

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Legislative Committee – January 18, 2019

Conference Room 11

Board of Supervisors Members Present:

Sharon Bulova, Chairman
Penelope A. Gross, Mason District (Vice Chairman)
Jeffrey C. McKay, Lee District (Committee Chair)
John C. Cook, Braddock District
John W. Foust, Dranesville District
Patrick S. Herrity, Springfield District
Catherine M. Hudgins, Hunter Mill District
Kathy L. Smith, Sully District
Linda Q. Smyth, Providence District
Daniel G. Storck, Mount Vernon District

Meeting Agenda:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/boardofsupervisors/sites/boardofsupervisors/files/assets/meeting-materials/2019/jan18-legislative-agenda-final-positions.pdf>

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<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/boardofsupervisors/board-supervisors-legislative-committee-meeting-jan-18-2019>

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M.

Summary of Discussion:

Pending Proffer Legislation

The Committee received an update on pending legislation to amend the proffer law enacted by the 2016 General Assembly. The Committee reviewed a [handout](#) that detailed various provisions of the legislation under consideration as of January 18, 2019.

Specific Legislation

The bills discussed at Legislative Committee, listed with staff recommendations, are posted on the January 18 Legislative Committee meeting page in the [agenda and documents](#). The Board of Supervisors formally takes action on Legislative Committee materials at formal Board meetings (next scheduled Board meeting: January 22, 2019).

- County Initiatives
 - The Legislative Committee received a status update on the County's initiatives – **HB 1913** (Bulova)/**SB 1663** (Barker) relating to the dedication and construction of sidewalks, and **HB 2578** (Plum)/**SB 1684** (Petersen) relating to the Six-Year Secondary System Construction Program (SSYP) public hearing requirements.

- Historical Positions of the Board
 - Staff identified new legislation (35 bills) that was consistent with historical positions of the Board. Legislative Chairman McKay explained that these are bills on which the Board has taken action in the past, and asked Board members to review these bills and, if needed, certain bills could be brought back for discussion at a future meeting.
- New Bills
 - Staff made recommendations for positions on 69 new bills. The Legislative Committee discussed and took positions on 65 of these bills, modifying the staff recommendations as desired. Four bills (HB 1615, SB 1243, HB 2048, and SB 1608) were moved to the legislation requiring further review document so additional research could be completed. The Committee did not take a position on these bills.
- Bills for Discussion
 - The Legislative Committee discussed ten additional bills and took positions on seven of them.

State Budget Analysis

The Committee received a summary of budget items submitted by Governor Northam and their respective impacts on the County, including K-12 education funding, and other proposals related to budget priorities in the County’s Legislative Program. More detailed information may be found in the [budget chart](#) posted on the County’s website.

Decriminalization of Marijuana

The Committee received copies of the Virginia State Crime Commission’s 2017 [presentation](#) which summarized the findings of the Commission’s study on the decriminalization of marijuana.

Body-Worn Camera Study Report

The Committee received copies of the Compensation Board’s [report](#) to the General Assembly on the impact of body worn cameras on the workload of Commonwealth’s Attorneys’ offices.

Legislation Requiring Further Review, Staff “Watch List,” and Legislation Provided for Information

The Legislative Committee received a document with legislation requiring further review, the staff “Watch List,” and legislation provided for information. The Legislative Committee did not take a position on these bills at this meeting. This [list](#) was provided as a handout for Board members to review after the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Votes Taken: None

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