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The Virginia Small Business Partnership Applauds Delegate Barbara Comstock on her recent efforts to encourage Tele-Work for Virginia Businesses

Fairfax, VA, January 31, 2011- The Virginia Small Business Partnership applauds Delegate Barbara Comstock (R-34) for her introduction of HB2197, the *Income Tax; Tele-work Expenses Tax Credit*. On Friday, the Finance Committee for the House of Delegates reported the legislation with a unanimous vote of support.

HB2197 would create an individual and corporate income tax credit for employers who conduct tele-work assessments. In addition, HB2197 would create an individual and corporate income tax credit for employers who incur eligible tele-work expenses.

HB2197 is the type of pro-business legislation that will help Virginia continue to foster a business friendly environment. As part of the Official Findings from the 2010 Virginia Small Business Summit, a tax credit for businesses that allows employees to tele-commute was strongly encouraged by small business leaders. “The introduction of HB 2197 by Delegate Comstock simply underscores her commitment to ensuring Virginia continues to be a pro-business state,” said Paul A. Miller, Chairman, Virginia Small Business Partnership. “Allowing a tax credit for businesses that offer their employees to tele-commute is an idea that will help businesses grow and prosper,” he continued.

In addition to Delegate Barbara Comstock, several Northern Virginia lawmakers signed on as patrons of HB2197 including Delegates Dave Albo (R-42), Thomas Greason (R-32), Mark Keam (D-35), Kaye Kory (D-38), Jim LeMunyon (R-67), Joe May (R-33), and Tom Rust (R-86).

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