

Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy 2025 General Assembly Bill Positions Passed to Executive Action

This bill list is made up of our priority bills that made it through the legislature. See below for the bills were vetoed, and those that have been signed into law (updated 2/26/25). For all bills that we tracked throughout the 2025 session, see the full bill list on the [General Assembly page](#) on our website. To track all environmental bills still alive on the Governor's desk, use [VCN's bill tracker](#).

SUPPORTED LAND CONSERVATION AND HABITAT BILLS

- **SIGNED INTO LAW** [HB1941/SB1166](#): Requires, for the retail sale of certain invasive plant species for outdoor use, a retail establishment to post in a conspicuous manner signage identifying such plant as invasive, educating consumers regarding invasive plant species, and encouraging consumers to ask about alternatives. [Talking Points](#)

SUPPORTED DATA CENTERS AND POWER BILLS

- **SIGNED INTO LAW** [HB1822](#): [*Loudoun Sponsor- Reid*] Requires Phase I and Phase II Utilities to use advanced conductors, as defined in the bill, in the construction of any electrical transmission line of 230 kilovolts or more, any electrical transmission line replacing an existing electrical transmission line of 69 kilovolts or more that has reached its scheduled replacement date, and any electrical transmission line of 69 kilovolts or more constructed as a weather-related replacement, as long as the use of such advanced conductors does not delay the prompt restoration of power to consumers.
- **AMENDED** [HB1601](#): Provides that prior to any approval of a rezoning application, special exception, or special use permit for the siting of a new high energy use facility (HEUF), as defined in the bill, a locality shall require that an applicant perform and submit a site assessment to examine the sound profile of the HEUF on residential areas and schools within 500 feet of the HEUF property boundary. The bill also allows a locality to require that a site assessment examine the effect of the proposed facility on (i) water, (ii) agricultural resources, (iii) parks, (iv) registered historic sites, or (v) forestland on the HEUF site or immediately contiguous land. [Talking Points](#)
- **VETOED** [HB2037](#): Provides that any locality may include in its land development ordinances a provision that requires that an applicant must install a solar canopy over designated parking areas. [Talking Points](#)

SUPPORTED GOVERNANCE

- **SIGNED INTO LAW** [HB2165/ SB1002](#): Prohibits any person from converting contributions to a candidate or his campaign committee for personal use [Talking Points](#)

OPPOSED GOVERNANCE

- **SIGNED INTO LAW SB974**: Regarding subdivisions, removes planning commission and governing body approval authority for the administrative review process for plats and plans and assigns such authority solely to a designated agent, defined in the bill. [Talking Points](#)

SUPPORTED WATER

- **PASSED HJR448**: [*Loudoun Sponsor- Martinez*] Requests the Department of Environmental Quality to study tax policy options for reforming the litter tax. [Talking Points](#)
- **AMENDED HB2034**: Directs the Secretary of Natural and Historic Resources to establish a policy task force to develop (i) strategies to protect existing tidal and nontidal wetlands and restore, create, and plan for the persistence of such wetlands in the Commonwealth. [Talking Points](#)
- **VETOED SB1319**: Directs the Department of Environmental Quality to require quarterly monitoring for one year for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) for every industrial wastewater source that discharges pollutants into a publicly owned treatment works.

OPPOSED WATER

- **SIGNED INTO LAW HB2517**: Exempts from permitting requirements for land application, marketing, and distribution of sewage sludge any land application when such land is owned and operated by an institution of higher education in the Commonwealth.