

# 2023 MHAMD BILL LIST

Bill Number	Title	Purpose	Sponsor	Committee	Crossfile	MHAMD Position	Status
<a href="#">SB 3</a>	988 Trust Fund - Funding	Requires the Governor to appropriate \$12 million to the 988 Trust Fund in FY25.	Augustine	B&T   HGO	<a href="#">HB 271</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 8</a>	Mental Health - Treatment Plans for Individuals in Facilities— <i>Requirements and Residence Grievance System</i>	Outlines specific requirements related to the development, review and reassessment of treatment plans for individuals admitted to state facilities. <i>[Amendments require the Department of Health to adopt regulations for the appeals process and add reporting requirements]</i>	Augustine	FIN	<a href="#">HB 121</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 101</a>	Maryland Medicaid Collaborative Care Model Services - Implementation and Reimbursement Expansion	Requires Medicaid reimbursement for behavioral health services delivered in primary care settings via the Collaborative Care Model.	Augustine	FIN   HGO	<a href="#">HB 48</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 108</a>	Health Insurance Annual Behavioral Health Wellness Visits - Coverage and Reimbursement	Requires private health insurers to provide coverage and reimbursement for annual behavioral health wellness visits.	Augustine	FIN		SUPPORT	No Committee Action

<a href="#">SB 112</a>	State Finance and Procurement - Grants - Prompt Payment Requirement	Establishes invoicing and prompt payment requirements related to grants from specific state departments. <i>[Amendments alter statutory definitions and deadlines]</i>	Kagan	B&T   HGO	<a href="#">HB 328</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 154</a>	Public Health - Mental Health Advance Directives - Awareness and Statewide Database	Requires the Department of Health to develop and implement a public awareness campaign to encourage the use of mental health advance directives and a statewide database of mental health advance directives accessible to providers. <i>[Amendments alter the requirements of the BHA &amp; MHCC joint study]</i>	Beidle	FIN   HGO		SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 190</a>	Correctional Services - Pregnant Incarcerated Individuals - Substance Use Disorder Assessment and Treatment	Requires substance use screenings of pregnant incarcerated individuals and referral to a behavioral health provider for counseling and/or initiation or continuation of medication.	West	JPR	<a href="#">HB 44</a>	SUPPORT	No Committee Action

<a href="#">SB 201</a>	Maryland Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program's - School-Based Behavioral Health Services - Reimbursement	Requires Medicaid to apply for a state plan amendment to begin reimbursing certain professionals for behavioral health services delivered in school settings	Hester	FIN	<a href="#">HB 82</a>	LETTER OF INFO	No Committee Action
<a href="#">SB 223</a>	State Government - State Facilities Changes and Closures - Procedures	Establishes notice, public input, and reporting requirements related to the closure of state facilities. <i>[Amendments require that mandated reporting include plans for assisting patients and residents affected by the closure.]</i>	Augustine	EEE   HGO	<a href="#">HB 395</a>	SUPPORT W/ AMEND	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 228</a>	Department of Aging - Long-Term Care and Dementia Care Coordinator and Dementia Care Navigation Programs	Establishes the position of Dementia Care Coordinator in the Department of Aging and requires each area agency on aging to employ a dementia care navigator. <i>[Amendments alter language to include long-term care and chronic disease services]</i>	Beidle	FIN   HGO & APP	<a href="#">HB 614</a>	SUPPORT W/ AMEND	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 255</a>	Public Health - Home- and Community-Based Services for Children and Youth	Expands access to home and community-based High Fidelity Wraparound services for children and youth with high intensity behavioral health needs.	Hester	FIN HGO & APP	<a href="#">HB 322</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>

<a href="#">SB 263</a>	Maryland Higher Education Commission - Access to Mental Health Advisory Committee - Establishment	Establishes a committee to study and make recommendations regarding access to mental health services on higher education campuses.	Jackson	EEE   APP	<a href="#">HB 573</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 283</a>	Mental Health - Workforce Development - Fund Established	Establishes a Behavioral Health Workforce Investment Fund to reimburse for costs associated with educating, training, certifying, recruiting, placing, and retaining behavioral health professionals and paraprofessionals.	Augustine	B&T & FIN   HGO	<a href="#">HB 418</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 362</a>	Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics - Established	Provides for the statewide expansion of Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs). <i>[Amendments alter requirements to require the Department of Health to apply for federal planning, development, and implementation grant funds for CCBHCs in FY25 and inclusion in the state CCBHC demonstration program for FY26]</i>	Guzzone	FIN   RULES	<a href="#">HB 1249</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>

