**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

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| **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 |

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| **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 litems 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 |

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| **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 |