



JLARC Impacts: Legislative Actions on Report Recommendations

Impact: VEC operations

- Requires VEC to revise all documents to clearly explain unemployment compensation
- Creates Office of the Unemployment Compensation Ombudsman
- Directs VEC to regularly collect feedback from claimants and employers about UI IT system and improve system based on feedback

Appropriation Act (pending)

SB 219 Senator McPike/HB 270 Delegate Byron

Impact: VEC operations

- Streamlines process for individuals to challenge VEC claims denials
- Allows VEC to require employers to submit tax payments electronically unless they receive a waiver

Appropriation Act (pending)

SB 219 Senator McPike/HB 270 Delegate Byron

Impact: VEC – incorrect payments

- Directs VEC to conduct a full eligibility review of suspicious or improper UI claims
- Requires VEC to begin collecting all improper payments
- Requires actions to reduce future improper payments

*Appropriation Act (pending)/SB 769 Senator Reeves
SB 219 Senator McPike/HB 270 Delegate Byron*

Impact: VEC – future emergencies

- Requires VEC to develop resiliency plan to respond to future periods of high unemployment
- Directs DHRM* to lead workgroup to determine how state agencies can increase staffing quickly during emergencies

**DHRM: Department of Human Resource Management
SB 219 Senator McPike/HB 270 Delegate Byron*

Impact: VEC – legislative oversight

- Creates temporary subcommittee of Commission on Unemployment Compensation to monitor
 - UI claims backlogs
 - Efforts to identify, prevent, and recover incorrectly paid UI benefits
 - Modernization of UI IT system
 - State funds used for UI administration
 - Implementation of JLARC recommendations from 2021 report

SB 219 Senator McPike/HB 270 Delegate Byron

Impact: Adult guardianship and conservatorship

- Requires guardians ad litem to explain key recommendations in court reports
 - Why the adult being considered for guardianship does *not* need attorney representation
 - Why alternative to full guardianship (e.g., power of attorney) is *not* suitable

SB 514 Senator McPike/HB 623 Delegate Hudson

Impact: Adult guardianship and conservatorship

- Requires that family and friends of adults being considered for guardianship be notified of right to propose alternative guardian
- Creates workgroup to study visitation requirements for private guardians

SB 514 Senator McPike/HB 1212 Delegate Glass/HB 634 Roem

Impact: Adult guardianship and conservatorship

- Improves annual guardianship reports, state's key oversight mechanism for private guardians
- Directs OES* to redesign reports to encourage standardization and detailed responses
- Requires additional information to be included in annual reports

**Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia
SB 514 Senator McPike*

Impact: Adult guardianship and conservatorship

- Requires Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services to review maximum caseload requirements
- Requires financial institutions to cooperate with local department of social services staff who are investigating suspected adult abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation

HB 95 & HB 96 Delegate Head

Impact: School improvement program

- Provides funding to increase staff in Virginia Department of Education's Office of School Quality
 - Gives staff more time to devote to each low-performing school
 - Facilitates creating regional approach to school improvement
 - Puts staffing more in-line with other states' school improvement programs

Appropriation Act (pending)

Impact: Transportation funding

- Addresses data privacy for state's mileage-based user fee (MBUF) program
- Allows MBUF participants to prevent state from tracking vehicle location
- Limits use of data collected for program

SB 237 Senator McPike/SB 612 Senator Boysko

Impact: Information technology

- Funds 11 additional staff positions for Virginia Information Technologies Agency's (VITA) information security division by FY24
- Gives VITA authority to convert contractors to classified staff

Appropriation Act (pending)

Impact: SWaM spending

- Directs Department of Small Business & Supplier Diversity (SBSD) to annually review and provide feedback on state agencies' SWaM* plans
 - Help individual agencies with effective strategies to increase SWaM spending
 - Research and publish effective strategies that can help state agencies increase SWaM spending

**SWaM: Small, women-owned, and minority-owned businesses
HB 814 Delegate Torian*

Impact: Transportation incentives

- Restricts aircraft repair parts exemption to maximum take-off weight of at least 2,400 pounds to better target business aircraft

HB 462 Delegate Austin/SB 701 Senator Kiggans