



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
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Schedule 1

PLEASE NOTE: The following legislation was prefiled for the 2024 Session.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 10, 2024

HB 1 Delegate Boyce, et al

MARYLAND PAINT STEWARDSHIP

Requiring producers of architectural paint or a representative organization to submit a plan for the establishment of a Paint Stewardship Program to the Department of the Environment by July 1, 2025, and in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department to review and approve certain plans, including a certain assessment; prohibiting the sale of certain architectural paint beginning January 1, 2026 unless an approved Paint Stewardship Program has been implemented by certain producers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

EN, Various Sections - added and §§ 9-1701(i-1), 9-1702, and 9-1707(f) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

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HB 2 **Delegate Boyce, et al****BALTIMORE CITY – PROPERTY TAXES – AUTHORITY TO SET A SPECIAL RATE FOR VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTY**

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to set a special property tax rate for a vacant or improved property cited as vacant and unfit for habitation or other authorized use on a housing or building violation notice; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, § 6-302 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 3 **Delegate Stewart****LAND USE – EXPEDITED DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESSES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING – REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring local jurisdictions to establish and implement an expedited development review process for certain proposed affordable housing developments; applying the process to a charitable organization seeking to develop affordable housing on its own land and a public housing authority proposing to develop affordable housing on land owned by a charity or a government entity; and establishing a good-faith waiver for local jurisdictions that cannot implement an expedited development review process.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LU, § 7-105 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 4 **Delegate J. Lewis****INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – ADMISSIONS STANDARDS – PROHIBITION ON CONSIDERATION OF LEGACY PREFERENCE**

Prohibiting institutions of higher education that receive State funds from considering a legacy preference as an eligible criterion for admissions standards at the institution; and allowing an institution of higher education to ask applicants for information regarding familial relationships to alums of the institution for data collection purposes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 26-901 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 5 Delegate Crosby**CRIMINAL LAW – INDECENT EXPOSURE WITHIN THE PRESENCE OF A MINOR**

Prohibiting a person from committing the common law crime of indecent exposure; prohibiting a person from, with prurient intent, committing the common law crime of indecent exposure when the person knows or reasonably should know that a minor is present and the minor is at least 2 years old and is more than 4 years younger than the person; and establishing a penalty of 5 years of imprisonment or a fine of up to \$10,000 or both on conviction for a crime of indecent exposure in the presence of a minor.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 11-107 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 6 Delegate Grammer, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – LAW ENFORCEMENT – QUOTAS (COMMUNITY-ORIENTED POLICING ACT)**

Altering a prohibition against using the number of arrests made, investigations conducted, citations issued, or warrants served or executed by a law enforcement officer as a criterion for the evaluation, compensation, discipline, promotion, demotion, dismissal, or transfer of the officer; and prohibiting law enforcement agencies from requiring, suggesting, requesting, or directing an officer to act for the purpose of increasing the number of investigations, warrants served or executed, or citations or arrests delivered.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 3-504(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 7 **Delegate Stewart****HOUSING INNOVATION PILOT PROGRAM AND HOUSING INNOVATION FUND – ESTABLISHMENT (HOUSING INNOVATION PILOT PROGRAM ACT OF 2024)**

Establishing the Housing Innovation Pilot Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide loans for local housing authorities to develop mixed-income, cross-subsidized housing; establishing the Housing Innovation Fund; requiring a local housing authority to provide a dollar-for-dollar match for Program funds awarded to housing innovation projects that are part of the Program; requiring the Department to prioritize projects that do not use low-income housing tax credit equity or tax-exempt volume cap; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HS, §§ 4-512 and 4-3001 through 4-3007 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 8 **Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo****MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION – POLICE OFFICER CERTIFICATION – ELIGIBILITY**

Altering the eligibility requirements for an individual to be certified by the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission as a police officer to remove certain citizenship requirements for an individual who is a permanent legal resident of the United States and an honorably discharged veteran; and providing that an individual who is a permanent legal resident and honorably discharged veteran or current member of the Army National Guard, the Air National Guard, or a reserve component is eligible to be certified as a police officer.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

PS, § 3-209 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 9 Delegate Crosby**STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – FORFEITURE OF BENEFITS**

Establishing that a public employee is subject to forfeiture of benefits from the State Retirement and Pension System when a public employee is found guilty of, pleads guilty to, or enters a plea of nolo contendere to a qualifying crime that is committed in the course of the performance of the public employee's duties; providing for the processes and procedures to implement a forfeiture of benefits; and providing for the processes and procedures to reverse a forfeiture of benefits.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SP, § 21-502(a)(3) - amended and §§ 21-801 through 21-809 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 10 Delegate Attar**CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION BOARD – ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS AND DIRECT REIMBURSEMENT FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

Altering which individuals are eligible to receive mental health counseling paid for by the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund; requiring the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board to provide direct reimbursement to mental health professionals providing mental health services to a victim of a crime or a parent, a child, a sibling, a stepchild, or an intimate partner of a victim of a crime; and requiring the Board, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Health, to adopt regulations to implement the reimbursement program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, §§ 11-808 and 11-811 - amended and § 11-816.2 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 11 Delegate J. Lewis**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND ADULT LEARNING – LEASING TRAINING PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Leasing Training Program in the Maryland Department of Labor to train, prepare, and connect job seekers with careers in the residential rental housing industry; requiring the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning to administer the Program and award \$250,000 annually in grants to eligible designated partnerships; requiring the Governor to include \$250,000 in the annual budget bill for each of fiscal years 2026, 2027, and 2028 for the program; requiring a certain report by January 1 each year; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, §§ 11-1601 through 11-1606 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 12 Delegate Ruth, et al**PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – RETAIL SERVICE STATION CONVERSIONS**

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property if use of the real property has been converted from a retail service station to other certain uses; and requiring the State to pay to each county or municipal corporation that grants the property tax credit under the Act an amount equal to a 50% of forgone revenue.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, § 9-268 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 13 Delegate R. Lewis**RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – AFFORDABLE HOUSING LAND TRUSTS – AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH CONDOMINIUM REGIMES**

Authorizing a condominium regime to be established on certain land owned by an affordable housing land trust.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 11-102(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 14 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Board of Elections)****ELECTION LAW – REVISIONS**

Altering the information that clerks of the circuit court for each county and administrative clerks for each District Court are required to report to the State Administrator of Elections to include the names of persons convicted of a felony and currently serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment; requiring a public official responsible for the use of a public building requested by a local board of elections for an early voting center to make the building available to the local board in accordance with a certain provision of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

EL, §§ 3-504(a)(1)(iii) and (2), 10-301.1(e), and 13-215(b)(2)(i) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 15 **Delegate Cardin****POLICE DISCIPLINE – ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**

Authorizing a police officer who is denied a certain right to apply to the circuit court at a certain time for an order that directs the law enforcement agency to show cause why the right should not be granted.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 3-113.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 16 **Delegate Kaiser****TAX SALES – HOMEOWNER PROTECTION PROGRAM – FUNDING**

Requiring each collector of property taxes to include with each property tax bill a separate insert that describes the Homeowner Protection Program and encourages taxpayers to make a voluntary donation to the Program through a website maintained by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; prohibiting the collector from delivering a certificate of sale to the purchaser of a property at a tax sale until the purchaser has paid a \$15 fee to the collector for each certificate issued by the collector; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TP, § 4-201.1 - added and §§ 14-820(a) and 14-891(f) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 17 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Planning)**

CHARTER COUNTIES – COMPREHENSIVE PLANS – AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHERING FAIR HOUSING

Altering requirements for the housing element of a charter county’s comprehensive plan to include requirements related to affirmatively furthering fair housing; requiring the housing element of a comprehensive plan that is enacted or amended on or after January 1, 2025 to include an assessment of fair housing to ensure that the county is affirmatively furthering fair housing; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LU, § 1-407.1 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 18 **Delegate R. Long**

