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2025 General Assembly Session: How Did Your Legislators Vote?

During the 2025 Virginia General Assembly session, your state senator and delegate cast key votes on critical issues impacting human life, dignity and the common good. This report contains two charts:

- A **Senate** chart showing how your senator voted; and
- A **House** chart showing how your delegate voted.

In both charts, legislators' votes on the "Opposing Extreme Abortion Amendment" item are highlighted, due to the particularly high level of inquiry the Virginia Catholic Conference received about this proposed constitutional amendment.

At the conclusion of the report are:

- **Descriptions of Legislation** featured in the charts, organized into three categories – Life & Liberty, Families & Children, and Social & Economic Concerns.
- An **Index of Legislation**, for those interested in more detail than what the brief bill descriptions provide.

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Senate Votes

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Name of Senator (Party, District)	Opposing Extreme Abortion Amendment	Protecting Parental Consent	Protecting Babies Born Alive	Opposing Contraceptive Mandate	Protecting Peaceful Pro-Life Witness	Protecting Marriage	Preserving Conscience & Parental Rights	Opposing Marijuana Commercialization	Limiting Isolated Confinement	Restoring Voting Rights	Reducing Drug Costs
Aird, Lashrecse D. (D-13)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Bagby, Lamont (D-14)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Boysko, Jennifer B. (D-38)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Carroll Foy, Jennifer D. (D-33)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Cifers, Luther Henry, III (R-10)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Craig, Christie New (R-19)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Deeds, R. Creigh (D-11)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
DeSteph, Bill (R-20)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Diggs, J.D. "Danny" (R-24)	√	√	√	√	√	X	√	√	X	X	√
Durant, Tara A. (R-27)	√	√	√	√	√	X	√	√	X	X	X
Ebbin, Adam P. (D-39)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Favola, Barbara A. (D-40)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
French, Timmy (R-1)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	NV	X	X
Hackworth, T. Travis (R-5)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Hashmi, Ghazala F. (D-15)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Head, Christopher T. (R-3)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Jordan, Emily M. (R-17)	√	√	√	√	√	NV	√	√	X	NV	X
Locke, Mamie E. (D-23)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Lucas, L. Louise (D-18)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√

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Marsden, David W. (D-35)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	X
McDougle, Ryan T. (R-26)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
McPike, Jeremy S. (D-29)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Mulchi, Tammy Brankley (R-9)	√	√	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Obenshain, Mark D. (R-2)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Peake, Mark J. (R-8)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	√
Pekarsky, Stella G. (D-36)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Perry, Russet W. (D-31)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Pillion, Todd E. (R-6)	√	√	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	√
Reeves, Bryce E. (R-28)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Roem, Danica A. (D-30)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Rouse, Aaron R. (D-22)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Salim, Saddam Azlan (D-37)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Srinivasan, Kannan (D-32)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Stanley, William M., Jr. (R-7)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	√
Stuart, Richard H. (R-25)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Sturtevant, Glen H., Jr. (R-12)	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	√
Suetterlein, David R. (R-4)	√	√	√	X	√	X	√	√	X	X	√
Surovell, Scott A. (D-34)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√

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VanValkenburg, Schuyler T. (D-16)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Williams Graves, Angelia (D-21)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√

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Anthony, Bonita G. (D-92)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Arnold, Jonathan E. (R-46)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Askew, Alex Q. (D-95)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Austin, Terry L. (R-37)	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Ballard, Jason S. (R-42)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Batten, Amanda E. (R-71)	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Bennett-Parker, Elizabeth B. (D-5)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Bloxom, Robert S., Jr. (R-100)	√	X	√	X	√	√	X	X	X
Bulova, David L. (D-11)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Callsen, Katrina E. (D-54)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Campbell, Ellen H. (R-36)	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	√
Carr, Betsy B. (D-78)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Cherry, Mike A. (R-74)	√	√	√	NV	√	√	X	√	X
Clark, Nadarius E. (D-84)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Cohen, Laura Jane (D-15)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Cole, Joshua G. (D-65)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Convirs-Fowler, Kelly K. (D-96)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√

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Cordoza, A.C. (R-86)	√	X	√	NV	√	√	X	√	X
Cousins, Rae C. (D-79)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Coyner, Carrie E. (R-75)	√	X	√	X	X	√	X	√	X
Davis, Will P. (R-39)	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Delaney, Karrie K. (D-9)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Earley, Mark L., Jr. (R-73)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Ennis, N. Baxter (R-89)	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Feggans, Michael (D-97)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Fowler, Hyland F. (Buddy), Jr. (R-59)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Freitas, Nicholas J. (R-62)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Gardner, Debra D. (D-76)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Garrett, Thomas A., Jr. (R-56)	√	√	√	X	√	√	X	X	X
Gilbert, C. Todd (R-33)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Glass, Jackie Hope (D-93)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Green, W. Chad, Sr. (R-69)	√	X	√	X	√	√	X	X	X
Griffin, Timothy P. (R-53)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Hayes, C. E. (Cliff), Jr. (D-91)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Helmer, Dan (D-10)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√

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Henson, Rozia A., Jr. (D-19)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Hernandez, Phil M. (D-94)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Herring, Charniele L. (D-4)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Higgins, Geary M. (R-30)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Hodges, M. Keith (R-68)	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Hope, Patrick A. (D-1)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Jones, Michael J. (D-77)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Kent, Hillary Pugh (R-67)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Keys-Gamarra, Karen (D-7)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Kilgore, Terry G. (R-45)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Knight, Barry D. (R-98)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Krizek, Paul E. (D-16)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Laufer, Amy J. (D-55)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Leftwich, James A. (Jay), Jr. (R-90)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
LeVere Bolling, Destiny L. (D-80)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Lopez, Alfonso H. (D-3)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Lovejoy, Ian T. (R-22)	√	X	√	NV	√	√	X	X	X
Maldonado, Michelle Lopes (D-20)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√

