

Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Commission - Legislative Overview
March 26, 2026

In 19 days, it will be Sine Die for the 2026 Session of the Maryland General Assembly. As of the February 26th update, we were tracking 35 bills. In total, the Agency received 70 bills to review and provide analysis for:

- 18 were only introduced in the House;
- 4 were only introduced in the Senate; and
- 48 were introduced in both the House and the Senate.

Crossover, which was Monday, March 23rd, is the day when each chamber sends to the opposite chamber, the bills they intend to pass favorably. Any bills that a chamber intends to pass after March 23rd and that did not crossover, are referred to the Rules Committee where they may or may not be seen again.

Of the 70 bills, 19 crossed over and 7 of these were crossfiled, therefore we are tracking 12 bills of interest:

Departmentals:

HB 289 - Video Lottery Facility Payouts - Intercepts for Restitution Payments, Child Support Payments, and Debts Owed to the State

HB 295 - Gaming - Prohibition on Interactive Games and Revenue From Illegal Markets

Other Bills of Interest:

HB 195 - State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission - Authority to Conduct Studies on the Use of Emerging Technology - Collaboration

HB 518 - Gaming - Problem Gambling and College Athlete Protections

HB 610 - St. Mary's County - Gaming by Qualified Organization - License Required

HB 717 - Baltimore City - Raffles - Organizations Affiliated With Professional Baseball and Football Teams

HB 972 - Maryland Fair and Agricultural Education Promise Fund - Establishment (Maryland Fair and Agricultural Education Promise Act)

HB 1120 - Professional Licensing Portability - Members of the Foreign Service and Spouses

HB 1226 - Maryland Illegal Online Gambling Enforcement Act

HB 1578 - State Procurement - Procurement Preferences - Reauthorization and Revisions

HB 1612 - Sports Wagering - Independent Evaluation of Sports Wagering

SB 557 - Gaming – Definition of “Own” – Alterations

Did Not Cross:

HB 291 - Sports Wagering Proceeds - Promotional Play Exclusion - Limitation

Bills of Interest:

The Departmental Bills and HB 1226

SB 557 - Gaming – Definition of “Own” – Alterations