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Maryland Public Television to enable livestream of 2025 Maryland General Assembly legislative session floor proceedings

MPT's State Circle set to begin its 44th season of state government coverage

OWINGS MILLS, MD – <u>Maryland Public Television's</u> (MPT) production services unit is partnering with the Maryland Department of Legislative Services to provide livestream coverage of floor proceedings during the 447th session of the Maryland General Assembly (January 8-April 7). The livestream is available at *mgaleg.maryland.gov*.

The Maryland Department of Legislative Services hired MPT under a three-year contract to provide technical production services that enable the department to stream live, gavel-to-gavel floor session coverage of the Maryland Senate and House of Delegates for the 2024-2026 Maryland General Assembly legislative sessions.

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

State Circle launches new season

In addition to MPT's technical production services in Annapolis, the statewide public TV network's long-running weekly program <u>State Circle</u> begins its 44th season in January. Led by anchor Jeff Salkin, the program will provide in-depth reporting on the legislative session through its <u>sine die</u> conclusion in April. State Circle airs on Fridays at 7 p.m. on MPT-HD and online at <u>mpt.org/livestream</u>. Episodes are also available to view live using the free <u>PBS app</u> and on demand on MPT's <u>online video player</u>.

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