



2024 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

SESSION PREVIEW

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As you may be aware, the Virginia General Assembly dates from the establishment of the House of Burgesses at Jamestown in 1619 and holds the distinction of being the “oldest continuous law-making body in the New World.” It is comprised of “citizen legislators,” with 40 members in the Senate, serving four-year terms, and 100 members in the House, serving two-year terms.

The upcoming 2024 General Assembly session is scheduled to convene today, January 10, 2024, and being an even-numbered year, it is expected to last for 60 days. During this period, legislators will focus on passing legislation and adopting a budget for the next biennium. Important dates and deadlines are listed below.

- January 10th – Session convenes.
- January 12th – Last day to submit budget amendments.
- January 19th – Last day to introduce legislation and certain joint resolutions.
- *February 13th* – Crossover (otherwise known as the half-way point of the session when all bills must be acted on in their body of origin) – likely date, pending adoption of the rules.
- *February 18th* – “Budget Sunday,” when the House and Senate money committees will recommend their proposed budgets – likely date, pending adoption of the rules.
- *March 12th* – Final day of session, otherwise known as Sine Die – likely date, pending adoption of the rules.
- 30 days following session adjournment: Reconvened/Veto session, where legislature returns to act on Governor’s amendments and vetoes.
- July 1st – Effective date for legislation and budget unless otherwise specified.

In the recent November elections, individuals seeking to serve in all 140 seats of the General Assembly were on the ballot. The election outcomes led to a shift in the political landscape in Virginia state government, with Democrats maintaining a narrow 21-19 majority in the Senate and securing the majority in the House of Delegates with a slim 51-49 margin. Redistricting, retirements and incumbent primary losses resulted in 35 new members who will be sworn in as the session begins in the House and 17 in the Senate. Notably, only three committee chairs in the Senate are returning, while all committee chairs in the House will be new with the shift to a Democratic majority. Below, you will find an overview of the incoming leadership and committee chairs in each legislative body.

Senate of Virginia

SENATE LEADERSHIP	
President Pro Tempore	Sen. Louise Lucas
Majority Leader	Sen. Scott Surovell
Minority Leader	Sen. Ryan McDougale
Democratic Caucus Chair	Sen. Mamie Locke
Democratic Caucus Vice Chair	Sen. Adam Ebbin
Democratic Caucus Whip	Sen. Barbara Favola
Democratic Caucus Co-Whip	Sen. Lamont Bagby
Republican Caucus Chair	Sen. Mark Obenshain
Republican Caucus Whip	Sen. Bill Stanley
Republican Caucus Co-Whip	Sen. Bryce Reeves

Profiles of Senate members holding leadership positions are provided below.

President Pro Tempore – *Louise Lucas (D)*



Sen. Louise Lucas represents Senate District 18, which includes parts of the City of Chesapeake and the City of Portsmouth. Redistricting led to a fierce primary battle with two senior incumbents, Sen. Louise Lucas and Sen. Lionell Spruill, Sr., pitted against one another in the June 20, 2023, primary. Sen. Lucas prevailed and went on to defeat challenger Tony Goodwin by 8,840 votes in the general election in November. Additional information about this new district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Sen. Lucas was first elected to the 18th District in the Senate of Virginia in 1991, where the district looked significantly different than it looks today, including parts of Surry County, Brunswick County, Chesapeake City, Franklin City, Isle of Wight County, Portsmouth City, Southampton County, Suffolk City, and all of Emporia City, Greensville County, and Sussex County.

When the legislature convenes this week, she will become the first African American women to chair the powerful Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee. In the 2023 legislative session, Sen. Lucas served as the Chair of the Education and Health Committee and served on the Commerce and Labor, Finance and Appropriations, Judiciary, and Rules Committees. She has served on the Commission on State Funding for Public School Construction and the Governor’s Commission on Information and Technology and was appointed in 2010 to serve with the Commission on Electric Utility Regulation. Sen. Lucas remains a member of the Virginia Legislative Black Caucus.

She is the mother of one son, Jeffery Lee Lucas (deceased 04-05-05) and two daughters, Lisa L. Lucas-Burke and Theresa Lynn Lucas-Lamb who partner with her in various business entities operating in the Lucas Professional Center. She has six grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. For more information on Sen. Lucas, click [here](#).

