

**DISCUSSION OF 2017 GENERAL ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM**

Each year in the fall, the Board communicates any legislative requests for the upcoming General Assembly session to the County's General Assembly delegation. The Board will meet with the delegation at a dinner meeting on December 6, 2016. Normally, the Board supports the VACO legislative program and includes additional local priorities.

The 2017 VACO program is attached in addition to the legislative calendar. The 2017 General Assembly session is a "short session" meaning the session beginning on January 11, 2017 and will likely last 30 to 45 days.

The following are items for consideration by the Board:

1. Resolution naming Prince George as the state "capital" for the descendants of Czech/Slovak immigration to Virginia.
2. State funding to accelerate construction of Commonwealth Center for Advanced Logistics System in Prince George including cost to purchase real estate from Prince George County.
3. Make no changes to DMV "Block" system (car owner cannot register vehicle) for collection of delinquent personal property taxes owed to localities.
4. Provide automatic appointment by Governor of a financial "receiver" if local governments are more than 60 days in arrears for any obligation to regional authorities.
5. Provide State "intercept" of grants or transfers from the State if any locality is in arrears for more than 60 days for any obligation to regional authorities.
6. Any initiative to impose a local "stress test" process (similar to stress tests imposed by Federal Reserve for banks) for local governments must include adequate State funding for additional costs.
7. Additional funding for broadband infrastructure grants to improve economic and educational competitiveness of rural areas.
8. State requirement to pay full daily rate of local jails if State prisoners are in local jail for more than 12 months.
9. Require that any discretionary State salary increases for teachers and constitutional officers have guaranteed state funding.

10. Full funding for the Standards of Quality mandate for public education.
11. Strengthen Manufactured Home Lot Rental Act (§ 55-248.41, et. seq.) to more closely resemble Washington and Oregon laws.
12. Increase per diem for state prisoners in local jails and speedier transfer of convicted felons to state facilities.
13. Amend § 15.2-2204, to provide more flexibility for local acceptance of cash proffers.
14. Increase state funding to reimburse a higher percentage of CSA mandate.
15. Fund early completion of approved Route 460 improvements (intersection near Prince George Bar-B-Que improvements).

# DECEMBER 2016

2017 Session - Prefiling period  
Adopted by the General Assembly

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	<p align="center"><i>Prefiling begins Monday, July 18, 2016</i></p>			<p align="center"><b>1</b></p> <p align="center">Last day for committees to act on legislation continued from 2016 Regular Session</p>	<p align="center"><b>2</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>3</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>4</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>5</b></p> <p align="center">All requests for drafts of legislation to be prefiled to Legislative Services by 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p align="center"><b>6</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>7</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>8</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>9</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>10</b></p>
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## Virginia General Assembly Session Calendar

# JANUARY 2017

2017 Session - Prefiling period  
Adopted by the General Assembly

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6 All requests for drafts, redrafts, and corrections of legislation creating or continuing a study to Legislative Services by 5:00 p.m., All requests for redrafts and corrections for legislation to be prefiled to Legislative Services by 5:00 p.m.	7
8	9	10 All drafts of legislation to be prefiled available by noon	11 (1) Prefiling ends at 10:00 a.m.	12 (2)	13 (3)	14 (4)
15 (5)	16 (6)	17 (7)	18 (8)	19 (9)	20 (10)	21 (11)
22 (12)	23 (13)	24 (14)	25 (15)	26 (16)	27 (17)	28 (18)
29 (19)	30 (20)	31 (21)				

## Virginia General Assembly Session Calendar

2016 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 38

Offered January 13, 2016

Prefiled December 17, 2015

*Establishing a schedule for the conduct of business for the prefiling period of the 2017 Regular Session of the General Assembly of Virginia.*

Patrons—Cox, Howell, Jones, Kilgore, Landes and Toscano; Senators: Lucas, McDougle and Ruff

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the prefiling period of the 2017 Regular Session of the General Assembly shall be governed by the following rules:

Rule 1. Requests for drafts of any bill or joint resolution to be prefiled shall be submitted to and received by the Division of Legislative Services no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 5, 2016. The Division shall make such drafts available for review no later than midnight, Friday, December 30, 2016.

Rule 2. Requests for the drafting, redrafting, or correction of any bill or joint resolution creating or continuing a study shall be submitted to and received by the Division of Legislative Services no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 6, 2017 in order to be filed on the first day of the 2017 Regular Session.

Rule 3. Requests for redrafts and corrections of any draft prepared for prefiling shall be submitted to and received by the Division of Legislative Services no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 6, 2017. The Division shall make such drafts available no later than noon, Tuesday, January 10, 2017.

Rule 4. Bills and joint resolutions offered for prefiling shall be prefiled in either house no later than 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 11, 2017. Any member offering for prefiling a bill or joint resolution not submitted to the Division of Legislative Services for drafting is encouraged to submit an electronic version no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day the legislation is prefiled.

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