

# SUPPORT HB 28 & SB 292

Topic: Extension of the Maury River Scenic River Designation

Bill Patrons: Del. Ronnie Campbell & Sen. Creigh Deeds

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**Overview:** HB 28 & SB 292 seek to add approximately 23.1 miles to the existing Maury River designation as a Virginia Scenic River.

## **Reasons to Support HB 28 & SB 292:**

- The intent of the Virginia Scenic Rivers Program is to identify, designate and help protect rivers and streams that possess outstanding scenic, recreational, historic, and natural characteristics of statewide significance for future generations.
- One of the program's strengths is the partnership forged among citizens, local governments, and the state. This partnership is initiated by the locality and runs from the evaluation phase through and after the designation process.
- A segment of the Maury River was designated in 2020 as a Virginia Scenic River. This bill would increase the total designation distance from 19.25 miles to 42.35 miles.



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