Majority Leader – *Scott Surovell (D)*



Sen. Scott Surovell represents Senate District 34, which includes all of Fairfax City and part of Fairfax County. Sen. Surovell defeated Republican challenger Mark Springman, winning 69.75% of the vote. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Sen. Surovell served in the House of Delegates from 2009 to 2015 when he was first elected to the Senate representing the 36th District. In the 2023 legislative session, Sen. Surovell served on the Commerce and Labor Committee, Judiciary Committee, Privileges and Elections, Rehabilitation and Social Services, and the Transportation Committees.

Sen. Scott is a co-founding partner and owner of Surovell, Isaacs & Levy, PLC. He is a 12th-generation Virginian and life-long resident of the Mount Vernon community. He lives two doors down from his parents’ homes in Tauxemont with his wife, Erinn Madden, and their four children, Eva, Leia, Mara, and Colin. For more information on Sen. Surovell, click [here](#).

Minority Leader – *Ryan McDougle (R)*



Sen. Ryan McDougle represents Senate District 26, which includes all of Gloucester County, New Kent County, Mathews County, and portions of James City County, Hanover County, and King & Queen County. Sen. McDougle was selected by the voters to represent this district, defeating challenger Pamela Garner by 22,539 votes. To view the election results, click [here](#).

Sen. McDougle was first elected to the House of Delegates in 2002, and in 2006, he won the special election for the 4th District in the Senate, where he represented all of Caroline County, Essex County, Middlesex County, Lancaster County, Northumberland County, Richmond County, and parts of Spotsylvania County, Hanover County, King George County, Westmoreland County.

Sen. McDougle is the Chairman of the Virginia Senate Republican Caucus and for the 2023 session, served on the Senate Judiciary; Privileges and Elections; Rehabilitation and Social Services; and Rules Committees. Outside of the Virginia General Assembly, he operates his own law practice, McDougle Law Firm, P.C. in Hanover, Va., and spends time with his wife, Dr. Robyn McDougle, and their daughter.

Sen. McDougle's priorities include lowering taxes, protecting and expanding Second Amendment rights, small business growth, supporting veterans, pro-life, and affordable healthcare. For more information on Sen. McDougle, click [here](#).

Democratic Caucus Chair – *Mamie Locke (D)*



Sen. Mamie Locke represents Senate District 23, which includes the City of Hampton and part of the City of Newport News. Sen. Locke ran unopposed in the recent November election. To see more about the district and election, click [here](#).

Sen. Locke was first elected to Hampton City Council in 1996. She then was elected by her peers to serve as Vice Mayor and Mayor in 2000. In 2003, she won the Democratic primary for the 2nd Senate District with 48.11% of the vote in a three-way race. Sen. Locke has served in the Senate since her 2003 win.

Sen. Locke serves as Senate Democratic Caucus Chair and will continue as Chair of the Rules Committee. In the 2023 legislative session, she also served on the Education and Health, the Finance and Appropriations, the General Laws and Technology, and the Rehabilitation and Social Services Committees.

Sen. Locke is a retired professor of political science at Hampton University. She has been a champion of reproductive freedoms, gun control reform, and restoration of voting rights and funding for budget items that are essential to the health, safety, and welfare of all citizens in the Commonwealth of Virginia. To learn more about Sen. Locke, click [here](#).

Democratic Caucus Vice Chair – *Adam Ebbin (D)*



Sen. Adam Ebbin represents Senate District 29, which includes Alexandria City, part of Arlington County, and Fairfax County. Sen. Ebbin ran unopposed in the recent election. To learn more about the district and election, click [here](#).

Sen. Ebbin was first elected to the Senate in 2012 after serving eight years in the House of Delegates. When the session convenes, he will continue in his role as Chair of the General Laws and Technology Committee. In 2023, he also served on the Commerce and Labor, Finance and Appropriations, Privileges and Elections, and the Rules Committees.

Sen. Ebbin has been honored by many organizations for his service, including being recognized by the Virginia Education Association as Solid as a Rock for Education, an Environmental Hero by the League of Conservation Voters, and named one of Equality Virginia's OUTstanding Virginians.

Sen. Ebbin fights to advance progressive priorities, including preventing gun violence, making it easier to vote, preserving reproductive freedom and equality for all Virginians. More information on Sen. Ebbin can be found [here](#).

