



February 9, 2026

Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee  
Resources Subcommittee  
Senate Finance and Appropriations Room 1300  
General Assembly Building  
201 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Chair Lucas and Members of the Resources Subcommittee,

I'm John Musso, Government Affairs Manager of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. On behalf of the Chamber, I'm expressing our support for **S.B. 3** (Aird) and **S.B. 119** (Carroll Foy), the establishment of the Employee Child Care Assistance Pilot Program.

This legislation is a smart proposal that enables greater child care access for Virginian employees, benefitting both families and businesses. We urge you please report these bills favorably in Subcommittee this morning.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best Regards,

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Dear Chair Lucas and Members of the Resources Subcommittee,

I'm John Musso, Government Affairs Manager at the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. On behalf of the Chamber, I'm expressing our support for **S.B. 20** (Locke) . This proposed adjustment to the Child Care subsidy program would allow more Virginia families to qualify based on income.

We urge you all to please report the bill favorably out of Subcommittee today.

Best Regards,

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Virginia State Senate  
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Dear Senators,

I'm John Musso with the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. On behalf of the Chamber, I wanted to express our support for **S.B. 314** (Ebbin).

This legislation would add two tools to the tourism promotion toolbox for Arlington County, expanding local government and hospitality sector efforts to create dedicated destination marketing funds. Studies have shown that destination marketing in Arlington generates \$9 in visitor spending and \$1.20 in taxes for every \$1 invested. Increased tourism benefits the economy and the tax coffers of the Commonwealth as a whole.

We urge you to please support S.B. 314 on the Senate floor today.

Best Regards,

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Dear Chair Lucas and Members of the Finance and Appropriations Committee,

I'm John Musso, Government Affairs Manager of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. On behalf of the Chamber, I am expressing our support for **S.B. 629** (Srinivasan), legislation that updates and expands Virginia's First-Time Home Buyer Savings Plan to better reflect current housing costs and improve access for prospective buyers.

This bill allows first-time buyers of townhouses, condominiums and manufactured homes to reap the benefits of the Savings Plan, and updates the principal limit to account for the modern housing economy. This bill is an intelligent policy for incentivizing homeownership in the Commonwealth. We urge you please report these bills favorably in tomorrow morning's Committee hearing.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

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Dear Chair Lucas and Members of the Finance and Appropriations Committee,

I'm John Musso, Government Affairs Manager of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. On behalf of the Chamber, I am expressing our support for **S.B. 134** (Locke). This legislation will help ensure more effective investment in child care in the Commonwealth by establishing and maintaining a new funding formula.

We urge you please report these bills favorably in tomorrow morning's Committee hearing.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

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