

Water in the 2023 Virginia General Assembly

With Bill Status as of the End of the April 12, 2023, Reconvened Session

Final Version, as of August 24, 2023

The 2023 General Assembly convened on January 11 and adjourned on February 25. This was a so-called “short session,” which is held in all odd-numbered years. “Long sessions” of 60 days are held in even-numbered years. **A reconvened (“veto”) session** A reconvened (“veto”) session, for the purpose of considering vetoes or recommendations from the governor, was held on April 12. During long sessions, the Commonwealth’s budget for the upcoming two years is set; amendments to the current biennial budget may be considered both in short and long sessions. More information about the Assembly’s normal schedule and duration is available in “About the General Assembly,” online at [this link](#). The General Assembly’s main Web page, <http://virginiageneralassembly.gov/index.php>, offers several useful features, including member lists, session calendars, live video of floor sessions, and information on legislative processes. The Legislative Information System (LIS) Web site, <http://lis.virginia.gov/lis.htm>, provides lists and summaries of all bills, searchable by topic, member, committee, etc.

In the tables below (starting on page 2), the Virginia Water Resources Research Center lists 135 measures in the 2023 Assembly dealing with water resources directly or indirectly, including two budget bills amending the current state budget that runs through June 30, 2024.

The list was generated from information on the Legislative Information System Web site in the categories indicated by headings in the table. Within each category, bills are listed in order of their **bill number**, using the following abbreviations: **HB** = bill started in House of Delegates; **HR** = House resolution; **HJ** = joint resolution started in the House; **SB** = bill started in the Senate; **SR** = Senate resolution; and **SJ** = joint resolution started in the Senate.

In the tables, numbers in the left-hand column have been added by the Water Center for cross-referencing among the bills. The second column from the left contains the actual bill numbers, hyperlinked to the LIS Web site. **Click on the bill numbers** to access more detailed bill information at the LIS site, including a summary of the bill and the chronology of legislative action. The third column from the left is the **LIS short description of the bill**. The right hand-column lists whether the bill passed or failed, according to information available on the LIS Web site in August 2023.

LIS links to information about General Assembly committees (including members and meeting times) are available online at <https://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?ses=211&typ=lnk&val=71>.

Inventories from previous General Assembly sessions, back to 1998, are available via this link: <http://www.vwrrc.vt.edu/virginia-water-legislation/>.

Abbreviations in the tables: House ACNR = House Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources committee; Senate ACNR = Senate Agriculture, Conservation, and Natural Resources committee; DCR = Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation; DEQ = Virginia Department of Environmental Quality; SWCB = State Water Control Board; VMRC = Virginia Marine Resources Commission.

BUDGET/APPROPRIATIONS

Please note that the budget bills include many separate proposed changes to the current or upcoming biennial budget. Details on the budget are available at <https://budget.lis.virginia.gov/>.

1.	HB 1400	Budget Bill for the remainder of the 2022-2024 Biennium	Amended version approved by conference committee, passed House and Senate, and approved by governor.
2.	SB 800	Budget Bill for the remainder of the 2022-2024 Biennium	Passed Senate; failed in House.

CONSERVATION

3.	HB 1370	Landfill siting; prohibition on siting within one mile upgradient of private wells.	Tabled (failed) in House ACNR.
4.	HB 1388	Virginia National Guard Passport; established, free entry and parking for state parks.	Passed by both houses and approved by governor.
5.	HB 1390	Wildfires; recovery of costs of firefighting allowable in cases of negligence in starting.	Stricken from docket (failed) in House ACNR.
6.	HB 1807	Floodplain management; increases stipulations for state agency compliance with regulations. (Companion bill is SB 1392, #26 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
7.	HB 1834	Land preservation tax credits; deadline for filing.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
8.	HB 1968	“Green Book;” Department of Historic Resources to designate historic sites and provide signage for them.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
9.	HB 1970	Virginia Coastal Resilience Technical Advisory Committee; renames Committee and expands its focus to flooding statewide.	Failed in House ACNR.
10.	HB 2004	Federally recognized Tribal Nations in the Commonwealth; consultation on certain permits and reviews by departments of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), Environmental Quality (DEQ), and Historic Resources, and the Marine Resources Commission (VMRC). (Companion bill is SB 1332, #24 below.)	Failed in House ACNR.
11.	HB 2096	Noxious weeds; revoking current Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services permit on plant movement, and giving permit authority to Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services; invasive plant species to be listed and subject to certain prohibitions on use by state agencies.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
12.	HB 2151	State parks master planning requirements; changes related to property acquisition.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

