



BUSINESS CLIMATE

- Encourage economic development initiatives to support job creation, such as funding for business ready sites and improved permitting processes
- Advocate for funding for an out-of-state economic development marketing campaign emphasizing Virginia's top business climate ranking to encourage business expansion and relocation to Virginia
- Promote policies that protect and improve Virginia's legal climate
- Improve access to funding that supports small business growth and entrepreneurship
- Encourage targeted tax reform to better position the Commonwealth for economic growth and keep Virginia businesses competitive with those in other states

EDUCATION & WORKFORCE

- Support affordable talent pathways for in-demand jobs through internships, apprenticeships, credentialing, and other work-based learning opportunities
- Back funding for Virginia's community colleges to improve and accelerate industry-aligned workforce training programs and credentialing
- Encourage funding for a marketing campaign to attract and retain talent in Virginia
- Improve access and affordability of early childhood care and education to support Virginia's working families
- Advocate for initiatives that focus on strengthening pathways to the teaching profession and improving teacher retention
- Support legislation that reduces barriers for justice-involved individuals reentering the workforce



HOUSING

- Emphasize the critical connection between economic development and housing availability
- Support legislation that increases the supply of housing across the Commonwealth
- Promote policies that address housing affordability for all Virginians
- Advocate for policies that broaden housing options for our workforce and lessen disparities in homeownership

HEALTH CARE & LIFE SCIENCES

- Advocate for legislation to transform Virginia's mental health and behavioral health system
- Support legislation and funding to address shortages in the health care workforce
- Encourage investments in Virginia's growing life science industry

INFRASTRUCTURE

- Advocate for more streamlined and efficient permitting processes to position Virginia to be more competitive in the global economy
- Support policies that strengthen our energy infrastructure, maximize our energy opportunities, and emphasize reliability and affordability to ensure future economic growth and development
- Incentivize innovative energy solutions to foster long-term economic growth in the Commonwealth

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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