

Virginia Commissioners of the Revenue Association



2025 Legislative Agenda

Virginia's elected Commissioners of the Revenue are making every effort to better serve the Commonwealth and its citizens by providing efficient and innovative revenue administration at both the state and local levels.

In brief, we are committed to providing services to the citizens in each of our localities while simultaneously enhancing state and local revenues.

Proposed legislative priorities for 2025:

1. Seek to consolidate the population-based salary levels of all Commissioners in localities with populations less than 70,000 into one grouping at the higher bracket currently assigned to localities with populations of 40,000 to 69,999 effective July 1, 2025. FY2026
FY2027

\$1,722,991 \$1,879,627

The variance in the size of the three smallest population groups is negligible. In addition, the variance in duties between the offices is negligible.

2. Seek targeted salary increases for State Compensation Board-funded Commissioner of the Revenue, Treasurer, and Finance Director staff to establish parity with classification and pay plan of Circuit Court Clerks, increasing salaries of positions in Pay Band 1 by 59.19%, positions in Pay Band 2 by 33.34%, positions in Pay Band 4 by 11.44%, positions in Pay Band 7 by 8.18%, and positions in Pay Band 8 by 7.45%, effective July 1, 2025.

Commissioners of Revenue		Treasurers	
FY2026	FY2027	FY2026	FY2027
\$3,060,560	\$3,338,792	\$3,105,536	\$3,387,858

The salaries for the lower-tier positions are inadequate, as low as \$28,260, to attract and maintain staffing levels. By comparison, the entry level salary for Circuit Court Clerks staff is \$41,622. As a result, Commissioners, Treasurers, and Finance Directors are having difficulty in filling and maintaining these positions.

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Finance Director's

FY2026

FY2027

\$1,148,298

\$1,252,689

In addition, the above funding request seeks restoration of funding for 98 unfunded staff positions in Finance Directors offices for those localities which chose to absorb the cuts of 2012 by eliminating individual positions as opposed to taking the cuts across the board effective July 1, 2025.

3. Parity w/state employees on retiree health care credit. Note that while state employees with at least 15 years of service are eligible for \$4 per year of service (up to 30 years, at a max of \$120 per month of credit) pursuant to § 51.1-1400, constitutional officers and their employees with at least 15 years of service are, beginning July 1, 2025, eligible for \$1.75 per year of service not to exceed a maximum monthly credit of \$52.50 pursuant to §51.1-1403.
4. Parity w/state employees on compensation.
5. Short-term rentals; registration; civil penalty. Support legislation that directs the Department of Taxation to establish a registry of short-term rental properties and require accommodations providers and intermediaries to register. Under the bill, an accommodations provider shall provide to the Department its name and the address of each property it offers for short-term rental.

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