



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item
Meeting of November 13, 2007**

DATE: October 22, 2007

SUBJECT: Proposed Arlington County Board 2008 Legislative Package

C. M. RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the Arlington County Board 2008 Legislative Package.

ISSUES: None.

SUMMARY: Attached is a draft of Arlington's 2008 Legislative Program for Public Hearing, consideration and adoption at the November 13, 2007 County Board Meeting. With ongoing work by local, regional and state groups, adjustments will be incorporated as the public review and comment period proceeds.

BACKGROUND: The 2008 General Assembly session begins January 9, 2008 and is scheduled to end on March 8, 2008. It is the Assembly's "long session."

The County Board work session with Arlington's legislators is scheduled for November 27, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room

Input for this Legislative Program has been solicited from Board Members, County staff, and Boards and Commissions. Regional legislative priorities are incorporated with the Arlington Legislative Policy Priorities. Legislative issues concerning Arlington schools are not included in this package

DISCUSSION: Major issues at the 2008 General Assembly session will include:

State Budget; Mental Health funding for both children and adults; Comprehensive Services Act funding; Transportation funding; Services for Undocumented Residents; Energy; Environment; Local authority regarding land use, zoning, property tax relief, civil rights, affordable housing, and human services issues.

FISCAL IMPACT: Due to the complexities of the General Assembly process, it is impossible to quantify the fiscal impact at this time.

County Manager: _____

County Attorney: _____

Staff: Patricia B. Carroll, CMO

