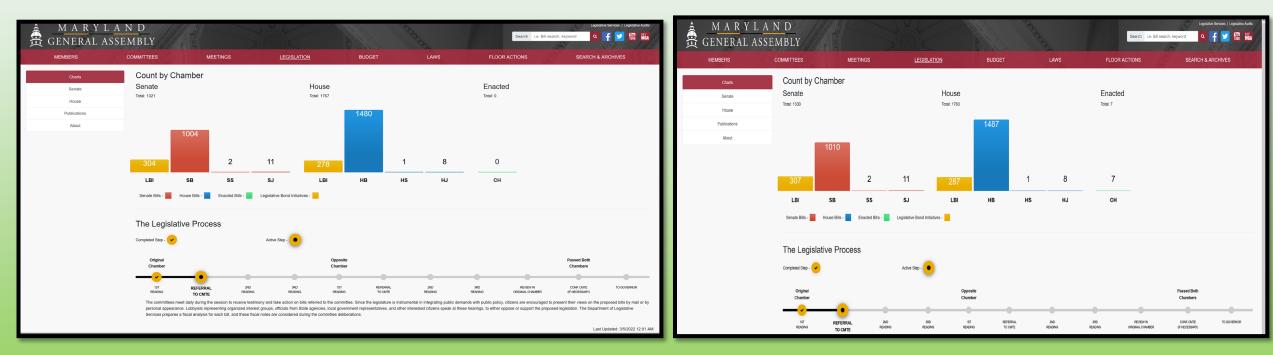
#### April 2022 PTACHC LEGISLATIVE REPORT

**PTA Advocating For Education** 



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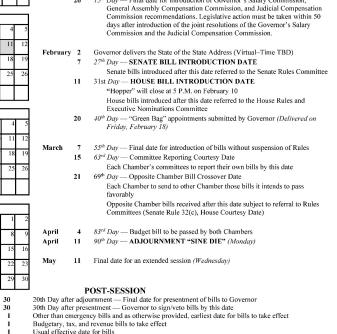
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Department of Legislative Services General Assembly of Maryland **Dates of Interest** 2022 SESSION 444th Session January 12 GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENES (noon, Wednesday) 7<sup>th</sup> Dav — SENATE AND HOUSE BILL DRAFTING REQUEST 18 GUARANTEE DATE 19 Final date for Governor to introduce budget bill Final date for the Governor to introduce capital budget bill 19 10th Day - Final date for submission of Executive Orders reorganizing the 21 Executive Branch of State Government; either Chamber may disapprove by resolution within 50 days. 24 13th Day - Administration bills introduced in the Senate after this date referred to Senate Rules Committee. 15th Dav - Final date for introduction of Governor's Salary Commission,



#### HOLIDAYS AND OTHER OBSERVANCES

lanuary	1	New Year's Day*	March	25	Maryland Day
	17	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day*	April	15	Passover
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	21	Presidents' Day*		17	Easter
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APRIL 2022

APRIL 4 2022 – BUDGET BILL

APRIL 11 "SINE DIE" Most business concluded

May 11 – Extended Session deadline

May 30 – Governor Sign/Veto Bills

https://mgaleg.maryland.gov/Pubs-Current/2022rs-Session-dates.pdf

### LR – 0744 SB0756



PTACHC Originated Bill with Senator Hester

Pilot provides funding for analytics support for HCPSS using state resources. Lessons learned and shared resources will be provided to other counties.

Status – Reviewed By HCPSS BOE for support – BOE recommended support with amendments to address reporting concerns. PTACHC sought funding clarification amendment. Meeting held with stakeholders for amendment drafting.

March 8, 2022 in Annapolis, PTACHC Testimony – EHEA Committee members said they would support Bill.

March 15, 2022 – EHEA committee "disagreement". Bill does not move past crossover.

Unlikely Bill Will Proceed. Policy 6010 will continue with subcontracted services using weighted measures and analytics developed by state academia from Ohio.

#### **HB0865** Howard County – Due Process Proceedings for Children With Disabilities – Burden of Proof Ho. Co. 02-22

#### **Passed County Delegation – Filed as HB0865**

Testimony Held March 3, 2022

Senate Hearing April 5, 1PM





#### Howard County Board of Education – School Safety Personnel Ho. Co. 1-22

By: Delegate Atterbeary

FOR the purpose of requiring the Howard County Board of Education to develop a plan to implement certain school safety guidelines that replaces school resource officers in public schools in Howard County with adequate law enforcement coverage provided by school coverage officers, effectively addresses the need for certain personnel, and requires school coverage officers and school security employees to complete a certain model training program; defining the term "school coverage officer"; requiring the county board to solicit and incorporate input from stakeholders in the Howard County Public School System and school community; and generally relating to school safety personnel in Howard County.

