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1:30 p.m.

AGENDA

I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks
Senator Barbara A. Favola, Chair

II. Study on the Powers and Duties of the Children's Ombudsman as Related to Justice-Involved Youth – Decision Matrix
Amy M. Atkinson, Executive Director
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In-person Public Comment

III. Review of Funding and Support for Virginia's Children's Advocacy Centers – Decision Matrix
Will Egen, Senior Policy Analyst
Virginia Commission on Youth

In-person Public Comment

IV. Updates by the Department of Juvenile Justice
Robert "Bob" Bermingham Jr., Director
Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice

V. Office of the Children's Ombudsman Annual Report
Eric J. Reynolds, Esq., Director
Office of the Children's Ombudsman

VI. Center for Evidence-based Partnerships in Virginia
Michael A. Southam-Gerow, Ph.D., Director,
Center for Evidence-based Partnerships in Virginia
Professor, Department of Psychology, Virginia Commonwealth University

VII. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2027

VIII. Adjourn

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