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Virginia House of Delegates General Assembly Building 201 North 9th Street Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Members of the Virginia House of Delegates,

On behalf of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce, we ask you to oppose HB 959 (Lopez – Towing), which will be on the House Floor for a vote this afternoon.

HB959 would permit localities in Planning Districts 8 and 16 to require written authorization for each individual tow from a business's property, above and beyond any contract between a towing operator and the property owner.

Would Create New Burden on Businesses

This bill allows localities to create new, significant regulatory and cost burdens for businesses and property owners, all for the removal of illegally parked vehicles on their own property.

We want Virginia to remain a business-friendly state – it is important that we do not add significant burdens like these to our businesses and property owners.

I thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration and I hope that you will vote to oppose HB 959. Please feel free to reach out to me directly at advocacy@arlingtonchamber.org with any questions.

Best Regards,

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