



BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HOWARD COUNTY
MEETING AGENDA ITEM

TITLE: Legislative Summary Report – End of 2023 Session **DATE:** April 27, 2023

PRESENTER(S): Danielle Lueking, Legislative and Legal Affairs Officer

Strategic Call To Action Alignment: Operations and practices are responsive, transparent, fiscally responsible and accountable, with students at the heart of all decisions.

OVERVIEW:

Background Information: The Maryland General Assembly meets in Annapolis each year for 90 days to act on legislative measures including the state’s annual budget. The 445th session began on January 11, 2023, and will adjourn on April 10, 2023. The Board of Education of Howard County adopted its 2023 Legislative Platform on September 8, 2022.

Discussion: The attached report contains a list of bills for which the Board of Education of Howard County took a position during the 2023 session and the status as of April 11, after Sine Die. To find more information on the status and actions taken by the Maryland General Assembly, click on the link in the bill number.

A review of passed bills having significant impact on the Howard County Public School System will be presented to the Board during the April 27, 2023, Board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION/FUTURE DIRECTION:

The General Counsel’s Office will work with staff to relay changes in education-related statute resulting from the passage of bills by the Maryland General Assembly.

SUBMITTED BY: _____ **APPROVAL/CONCURRENCE:** _____

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Legislative Report
2023 Maryland General Assembly
Board of Education of Howard County
April 27, 2023

Status of Board of Education Position Bills – As of 4/11/23, After Sine Die

(Highlighted bills = passed by the Maryland General Assembly. All bills, unless indicated, must still be signed by the Governor before enacted into law.)

Local Bills

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0373 SUPPORT	Howard County – Due Process Proceedings for Children With Disabilities – Burden of Proof Ho. Co. 2–23: Requiring the Howard County Board of Education to bear the burden of proof in due process proceedings that initiate from a due process complaint regarding the provision of special education services or a program for a child with disabilities in Howard County except under certain circumstances.	Howard County Delegation	FAILED
HB1093 SB0951 SUPPORT	Howard County - Board of Education - Terms and Public Campaign Financing Ho. Co. 14-23: Altering the terms of the members of the Howard County Board of Education; and authorizing the governing body of Howard County to establish a system of public campaign financing for members of the county board of education.	Howard County Delegation	FAILED

Board Operations

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0176 SUPPORT	Local Public Campaign Financing - Expansion to Additional Offices: Authorizing the governing body of a county to establish a system of public campaign financing for the offices of State's Attorney, sheriff, register of wills, judge and clerk of the circuit court, judge of the orphans' court, or an elected member of the county board of education after the governing body of the county has implemented a system of public campaign financing for elective offices in the executive or legislative branches of county government for at least one complete election cycle.	Delegate Feldmark	FAILED
HB0213 SUPPORT	Election Law - Local Public Campaign Financing - Boards of Education: Authorizing the governing body of a county to establish a system of public campaign financing for elected members of the county board of education after the governing body of the county	Delegate Watson	FAILED

	has implemented a system of public campaign financing for elective offices in the executive or legislative branches of the county government for at least one complete election cycle; and prohibiting the system from including public campaign financing for the election of a student member of the board.		
HB1010 SB0753 OPPOSE	Public Information Act – Personnel Records of Elected Officials and Joint Ethics Committee Records: Establishing that certain records of elected officials are not personnel records for the purposes of inspection under the Public Information Act; and establishing that certain records of the State Ethics Commission and Joint Committee on Legislative Ethics are available for public inspection under certain circumstances.	Delegate Valentine	FAILED

