



2026 Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate Name: Eric Ebersole

Position: House of Delegate

District: 44A

What are your unique strengths for this position? What committee(s) would you like to serve on and why?

Ways and Means - This committee amends and passes education policy legislation. I plan to continue my chairmanship of the education subcommittee. I am a lifelong public school educator and have served on the education subcommittee for 11 of my 12 years in the legislature. I have chaired this committee for 4 years and have chaired the early childhood education subcommittee for three years. I have extensive experience with the Blueprint for Maryland's future - as one of the original writers and amenders of this bill in 2020.

What legislation would you introduce/sponsor to address economic inequality in Maryland?

Each new education policy, scholarship, program, must be vetted for its equity of opportunity. As committee chair, it is mostly my responsibility to vet education bills by other sponsors. Access and appropriate application to all students are bellweathers of my work on each piece of legislation that comes to my desk. I pay particular attention to this access for at promise groups and protected classes.

What would you do to address the impacts of climate change in Maryland and how would you encourage growth without degrading our environment and natural resources?

I will work to establish (and re-establish in response to actions by the Trump administration) robust programs in renewable energy. I will establish (and re-establish in response to actions by the Trump administration) incentives for electric automobiles, busses, and trucks.

What legislation would you introduce and/or sponsor to ensure Marylanders' rights and wellbeing in the face of current federal policies? Please address protections for women, the LGBTQ+ community, and all populations under threat.



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I will introduce legislation to protect the sports participation rights of transgender individuals. I will be able to have extra access to this in my committee and subcommittee. I will support all other legislation that seeks to maintain or create new opportunities for LGBTQ+ individuals.

How do you plan to address the funding shortfall that will soon reach Maryland due to Federal budget cuts to education, infrastructure, disaster response (FEMA) and others?

I will seek new sources of revenue outside of increases to taxes. We can increase gaming fees, as an example. We will also trim budgets where the least impact will be realized. We did this last year with a projected deficit that was twice as large as the prediction this year.