#### NOT VOTED ON YET FAILS BY INACTION



Howard County – Department of Housing and Community Development – Housing Opportunities Trust Fund,

Ho. Co. 5-22 (PASSED BY THE DELEGATION 1/19/22, )

By: Delegate Feldmark and Senator Guzzone

FOR the purpose of establishing the Housing Opportunities Trust Fund as a non-reverting special fund to be used to promote equitable access to affordable housing for households of limited income in Howard County; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development for Howard County to report on the activity of the Fund during the prior fiscal year on or before a certain date each year; and generally relating to funding for affordable housing in Howard County.

Passed – Delegation Cross-filed Hearing Held 3-31-2022

Driessen, Joan	Association of Community Services of Howard County	FAV	HB 878-ACS- 3.1.2022.pdf	ENT
Eng, Jackie		FAV	Oral Testimony HB878_FAV_Eng	ENT
Evans Arthurs, Maureen	Howard County Government	FAV	Oral Testimony DHCD_HB 878_ Suport_Housing Trust Fund_Final.pdf	ENT
Howard County Delegation, Howard County Delegation		FAV	Oral Testimony	ENT
Hurewitz, Joel		UNF	Oral Testimony	ENT
Rigby, Christiana		FAV	Oral Testimony <u>HB0878 Rigby</u> <u>Favorable.pdf</u>	ENT
Rubeling, Abbey	Howard County Delegation	FAV	HB878DelegationFAV.p df	ENT
Salganik, Laura	Jewish Community Relations Council of Howard County	FAV	HB878_HoCo Housing Opp Trust Fund_fav_3.1.22.pdf	ENT



Howard County – Commercial Building Excise Tax – Board of Education Deferred Maintenance, Ho. Co. 8-22

By: Delegate Atterbeary

FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Council of Howard County to impose an excise tax on commercial building construction; requiring the excise tax revenue to be used only for deferred maintenance needs identified by the Howard County Board of Education; and generally relating to a commercial building excise tax in Howard County and deferred maintenance in the Howard County Public School System.

#### NOT VOTED ON YET FAILS BY INACTION



<u>Howard County – Public Schools – Alternative Instruction Model Policy, Ho. Co. 9-22</u> (PASSED BY THE DELEGATION AS AMENDED 2/2/22)

By: Delegate Watson

FOR the purpose of providing that the use of an alternative instruction model constitutes a certain public school being open for pupil attendance for the purposes of meeting certain school day and hour requirements; authorizing the Howard County Board of Education to adopt a policy allowing a public school in the county to use an alternative instruction model under certain circumstances; and generally relating to an alternative instruction model policy in Howard County public schools.

Passed Howard County Delegation, Now HB 1306 Public Hearing March 10, 1PM Not Cross-filed – Unlikely To Proceed



Howard County Board of Education – Student Member – Voting

By: Delegate Ebersole FOR the purpose of authorizing the student member of the Howard County Board of Education to vote on budgetary matters; and generally relating to the Howard County Board of Education.

NOT VOTED ON YET FAILS BY INACTION

#### **County Council**

OF NOTE – THE PTACHC GENERAL MEETING TYPICALLY OVERLAPS THE COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS WHICH ARE BROADCAST AND ARCHIVED. VOTING SESSION TONIGHT MAR 7 at 7PM

THIS FREES UP THE TYPICAL THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH FOR PTACHC MEMBERS AND REPRESENATIVES TO TESTIFY ON PENDING COUNCIL LEGISLATION.

NEXT PUBLIC TESTIMONY On COUNTY BILLS IS APRIL 18, 7PM MONTHLY MEETING ON BILLS (VIEW ONLY) – APRIL 6, 1PM WORK SESSION ON BILLS – APRIL 20, 9:30AM - NOTE. THIS IS LISTED AS BUDGET SESSION 1



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### **County Council**

#### BILLS TO BE VOTED ON TONIGHT

#### CB-9-22

This bill addresses concerns with planning and affordable housing school overcrowding exemptions. An amendment reduces the exchange to a Non-binding conversation on capacity that does not alter exemption approval.

#### PASSED WITH AMENDMENT

**CR-29** A resolution that exempts a 76 Unit Affordable housing Development in Clemens Crossing (106%) / Wilde Lake Middle (103%) / Atholton High(113%) Attendance areas from a APFO pause due to school overcrowding. No HCPSS capital projects, redistricting or relocatable are planned for mitigation.

PASSED

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### **County Council**

#### **BILLS INTRODUCED TONIGHT**

CB-26-22 – A bill relating to use of commercial buildings for the 50% Offsite Pre-K capacity outsourcing requirement of the state Blueprint laws.



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# Budget

The superintendent released the HCPSS Budget on Jan 20, 2022 Asking for more than \$100M from prior years.

