

Status of the Work and Family Mobility Act (H.4470/S.2851)

The Work and Family Mobility Act (<u>H.4470/S.2851</u>) has passed in both the Massachusetts House of Representatives (120Y to 36N) and Senate (32Y to 8N), **however it is still not law.**

Here is what still needs to happen before the Work and Family Mobility Act becomes law:

- Both the House and Senate passed their bills, which now need to be reconciled into one bill before moving to Governor Baker's desk
- Governor Baker will then have three options:
 - (1) Sign WFMA into law
 - (2) Amend the bill
 - (3) Veto the bill
- **If Governor Baker amends the bill,** it will be sent back to both the House and Senate to either accept or reject any amendment(s) by simple majority (*House 81, Senate 21*)
 - If Governor Baker amends the bill and the amendment is rejected, he has the option of then vetoing the bill.
- If Governor Baker vetoes the bill, it will be sent back to both the House and Senate to vote to override the veto by super majority (*House 105, Senate 27*)
 - If the House and Senate override Governor Baker's veto, the bill will become law!

If and when the bill is passed as written, it will not take effect until July 1, 2023

- The Driving Families Forward Coalition is fighting for bill language that specifies the RMV would begin accepting applicants on July 1, 2023. This is our goal, but we have not won this yet.
- Please be aware of scams offering assistance to complete a driver's license application process for a fee before the effective date, **the application process is not yet available**.

The remaining steps in this process could still affect the final language of the bill. Please follow the Driving Families Forward Coalition on Facebook and Twitter to help us get the bill across the finish line and stay up to date!

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