**Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing**

**Statewide Advisory Council Meeting**

**January 13, 2022**

**5:30 – 7:30 pm**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Participants:**  
Chief of Staff, Sharon Harrison, MCDHH

**SAC Members:**  
Brock Cordeiro  
Michelle Dardeno  
Leah McGaughey  
Ellen Perkins  
Linda Sakin  
Lori Seidman  
  
**Attendees from Community:**  
Marlene Blackstone, ViAbility  
Kristin Britton, Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)  
Brennan Bulger  
Cat Dvar, MCDHH  
Karin Eddy, MCDHH  
Neil MacGill, ViAbility  
Caitlin Parton, MCDHH  
Aurora Wilber, MCDHH

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| **Agenda Topic** | **Discussion** | **Follow up/Person Responsible** |
| Welcome | * Communication Procedures * Introductions * Review of Agenda |  |
| Review of Minutes from:  November 18, 2021 | * Minutes approved. | Approved minutes available [online](https://www.mass.gov/service-details/fy22-public-meeting-calendar). |
| Chairperson’s Report | * Statehouse 2020 Award Recognition: to honor awardees. Letter is under review to inform winners of planned presentation. 1. Photo opportunity with Commissioner Sotonwa on the steps of the State House. 2. Record vlog of describing accomplishments and reasons for receiving award. 3. Awardee/community member to film a statement of impact. Three pieces will be consolidated into a full presentation. Product will be shared with community members, posted to social media, etc. * Legislative Subcommittee work by Brock Cordeiro: purpose is to engage SAC membership in the legislative process. Bills were updated into categories of interest: 1. Deaf/Hard of Hearing 2. Education 3. Health/Medical 4. Social. * Legislative deadlines: Jan. 26: Governor’s Budget to be filed.  Feb. 2: bills need to be reported out (favorably) from their original joint committee. If not, the bill will be considered dead; refiling would need to be in the next session. Currently only four bills (see list page 4) have advanced to a new committee.   July 31: end of the formal session. Aug. – Jan.: informal session.  Jan. 3: end of second session.   * Community and SAC members are encouraged to connect with bill sponsors to express interest in pushing bills forward and into committee. * Example: [H2304](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2304): Brock’s work focused on outreaching to members of the Joint Committee on Public Health to petition members for bills to move favorably out of the committee. * Possible resource: intermediary group to connect SAC to legislation to act as a lobbyist group. Are there MA based or national organizations with paid staff to focus on lobbying efforts and support for the community? Recommendation: SAC agree on a few bills as priorities and focus on advocacy individually and as a group. * Disability Policy Consortium (DPC) is working to improve legislative advocacy in connection to a proposed bill associated with the Department of Children and Families (DCF). | Goal: completion end January/February.  Presentation sent as attachment to minutes.  Lori volunteered to assist Brock with categorization of the bills of interest.  Homework: SAC members are requested to review the bills of interest. Pick 1/2 which would impact you personally. Please connect with sponsors, co-sponsors, or committee members to communicate your support or concerns with the bill. Members will provide an update on their actions and efforts at the Feb. meeting. |
| Commissioner’s Report – Chief of Staff Sharon Harrison | * In December, Commissioner Sotonwa met with Governor Baker and the Commissioner expressed gratitude to the Governor on his continued support of MCDHH community members. This includes the Governor’s support of Western MA community members and improving the infrastructure for WiFi services. * Commissioner Sotonwa visited MCDHH regional offices and met with staff to improve his understanding of their roles and special concerns that may impact the regional setting. * January 2022: Governor Baker will announce the FY23 budget. MCDHH is expecting the continued support from the Governor and the Executive Office of Health and Human Services. * New Hires: \* Boston Case Manager: in process.   \* Communication Access Services (CAS) Director: Cat Dvar. CAS Division includes: Interpreter Dept., Referral Dept., Screening Dept. and Workforce Development.  \* Commissioner’s Designated Interpreter: Christina LaRock. \* General Counsel: Caitlin Parton. Role is new to MCDHH staff and will work to improve internal procedures and policies.  \* Screening and Evaluation Coordinator: Crystal Eusebio. Role will be focused on improving MCDHH interpreter screening, expanding the number of interpreters and focusing on improving the diversity of the pool of interpreters.   * Chief of Staff oversees CAS Director, Communication Access Training and Technology Services (CATTS), and Case Management. Also, works to support commission operations and support the Commissioner. |  |
| New Business | * Community Training through Bureau of the Statehouse. Partnership opportunity for legislative, advocacy and accessing legislators. Massachusetts Commission for the Blind (MCB) and the MA Rehabilitation Commission (MRC) will join in hosting some trainings and assisting with materials and presentations. * Governor’s State of the Commonwealth will be January 25th at 6:30 pm. MCDHH is working to confirm interpreters. Address will occur at the Hynes Auditorium. * MRC, MCB, Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA) are all in the process of filming vlogs to support efforts of increasing accessibility to Deaf or hard of hearing community members. MCDHH will work to cross-post the information and appreciate the efforts from sister agencies. | February 10: SAC meeting will include an introductory presentation by Carl Richardson, ADA Coordinator, Statehouse. Invitations to MRC and MCB SAC members to participate will be shared. As always, SAC meetings are open to the public.  Future SAC meetings could potentially include invitations to specific legislators/bill sponsors. |
| Announcements | * January 19: [Universal Newborn Screening Program Services and Supports](https://www.facebook.com/events/453090696199992/?ref=newsfeed). * January 22, 4 – 6 pm: HLAA Boston will present [Know Your Rights to Access!](https://hearatboston.org/2022/01/07/know-your-rights-to-access-legal-advocacy-presentation-virtual-jan-22nd-4-6pm/) (virtual). * SAC members, interested in continuing with their members, are encouraged to submit an updated resume to [Hana](mailto:ami.hanigan@mass.gov). The updated resume will start the re-appointment process. * Any community members interested in joining SAC can connect directly with [Hana](mailto:ami.hanigan@mass.gov). |  |
| Next SAC Meeting | * February 10, 5:30 pm.  Join Zoom Meeting   <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81718496263?pwd=aGtGUzMxcWxCQ1JEZUxwWm4zS21adz09>  Meeting ID: 817 1849 6263  Passcode: z4t6ey | Any interested community members wanting SAC information can request to join the distribution list. Please email: [ami.hanigan@mass.gov](mailto:ami.hanigan@mass.gov). |