EDUCATION – REPORTING ARRESTS OF STUDENTS – ALTERATIONS

Requiring a law enforcement agency making an arrest of a student for a reportable offense or an offense related to the student’s membership in a criminal organization to report the arrest to the Maryland Center for School Safety, the State Board of Education, and the State’s Attorney; requiring the State’s Attorney to notify the Maryland Center for School Safety and the State Board of the disposition of the offense; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

ED, § 7-303 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 19 **Delegate T. Morgan**

NATURAL RESOURCES – NORTHERN SNAKEHEAD – COMMON NAME

Establishing the common name of the northern snakehead as the “Patuxent Fish”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, §§ 4-701.1 and 4-714(f) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 20 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS – REVALUATION OF PROPERTY ON TRANSFER AFTER APPEAL

Requiring that real property be revalued during a 3–year assessment cycle if, within 1 year after the assessment of a property is reduced due to an appeal, the property transfers for consideration that exceeds the value of the property before the reduction of the assessment.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TP, § 8-104(c)(1) and (3) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 21 **Delegate Attar**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – WARRANTLESS ARREST – STRAW PURCHASE PARTICIPANT

Adding the crime of knowingly being a participant in a straw purchase of a regulated firearm to the list of crimes subject to warrantless arrest; and providing a penalty on conviction of imprisonment not to exceed 10 years or a fine of up to \$25,000 or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 2-203 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 22 **Delegate Ruth, et al**

AGRICULTURE – POLLINATOR HABITAT PLAN – REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Requiring the State Highway Administration’s pollinator habitat plan to include policies and procedures regarding the use of pollinator habitat areas along State highways; requiring the Administration to track and evaluate federal programs that provide funding for pollinator habitats, native plants, and invasive species control and to apply for any funding that the Administration determines appropriate and beneficial to pollinator habitats; requiring the Administration to update the plan by October 1 each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AG, § 2-1801 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 23 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)**

MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – QUALIFIED HEALTH PLANS – DENTAL COVERAGE

Repealing a certain provision of law providing that a qualified health plan is not required under certain circumstances to provide essential benefits that duplicate the minimum benefits of qualified dental plans; and repealing the authority of the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to require children enrolling in a qualified health plan to have essential pediatric dental benefits required by the federal Secretary of Health and Human Services.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

IN, §§ 31-113(p)(7)(ii), 31-115, and 31-116(a)(2)(ii) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 24 **Delegate Boyce**

ENVIRONMENT – IMPACT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS AND STATE AGENCY ACTIONS

Requiring the Department of the Environment to conduct a climate and environmental equity evaluation regarding the impact of issuing an approval for certain environmental permits; requiring the Department to provide opportunities for residents of the State to opt in to text, phone, e-mail, or regular mail notifications regarding any facility with a pending or final permit approval in or adjacent to the resident's census tract; altering certain reporting requirements for certain State agencies; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 1-7A-01 through 1-7A-05 - added and §§ 1-702(a), 2-107(b), 2-1305, 7-219, and 9-320(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

HB 25 Delegate Mangione**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIALS – PROHIBITED IN LIBRARIES AND MEDIA CENTERS**

Prohibiting sexually explicit materials in elementary, middle, and secondary public school libraries and media centers; defining sexually explicit materials as books and auditory and visual material that contain graphic or obscene depictions of sexual activity that are not age appropriate or used as part of the approved instructional materials for instruction on family life and human sexuality; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-135 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 26 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)**SMALL, MINORITY, AND WOMEN–OWNED BUSINESSES ACCOUNT – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the type of financial assistance that may be provided by eligible fund managers who receive grants from the Small, Minority, and Women–Owned Businesses Account in the Department of Commerce.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

EC, § 5-1501 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 27 Delegate Acevero**NO–KNOCK WARRANTS**

Repealing the authority for the issuance and execution of a no–knock search warrant; establishing that a warrant may not authorize an officer to enter a building, apartment, premises or place without first announcing the officer’s purpose and authority; specifying that a warrant may be executed only between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; and requiring an officer executing a search warrant, prior to entering certain areas to be searched, to give reasonable notice to alert any occupants within the officer’s authority and purpose.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 1-203 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 28 **Delegate R. Lewis**

PASSENGER, TRUCK, AND MULTIPURPOSE VEHICLES – ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEES (PEDESTRIAN FATALITY PREVENTION ACT OF 2024)

Increasing the annual registration fees for passenger, certain truck, and multipurpose vehicles based on certain vehicle weight classifications.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 13-912, 13-917, and 13-937 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 29 **Delegate Hill, et al**

REAL PROPERTY – TRANSFER TO HEIR – EXEMPTION FROM PREPAYMENT

Providing that certain requirements for the prepayment of certain real property taxes do not apply to an instrument of writing transferring real property from the estate of a decedent to an heir of the decedent.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 3-104(c) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 30 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)**

HEALTH INSURANCE – CONFORMITY WITH FEDERAL LAW

Conforming provisions of State health insurance law with existing federal requirements, including updating effective dates for federal regulations, clarifying federal consumer protection regulations resulting from changes to the federal No Surprises Act, altering the material errors that trigger special enrollment periods, and authorizing the Maryland Health Benefits Exchange to adopt an expanded open enrollment period under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-701(e) - repealed, HG, § 19-701(e) and (e-1) and IN, § 15-1208.2(d)(11) - added, and IN, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 31 Delegate Cardin**JUVENILE LAW – ELECTRONIC HARASSMENT AND BULLYING – INQUIRY BY INTAKE OFFICER**

Requiring a Department of Juvenile Services intake officer to forward a complaint that alleges a violation involving the misuse of electronic communication or interactive computer service and a related case file to the State's Attorney under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 3-8A-10(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 32 Delegate Harrison**INCOME TAX – CAREGIVER TAX CREDIT**

Allowing certain caregivers a credit against the State income tax equal to 30% of certain qualified expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year that exceed \$2,000 to provide care or support to certain qualified family members; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-758 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 33 Delegate J. Lewis**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ENTREPRENEURIAL LEAVE TAX CREDIT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Entrepreneurial Leave Tax Credit Program in the Department of Commerce to encourage employers to implement leave policies that provide unpaid leave for employees for the purpose of establishing or expanding an employee business in the State; requiring the Department to conduct research on the benefits of entrepreneurship, the creation of leave policies, and the utilization of entrepreneurial leave by employees; and allowing a credit against the State income tax for certain employers.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

EC, §§ 6-1101 through 6-1109 and TG, § 10-758 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Economic Matters

HB 34 Delegate Kerr**INTERSTATE SOCIAL WORK LICENSURE COMPACT**

Entering into the Social Work Licensure Compact for the purpose of authorizing regulated social workers who hold interstate compact licenses to practice social work in member states; establishing requirements for multistate licensure; establishing the Social Work Licensure Compact Commission; and providing for withdrawal from the Compact.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, § 19-3A-01 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 35 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**PROPERTY TAX – SUBMISSION OF BUILDING PERMITS TO SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS – ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST**

Requiring local permit offices to include a construction cost estimate when submitting a copy of a building permit to the supervisor of assessments of the county where the building is located.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TP, § 5-103 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 36 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)**INSURANCE – PROTECTIONS AFTER LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY**

Prohibiting a public adjuster, or anyone acting on behalf of a public adjuster, from soliciting or attempting to solicit a client within 24 hours after a loss or damage as covered by an insurance contract or between the hours of 8:00 P.M. and 8:00 A.M.; altering the statements that are required to be included in a public adjuster contract; and altering the services with respect to which it is a fraudulent insurance act for a contractor to take certain actions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

IN, §§ 10-411(h), 10-414, and 27-407.2 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 37 **Delegate Bartlett****REENTRY SERVICES FOR WOMEN – COMMISSION AND PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Commission on Reentry Services for Women overseen by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to create a comprehensive reentry plan for formerly incarcerated women; requiring the Commission to study the challenges faced by formerly incarcerated women, gather data from counties, identify service gaps, and report its findings to the Governor and General Assembly by June 30, 2025; establishing the Reentry Pilot Program for Formerly Incarcerated Women to connect formerly incarcerated women to supportive services; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 38 **Delegate Edelson****BALTIMORE CITY – OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS NEAR MASS TRANSIT STATIONS**