13.	HB 2209	High polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon; prohibits pavement sealants that contain a certain percentage.	Reported from House ACNR; failed on House floor.
14.	HB 2244	African American cemeteries and graves; required process for appropriations by the Department of Historic Resources. (Companion bill is SB 1062, #22 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
15.	HB 2393	Coastal resilience policies; authorizing Secretary of Natural Resources to seek input from research university collaborative.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
16.	HB 2496	Virginia Recycling Development Center and Fund established.	Reported from House ACNR; failed in House Appropriations.
17.	SB 933	Single-use plastic carrier bags; authority for any locality to prohibit use.	Failed in Senate Local Government.
18.	SB 993	Virginia Land Conservation Board of Trustees; expands citizen membership by one and requires at least one member from a Virginia Indian Tribe.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
19.	SB 1001	Clean Energy and Community Flood Preparedness Act; repeals Act and suspends participation in Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative.	Passed by indefinitely (failed) in Senate ACNR.
20.	SB 1012	Single-use plastic and expanded polystyrene products; state and local prohibition.	Failed in Senate ACNR.
21.	SB 1050	Coal ash landfill storage facilities; prohibiting approval of any new facility within one mile upgradient of area not served by municipal water supply, unless landfill operator provides such supply.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
22.	SB 1062	African American cemeteries and graves; required process for appropriations by the Department of Historic Resources. (Companion bill is HB 2244, #14 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
23.	SB 1122	Open-space lands preservation trust fund; expanding eligible recipients of funds and adding eligibility stipulations.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
24.	SB 1332	Federally recognized Tribal Nations in the Commonwealth; consultation on certain permits and reviews by DCR, DEQ, Historic Resources, VMRC. (Companion bill is HB 2004, #10 above).	Passed Senate; failed in House ACNR.
25.	SB 1365	Materials recovery facilities; localities not permitted to prohibit waste disposal at such facilities (as defined in the bill).	Passed Senate; failed in House Counties, Cities and Towns.
26.	SB 1392	Floodplain management; increases stipulations for state agency compliance with regulations. (Companion Bill is HB 1807, #6 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
27.	SB 1501	DEQ civil penalties; written notice required for alleged violation and potential penalty.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

28.	HJ 473	Right to farm (first reference); provides that individuals have a “right to save and exchange seeds and a right to grow, raise, harvest, produce, exchange, barter, and consume the food of their own choosing for their own nourishment, sustenance, bodily health, and well-being.”	Failed in House Privileges and Elections.
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ENERGY CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES

29.	HB 1797	Offshore wind energy production; hold-harmless provision for customers for production shortfall.	Passed House; failed in Senate Commerce and Labor.
30.	HB 1854	Offshore wind energy development; State Corporation Commission required to submit a report regarding status of projects.	Failed in House Commerce and Energy.
31.	HB 2026	Biomass-fired facilities; stipulations to qualify as renewable energy standard eligible sources; Department of Forestry advisory panel and report; development of Best Management Practices for sustainable harvesting for biomass. (Companion bill is SB 1231, #32 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor (with governor recommendation not approved).
32.	SB 1231	Biomass-fired facilities; stipulations to qualify as renewable energy standard eligible sources; Department of Forestry advisory panel and report; development of Best Management Practices for sustainable harvesting for biomass. (Companion bill is HB 2026, #31 above).	Passed both houses and approved by governor (with governor recommendation not approved).
33.	SB 1477	Offshore wind affiliate; authorized for Dominion Energy Virginia, in connection with certain offshore wind projects, for the purpose of securing a noncontrolling equity financing partner for the project.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

