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# UPDATE

## 2025 State Legislative Update: Committee on Disability Rights

We've come to the end of the 2025 Legislative Session, with several actions taken by the Legislature that may be of interest to your committee. Please reach out to the GR team with any questions about any particular legislation of interest that you don't see on the following list. Any memoranda and letters drafted by the committee in support or opposition to legislation were shared by the Government Relations team, and the team looks forward to working with the committee as we move into the second half of 2025.

### Legislation of Interest

#### **Passed by the Legislature:**

- A136(Paulin)/S138(Hoylman-Sigal): Relates to the medical aid in dying (MAID) act. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year. This bill is supported as NYSBA policy – [a memo was submitted](#) on behalf of the Association.
- S4767(Bailey)/A8254(Jackson): Relates to training police officers on how to respond to situations involving individuals with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental disabilities. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year.
- A33(Burdick)/S4511(Ramos): Relates to the promotion of employment of people with disabilities. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year.
- A2748(Bronson)/S2537(Ramos): Relates to eligibility for classification as permanent total disability. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year.
- A8433(Davila)/S8179(Persaud): Extends current exemptions of income and resources for public assistance programs. This bill will go to the Governor for signature or veto before the end of the year.

#### **Not Passed:**

- A4628-A(Seawright)/S2269-A(Hoylman-Sigal): Requires certain motion picture theaters to provide scheduled showings of motion pictures with open motion picture captioning. This bill showed some movement in both houses but did not pass. The Committee on Disability Rights submitted [a memo in support](#) for this bill.
- A1416-A(Paulin)/S893-A(Sepulveda): Relates to the use of psychotropic medications in nursing homes and adult care facilities. This bill showed some movement in both houses, but did not pass.
- A1946(Rosenthal)/S6472(Cleare): Relates to the definition of income for tax abatement for rent-controlled and rent regulated property occupied by senior citizens or persons with disabilities. This bill did not show any movement this session.

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- A2242-A(Simon)/S1758-A(Persaud): Allows for certain disability benefits to continue in the event an individual who is receiving such benefits gets married. This bill showed some movement this session but did not pass.
- A3102(Dilan)/S6335(Sepulveda): Conforms the definition of an incarcerated individual with a serious mental illness to the definition of "person with a serious mental illness" in the mental hygiene law. This bill showed some movement in the Assembly, but did not pass either house.
- A3598(Schiavoni)/S7819(Cleare): Relates to proceedings for appointment of a guardian for personal needs or property management. This bill showed some movement in the Senate, but did not pass either house.
- A4637(Anderson)/S4775(Ryan): Safeguards cash accounts for people with developmental disabilities in a facility. This bill passed the Senate and showed some movement in the Assembly, but did not pass.
- A7363-C(Santabarbara)/S7792-B(Fahy): Relates to protecting the communication rights of individuals with disabilities. This bill passed the Assembly and showed some movement in the Senate, but did not pass.
- A7469(Lavine)/S6027(Parker): Requires the petitioner for appointment of a guardian for an incapacitated person to identify all other persons who may be able to manage the affairs of such incapacitated person. This bill did not show movement in either house.
- A7811(Walker): Relates to creating the "modernized voter registration act of New York"; modernizes voter registration, promotes access to voting for individuals with disabilities. This bill was not introduced in the Senate and did not move in the Assembly.
- S1728(Brouk)/A6804(Griffin): Relates to the disclosure of the records of court proceedings in certain mental hygiene proceedings. This bill passed the Senate, but did not move in the Assembly.

See [here](#) for NYSBA's Government Relation's update for the 2025 legislative session.

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