



**Senate President  
William C.  
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## **Welcome to the Maryland General Assembly!**

We have retooled our website to be more user-friendly and provide more access to the work of the legislature. The Legislature is the representative body of the people of Maryland and it works best when constituents contribute to the process.

Maryland has one of the most diverse legislative bodies in the country – with over 30% female legislators and 25% minority legislators. Your elected officials work hard to ensure that the voices of your community and the concerns of your districts are reflected in each and every bill passed by the legislature.

Over the past several years, we have been working to make the General Assembly more accessible and transparent to the most important part of the legislative process – you! We now livestream committee hearings and House and Senate floor proceedings through our website so that you can track legislative action from your own home or office. We invite you to monitor our work here, get to know your legislators, find out more information about pending legislation, State agencies and the State's budget.

As the presiding officers of the Maryland General Assembly, we value your input into the many critical issues before the legislature, many of which can affect our lives as Maryland citizens for many years to come.

We encourage you to use this website as a resource for you, your family, your business and your community and take part in the legislative process. The strongest laws that we pass are those that have public input from the start.

We look forward to hearing from you! If you have any questions about the website, please feel free to contact our [Webmaster](#).



**House Speaker  
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