<a href="#">SB 388</a>	Public Schools - Standardized Behavioral Health Questionnaire for Students - Development and Implementation	Requires the development of guidelines for a standardized screening to identify students with behavioral health needs	Lewis Young	EEE	<a href="#">HB 265</a>	LETTER OF INFO	No Committee Action
<a href="#">SB 441</a>	Maryland Medical Assistance Program Prescription Digital Therapeutics	Requires Medicaid to provide coverage for prescription digital therapeutics.	Lam	FIN	<a href="#">HB 813</a>	SUPPORT	No Committee Action
<a href="#">SB 460</a>	Maryland Medical Assistance Program Gender-Affirming Treatment (Trans Health Equity Act)	Requires Medicaid coverage for medically necessary gender-affirming treatment. <i>[Amendments require health care providers to be publicly listed only with their consent.]</i>	Washington	FIN	<a href="#">HB 283</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 480</a>	Mental Health Law - Assisted Outpatient Treatment Programs	Authorizes the establishment of local assisted outpatient treatment (AOT) programs whereby individuals may be court-ordered into community mental health treatment.	Lewis Young	FIN	<a href="#">HB 823</a>	OPPOSE	No Committee Action

<a href="#">SB 482</a>	Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program - Mental Health Professionals in Public Schools	Provides loan repayment assistance for certain enumerated professionals providing mental health services in public schools.	Lewis Young	EEE   W&M & APP	<a href="#">HB 488</a>	MONITOR	Passed Senate   No House Action
<a href="#">SB 503</a>	Criminal Procedure - Child Advocacy Centers - Care Providers	Requires child advocacy centers, with certain exceptions, to provide notice to parents/guardians when there is a change in the child's behavioral health care provider and allow for a final session with the prior provider.	Muse	JPR	<a href="#">HB 762</a>	MONITOR	No Committee Action
<a href="#">SB 515</a>	Health Insurance - Step Therapy or Fail- First Protocol - Revisions	Prohibits insurance companies from imposing a step therapy or fail first requirement for prescription medications used to treat certain mental health disorders. <i>[As amended the bill simply requires insurers establish a process for requesting an exception to a step therapy protocol.]</i>	Lam	FIN	<a href="#">HB 785</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 532</a>	Criminal Law - Overdosing in Public - Prohibition	Makes overdosing in public a criminal offense subject to 60 days in jail.	Corderman	JPR	<a href="#">HB 667</a>	OPPOSE	No House Action

<a href="#">SB 534</a>	Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2023	Extends provisions requiring coverage for audio-only telehealth services and telehealth rate reimbursement on par with in-person services until June 2025. <i>[Amendments require a telehealth study by the Maryland Health Care Commission]</i>	Gile	FIN   HGO		SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 546</a>	Criminal Procedure Medical Emergency Immunity	Expands Good Samaritan legal protections for individuals who call for help at the scene of an overdose or medical emergency.	Muse	JPR   JUD	<a href="#">HB 427</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 581</a>	Behavioral Health Care Coordination Value-Based Purchasing Pilot Program	Establishes a 3-year pilot under which behavioral health providers would deliver intensive care coordination to a high risk population and be financially incentivized for meeting certain outcomes.	Klausmeier	FIN   HGO		SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>

<a href="#">SB 582</a>	Behavioral Health Care - Treatment and Access (Behavioral Health Model for Maryland)	Establishes a 4-year commission on behavioral health treatment and access; establishes a value-based purchasing pilot; provides for the expansion of CCBHCs; extends certain telehealth provisions. <i>[Amendments alter CCBHC requirements to match SB362 and require the Maryland Health Care Coalition to study telehealth services and payment parity]</i>	Augustine	FIN	<a href="#">HB 1148</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SB 600</a>	Health - Mental Health Care Provider Immunity and Establishment of Specialty Tertiary Care Psychiatric Programs	Provides that entities and individuals providing "specialty tertiary care psychiatric services" are legally immune from damages resulting from harm to or by a program patient.	Feldman	JPR & FIN	<a href="#">HB 732</a>	LETTER OF INFO	Withdrawn
<a href="#">SB 604</a>	Maryland Medical Assistance Program Provider Agencies and Personal Care Aides - Reimbursement and Wages	Requires Medicaid to increase the hourly reimbursement rate for personal assistance services to a minimum of \$25 per hour and requires provider agencies to pay the greater of \$16/hour or 64% of the reimbursement rate to their personal care aides.	Benson	FIN & B&T	<a href="#">HB 318</a>	SUPPORT	No Committee Action