Prohibiting the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City from adopting or enforcing a local law that requires the creation of new off-street parking for a residential development that is located within a 0.25-mile radius of a present or planned MARC, Baltimore MTA Light Rail, or Red Line station.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LU, § 10-104 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 39 **Delegate R. Lewis****RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – REIMBURSEMENT – PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES (HOMECARE WORKER RIGHTS ACT OF 2024)**

Authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse a residential service agency for personal assistance services only if the personal assistance services are provided by an individual classified as an employee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2025

HG, § 19-4A-10 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 40 Delegate Kaiser**ELECTION LAW – POSTELECTION TABULATION AUDITS – RISK–LIMITING AUDITS**

Requiring the State Board of Elections, in collaboration with the local boards of elections, to conduct a risk–limiting audit after each statewide election; authorizing the State Board, in collaboration with the local boards, to conduct a risk–limiting audit after a special general election; authorizing, rather than requiring, the State Board, in collaboration with the local boards, to conduct an automated software audit after a statewide election; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

EL, § 11-309 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 41 Delegate Mangione**CRIMES – FIREARMS – PENALTIES AND PROCEDURES (VIOLENT FIREARMS OFFENDER ACT OF 2024)**

Establishing, altering, and clarifying penalties for and elements of certain firearm–related crimes; prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a certain defendant charged with a certain firearm–related crime under certain circumstances; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

CR and PS, Various Sections - renumbered, CS, CR, CP, & PS, Various Sections - amended, and CR, § 7-104(h) and PS, § 5-134(c) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 42 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**PUBLIC HEALTH – PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES AND PROTECTIONS – REVISIONS**

Repealing the exceptions that allow the sale, distribution, or purchase of tobacco products, tobacco paraphernalia, and electronic smoking devices to or for certain individuals who are active duty members of the military; authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to reallocate from one county to another county certain projected unspent grant funding relating to cancer to address certain funding needs; altering the duties of the State Council on Child Abuse and Neglect; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 13-1013(d) and 13-2205 - repealed and § 13-1108(f) - added and BR, CR, FL, HG, and LG, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 43 Delegate Stewart**MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTIONS FOR GOLF CARTS
– AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing counties and municipalities to designate county or municipal highways under their respective jurisdictions on which a person may operate a golf cart; authorizing a person to operate a golf cart only on a highway with a maximum posted speed limit of no more than 30 miles per hour, between dawn and dusk, and only if the golf cart is equipped with certain lighting devices; and repealing certain authorizations to operate golf carts on highways in certain local areas of the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-402(c) - amended, §§ 21-104.2 through 21-104.4 and 21-104.6 - repealed, § 21-104.2 - added, and § 21-104.5 - renumbered

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 44 Delegate Charkoudian**RENTERS' PROPERTY TAX RELIEF AND HOMEOWNERS' PROPERTY
TAX CREDIT PROGRAMS – GROSS INCOME AND ASSESSED VALUE
LIMITATIONS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the definition of “gross income” to exclude public assistance received in a cash grant for purposes of the renters’ property tax relief program and the homeowners’ property tax credit program; increasing the combined gross income limit used to determine eligibility for the tax credits; and increasing, from \$300,000 to \$450,000, the maximum assessed value of a dwelling on which the homeowners’ property tax credit is calculated.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, §§ 9-102(a)(6) and (9) and 9-104(a)(8) and (14) and (j)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 45 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Natural Resources)****NATURAL RESOURCES – SALE, BARTER, OR EXCHANGE OF
MOUNTED SPECIMENS FROM DECEDENT'S ESTATE**

Authorizing the sale, barter, or exchange of a legally acquired mounted specimen of a game bird, excluding a migratory game bird, or game mammal, from a decedent’s estate and the specimen is part of the personal property being liquidated or distributed.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, § 10-404(e) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 46 Delegate Mangione**TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM – COUNTY REFERENDUM – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing the General Assembly to authorize a county referendum on a transportation investment program; requiring a transportation investment program submitted to referendum to include a list of projects that each have a cost of at least \$20,000,000 and would be located in or serve a particular county; requiring that the transportation investment program be submitted to the qualified voters of the appropriate county for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 53A - added

Assigned to: Appropriations and Environment and Transportation

HB 47 Delegate Szeliga, et al**EDUCATION – INTERSCHOLASTIC AND INTRAMURAL JUNIOR VARSITY AND VARSITY TEAMS – DESIGNATION BASED ON SEX (FAIRNESS IN GIRLS' SPORTS ACT)**

Requiring certain interscholastic and intramural junior varsity and varsity athletic teams or sports sponsored by certain schools to be expressly designated based on biological sex; prohibiting certain entities from taking certain adverse actions against a school for maintaining separate interscholastic and intramural junior varsity and varsity athletic teams and sports for students of the female sex; and providing that certain individuals have the right to bring a civil action under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-118 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 48 Delegate Cardin**COURTS – JUSTICES AND JUDGES – SELECTION AND RETENTION**

Decreasing the term of office for the judges of the circuit courts; increasing the number of years between successive retention elections for judges of the Appellate Court of Maryland and justices of the Supreme Court of Maryland; providing for a transitional period during which the terms of certain amendments are to become effective; and providing that the amendment to the Maryland Constitution proposed by the Act be submitted to the qualified voters of the State at the next general election in November 2024.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, § 3 - repealed and §§ 5 and 5A - amended and Art. XVIII, § 6 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 49 Delegates Taveras and T. Morgan**VEHICLE LAWS – UNAUTHORIZED REGISTRATION PLATES – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting the knowing use, possession, or purchase of unauthorized registration plates for a vehicle; and providing a penalty for violation of the Act of imprisonment of up to 90 days or a fine not to exceed \$10,000 or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-703(g) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 50 Delegate Acevero**COMMISSION ON HISTORY, CULTURE, AND CIVICS IN EDUCATION**

Establishing the Commission on History, Culture, and Civics in Education to make recommendations to the State Board of Education and the State Department of Education to further the discovery, interpretation, and learning of the history, culture, and civics of the United States and Maryland; and requiring the Commission to report its findings to the Board, the Governor, and the General Assembly by December 30 each year beginning in 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-135 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 51 Delegate Rosenberg**MARYLAND PEDIATRIC CANCER FUND – MODIFICATIONS**

Altering the use of the Maryland Pediatric Cancer Fund to require that the Fund be used only for pediatric cancer research instead of only for pediatric cancer research, prevention, and treatment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 20-120 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 52 Delegate Stewart**STATE EMPLOYEES – PARENTAL BEREAVEMENT LEAVE**

Providing that certain State employees are entitled to use up to 10 days of parental bereavement leave with pay within 60 days after the death of the employee's child or the employee experiences a stillbirth; and prohibiting certain State entities from requiring State employees entitled to parental bereavement leave under the Act to use any other paid leave available to the employee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SP, § 9-1109 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 53 Delegate Wu**TASK FORCE TO STUDY E-COMMERCE MONOPOLIES IN THE STATE (E-COMMERCE ANTIMONOPOLY STUDY OF 2024)**

Establishing the Task Force to Study E-Commerce Monopolies in the State to investigate the business practices and industry impacts of e-commerce businesses that individually have annual revenue exceeding \$10,000,000,000, have a presence in the State, and are engaged in selling on their own online platforms first-and third-party products; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 54 Delegate Atterbary**PROPERTY TAX – TRANSFER TO HEIR – PAYMENT PLANS**

Exempting an instrument transferring residential real property from the estate of a decedent to an heir of the decedent from certain requirements for the payment of taxes on real property if the heir of the decedent enters into a payment plan to pay all the taxes due and owed on the property; requiring the State Tax Sale Ombudsman to contract with a vendor to operate an installment payment program for the payment of taxes in which any homeowner may enroll; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

