



Legislative Update 2022 Session

MARCH 2022



Quick Statistics

- ❑ March 21st 69th Day of Session — Crossover Date
- ❑ 1488 bills introduced in the Senate
- ❑ 2053 bills introduced in the House
- ❑ Staff tracking currently \approx 188 bills



Update on Activities

Budget Update (Fiscal Year 2023):

House Appropriations (Health and Social Services Subcommittee – February 14th)

- ▶ HB 300 Budget Bill

Senate Budget and Tax (Health and Human Services Subcommittee – February 17th)

- ▶ SB 290 Budget Bill
- ▶ This session the Senate moves the budget bill first
- ▶ Budget and Taxation Full Committee Decisions (March 14th)
- ▶ Thursday March 17th (possible debate floor of the Senate on bill)



MHCC Priorities - Status

- ▶ SB 253(HB 353) - Maryland Health Care Commission – User Fee Assessments
 - Senate bill passed out of the Senate; now assigned to House HGO Committee
 - House bill passed out of the House; now assigned to Senate Finance Committee

- ▶ HB 213 - MHCC – Health Information Exchange- Definition
 - Bill passed out of the House and is now assigned to Senate Finance Committee

Update on Activities



Bill Hearings To Date:

SB 398/HB421 - Out-of-State Health Care Practitioners - Provision of Behavioral Health Services via Telehealth – Authorization**

HB0636/SB 531- Maryland Health Care Commission - Assisted Living Programs – Study*

SB 591 - Maryland Health Care Commission - Patient Safety Center - Designation and Fund

HB 378 - Maryland Health Care Commission – Palliative Care Services – Workgroup*

SB 734 - Health and Health Insurance – Primary Care Reform Commission*

HB 747 - Maryland Health Care Commission - Nursing Homes – Audit***

HB 912 / SB 707 - Health Insurance – Provider Panels – Coverage for Nonparticipation**

HB 972/SB 804 - Continuing Care at Home - Certificate of Need – Exemption

HB 1073/SB 824 - Health - Accessibility of Electronic Advance Care Planning Documents**

* MHCC cost impact of < \$100,000, ** MHCC cost impact of \$100,000 - \$200,000, *** MHCC Cost Impact of > \$200,000

Update on Activities



Bill Hearings To Date:

HB 906/ SB 607 - Health Equity Resource Communities – Modifications – 3/2 (Senate 2/22)

HB 1148/SB 834 - Health Insurance - Two-Sided Incentive Arrangements and Capitated Payments – Authorization – 3/3 (Senate 3/9)*

HB 1192 - Maryland Health Care Commission - Studies of Issues Affecting Individuals With Sickle Cell Disease – 3/7**

HB 1127 - Public Health - State Designated Exchange - Health Data Utility – 3/9*

HB 1082 - Public Health - Consumer Health Information - Hub and Requirements – 3/9

HB 915 - Maryland Health Care Commission – Patient Safety Center – Designation and Fund – 3/9

HB 935/SB 637 - Health and Health Insurance - Behavioral Health Services - Expansion (Behavioral Health System Modernization Act) – 3/9 (Senate 2/23)

HB 1080/SB 778 -Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Children and Pregnant Women (Healthy Babies Equity Act) 3/2 (Senate 3/8)

HB 1035/SB 728 - Health Insurance – Qualified Resident State Subsidy Program (Access to Care Act) 3/9 (Senate 3/2)

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Other Legislative Priorities



Possible Study Requests to MHCC from Chair of HGO or Senate Finance

- ▶ Expansion of Interstate Telehealth: Are Interstate Compacts the Correct Mechanism**
- ▶ Expanding coverage of In Vitro Fertilization *
- ▶ HIV Prevention Drugs - Prescribing and Dispensing by Pharmacists and Insurance Requirement*
- ▶ Physical Therapy Insurance Copays*

New Commissions and Workgroups (Chair, ED or designee)

- ▶ HB 625/SB 440 Commission to Study the Health Care Workforce Crisis in Maryland –Establishment

Other Health Bills of Importance

- ▶ HB 413/ SB 395 Health Insurance – Individual Market Stabilization – Extension of Provider Fee (continues state reinsurance program)
- ▶ HB 1397/ SB 353 Health Insurance - Prescription Insulin Drugs - Limits on Copayment and Coinsurance (Insulin Cost Reduction Act)

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