Democratic Caucus Whip – *Barbara Favola (D)*



Sen. Barbara Favola represents Senate District 40, which includes part of Arlington County. She ran unopposed in her re-election. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Sen. Favola served on the Arlington County Board from 1997 to 2012. During that time, she served as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Arlington Board. She was first elected to the Virginia Senate in 2011 in the 31st District, defeating the Republican, Caren Merrick, receiving 58% of the vote.

Sen. Favola will continue to serve as Chair of the Rehabilitation and Social Services Committee. In 2023, she also served on the Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources; Local Government; Transportation; and Rules Committees.

Sen. Favola is a staunch supporter of keeping abortion legal. She obtained her master's degree in public administration from New York University. She is married to Doug Weik and has one son and daughter-in-law. For more information on Sen. Favola, click [here](#).



Democratic Caucus Co-Whip – *Lamont Bagby (D)*

Sen. Lamont Bagby represents Senate District 14, which includes part of Richmond City, and Henrico County. Sen. Bagby won the election with 90% of the vote against Republican, Stephen Imholt. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Sen. Bagby served from 2008 to 2015 on the Henrico County School Board. He ran in a special election in 2015 defeating David Lambert in both a primary and general election to the House of Delegates. Sen. Bagby serves as the Chair of the Virginia Legislative Black Caucus. He won a special election in 2022 for his seat in the Virginia Senate.

Sen. Bagby earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Education from Norfolk State University as well as a master's degree in Education Leadership from Virginia Commonwealth University. He is married with one child. More information about Sen. Bagby can be found [here](#).

Republican Caucus Chair – *Mark Obenshain (R)*



Sen. Mark Obenshain represents Senate District 2, which includes Rockingham County, Harrisonburg City, Page County, Bath County, Highland County, and part of Augusta County. He defeated two challengers, winning with 69.36% of the votes. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Sen. Obenshain previously served as the Chairman of two Republican committees. He has been a delegate to every Republican state convention since 1980 and was a member of Virginia's delegation to the 1980 Republican National Convention, which nominated Ronald Reagan for President. He is the founder of Obenshain Law Group and has practiced law in Harrisonburg and central Virginia for more than 30 years.

Sen. Obenshain was first elected to the Senate in 2003. In 2023, he served on the Judiciary; Commerce and Labor; Agriculture, Conservation, and Natural Resources; and Transportation Committees. He is also the past Chairman of the Virginia State Crime Commission.

Sen. Obenshain's priorities include cutting taxes, better public education, transportation improvements, government reform, public safety, Second Amendment rights, energy independence, and private property rights. For more information on Sen. Obenshain, click [here](#).

Republican Caucus Whip – *Bill Stanley (R)*



Sen. Bill Stanley represents Senate District 7, which includes Franklin County, Henry County, Carroll County, Patrick County, Floyd County, Grayson County, Martinsville City, Galax City, and part of Wythe County. As the incumbent for his seat, Sen. Stanley defeated Democratic challenger Renie Gates, securing 75.71% percent of the votes. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Sen. Stanley graduated from Hampden Sydney College in 1989 and the District of Columbia School of Law in 1994. He currently practices law with his mother in the firm of Stanley, Houchens & Griffith.

He was first elected to serve in the Senate in 2011. His focus is to spur economic development to create jobs and reduce unemployment. For more information on Sen. Stanley, click [here](#).

Republican Caucus Co-Whip – Bryce Reeves (R)



Sen. Bryce Reeves represents Senate District 28, which includes part of Fauquier County, Culpeper County, Orange County, part of Spotsylvania County, Greene County, Madison County, and Rappahannock County. In the recent election, he won in a three-way race with 62.52% of the vote against a Republican and Independent challenger. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Sen. Reeves defeated Democrat incumbent Sen. Ed Houck by 226 votes in 2011. In the 2023 session, he served on the General Laws and Technology; Local Government; Privileges and Elections; and Rehabilitation and Social Services Committees.

Sen. Reeves served as a U.S. Army Ranger. Upon his honorable discharge from the military, he returned home and continued his public service as a narcotics and vice detective. Now, as a leader in his church, a coach and mentor to our youth, and current State Senator, he is a trusted leader who always puts service above self while providing strong leadership within his community. For more information on Sen. Reeves, click [here](#).