FISHERIES AND HABITAT OF TIDAL WATERS

34.	HB 1381	Menhaden reduction fishing; regulations adoption by VMRC to be allowed outside of the time period between October 1 and December 31.	Failed in House ACNR.
35.	HB 1383	Menhaden reduction fishing; prohibition in Commonwealth waters for two years.	Failed in House ACNR.
36.	HB 1804	Tidal wetland mitigation bank; allowing credits from bank in adjacent river watershed if that bank’s plant community and salinity are similar as the impacted wetlands.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
37.	HB 1949	Oyster-planting grounds; changing lease-application and lease-transfer fees and review process by VMRC commissioner. (Companion bill is SB 899, #41 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
38.	HB 1950	Wetland mitigation; directing the VMRC to to review and update its Guidelines for Establishment, Use, and Operation of Tidal Wetland Mitigation Banks in Virginia and its Wetlands Mitigation-Compensation Banks and Supplemental Guidelines.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

39.	HB 2181	Subaqueous beds; actions allowed if one has a Virginia Water Protection Permit, and factors the DEQ shall consider in evaluating a permit application. (Companion bill is SB 1074, #42 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
40.	SB 867	Wetlands zoning permit; eliminates notarization requirement for permits issued by local wetlands board for use or development of a wetland.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
41.	SB 899	Oyster-planting grounds; changing lease-application and lease-transfer fees and review process by VMRC commissioner. (Companion bill is HB 1949, #37 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
42.	SB 1074	Subaqueous beds; actions allowed if one has a Virginia Water Protection Permit, and factors the DEQ shall consider in evaluating a permit application. (Companion bill is HB 2181, #39 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
43.	SB 1152	Wetland permit applications by federal agencies; VMRC to develop procedures to expedite such permit applications.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
44.	SB 1160	VMRC and local wetlands boards permit applications; changes to public notice requirements.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
45.	SB 1400	VMRC permits; electronic notification required for certain proposed projects.	Passed by indefinitely (failed) in Senate ACNR.
46.	SB 1500	Potomac River Fisheries Commission; repealing Commission's authority in certain areas of the Potomac River regarding an experimental oyster hatchery program, dredging of oysters, and leasing of the river bottom or water column.	Failed in Senate Rules.

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES OR CHEMICALS

47.	HB 2060	Aboveground storage tanks; directing the State Water Control Board (SWCB) to regulate such tanks, and creating Hazardous Substance Aboveground Storage Tank Fund.	Failed in House ACNR.
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HEALTH

48.	HB 1917	Public pools and other public water recreational facilities; Board of Health to adopt regulations.	Failed in House Health, Welfare and Institutions.
49.	HB 2008	Tick-borne diseases; Department of Health to conduct a study and make recommendations for reducing occurrence and impact.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES, AND FERRIES

50.	SB 1035	Bridge repair; changing the criteria for allocation of funds.	Passed by both houses; governor's recommendation not approved; vetoed by governor.
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES

51.	HB 1430	Va. Clean Economy Act; establishing a pilot program for energy-intensive trade-exposed (EITE) industries to be exempt from non-bypassable charges in certain provisions of the Virginia Clean Economy Act related to generation of electricity from renewable and zero carbon sources and development of offshore wind capacity. (See similar HB 1480, #52 below.)	Passed House; failed (stricken from docket) in Senate Commerce and Labor.
52.	HB 1480	Va. Clean Economy Act; establishing a pilot program for energy-intensive trade-exposed (EITE) industries. (See similar HB 1430, #51 above.)	Failed (stricken from docket) in House Commerce and Energy.
53.	HB 1604	Virginia Electric Utility Regulation Act; regarding regulation of rates by State Corporation Commission. (Companion bill is SB 1321, #71 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
54.	HB 1643	Coal mine methane; encouraging capture and use. (Companion bill is SB 1121, #66 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
55.	HB 1770	Virginia Electric Utility Regulation Act; amending the Act in several areas, including financing for certain deferred fuel costs, review proceedings; rates, return on common equity, rate adjustment clauses, and capitalization ratio. (Companion bill is SB 1265, #69 below.)	Passed both houses; governor recommendation approved; approved by governor.
56.	HB 1783	Natural gas utilities; guaranteeing consumer choice of natural gas and prohibiting local ordinances that in effect prevent use of natural gas. (Companion bill is SB 1485, #74 below.)	Passed House; failed in Senate Commerce and Labor.
57.	HB 1853	Shared solar power; changing stipulations for a shared solar program and for a minimum bill. (Companion bill is SB 1266, #70 below.)	Failed in House Commerce and Energy.
58.	HB 2197	Virginia Electric Utility Regulation Act; providing that renewable energy under the Act includes energy from advanced nuclear technology.	Passed House; failed in Senate Commerce and Labor.
59.	HB 2275	Commission on Electricity Utility Regulation; several provisions relating to energy planning and electric utility oversight; membership, meetings, and powers and duties; the Virginia Energy Plan; integrated research plans; and stakeholder groups and public outreach required. (Companion bill is SB 1166, #68 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
60.	HB 2305	Renewable energy portfolio standard sources; competitive procurement required for electric utilities.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

61.	HB 2311	Virginia Electric Utility Regulation Act; providing that renewable energy under the Act includes energy from nuclear and hydrogen power.	Failed in House Commerce and Energy.
62.	HB 2333	Nuclear energy; requiring State Corporation Commission to establish a small modular nuclear reactor pilot program.	Passed House; substitute passed Senate; bill failed for lack of conference committee action.
63.	HB 2444	Offshore wind projects; regarding State Corporation Commission evaluation of cost recovery requests, and timeline for development of projects. (Companion bill is SB 1441, #73 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
64.	SB 984	Electric utility net metering; adding stipulations about contracts.	Passed Senate; failed in House Commerce and Energy.
65.	SB 1083	Shared solar programs; State Corporation Commission to establish by regulation.	Passed Senate; failed in House Commerce and Labor.
66.	SB 1121	Coal mine methane; encouraging capture and use. (Companion bill is HB 1643, #54 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
67.	SB 1125	Renewable energy portfolio requirements; requiring electric utilities to petition for relief from retiring carbon-emitting generation facilities if such retirement would threaten electricity supply.	Failed in Senate Commerce and Labor.
68.	SB 1166	Commission on Electricity Utility Regulation; several provisions relating to energy planning and electric utility oversight; membership, meetings, and powers and duties; the Virginia Energy Plan; integrated research plans; and stakeholder groups and public outreach required. (Companion bill is HB 2275, #59 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
69.	SB 1265	Virginia Electric Utility Regulation Act; amending the Act in several areas, including financing for certain deferred fuel costs, review proceedings; rates, return on common equity, rate adjustment clauses, and capitalization ratio. (Companion bill is HB 1770, #55 above.)	Passed both houses; governor recommendation approved; approved by governor.
70.	SB 1266	Shared solar power; changing stipulations for a shared solar program and for a minimum bill. (Companion bill is HB 1853, #57 above.)	Passed Senate; failed in House Commerce and Energy.
71.	SB 1321	Virginia Electric Utility Regulation Act; regarding regulation of rates by State Corporation Commission. (Companion bill is HB 1604, #53 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
72.	SB 1323	Electric utility energy efficiency savings targets; requiring the State Corporation Commission to establish for Dominion Energy Virginia annual energy efficiency savings targets for customers who are low-income, elderly, disabled, or veterans of military service.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

73.	SB 1441	Offshore wind projects; regarding State Corporation Commission evaluation of cost recovery requests, and timeline for development of projects. (Companion bill is HB 2444, #63 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
74.	SB 1485	Natural gas utilities; guaranteeing consumer choice of natural gas and prohibiting local ordinances that in effect prevent use of natural gas. (Companion bill is HB 1783, #56 above.)	Failed (stricken from docket) in Senate Commerce and Labor.
75.	SB 1496	Natural gas utility facility replacement projects; exemption from planning, etc.	Failed in Senate Commerce and Labor.

