

2022 VLBC Membership Questionnaire

What other issues are important to you and why?

African Americans responsible gun ownership is especially close to my heart as a people have experienced historically, horrible violent attacks and persecution. For this reason I will paraphrase a quote of civil right activist Ida B. Wells " A [high powered] rifle should have a place of honor in every afro American home "

Do you oppose any items listed on the VLBC's <u>2022 Legislative Agenda</u>?

1. Repealing Restrictive Voter ID Laws

2._ Reform the Recall Process to Avoid Abuse and Harassment

3. Require a JLARC to Study Virginia's Election Governance System to Ensure Accountability,

Uniformity, and Fairness.

4. Protecting the Law that Ended the Death Penalty in Virginia 5.

____ Continuing to Push for the Establishment of a Socially Equitable Structure

6. Protecting the Elimination of Jail Sentences for First-time Technical Violations of Probation

Protecting the Elimination of the Habitual Offender Statute.

7. including the Law to Eliminate the

Criminalization of Students for School-based Disorderly Conduct

8.Repealing Sovereign Immunity

9._ Ending the Practice of Solitary Confinement.



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10.Improving Criminal Record Sealing Legislation by Removing Barriers to its Accessibility and Opening

up Eligibility to More Virginians, Including Expanding Automatic Record Sealing

11. Removing all Mandatory Minimum Sentences from Virginia State Code

12. Preventing People who are Experiencing a Mental Health Crisis from Being Charged with Felony

Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer

13. Making Changes to Sentencing Guidelines – Barring "remote" (i.e., long ago) Convictions, Being Considered on Sentencing Guidelines, Enhancements, or as Priors at Jury

Trial

14. Protecting the Increase in the Minimum Wage

15. Protecting the Expansion of Collective Bargaining Rights so that Every Worker in Virginia has a Seat at

the Table.

16. Strengthening Employment Discrimination and Harassment Laws;

17. Making Permanent Unemployment Overpayment Waiver Forgiveness & Continuation of Payment

18. Protect all Eviction Protections and Prevention Efforts

19. Protect Efforts to Implement a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit;

20. Preventing Evictions by Allowing Judges to Waive the Appeal Bond Requirement for Indigent People

Appealing an Eviction Judgment Based on Nonpayment of Rent; and 21. Create Local Authority to Protect Residents from Inhumane Living Conditions.

22. Protect Measures that were Implemented to Help Mitigate COVID-19 Impacts;

23. Protect the Reproductive Health Protection Act



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24. Protect Abortion Coverage in the Health Exchange which Makes it Possible for more Virginians to

Afford a Full Range of Reproductive Health Care

25. Protect Legislation Requiring Pre-application Community and Environmental Justice Outreach;

26. Protect Virginia's Transition to 100% Clean Energy and Clean Car Standards;

27. Maintain Virginia's Membership in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative;

28. Protect Legislation Requesting a Study on Transportation Equity,

Efficiency, & Modernization;

29. Protect Gun Safety Legislation, such as One-Handgun a Month, Local Authority to Ban Firearms in

Public Buildings, Reporting of Lost and Stolen Firearms, and Banning

Firearms at Polling Places and

Recount Centers.

30. Establishing The Gun Violence Prevention Center;

31. Creating a Gun Violence Survivors Fund; and

32. Ending the Levying of Collection Fees During Incarceration

How do you plan to promote the mission of the caucus?