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| **SAC #** | **Bill #** | **Bill Title** | **Committee** | **Action Date** | **Chamber** | **Last Action** | **Presenter** | **Notes** | **Docket #** |
| **1** | [H.228](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H228) | [An Act An act to eliminate disproportionality and inequities for at-risk children](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H228) | [Joint Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J13/192) | June 23, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 07/07/2021 from 09:30 AM-01:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Higgins, Natalie M.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/N_H1) |  | [HD.3038](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD3038) |
| **2** | [H.2370](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2370) | [An Act effectuating equity in COVID-19 vaccination](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2370) | [Joint Committee on Public Health](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J16/192) | June 25, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 07/12/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Miranda, Liz](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/L_M2) |  | [HD.1283](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD1283) |
| **3** | [S.1515](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1515) | [An Act effectuating equity in COVID-19 vaccination](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1515) | [Joint Committee on Public Health](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J16/192) | June 25, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 07/12/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Rausch, Rebecca L.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/RLR0) |  | [SD.699](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD699) |
| **4** | [H.2143](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2143) | [An Act Enabling Municipal Pre-foreclosure Mediation](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2143) | [Joint Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J10/192) | July 16, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 07/27/2021 from 11:00 AM-03:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Capano, Peter](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/PLC1) |  | [HD.3607](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD3607) |
| **5** | [S.1954](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1954) | [An Act establishing a tax credit for the purchase of hearing aids](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1954) | [Joint Committee on Revenue](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J26/192) | December 14, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 12/28/2021 from 10:00 AM-04:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [O'Connor, Patrick M.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/PMO) |  | [SD.921](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD921) |
| **6** | [H.1753](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1753) | [An Act increasing fair housing protections for domestic violence survivors](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1753) | [Joint Committee on the Judiciary](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J19/192) | November 30, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 12/07/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Livingstone, Jay D.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/J_L1) |  | [HD.391](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD391) |
| **7** | [H.723](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H723) | [An Act increasing the penalties for unfair and deceptive actions perpetrated against persons with disabilities and senior citizens](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H723) | [House Committee on Ways and Means](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/H34/192) | December 20, 2021 | House | [Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on House Ways and Means](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/H34/192) | [Ayers, Bruce J.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/BJA1) |  | [HD.1049](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD1049) |
| **8** | [H.1711](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1711) | [An Act prohibiting discrimination against adults with disabilities in family and juvenile court proceedings](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1711) | [Joint Committee on the Judiciary](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J19/192) | November 2, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 11/09/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Khan, Kay](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/K_K1) |  | [HD.843](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD843) |
| **9** | [S.1083](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1083) | [An Act prohibiting discrimination against adults with disabilities in family and juvenile court proceedings](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1083) | [Joint Committee on the Judiciary](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J19/192) | November 2, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 11/09/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Lovely, Joan B.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/JBL0) |  | [SD.1770](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD1770) |
| **10** | [H.1373](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1373) | [An Act promoting fair housing by preventing discrimination against affordable housing](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1373) | [Joint Committee on Housing](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J28/192) | April 13, 2021 | Senate | Senate concurred | [Barber, Christine P.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/CPB2) |  | [HD.1990](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD1990) |
| **11** | [S.867](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S867) | [An Act promoting fair housing by preventing discrimination against affordable housing](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S867) | [Joint Committee on Housing](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J28/192) | March 29, 2021 | House | House concurred | [Chang-Diaz, Sonia](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/SCD0) |  | [SD.2200](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD2200) |
| **12** | [H.605](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H605) | [An Act providing affordable and accessible high quality early education and care to promote child development and well-being and support the economy ...](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H605) | [Joint Committee on Education](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J14/192) | November 16, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 11/23/2021 from 11:00 AM-05:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Gordon, Kenneth I.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/KIG1) |  | [HD.1960](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD1960) |
| **13** | [S.362](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S362) | [An Act providing affordable and accessible high quality early education and care to promote child development and well-being and support the economy ...](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S362) | [Joint Committee on Education](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J14/192) | November 16, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 11/23/2021 from 11:00 AM-05:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Lewis, Jason M.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/jml0) |  | [SD.1307](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD1307) |
