

Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council – Priority Legislation

January 31, 2025

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Bill/Chapter (Cross/Chapter)	Title	Sponsor	Current Status	Org Committees & Hearings	Opp Committees & Hearings
HB0031 (SB0382) Rachel – Support	Consumer Protection - Right to Repair - Powered Wheelchairs	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - Hearing 1/21 at 1:00 p.m.	Economic Matters 1/21/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0053 (SB0062) Rachel – Support with Amendments	Task Force on Education Funding and Student Population Growth	Delegate Fair	In the House - Hearing 1/28 at 1:30 p.m.	Appropriations 1/28/2025 - 1:30 PM	
HB0067 Stephanie – Oppose	Election Law - Absentee Ballots - Signature Requirements and Verification	Delegate Long, R.	In the House - Hearing canceled	Ways and Means	
HB0068 Rachel – Oppose	Public Schools - Children Suspected of a Crime of Violence - Prohibition on In-Person Attendance (Student Protection Act of 2025)	Delegate Mangione	In the House - Hearing 1/23 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 1/23/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0091 Stephanie - Oppose	Elections - In-Person Voting - Proof of Identity	Delegate Long, R.	In the House - Hearing canceled	Ways and Means	
HB0115 Stephanie – Oppose	Election Law - Polling Places - Establishing Voter Identity (Voter Privacy Act of 2025)	Delegate Long, R.	In the House - Hearing canceled	Ways and Means	

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HB0137 Rachel - Oppose	Public Schools - Children Charged With a Crime of Violence - Prohibition on In-Person Attendance (School Safety Act of 2025)	Delegate Mangione	In the House - Hearing 1/23 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 1/23/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0141 Rachel - Support with Amendments	Task Force on Loneliness and Isolation	Delegate Vogel	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0153 Stephanie - Letter of Information	Election Law - Voter Registration - Age and Notification to Minors	Delegate Fair	In the House - Hearing 1/21 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 1/21/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0214 (SB0208) Rachel - Support	Human Services - Maryland Assistive Technology Program - Establishment	Chair, Appropriations Committee	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
HB0221 (SB0242) Rachel - Support	Department of Information Technology - Maryland Digital Service - Establishment	Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee	In the House - Hearing 2/04 at 2:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 2/04/2025 - 2:00 PM	
HB0249 (SB0125) Rachel - Support	Residential Real Property - Local Limits on Summoning Law Enforcement or Emergency Services	Delegate Palakovich Carr	In the House - Hearing 1/22 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 1/22/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0317 Stephanie - Support	Election Law - Curbside Voting - Pilot Program	Delegate Williams	In the House - Hearing 2/04 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/04/2025 - 1:00 PM	

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HB0350 (SB0319) Rachel - Oppose cuts to DD Services	Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2026)	Speaker	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
HB0352 (SB0321) Rachel - Oppose repeal of LISS; Support change in nonpublic special education school funding formula	Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2025	Speaker	In the House - Hearing 2/25 at 1:00 p.m. (Appropriations)	Appropriations 2/25/2025 - 1:00 PM Ways and Means	
HB0384 (SB0157) Rachel - Support	Maryland Disability Service Animal Program - Established	Delegate Lehman	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0429 (SB0376) Rachel - Support with Amendments	Health Facilities - Delegation of Inspection Authority - Nursing Homes	Delegate Cullison	In the House - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 2/06/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0430 Rachel - Support	Employed Individuals With Disabilities Program - Upper Age Limit - Prohibition	Delegate Cullison	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0450 Stephanie - Support	Maryland Transit Administration - Disability Reduced Fare Program - Renewal for Permanently Disabled Individuals	Delegate Guyton	In the House - Hearing canceled (Appropriations)	Appropriations Environment and Transportation	
HB0458 (SB0603) Rachel - Support	University of Maryland, College Park Campus - TerpsEXCEED Program - Funding	Delegate Wolek	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	

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HB0464 Rachel - Support	Special Education - Individualized Education Program Meetings - Secondary Transition Planning Materials	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - Hearing canceled	Ways and Means	
HB0474 (SB0129) Stephanie - Letter of Information	Public Health - Maryland Commission on Health Equity - Advisory Committee and Hospital Reporting	Delegate Bagnall	In the House - Hearing canceled	Health and Government Operations	
HB0477 Rachel - Oppose	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.		
HB0488 (SB0714) Rachel - Support	Public Schools - Discipline-Related Data - Collection and Publication	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0495 Rachel - Support	Education - Antidiscrimination Policies - Policy and Notice Requirements	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. (Ways and Means)	Ways and Means 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM Appropriations	
HB0502 (SB0433) Rachel - Support	Office of Disability Employment Advancement and Policy and Maryland as a Model Employer Initiative - Established	Speaker	In the House - Hearing 2/04 at 1:00 p.m.	Appropriations 2/04/2025 - 1:00 PM	