RP, § 3-104(c) - amended and TP, § 2-112 - amended and § 10-209 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 55 Delegate Pruski**MARYLAND COMMISSION ON VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES**

Establishing the Maryland Commission on Veterans and Military Families to study developing and implementing a statewide strategic plan to make Maryland the best state for veterans and military families, including legislative and budgetary recommendations; and requiring the Commission to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 56 Delegate Hartman**WORCESTER COUNTY – MOTOR HOME AND RECREATIONAL TRAILER SHOWS – OUT-OF-STATE DEALERS**

Authorizing out-of-state motor home or recreational trailer dealers that are licensed by the licensing authority of another state to display motor homes and recreational vehicles at vehicle shows in Worcester County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 15-304(g) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 57 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**

PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM – DISPENSERS – VETERINARIANS

Altering the definition of “dispenser” for purposes of the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program to include certain licensed veterinarians when dispensing controlled substances for animals in the usual course of providing professional services; and providing that the Program is not required to disclose prescription drug monitoring data to veterinarians.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 21-2A-01 and 21-2A-06(b)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 58 **Delegate Guyton**

BALTIMORE COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

Establishing that certain provisions of law authorizing the use of speed monitoring systems in certain residential districts apply in Baltimore County; requiring all speed limit signs within certain segments of certain highways in Baltimore County to include certain signs; and making placement and use of a speed monitoring system under the Act contingent on a determination by the Baltimore County Police Department that the speed monitoring system is necessary and on the approval of the Baltimore County Council.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(vi) and (viii) - amended and § 21-809(b)(1)(xii) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 59 **Delegate Mangione**

CRIMES OF VIOLENCE – MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

Designating motor vehicle theft as a certain crime of violence.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 14-101(a) and PS, § 5-101(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 60 **Delegate Guyton****REHABILITATION SERVICES – DISABILITY – DEFINITION**

Altering the definition of “disability” relating to the provision of rehabilitation services in the State to align with the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and defining “disability” as any physical or mental impairment that constitutes or results in a substantial impediment to employment or independent living.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 21-301(b) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 61 **Delegates Taveras and Taylor****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – FORMERLY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS AND INDIVIDUALS ON PROBATION – RE-ENTRY SERVICES**

Establishing a program within the Division of Correction that provides formerly incarcerated individuals and individuals on probation with certain services; requiring the facility that administers the program to be located in Prince George’s County; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter an appropriation of \$3,000,000 for the program.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CS, § 3-1001 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 62 **Delegate Simpson****STATE EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS – PERSONNEL ACTIONS AND HARASSMENT – INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINTS**

Increasing, from 30 days to 60 days, the time period during which an investigation must be conducted and a written decision must be issued regarding a complaint filed by an applicant or employee alleging discrimination or harassment by an employer; and authorizing certain applicants and employees to provide written authorization to increase by an additional 30 days the time period during which an investigation of a complaint and a written decision must be completed.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SP, § 5-212 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 63 **Delegate Pruski****PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR DWELLING HOUSE OF DISABLED VETERANS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering eligibility for a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans to include individuals who have been declared by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a nonpermanent service-connected disability of 100% that results from blindness or any other disabling cause that was not caused or incurred by misconduct; and altering the criteria for determining the amount of the credit.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, § 9-265 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 64 **Delegate J. Lewis****MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX – TAX CREDIT FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES – ELIGIBILITY**

Altering eligibility for the vehicle excise tax credit for the purchase of certain electric vehicles to include certain vehicles purchased used and titled on or after July 1, 2024, but before July 1, 2027.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TR, § 13-815 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 65 **Delegate Miller****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL TREATMENT IN SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PARENTAL NOTICE**

Requiring a school health practitioner, health care practitioner, or certified school psychologist employed by or under a contract with a school-based health center, local school system, or local health department to provide school health services at a public school to provide certain information to a certain student's parent or guardian about any consultation, diagnosis, or treatment provided to the student.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-401 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Ways and Means

HB 66 **Delegate Charkoudian****PROPERTY TAX CREDITS – PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES, HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, AND PROPERTY USED FOR LOCAL HOUSING PROGRAMS**

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit for certain residential real property owned by a public school employee under certain circumstances; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit for certain buildings if the owner made certain health or safety improvements on or after July 1, 2024; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, §§ 9-268 through 9-270 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 67 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)****INSURANCE – PENALTIES – UNAUTHORIZED INSURERS, INSURANCE PRODUCERS, AND PUBLIC ADJUSTERS**

Altering the maximum civil penalty to which an unauthorized insurer or person that violates certain provisions of State insurance law is subject for each violation; and altering the maximum civil penalty that the Maryland Insurance Commissioner may impose, in addition to suspending or revoking the license, on the holder of an insurance producer license or a public adjuster licensee for each violation of State insurance law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

IN, §§ 4-212, 10-126, and 10-410 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 68 **Delegate Stein****CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES – GOVERNING BODIES, GRIEVANCES, AND ENTRANCE FEES**

Altering the membership of governing bodies of continuing care retirement communities by increasing the number of subscribers; altering the number of times select committees of providers without a governing body are required to meet with subscribers each year; requiring the Department of Aging to collect certain information about internal grievances; altering the processes for the termination of a continuing care agreement; and altering the process for refunding certain entrance fees.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HU, § 10-401(v) - added and §§ 10-401(v) and (w), 10-408(b)(3), 10-427, 10-428, and 10-449 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 69 **Delegate Amprey****COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION – LIVE NEAR WHERE YOU TEACH PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Authorizing the Community Development Administration in the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer a home buyer assistance program, a rental assistance program, and certain community development projects that assist certain school staff members with the purchase or rental of homes near where the school staff member is employed; requiring a school staff member, to qualify for home buyer assistance, to have been employed at an elementary or secondary school in the State for at least the preceding 18 months; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HS, §§ 4-215.2 and 4-217(f) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 70 Delegate Hill**CRIMINAL LAW – INTERFERENCE WITH A PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT – PENALTIES**

Prohibiting a person from taking certain actions with the intent to interrupt or impair the functioning of a public safety answering point; prohibiting a person from taking certain actions that interrupt or impair the functioning of a public safety answering point; and authorizing penalties for certain violations of imprisonment of up to 5 years or a fine not to exceed \$25,000 or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 7-302(c) and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 71 Delegate Edelson**EDUCATION – HOLOCAUST EDUCATION ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Holocaust Education Assistance Grant Program in the Maryland State Department of Education to assist local school systems with Holocaust education in public schools; authorizing a local school system to apply to the Department for a grant from the Program to be used for teacher training or teaching materials; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Program.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-135 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 72 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**VEHICLE REGISTRATION – FEE DUE TO OUTSTANDING WARRANT – REPEAL**

Repealing the fee required to be assessed by the Motor Vehicle Administration against an applicant for registration of a motor vehicle who had previously been refused due to an outstanding warrant.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-406.1(i) - repealed and § 13-406.1(j) and (k) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 73 **Delegate Bartlett****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT – COMPLETION OF SENTENCE**

Altering certain provisions of law relating to waiting periods for the filing of certain petitions for expungement to authorize the filing of a petition a certain amount of time after the completion of the sentence.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, §§ 10-101, 10-105(c)(6) and (8), and 10-110(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 74 **Delegate Guyton****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – LIFESAVER SCHOOLS PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Lifesaver Schools Program to recognize public schools that provide health and safety training to students and school personnel; requiring Lifesaver Schools to offer students, at a minimum, training on cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid, mental health wellness programs or a peer mentoring program, provide service hours for student participants, and offer certain training to school personnel; and authorizing a public school to partner with the county board to meet the criteria to qualify as a Lifesaver School.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-135 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 75 **Delegate Ebersole****HIGHER EDUCATION – TEACHER DEVELOPMENT AND RETENTION PROGRAM – DEFINITION**

