Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council – Priority Legislation

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Bill/Chapter (Cross/Chapter)	Title	Sponsor	Current Status	Org Committees & Hearings	Opp Committees & Hearings
HB0044 (SB0029) Support	Election Law - Petitions and Ballot Questions - Contents, Plain Language Requirement, and Procedures	Delegate Feldmark	In the House - Hearing 2/04 at 2:00 p.m.	Government, Labor, and Elections 2/04/2026 - 2:00 PM	
HB0058 Support	Transportation - Paratransit Services - Interjurisdictional Routes	Delegate Healey	In the House - Hearing 2/05 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/05/2026 - 1:00 PM	
HB0073 Support	Public Schools - Water Safety and Swimming Course - Established	Delegate Toles	In the House - Hearing 2/05 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 2/05/2026 - 1:00 PM	
HB0102 (SB0263) Support	Education - Dependent Children of Active Service Members - Advance Enrollment Procedures	Delegate Patterson	In the House - Hearing 1/29 at 1:00 p.m.	Ways and Means 1/29/2026 - 1:00 PM	
HB0202 TBD	Public Health - Social Isolation and Loneliness Pilot Grant Program - Establishment	Delegate Vogel	In the House - Hearing 2/10 at 2:00 p.m.	Health 2/10/2026 - 2:00 PM	
HB0216 (SB0140) Support	Criminal Law - Benefits Exploitation	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - Hearing 1/27 at 2:00 p.m.	Judiciary 1/27/2026 - 2:00 PM	

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HB0226 (SB0022) Support	Department of Disabilities - Housing Programs and Affiliated Foundations - Establishment	Chair, Appropriations Committee	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
HB0310 (SB0268) TBD	Correctional Services - Restrictive Housing - Individuals With Developmental or Intellectual Disabilities	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - First Reading Judiciary	Judiciary	
HB0311 Support	Public Schools - Individuals With Disabilities - Accessibility and Emergency Planning	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0315 TBD	Human Relations - Discrimination in Housing - Income-Based Housing Subsidies	Delegate Stewart	In the House - Hearing 2/05 at 1:00 p.m.	Economic Matters 2/05/2026 - 1:00 PM	
HB0435 (SB0259) Support	Places of Public Accommodation - Open Movie Captioning	Delegate Bhandari	In the House - First Reading Government, Labor, and Elections	Government, Labor, and Elections	

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HB0440 Support	Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Individuals With Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities - Provider Reimbursement	Delegate Kaufman	In the House - Hearing 2/10 at 2:00 p.m.	Health 2/10/2026 - 2:00 PM	
HB0458 Support	General Provisions - Commemorative Months - Water Safety Month	Delegate Patterson	In the House - First Reading Government, Labor, and Elections	Government, Labor, and Elections	
HB0462 Oppose	Elections - In-Person Voting - Proof of Identity	Delegate Long, R.	In the House - First Reading Government, Labor, and Elections	Government, Labor, and Elections	
SB0022 (HB0226) Support	Department of Disabilities - Housing Programs and Affiliated Foundations - Establishment	Chair, Finance Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 1/28 at 2:00 p.m.	Finance 1/28/2026 - 2:00 PM	
SB0029 (HB0044) Support	Election Law - Petitions and Ballot Questions - Contents, Plain Language Requirement, and Procedures	Senator Kagan	In the Senate - Hearing 1/21 at 11:00 a.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/21/2026 - 11:00 AM	

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SB0037 Support	Maryland Service Animal Programs - Participant Disqualification - Revisions	Senator Simonaire	In the Senate - Hearing 1/27 at 2:30 p.m.	Finance 1/27/2026 - 2:30 PM	
SB0051 Letter of Information	Public Schools - Self-Contained Special Education Classrooms - Use of Video Recording Devices	Senator Folden	In the Senate - Hearing 2/04 at 2:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/04/2026 - 2:00 PM	
SB0073 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 2/11 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/11/2026 - 1:00 PM	
SB0140 (HB0216) Support	Criminal Law - Benefits Exploitation	Senator West	In the Senate - Hearing 1/20 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/20/2026 - 1:00 PM	
SB0199 TBD	Individuals With Disabilities and Service-Disabled Veterans Boating Fund - Eligible Companions	Senator Simonaire	In the Senate - Hearing 1/28 at 2:00 p.m.	Finance 1/28/2026 - 2:00 PM	

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SB0259 (HB0435) Support	Places of Public Accommodation - Open Movie Captioning	Senator Jackson, C.	In the Senate - Hearing 2/03 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 2/03/2026 - 1:00 PM	
SB0263 (HB0102) Support	Education - Dependent Children of Active Service Members - Advance Enrollment Procedures	Senator Brooks	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0268 (HB0310) TBD	Correctional Services – Restrictive Housing – Individuals With Developmental or Intellectual Disabilities	Senator Henson	In the Senate - Hearing 2/04 at 11:00 a.m.	Judicial Proceedings 2/04/2026 - 11:00 AM	
SB0274 TBD	Fair Housing and Housing Discrimination - Regulations, Intent, and Discriminatory Effect	Senator Sydnor	In the Senate - Hearing 2/03 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 2/03/2026 - 1:00 PM	
SB0335 (HB0315) TBD	Human Relations – Discrimination in Housing – Income–Based Housing Subsidies	Senator Love	In the Senate - First Reading Judicial Proceedings	Judicial Proceedings	