

Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council – Legislation to Monitor

January 31, 2025

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Bill/Chapter (Cross/Chapter)	Title	Sponsor	Current Status	Org Committees & Hearings	Opp Committees & Hearings
HB0032 (SB0043)	Maryland Department of Health - Forensic Review Board and Community Forensic Aftercare Program - Established	Delegate Charkoudian	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0033 (SB0248)	Department of Service and Civic Innovation - Maryland Corps Program Service Year Option Pathways - Revisions	Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee	In the House - Hearing 1/28 at 2:00 p.m. (Health and Government Operations)	Health and Government Operations 1/28/2025 - 2:00 PM Appropriations	
HB0057	County Boards of Education - Student Cellular Phone Use Policy - Establishment	Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0150 (SB0252)	Child Care Centers – Certificated Staff Ratio Requirement – Repeal	Chair, Ways and Means Committee	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0158 (SB0223)	Department of Aging - Social Connections Program - Establishment	Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee	In the House - Hearing 1/23 at 2:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 1/23/2025 - 2:00 PM	
HB0161	Primary and Secondary Education - Comprehensive Health Education Framework - Established	Delegate Atterbeary	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	

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HB0185 (SB0359)	Therapeutic Child Care Grant Program - Funding - Alterations	Delegate Mireku-North	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m. (Ways and Means)	Ways and Means 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM Appropriations	
HB0195 (SB0090)	Criminal Procedure - Incompetency to Stand Trial Dismissal	Delegate Cardin	In the House - Hearing 1/28 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 1/28/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0197 (SB0068)	Public Schools - Restorative Practices Schools - Comprehensive Plan	Delegate Pasteur	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0312	Criminal Procedure - Incompetency to Stand Trial	Delegate Cardin	In the House - Hearing 2/04 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 2/04/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0334 (SB0156)	Universal Newborn Nurse Home Visiting Services - Program Establishment and Insurance Coverage	Delegate Kerr	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0417	Public Health - Commission on Universal Health Care	Delegate Ruth	In the House - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 2/06/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0439 (SB0405)	Vehicle Laws - Fully Autonomous Vehicles - Human Safety Operators and Reporting Requirements	Delegate Stewart	In the House - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/06/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0477	Family Child Care Homes and Child Care Centers - Adult to Child Ratios - Alterations	Delegate Barnes	In the House - Hearing 2/05 at 2:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/05/2025 - 2:00 PM	

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HB0497 (SB0400)	Residential Child Care Programs - Transportation Companies - Regulation (Preventing Abduction in Youth Transport Act of 2025)	Delegate Stewart	In the House - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 2/13/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0523	County Boards of Education - Root Causes of Chronic Absenteeism and Expulsion - Investigation and Reporting	Delegate Taveras	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0524 (SB0462)	State Board of Education - Membership - Early Childhood Development Professional	Delegate Guzzone	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0526 (SB0386)	Primary and Secondary Education - Definition and Notification of Reportable Offense - Alterations	Delegate Miller	In the House - Reassigned to Ways and Means and Judiciary	Ways and Means Judiciary 2/13/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0555	Early Childhood Education - Child Care Scholarship Program - Eligibility	Delegate Taveras	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0604 (SB0466)	Vulnerable and Senior Adults - Theft of Property by Caregiver, Family Member, or Household Member - Prohibition	Speaker	In the House - Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 2/11/2025 - 1:00 PM	

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HB0630 (SB0368)	County Boards of Education - Student Cellular Phone Use Policy - Establishment (Maryland Phone-Free Schools Act)	Delegate Boafo	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0642	Election Law - Registered Voter List and Petitions (Ballot Petition Modernization Act)	Delegate Ruth	In the House - Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/11/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0665 (SB0328)	Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Health Insurance - Annual Behavioral Health Wellness Visits - Coverage and Reimbursement	Delegate Woods	In the House - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 2/06/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0677 (SB0298)	Criminal Procedure - Out of Court Statements - Vulnerable Adult Victims and Witnesses	Delegate Toles	In the House - Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 2/11/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0688 (SB0552)	Education - High School Graduation Requirements - Financial Aid Application	Delegate Solomon	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0689 (SB0506)	Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Use of Reimbursement Funds by Schools	Delegate Atterbeary	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	

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HB0716	Housing and Community Development - Statewide Rental Assistance Voucher Program Eligibility - Alterations	Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee	In the House - Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/18/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0718	Maryland Health Insurance Coverage Protection Commission - Established	Delegate Rosenberg	In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations	Health and Government Operations	
HB0813 (SB0438)	Pharmacy Benefits Administration - Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Pharmacy Benefits Managers	Delegate Johnson, S.	In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations	Health and Government Operations	
HB0824	Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program - Covered Individuals - Alternatively Qualified Individuals	Delegate Stewart	In the House - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Economic Matters 2/13/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0859 (SB0611)	Access to Health Insurance for Child Care Professionals - Outreach and Qualifying Nonprofit Satellite Organizations	Delegate Solomon	In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations and Ways and Means	Health and Government Operations Ways and Means	
HB0869 (SB0372)	Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2025	Delegate Pena-Melnyk	In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations	Health and Government Operations	

