.1-2909 of the Code of Virginia, relating to programs to address career fatigue and wellness in certain health care providers; civil immunity.

Summary as introduced:

Programs to address career fatigue and wellness in certain health care providers; civil immunity. Expands civil immunity for health care professionals serving as members of or consultants to entities that function primarily to review, evaluate, or make recommendations related to health care services to include health care professionals serving as members of or consultants to entities that function primarily to address issues related to career fatigue and wellness in health care professionals licensed, registered, or certified by the Boards of Medicine, Nursing, or Pharmacy, or in students enrolled in a school of medicine, osteopathic medicine, nursing, or pharmacy located in the Commonwealth. The bill contains an emergency clause.

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01/13/21 Senate: Assigned Education sub: Health Professions

01/21/21 Senate: Reported from Education and Health (14-Y 0-N)

01/22/21 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (37-Y 0-N)

01/25/21 Senate: Read second time and engrossed

01/26/21 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)

SB 1211 Vehicle registration fees; imposes an additional fee to be deposited into Public Safety Trust Fund.

Patrons: Edwards and Boysko

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 establishment of the Public Safety Trust Fund.

Summary as introduced:

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01/19/21 Senate: Reported from Finance and Appropriations (12-Y 3-N)

01/20/21 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (39-Y 0-N)

01/21/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1211)

01/21/21 Senate: Read second time and engrossed

01/22/21 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (31-Y 7-N)

SB 1275 Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.

Patron: Marsden

A BILL to amend and reenact § 65.2-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating to workers' compensation; presumption of compensation for certain diseases; applicable to salaried and volunteer emergency medical services personnel.

Summary as introduced:

Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases. Adds salaried or volunteer emergency medical services personnel to the list of persons to whom, after five years of service, the occupational disease presumption for death caused by hypertension or heart disease applies.

01/25/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1275)

01/25/21 Senate: Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (15-Y 0-N)

01/25/21 Senate: Committee substitute printed 21103758D-S1

01/25/21 Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

01/27/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1275S1)

SB 1302 Crisis Call Center Fund; created, consistency with federal guidelines.

Patron: McPike

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 37.2-311.1, as it shall become effective, 56-484.12, 56-484.17, and 56-484.17:1 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 37.2-311.2, 37.2-311.3, and 37.2-311.4 and by adding in Article 7 of Chapter 15 of

Title 56 a section numbered 56-484.18:1, relating to crisis call centers; Crisis Call Center Fund established.

Summary as introduced:

Crisis call center; Crisis Call Center Fund established. Provides that the crisis call center, which under current law is administered by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (the Department), shall be designated as the 9-8-8 Crisis Hotline Center for purposes of participating in the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The bill directs the Department, in its development of the crisis call center, community care teams, and mobile crisis teams, to comply with any applicable requirements of the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020, and to provide for consistency with federal guidelines promulgated under such law.

The bill increases from \$0.75 to \$0.94 the wireless E-911 surcharge and increases from \$0.50 to \$0.63 the prepaid wireless E-911 charge. The bill provides that part of the revenue attributable to the increase would be distributed to the Crisis Call Center Fund, established by the bill, to fund the Department's costs in establishing and administering the call center, and that the remainder of the revenue would be distributed to public safety answering points (PSAPs).

01/28/21 Senate: Read second time

01/28/21 Senate: Reading of substitute waived

01/28/21 Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 21103475D-S1

01/28/21 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB1302S1

01/29/21 Senate: Read third time and passed Senate (30-Y 7-N)

SB 1306 Assault and battery; penalty.

Patrons: Morrissey and Surovell

A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-57 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 19.2-9.2, relating to assault and battery; penalty.

Summary as introduced:

Assault and battery; penalty. Eliminates the mandatory minimum term of confinement of six months for an assault and battery committed against a judge, magistrate, law-enforcement officer, correctional officer, person directly involved in the care, treatment, or supervision of inmates, firefighter or volunteer firefighter, or emergency medical services personnel. The bill removes simple assault from enhanced punishment and provides that the enhanced punishment applies for assault and battery only when it results in bodily injury. The bill also provides that a jury or the court may find any person charged with such offense where the degree of culpability is slight, due to diminished physical or mental capacity or an autism spectrum disorder, not guilty of such offense but guilty of a simple assault or assault and battery, punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor. The bill also provides that before any arrest, indictment, or service of a petition in the case of a juvenile is made for an alleged assault and battery against a law-enforcement officer, (i) such alleged assault and battery shall be investigated by another law-enforcement officer who was not the subject of such alleged assault and battery and (ii) the arrest, indictment, or service of a petition shall be approved by the attorney for the Commonwealth.

