

LAND USE & TRANSPORTATION

2022 Bill Priorities - Virginia Conservation Network

PROTECTING & ADVANCING EV ACCESSIBILITY

The transportation sector is the leading source of carbon dioxide pollution in the Commonwealth, and it produces a number of other pollutants that harm our health and environment. The General Assembly needs to defend and advance legislation that reduces vehicle emissions by protecting and advancing the accessibility of electric vehicles and charging infrastructure.

SUPPORT:

HB351 & SB708 Driving Decarbonization Program and Fund; created.

HB443 Park authorities; authority to operate, etc., electric vehicle charging stations.

HB450 & SB278 Parking of vehicles; electric vehicle charging spots, civil penalties.

HB708 Virginia Electric Vehicle Grant Program; use of state funds.

HB978, SB363, & SB512 Cities and counties; distribution of recordation tax.

HJ71 Study; Apprenticeship Council; electric vehicle charging infrastructure apprenticeship programs.

SB575 DGS; state fleet managers to use total cost of ownership calculations, report.

OPPOSE:

HB1267 & SB695 Low-emissions and zero-emissions vehicle standards; regulations shall be withdrawn and repropose.

EXPANDING PUBLIC TRANSIT

The past year and a half has shown that high-quality, reliable public transit service is essential for Virginians to access their jobs, schooling, healthcare, education, and shopping needs. Beyond transit's vital role in economic growth and social mobility, public transportation is critical to mitigating the climate crisis. Getting Virginians out of their cars and onto the bus, light rail, or Metro requires providing top notch service and rethinking transit access and affordability. From benches and shelters to GPS live-tracking and zero-fare policies, public transportation can become Virginians' top way to get around with increased investments in our transit systems statewide.

SUPPORT:

HB142 & SB342 Transit Ridership Incentive Program; amount of funds to be used to establish programs.

SB281 Transit buses; exempts a manufacturer, etc., engaged in distribution from certain requirements.

OPPOSE:

HB297 Regional fuels tax; suspends the imposition of any tax.

HB1059 Gasoline and diesel fuels; suspension of the imposition of taxes.

HB1144 & SB541 Gasoline and diesel fuel; lowers the rate of tax on July 1, 2022.

SB488 Transit Transition Fund and Program; established, report.

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