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Good morning to all NARI Metro DC members with licenses in, or seeking a license in, Virginia.

These two pieces of legislation will be making their way through the Virginia Legislature.

I strongly encourage you to read the brief overview and contact your local Virginia State elected official on these 2 important changes to the law.

You may also wish to share this information with non-members and subs so they can react as well.

Thank you

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Virginia - Adjourned 2016-2017

2 Bills

Number: VA [R] HB 253 - Updated (Status 01/05/2017)

Sponsor: Del. Randy Minchew (REP-VA)

Title: [Local license tax and state contractor's license; certificate of workers' compensation compliance.](#)

Abstract: Local license tax and state contractor's license; certificate of workers' compensation compliance. Removes the requirement that contractors verify workers' compensation compliance before receiving a local license to do business and makes such requirement a condition of receiving a state contractor's license.

Status: [House: Left in General Laws - 12/01/2016](#)

Number: VA [R] SB 483 - Updated (Status 01/06/2017)

Sponsor: Sen. Bill DeSteph (REP-VA)

Title: [Occupational safety and health; employer's liability for violation by contractor.](#)

Abstract: Occupational safety and health; employer's liability for violation by contractor. Prohibits the Commissioner of Labor and Industry from issuing a citation or assessing a civil penalty against an employer for a violation of occupational safety and health law if the violation is imputed to the employer vicariously as the result

of the failure of the employer's contractor or subcontractor to obtain a contractor's license or maintain a copy of the contractor's license on site. The exemption from liability applies only if the employer did not have actual knowledge of the failure.

Status: [Senate: Left in Commerce and Labor - 12/02/2016](#)