| **14** | [S.681](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S681) | [An Act providing coverage for hearing aids](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S681) | [Joint Committee on Financial Services](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J11/192) | November 29, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 12/09/2021 from 11:00 AM-04:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Hinds, Adam G.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/AGH0) |  | [SD.1225](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD1225) |
| **15** | [S.1420](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1420) | [An Act relative to accessible prescription labeling](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1420) | [Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J16/192) | May 21, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 06/07/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [DiZoglio, Diana](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/D_D0) | Presenting Legislator is not a sponsor of this measure | [SD.89](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD89) |
| **16** | [H.1074](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1074) | [An Act relative to children's auditory health](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1074) | [Joint Committee on Financial Services](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J11/192) | November 29, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 12/09/2021 from 11:00 AM-04:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Durant, Peter J.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/PJD2) |  | [HD.303](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD303) |
| **17** | [H.2761](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2761) | [An Act relative to employment benefits of certain employees of the Department of Developmental Services](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2761) | [Joint Committee on Public Service](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J23/192) | April 13, 2021 | Senate | Senate concurred | [Ramos, Orlando](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/O_R1) |  | [HD.2317](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD2317) |
| **18** | [S.1009](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1009) | [An Act relative to juvenile violence](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1009) | [Joint Committee on the Judiciary](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J19/192) | November 30, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 12/07/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [DiZoglio, Diana](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/D_D0) | Presenting Legislator is not a sponsor of this measure | [SD.85](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD85) |
| **19** | [H.3199](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H3199) | [An Act Relative to Language Access and Inclusion](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H3199) | [Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J25/192) | August 31, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 09/14/2021 from 10:30 AM-01:30 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Madaro, Adrian C.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/ACM1) |  | [HD.3674](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD3674) |
| **20** | [S.2040](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S2040) | [An Act relative to language access and inclusion](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S2040) | [Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J25/192) | August 31, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 09/14/2021 from 10:30 AM-01:30 PM in Virtual Hearing | [DiDomenico, Sal N.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/SND0) |  | [SD.2251](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD2251) |
| **21** | [H.2338](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2338) | [An Act relative to newborn screenings for congenital cytomegalovirus](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H2338) | [Joint Committee on Public Health](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J16/192) | April 22, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 05/03/2021 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Khan, Kay](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/K_K1) |  | [HD.2583](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD2583) |
| **22** | [S.1471](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1471) | [An Act relative to newborn screenings for congenital cytomegalovirus](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1471) | [Joint Committee on Public Health](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J16/192) | April 22, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 05/03/2021 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Lovely, Joan B.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/JBL0) |  | [SD.1810](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD1810) |
| **23** | [H.3398](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H3398) | [An Act relative to providing improved access to taxicabs for persons with disabilities](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H3398) | [Joint Committee on Transportation](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J27/192) | January 11, 2022 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 01/19/2022 from 03:00 PM-06:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Ayers, Bruce J.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/BJA1) |  | [HD.1085](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD1085) |
| **24** | [S.2032](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S2032) | [An Act relative to removing the term hearing impaired from the general laws](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S2032) | [Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J25/192) | August 31, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 09/14/2021 from 10:30 AM-01:30 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Creem, Cynthia Stone](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/CSC0) |  | [SD.299](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD299) |
| **25** | [S.1844](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1844) | [An Act relative to tax abatements for deaf residents](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S1844) | [Joint Committee on Revenue](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J26/192) | December 14, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 12/28/2021 from 10:00 AM-04:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [DiZoglio, Diana](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/D_D0) |  | [SD.64](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD64) |
| **26** | [H.1101](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1101) | [An Act Relative to Telehealth and Digital Equity for Patients](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1101) | [Joint Committee on Financial Services](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J11/192) | June 23, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 07/01/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Golden, Jr., Thomas A.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/TAG1) |  | [HD.2533](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD2533) |
