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Capitol Contact ALERT – Oppose Bad Wireless Bill Now

HB 1258 (Kilgore) substantially limits the ability of local-elected officials to determine how wireless infrastructure is incorporated into their communities, and removes citizen input in making decisions on the siting of towers and poles.

Action Required – Please contact your Delegates now to oppose HB 1258, which will be heard **tomorrow** in the House Commerce and Labor Committee.

KEY POINTS

- The bill strips all localities of their ability to determine how wireless towers and poles can be accommodated within their landscape.
- Counties will lose control over application fees. Restrictions on how much localities can charge for applications will place a fiscal burden on counties.
- A "one-size-fits-all" approach will not work in Virginia's counties. Currently wireless providers can and do find solutions working with county governments and citizens.
- This bill limits the public hearing process on an issue important to communities.

KEY CONTACTS

House Commerce and Labor Committee: Kilgore (Chairman), Byron (Vice Chair), Ware, Hugo, Marshall, Cline, Bell, Robert B., Habeeb, O'Quinn, Yancey, Ransone, Webert, Ward, Keam, Filler-Corn, Kory, Lindsey, Bagby, Toscano, Heretick, Mullin, Bourne

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