01/12/21 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21102781D
01/12/21 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
01/20/21 Senate: Senate committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered
01/27/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1306)

SB 1338 Telemedicine services; remote patient monitoring services.

Patrons: Barker and Stanley; Delegate: Cole, M.L.

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 32.1-325 and 38.2-3418.16 of the Code of Virginia, relating to telemedicine services; remote patient monitoring services.

Summary as introduced:

Telemedicine services; remote patient monitoring services. Defines "medically necessary" for the purposes of telemedicine services and clarifies the definitions of "remote patient monitoring services" and "telemedicine services." The Board of Medical Assistance Services is currently required to include in the state plan for medical assistance services a provision for the payment of medical assistance for medically necessary health care services provided through telemedicine services, and the bill directs the Board to provide payment for remote patient monitoring services provided through telemedicine services based on an annual publication by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

01/21/21 Senate: Committee substitute printed 21103431D-S1
01/22/21 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed (37-Y 0-N)
01/25/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1338S1)
01/25/21 Senate: Motion to rerefer to committee agreed to
01/25/21 Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

SB 1371 Safe haven protections; newborn safety device.

Patron: Ruff (by request)

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 8.01-226.5:2, 16.1-228, 18.2-371, 18.2-371.1, 40.1-103, and 63.2-100, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, of the Code of Virginia, relating to safe haven protections; newborn safety device.

Summary as introduced:

Safe haven protections; newborn safety device. Provides an affirmative defense in certain criminal prosecutions and civil proceedings regarding child abuse or neglect to a parent who safely delivers his child within the first 14 days of the child's life to a newborn safety device located at a hospital that provides 24-hour emergency services or at an attended emergency medical services agency that employs emergency medical services personnel. The bill also provides civil and criminal immunity to such hospitals and emergency medical services agencies for injuries to children received through such newborn safety devices, provided that (i) the injuries are not the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct and (ii) the hospital or emergency medical services agency meets certain requirements regarding the establishment, functioning, and testing of the device.

01/13/21 Senate: Prefiled and ordered printed; offered 01/13/21 21100286D
01/13/21 Senate: Referred to Committee on the Judiciary
01/22/21 Senate: Impact statement from DPB (SB1371)
01/27/21 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Judiciary (13-Y 1-N)

SB 1436 Eligible Health Care Provider Reserve Directory; established.

Patron: Hanger

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Title 23.1 a section numbered 23.1-110, by adding in Article 3 of Chapter 1 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-23.3, and by adding a section numbered 54.1-2400.03, relating to Department of Health; Eligible Health Care Provider Reserve Directory.

Summary as introduced:

Department of Health; Eligible Health Care Provider Reserve Directory. Directs the Department of Health to establish an Eligible Health Care Provider Reserve Directory (the Directory) to collect information regarding eligible health care providers in the Commonwealth who are qualified and who may be available to assist in the response to a public health emergency. The Directory shall include the name, contact information, and licensure, certification, or registration type and status of the eligible health care provider or, if the eligible health care provider is a fourth-year medical student, academic standing and anticipated graduation date of the fourth-year medical student. Every health regulatory board of the Department of Health Professions, the Office of Emergency Medical Services of the Department of Health, and each medical school located in the Commonwealth shall provide such information to the Department of Health for inclusion in the Directory.

01/22/21 Senate: Assigned Education sub: Health
01/28/21 Senate: Senate committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered
01/28/21 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (14-Y 0-N)
01/28/21 Senate: Committee substitute printed 21103669D-S1
01/28/21 Senate: Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations

SB 1445 COVID-19; facilitates vaccine administration.

Patrons: Dunnivant, Kiggans, Barker, Bell, Boysko, Chase, Cosgrove, Deeds, DeSteph, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hanger, Hashmi, Howell, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, McDougale, McPike, Morrissey, Newman, Norment, Obenshain, Peake, Petersen, Pillion, Reeves, Ruff, Saslaw, Spruill, Stanley, Stuart, Suetterlein, Surovell and Vogel; Delegates: Adams, D.M., Austin, Avoli, Batten, Cole, M.L., Davis, Edmunds, Fowler, Hodges, Kilgore, McGuire, Mugler, Simonds, Walker, Watts, Wiley, Wilt, Wright and Wyatt

A BILL to facilitate the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine; emergency.

