

# 2020 SESSION

## HOUSE SUBSTITUTE

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### HOUSE BILL NO. 670

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE  
(Proposed by the House Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns  
on January 31, 2020)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Cole, M.L.)

*A BILL related to the use of door-locking mechanisms.*

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

*1. § 1. That the Department of Housing and Community Development is directed to convene stakeholders representing entities that enforce the Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC) (§ 36-97 et seq. of the Code of Virginia) and the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code Act (SFPC) (§ 27-94 et seq. of the Code of Virginia), other law-enforcement organizations, and representatives of local governments throughout the Commonwealth to develop proposals for changes to the USBC and SFPC for submission to the Board of Housing and Community Development. Such proposals shall have the goal of assisting in the provision of safety and security measures for the Commonwealth's public buildings for active-shooter or hostile threats while maintaining compliance with basic accessibility requirements under the federal Americans with Disability Act (42 U.S.C. § 12131 et seq.). In developing the proposals, the stakeholders shall consider (i) door-locking devices, (ii) barricade devices, and (iii) other safety measures on doors and windows for the purpose of preventing both ingress and egress in the event of a threat to the physical security of persons in such buildings.*

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