Employee Regulations/Human Resources

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0081 SUPPORT	Community Development Administration - Live Near Where You Teach Program - Establishment: Authorizing the Community Development Administration in the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer a home buyer assistance program that assists certain teachers with receiving certain low-interest mortgages for the purchase of homes near where the teacher is employed; and requiring the Administration to administer certain community development projects to provide certain teachers with certain financial assistance to buy homes near where the teacher is employed under certain circumstances.	Delegate Amprey	FAILED
HB0085 SB0206 OPPOSE	Education - Collective Bargaining - Certificated Employees - Class Size: Repealing the prohibition on a public school employer negotiating the maximum number of students assigned to a class.	Delegate J. Lewis Senator Beidle	FAILED
HB0226 SB0021 SUPPORT	Criminal Law - Person in a Position of Authority - Sexual Offenses With a Minor: Altering the definition of "person in a position of authority" for purposes of a certain prohibition against engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a minor; altering a certain prohibition against a certain person from engaging in certain conduct in a position of authority to prohibit a certain person from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a minor who is enrolled in certain programs where the person in a position of authority is employed or under contract; etc.	Delegate Love Senator Folden	PASSED
HB0488 SB0482 SUPPORT W/AMEND	Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program - Mental Health Professionals in Public Schools: Expanding the purpose of the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program to include assisting in the repayment of loans for mental health professionals serving as school psychologists, resource psychologists, psychologist coordinators, social workers, social	Delegate Vogel Senator Lewis Young	FAILED

	worker supervisors, or mental health coordinators in the public schools; and requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance to publicize the Program to eligible mental health professionals to help recruit and retain mental health professionals in the public schools. <i>*Provisions from this bill ultimately included in HB1219</i>		
HB0699 OPPOSE	State and Local Government - Proof of Vaccination for Employees and Applicants for Employment - Prohibition (Vaccination by Choice Act): Prohibiting the State and the political subdivisions in the State from requiring an applicant for employment or an employee to provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19 as a condition for employment.	Delegate Morgan	FAILED
HB0888 SUPPORT	Education - Prekindergarten Alternative Teacher Preparation Program - Authorization and Reporting: Authorizing prekindergarten alternative teacher preparation programs; altering certain reporting requirements to include reports on prekindergarten alternative teacher preparation programs; and altering the high staff qualifications for ensuring the program quality of eligible prekindergarten providers beginning in the 2025-2026 school year.	Delegate Solomon	FAILED
HB0961 SUPPORT W/AMEND	State Department of Education - School Psychologist Recruitment Program: Establishing the School Psychologist Recruitment Program within the State Department of Education to provide professional development programs and aid for a certification fee to school psychologists and individuals seeking to become school psychologists and to reimburse school psychologists for professional conference expenses.	Delegate Reilly	FAILED
HB0984 SB0367 OPPOSE	Public Employee Relations Act: Consolidating and altering certain laws governing collective bargaining for certain public employees, including laws related to the establishment of bargaining units, elections and certification of exclusive representatives, employee and employer rights, unfair labor practices, and strikes and lockouts; establishing the Public Employee Relations Board to oversee collective bargaining activities for certain public employees; etc. AMENDMENTS: <i>Maintains classroom size and school calendar as unpermissible subjects of bargaining; maintains mediation as method for resolving disputes rather than arbitration; retains prior case opinion/decision precedent from Public School Labor Relations Board; maintains existing definition of confidential employee; and expanding the definition of strike to include any concerted action to impede the full and proper performance of employment duties.</i>	Delegate Lewis, J. Senator Lam	PASSED
HB1219 SB0983 SUPPORT W/AMEND	Maryland Educator Shortage Act of 2023: Requiring the State Department of Education to establish specific goals for the recruitment and retention of teachers in teacher preparation programs; transferring the administration of the Teaching Fellows for Maryland program to the Department and altering the qualifications for the program; establishing the Grow Our Own Educators Scholarship Program and Fund to provide scholarships to individuals who pledge to work full-time as a teacher in the State; establishing the Educator Internship Stipend Program; etc. AMENDMENTS: <i>Removing provisions for an interstate compact; allowing early childhood educators to use prior learning for certification with criteria to be developed by the Maryland State</i>	Speaker President	PASSED