Summary as introduced:

COVID-19; vaccine administration; emergency. Facilitates the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine. The bill requires the Department of Health (the Department) to establish a process

whereby any health care provider in the Commonwealth who is qualified and available to administer the COVID-19 vaccine may volunteer to administer the vaccine to citizens of the Commonwealth and sets out which health care providers are eligible to volunteer. The bill also requires the Department to establish a process on its website whereby medical care facilities, hospitals, hospital systems, corporations, businesses, pharmacies, public and private institutions of higher education, and any other professional or community entities operating in the Commonwealth may register such entity's facilities as sites that the Commissioner of Health and the Department may jointly approve as sites where administration of the COVID-19 vaccine may occur. The bill permits a public institution of higher education or a private institution of higher education in the Commonwealth to volunteer to provide assistance to the Department and local health departments for data processing, analytics, and program development related to the COVID-19 vaccine through the use of its employees, students, technology, and facilities. The bill provides civil and criminal immunity to individuals and professional entities acting pursuant to the bill.

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01/28/21 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions
01/28/21 House: House committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered
01/28/21 House: House committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered
01/28/21 House: Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with substitute (21-Y 0-N)
01/28/21 House: Committee substitute printed 21103925D-H1

SJ 273 Celebrating the life of Bruce Winston Edwards.

Patrons: DeSteph, Cosgrove and Kiggans; *Delegate:* Davis

Celebrating the life of Bruce Winston Edwards.

Summary as introduced:

Celebrating the life of Bruce Winston Edwards.

01/14/21 Senate: Agreed to by Senate
01/15/21 House: Received
01/15/21 House: Laid on Speaker's table
01/18/21 House: Agreed to by House
01/18/21 Senate: Bill text as passed Senate and House (SJ273ER)

SJ 300 Governor; confirming appointments.

Patron: Deeds

Confirming appointments by the Governor of certain persons communicated to the General Assembly October 1, 2020.

Summary as introduced:

Confirming Governor's appointments; October 1. Confirms appointments of certain persons made by Governor Ralph Northam and communicated to the General Assembly October 1, 2020.

01/14/21 Senate: Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections
01/19/21 Senate: Reported from Privileges and Elections (15-Y 0-N)
01/21/21 Senate: Reading waived (39-Y 0-N)
01/22/21 Senate: Read second time and engrossed
01/25/21 Senate: Read third time and agreed to by Senate (39-Y 0-N)

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Bills	Committee	Last action	Date
HB 1769 - Freitas - Health care providers, certain; licensure or certification by endorsement.	(H) Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions	(H) Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 0-N)	01/21/21
HB 1803 - Orrock - Approved local volunteer activities; enables localities to provide credit against taxes & fees.	(H) Committee on Finance	(H) Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 4-N)	01/25/21
HB 1818 - Heretick - Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.	(H) Committee on Appropriations	(H) Assigned App. sub: Compensation & General Government	01/22/21
HB 1821 - Bulova - Experiencing or reporting overdoses; prohibits arrest and prosecution.	(H) Committee for Courts of Justice (S) Committee on the Judiciary	(S) Referred to Committee on the Judiciary	01/26/21
HB 1913 - Hope - Career fatigue and wellness in certain health care providers; programs to address, civil immunity.	(H) Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions (S) Committee on Education and Health	(S) Referred to Committee on Education and Health	01/27/21
HB 1938 - Wyatt - Firefighting, emerg. medical services, or law-enforcement equipment & vehicles; destroying, penalty.	(H) Committee for Courts of Justice	(H) Referred to Committee for Courts of Justice	01/11/21
HB 1950 - Ayala - Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Team; Va. Department of Health, et al., to establish, report.	(H) Committee on Appropriations	(H) VOTE: Block Vote Passage (100-Y 0-N)	01/28/21
HB 1954 - Avoli - Minimum wage; application to certain persons providing fire or emergency medical services.	(H) Committee on Labor and Commerce	(H) Assigned L & C sub: Subcommittee #1	01/14/21
HB 1987 - Adams, D.M. - Telemedicine; coverage of telehealth services by an insurer, etc.	(H) Committee on Appropriations	(H) House subcommittee amendments and substitutes offered	01/29/21
HB 1989 - Aird - Public health emergency; emergency medical services agencies, real-time access to information.	(H) Committee on Appropriations	(H) Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources	01/22/21

