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MedChi Council on Legislation – Meeting Minutes Monday, February 6, 2023 at 6:30 PM on Zoom

I. Call to Order

II. Legislative Items

- a. MedChi Physician of the Day – First Aid Room – Volunteer Sign Up (Dates Available)

III. Boards and Commissions (B&C)

Bill: [HB 401](#)

Cross-File Bill: [SB 449](#)

Sponsor: Delegate Kelly

Title: Health Occupations - Practice Audiology - Definition

Status: In the House - Hearing 2/08 at 2:30 PM

Position: Oppose

Bill: [HB 453](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Szeliga

Title: State Board of Physicians - Inactive and Emeritus Status

Status: In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations

Position: Support

Bill: [HB 475](#)

Cross-File Bill: [SB 439](#)

Sponsor: Delegate Rosenberg

Title: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Compact

Status: In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations

Position: Support with Amendment

Bill: [HB 507](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate R. Lewis

Title: State Board of Physicians - Graduate Registered Physicians - Licensure

Status: In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations

Position: Support with Amendment

Bill: [SB 372](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Augustine

Title: Health Occupations - Pharmacists - Administration of Vaccines

Status: In the Senate - First Reading Finance

Position: TBD

IV. Health Insurance (HI)

Bill: [HB 329](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Ruth

Title: Public Health - Commission on Universal Health Care

Status: In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations

Position: No Position

Bill: [HB 497](#)

Cross-File Bill: [SB 498](#)

Sponsor: Delegate Jacobs

Title: Rural Health Collaborative Pilot Repeal and Mid Shore Health Improvement Coalition Funding

Status: In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations

Position: Support

Bill: [SB 365](#)

Cross-File Bill: [HB 588](#)

Sponsor: Senator Lam

Title: Health Insurance - Qualified Resident Enrollment Program (Access to Care Act)

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 PM

Position: Support

Bill: [SB 397](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Gallion

Title: Health Insurance - Hearing Aids for Adults - Coverage

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 PM

Position: Support

Bill: [SB 398](#)

Cross-File Bill: [HB 650](#)

Sponsor: Senator Lam

Title: Health Insurance - Reimbursement and Use of Specific Pharmacies and Dispensaries - Prohibitions

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 PM

Position: Support

V. Public Health (PH)

Bill: [SB 362](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Guzzone

Title: Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics – Established

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 PM

Position: Support

Bill: [SB 378](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Kagan

Title: Public Health - Vaccinations - Minor Consent

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 PM

Position: TBD

Bill: [SB 387](#)

Cross-File Bill: [HB 274](#)

Sponsor: Senator Lewis Young

Title: Task Force on Reducing Emergency Department Wait Times

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/23 at 1:00 PM

Position: Support with Amendment

Bill: [SB 441](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Lam

Title: Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Prescription Digital Therapeutics

Status: In the Senate - First Reading Finance

MedChi Position: Support

VI. FYI

Bill: [HB 517](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Solomon

Title: Drug Manufacturers - Drug Take-Back Programs (Take It Back Maryland Act)

Status: In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations

Bill: [HB 523](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Mireku-North

Title: Correctional Services - Pregnancy and Postpartum Support (Prevention of Forced Infant Separation Act)

Status: In the House - Hearing 2/21 at 1:00 PM

Bill: [HB 539](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate M. Morgan

Title: Pharmacy Benefits Managers - Prohibited Actions

Status: In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations

Position: Move to Health Insurance (HI) Subcommittee

Bill: [SB 410](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Watson

Title: Public Health - Childbirth - Paternity Test

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 PM