

GOOD GOVERNANCE

Conservation Lobby Day



ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

At its core, environmental justice is about equity. Historically, the burdens of pollution have disproportionately affected communities who are predominantly people of color and low-income and the impacts of climate change add new challenges for vulnerable populations. The General Assembly must continue to develop the Commonwealth's environmental justice framework by ensuring that environmental regulations are equity-based.

SUPPORT:

HB1827 (Simonds) & SB1254 (Bagby) Allows localities to adopt healthy community strategies in their comprehensive plans by identifying the siting of air, water, and other pollution sources within their jurisdiction

HB2233 (Cousins) & SB1123 (Boysko) Establishes the Extreme Weather Relief Act to recoup financial damages from major oil refiners and extractors associated with the economic impact of climate change

IMPROVING CAMPAIGN FINANCE TRANSPARENCY

The General Assembly must reform campaign finance laws so that government officials can make increasingly sound and objective policy decisions around entities they are tasked with regulating.

SUPPORT:

HB2165 (Cole) & SB1002 (Boysko) Closes the legal loophole allowing the personal use of campaign funds

HB2607 (Ware) Prohibits public utilities from making financial contributions to political campaigns

HJ444 (Jones) & SJ255 (Rouse) Creates a study for campaign finance enforcement

SB1050 (Roem) Prohibits corporations from making financial contributions to political committees

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