



# Legislative Update

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# HB680—Ch. 202

## Delegate Zehr



- Agency Bill
- Thank you to Delegate Watts and Senator Perry for serving as co-patrons for the bill

# HB558—Chs. 171

## Delegate Wachsmann



- Adds several compounds to Schedule I of the Drug Control Act (Virginia Code § 54.1-3446)
- These compounds were previously scheduled by the Board of Pharmacy pursuant to its expedited regulatory process (Virginia Code § 54.1-3443(D))
- Compounds must be added to the Code within 18 months or they will be descheduled

# HB1103—Ch. 447

## Delegate Hodges



- Prohibits the manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession with intent to distribute, etc., medetomidine when intended for human consumption—Class 5 felony
- Possession of medetomidine when intended for human consumption—Class 1 misdemeanor
- DFS was already identifying medetomidine regularly in conjunction with other controlled substances

# HB648/SB360—Chs. 191 and 192

## Delegate Pugh Kent/Senator Stuart



- Prohibits the sale, distribution, or offer to sell or distribute nitrous oxide containers that exceed 8 grams to the public—Class 1 misdemeanor
- Prohibits anyone other than exempt individuals from purchasing or attempting to purchase nitrous oxide containers that exceed 8 grams—Class 1 misdemeanor
- Exempt individuals include those utilizing nitrous oxide for health care, food service or preparation, manufacturing, research, automotive performance, aerospace manufacturing or propulsion, or scientific or educational purposes

# HB1347/SB379—Chs. 305 and 306

## Delegate Cohen and Senator Boysko



- Anticipates the approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of a psilocybin formulation designed to be administered by a health care professional in a health care setting
- Directs the Board of Pharmacy to reschedule such psilocybin formulation consistent with federal scheduling changes

# HB1464/SB812—Chs. 858 and 859

## Delegate Shin and Senator Boysko



- During the 2023 session, the General Assembly had directed the Department to develop and distribute “anonymous trace evidence collection kits”\*\* for use in strangulation cases (effective 7/1/2025)
- DFS developed the kits and distributed them to health care providers providing forensic medical examinations for victims
- HB1464/SB812 allows the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund to pay for the collection of the kits, as is the case with Physical Evidence Recovery Kits (PERKs) for sexual assault victims

\*\*Designated “Neck and Fingernails Kits” (“NFKs”) by DFS

# HB40/SB323—Chs. 531 and 532

## Delegate Simon and Senator Ebbin



- Expands types of detection devices utilized to detect plastic firearms (manufacturing, purchasing, selling, and possessing already prohibited)
- New offenses for unfinished frames and unserialized firearms (first offense is a Class 1 misdemeanor; second or subsequent offense is a Class 4 felony)



# Bills still pending

- HB217/SB749—Purchase, sale, transfer, etc., of assault firearms and certain ammunition feeding devices
- HB642/SB542—Marijuana retail market bills
- HB702—Gun Give Back/Buy (or Sell) Back programs
- SB106—Tianeptine product sales/civil penalties



Questions?