	<i>Department of Education; delaying teacher and paraprofessional qualification requirements for early childhood staff under Blueprint by two years; altering the qualifications for the Teaching Fellows for Maryland program; establishing the Teacher Development and Retention Program as a pilot program; and including school mental health professionals in educator scholarship opportunities.</i>		
SB0609 SUPPORT	Education - Early Childhood Education Teachers - Qualifications: Altering the qualifications for early childhood education teacher certification completed through an alternative preparation program.	Senator M. Washington	FAILED
SB0809 OPPOSE	Education - Public School Employees - Parental Leave: Providing that certain public school employees may be entitled to parental leave with pay under certain circumstances; authorizing certain public school employees to use certain leave for certain purposes; and requiring each public school employer to adopt policies and guidelines governing parental leave including the establishment of conditions and procedures for requesting and approving parental leave.	Senator A. Washington	FAILED

Budget/School Funding

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0598 SUPPORT W/AMEND	Education - Funding for General Education Programs - Definition Alterations: Altering certain definitions relating to enrollment that are used for the calculation of funding for general education programs.	Delegate Wu	FAILED
HB0737 OPPOSE	Alternative Education Options - Right to Learn and Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today Programs (Right to Learn Act of 2023): Requiring, on or before January 1 each year, and based on certain star ratings, each county board of education to notify the parents or guardians of students in a failing school that the school is failing and provide a list of options; establishing the Right to Learn Program to provide students in failing schools with certain scholarships; establishing the Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today Program to provide scholarships for students eligible for free and reduced-price lunches to attend a non-public school; etc.	Delegate Ghrist	FAILED
HB0739 OPPOSE	Primary and Secondary Education - Full-Time Equivalent Enrollment Count - Alterations (Truancy Reduction Act of 2023): Altering the definition of "full-time equivalent enrollment" in the calculation for State education aid to include the average number of students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12 on September 30, December 31, March 31, and the last day of the prior school year; and applying the Act to the calculation of education funding for fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2024.	Delegate Rose	FAILED

Blueprint

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0143 SB0585 SUPPORT	Career and Technical Education Committee - Alterations: Altering the composition of the Career and Technical Education Committee; altering the Committee's duties and authorized actions to include the perspective of career colleges and skilled trade organizations; and requiring the Committee to develop and provide to guidance counselors and public schools in the State a list of all skilled trade organization programs and career school programs in the State.	Delegate Qi Senator Hester	FAILED
HB0306 SB0266 SUPPORT	Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports – Membership – Alteration: Altering the membership of the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports to include a school counselor certified by the State Department of Education, designated by the Maryland School Counselor Association. <i>*Provisions from this bill ultimately included in HB0770</i>	Delegate Wilkins Senator Hester	FAILED
HB0770 SB0913 SUPPORT	Blueprint for Maryland's Future - Publicly Funded Prekindergarten, Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports, and Career Ladder - Alterations: Altering the definition of a "Tier I child" who may be enrolled beginning in the 2022-2023 school year to a full-day prekindergarten program, to include children with a disability, children who are homeless youths, and children who are from homes in which English is not the primary spoken language. AMENDMENTS: <i>Exempting certain schools from the requirement to collect eligibility forms if the school is in a local school system in which all schools participate in the community eligibility provision; altering the categories of Tier II children who are given priority for the expansion of prekindergarten slots and funding; altering the duties of an assistant principal on the career ladder created by the Blueprint; and delaying the date on which county boards of education must select certain experts to write curriculum and develop model lessons.</i>	Delegate Atterbeary Senator Guzzone	PASSED (enacted)
HB0883 SB0791 SUPPORT W/AMEND	Primary and Secondary Education - Public School Employees - Job Duties and Salaries: Altering the minimum salary for and establishing certain salary increases for certain public school employees; altering the duties of an assistant principal on the career ladder; and repealing a requirement that a county board of education must select a certain teacher on the teacher leadership track of the career ladder to write certain curriculum and assessment plans. <i>*Provisions from this bill ultimately included in HB0770</i>	Delegate Feldmark Senator Elfreth	FAILED
HB1196 SUPPORT W/AMEND	Blueprint for Maryland's Future Implementation - Funding and Independent Evaluation - Alterations: Requiring the State, for fiscal years 2025 and 2026, to provide a \$150,000 grant to each county board of education for the salary of a Blueprint for Maryland's Future implementation coordinator in each county. <i>*Funding ultimately provided for Blueprint Coordinator Salaries in the FY23 Budget = \$2 million statewide</i>	Delegate Smith	FAILED