| **27** | [S.678](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S678) | [An Act relative to telehealth and digital equity for patients](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S678) | [Joint Committee on Financial Services](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J11/192) | June 23, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 07/01/2021 from 10:00 AM-02:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Gomez, Adam](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/A_G0) |  | [SD.2099](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD2099) |
| **28** | [H.552](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H552) | [An Act relative to the training, assessment, and assignment of qualified school interpreters in educational settings](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H552) | [Joint Committee on Education](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J14/192) | July 21, 2021 | House | [Accompanied a new draft, see H3979](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H3979) | [Cabral, Antonio F. D.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/AFC1) |  | [HD.1883](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD1883) |
| **29** | [S.303](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S303) | [An Act relative to the training, assessment, and assignment of qualified school interpreters in educational settings](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S303) | [Joint Committee on Education](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J14/192) | July 19, 2021 | Senate | [Accompanied a new draft, see S2494](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S2494) | [Crighton, Brendan P.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/BPC0) |  | [SD.392](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD392) |
| **30** | [H.1217](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1217) | [An Act requiring reimbursement for the costs of providing competent interpreter services](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1217) | [Joint Committee on Financial Services](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J11/192) | September 28, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 10/12/2021 from 11:00 AM-04:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Cassidy, Gerard J.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/G_C2) |  | [HD.2519](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD2519) |
| **31** | [S.139](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S139) | [An Act to eliminate disproportionality and inequities for at-risk children](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S139) | [Joint Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J13/192) | June 23, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 07/07/2021 from 09:30 AM-01:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Moran, Susan L.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/SLM0) |  | [SD.1766](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD1766) |
| **32** | [H.1736](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1736) | [An Act to enhance safety and security in courthouses](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H1736) | [Joint Committee on the Judiciary](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J19/192) | April 13, 2021 | Senate | Senate concurred | [Linsky, David Paul](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/DPL1) |  | [HD.155](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD155) |
| **33** | [S.414](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S414) | [An Act to ensure quality of care in nursing homes](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S414) | [Joint Committee on Elder Affairs](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J44/192) | June 23, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 06/30/2021 from 01:00 PM-04:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Jehlen, Patricia D.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/PDJ0) |  | [SD.1844](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD1844) |
| **34** | [H.727](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H727) | [An Act to ensure the quality of care in nursing homes](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H727) | [Joint Committee on Elder Affairs](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J44/192) | June 23, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 06/30/2021 from 01:00 PM-04:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Balser, Ruth B.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/RBB1) |  | [HD.2981](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD2981) |
| **35** | [H.416](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H416) | [An Act to provide increased access to hearing aids](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H416) | [Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J17/192) | June 8, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 06/14/2021 from 01:00 PM-03:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Kelcourse, James M.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/JMK1) |  | [HD.2938](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD2938) |
| **36** | [H.366](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H366) | [An Act to provide increased access to hearing aids](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H366) | [Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J17/192) | June 8, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 06/14/2021 from 01:00 PM-03:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [Fiola, Carole A.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/CAF1) |  | [HD.535](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/HD535) |
| **37** | [S.192](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S192) | [An Act to provide increased access to hearing aids](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S192) | [Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J17/192) | June 8, 2021 | Joint | Hearing scheduled for 06/14/2021 from 01:00 PM-03:00 PM in Virtual Hearing | [DiZoglio, Diana](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/D_D0) |  | [SD.13](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD13) |
| **38** | [S.211](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S211) | [An Act to provide increased access to hearing aids](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S211) | [Joint Committee on Health Care Financing](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J24/192) | November 4, 2021 | Senate | [Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on Health Care Financing](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J24/192) | [Hinds, Adam G.](https://malegislature.gov/Legislators/Profile/AGH0) |  | [SD.2047](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/SD2047) |
| **39** | [H.3979](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H3979) | [An Act relative to the training, assessment, and assignment of qualified school interpreters in educational settings](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H3979) | [House Committee on Ways and Means](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/H34/192) | July 21, 2021 | House | Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on House Ways and Means | [Joint Committee on Education](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J14/192) |  | N/A |
| **40** | [S.2494](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S2494) | [An Act relative to the training, assessment, and assignment of qualified school interpreters in educational settings](https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S2494) | [Senate Committee on Ways and Means](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/S30/192) | July 19, 2021 | Senate | Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on Senate Ways and Means | [Joint Committee on Education](https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J14/192) |  | N/A |