STUDY COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND REPORTS

76.	HB 1664	Blue Catfish Industries Development; expanding the Governor's Agriculture and Forestry Industries Development Fund to include aquaculture, and allowing grants from that fund for a Blue Catfish Processing, Flash Freezing, and Infrastructure Grant Program. (Companion bill is SB 897, #91 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
77.	HB 1721	Microplastics in public drinking water; Commissioner of Health's work group to study occurrence.	Failed in House ACNR.
78.	HB 1781	Southwest Virginia Energy Research and Development Authority; changing powers and duties related to closed coal mines and to coal mine methane. (Companion bill is SB 1116, #92 below.) The original version of the bill called for a study of coal mine methane use, but this provision was removed in the passed version.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
79.	HB 2310	Public water and sewer systems; Department of Housing and Community Development to study opportunities for rural areas to upgrade.	Failed in House Rules.
80.	HB 2325	Agricultural land; prohibiting ownership by "foreign adversaries" (defined in the bill), and requiring a report by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services on foreign ownership of agricultural lands. (Companion bill is SB 1438, #94 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
81.	HB 2326	Ecosystem services markets for forest landowners; Department of Forestry to assess opportunities to participate.	Failed in House Rules.
82.	HB 2355	Solar energy generation facilities; Department of Energy to convene stakeholder work group on consumer protection regulations regarding solar energy generation facilities.	Failed in House Commerce and Energy.
83.	HB 2453	All-terrain power wheelchairs in state parks; DCR to establish a two-year pilot program for enhancing accessibility.	Reported from House ACNR; failed in House Appropriations.
84.	HJ 487	Solar panel installation; Department of Transportation to study use in medians of divided highways.	Failed in House Rules.
85.	HJ 489	Electric utilities; State Corporation Commission to study adequacy of tree-trimming practices.	Failed in House Rules.

86.	HJ 516	Joint Subcommittee on Recurrent Flooding; membership increase from 11 to 17. (See related SJ 243, #95 below.)	Failed in House Rules.
87.	HJ 540	Possible state park in Henry County between North and South Mayo Rivers; DCR to study establishment.	Failed in House Rules.
88.	HJ 545	Clean energy purchase in localities; Department of Energy to study barriers.	Failed in House Rules.
89.	HR 276	Advanced nuclear technologies and reactor projects; Department of Energy to evaluate research and expansion.	Failed in House Commerce and Energy.
90.	SB 848	Public school buildings and facilities; Commission on School Construction and Modernization, in consultation with the Department of Energy, to develop and make recommendations on incorporating renewable energy generation facilities in the construction or renovation.	Passed Senate; failed in House Appropriations.
91.	SB 897	Blue Catfish Industries Development; expanding the Governor's Agriculture and Forestry Industries Development Fund to include aquaculture, and allowing grants from that fund for a Blue Catfish Processing, Flash Freezing, and Infrastructure Grant Program. This proposal was accompanied by a proposed budget amendment. (Companion bill is HB 1664, #76 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
92.	SB 1116	Southwest Virginia Energy Research and Development Authority; changing powers and duties related to closed coal mines and to coal mine methane. (Companion bill is HB 1781, #78 above.) The original version of the bill called for a study of coal mine methane use, but this provision was removed in the passed version.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
93.	SB 1388	Menhaden; Va. Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) to develop plans for studying the ecology, fishery impacts, and economic importance of populations in the waters of the Commonwealth. The original Senate bill had called for an actual study, but the passed version calls only for developing plans for a study.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
94.	SB 1438	Agricultural land; prohibiting ownership by “foreign adversaries” (defined in the bill), and requiring a report by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services on foreign ownership of agricultural lands. (Companion bill is HB 2325, #80 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
95.	SJ 243	Joint Subcommittee on Recurrent Flooding; membership increase from 11 to 13. (See related HJ 516, #86 above.)	Passed both houses (governor approval not needed for resolutions).
96.	SJ 258	Waste coal in southwestern Virginia; Department of Energy to study environmental and economic impact of eliminating piles of waste coal.	Passed both houses (governor approval not needed for resolutions).

