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### **VMAPAC Industrial Strength Leadership Award**

*~Record Fourteen Legislators Recognized in 2021~*

**RICHMOND, VA-** The Virginia Manufacturers Association Political Action Committee (VMAPAC) and Virginia Manufacturers Association (VMA) awarded this year's *VMAPAC Industrial Strength Leadership Award* to a record 14 legislators who demonstrated exceptional support for a pro-manufacturing agenda, as measured by their 2021 Regular & Special Sessions voting record.

The *Industrial Strength Leadership Award* was created by the VMAPAC in 2003. The Award recognizes Senators and Delegates with the top 3 scores, as measured by the *Virginia Legislative Competitiveness Scorecard*, for their exemplary commitment to Virginia's manufacturing competitiveness. 45 VMA Priority and Defensive Priority bills were scored to determine the vote percentages for legislators.

This award is not an endorsement of any candidate or political party; rather, it is an honored designation for a legislator at a specific point in time for all manufacturers and allies to recognize. All members of the Virginia House and Senate are considered.

This year's recipients scored as follows on the VMA Legislative Competitiveness Scorecard:

- Senator Travis Hackworth 100%
- Senator Mark Peake 93%
- Senator Amanda Chase 90%
- Senator John Cosgrove 90%
- Senator Siobhan Dunnavant 90%
- Senator Jen Kiggans 90%
- Senator Ryan McDougale 90%
- Delegate Carrie Coyner 89%
- Delegate Joe McNamara 89%
- Delegate Buddy Fowler 88%
- Delegate Lee Ware 88%
- Delegate Rob Bloxom 86%
- Delegate Glenn Davis 86%
- Delegate Chris Runion 86%

Recipients of the *Industrial Strength Leadership Award* will be presented with a trophy and receive VMAPAC financial support.

VMAPAC also awarded the *Manufacturing Competitiveness Certificate* to 71 legislators. This certificate recognizes all legislators scoring 70% or better in the *Virginia Legislative Competitiveness Scorecard*. The names of the *Manufacturing Competitiveness Certificate* recipients and the full 2021 Scorecard are available [here](#).

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**About Virginia Manufacturers Association**

The Virginia Manufacturers Association develops and advocates for constructive public policies and supports a broad array of business services and programs to help ensure that Virginia manufacturing companies can be productive, profitable and competitive in Virginia. Virginia's 6,000+ manufacturers employ over 230,000 individuals, contribute \$34 billion to the gross state product, and account for over 80% of the state's exports to the global economy. For more about the VMA, please visit [www.vamanufacturers.com](http://www.vamanufacturers.com).