

# Final State-Based Subsidy Regulations

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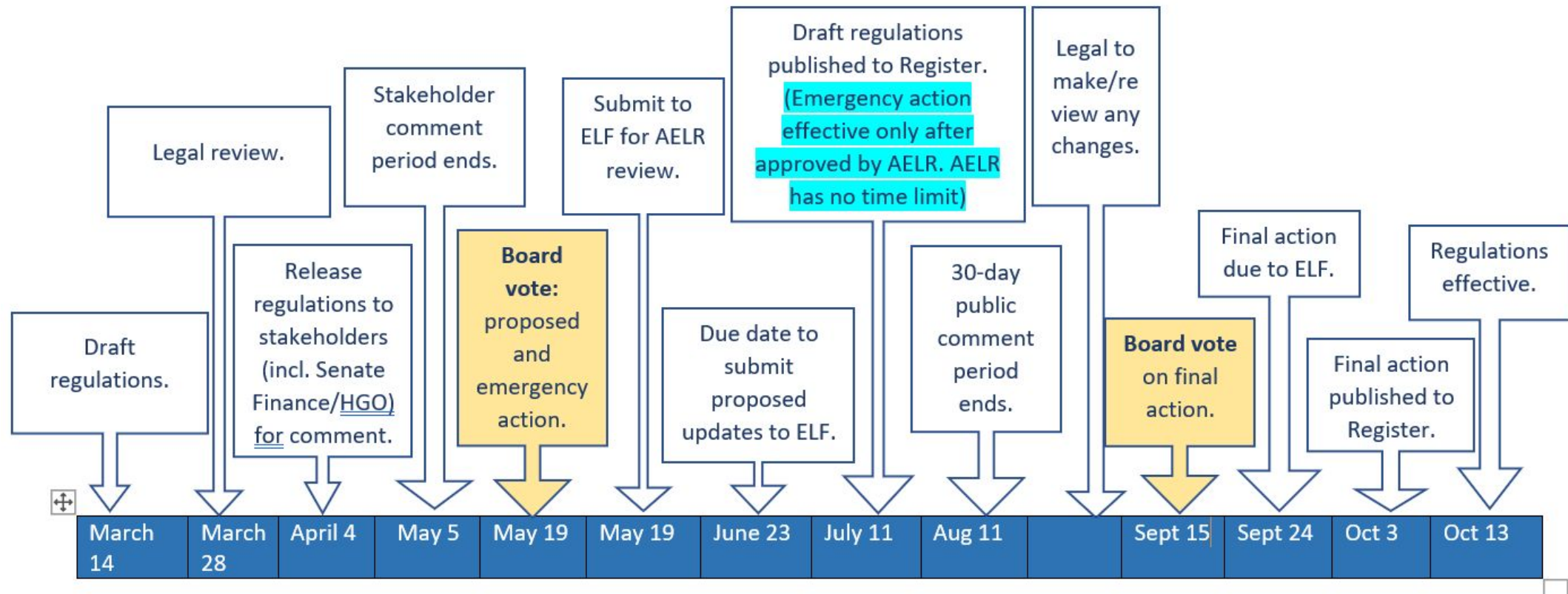
# Background and Summary of Proposal

- HB 1082 directs MHBE to establish regulations for the new state-based subsidy program
- In May, MHBE proposed adding a new chapter to COMAR (see Board materials for language). The Board approved submission of these proposed regulations to the Maryland Register as both a proposed and an emergency action
- MHBE staff now ask the Board to approve these regulations to be submitted as a final action so they continue to be effective after the emergency action expires

# Summary of Proposed Changes

- The scope of the new regulations include the structure, implementation, and eligibility standards for the program (calculation of subsidies; data collection, reporting and maintenance; disbursement of subsidies; document retention and audits)

# Timeline



One comment (supportive) was received during the public comment period July 11 - August 11.

# Request for Approval of Final Regulations and Authorization to Submit for Publication

MOTION: I move to [approve/defer/reject] the final regulations as presented, and authorize MHBE to submit them to the Division of State Documents for publication in the Maryland Register [as presented/as amended].