

**Virginia Association of Centers for Independent Living (VACIL)
2022 LEGISLATIVE TRACKING – Virginia General Assembly, June 17, 2022**

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HB-House Bill, SB-Senate Bill, HJ-House Joint Resolution, SJ-Senate Joint Resolution

CONTINUED TO 2023		
Legislation, Patron	Description	Committee
HB392, Murphy	Sudden unexpected death in epilepsy: investigations and training	House Health, Welfare & Institutions
HB534, Batten	Medicaid eligibility not to include Social Security Disability Income	House Health, Welfare & Institutions
HB595, Krizek	Special Assistant to Governor or Disability Rights Advocacy	House General Laws
HB635, Carr	Zoning for inclusionary housing	House Counties, Cities & Towns
HB651, Kory	Annual report on use of intermediate care facilities for people with ID/DD (ICF/ID)	House Health, Welfare & Institutions
HB1246, Tran	Provision of accessible digital tools in education settings including compliance with 508 standards	Senate Finance & Appropriations
SB376, Petersen	Establish Prescription Drug Affordability Board	Senate Commerce & Labor
SB615, Lucas	Establishment of Secretary of Disability Services Coordination	Senate Finance & Appropriations
SB632, Locke	Tax credit for family caregivers	Senate Finance & Appropriations

Passed / Enacted	
Legislation, Patron	Description
HB4, Wyatt	School principals to report to law enforcement acts that may be a misdemeanor that may constitute a felony offense. Exceptions for some acts, if the student has an IEP.
HB81, Kilgore	Statewide Telehealth Plan. Same as SB436.
HB241, Adams, D	DMAS durable medical equipment, complex technology to be covered. Substitute bill would have limited coverage to those in nursing facilities, limit technology to wheelchairs and related accessories, and cap the amount at \$7,500. Final bill requires DMAS to convene a work group to study the issue and report by Sept 15.
HB623, Hudson	Expanded requirements for guardian ad litem in guardianship proceedings
HB634, Roem	Convene workgroup to explore impact of requiring guardians to make visits with the person with a disability every 90 days
HB649, Carr	Establishes an advisory council focused on language milestones for young children who are deaf or hard of hearing. Terminates June 30, 2023. Same as SB265.
HB680, Hope	Medicaid-funded case management for people with traumatic brain injuries
HB710, Keam	Local government consideration or preference of disability in hiring
HB917, Orrock	Allocation of resources to elderly with greatest financial need
HB925, Roem	Insurance coverage for prosthetic devices
HB987, Tran	Medicaid information to be accessible to people with disabilities and people with limited English proficiency
HB990, Runion	Continue DMAS study of the permanent use of virtual supports by people with DD
HB1046, Scott, P	DMAS to develop a plan to allow people to direct purchase over-the-counter medications and supplies.
HB1178, Avoli	Dissemination of seizure first aid information by employers with 25 or more employees. Employers required to post information about seizure first aid.
HB1212, Glass	Notice of hearing on guardianship to include info about intervening to request appointment as guardian or offer an alternative to the selected guardian

SB62, Favola	School Health Services Committee to advise on proposals that would require schools to offer certain health services
SB124, Obsenshain	Misdemeanor for power of attorney to engage in financial exploitation of an incapacitated adult
SB232, Suetterlein	Continue DMAS study of the permanent use of virtual supports by people with DD
SB265, Hashmi	Establishes an advisory council focused on language milestones for young children who are deaf or hard of hearing. Terminates June 30, 2023. Same as HB649.
SB302, Deeds	Guardian not needed for decisions made to the Health Care Decisions Act. Work group to review issue.
SB405, Barker	Insurance coverage for prosthetic devices
SB436, Barker	Statewide Telehealth Plan. Same as HB81.
SB514, McPike	Guardianship provisions improved to require better notice to the individual and expanded annual reporting requirements
SB723, Bell	Board for the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind to move from the Secretary of Education to the Governor for direction and supervision
SJ10, Surovell	Study pandemic response