HB1211 SUPPORT	Education - Compensatory Education - Maryland Neighborhood Tier System Calculation: Altering and adding certain definitions related to the calculation of the compensatory education funding amount; requiring the State Department of Education to monitor certain actions of county boards of education; and requiring the Department to establish the Maryland Neighborhood Tier System.	Delegate Smith	FAILED
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Administration/Management of Public Schools

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0069 OPPOSE	Education - Student Behavior - Parent and Guardian Notice and Required Counseling (Parent and Guardian Accountability Act): Establishing that it is unlawful for a parent or guardian of a student in a public school to fail to seek and participate in counseling with the parent's or guardian's child after receiving notice of violent and disruptive behavior; and requiring a public school principal to provide written notice to the parent or guardian of a student who engages in two or more incidents of violent and disruptive behavior in a public school during the school year.	Delegate R. Long	FAILED
HB0343 OPPOSE	Education - Public School Athletics - Basketball Schedule: Establishing rules for public school athletic schedules for basketball, including the maximum number of games played per week and season and the number of tournament games played each year; and requiring each county board of education to decide whether to authorize a team to play in a tournament or showcase game.	Delegate Boyce	FAILED
HB0510 SB0321 SUPPORT	Public Schools - Length of School Year and Innovative School Scheduling Models – Revisions: Altering the length of school year requirement for pupil attendance during the school year; and authorizing county boards of education to explore the use of innovative school scheduling models for public schools in the county, including extended year, year-round schooling, 4-day school week, or other models that do not allow for prolonged lapses in instructional time in public schools.	Delegate D. Jones Senator Beidle	FAILED
SB0338 SUPPORT W/AMEND	Primary and Secondary Education - Extended School Year Innovation Grant: Establishing the Extended School Year Innovation Grant to develop and implement an extended school year scheduling model in public primary and secondary schools; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Grant to participating public primary or secondary schools to support certain expenses associated with implementing an extended school year scheduling model; and requiring the Governor, for each fiscal year through 2035, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$25,000,000 to the Department for the Grant.	Senator Ferguson	FAILED
HB0568	Education - Student-Organized Peaceful Demonstrations - Student Discipline and Policy: Prohibiting a public school from prohibiting a student from organizing or participating in a student-organized peaceful demonstration, imposing certain limits on a	Delegate Ebersole	FAILED

SUPPORT W/AMEND	student's right to free speech while participating in a student-organized peaceful demonstration, or disciplining a student for organizing or participating in a student-organized peaceful demonstration under certain circumstances; and requiring each county board of education to develop a written policy regarding student-organized peaceful demonstrations.		
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Curriculum/Educational Programming

