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<a href="#">HB1970</a>	Voter identification: photograph required	Del. Mark Cole (R) District 88	Support	Sovereignty	Requires presentation of a form of identification containing a photograph in order to vote. The bill repeals the provisions of law permitting a voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification to vote after signing a statement.	<b>02/05/21 House: Left in Privileges and Elections</b>  01/22/21 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 2-N)
<a href="#">HB1746</a>	Conduct of elections; vote counting, required live video recording.	Del. Mark Cole (R) District 88	Support	Sovereignty	To promote fair and transparent elections, live video recording would provide evident of proper counting of ballots	<b>02/05/21 House: Left in Privileges and Elections</b>  01/26/21 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (3-Y 2-N)

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<a href="#">SB1153</a>	Elections; absentee voting; ballots to be sorted and results to be reported by precinct.	Sen. David Suetterlein (R) District 19	Support	Sovereignty	This bill adds additional controls in processing absentee ballots to ensure voter integrity.	2-5 Passed the Senate 37 - 1, Continued to Special Session 1 <b>02/16/21 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (5-Y 3-N)</b>
<a href="#">HB1888</a>	Absentee voting; procedural and process reforms, availability and accessibility reforms, penalty. (adding ballot drop off locations)	Del. Schuyler VanValkenburg (D) District 72	Oppose	Sovereignty	The bill requires the establishment of drop-off locations for the return of absentee ballots.	1-19 passed House (55-43), <b>02/19 Passed Senate with substitute 21-17</b>
<a href="#">SB1097</a>	Absentee voting; witness signature not required	Sen. Barbara Favola (D) District 31	Oppose	Sovereignty	Repeals the requirement that an absentee ballot be opened in the presence of a witness and signed by such witness.	01/25/21 Senate: Passed Senate (21-Y 18-N) <b>02/17 Reported from committee with substitute 13-9</b>
<a href="#">HB1758</a>	Voter registration, transmit weekly list of deceased to Dept of Elections	Del. Ronnie Campbell (R) District 24	Support	Sovereignty	Consistently updating voter rolls to ensure deceased are removed.	<b>02/05/21 House: Left in Privileges and Elections</b>  01/26/21 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (3-Y 2-N)

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<a href="#">HB2205</a>	Same-day voter registration; repeal	Del. Todd Gilbert (R) District 15	Support	Sovereignty	Our concern: No way to know if person registered and voted in multiple locations, supporters say they would be prosecuted, but likely no investigation or prosecutor willing to take it up	2-5-21 House: Left in Privileges and Elections 01/22/21 House: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (4-Y 2-N)
<a href="#">SB1118</a>	Voter registration; verification of social security numbers, provisional registration status.	Sen. Mark Peak (R) District 22	Support	Sovereignty	This bill adds additional verifications during voter registration and during the voting process & during provisional remediation to ensure voter integrity	01/26/21 Senate: Passed by indefinitely in Privileges and Elections (9-Y 6-N)

## Life

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<a href="#">HB1896</a>	Essential Health Benefits: abortion coverage (companion bill to SB1276)	Del. Sally Hudson (D) District 57	Oppose	Life	Allow State health plans to cover abortion	<b>02/18/21 Senate: Passed Senate (22-Y 17-N)</b>  01/26/ House Passed 55-45
<a href="#">SB1276</a>	Essential Health Benefits: abortion coverage (companion bill to HB1896)	Sen. Jennifer McClellan (D) District 9	Oppose	Life	Allow State health plans to cover abortion	<b>01/22 Passed Senate 20-17</b>  <b>02/16 Passed House 54-45</b>

<a href="#">HB1922</a>	Medical assistance: coverage for reproductive health services	Del. Marcia Price (D) District 95	Oppose	Life	Medicaid expansion of funding abortion. Private employer forced to provide abortion coverage under health plans with no exception on ethical reasoning.	2/05/21 House: Left in Labor and Commerce
<a href="#">HB1932</a>	Child-placing agencies; conscience clause repeal	Del. Mark Levine (D) District 45	Oppose	Family	Seeks to repeal statutory conscience protections for faith-based adoption and foster care agencies	<b>02/17 Senate: Recommitted to Rehabilitation and Social Services</b>

<b>Defense of Family</b>						
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<a href="#">SB1235</a>	Department of Health: certain communication prohibited	Sen. Mark Peak (R) District 22	Support	Parental Rights	Bill submitted in response to Department of Health's mailer to children without parental notification	02/11/21 House: Tabled in Health, Welfare and Institutions (13-9)