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HB0504 (SB0429) Rachel - TBD	Excellence in Maryland Public Schools Act	Speaker	In the House - First Reading Appropriations and Ways and Means	Appropriations Ways and Means	
HB0531 Rachel - TBD	Education - Remote Learning Accommodations - Established (College Disability Education Act)	Delegate Simmons	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
HB0583 Rachel - Letter of Information	Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Schools - Alterations	Delegate Vogel	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0596 (SB0601) Rachel - Support	Education - Dependent Children of Service Members - Advance Enrollment Procedures	Delegate Patterson	In the House - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0624 (SB0323) Stephanie - Letter of Information	Election Law - Statewide Voter Registration Application - Prepaid Postage	Delegate Wells	In the House - Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/11/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0647 (SB0702) Rachel - Letter of Information	Correctional Services - Restrictive Housing	Delegate Phillips	In the House - First Reading Judiciary	Judiciary	
HB0683 Rachel - Oppose	Criminal Law - Criminal or Delinquent Act of a Child - Liability of a Parent, Guardian, or Custodian	Delegate Grammer	In the House - First Reading Judiciary	Judiciary	

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HB0694 Rachel - Support	Public Schools - Individuals With Disabilities - Main Entrance Accessibility and Emergency Planning	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0702 (SB0602) Rachel - Support	County Boards of Education - Special Education Service Delivery Models - Publication Requirement	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0703 (SB0507) Rachel - Support	Criminal Procedure - Diagnosis of Developmental Disability or Intellectual Disability - Evidence	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - Hearing 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 2/11/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0707 Rachel - Support with Amendments	Vehicle Laws - Licenses, Identification Cards, and Moped Operator's Permits - Notation of Nonapparent Disability (Eric's ID Law)	Delegate Wilkins	In the House - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/13/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0727 Rachel - TBD	Motor Vehicles - Driving Records - Disclosure of Medical Diagnosis (Safeguarding American Families Everywhere Act)	Delegate Morgan, M.	In the House - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/13/2025 - 1:00 PM	

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HB0771 Rachel - Letter of Information	Student Health - Program for Student Dental Health - Established	Delegate Harrison	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0773 (SB0482) Rachel - Oppose	Public Middle and High Schools - Student Discipline (Right to Teach Act of 2025)	Delegate Hartman	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0781 (SB0066) Stephanie - Support	Election Law - Polling Place Procedures - Voting by Elderly Voters and Voters With Disabilities (Accessible and Expedited Voting Act of Maryland)	Delegate Roberts	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0816 (SB0615) Stephanie - Support	Election Law - Petitions and Ballot Questions - Contents, Plain Language Requirement, and Procedures	Delegate Feldmark	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0862 (SB0452) Rachel - Letter of Information	Child Care Affordability Commission - Establishment	Delegate Solomon	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0875 Rachel - Letter of Information	Commission on History, Culture, and Civics in Education	Delegate Acevero	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0912 Stephanie - Support	Institutions of Higher Education - Instructor Training - Accommodations for Students With Disabilities	Delegate Guyton	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	

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HB0927 Rachel - Support	General Assembly - Fiscal Notes - Impact of Reduction in Health and Community Support Services	Delegate Pena-Melnyk	In the House - First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations	Rules and Executive Nominations	
HB0940 Stephanie - Support with Amendments	Criminal Procedure - Probation Before Judgment - Defendants Diagnosed With Autism or Intellectual Disabilities	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 2/18/2025 - 1:00 PM	
HB0983 (SB0685) Rachel - Letter of Information	Election Law - Local Boards of Elections - Language-Related Assistance	Delegate Mireku- North	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
SB0058 Rachel - Support	Labor and Employment - Parental School Engagement Leave Act	Senator Benson	In the Senate - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0062 (HB0053) Rachel - Support with Amendments	Task Force on Education Funding and Student Population Growth	Senator Lewis Young	In the Senate - Hearing 1/15 at 10:30 a.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/15/2025 - 10:30 AM	