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0099 SB0316 OPPOSE	Education – Public High Schools – Financial Literacy Curriculum: Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a half-credit course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the financial literacy curriculum content and make the course available to students in every public high school in the county; and repealing a provision of law requiring the State Department of Education to report on certain financial literacy information at a certain interval.	Delegate Sample-Hughes Senator Brooks	FAILED
HB0119 OPPOSE	County Boards of Education - Curriculum Guides and Courses of Study - Requirements: Requiring each county board of education to follow the policy and guidelines for program instruction for public schools established by the State Board of Education; requiring the Superintendent to notify a county board if it is determined that the county board is not following every element of the policy and guidelines; authorizing the Superintendent to withhold 10% of the funds budgeted for the county board if the board fails to resolve any discrepancy identified by the Superintendent within 30 days; etc.	Delegate Atterbeary	FAILED
HB0461 OPPOSE	Education - Sexual Abuse and Assault Awareness and Prevention Program - Human and Sex Trafficking: Requiring the State Board of Education and nonpublic schools that hold a certificate of approval from the State Board and participate in the Nonpublic Schools Textbook and Technology Grants Program to develop and implement a program of age-appropriate education on the awareness and prevention of sexual abuse and assault that includes, for students in grades 6 through 8, material promoting the awareness and prevention of human and sex trafficking.	Delegate S. Johnson	FAILED
HB0880 OPPOSE	Education - Public Middle Schools - Course on Collateral Consequences of a Criminal Conviction: Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum standards and county boards of education to develop and implement a curriculum for a course on the collateral consequences of a criminal conviction for public middle school students in the State.	Delegate Conaway	FAILED
HB1105 OPPOSE	Public Schools – Water Safety and Swimming Course – Established: Requiring the State Department of Education to develop curriculum content for an elective course in water safety and swimming for public school students in grades 8 through 12; requiring, beginning in the 2025-2026 school year, county boards of	Delegate Toles	FAILED

	education to implement the water safety and swimming curriculum content for students in grades 8 through 12 in public middle and high schools in the county; and authorizing a public middle or high school to partner with a local parks and recreation facility for certain purposes.		
HB1110 OPPOSE	Education - Peace and Conflict Studies - High School Course: Requiring the State Department of Education to develop curriculum content standards for a high school course on peace and conflict studies; requiring each county board of education to implement a course on peace and conflict studies in each public high school in the county beginning in the 2024-2025 school year; and requiring each public high school to hire a mediator to provide education and support to students and school personnel relating to conflict resolution and peaceful communications in resolving disputes.	Delegate Bhandari	FAILED
HB1203 OPPOSE	County Boards of Education and Public Schools - Committees and Task Forces - Open Meetings Act: Subjecting a committee or task force convened by a county board of education or a public school to the Open Meetings Act if the committee or task force will review or discuss curriculum content, textbooks or other course materials, library books, or supplemental materials.	Delegate Miller	FAILED
HB1241 SB0837 OPPOSE	Education - Curriculum - Study of the Holocaust (Educate to Stop the Hate Act): Requiring the State Department of Education to develop certain guidelines on or before January 1, 2024, and revise and enhance instruction about the Holocaust in public schools for certain elementary, middle, and high school grade levels; requiring all public schools and certain nonpublic schools to include the revised and enhanced Holocaust instruction in school curricula beginning in the 2024-2025 school year; encouraging certain nonpublic schools to include in the curriculum a unit of instruction on the Holocaust; etc.	Delegate Attar Senator Kramer	FAILED
SB0149 OPPOSE	Education - Curriculum - Unit of Instruction on September 11, 2001, Terrorist Attacks: Requiring public schools and nonpublic schools that participate in State-funded education programs to include in the curriculum, beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, a unit of instruction on the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks that is consistent with certain guidelines developed by the State Board of Education; and encouraging nonpublic schools that do not participate in State-funded education programs to include in the curriculum a unit of instruction on the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.	Senator Salling	FAILED
SB0238 OPPOSE	Public High Schools – Financial Literacy – Curriculum, Graduation Requirement, and Professional Development: Requiring the State Board of Education, with the assistance of the Maryland Council on Economic Education, to develop curriculum content for a certain course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to require implementation of the curriculum in every public high school beginning in the 2026-2027 school year; requiring the completion of a certain financial literacy course to graduate from high school beginning in 2030; etc.	Senator Klausmeier	FAILED
SB0799	Public Schools - Cyber Safety Guide - Development, Usage, and Reporting: Requiring the State Department of Education, the Behavioral Health Administration within the Maryland Department	Senator Hester	FAILED