SENATE COMMITTEE CHAIRS	
Committee	Chair
Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources	Sen. Dave Marsden
Commerce and Labor	Sen. Creigh Deeds
Education and Health	Sen. Ghazala Hashmi
Finance and Appropriations	Sen. Louise Lucas
General Laws and Technology	Sen. Adam Ebbin
Judiciary	Sen. Scott Surovell
Local Government	Sen. Jeremy McPike
Privileges and Elections	Sen. Aaron Rouse
Rehabilitation and Social Services	Sen. Barabara Favola
Rules	Sen. Mamie Locke
Transportation	Sen. Jennifer Boysko

House of Delegates

HOUSE LEADERSHIP	
Speaker of the House	Del. Don Scott
House Majority Leader	Del. Charniele Herring
Democratic Caucus Chair	Del. Kathy Tran
Democratic Caucus Whip	Del. Rodney Willett
Democratic Caucus Co-Whip	Del. Destiny LeVere Bolling
Deputy Whip	Del. Elizabeth Bennett-Parker
Deputy Whip	Del. Phil Hernandez
Deputy Whip	Del. Kelly Convirs-Fowler
Deputy Whip	Del. Rozia Henson

Deputy Whip	Del. Nadarius Clark
Vice Chair of Operations & Policy	Del. Jeion Ward
Vice Chair of Outreach	Del. Shelly Simonds
Secretary	Del. Holly Seibold
Treasurer	Del. Betsy Carr
Sergeant-at-Arms	Del. Michael Feggans
House Minority Leader	Del. Todd Gilbert
Deputy Minority Leader	Del. Israel O’Quinn
Republican Caucus Chair	Del. Amanda Batten
Republican Caucus Whip	Del. Michael Webert

Profiles of House members holding leadership positions are provided below.

Speaker of the House – *Don Scott (D)*



Del. Don Scott represents House District 88, which includes part of Portsmouth. Del. Scott won his election with 66.34% of the vote against Republican Jim Wright. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Scott was first elected to the House in 2019. In 2023, he served on the Finance; Courts of Justice Committee; Rules Committee; and Commerce and Energy Committee. When the 2024 session convenes, will become the first African American Speaker of the House of Delegates in Virginia’s history.

Del. Scott was raised in Houston, Texas, and upon graduation from Texas A&M University, he served as a Naval Officer until 1991 when he received an honorable discharge. He obtained a JD from Louisiana State University Law School in 1994. Del. Scott relocated to Portsmouth in 2002 and eventually opened his own law firm in 2015. In 2022, Scott joined Breit Biniazan Trial Lawyers as a partner. For more information about Del. Scott, click [here](#).

Majority Leader – *Charniele Herring (D)*



Del. Charniele Herring represents House District 4, which includes parts of Fairfax County and Alexandria. Del. Herring ran unopposed in the recent election. Information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Herring is an attorney who is a self-described “Army brat” who was born in the Dominican Republic. After her mother lost her job, she spent six months homeless, staying in shelters. She has championed reproductive freedom, equality, restoration of rights and criminal justice reform issues.

Del. Herring was first elected to the House of Delegates in a special election following the resignation of Del. Brian Moran. In that election, she defeated Republican Joe Murray by 16 votes. She was the first African American to be elected as Chair of the Democratic Party of Virginia and the first African American to serve as Majority Leader of the House of Delegates and Chair of the Courts of Justice Committee. In 2023, Del. Herring served on the Courts of Justice; Rules; and Transportation Committees. More information about Del. Herring can be found [here](#).

Democratic Caucus Chair – *Kathy Tran (D)*



Del. Kathy Tran represents House District 18, which includes part of Fairfax County. Del. Tran won the November election, defeating Republican Ed McGovern by 7,680 votes. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Tran was first elected to the House in 2017, winning by 60.97% of the vote. In 2023, she served on the Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources and Health, Welfare, and Institutions Committees. Her priorities include expanding health care, reproductive rights, investment in public schools, reducing gun violence and affordable housing.

Del. Tran graduated from Duke University and earned her Master of Social Work from the University of Michigan. The past president of her local PTA, she and her husband Matt live in West Springfield with their five children, all avid Washington Nationals fans. For more information about Del. Tran, click [here](#).

Democratic Caucus Whip – *Rodney Willett (D)*



Del. Rodey Willett represents House District 73, which includes part of Henrico County. He recently defeated Republican challenger, Riley Shaia, by 3,050 votes. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Willett previously represented House District 58 and was first elected in 2019. For the 2023 session, he served on the Finance and Agriculture Chesapeake and Natural Resources Committee. While committee assignments have not yet been released, we know Del. Willett will be a new member of the House Appropriations Committee for the 2024 session.