<a href="#">SB 618</a>	Public Health - Overdose and Infectious Disease Prevention Services Program	Provides for the establishment of six overdose prevention sites throughout Maryland.	Hettleman	FIN	<a href="#">HB 953</a>	SUPPORT	No Committee Action
<a href="#">SB 761</a>	Correctional Facilities - Transgender, Nonbinary, and Intersex Inmates (Transgender Respect, Agency, and Dignity Act)	Expands housing options and protections against discrimination for LGBTQ incarcerated individuals.	Carter	JPR	<a href="#">HB 426</a>	SUPPORT	No Committee Action
<a href="#">SB 762</a>	Drug Paraphernalia for Administration - Decriminalization	Decriminalizes possession of drug paraphernalia	Carter	JPR	<a href="#">HB 173</a>	SUPPORT	No Committee Action
<a href="#">SB 794</a>	Behavioral Health Programs - Residential Programs - Food Service Facility Requirements	Prohibits the Maryland Department of Health from requiring behavioral health residential programs to comply with food service facility regulations if the program has fewer than 17 residents. <i>[Amendments require the Department to establish standards appropriate for smaller programs.]</i>	Carozza	FIN   HGO	<a href="#">HB 1153</a>	MONITOR	<b>BILL PASSED</b>

<a href="#">SB 811</a>	School Discipline - Behavioral Health and Safety - Data Collection and School Resource Officers	Requires local school boards to develop behavioral health and safety plans, which schools must implement prior to hiring a school resource officer.	Washington	EEE		MONITOR	No Committee Action
<a href="#">SB 858</a>	Firearm Safety - Storage Requirements and Youth Suicide Prevention (Jaelynn's Law)	Requires the Department of Health to develop and make available a Youth Suicide Prevention and Firearm Safe Storage Guide.	Smith	JPR   JUD	<a href="#">HB 307</a>	SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
<a href="#">HB 26</a>	Health Occupations - Psychologists - Licensure Qualifications	Provides for a postdoctoral respecialization certificate for purposes of licensure by the State Board of Psychologists.	Bagnall	HGO   FIN		SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>
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<a href="#">HB 375</a>	Education - Coaches - Mental Health First Aid Training	Requires schools and universities to train coaches in Mental Health First Aid.	Attar	W&M   EEE		SUPPORT	Passed House   No Senate Action

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<a href="#">HB 1155</a>	Workgroup on Establishing a Youth Codesigned Integrated Behavioral Health Model	Establishes a workgroup to design a pilot program that utilizes behavioral health prevention and early intervention services co-designed by youth.	Bridges	HGO		SUPPORT	Passed House   No Senate Action
<a href="#">HB 1198</a>	Drug and Alcohol Treatment Programs - Discharge of Patients and Referral Services - Standards	Requires the Department of Health to establish standards governing the discharge of patients from drug and alcohol treatment programs.	Howard	HGO		MONITOR	No Committee Action
<a href="#">HB 1224</a>	Public Schools - Medical and Psychological Treatment in School-Based Health Center and Public Schools - Parental Notice	Requires school-based behavioral health providers to provide student parents/guardians with information about any consultation, diagnosis, or treatment provided to a student.	Miller	HGO & W&M		OPPOSE	No Committee Action

<a href="#">HB 1249</a>	Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics - Established	Provides for the statewide expansion of Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs).	Hornberger	RULES	<a href="#">SB 362</a>	SUPPORT	Passed House   No Senate Action (Crossfile Passed)
<a href="#">HB 1272</a>	Maryland Insurance Commissioner Enforcement - Speciality Mental Health Services and Payment of Claims - Sunset Extension	Extends for two years the Maryland Insurance Administration's authorization to levy penalties against the state's public behavioral health service administrator for failure to meet performance standards.	Bagnall	HGO   FIN		SUPPORT	<b>BILL PASSED</b>