FAILED LEGISLATION		
Legislation, Patron	Description	Committee
HB94, Head	Establish Public Guardianship and Conservator Ombudsman Office	Left in House Appropriations
HB291, Rasoul	Tax credit for family caregivers	Left in House Appropriations
HB407, Watts	Open captioning in theaters with more than four screens, does not apply to drive-in theaters	Left in House Health, Welfare & Institutions
HB424, Herring	Requires guardian to visit person at least once every three months	Stricken by House Courts of Justice

HB586, VanValkenburg	Misrepresentation of need for assistance animal in a dwelling could result in fine and requires documentation of disability and need. Letter to be sent to Housing Commission to review the issue.	Passed by indefinitely in Senate General Laws & Technology
HB643, Roem	Periodic review of guardianship	Left in House Appropriations
HB664, Kory	Delay of termination of utilities for people with serious medical conditions	Left in House Commerce & Energy
HB676, Hope	People who are paid pursuant to Section 14(c) of the Fair Labor Standards Act would be considered an employee for the purposes of the Virginia Minimum Wage Act	Left in House Commerce & Energy
HB974, Simon	Expand outside/curbside polling to additional people with disabilities. Currently this option is for people with physical disabilities.	Tabled in House Privileges & Elections
HB991, Runion	DD and CCC Plus Waivers combine annual financial limits for AT, environmental modifications and electronic home-based monitoring	Left in House Appropriations
HB997, Guzman	Paid sick leave for Medicaid agency-directed home health workers	Left in House Commerce & Labor
HB1020, Tran	Telecommuting and alternative work schedules as a form of reasonable accommodation for people with disabilities	Left in House General Laws
HB1047, Tran	Students' use of augmentative and alternative communication provisions	Stricken by House Education
HB1049, Tran	Language Access Working Group to be established in the Office of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion	Left in House Appropriations
HB1095, Kory	Assisted suicide	Left in House Courts of Justice
HB1160, King	Paid sick leave for Medicaid agency-directed home health workers	Left in House Commerce & Energy
HB1174, Adams, D	Health carriers to submit quarterly reports of all first-time denials of coverage	Left in House Commerce & Energy
HB1207, Roem	Training of court-appointed guardians	Left in House Appropriations
HB1260, Roem	Right of person with a disability who has a guardian to communicate with others	Left in House Appropriations

HB1294, Gooditis	Medicaid CCC Plus Waiver personal care services to be authorized by managed care organizations no less than every 12 months	Left in House Health, Welfare & Institutions
HB1300, Freitas	Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion renamed with new additional emphasis	Passed by indefinitely in Senate General Laws & Technology
HJ5, Fariss	Study health-related social needs	Left in House Rules
HJ85, Shin	DMAS to study feasibility of implementing a spend down for the DD Waivers	Left in House Rules
HJ112, Mundon King	Transit study with emphasis on people with disabilities	Left in House Rules
SB153, Locke	Establish a Secretary of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion	Tabled in House Appropriations
SB179, Peake	Remove personal care aides from provisions of the Virginia Human Rights Act	Passed by indefinitely in Senate General Laws and Technology
SB229, Obenshain	Court may defer disposition of certain felony offenses committed by person with autism or ID against children in certain circumstances	Passed by indefinitely in Senate Judiciary
SB231, Suetterlein	Combine the maximum annual amounts for AT, electronic home-based support services, and environmental modifications in Medicaid DD and CCC Plus Waivers	Left in House Appropriations
SB312, Bell	Establish a statewide housing choice voucher program	Stricken at request of the patron in Senate General Laws & Technology
SB352, Surovell SB624, Favola	Paid sick leave for Medicaid agency-directed home health workers.	Left in House Commerce & Energy
SB453, Boysko	People with autism, ID or mental illness charged with a simple assault and battery offense caused by or with a directed relationship to their disability not subject to mandatory minimum offenses	Left in House Courts of Justice
SB668, Hashmi	Assisted suicide	Defeated in Senate Education & Health

SB688, Mason	DBHDS to conduct peer reviews of competency reports	Left in House Appropriations
SB735, Ruff	Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion renames with new additional emphasis	Passed by indefinitely in Senate General Laws and Technology
SJ14, Mason	Study of the health system and effectiveness of meeting public health emergencies	Left in House Rules
SJ42, Suetterlein	Study health-related social needs	Left in House Rules