Del. Willett is an attorney who has been passionate in working in a bipartisan way to address environmental protection, voting rights, mental health, early childhood education, gun violence and prescription drugs. For more information on Del. Willett, click [here](#).

Democratic Caucus Co-Whip – *Destiny LeVere Bolling (D)*



Delegate-elect Destiny LeVere Bolling represents House District 80, which represents part of Henrico County. Del. Bolling won her election in an uncontested race. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Delegate-elect Bolling was born in [Virginia](#) and lives in Henrico. She earned a B.A. in political science, international relations, and Latin American Iberian studies from the University of Richmond and an M.A. in international affairs from George Washington University’s Elliott School of International Affairs. She has worked as Communications Director for the AFL-CIO. For more information about her, click [here](#).

Deputy Whip – *Elizabeth Bennett-Parker (D)*



Del. Elizabeth Bennett-Parker represents House District 5, which includes part of Alexandria City. She was unopposed in the recent November election. Results of that election can be found [here](#).

In 2023, Del. Bennett-Parker served on the Counties, Cities, and Towns, and the Finance Committees.

Del. Parker-Bennett is the former Vice Mayor of Alexandria and Chair of the Operations Board of the Virginia Railway Express. She is a small business owner and lives in Alexandria with her husband Stephen and infant daughter. For more information, click [here](#).

Deputy Whip – *Phil Hernandez (D)*



Delegate-elect Phil Hernandez represents House District 94 which includes the City of Norfolk. In the November election, he defeated Republican Andy Pittman by 1,706 votes. Results of that election can be found [here](#).

Delegate-elect Hernandez is Senior Vice President for Policy and Advocacy for a nonprofit organization. He also served as senior Policy Analyst in the Obama White House Domestic Policy Council. Delegate-elect Hernandez has also worked as a Civil Rights Attorney, which has allowed him to further his passion of helping people.

He and his wife Sara met at the University of William and Mary and were married in 2015. They have two young children. To learn more about

Delegate-elect Hernandez, click [here](#).

Deputy Whip – *Kelly Convirs-Fowler (D)*



Del. Kelly Convirs-Fowler represents House District 96, which includes part of Virginia Beach. She won her recent election in a race against Republican Mike Karlake and Independent Nicolas Olenik, taking 55.17% of the vote. To see more information on this election, click [here](#).

Del. Convirs-Fowler was first elected to the House of Delegates in 2018 and in 2023, she served on the Privileges and Elections and Finance Committees.

Del. Convirs-Fowler is a real estate broker and a graduate of Virginia Wesleyan and Old Dominion University. She has been an advocate for working families, the military, and first responders. She and her husband David reside in Virginia Beach with their three daughters. For more information on Del. Convirs-

Fowler, click [here](#).

Deputy Whip – Rozia Henson (D)



Delegate-elect Rozia Henson represents House District 19, which includes part of Prince William County and part of Fairfax County. After winning a hotly contested primary, he was unopposed in the November general election. To see information on that election, click [here](#).

Delegate-elect Henson is a graduate of Virginia State University and the University of Maryland University College. He is currently a federal contractor and Program Manager for the Department of Homeland Security, while also maintaining a small consulting business.

Delegate-elect Henson’s priorities include gun safety, women’s rights, education, unions, small businesses, housing, transportation, environmental protection, and mental health. For more information on Del. Henson, click [here](#).

Deputy Whip – Nadarius Clark (D)



Del. Nadarius Clark represents House District 84, which includes portions of Suffolk, Isle of Wight, Chesapeake, and Franklin. In the November elections, he won re-election in the newly drawn District 84, defeating Republican Michael Dillender by 1,583 votes. Additional information about this new district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Born in Norfolk, he attended I.C. Norcom High School in downtown Portsmouth. He worked his first job at the age of 14 at his local 7-Eleven. He graduated from Virginia Union University, HBCU in Richmond.

In 2021, Del. Clark won a historic primary against a long-time incumbent to become the first African American delegate to represent the 79th District, and the youngest Democrat ever elected to the General Assembly in its 400-year history. Following redistricting, Del. Clark resigned from his House of Delegates seat to allow him to move into the new District 84. In 2023, he served on the Communications, Technology and Innovation committee and Public Safety committees.