Altering the definition of “institution of initial eligibility” to include community colleges as eligible institutions as part of the criteria for applicants for the Teacher Development and Retention Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 18-2701 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 76 Delegate Lopez**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES**

Authorizing a pharmacist to order and administer certain vaccinations to individuals in certain age groups if certain requirements are met; altering the vaccinations that a pharmacist can administer to individuals at least 5 years old; altering the circumstances under which a pharmacist may administer certain vaccinations; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HO, § 12-508 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 77 Delegate Munoz**MOTOR VEHICLES – PARKING – ARMED FORCES SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES**

Prohibiting a political subdivision from adopting or enforcing an ordinance, a regulation, or a policy that requires payment of a fee for parking a motor vehicle in a parking space served by a parking meter if the motor vehicle has a certain individually earned, combat-related armed forces special registration plate or a certain disabled veteran special registration plate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 26-301(b) - amended and § 26-301(c-1) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 78 Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Environmental Service)**MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE – GOVERNANCE AND REQUIREMENTS**

Altering the quorum threshold for the Board of Directors of the Maryland Environmental Service; authorizing the Secretary of the Board to delegate certain responsibilities to an employee of the Service; altering the obligations of the Service after receiving a request for services and after entering into a contract; altering the deadlines for certain audits and reports; and repealing a certain audit requirement.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, §§ 3-101(j), 3-103(b)(5) and (d), 3-107(b), and 3-126(d) and (h) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 79 Delegate Williams**FAMILY LAW – CHILD CUSTODY – DETERMINATIONS**

Authorizing the court, in determining legal and physical custody in certain child custody proceedings, to consider certain factors; and authorizing the court to modify a child custody or visitation order if the court determines that there has been a material change in circumstances since the issuance of the order that relates to the needs of the child or the ability of the parents to meet those needs and that modifying the order is in the best interests of the child.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FL, §§ 9-201 and 9-202 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 80 Delegate Boyce**ELECTION LAW – PARTY AND ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICES – PROHIBITION**

Altering the application of provisions of law that prohibit an individual from simultaneously being a candidate for more than one public office or office of a political party; and prohibiting individuals from simultaneously being a candidate for, or holding, a party office and an elected public office.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

EL, § 5-204 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 81 Delegate Bouchat**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – FORM OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT – REQUIREMENT TO ADOPT CHARTER HOME RULE**

Requiring each county to adopt a charter by December 31, 2030, using a certain procedure; altering the method by which a county shall adopt a charter under certain circumstances; requiring the charter to provide for the election of members of the county council by the voters of councilmanic districts; and limiting the applicability of certain Constitutional provisions governing code home rule counties.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. XI-A, § 1 - repealed and added and Art. XI-A, §§ 1A and 3A and Art. XI-F, § 1 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 82 Delegates Wu and T. Morgan**POST COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS PATHWAYS – COST TO STUDENT – ALTERATION**

Repealing a requirement that a county board of education provide certain post college and career readiness pathways at no cost to students who meet the college and career readiness standard.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-205.1(g) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 83 Delegate Ziegler, et al**CIVIL ACTIONS – NONECONOMIC DAMAGES – PERSONAL INJURY AND WRONGFUL DEATH**

Repealing certain limitations on noneconomic damages in civil actions for personal injury or wrongful death; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 11-108 - repealed

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 84 Delegate Kerr**HOSPITALS AND URGENT CARE CENTERS – SEPSIS PROTOCOL (LOCHLIN’S LAW)**

Requiring, on or before January 1, 2025, each hospital and urgent care center in the State to implement an evidence-based protocol for the early recognition and treatment of a patient with sepsis, severe sepsis, or septic shock that is based on generally acceptable standards of care; and requiring hospitals and urgent care centers to require periodic training in the implementation of the protocol for staff with direct patient care responsibilities, and, as appropriate, for certain staff with indirect patient care responsibilities.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-310.4 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 85 Delegate Lehman, et al**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – SPAY/NEUTER FUND**

Altering the contents and authorized uses of the Spay/Neuter Fund; requiring the Department of Agriculture to establish a process through which a person may make a voluntary donation to the Fund; requiring the Department to give additional consideration to certain competitive grant proposals that meet certain criteria; and increasing the fee on commercial feed prepared and distributed for consumption by dogs or cats and registered in the State beginning October 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AG, §§ 2-1602 and 2-1603 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 86 Delegate Boyce, et al**PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – AUTO-INJECTABLE EPINEPHRINE AND BRONCHODILATORS – USE, AVAILABILITY, TRAINING, AND POLICIES**

Requiring each county board of education and authorizing nonpublic schools to update their policies to require school nurses and school personnel to complete certain training before they are authorized to administer auto-injectable epinephrine to certain students and to establish a policy to obtain, administer, and train school personnel to administer bronchodilators to certain students; and requiring the State Department of Education to develop training for school personnel in identification of respiratory distress in students.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 7-426.2 and 7-426.3 - amended and §§ 7-426.6 and 7-426.7 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 87 Delegate Mangione**CRIMINAL LAW – DEATH PENALTY**

Providing that a person who is convicted of first-degree murder may be sentenced to death under certain circumstances; and establishing certain procedures relating to custody, warrant of execution, incompetency, method of execution, witnesses, certificate, disposition of body, notice, trial, sentencing, review, and appeal in relation to imposition of the death penalty.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, CJ, CP, CR, HG, and TR, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 88 **Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Education)**

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – IMMEDIATE VESTING

Providing that an individual serving as the State Superintendent of Schools shall immediately vest in the State Retirement and Pension System.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SP, § 29-304 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 89 **Delegate R. Lewis**

INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITHOUT MOTOR VEHICLES (ONE LESS CAR ACT OF 2024)

Allowing, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2023, but before January 1, 2029, a credit against the State income tax for certain qualified taxpayers if, for at least 6 months of the taxable year, the taxpayers were not listed as an insured on another individual's personal motor vehicle liability insurance policy and the taxpayers and entities controlled by the taxpayers or the taxpayers' dependents did not own or lease a motor vehicle required to be registered with a state; making the credit refundable; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-758 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 90 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)**

INSURANCE – HEARING REPRESENTATION

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to allow corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, and sole proprietorships that are small employers to be represented by certain authorized individuals rather than an attorney in certain hearings held by the Commissioner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

IN, § 2-213 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 91 Delegate Foley**FOSSIL FUEL-POWERED LAWN AND GARDEN CARE EQUIPMENT – STATE PURCHASE, USE, AND CONTRACTS – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting the State from purchasing fossil fuel-powered lawn and garden care equipment beginning January 1, 2025, under certain circumstances; prohibiting the State from entering into or renewing a contract under which the contractor, or a subcontractor employed by the contractor, uses fossil fuel-powered lawn and garden care equipment beginning January 1, 2025, under certain circumstances; and prohibiting the State from using any fossil fuel-powered lawn and garden care equipment beginning January 1, 2030.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

EN, §§ 3-601 through 3-603 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 92 Delegate Amprey**RESOURCES AND EDUCATION FOR ALL PRISONS (REAP) ACT**

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to assist incarcerated individuals in accessing federal Pell Grants for higher education; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to set goals for the number of incarcerated individuals in certain education programs, establish tracking systems relating to the number of incarcerated individuals and their progress in certain education programs, and forward certain data to the Maryland Higher Education Commission; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CS, §§ 2-701 and 2-702 and LE, § 11-903.1 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 93 Delegate Mireku-North**LANDLORD AND TENANT – TERMINATION OF RESIDENTIAL LEASE – LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR RENT**

Limiting a tenant's liability for rent to no more than 2 months' rent after the date on which the tenant vacates a leased premises if a physician, counselor, therapist, or psychologist completes a form specifying that the tenant has an intellectual or developmental disability or mental disorder, the management of which is substantially limited by the leased premises.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 8-212.2 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 94 **Delegate Pasteur****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INMATE EMPLOYMENT –
AGRICULTURAL WORK**