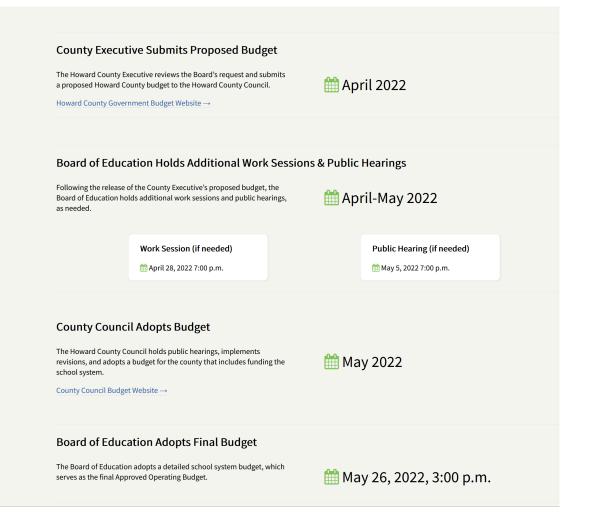
The BOE adopted their adaptation on FEB 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 \*Reduction on 1 student/teacher ratio \*DEC funding

2<sup>nd</sup> County Executive Citizens Budget Hearing Held March 14 PTACHC Was Cut From Speaking At Both Budget Hearings

April 1 – Executive releases Capital budget to press and Council.

https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/Portals/0/Documents/Budget/FY2023/Exec%20Pr op%20FY23%20Capital%20Budget%20web.pdf

April 18 2022, 6:30PM – Executive Presents His Budget Immediately following, BOE to determine CUTS, and the Council to consider RESTORATIONS in May 2022. BOE and Council start budget sessions afterward.

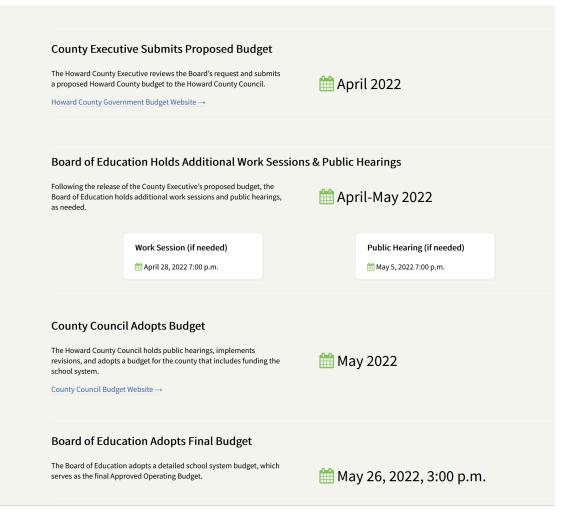


#### https://www.hcpss.org/about-us/budgets/fy23/

# Budget

April 19 6:00PM – Council Budget Public Hearing EDUCATION Capital Budget April 20 9:30AM – Council Budget Work Session April 22 9:30AM – Council Budget Work Session April 22 Executive Proposed Operating Budget Release To Public April 25 6:00PM – Council Budget Public Hearing EDUCATION Operating Budget April 27 9:30AM – Council Budget Work Session April 28 7:00PM – BOE Budget Work Session

May 26 3:00PM – BOE Final Budget



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## Redistricting

The public input to the redistricting process to open HS#13 In Jessup was held March 8th, 9th, and 14<sup>th</sup>

While the FOCUS is on HS#13 – Any attendance area could be considered based on the need to fill HS#13, adjust feeds at all grade levels and cascading effects.

PTACHC supports and advocates for all schools to be adequate and <u>does not</u> Take positions on individual redistricting.

PTACHC <u>does support</u> necessary improvements to the entire school system, redistricting processes, public input ,transparency, prevention of overcrowding and concentrations of poverty.

Feasibility Study
The Feasibility Study includes:
<ul> <li>Possible options based on enrollment data and available capacity for boundary adjustments.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>A comprehensive look at the 10-year student enrollment projections for county schools.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>The most currently available data, including population growth based on students yielded from sales of existing housing and from projected new housing units, and</li> </ul>

socioeconomic data

https://www.hcpss.org/school-planning/redistricting-for-23-24/

### **General Plan**

The General Plan is updated every 10 years. The update process is underway and PTA members should be advocating for educational resources to match any growth objectives. The General Plan consultant is operating under the name HOCO BY DESIGN and has another new survey. These surveys are used to justify future changes in development growth and density.

Most survey questions attempt to have you select various growth increasing changes to zoning under a variety of reasons. These also include suggestions to reduce or eliminate Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance standards which protect against school overcrowding. PTA members have until **April 10<sup>th</sup>** to complete the survey at

#### https://www.hocobydesign.com/dynamic-neighborhoods

While growth can be mitigated in multiple ways, consider if the proposals in the survey are contingent on adequate school capacity, or independent of providing adequate school capacity during your selections and comments. A lack of response by PTA members will be considered acceptance of each unconditional growth initiative.

The Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet April 5<sup>th</sup>, Noon to 2:30PM <u>https://www.hocobydesign.com/planning-advisory-committee</u> (\*PAC Not to be confused with Political Action Committees funded and funding candidates currently opposed to APFO school overcrowding protections <u>https://campaignfinance.maryland.gov/Public/ViewFiledReports</u>)

