

Towing Advisory Board

Alexandria Transit Co./DASH Board Room 3000 Business Center Drive *June 24, 2024; 6:00 P.M.*

MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order (Chair)
- 2. Roll Call (Pro Tempore Secretary)
- 3. Transition of Secretary Duties from Pro Tempore to Elected (Chair)
- 4. Approval of the June 8, 2021, Meeting Minutes (Chair)
- 5. Approval of the March 26, 2024, Meeting Minutes (Chair)
- 6. Presentation & Approval of Annual Report of FY 2024 Advisory Board Activities and Accomplishments (Staff Liaison)

Action Items **ROLL-CALL**

- 7. Review and Vote on Electronic Participation Policy (Chair)
- 8. Review 2024 Virginia General Assembly Legislation (Staff Liaison)
 - 8-A HB 925: Towing; vehicles with expired registration, civil penalty
 - 8-B HB 959: Towing violations; enforcement
 - 8-C HB 234 & SB 516 (companion bills): All-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles; seizure, impounding, and disposition
- 9. New Business/Roundtable
 - 9-A Methodology for Rate Review and Assessment
- 10. Public Discussion Period
- 11. Next Meeting
- 12. Adjournment

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Review - 2024 Virginia General Assembly Legislation (Staff Liaison)

8-A HB 925: Towing; vehicles with expired registration, civil penalty

SUMMARY AS PASSED:

Towing; vehicles with expired registration; civil penalty. Requires a towing operator, defined in the bill, for a parking lot of a multifamily dwelling unit, defined in the bill, to post written notice on a vehicle providing at least 48 hours' notice to a resident prior to removing a resident's vehicle, defined in the bill, from such parking lot of the multifamily dwelling unit for an expired registration or expired vehicle inspection sticker and to provide a copy of such notice to the landlord of such multifamily dwelling unit. The bill provides that a towing operator who fails to comply with these requirements shall be required to reimburse the resident for the cost of the tow and shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$100.

LIS > Bill Tracking > HB925 > 2024 session (virginia.gov)

8-B HB 959: Towing violations; enforcement

SUMMARY AS PASSED:

Towing violations; enforcement; fuel surcharge fee. Authorizes localities in Planning Districts 8 and 16 to require written authorization of the owner of the property from which the vehicle is towed at the time the vehicle is being towed and regulate the monitoring practices that may be used by towing and recovery operators. Current law authorizes localities other than those in Planning Districts 8 and 16 to require written authorization of the owner of the property from which the vehicle is towed at the time the vehicle is being towed. The bill changes the penalty for certain trespass towing offenses in Planning District 8 from \$150 per violation paid to the Literary Fund to 10 times the total amount charged for such removal, towing, and storage to be paid to the victim of the unlawful towing. The bill also changes the expiration date of the authorization for towing and recovery operators to charge a fuel surcharge fee of no more than \$20 for each vehicle towed or removed from private property without the consent of its owner and the prohibition on local governing bodies limiting or prohibiting such fee from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2025.

LIS > Bill Tracking > HB959 > 2024 session (virginia.gov)

8-C HB 234 & SB 516 (companion bills): All-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles; seizure, impounding, and disposition

SUMMARY AS INTRODUCED:

All-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles; seizure, impounding, and disposition. Authorizes the governing body of any city to provide by ordinance for the lawful seizure, impounding, and disposition of an illegally operated all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle operated on a highway or sidewalk within such city. This bill is identical to **HB 234.**

LIS > Bill Tracking > SB516 > 2024 session (virginia.gov)