SUPPORT W/AMEND	of Health, the Maryland Center for School Safety, and the Department of Information Technology jointly to develop and publish a cyber safety guide to be made available in public schools beginning in the 2024-2025 school year; requiring the cyber safety guide to be developed in consultation with professionals who specialize in child development and child psychology; etc.		
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Virtual Schools/Courses/Closures

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB1297 SB0820 OPPOSE	Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Education - Requirements: Requiring a teacher preparation program to include certain training related to teaching in a virtual learning environment as a component of instruction; providing that a county board of education may authorize a county superintendent of schools to provide virtual education to students instead of closing the public schools because of severe weather conditions; requiring the Department, by September 1, 2023, to establish a statewide universal learning management system for all public schools in the State; etc.	Delegate Ebersole Senator A. Washington	FAILED
HB0985 OPPOSE	Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Schools - Alterations: Authorizing the State Department of Education, a county board of education, or a public institution of higher education to establish a statewide virtual school in the State; authorizing a student who is eligible for enrollment in a public school in State to enroll in any virtual school established throughout the State; repealing certain provisions of law regarding the establishment and operation of virtual schools; requiring the State to distribute certain funds to virtual schools; etc.	Delegate Szeliga	FAILED
SB0610 OPPOSE	Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Education: Requiring a teacher preparation program to include certain training related to teaching in a virtual learning environment as a component of instruction; providing that a county board of education may authorize a county superintendent of schools, under certain circumstances, to provide virtual education days to students instead of closing the public schools in the county because of severe weather conditions; altering the requirements for virtual schools established by a county board of education; etc. <i>AMENDMENTS: Authorizing bargaining of start time and preparation time for teachers when using virtual education days; requiring local school systems to provide work for all employees on virtual education days; and requiring the State Board of Education to develop an appeals process if development of a virtual school is denied by the State Superintendent.</i>	Senator M. Washington	PASSED
SB0829 OPPOSE	Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Education - Requirements: Requiring a teacher preparation program to include certain training related to teaching in a virtual learning environment, including the use of online curriculum; providing that a county	Senator Hester	FAILED

	board of education may authorize a county superintendent of schools, under certain circumstances, to provide virtual education days to students instead of closing the public schools in the county; altering the requirements for virtual schools established by a county board; etc.		
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Student Support/Health Services

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0082 SB0201 SUPPORT W/AMEND	Maryland Medical Assistance and Children's Health Insurance Programs - School-Based Behavioral Health Services - Reimbursement: Requiring, on or before December 1, 2023, the Maryland Department of Health to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a State plan amendment authorizing certain reimbursement of behavioral health services when provided in a school setting by certain health care providers under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program or the Maryland Children's Health Insurance Program.	Delegate Charkoudian Senator Hester	FAILED
HB0266 OPPOSE	Public and Nonpublic Schools - Bronchodilator Availability and Use – Policies: Requiring each county board of education and authorizing nonpublic schools in the State to establish a policy to obtain, administer, and train certain school personnel to administer in emergency situations bronchodilators to a student who is determined to have asthma, is experiencing asthma-related symptoms, or is perceived to be in respiratory distress; requiring the State Department of Education to develop training for school personnel in identification of respiratory distress in students; etc.	Delegate Boyce	FAILED
HB0307 SB0858 SUPPORT	Firearm Safety - Storage Requirements and Youth Suicide Prevention (Jaelynn's Law): Altering a certain provision relating to the storage of firearms and ammunition in a location that can be accessed by an unsupervised child; prohibiting the storage of firearms and ammunition in a manner that allows access by a certain person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm; repealing a certain provision relating to negligence; and requiring the Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services to develop a youth suicide prevention and firearm safe storage guide, with recommendations from a stakeholder committee. <i>AMENDMENTS: Funding for development of the guide and grants to local entities removed; maintains requirement for guide to be developed.</i>	Delegate Bartlett Senator Smith	PASSED
HB0321 SUPPORT	Cigarette Restitution Fund - Payments for Sale and Marketing of Electronic Smoking Devices - Use: Requiring the Cigarette Restitution Fund to include a separate account consisting of payments received by the State from certain enforcement actions related to the sale and marketing of electronic smoking devices; and providing that distributions from the separate account may be used, consistent with any other State law, to supplement General Fund appropriations designated for certain programs with the purpose of	Delegate Rosenberg	PASSED

