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# DELEGATE BARRY D. KNIGHT

Virginia House of Delegates, 81st district

## **BIOGRAPHY**

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Delegate Barry D. Knight is a native Virginian who resides in the Pungo area of Virginia Beach with his wife and three sons. At 26 years of age, Barry began his own agribusiness venture by opening a hog farm, which became successful with many expansions and another hog farm built on another 200 acres he purchased.

Delegate Knight served on the Virginia Beach Planning Commission from 2003 to 2009 and was chairman in 2007 & 2008. Delegate Knight was first elected to the Virginia House of Delegates in 2009 and serves on three standing committees: General Laws; Rules; and Appropriations, where he serves as Chairman.

In 2018, Delegate Knight was named to the House Select Committee on School Safety and has been a conferee to the state's budget for many years.

Delegate Knight has previously served on both the Virginia State Housing Commission and State Water Commission, and currently serves on the the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation Board of Trustees, Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, Joint Commission on Transportation Accountability, Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability Commission, School Readiness Committee, the Major Employment and Investment Commission, the Public Private Partnership Advisory Commission and GO Virginia.

Delegate Knight has been awarded as a "Champion of Free Enterprise" numerous times by the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, had the "Chairman's Award" created in his honor, and was named its Legislator of the Year in 2021.