Repealing the authority of the Division of Correction to arrange for inmates not needed or being used by the State Highway Administration to perform emergency road work to be employed in agricultural work during any part of the year at a camp in Queen Anne's County or any other county with a similar camp.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CS, § 9-515 - repealed

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 95 **Delegate Mangione****WORKGROUP TO STUDY SCHOOL BUS SAFETY (MARYLAND
SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ACT OF 2024)**

Establishing the Workgroup to Study School Bus Safety; requiring the Workgroup to identify issues related to safety for and behavior of students and bus drivers on buses driven to or from a primary or secondary school in the State; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the governing body of each county and Baltimore City, each county board of education, including Baltimore City, the Governor, and the General Assembly by June 30, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Ways and Means

HB 96 **Delegate T. Morgan****HEALTH – NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM – KRABBE
LEUKODYSTROPHY**

Requiring that the Maryland Department of Health's newborn screening system include screening for Krabbe leukodystrophy.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 13-111 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 97 Delegates Taveras and Pasteur**BABY FOOD – TOXIC HEAVY METALS – TESTING AND LABELING**

Requiring, beginning January 1, 2025, manufacturers of baby food to conduct certain testing on baby food for toxic heavy metals before packaging individual units of baby food for sale or distribution in the State; and requiring, beginning January 1, 2026, manufacturers of baby food to make certain information related to the testing and a link to certain guidance and information publicly available on the manufacturer’s website and to include the test results or a certain code on the baby food product label.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 21-330.4 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 98 Delegate Kaufman, et al**OFFICE OF THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING – DEAFBLIND CO-NAVIGATION SERVICES PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing a Deafblind Co–Navigation Services Program in the Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing to provide co–navigation services at no cost to deafblind individuals in the State; and defining Co–Navigation Services as services providing visual and environmental information or sighted services to assist with communication accessibility in an individual’s preferred language and communication mode, and to assist with accessing an individual’s physical surroundings and making informed decisions about those surroundings.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, §§ 9-2438 through 9-2443 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 99 Delegate Bartlett**CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL SOLICITATION OF A MINOR THROUGH CHILD PORNOGRAPHY – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting an individual from knowingly and with a certain intent soliciting a minor or law enforcement officer posing as a minor to engage in certain prohibited sexual acts with the minor by a certain means.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 3-324 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 100 Delegate Cardin**INHERITANCE TAX RATE – BENEFICIARIES OF LIMITED MEANS**

Altering, under certain circumstances, the inheritance tax due on certain real property that passes from a decedent to or for the use of certain beneficiaries of limited means.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 7-204 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 101 Delegate Charkoudian**STATE HIGHWAY PROJECTS – REMOVAL, RELOCATION, AND ADJUSTMENT OF UTILITY FACILITIES – NOTIFICATION, WORK PLANS, AND COMPLIANCE**

Requiring the State Highway Administration to provide certain notices to the owner or operator of a utility facility for the removal, relocation, or adjustment of the utility facility for a State highway project; requiring the owner or operator of the utility facility to provide certain information to the Administration; requiring the owner or operator of a utility facility to pay for certain costs and damages under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain utility from recovering through rates certain costs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 8-657.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation

HB 102 Delegate Miller**MOTOR VEHICLES – MOTORCYCLES – PASSENGER RESTRICTIONS**

Requiring a rear passenger on a motorcycle to be able to firmly position the passenger's feet on the footrests of the motorcycle, subject to an exception for permanent physical disability.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 21-1302 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 103 Delegate Bagnall**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DENTAL SERVICES – COVERAGE AND RATE STUDY**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to study the feasibility of including removable full and partial dentures and setting adequate reimbursement rates for providers on a per-patient basis for house calls and extended care facility calls among the coverage offered by the Maryland Healthy Smiles Dental Program; and requiring the Department to report its findings from the study to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee by December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 104 Delegate Harrison**HEALTHY WORKING FAMILIES ACT – RAILROAD EMPLOYEES – UNPAID LEAVE**

Requiring a railroad employer to provide a railroad employee with unpaid earned sick and safe leave under the Healthy Working Families Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 3-1304(a)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 105 Delegate Atterbary**DRUNK DRIVING OFFENSES – IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PROGRAM**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to require certain persons who are convicted of, or granted probation before judgment for, certain criminal offenses related to driving while impaired by alcohol, a drug or drug combination, or a combination of drugs and alcohol to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for certain periods of time.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 16-404.1(c)(1) and (d)(1)(i)1., (2)(i), and (4) - amended and § 16-404.1(d)(1)(i)2. - repealed and added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 106 Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)

HUMAN SERVICES – PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO ENTREPRENEURSHIP (PA2E) PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Public Assistance to Entrepreneurship (PA2E) Program in the Department of Human Services to train participants on how to establish and run a small business; requiring the Department to establish eligibility criteria and a process to enroll eligible individuals; and authorizing the Department to provide up to \$10,000 in business start-up funding to each participant who successfully completes the PA2E Program and develops a viable business plan. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HU, § 5-507 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 107 Delegate R. Lewis

VEHICLE LAWS – BUS LANE OBSTRUCTION – MONITORING SYSTEMS EXPANSION AND WORKGROUP (BETTER BUS SERVICE ACT OF 2024)

Prohibiting a person from parking or standing certain vehicles in a dedicated bus lane; making statewide the authority of a local jurisdiction to use, in accordance with certain standards and procedures, a bus lane monitoring system to enforce the prohibition against driving, standing, or parking a motor vehicle in a designated bus lane; establishing the Workgroup on Curb Space Management; and requiring the Workgroup to make recommendations by July 1, 2024, on how to effectively manage curb space changes on certain roadways. VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

TR, §§ 21-101(i-1), 21-1133, and 21-1134 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 108 Delegate Pasteur**BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – NONSTUDENT MEMBER COMPENSATION AND STUDENT MEMBER SCHOLARSHIPS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the annual compensation of certain nonstudent members of the Baltimore County Board of Education from \$7,500 to \$16,500; providing that the chair of the county board is entitled to receive \$17,500 annually as compensation; and increasing the amount that a student member of the board is granted for a certain scholarship from \$6,500 to \$10,000.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 3-2B-06(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 109 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**NATURAL RESOURCES – SUBMERGED AQUATIC VEGETATION – ALTERATION OR REMOVAL REQUIREMENTS**

Authorizing certain persons to alter certain submerged aquatic vegetation in a certain manner and in accordance with certain requirements; authorizing a public utility company or telecommunications carrier to alter certain submerged aquatic vegetation in a certain manner and in accordance with certain requirements; and altering certain requirements related to the alteration or removal of certain submerged aquatic vegetation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, § 4-213 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 110 Delegate Charkoudian**HEALTH INSURANCE – UTILIZATION REVIEW – PRIVATE REVIEW AGENTS**

Requiring that certain criteria and standards used by private review agents for health insurance utilization review relating to mental health and substance use disorder benefits meet certain requirements; requiring a private review agent to take certain actions before issuing an adverse decision; and specifying the procedure for private review agents to follow when making decisions related to mental health and substance use disorder benefits.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

IN, §§ 15-10B-02, 15-10B-05, and 15-10B-06 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 111 Delegate D. Jones**BICYCLES, PLAY VEHICLES, AND UNICYCLES – AUTHORIZATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Authorizing a person to ride a bicycle, play vehicle, or unicycle on a sidewalk or sidewalk area unless prohibited by local ordinance; and requiring a person riding a bicycle, play vehicle, or unicycle on a sidewalk or sidewalk area or in or through a crosswalk to yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian or a person using an electric personal assistive mobility device.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 21-1103(b) and 21-1202(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 112 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Secretary of State)**PERSONS DOING PUBLIC BUSINESS – DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a person to file a registration statement with the State Board of Elections within a certain time period after the award of a contract that causes the person to be doing public business; requiring persons doing public business to update information on beneficial ownership included in the registration statement in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Board; altering the time at which a person doing public business is required to file a certain initial statement with the State Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

