

Wildlife corridors are important because habitat fragmentation is the single greatest threat to species and this impacts Virginia citizens. Fragmentation by roads and a large deer population, make Virginia among the top ten states for deer/vehicle collisions every year, costing over \$533 million annually.



## Coordinated planning

This bill will help ensure that wildlife corridors are considered and protected across Virginia and across agency jurisdictions.



## Making our roads safer

By prioritizing wildlife movement corridors and planning for them, we can help wildlife move safely through the landscape and reduce these collisions, saving both money and lives.



## **Bipartisan support**

Protection of wildlife corridors is a growing trend, with bipartisan support, across the United States. Virginia can continue to be a leader in this effort.

## Please support safe passage for people and wildlife

SB1274 builds on the efforts of the Wildlife Corridor Action Plan (WCAP) passed by the Virginia General Assembly in 2020. It seeks to ensure that the wildlife corridors identified in the Wildlife Corridor Action Plan are integrated into the strategic planning documents of other agencies with activities that could impact wildlife movement and public safety.