	reducing the use of tobacco products by individuals under 21 years of age.		
HB0603 SB0419 OPPOSE	Nonpublic Schools - School Health Services Program - Eligibility for Participation: Altering the requirements of the school health services program to allow participation by certain nonpublic schools; prohibiting a county board of education from expending more than \$40 per student, adjusted for inflation, to provide school health services to students in certain nonpublic schools; prohibiting a county board from providing adequate school health services in nonpublic schools that discriminate in certain ways; and requiring the Governor to provide \$4,000,000 in the annual budget bill starting in fiscal year 2025 for the program.	Delegate Stein Senator Hettleman	FAILED
HB0878 OPPOSE	Public Schools - Student Telehealth Appointments - Policy and Access: Requiring each county board of education to establish a policy to accommodate students who need to participate in telehealth appointments during the school day; requiring each public middle and high school to designate a space that meets certain requirements for student telehealth appointments; and requiring each county board to ensure that the local school system publishes the student telehealth policy in the student handbook and makes school personnel aware of the objectives and requirements of the policy.	Delegate D. Jones	FAILED
HB1054 SB0573 SUPPORT W/AMEND	Public Schools - Health and Vision Services - Screenings and Eye Examinations: Altering the duties of the State Department of Education's and the Maryland Department of Health's primary contact employees for school-based health centers to include the implementation and oversight of the Vision for Maryland Program; altering the requirements for vision screenings for students; requiring a county board of education to determine whether certain students should receive an eye examination and eyeglasses; establishing the Pediatric Vision Program and the Vision for Maryland Program to expand vision support services; etc.	Delegate Hill Senator Lewis Young	FAILED
HB1190 SB0220 SUPPORT	Juveniles - Truancy Reduction Pilot Program - Expansion: Expanding, renaming, and altering certain provisions relating to a certain truancy reduction program in certain juvenile courts; authorizing a county or circuit administrative judge to establish a certain Truancy Reduction and School Reengagement Program as a problem-solving court in certain juvenile courts in accordance with rules adopted by the Supreme Court of Maryland; and requiring the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland to annually report certain information to the General Assembly.	Delegate Clippinger Senator Smith	FAILED
SB0127 SUPPORT	Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center - Student FAFSA Data - Reporting Requirement: Altering a reporting requirement to require the Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center to report certain student Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) data to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 15 each year, beginning in 2023 and ending in 2028; and requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to provide the Center with access to student FAFSA data.	Senator Ellis	PASSED
SB0259	Business Regulation - Flavored Tobacco Products - Prohibition: Providing that certain licenses to manufacture, sell, buy, and store cigarettes, other tobacco products, and electronic smoking devices	Senator Lam	FAILED

SUPPORT	do not authorize the licensee to manufacture, ship, import, or sell into or within the State a flavored tobacco product with a taste or smell of fruit, mint, candy, or other nontobacco flavors; providing that a public statement that cigarettes, other tobacco products, or electronic smoking devices have or produce a certain smell or taste is presumptive evidence that they are flavored tobacco products; etc.		
SB0628 SUPPORT	School-Based Health Centers - Services, Infrastructure, and Funding: Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide coverage for sports physicals performed by school-based health centers; requiring the Secretary of Health to include certain infrastructure needs in guidelines on the expansion of school-based health centers; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health, on or before January 1, 2024, to develop a certain school-based health center funding allocation formula and a certain budget proposal.	Senator Lam	FAILED