EL, §§ 14-101(b-1) and 14-103.1 - added and §§ 14-104(b)(1), 14-107, and 14-110(a) - amended and SF, § 13-221 - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 113 Delegate Lehman, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – HORSE RIDING – HELMET REQUIREMENT FOR MINORS**

Prohibiting an adult from allowing certain minors to ride a horse, donkey, mule, or pony on a highway, a public horse-riding path, or the grounds of a facility for which the primary purpose is recreational, educational, or competitive equestrian activities unless the minor is wearing a properly secured helmet that meets or exceeds the standards of the American Society of Testing and Materials for protective headgear used in equestrian riding.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 21-104 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 114 Delegate J. Lewis, et al**ARBITRATION REFORM FOR STATE EMPLOYEES ACT OF 2024**

Altering the collective bargaining process for State employees, including by requiring the selection of a neutral arbitrator to oversee all aspects of collective bargaining, establishing a process of arbitration in the event of impasse, and providing that certain decisions of a neutral arbitrator are advisory; requiring that each budget bill contain the appropriations necessary to implement all terms and conditions of employment in certain memoranda of understanding for the next ensuing fiscal year; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SF, § 7-108, SP, §§ 3-103, 3-501, 3-502, and 3-603, and Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 52 - amended and SP, § 3-503 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 115 Delegate Kaufman, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIMS’ RIGHTS – NOTIFICATION OF RELEASE FROM CONFINEMENT (JAYCEE WEBSTER VICTIMS’ RIGHTS ACT)**

Requiring a certain commitment unit to include in a notification given to a victim, victim’s representative, or witness regarding the release from confinement of a sentenced defendant or child respondent the name and telephone number of the lead victim services employee of the State’s Attorney’s office of the county in which the sentenced defendant or child respondent was prosecuted.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 11-508 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 116 Delegate Kerr**TEACHER DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP**

Establishing the Teacher Apprenticeship Startup Grant Program in the Department of Labor to provide high school and college students, and career changers opportunities to begin a career in education; requiring the establishment of apprenticeships that develop career paths and to pay apprentices certain compensation; authorizing the Department of Labor to award up to \$500,000 to develop and launch a teacher apprenticeship program; requiring a sponsor to coordinate with the CTE Committee to develop a high school-level program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LE, § 11-607 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Economic Matters

HB 117 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FUND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Maryland Geological Survey Fund to finance certain direct and indirect costs, including long-term budgeting and planning for survey projects, procurements, and equipment purchases; establishing the Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund in the Department of Natural Resources; and requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, § 2-101 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended and NR, § 2-205 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 118 Delegate Bartlett**CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – GERIATRIC AND MEDICAL PAROLE**

Requiring the Maryland Parole Commission to consider the age of incarcerated individuals when determining whether to grant parole; altering how the Commission evaluates a request for medical parole; requiring the Commission to develop procedures for assessing parole requests by certain incarcerated individuals; and requiring the Commission to report yearly to the Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board on the outcomes of certain parole considerations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, §§ 7-305 and 7-309 - amended and § 7-310 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 119 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

PUBLIC HEALTH – GIVING INFANTS A FUTURE WITHOUT TRANSMISSION (GIFT) ACT

Altering certain HIV and syphilis reporting and testing requirements for hospitals and health care providers for pregnant women and newborns, including by requiring that the pregnancy status of certain individuals be included in certain reports and that certain health care providers submit certain blood samples to medical laboratories.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 18-201.1, 18-202.1, 18-307, and 18-336 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 120 Delegate T. Morgan

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND WATERMEN’S MICROLOAN PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY

Expanding eligibility for the Maryland Watermen’s Microloan Program within the Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation to include, starting July 1, 2025, individuals who are residents of the State and hold a commercial fishing license to catch finfish, crabs, clams, or oysters issued by the Potomac River Fisheries Commission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EC, § 10-526 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 121 Delegate Amprey

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – TRAINING FACILITIES WITH AN OUTDOOR FIREARM RANGE – LOCATION

Stating the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services not locate training facilities with outdoor firearm ranges near a hospital, educational, state or local correctional, or juvenile facility; requiring the Department to provide certain notice of outdoor firearms training; requiring the Governor to appropriate funds in certain years for the relocation of certain training facilities; and requiring a report regarding the facilities be submitted annually beginning December 15, 2024.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

PS, § 3-531 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 122 Delegate Queen**GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE MONTH – SMALL BUSINESS MONTH**

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim the month of May as Small Business Month; and requiring the proclamation to urge citizens and organizations to observe Small Business Month properly with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

GP, §§ 7-504 through 7-507 - renumbered and § 7-504 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 123 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety and Correctional Services)**DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION – CRITERIA FOR EARNED COMPLIANCE CREDIT – EXCEPTION FOR SUPERVISION FEES**

Altering a certain condition regarding the payment of certain restitution, fines, and fees that a certain supervised individual must satisfy to accrue certain earned compliance credit while under the supervision of the Division of Parole and Probation in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, § 6-117(a)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 124 Delegates Taveras and Ruth**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE APPLICATIONS – RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS**

Altering the information that an applicant is required to provide in an application for an alcoholic beverages license; and authorizing a permanent legal resident of the United States to hold an alcoholic beverages license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 4-109(a) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 125 Delegate Rogers**COURTS – MILITARY RECORDS – RECORDATION AND INSPECTION**

Altering certain provisions of law relating to the recordation and inspection of certain military records kept by the clerk of a circuit court.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 2-207 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 126 Delegate Taveras**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – FAMILY LIFE AND HUMAN SEXUALITY INSTRUCTION**

Requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to require the curriculum for family life and human sexuality instruction in Prince George’s County schools begin no later than grade 6, provide age-appropriate instruction, include certain medically accurate information about contraception options, and include trauma-informed discussion of molestation and pedophilia and that these actions are reportable crimes that can result in imprisonment.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-452 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 127 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**PUBLIC HEALTH – NONOCCUPATIONAL POSTEXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS (NPEP) STANDING ORDER PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Nonoccupational Postexposure Prophylaxis (nPEP) Standing Order Program to authorize pharmacists and health care providers to prescribe or dispense nPEP under certain circumstances; and authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to administer the Program, collect fees necessary for the administration of the Program, and establish guidelines for training related to the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 13-5201 through 13-5205 - added and HO, § 12-101(x) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 128 Delegates Rosenberg and Kipke**CRIMES – INTERFERING WITH A LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDING**

Prohibiting a person from intentionally threatening a witness or retaliating against a witness or intentionally soliciting another to threaten a witness or retaliate against a witness to affect testimony before a legislative body in a legislative proceeding; and providing certain penalties.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, §§ 9-901 through 9-903 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 129 Delegate Williams**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – LOCATION INFORMATION – EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES (KELSEY SMITH ACT FOR MARYLAND)**

Requiring certain service providers to provide the location information for an electronic device to a law enforcement agency or public safety answering point under exigent circumstances; prohibiting a law enforcement agency from obtaining more than 48 hours of location information for an electronic device; prohibiting a person from being held civilly liable for making certain required disclosures; and requiring the Department of State Police to collect and disseminate certain information under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 1-203.2 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Economic Matters

HB 130 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – General Services)**DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – STATE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES – ENERGY CONSERVATION AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS**

Altering the State’s goals for reducing energy consumption in State buildings; requiring the Maryland Green Building Council to update the High Performance Green Building Program to ensure that the Program aligns with certain greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals; requiring the Department of General Services to identify State–owned facilities that are potential candidates for energy performance contracts; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SF, § 4-806 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 131 Delegate Stewart**HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS – LOCAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring local jurisdictions with at least 250,000 residents to report certain information about housing development permit applications to the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Department of Planning on or before February 1 each year; and requiring a local jurisdiction to make a copy of the report publicly available on its website.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LU, § 7-105 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 132 Delegate Cardin**SPORTS WAGERING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS PARITY ACT OF 2024**