Outside the legislative session, Del. Clark works for Gateway Services in Suffolk as a mental health counselor.

Del. Clark's priorities include education, safe communities, mental health and youth, gun safety, women’s rights and abortion access, economy and entrepreneurship, racial justice, healthcare, and the environment. For more information on Delegate Clark, click [here](#).



Vice Chair of Operations & Policy – Jeion Ward (D)

Del. Jeion Ward represents House District 87, which includes part of the City of Hampton. She secured her seat in the November elections, defeating challenger John Chapman with 77.45% of the vote. Additional information about this district and election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Ward began serving as a member of the Virginia General Assembly representing the 92nd District in 2004. She serves on the Hampton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., the Hampton Branch of the NAACP, the National Council of Negro Women, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the Democratic Women’s Club, the Coalition of Labor Union Women, Hampton Democratic Committee, and the Hampton Roads Chapter of the American Red Cross and Transitions Family Violent Services.

As a lifelong resident of the Hampton Roads area, she and her family have remained active in the community for more than 30 years. Del. Ward attended Huntington High School until the close of the 11th grade and went on to graduate from the first fully integrated class at Warwick High School in Newport News. She attended Thomas Nelson Community College and transferred to Christopher Newport University where she graduated Magna Cum Laude. For more information on Del. Ward, click [here](#).

Vice Chair of Outreach – *Shelly Simonds (D)*



Del. Shelly Simonds represents House District 70, which includes part of the City of Newport News. In November, she won her re-election, defeating two challengers and securing 57.12% of the vote. Additional information about this district and election results can be found [here](#).

Before being elected to the House in 2020, she served on the Newport News School Board. Currently, Del. Simonds is on the Aerospace Advisory Council, Commission on School Construction and Modernization, Maternal Health Data and Quality Measures Task Force, Modeling and Simulation Advisory Council, and the Southern Legislative Conference Education Committee.

Del. Simonds’s priorities include education, environmental protection, clean energy, improving healthcare affordability and access, fair elections, transportation, protecting women’s rights, and prioritizing public safety. For more information on Del. Simonds, click [here](#).

Secretary – *Holly Seibold (D)*



Del. Holly Seibold (D) was re-elected to represent the new 12th House District, which includes Fairfax County, including Tysons and Vienna. She ran unopposed as the incumbent receiving 18,550 total votes. Additional information about the newly drawn district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Seibold began her career in the nonprofit sector before becoming an educator in the public school system. Transitioning from the classroom to a small business owner in 2010, she launched a successful educational firm, offering STEM consulting services and educational programs to clients. In 2015, she launched the non-profit organization, BRAWS, to help women and girls obtain menstrual supplies and undergarments. Through her advocacy efforts, women and girls in schools, shelters, and prisons/jails throughout Virginia can now access supplies free of charge and tax-free.

Del. Seibold and her husband, Erik, a software engineer, have raised their two children in the Town of Vienna, where they have lived since 2012. A leader in her community, she has volunteered in a number

of capacities including Vienna Elementary School PTA, Madison High School PTSA, Vienna Little League, Vienna Girls Softball League, the Westwood and Machine Swim Teams, Northern Virginia Community College Advisory Board, Vienna Business Association Board Member, the Fairfax County Community Action Board, and the Virginia Council on Women. She has also been a proud escort of the Washington Area Clinic Defense Task Force, an all-volunteer group dedicated to safe access to reproductive health clinics.

Del. Seibold's priorities include protecting women's healthcare and fighting for abortion access, investing in public schools and keeping our kids safe from gun violence, supporting small businesses and workforce development in our community, fighting for paid family and medical leave, and investing in affordable childcare to support our working families. For more information on Del. Seibold, click [here](#).

Treasurer – *Betsy Carr (D)*



Del. Betsy Carr represents House District 78, which includes part of Richmond. She ran unopposed in the recent election. Information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Carr was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates in 2009 and is the current Treasurer of the House Democratic Caucus.

Prior to joining the House, she represented the 5th district of the City of Richmond on the Richmond School Board from 2006-2010.

Del. Carr serves on the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Commission, and Commission to Honor Women in Virginia. She also served as Chair of the Task Force to Commemorate the Centennial Anniversary of Women's Right to Vote.

