



BUSINESS CLIMATE

- Advocate for funding for an out-of-state economic development marketing campaign to encourage business expansion and relocation to Virginia
- Support economic development initiatives, including permit reform, funding to improve site readiness, and other legislation to support job creation
- Back pro-business legislation that protects and improves Virginia's business climate to include Right-to-Work
- Promote policies that improve Virginia's current legal climate
- Encourage legislation that strengthens international trade and supply chain logistics
- Improve access to funding that supports small business growth and entrepreneurship
- Promote tax reform to better position the Commonwealth for economic growth

Reference Blueprint Virginia 2030 pages 12, 24

WORKFORCE & EDUCATION

- Address the cost and availability of child care and early childhood education to support our workforce, including veterans and military families
- Back additional funding for the Virginia Community College System for accelerated industry-aligned workforce training programs and credentialing
- Support affordable talent pathways for in-demand jobs through internships, apprenticeships, credentialing, and other work-based learning opportunities
- Encourage legislation and funding for a marketing campaign to encourage talent retention and attraction to Virginia
- Advocate for initiatives that focus on strengthening pathways to the teaching profession and improving teacher retention
- Create training and workforce opportunities that are accessible for all Virginians, including low-income and underrepresented individuals, and individuals with disabilities

Reference Blueprint Virginia 2030 pages 8, 34

HOUSING

- Promote policies to address the housing supply and the rising cost of rent and homeownership for all Virginians, including veterans and military families
- Encourage legislation that develops targeted strategies to lessen disparities in homeownership

Reference Blueprint Virginia 2030 page 28

HEALTH CARE

- Advocate for legislation to transform Virginia's mental health and behavioral health system
- Promote legislation and budget amendments to assist in addressing shortages in the health care workforce

Reference Blueprint Virginia 2030 page 18

INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT

- Advocate for a more streamlined and efficient permitting process that will position Virginia to be more competitive in the global economy
- Support legislation that promotes projects that are both economically sound and environmentally safe

Reference Blueprint Virginia 2030 pages 16, 30

The Virginia Chamber supports bills that implement the recommendations of *Blueprint Virginia 2030* and promote economic prosperity for all Virginians. Visit the Chamber's *Bills We're Watching* page for our positions on specific bills: <https://www.vachamber.com/advocacy/bills-were-watching/>



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