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SB0066 (HB0781) Stephanie - Support	Election Law - Polling Place Procedures - Voting by Elderly Voters and Voters With Disabilities (Accessible and Expedited Voting Act of Maryland)	Senator Ellis	In the Senate - Hearing 2/05 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/05/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0078 Rachel - Oppose	Juvenile Child Sex Offenders - Juvenile Sex Offender Registry and Prohibition on In-Person School Attendance	Senator Salling	In the Senate - Hearing 1/28 at 1:00 p.m. (Judicial Proceedings)	Judicial Proceedings 1/28/2025 - 1:00 PM Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0125 (HB0249) Rachel - Support	Residential Real Property - Local Limits on Summoning Law Enforcement or Emergency Services	Senator Gile	In the Senate - Hearing 1/23 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/23/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0129 (HB0474) Stephanie - Letter of Information	Public Health - Maryland Commission on Health Equity - Advisory Committee and Hospital Reporting	Senator Ellis	In the Senate - Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 1/30/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0151 Rachel - Support with Amendments	Higher Education - Disciplinary Records - Use in Admissions and Disciplinary Proceedings	Senator Washington, A.	In the Senate - Hearing 1/22 at 10:00 a.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/22/2025 - 10:00 AM	
SB0157 (HB0384) Rachel - Support	Maryland Disability Service Animal Program - Established	Senator Simonaire	In the Senate - Favorable Report by Finance	Finance 1/15/2025 - 10:30 AM	
SB0208 (HB0214) Rachel - Support	Human Services - Maryland Assistive Technology Program - Establishment	Chair, Finance Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 1/29/2025 - 1:00 PM	

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SB0242 (HB0221) Rachel - Support	Department of Information Technology - Maryland Digital Service - Establishment	Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 1/16 at 2:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/16/2025 - 2:00 PM	
SB0319 (HB0350) Rachel - Oppose cuts to DD Services	Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2026)	President	In the Senate - First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	
SB0321 (HB0352) Rachel - Oppose repeal of LISS; Support change to nonpublic special education funding formula	Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2025	President	In the Senate - Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.	Budget and Taxation 2/26/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0323 (HB0624) Stephanie - Letter of Information	Election Law - Statewide Voter Registration Application - Prepaid Postage	Senator Kagan	In the Senate - Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/26/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0376 (HB0429) Rachel - Support with Amendments	Health Facilities - Delegation of Inspection Authority - Nursing Homes	Senator Kramer	In the Senate - Hearing 2/04 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/04/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0382 (HB0031) Rachel - Support	Consumer Protection - Right to Repair - Powered Wheelchairs	Senator Kagan	In the Senate - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/06/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0429 (HB0504) Rachel - TBD	Excellence in Maryland Public Schools Act	President	In the Senate - Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. (Budget and Taxation) and Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m. (Education, Energy, and the Environment)	Budget and Taxation 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/12/2025 - 1:00 PM	

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SB0433 (HB0502) Rachel - Support	Office of Disability Employment Advancement and Policy and Maryland as a Model Employer Initiative - Established	President	In the Senate - Hearing canceled	Finance	
SB0452 (HB0862) Rachel - Letter of Information	Child Care Affordability Commission - Establishment	Senator King	In the Senate - Hearing 2/12 at 2:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/12/2025 - 2:00 PM	
SB0482 (HB0773) Rachel - Oppose	Public Middle and High Schools - Student Discipline (Right to Teach Act of 2025)	Senator Gallion	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0507 (HB0703) Rachel - Support	Criminal Procedure - Diagnosis of Developmental Disability or Intellectual Disability - Evidence	Senator Henson	In the Senate - Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 2/07/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0560 Stephanie - Letter of Information	Public Health - Maryland Commission on Health Equity - Membership and Purposes	Senator Washington, M.	In the Senate - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/13/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0615 (HB0816) Stephanie - Support	Election Law - Petitions and Ballot Questions - Contents, Plain Language Requirement, and Procedures	Senator Kagan	In the Senate - Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/26/2025 - 1:00 PM	
SB0618 Rachel - Support with Amendments	Vehicle Laws - Licenses, Identification Cards, and Moped Operator's Permits - Notation of Nonapparent Disability	Senator Smith	In the Senate - First Reading Judicial Proceedings	Judicial Proceedings	

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SB0685 (HB0983) Stephanie - Letter of Information	Election Law - Local Boards of Elections - Language-Related Assistance	Senator Augustine	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0702 (HB0647) Rachel - Support	Correctional Services - Restrictive Housing	Senator Love	In the Senate - First Reading Judicial Proceedings	Judicial Proceedings	
SB0714 (HB0488) Rachel - Support	Public Schools - Discipline-Related Data - Collection and Publication	Senator Brooks	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0741 Rachel - TBD	Forensic Mental Health Treatment	Senator Lam	In the Senate - First Reading Finance and Judicial Proceedings	Finance Judicial Proceedings	
SB0780 Rachel - TBD	Prekindergarten - 3-Year-Olds - Private Providers (Parental Choice for Prekindergarten Act)	Senator Gallion	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	