



**Maryland Commission  
on LGBTQIA+ Affairs**

Policy Committee Minutes  
February 27, 2026 12:00pm-1:00pm  
Zoom Meeting

Members Present:

M Pease, Committee Vice Chair  
Joan Bryan  
Nicole Hollywood  
Tica Torres Bolivar  
Ly Xīnzhèn Zhǎngsūn  
Ex-Officio: Lee Blinder

Members not Present:

Josie Caballero, Committee Chair

Staff and Guests Present:

Jeremy Browning, Director  
Taylor Harer, Special Assistant  
Mickey Dhir, Health & Wellness Committee Chair

- I. Committee Vice Chair Pease called the meeting to order at 12:03pm.
- II. Committee Vice Chair Pease acknowledged housekeeping and meeting guidelines.
- III. Roll call was conducted by Committee Vice Chair Pease.
- IV. Approval of the Agenda: There were no additions or corrections to the agenda and it was approved via unanimous consent.
- V. Approval of 2.20.2026 Minutes: There were no additions or corrections. The minutes were approved via unanimous consent.
- VI. Discussion: Upcoming Priority Bill Hearings - The Committee discussed upcoming priority bill hearings, beginning with an overview from Director Browning.
  - A. HB1114 - HIV Prevention Drugs - Prescribing, Dispensing, and Insurance Coverage: Commissioner Dhir provided a detailed explanation of the proposed amendments, which seek to clarify and strengthen the bill's language to clarify

language to address potential safety issues to ensure successful and sustainable implementation. The Committee reviewed the proposed amendments, asked questions, and provided recommended edits to the formatting and language to avoid confusion. Commissioner Zhǎngsūn made a motion to support HB1114 with the amendments as outlined by Commissioner Dhir. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hollywood. There was no further discussion and the motion was passed unanimously.

- B. HB1011 - Workgroup on Supporting Transgender and Gender Diverse Students - Established. Commissioner Zhǎngsūn assumed the role of chair in the meeting and facilitated the discussion on HB1011. The Committee discussed a concern that the bill's language does not explicitly ensure inclusion of transgender people in the proposed membership workgroup. Commissioner Bryan made a motion to support the bill with amendments to ensure transgender inclusion, including but not limited to specifying that the Maryland Commission on LGBTQIA+ Affairs may appoint one or two members, which was seconded by Commissioner Hollywood. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.
  - C. The Committee also briefly discussed additional bills with testimony due in the next week. Director Browning will submit testimony as deadlines arise.
- VII. Discussion: Additional Policy Issues - Director Browning shared that the location and date for the LGBTQIA+ Advocacy Day has been confirmed for March 16 at St. Anne's Parish House and that invitations had been sent out.
- VIII. Meeting adjourned by Commissioner Zhǎngsūn at 12:45pm.

Minutes submitted by: Taylor Harer, Special Assistant