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Marshall, Daniel W., III (R-49)	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	√	X
Martinez, Fernando J. (D-29)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
McClure, Adele Y. (D-2)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
McNamara, Joseph P. (R-40)	√	X	√	X	√	√	X	X	X
McQuinn, Delores L. (D-81)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Milde, Paul V., III (R-64)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Morefield, James W. (Will) (R-43)	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X	X
Mundon King, Candi (D-23)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Oates, Delores (R-31)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Obenshain, Joseph C. (R-41)	√	X	√	X	√	X	X	X	X
O'Quinn, Israel D. (R-44)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Orrock, Robert D., Sr. (R-66)	√	X	√	√	X	√	X	X	X
Owen, David L. (R-57)	√	X	√	NV	X	√	X	X	X
Phillips, Eric J. (R-48)	√	X	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Price, Marcia S. (Cia) (D-85)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Rasoul, Sam (D-38)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Reaser, Atoosa R. (D-27)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Reid, David A. (D-28)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√

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Runion, Chris (R-35)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Scott, Don (D-88)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Scott, Phillip A. (R-63)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Seibold, Holly M. (D-12)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Sewell, Briana D. (D-25)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Shin, Irene (D-8)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Sickles, Mark D. (D-17)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Simon, Marcus B. (D-13)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Simonds, Shelly A. (D-70)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Singh, JJ (D-26)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Sullivan, Richard C. (Rip), Jr. (D-6)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Tata, Anne Ferrell H. (R-99)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Taylor, Kimberly A. (R-82)	√	X	NV	√	X	√	X	√	X
Thomas, Josh (D-21)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Torian, Luke E. (D-24)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Tran, Kathy KL (D-18)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Wachsmann, Howard Otto, Jr. (R-83)	√	√	√	X	√	√	X	X	X
Walker, Wendell S. (R-52)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X

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Ward, Jeion A. (D-87)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Ware, R. Lee (R-72)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Watts, Vivian E. (D-14)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Webert, Michael J. (R-61)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Wiley, William D. (Bill) (R-32)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Willett, Rodney T. (D-58)	X	X	X	X	X	X	√	√	√
Williams, Wren M. (R-47)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Wilt, Tony O. (R-34)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Wright, Thomas C., Jr. (R-50)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Wyatt, Scott A. (R-60)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X
Zehr, Eric (R-51)	√	√	√	√	√	√	X	X	X

DESCRIPTIONS OF LEGISLATION

LIFE & LIBERTY

Opposing Extreme Abortion Amendment: The VCC opposed a resolution proposing to enshrine a “right” to abortion in Virginia’s constitution. The resolution, which would allow virtually unlimited abortion at any stage of pregnancy, passed the Senate and House. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.)*

Protecting Parental Consent: During the Senate floor debate on the extreme abortion amendment, Senator Tara Durant (R – Fredericksburg) offered a VCC-supported amendment to require Virginia’s parental consent law to remain in effect. The Senate, however, rejected this proposed parental consent amendment. (See **Senate** chart.)

Protecting Babies Born Alive: During the Senate floor debate on the extreme abortion amendment, Senator Emily Jordan (R – Smithfield) offered a VCC-supported amendment to require that any baby born alive after an attempted abortion “shall be provided the same level of care and treatment as any infant or person seeking care and treatment in a medical facility.” The Senate, however, rejected this proposed amendment to protect babies born alive after attempted abortions. (See **Senate** chart.)

Opposing Contraceptive Mandate: The VCC opposed legislation to require health plans to cover all drugs the FDA defines as contraceptives – including those that can cause abortions. The bill passed the Senate and House. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.)

Protecting Peaceful Pro-Life Witness: The VCC opposed a bill that would establish a buffer zone around abortion clinics, thereby restricting the ability of pro-life advocates to share life-affirming information and resources. The measure passed the Senate and House. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.)

FAMILIES & CHILDREN

Protecting Marriage: The VCC opposed a resolution proposing to repeal the one-man/one-woman marriage provision in Virginia’s constitution – a provision approved by Virginia voters in 2006 with strong support by the VCC. The resolution to repeal this longstanding provision passed the Senate and House. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.)*

Preserving Conscience & Parental Rights: The VCC opposed legislation seeking to grant minors a “right” to undergo sterilization procedures and obtain contraceptives. The proposal would also undermine the religious liberty and conscience rights of hospitals and health clinics that do not provide sterilization procedures or contraceptives due to their beliefs. The measure passed the Senate and House. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.)

Opposing Marijuana Commercialization: Although Virginia enacted legislation in 2021 to legalize marijuana possession and home cultivation, legislation to allow the sale of marijuana – including high-potency THC – in “pot shops” was not included in that legislation. For the second consecutive year, the Senate and House passed an expansive commercialization measure. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.) The VCC opposes commercialization because of the severe risks of mass-marketed THC to children, health and public safety.

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SOCIAL & ECONOMIC CONCERNS

Limiting Isolated Confinement: The Senate and House passed a VCC-supported measure to place a clear limit on the amount of time an incarcerated person can be held in isolated confinement. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.)

Restoring Voting Rights: A VCC-supported resolution proposing to amend Virginia's constitution to guarantee the restoration of voting rights to all who have completed their sentences passed the Senate and House. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.)*

Reducing Drug Costs: A VCC-supported proposal to establish a regulatory framework to make especially expensive prescription drugs more affordable passed the Senate and House. (See **Senate** and **House** charts.)

** These resolutions are the first step in the two-year process required to amend Virginia's constitution.*

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**Denotes failed parental consent amendment.*

***Denotes failed amendment to protect babies born alive.*

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