



SENATOR CATHERINE PUGH

"As the next Mayor of Baltimore I will promote total access, full participation and equal opportunity for people with disabilities of all ages in all aspects of city life."

CATHERINE PUGH'S COMMITMENT

- ✓ Expand the staffing, mission and budget of the Mayor's Commission on Disabilities
- ✓ Make Disabilities Commission Executive Director a cabinet-level position
- ✓ Input and participation from persons with disabilities at all levels of decision- making, goal setting, and policy formation in my administration
- ✓ Host an annual "*Disabilities Opportunity Summit*" to educate government and the public, promote the talents and abilities of our disabled citizens, and celebrate the advancements made by the Disability community
- ✓ Continue to be a vocal champion and advocate in overcoming misconceptions and biases regarding persons with disabilities

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By authority Committee to Elect Catherine Pugh, Keith Timmons Treasurer

CATHERINE PUGH'S RECORD

2007 – co-sponsor SENATE BILL 268

Requiring the Maryland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to convene an Instructional Materials Access Guidelines Committee on or before December 1, 2007, in order to coordinate the distribution of instructional materials to blind and other print disabled students; providing for the membership of the Committee; providing for the termination of the Committee; providing for the content of specified guidelines; etc.

2008 – co-sponsor SENATE BILL 501

Prohibiting a person from committing specified offenses against a person who is at least a specified age or a person with a specified disability; establishing a penalty; providing that a conviction under the Act does not merge with a conviction for an underlying offense; and providing that a sentence imposed for a violation of the Act is to be consecutive to and not concurrent with any other sentence imposed for other crimes.

2009 –sponsor SENATE BILL 341

Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for prosthetic devices, components of prosthetic devices, and repairs to prosthetic devices; prohibiting covered benefits from being subject to a specified copayment or coinsurance requirement; prohibiting insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from imposing a specified dollar maximum on specified coverage; etc.

2009 –sponsor SENATE BILL 242

Permitting specified dentists, physicians, and podiatrists to prepare and dispense specified prescriptions if they post signs or include information with prescriptions; requiring pharmacy permit holders to provide information regarding the process for resolving incorrectly filled prescriptions by posting signs or including information with prescriptions; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy to waive specified requirements of the Act for specified pharmacies; etc.

2009 – MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION- "Legislator of the Year"

2010 –sponsor SENATE BILL 761

Requiring the managing official of a local correctional facility to provide an inmate who has been sentenced to a term in a local correctional facility of at least 60 days and who has been diagnosed with a mental illness with access to a 30-day supply of medication for the mental illness on the release of the inmate under specified circumstances; providing that part of the supply of medication may be provided by prescription under specified circumstances; etc.

2011 -sponsor SENATE BILL 556

Requiring specified facilities to provide clinical, direct care, and other staff with regular patient interaction training in trauma- informed care and to conform with trauma-informed care principles under specified circumstances; requiring specified individuals to report specified abuse under specified circumstances; requiring State facilities to report complaints of sexual abuse or sexual harassment to the State designated protection and advocacy system; requiring the Mental Hygiene Administration to implement a pilot program; etc.

MEET CATHERINE PUGH

Catherine E. Pugh has been elected to her second term in the Maryland State Senate. She is the Deputy Majority Leader and chairs the Democratic Caucus for the State Senate. She is currently a member of the Finance Committee and Chair of the Subcommittee on Transportation and Senate Chair of the Joint Committee on Fair Practices. In four short years she passed over 70 pieces of legislation. She is also the 2010-2012 Chair of the Legislative Black Caucus of Maryland, and 2nd Vice Chair of the Women Legislators of Maryland.

Catherine Pugh holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Morgan State University and has received qualification from the University of California as an Economic Development Specialist.

She has been a banker, Corporate Director, business developer, television news reporter, talk show host, Dean and Director of Strayer Business College, newspaper owner and an independent editor for the Baltimore Sun. Catherine Pugh also served five years on the Baltimore City Council during which time she founded the Baltimore Marathon that has over a 25 million dollar impact for the City of Baltimore, the Fish Out of Water Project and the Need to Read Campaign raised a million dollars for the children.

She is the Founder and Chair of the Baltimore Design School. She serves on several boards including the University of Maryland Medical Systems, Center for Urban Families, Governor's Wellmobile Program Advisory Board, Coppin Study Team, Maryland State Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council, Maryland Zoo and Maryland Center of Arts and Technology. She has received numerous awards including the 2011 Delta Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority, Inc., Community Service Award, 2011 James Baldwin Medal for Civil Rights. 2011 Graduate Research Colloquium, Coppin State University Appreciation Award, 2010 City Paper Best Politician, Getting the Job Done, 2010 Maryland Washington Minority Contractors Association, Inc. Legislator of the Year, 2010 Daily Record Top 100 Women Award, the Greater Baltimore Urban League Whitney M. Young, Jr. Award, Maryland Votes For Animals Humane Legislation Champion Award and the 2009 Mental Health Association Legislator of the Year, the Greater Baltimore Committee Bridging the Gap President's Award, the Maryland State NAACP Legislator of the Year, the United States Coast Guard Blacks in Government Leadership Award and the United States Small Business Advocate of the Year Award and the NAACP Benjamin L Hooks Keeper of the Flame Award.