2019

VIRGINIA
GENERAL ASSEMBLY WRAP-UP

More than

* 3,128 *

bills and resolutions were introduced during the 2019 Virginia General Assembly Session.

6 INITIATIVES of the Virginia REALTORS® were introduced as bills, and all have **PASSED**.

The **PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

reviewed 234 bills.

138 Action Bills

PPC recommended either supporting, opposing, or amending.

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We supported 92 Bills

passed

We opposed 21 Bills

defeated

We had

25

Bills amended or defeated



96MONITOR BILLS

The PPC actively monitored to assess any impact on our members or the real estate industry.





VIRGINIA REALTORS® & RPAC FIGHTING FOR YOUR BUSINESS AND YOUR CLIENTS



More Affordable Health Insurance Options

Redefines "small employer" to allow certain multi-member corporations and LLCs to access the small group health insurance market to potentially obtain better, less expensive insurance coverage.



Protecting Consumers

Adds practicing real estate or contracting without a license to the Virginia Consumer Protection Act. This will give government authorities and regular consumers more ability to take action against unlicensed business practices.



Provides consumers with more information by highlighting the need for due diligence on "mineral rights" and specifying where people can find information about flood hazard areas in the Virginia Residential Property Disclosure Statement.

HB 2342 | SB 1373

Encouraging More Residential Development

Reforms the residential rezoning "Proffer" process to streamline the negotiations between localities and residential developers. This bill encourages more housing inventory and residential growth.



Boosts funding to local building departments to improve the permitting process. The bill also requires local building departments to provide a written explanation detailing reasons for which an application was denied.