Del. Carr served for 16 years as an outreach director at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in downtown Richmond. She is a founder and past director of the Micah Initiative, which involves over 120 faith communities in partnerships with 25 city elementary schools, providing over 1,700 mentors, tutors and volunteers. For more information on Del. Carr, click [here](#).

Sergeant-at-Arms – *Michael Feggans (D)*



Delegate-elect Michael Feggans represents House District 97, which includes part of Virginia Beach. He won his election against incumbent Del. Karen Greenhalgh by 1,179 votes. Additional information about this district and election results can be found [here](#).

Delegate-elect Feggans served in the Air Force for 20 years, and after retiring as Master Sergeant, he began his next phase of life as an entrepreneur in the technology industry. He obtained his master's degree in cybersecurity from Norfolk State University after returning home from his final overseas tour to Guam.

Delegate-elect Feggans's priorities include women's reproductive freedom, common sense gun safety measures, fully funding school

systems, environmental protection, high technical skills training for veterans, supporting small businesses, and strengthening and expanding efforts to work toward a more equitable, diverse, and inclusive Virginia. For more information on Delegate-elect Feggans, click [here](#).

Minority Leader – *Todd Gilbert (R)*



Del. Todd Gilbert represents House District 33, which includes Shenandoah County, Page County, part of Rockingham County, and part of Warren County. He won the November elections by 15,415 votes. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Gilbert was elected in 2005 representing the former House District 15. In 2023, he served as Chairman of the Rules Committee and Speaker of the House.

Del. Gilbert is a graduate of Southern Methodist University School of Law and runs his own law practice. He is pro-Second Amendment rights, pro-business, supports public safety and protecting the unborn. For more information about Del. Gilbert, click [here](#).

Deputy Minority Leader – *Israel O’Quinn (R)*



Del. Israel O’Quinn represents House District 44, which includes Washington County, Bristol City and part of Russell County. He won his election in an uncontested race. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. O’Quinn graduated from Emory and Henry College with a B.A. in Political Science and History. He worked in the Office of Attorney General under Jerry Kilgore. He is the owner of K-VA-t Food City, a regional supermarket chain. He and his wife Emily reside in Washington County.

Del. O’Quinn first won the 5th House District in 2011 when Del. Bill Carrico was elected to serve in the Virginia Senate. In 2023, he served on the Privileges and Elections; Commerce and Energy; and Rules Committees. For more information on Del. O’Quinn click [here](#).



Republican Caucus Chair – *Amanda Batten (R)*

Del. Amanda Batten represents House District 71, which includes all of the City of Williamsburg and portions of James City County and New Kent County. She defeated challenger Jessica Anderson in the recent November elections, winning by 1,357 votes. To view the election results, click [here](#).

Del. Batten was first elected to represent the 96th District in the House of Delegates in 2019, which at the time included parts of James City County and York County.

Del. Batten is the House Republican Caucus Chair and in 2023, served as a member of the Commerce and Energy; Rules; Education; and Public Safety Committees. Outside of the Virginia General Assembly, she serves on the Jamestown Yorktown

Foundation Board of Trustees, the Commission on Civic Education, the Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission, the Online Virginia Network Authority, and the Governor’s Aerospace Advisory Council. In addition, she has completed the University of Virginia’s Sorensen Political Leaders Program and the Greater Williamsburg Chamber & Tourism Alliance’s LEAD Historic Triangle program.

Del. Batten’s priorities include lowering the cost of living, abortion, and public education. For more information on Del. Batten, click [here](#).

Republican Caucus Whip – *Michael Webert (R)*



Del. Michael Webert represents House District 61, which includes part of Fauquier County, Culpeper County and Rappahannock County. He won his recent re-election by 9,660 votes, defeating Democrat Larry Jackson. Additional information about this district and the election results can be found [here](#).

Del. Webert was elected to the House of Delegates in 2011. In 2023, he served on the Public Safety; Commerce and Energy; Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources; and Rules Committees.

Del. Webert is a farmer and business owner whose roots run deep in Virginia. He is passionate about the environment and conservation. He supports Second Amendment Rights, cutting taxes and protecting the unborn. He and his wife Rebecca live in Warrenton with their two young sons. For more information on Del. Webert, click [here](#).

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Additional updates will be provided over the course of the upcoming session. We hope this information has been helpful.

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