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LEGISLATIVE BLACK CAUCUS OF MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY AGENDA



HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

- **Protect Medicaid & SNAP**
- **HB 1118/SB 891: Perinatal Mental Health**
- **HB 446/SB 555: Dementia Services - Brain Health Program and Clinical Toolkit**
- **SB 780 & SB 781: CHERISH Our Communities Act**

EDUCATION

- **HB 60/SB 421: Sickle Cell Disease - Institutions of Higher Education - Policies, Procedures, and Educational Campaigns**
- **HB 534: Nonpublic Schools - Transcripts - Punitive Measures Related to Student Debt**
- **HB 340/SB 238: School Psychologist Interstate Licensure Compact**
- **HB 396/SB 402: Education Regulations for Children in Group Homes**

JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

- **HB 409/SB 323: Youth Charging Reform Act**
- **HB 389/SB 296: Juveniles - Detention and Confinement - Limitations on Juvenile Contact With Incarcerated Adults**
- **HB 81/SB 55: Motor Vehicles - Police Stops - Secondary Enforcement and Excludable Evidence**
- **HB 552: Independent Investigation of the House of Reformation and Instruction for Colored Children**
- **HB 414/SB 322: Courts - Jury Service - Disqualification**
- **Review of Equity in Criminal Justice System**
- **HB 935/SB 187: Correctional Services - Comprehensive Rehabilitative Prerelease Services - Female Incarcerated Individuals**

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ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT & HOUSING JUSTICE

- **HB 738/SB 651: The Transfer on Death Deed**
- **HB 849: Child Care Scholarship Freeze**
- **Appraisal Bias Package**
 - **LR 2763/LR2764: Reconsideration of Value**
 - **HB 920/SB 811: MLS Sales**
 - **HB 900: Legislative Scholarship**
 - **HB 919/SB 657: PAREA Grant Program**
- **HB 774/SB 462: Good Cause Evictions**
- **HB 1218/SB 941: Department of Housing and Community Development - Severe Health and Safety Risk Properties - Intervention Plan**

CIVIL RIGHTS

- **HB 444/SB 245: Public Safety - Immigration Enforcement Agreements - Prohibition**
- **HB 350/SB 255: Voting Rights Act of 2026 - Counties and Municipal Corporations**