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## ACEC/MA's Public Agency Partnering Committees for FY23-FY24

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## Government Affairs

The Massachusetts Legislature plans to end its formal session on July 31, 2022. Several major bills are in conference committees so that the House and Senate can work on compromise bills to send to the Governor's desk.

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Several other major bills are still working their way through either the House or the Senate, with a conference committee needed to work out any differences.

**Here are bills sent to the Governor in the past week:**

- FY2023 Budget: [More Info >](#)
- COVID-19 Policy Extensions: [Chapter 107 of the Acts of 2022](#), passed by legislature and signed by Governor Baker: This new law extends some pandemic-era policies that were set to lapse on July 15, 2022 and will now remain in place through March 31, 2023.

**Major Bills of Interest to ACEC/MA Members in conference committees or soon to be in one:**

- Conference Committee Report expected by 7/21 on Energy & Climate: [H 4524](#) and [S 2842](#) [More Info >](#)
- [Senate Unveils \\$4.3 Billion Economic Development Bill](#)
- The Massachusetts House and Senate sent the [\\$10.4B infrastructure bond bill](#) to conference committee on July 18; late on July 20, legislators indicated that they appear to be close to final deal, so we may see the final bill on July 21, when both the House and Senate are scheduled for formal sessions. Bills are: [H 4916](#) and [S 3016](#). This infrastructure bond bill is important for the state to allocate the state match for the federal IJA (Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act) as well as to have additional funding to apply for some competitive federal infrastructure grants. In addition, both versions of the bill include our Dig Safe language, a direct result of our grassroots advocacy work. We are working to keep this in the conference report for this bill.

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**From ACEC Last Word Blog:**

[Diving Deeper into QBS](#): ACEC's Engineering Influence podcast welcomed Gordon Kingsley from Georgia Tech and Paul Chinowsky from the University of Colorado, Boulder for a closer look at the ACEC Research Institute's newly

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released study on Qualifications Based Selection (QBS). The two researchers detail QBS's benefits and explain how selecting engineering teams based on qualifications lowers cost, saves time, and lessens complexity for project delivery. Read the new study and access resources on QBS at ACEC's new [QBS Resource Portal](#).

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[ACEC Private Market and Economic Outlook \(July 2022\)](#)

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**ACEC/MA's Government Affairs Comm (GAC) acts on bills impacting our Eng/PLS/A/E community.  
Next GAC Meeting: 7/22 @ 10 AM on Zoom**

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