HB 2029 - Krizek - Fire training activities; prohibition on the use of certain oriented strand board.	(H) Committee on General Laws	(H) Printed as engrossed 21102658D-E	01/28/21
HB 2061 - Willett - VIIS; any health care provider in the Commonwealth that administers immunizations to participate.	(H) Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions (S) Committee on Education and Health	(S) Referred to Committee on Education and Health	01/27/21
HB 2066 - Webert - Public health emergency; reports of suspected violations of orders and regulations, penalty.	(H) Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions	(H) Tabled in Health, Welfare and Institutions (12-Y 9-N)	01/19/21
HB 2080 - Convirs-Fowler - Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.	(H) Committee on Labor and Commerce	(H) Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1818-Heretick)	01/19/21
HB 2207 - Jones - Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for COVID-19.	(H) Committee on Appropriations	(H) Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N)	01/29/21
HB 2260 - Scott - Vehicle registration fees; imposes an additional fee to be deposited into Public Safety Trust Fund.	(H) Committee on Appropriations	(H) Referred to Committee on Appropriations	01/21/21
HB 2300 - Delaney - Hospitals; emergency treatment for substance use-related emergencies.	(H) Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions	(H) Committee substitute printed 21103718D-H1	01/28/21
HB 2328 - Byron - COVID-19; administration of vaccine.	(H) Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions	(H) Incorporated by Health, Welfare and Institutions (HB2333-Bagby)	01/26/21
HB 2333 - Bagby - COVID-19; administration of vaccine.	(H) Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions (S) Committee on Education and Health	(S) Read second time	01/29/21
HJ 531 - Helmer - Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; Joint Com. on Health Care to study advisability of joining.	(H) Committee on Rules	(H) Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 0-N)	01/22/21
HJ 532 - Sullivan - Commending the McLean Volunteer Fire Department.		(S) Agreed to by Senate by voice vote	01/21/21
SB 1116 - Peake - State Health Commissioner; powers during an epidemic, vaccinations, religious tenets or practices.	(S) Committee on Education and Health	(S) Passed by indefinitely in Education and Health (9-Y 5-N)	01/21/21

SB 1131 - Suetterlein - Emergency Services and Disaster Law; limitation on duration of executive orders.	(S) Committee on General Laws and Technology	(S) Passed by indefinitely in General Laws and Technology (8-Y 7-N)	01/27/21
SB 1167 - Kiggans - Nursing, Board of; licensure or certification by endorsement for members of the U.S. military.	(S) Committee on Education and Health	(S) Stricken at request of patron in Education and Health (14-Y 0-N)	01/21/21
SB 1205 - Barker - Career fatigue and wellness in certain health care providers; programs to address, civil immunity.	(S) Committee on Education and Health	(S) Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)	01/26/21
SB 1211 - Edwards - Vehicle registration fees; imposes an additional fee to be deposited into Public Safety Trust Fund.	(S) Committee on Finance and Appropriations	(S) Read third time and passed Senate (31-Y 7-N)	01/22/21
SB 1275 - Marsden - Workers' compensation; presumption of compensability for certain diseases.	(S) Committee on Finance and Appropriations	(S) Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations	01/25/21
SB 1302 - McPike - Crisis Call Center Fund; created, consistency with federal guidelines.	(S) Committee on Finance and Appropriations	(S) Read third time and passed Senate (30-Y 7-N)	01/29/21
SB 1306 - Morrissey - Assault and battery; penalty.	(S) Committee on the Judiciary	(S) Senate committee, floor amendments and substitutes offered	01/20/21
SB 1338 - Barker - Telemedicine services; remote patient monitoring services.	(S) Committee on Finance and Appropriations	(S) Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations	01/25/21
SB 1371 - Ruff - Safe haven protections; newborn safety device.	(S) Committee on the Judiciary	(S) Passed by indefinitely in Judiciary (13-Y 1-N)	01/27/21
SB 1436 - Hanger - Eligible Health Care Provider Reserve Directory; established.	(S) Committee on Finance and Appropriations	(S) Rereferred to Finance and Appropriations	01/28/21
SB 1445 - Dunnavant - COVID-19; facilitates vaccine administration.	(H) Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions (S) Committee on Education and Health	(H) Committee substitute printed 21103925D-H1	01/28/21
SJ 273 - DeSteph - Celebrating the life of Bruce Winston Edwards.		(S) Bill text as passed Senate and House (SJ273ER)	01/18/21
SJ 300 - Deeds - Governor; confirming appointments.	(S) Committee on Privileges and Elections	(S) Read third time and agreed to by Senate (39-Y 0-N)	01/25/21