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Dear friend of the WLC,

Below is a somewhat comprehensive list of bills we have been supporting (thankfully none we were opposing!) that have survived cross-over day and are working their way through the opposing chamber. Let us know if the bill you cared most about made it on the list!

HB70 - Courts – Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation

HB78 - Discrimination in Employment - Reasonable Accommodations for Applicants With Disabilities

HB86/SB6 - Landlord and Tenant – Residential Leases – Tenant Rights and Protections (Tenant Protection Act of 2022)

HB89 - Child Care Stabilization Grant Program and Child Care Expansion Grant Program - Established

HB104 – Family Law – Child Custody and Visitation\*

HB148/SB328 - Criminal Law - Stalking - Definition

HB153/SB33 - Criminal Law - Sexual Crimes - Repeal of Spousal Defense (Love Is No Defense to Sexual Crimes)

HB164 - Institutions of Higher Education - Pregnant Students – Policy\*

HB165 - Education - Sexual Abuse and Assault Awareness and Prevention Program - Human and Sex Trafficking

HB167 - Commission to Establish a Maryland Women Veterans Memorial

HB194 - Education - Family Life and Human Sexuality Curriculum - Sexting

HB209 - Criminal Law – Unnatural or Perverted Sexual Practice – Repeal

HB210 - Criminal Trials - Spousal Privilege – Exception

HB211 - Crimes - Firearms - Straw Purchase Participant Penalty

HB225 - Criminal Procedure - Victims of Sexually Assaultive Behavior

HB245/SB331 - Program for Preventing HIV Infection for Rape Victims - Alterations and Repeal of Sunset

HB270/SB91 - Business Regulation - Innkeepers - Maintenance of Guest Records and Employee Human Trafficking Awareness Training and Policy

HB282 - Sales and Use Tax - Diapers - Exemption

HB284/SB20 - Criminal Procedure - Out of Court Statements - Child Victims

HB288 - Sales and Use Tax - Baby Products - Exemption

HB296/SB280 - Interim and Temporary Protective Orders - Electronic Filing and Video Conferencing Hearings\*

HB369/SB377 - Marriage Records – Name Change

HB472 - Primary and Secondary Education – Title IX – Policies and Procedures (Hear Our Voices Act of 2022)

HB495 - Education - Student-Organized Peaceful Demonstrations - Student Discipline and Policy

HB496/SB275 - Labor and Employment - Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program - Establishment

HB588 - Local Health Departments and Community Action Agencies - Feminine Hygiene Products

HB639 - Family Law – Grounds for Divorce

HB645/SB151 - Hate Crimes - False Statement to a Law Enforcement Officer

HB817 - Criminal Law – Violation of a Protective Order – Merger Prohibition and Separate Sentence Authorization

HB 833 - Criminal Law - Victims of Child Sex Trafficking and Human Trafficking - Safe Harbor and Service Response

HB937 - Abortion Care Access Act (HB0952 Access to Abortion Care and Health Insurance Act merged into this bill)

HB1080 - Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Children and Pregnant Women (Healthy Babies Equity Act)

HB1171 - Declaration of Rights - Right to Reproductive Liberty SB31 - Public Information Act – Inspection of Records From Body–Worn Digital Recording Devices

SB17 - Child Custody - Cases Involving Child Abuse or Domestic Violence - Training for Judges\*

SB31 - Public Information Act – Inspection of Records From Body–Worn Digital Recording Devices

SB71 - Hate Crimes - Civil Remedy

SB151 - Hate Crimes - False Statement to a Law Enforcement Officer

SB449 - Unlawful Employment Practices - Remedies

SB450 - Harassment and Sexual Harassment - Definitions - Employment Discrimination and Sexual Harassment Prevention Training

SB451 - Unlawful Employment Practice - Statute of Limitations – Tolling

SB884 - Driver's Licenses - Suspension For Child Support Arrearages – Exception\*

\*Indicates WLC supported “Favorable with Amendments”

**Onward,**

***The WLC Advocacy Team***

P.S. As always, if you appreciate the work we do, whether in the General Assembly or through our [direct legal services](#) across the State, [give here!](#) And if this email was forwarded to you by a friend, make sure to sign up for our legislative alerts [here!](#)

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