

# Virginia

| CATEGORY                                                                                                                     | SAFEGUARD                                | ITEM                                                                    |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|
|  <b>Absentee Voting</b>                     | Absentee Voting                          | Absentee Voting                                                         | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              | General Conscience Provision             | General Conscience Provision                                            |   |
|  <b>Health-Care Provision</b>               | Abortion Refusal                         | Individual-Level Abortion Refusal                                       | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Private Hospital Abortion Refusal                                       | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Public Hospital Abortion Refusal                                        | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Immunity from Civil Liability                                           | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Immunity from Criminal Liability                                        |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Protection from Government Consequences                                 |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Refusal in Emergency                                                    | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          |                                                                         |   |
|                                                                                                                              | Sterilization Refusal                    | Individual-Level Sterilization Refusal                                  |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Private Hospital Sterilization Refusal                                  |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Public Hospital Sterilization Refusal                                   |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Immunity from Civil Liability                                           |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Immunity from Criminal Liability                                        |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Protection from Government Consequences                                 |   |
|                                                                                                                              | Contraception Refusal                    | Individual-Level Contraception Refusal                                  |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Private Hospital Contraception Refusal                                  |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Public Hospital Contraception Refusal                                   |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Immunity from Civil Liability                                           |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Immunity from Criminal Liability                                        |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Protection from Government Consequences                                 |   |
|  <b>Health Insurance Mandates</b>         | Health Insurance Mandates                | Exemption from Contraceptive Mandate                                    |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Exemption from Abortion Mandate                                         | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Exemption from Sterilization Mandate                                    | ✓ |
|  <b>Marriage and Weddings</b>             | Nonparticipation by Clergy               | Nonparticipation by Clergy                                              |   |
|                                                                                                                              | Religious Entity Refusal                 | Nonparticipation by Religious Organizations                             |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Explicit Protection of Tax-Exempt Status                                |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Protections from Government Penalties Beyond Tax-Exempt Status          |   |
|                                                                                                                              | Public Official Recusal                  | Public Official Recusal                                                 |   |
|                                                                                                                              | For-Profit Business Nonparticipation     | For-Profit Business Nonparticipation                                    |   |
|  <b>Religious Ceremonial Life</b>         | Clergy as Mandatory Reporters            | Clergy as Mandatory Reporters                                           | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              | Ceremonial Use of Alcohol by Minors      | Furnishment to Minors                                                   |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Consumption by Minors                                                   |   |
|                                                                                                                              | Houses of Worship Protected from Closing | Houses of Worship Protected from Closing                                | ✓ |
|  <b>Religious Freedom Restoration Act</b> | Religious Freedom Restoration Act        | Religious Freedom Restoration Act                                       | ✓ |
|  <b>Students</b>                          | Immunization Requirement Exemption       | Immunization Requirement Exemption                                      | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              | Excused Absences for Religious Reasons   | Public K-12 Students Excused for Religious Observance                   | ✓ |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Public K-12 Students Excused for Religious Instruction                  |   |
|                                                                                                                              |                                          | Public College and University Students Excused for Religious Observance |   |

SCORE  
**42.0%**  
RANK #  
**26**