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Maryland Public Television to enable livestream coverage during 2024 Maryland General Assembly legislative session

Owings Mills, MD – Maryland Public Television's (MPT) Production Services unit is again partnering with the Maryland Department of Legislative Services to provide livestream coverage of the floor proceedings of the 446th session of the Maryland General Assembly.

Under a three-year contract signed in late 2023, the Maryland Department of Legislative Services hired MPT to provide technical production services that enable the department to stream live, gavel-to-gavel coverage of the Maryland Senate and House of Delegates for the 2024-2026 Maryland General Assembly legislative sessions. Throughout these sessions, activities on the floors of each chamber will be available to view live on the Maryland General Assembly website at *mgaleg.maryland.gov*.

MPT has partnered with the Maryland Department of Legislative Services to provide livestream video coverage of House floor sessions since 2020. In 2022, services were expanded to include gavel-to-gavel streaming of both the House and Senate chambers for the entire 90-day session.

In addition to MPT's technical production services in Annapolis, the statewide public TV network's weekly series <u>State Circle</u> begins its 43rd season in January. Led by anchor Jeff Salkin, the long-running series will continue to provide in-depth reporting on the legislative session through its *sine die* conclusion in April.

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About Maryland Public Television

Maryland Public Television (MPT) is a statewide, public-supported TV network and Public Broadcasting Service member offering entertaining, educational, and inspiring content delivered by traditional broadcasting and streaming on TVs, computers, and mobile devices. A state agency, it operates under the auspices of the Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission. MPT creates and distributes local, regional, and national content and is a frequent winner of regional Emmy® awards. MPT's commitment to educators, parents, caregivers, and learners of all ages is delivered through instructional events and <u>Thinkport.org</u>. MPT's year-round community engagement activities connect viewers with resources on a wide range of topics. For more information visit <u>mpt.org</u>.