TAXATION

97.	HB 1438	Oyster shell recycling and replenishment and Oyster Replenishment Fund; user fees and other donations to be credited to the Fund. (Companion bill is SB 997, #105 below.)	Passed both houses; governor's substitute bill passed by both houses and approved by governor.
98.	HB 1510	Urban green space; authorizing localities to regulatory flexibility to promote such green space.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
99.	HB 1645	Litter tax; prohibiting the penalty for failure to pay without at least 30-day notification to the taxpayer. (Companion bill is SB 996, #104 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
100.	HB 1790	Electric vehicle charging equipment; creating a tax credit for installation.	Failed in House Finance.
101.	HB 2178	Green and alternative energy job creation tax credit; adding coal mine methane extracted in Planning District 2 to the list of alternative sources of energy production that qualify as a creator of green jobs for purposes of the tax credit.	Passed by both houses and approved by governor.
102.	HB 2401	Coal and Gas Road Improvement Fund; allowing funds to be used to construct flood-mitigation measures. (Companion bill is SB 1468, #106 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
103.	HB 2493	Plastic bag tax fee usage; adding litter pickup and cleanup of illegal signs and to allowable uses of revenue from this tax.	Failed in House Finance.
104.	SB 996	Litter tax; prohibiting the penalty for failure to pay without at least 30-day notification to the taxpayer. (Companion bill is HB 1645, #99 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
105.	SB 997	Oyster shell recycling and replenishment and Oyster Replenishment Fund; user fees and other donations to be credited to the Fund. (Companion bill is HB 1438, #97 above.)	Passed both houses; governor's substitute bill passed by both houses and approved by governor.
106.	SB 1468	Coal and Gas Road Improvement Fund; allowing funds to be used to construct flood mitigation measures. (Companion bill is HB 2401, #102 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
107.	SB 1511	Land use classification qualifying property; adding lands formerly receiving payments in a federal soil and water conservation district, and prohibiting using the presence of noxious weeds or woody growth a sole reason for denying eligibility.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

WASTE DISPOSAL

108.	SB 1505	Recycling and waste disposal; relating to unpaid fees.	Failed in Senate Local Government.
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WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS

109.	HB 1940	Waterworks and wastewater works operators; establishing conditions for reciprocity for licenses from other states. (Companion bill is SB 999, #110 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
110.	SB 999	Waterworks and wastewater works operators; establishing conditions for reciprocity for licenses from other states. (Companion bill is HB 1940, #109 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
111.	SB 1013	PFAS chemicals in waterworks; notification to customers when perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances are present in the water supply. (See related HB 2189, #123 in Waters of the State, Ports and Harbors section below.)	Passed Senate; failed in House ACNR.

WATERS OF THE STATE, PORTS AND HARBORS

112.	HB 1485	Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan; several provisions related to agricultural impacts and best management practices. (Companion bill is SB 1129, #128 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
113.	HB 1623	Eastern Virginia Groundwater Management Advisory Committee reporting requirements changed.	Passed House; Senate passed a substitute; substitute failed on House floor.
114.	HB 1628	Wetland and Stream Replacement Fund; changing the timing for using the funds for purposes other than mitigation bank credit purchases.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
115.	HB 1832	Virginia Port Authority grant programs; creating a new Port of Virginia Economic Development Grant Program consisting of two component programs: the Economic and Infrastructure Development Grant Program and the International Trade Facility Grant Program. (Companion bill is SB 1345, #132 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
116.	HB 1839	South Central Wastewater Authority in Petersburg; directing the Authority to submit to the DEQ in 2023 a phased construction program for nutrient removal. (Companion bill is SB 963, #127 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
117.	HB 1848	Stormwater management and erosion and sediment control agreement in lieu of plan; including farm buildings and related surfaces in the respective definitions of an agreement in lieu of a plan in the stormwater management and erosion and sediment control laws (current laws define an agreement in lieu of a plan to cover only single-family residences); plus provisions for “small construction activity,” as defined in the bill. (Companion bill is SB 1376, #134 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
118.	HB 1941	Onsite septic system correction and repair; authorizing the SWCB to provide loans from the Virginia Water Facilities Revolving Fund to a local government for this purpose to businesses as well as to individual citizens.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

