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The Maryland Retired School Personnel Association's Legislative Committee, composed of members from throughout the state, is looking out for your interests in Annapolis and is your advocate. The first thing the committee does each year is to review our legislative goals. Our goals this year include protecting well-earned pensions, enhancing health care, ensuring safety for seniors, supporting public education, promoting technological access for seniors, defending the right to vote, safeguarding consumer rights, helping seniors age in place, and addressing the rising cost of long-term care.

The Legislative Committee monitors bills introduced into the Maryland General Assembly and, during the legislative session, meets frequently to determine whether the Association should monitor, support, or oppose specific bills. Sometimes we write letters or testify in opposition or support of legislation and occasionally ask our members to contact their legislators in regard to a specific bill. We will keep you informed. Please contact us if you have any questions.

So far in 2025, the committee has repeated our opposition to bills that seek to restrict access to the right to vote and our support for tax credits for those that provide home care for the disabled. There will be a Legislative Workshop on January 28, 2025. Committee meetings will continue to meet and monitor legislative proposals.

Tom Slater, Legislative Committee Chair