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**MedChi Legislative Council
Monday, February 8, 2021 at 6:00 pm – Virtual Zoom Meeting
Meeting Minutes**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Legislative Items**
- III. Boards and Commissions (B&C)**

Bill: [HB 765](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Terrasa

Title: Workers' Compensation – Occupational Disease Presumptions – Novel Coronavirus (Essential Workers' Compensation Act)

Status: In the House - First Reading Economic Matters

Position: No Position

Bill: [HB 810](#)

Cross-File Bill: [SB 706](#)

Sponsor: Delegate Cullison

Title: Health Occupations - Pharmacists - Laboratory Tests

Status: In the House - Hearing 2/18 at 1:30 p.m.

Position: Oppose

Bill: [HB 849](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Rosenberg

Title: Public Health - Medical Records – Fees

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

Position: Oppose

IV. Health Insurance (HI)

Bill: [HB 836](#)

Cross-File Bill: [SB 741](#)

Sponsor: Delegate Pena-Melnyk

Title: COVID-19 Testing, Contact Tracing, and Vaccination Act of 2021

Status: In the House - Hearing 2/23 at 1:30 p.m. (Health and Government Operations)

Position: Support

Bill: [HB 910](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Lisanti

Title: Health Insurance – Hearing Aids for Adults – Coverage

Status: In the House - Hearing 2/25 at 1:30 p.m.

Position: No Position

Bill: [SB 685](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Lam

Title: Insurance Law - Application to Direct Primary Care Agreements - Exclusion

Status: In the Senate - First Reading Finance

Position: Support

V. Public Health (PH)

Bill: [HB 774](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Queen

Title: Public Health – Adverse Childhood Experience Screening – Requirement and Practitioner Training Program

Status: In the House - Hearing canceled

Position: Sponsor withdrew the bill

Bill: [SB 654](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Klausmeier

Title: Education – Comprehensive Health Education Program – Instruction on Skin Cancer

Status: In the Senate - First Reading Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Position: TBD

Bill: [SB 712](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Senator Hough

Title: Vehicle Laws - Protective Headgear Requirement for Motorcycle Riders - Exception

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/23 at 1:00 p.m.

Position: Oppose

VI. FYI

Bill: [HB 758](#)

Cross-File Bill: [SB 684](#)

Sponsor: Delegate Bagnall

Title: Maryland Licensure of Certified Midwives Act

Status: In the House - Hearing 2/24 at 1:30 p.m.

Bill: [HB 850](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Rosenberg

Title: Higher Education – Maryland Corps Program Fund – COVID–19 Emergency Funding Priorities

Status: In the House - First Reading Appropriations

Bill: [HB 915](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Amprey

Title: Workgroup on Black, Latino, and Other Underrepresented Mental Health Professionals

Status: In the House - Hearing 2/25 at 1:30 p.m.

Bill: [HB 936](#)

Cross-File Bill: N/A

Sponsor: Delegate Lisanti

Title: Hospitals and Freestanding Medical Facilities - Closing or Partial Closing - Public Notice

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