119.	HB 1977	Eastern Virginia Groundwater Management Area withdrawal permit; continuing waiver of permit expiration for specific residential well north of the Occoquan River.	Failed in House ACNR.
120.	HB 1986	Stormwater management regulations for a specific “enterprise data center operation” (in Planning District 8 and located within one-half mile of a national battlefield); requiring stormwater runoff volume after construction to be no greater than prior to the land disturbance.	Failed in House Commerce and Energy.
121.	HB 2095	Drought evaluation and response plans and programs in the Potomac River region; considering localities that use the Potomac for water supply as part of a distinct drought-evaluation region. (Companion bill is SB 1149, #129 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
122.	HB 2126	Soil erosion control and stormwater management plans by electric utilities; setting conditions for an exemption for installation of permanent gravel access roads. (Companion bill is SB 1178, #130 below.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
123.	HB 2189	PFAS chemicals; requiring any industries that use publicly owned treatment works and that receive and refurbish materials that use PFAS chemicals to test their discharges for such chemicals. (See related SB 1013, #111 in Water and Sewer Systems section above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
124.	HB 2282	Forest crop activity exemption from Virginia Stormwater Management Program; changing criteria for such an exemption. (Companion bill is SB 844, #125 below.)	Passed House; failed on Senate floor.
125.	SB 844	Forest crop activity exemption from Virginia Stormwater Management Program; changing the criteria for such an exemption. (Companion bill is HB 2282, #124 above.)	Failed (stricken from docket) in Senate ACNR.
126.	SB 959	Chesapeake Bay nutrient credits; specifying allowable delivery factor for credits from activities outside of the Bay watershed.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
127.	SB 963	South Central Wastewater Authority in Petersburg; directing the Authority to submit to the DEQ in 2023 a phased construction program for nutrient removal. (Companion bill is HB 1839, #116 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
128.	SB 1129	Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan; several provisions related to agricultural impacts and best management practices. (Companion bill is HB 1485, #112 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
129.	SB 1149	Drought evaluation and response plans and programs in the Potomac River region; considering localities that use the Potomac for water supply as part of a distinct drought-evaluation region. (Companion bill is HB 2095, #121 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
130.	SB 1178	Soil erosion control and stormwater management plans by electric utilities; setting conditions for an exemption for installation of permanent gravel access roads. (Companion bill is HB 2126, #122 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
131.	SB 1262	Rappahannock River Basin Commission; updating membership to reflect changes to state legislative districts following redistricting in 2021.	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
132.	SB 1345	Virginia Port Authority grant programs; creating a new Port of Virginia Economic Development Grant Program consisting of two component programs: the Economic and	Passed both houses and approved by governor.

		Infrastructure Development Grant Program and the International Trade Facility Grant Program. (Companion bill is HB 1832, #115 above.)	
133.	SB 1374	Stormwater management permitting for land-disturbing activities; clarifying “terrace” under agricultural engineering operations as an exemption for getting a stormwater management permit.	Failed in Senate ACNR.
134.	SB 1376	Stormwater management and erosion and sediment control agreement in lieu of plan; including farm buildings and related surfaces in the respective definitions of an agreement in lieu of a plan in the stormwater management and erosion and sediment control laws (current laws define an agreement in lieu of a plan to cover only single-family residences); plus provisions for “small construction activity,” as defined in the bill. (Companion bill is HB 1848, #117 above.)	Passed both houses and approved by governor.
135.	SB 1395	Use of state-owned bottomlands; setting restrictions on VMRC permits for activities that could obstruct navigable channels.	Failed in Senate ACNR.