Special Education

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0294 SB0926 SUPPORT	County Boards of Education - Due Process Proceedings for Children With Disabilities - Burden of Proof: Requiring a county board of education to bear the burden of proof in due process proceedings that initiate from a due process complaint regarding the provision of special education services or a program for a child with disabilities in the county in which the county board is located, except under certain circumstances.	Delegate Atterbeary Senator A. Washington	FAILED

School Construction & Maintenance

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0383 SB0109 SUPPORT	Interagency Commission on School Construction - Systemic Renovation Projects - Eligibility: Requiring the Interagency Commission on School Construction to consider systemic renovation projects with a construction cost of at least \$100,000 as eligible for funding from the Supplemental Public School Construction Financing Fund and the Supplemental Public School Construction Facilities Fund in fiscal years 2024 through 2026.	Delegate Watson Senator Hester	FAILED
HB0458 SB0560	Public School Construction - Programs, Approvals, and Administration - Alterations: Repealing the School Safety Grant Program and the Aging Schools Program as of June 30, 2026; altering provisions relating to school construction approvals by the State Superintendent of Schools; establishing the Interagency Commission on School Construction as an independent unit of State	Delegate J. Lewis Senator Guzzone	PASSED

SUPPORT W/AMEND	government; providing a removal process for members of the Interagency Commission; repealing the requirement for the Board of Public Works to approve grants awarded under a certain capital grant program; etc. <i>AMENDMENTS: Increasing the threshold for State approval of remodeling projects; and requiring a county board of education to develop a life cycle cost analysis and submit a report to the Interagency Commission on School Construction.</i>		
HB0900 SB0355 OPPOSE	Occupational Safety and Health - Public Buildings - Indoor Air Quality: Requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, in consultation with the Secretary of the Environment, the Secretary of Health, and the Director of the Maryland Energy Administration, to adopt a comprehensive indoor air quality standard for public buildings on or before October 31, 2025; requiring the Commissioner to establish a technical advisory committee to make certain recommendations regarding the development of the comprehensive indoor air quality standard; etc.	Delegate Kerr Senator Beidle	FAILED

Student Transportation

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0849 OPPOSE	School Bus Stops - Violations - Enforcement and Safety Measures: Requiring a law enforcement agency to issue a warning for certain first violation on State highways enforced by school bus monitoring cameras; and requiring the State Highway Administration to develop a certain plan for improved safety measures at certain school bus stops in Montgomery County and to report its findings to certain persons on or before December 31, 2023.	Delegate Moon	FAILED
SB0011 OPPOSE	Motor Vehicles - Establishment of School Zones: Altering from a half-mile to one-tenth of a mile the radius around certain schools within which a school zone may be established and speed monitoring systems may be placed and used.	Senator Snyder	FAILED

Food Services/School Nutrition

Number	Title & Summary	Primary Sponsor(s)	Status
HB0514 SB0559 SUPPORT	Education - Maryland Meals for Achievement In-Classroom Breakfast Program - Annual Appropriation: Increasing the appropriation required by the Governor for the Maryland Meals for Achievement In-Classroom Breakfast Program from \$7,550,000 to \$12,050,000 in the annual budget bill.	Delegate Solomon Senator Guzzone	PASSED

<p>HB0628</p> <p>SB0557</p> <p>SUPPORT</p>	<p>Primary and Secondary Education – Breakfast and Lunch Programs – Universal Expansion: Altering the standards of the State Free Feeding Program, beginning in fiscal year 2025, to require that if a school participates in the federal School Breakfast Program or the National School Lunch Program, then each student in the school must be offered a meal at no cost to the student; providing for the reimbursement rate at which the State shall pay county boards and participating nonpublic schools for the meals offered to students; etc.</p>	<p>Delegate Reznik</p> <p>Senator Guzzone</p>	<p>FAILED</p>
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