



Legislative Update

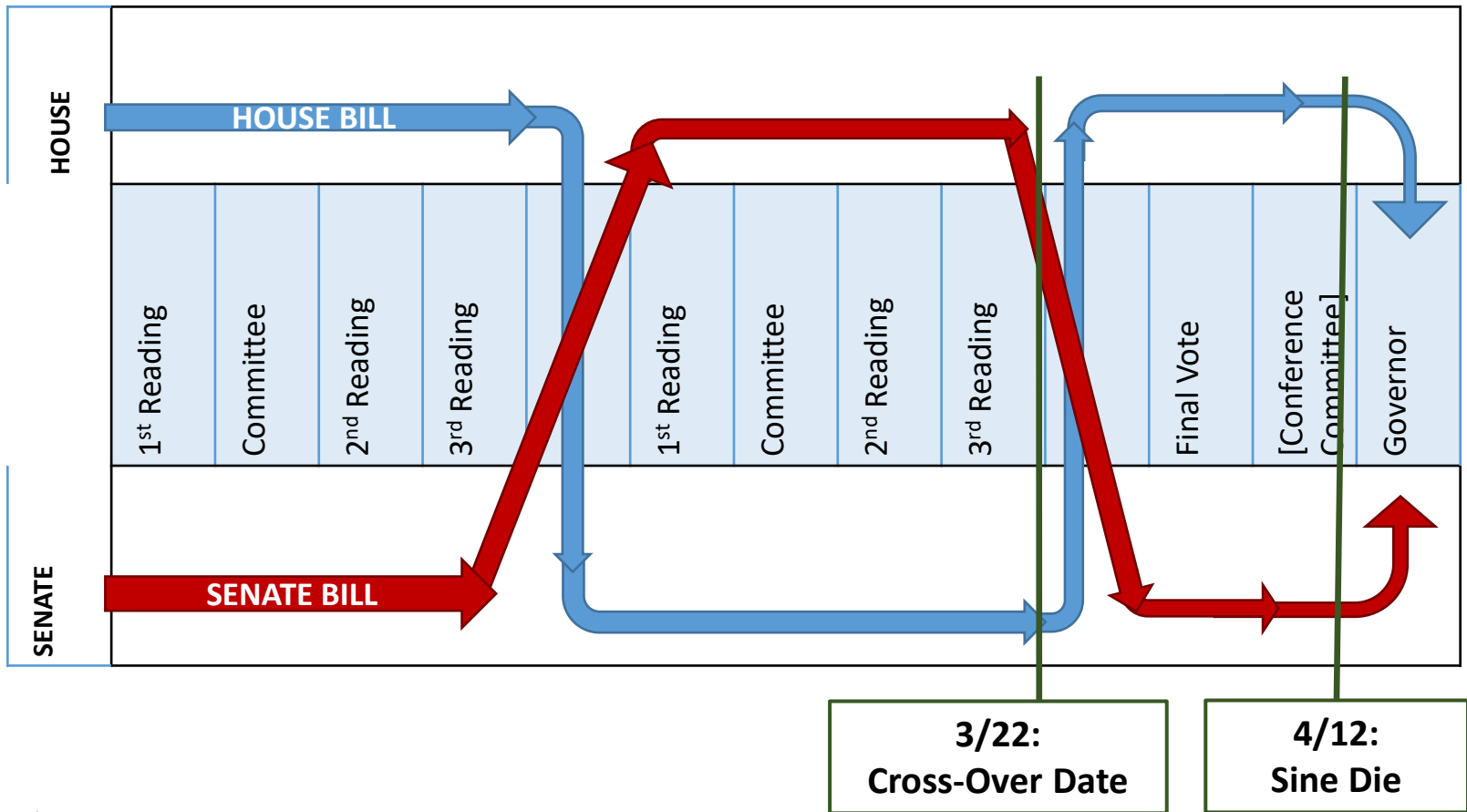
Maryland Health Care Commission

March 18, 2021

FUN Statistics

- 25 Days Left in the Session
- Total Bills Introduced – 3,297
 - House Bills – 1,855
 - Senate Bills – 1,442
- Number of Bills Tracking - 160

Legislative Process



Bill Status: MHCC Priorities

HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGES

*MHCC Bill

[*HB 1375](#) - Health Information Exchanges - Electronic Health Information – Sharing and Disclosure (*Bill Hearing to be Scheduled*)

[HB 1022](#) - Public Health - State Designated Exchange - Clinical Information
- (*Supported*)

TELEHEALTH

[HB 123/SB 3](#) - Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2021

- Voted out of Committee – Favorable with Amendments

Bill Status: MHCC Priorities

HEALTH DISPARITIES

[HB 28/SB 5](#) - Public Health - Implicit Bias Training and the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities

- Voted out of Committee – Favorable with Amendments

[HB 78/SB 52](#) - Public Health – Maryland Commission on Health Equity (The Shirley Nathan–Pulliam Health Equity Act of 2021)

- Voted out of Committee – Favorable with Amendments

[HB 309](#) - Public Health - Data - Race and Ethnicity Information

- Voted out of Committee – Favorable



Bill Status: Budget Bills

[HB 588](#) - Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2022)

- **This year the budget bill is introduced in the House**
 - Subcommittee Decisions
 - Appropriations - Full Committee Decisions – March 15
 - Floor Debate – March 18
- [HB 589/ SB0493](#) - **Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2021**
 - The Maryland Health Care Commission's budget is not impacted by this bill as currently drafted.

Bill Status: Other Bills of Interest (1/2)

HOSPITALS AND FREESTANDING FACILITIES

[HB 936](#) - Hospitals and Freestanding Medical Facilities - Closing or Partial Closing - Public Notice (*Letter of Information*)

LONG-TERM CARE

[HB 599/SB 652](#) - Public Health - Long-Term Care Planning

- Voted out of Committee – Favorable

[HB 674/SB 704](#) - Nursing Homes - Transfer of Ownership - Surveys

- Voted out of Committee – Favorable with Amendments

Bill Status: Other Bills of Interest (2/4)

MEMORY CARE AND ALZHEIMER'S

[HB 416/SB 204](#) - Health Care Facilities - Assisted Living Programs - Memory Care and Alzheimer's Disease Unit Regulations

- HB 416 – Bill Hearing – March 11 (*Letter of Information*)
- SB 204 - *Voted out of Committee* – Favorable with Amendments

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PUBLIC HEALTH

[HB1095 \(CH0028\)/SB0669 \(CH0004\)](#) - Public Health - Prescription Drug Affordability Board and Fund (*Bill Passed was Vetoed*) – *Veto Override*



QUESTIONS