

SUPPORT SB 1024 – Sen Danica Roem

Topic: “Electronic Department of Motor Vehicles transactions; voluntary contributions.”

Bill Patrons: Senator Danica Roem

WHAT THE BILL DOES:

Virginia Senate Bill 1024 allows for voluntary contributions to the Virginia Highway Safety Improvement Program during electronic Department of Motor Vehicles transactions.

Essentially, this bill provides an option for individuals to voluntarily contribute to a fund that supports highway safety improvements while conducting DMV transactions online.

Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide a method by which an individual conducting an electronic Department transaction may make a voluntary contribution to the Virginia Highway Safety Improvement Program (VHSIP).

REASONS TO SUPPORT:

- This bill would increase the ease in which individuals can electronically contribute to the VHSIP.
- The DMV already facilitates voluntary contributions to other programs. This bill is a logical step in expanding the reach of the highway safety improvement program.
- Contributions help fund initiatives such as infrastructure upgrades and safety education campaigns which aid the long-term goal of reducing pedestrian and cyclist injuries and fatalities across Virginia.

WHY IT MATTERS:

- The bill can increase voluntary contributions to the VHSIP fund and help improve road infrastructure and safety.



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