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HB0871	Health Services Cost Review Commission - Community Benefits - Community Health Worker Workforce Program	Delegate Bagnall	In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations	Health and Government Operations	
HB0879	Task Force to Improve Attendance and Reduce Chronic Absenteeism in Schools	Delegate Smith	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0896 (SB0677)	Human Relations - Discrimination in Housing - Income- Based Housing Subsidies	Delegate Stewart	In the House - First Reading Environment and Transportation	Environment and Transportation	
SB0018	Election Law - Early Voting - Number of Days	Senator Muse	In the Senate - Hearing 2/05 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/05/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0029	Education - Phone- Free Schools Pilot Program - Establishment	Senator Waldstreicher	In the Senate - Hearing 1/29 at 2:30 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/29/2025 - 2:30 PM	
SB0043 (HB0032)	Maryland Department of Health - Forensic Review Board and Community Forensic Aftercare Program - Established	Senator Augustine	In the Senate - Hearing 1/28 at 1:00 p.m. (Finance)	Finance 1/28/2025 - 1:00 PM Judicial Proceedings	
SB0068 (HB0197)	Public Schools - Restorative Practices Schools - Comprehensive Plan	Senator Brooks	In the Senate - Hearing 1/29 at 2:30 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/29/2025 - 2:30 PM	

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SB0090 (HB0195)	Criminal Procedure - Incompetency to Stand Trial Dismissal	Senator Muse	In the Senate - Hearing 1/21 at 2:30 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/21/2025 - 2:30 PM	
SB0095	State and Local Parks - Playgrounds - Safety Standards (Our Kids Play Safe Playground Safety Act of 2025)	Senator Folden	In the Senate - Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/11/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0130	County Boards of Education - Student Cellular Device Use Policy - Established	Senator Benson	In the Senate - Hearing 1/29 at 2:30 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/29/2025 - 2:30 PM	
SB0156 (HB0334)	Universal Newborn Nurse Home Visiting Services - Program Establishment and Insurance Coverage	Senator Lewis Young	In the Senate - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0223 (HB0158)	Department of Aging - Social Connections Program - Establishment	Chair, Finance Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 1/22 at 3:45 p.m.	Finance 1/22/2025 - 3:45 PM	
SB0248 (HB0033)	Department of Service and Civic Innovation - Maryland Corps Program Service Year Option Pathways - Revisions	Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 1/22 at 10:00 a.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/22/2025 - 10:00 AM	
SB0252 (HB0150)	Child Care Centers - Certificated Staff Ratio Requirement - Repeal	Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 2/12 at 2:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/12/2025 - 2:00 PM	

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SB0298 (HB0677)	Criminal Procedure - Out of Court Statements - Vulnerable Adult Victims and Witnesses	Senator Waldstreicher	In the Senate - Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/30/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0328 (HB0665)	Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Health Insurance - Annual Behavioral Health Wellness Visits - Coverage and Reimbursement	Senator Augustine	In the Senate - Hearing 2/04 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/04/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0359 (HB0185)	Therapeutic Child Care Grant Program - Funding - Alterations	Senator King	In the Senate - Hearing 1/29 at 10:30 a.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/29/2025 - 10:30 AM	
SB0367	Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Supportive Housing and Health Services	Senator Ellis	In the Senate - Hearing 2/04 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/04/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0368 (HB0630)	County Boards of Education - Student Cellular Phone Use Policy - Establishment (Maryland Phone- Free Schools Act)	Senator Watson	In the Senate - Hearing 1/29 at 2:30 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/29/2025 - 2:30 PM	
SB0372 (HB0869)	Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2025	Senator Beidle	In the Senate - Hearing 2/05 at 2:00 p.m.	Finance 2/05/2025 - 2:00 PM	

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SB0386 (HB0526)	Primary and Secondary Education - Definition and Notification of Reportable Offense - Alterations	Senator Folden	In the Senate - Hearing 2/12 at 2:00 p.m. (Education, Energy, and the Environment)	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/12/2025 - 2:00 PM Judicial Proceedings	
SB0405 (HB0439)	Vehicle Laws - Fully Autonomous Vehicles - Human Safety Operators and Reporting Requirements	Senator Salling	In the Senate - First Reading Judicial Proceedings	Judicial Proceedings	
SB0448	Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Self-Directed Mental Health Services - Pilot Program	Senator Lam	In the Senate - Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/11/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0462 (HB0524)	State Board of Education - Membership - Early Childhood Development Professional	Senator Washington, M.	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0466 (HB0604)	Vulnerable and Senior Adults - Theft of Property by Caregiver, Family Member, or Household Member - Prohibition	President	In the Senate - Hearing 2/05 at 2:00 p.m. (Judicial Proceedings)	Judicial Proceedings 2/05/2025 - 2:00 PM Education, Energy, and the Environment	

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SB0492 (HB0849)	Maryland Commission to Study the Dental Hygienist Shortage - Establishment	Senator McKay	In the Senate - Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/11/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0506 (HB0689)	Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Use of Reimbursement Funds by Schools	Senator Henson	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment and Finance	Education, Energy, and the Environment Finance	
SB0552 (HB0688)	Education - High School Graduation Requirements - Financial Aid Application	Senator Augustine	In the Senate - Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/19/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0610	Growing Family Child Care Opportunities Program - Funding	Senator King	In the Senate - Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.	Budget and Taxation 2/19/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0611 (HB0859)	Access to Health Insurance for Child Care Professionals - Outreach and Qualifying Nonprofit Satellite Organizations	Senator King	In the Senate - Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m. (Budget and Taxation)	Budget and Taxation 2/19/2025 - 1:00 PM Finance	

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SB0644	Public Schools - School Resource Officers - Firearms Required	Senator Jennings	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0677 (HB0896)	Human Relations - Discrimination in Housing - Income- Based Housing Subsidies	Senator Gile	In the Senate - First Reading Judicial Proceedings	Judicial Proceedings	
SB0679 (HB0933)	Nursing Homes - Direct Care Wages and Benefits and Cost Reports (Nursing Home Care Crisis Transparency Act)	Senator Rosapepe	In the Senate - First Reading Finance	Finance	
SB0696 (HB0962)	Public Health - Pediatric Hospital Overstay Patients	Senator Beidle	In the Senate - First Reading Finance	Finance	