Repealing the prohibition on applicants for and holders of video lottery operation licenses and persons who own an interest in video lottery facility operations in the State from directly or indirectly making contributions to the campaign finance entity of a candidate for any nonfederal public office in the State or any other campaign finance entity organized in support of a candidate for any nonfederal public office in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EL, § 13-237 - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 133 Delegate Bouchat, et al**COMMISSION TO STUDY AFRICAN AMERICAN CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS IN MARYLAND**

Establishing the Commission to Study African American Civil War Soldiers in Maryland; requiring the Commission to study the history of the African American soldiers who fought for the Union Army; requiring the Commission to make certain recommendations regarding the funding, design, construction, and location of an appropriate memorial dedicated to African American Civil War soldiers; and requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendation to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 134 Delegate Mangione

JUVENILE LAW – JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION – AGE OF CHILD

Altering the age, from 13 years old to 11 years old, at which a certain child is subject to the exclusive original jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 3-8A-03 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 135 Delegate CharkoudianTRANSPORTATION – MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
– PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY AND ACCESSIBILITY

Repealing a prohibition on pedestrians using a highway of the Maryland Transportation Authority; altering a prohibition on bicycles using an Authority highway; requiring the Authority to construct separated or buffered bicycle ways and pedestrian walkways in certain locations under certain circumstances; providing for a waiver from requirements under the Act; requiring the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee to review waiver requests under the Act and provide recommendations to the Secretary of Transportation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 2-606 - amended and § 21-1405 - repealed and added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 136 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS, PREVAILING WAGE, AND LIVING WAGE – EMPLOYER ADVERSE ACTIONS – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting employers from taking or threatening to take adverse action against an employee because the employee takes certain actions regarding rights and responsibilities, complaints, investigations, proceedings, or hearings under certain provisions of law; and authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to investigate a violation of the Act on the Commissioner's own initiative or on receipt of a written complaint.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LE, § 3-105 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 137 Delegate Grammer**CIVIL ACTIONS – CIVIL IMMUNITY – EDUCATOR INTERVENTION**

Providing that a member of the administrative, educational, or support staff of any public, private, or parochial school, acting in an official capacity, is not civilly liable for personal injury or property damage resulting from intervention in a student altercation or other student disturbance if the staff member intervened in a reasonably prudent manner and the actions taken do not constitute grossly negligent, willful, wanton, or intentionally tortious conduct.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-803 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 138 Delegate Amprey**EDUCATION – FINANCIAL LITERACY CURRICULUM (FINANCIAL LITERACY FOR ALL ACT)**

Requiring the State Department of Education to update the Maryland State Curriculum for Personal Financial Literacy Education and corresponding financial literacy standards to include certain content; requiring the State Board of Education to develop online or virtual curriculum content in financial literacy, including a certain course; authorizing each county board of education to offer the financial literacy curriculum content in every public high school in the county for credit, beginning in the 2025–2026 school year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 7-205.5 and 7-205.6, HU, § 9-610, and LE, § 11-903.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 139 Delegate Charkoudian**LANDLORD AND TENANT – OFFICE OF HOME ENERGY PROGRAMS – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Requiring a landlord to accept financial assistance from the Office of Home Energy Programs in the Department of Human Services for the cost of utility services that a tenant is required to pay; requiring a landlord, under certain circumstances, to provide a tenant with utility service documentation that is necessary for the Office to determine the eligibility of the tenant for financial assistance; and authorizing the Department to impose an administrative penalty on a landlord in violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 8-220 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 140 Delegate Rogers

STATE PERSONNEL – SPOUSES OF ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS – HIRING PREFERENCES

Requiring an appointing authority to apply a credit of ten points on a selection test for specified positions in the State Personnel Management System for the spouse of an active duty service member relocating to the State on military orders; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SP, § 7-207(c) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 141 Delegates Pippy and Simpson

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CHILD ABUSE VICTIM – TESTIMONY TAKEN OUTSIDE THE COURTROOM

Establishing a rebuttable presumption that the testimony of a certain child victim who is under the age of 13 years be taken outside the courtroom and shown in the courtroom by closed circuit television; establishing a way for the defendant or child respondent to overcome the rebuttable presumption; and applying a certain provision of law authorizing a court to order a certain child victim to give testimony outside the courtroom to be shown in the courtroom by closed circuit television to children who are at least 13 years old.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 11-303 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 142 Delegate R. Long

ELECTION LAW – POLLING PLACES – ESTABLISHING VOTER IDENTITY (VOTER PRIVACY ACT OF 2024)

Authorizing a voter to establish the voter's identity at the request of an election judge at a polling place by presenting the voter's registration card, a valid Maryland driver's license, or certain other identification that contains a photograph.

EMERGENCY BILL

EL, § 10-310(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 143 Delegate Foley**CONDOMINIUMS – SALES CONTRACTS – ASBESTOS DISCLOSURE**

Establishing the unenforceability of contracts for the sale of condominium units that do not contain certain notice relating to the presence of asbestos.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, §§ 11-126(a) and 11-135(a)(4)(x) and (xi) and (5) and (g)(1) - amended and § 11-135(a)(4)(xii) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 144 Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Employee Relations Board)**PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RELATIONS ACT – ALTERATIONS**

Altering certain provisions of the Public Employee Relations Act, including adding the definition of interested employee organization, altering the timing of exclusive representative access to new employees, clarifying the responsibilities of certain deputy directors, and clarifying the process for certain investigations of unfair labor practices.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, §§ 22-101, 22-207(c), 22-305, 22-306(b), and 22-307(a) and (f) - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 145 Delegates Pippy and Simpson**CRIMINAL LAW – REVENGE PORN – VISUAL REPRESENTATION**

Clarifying what constitutes a visual representation for purposes of a certain prohibition against distributing a certain visual representation in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 3-809 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 146 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – RECIPROCAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION**

Authorizing certain health occupations boards to adopt regulations establishing reciprocity for individuals licensed or certified in another state or jurisdiction.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HO, § 1-229 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 147 Delegate Hartman**TOBACCO TAX STAMP REFUNDS – LOSS DUE TO THEFT**

Authorizing a taxpayer to receive a refund for tobacco tax stamps affixed to stolen property; requiring the taxpayer to provide the Comptroller with certain documentation when making a claim for a refund; and providing for a fine for making a false claim of double the amount of any tax refund in addition to any other authorized penalties.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TG, § 13-901(h) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 148 Delegate Ebersole, et al**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS, TRAINING, AND RESPONSE (SEE SOMEONE, SAVE SOMEONE ACT)**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Transportation to develop and implement a certain training program for certain transportation–sector employees, taxicab drivers, and transportation network operators on the identification and reporting of human trafficking; requiring transportation–sector employers to provide a new employee with the required training within 90 days after the date of hire; requiring transportation–sector employers to establish procedures for reporting suspected human trafficking to certain entities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, § 10-208.1 and TR, § 2-113 - added and PU, § 10-404(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 149 Delegates Pippy and Kerr**MEDICAL RECORDS – DESTRUCTION – AUTHORIZATION**

Extending the time period during which a health care provider is prohibited from destroying medical records and laboratory and X–ray reports and altering the circumstances under which the health care provider can destroy a record or report during that time period; requiring a health care provider, if authorization to destroy a record or report is provided, to make a medical record available for retrieval by a patient or a parent or guardian of a minor patient within a certain time period and at a certain location; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 4-403 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 150 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo**VEHICLE EMISSIONS INSPECTION PROGRAM AND DIESEL VEHICLE EMISSIONS CONTROL PROGRAM – FEES AND FINES**

Establishing a recurring fee on each motor vehicle registered in the State that is granted a waiver from, exempted from, or not subject to the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program and on certain diesel vehicles; requiring the fee to be deposited in the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund and used to provide incentives to expand electric vehicle ownership and to expand electric vehicle infrastructure; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-616(d) and SG, § 9-20B-05(e) - amended and TR, §§ 23-205.1 and 23-405 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 151 Delegate Patterson**CHARLES COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – VACANCY PROCEDURES – TIMING AND VIDEO STREAMING AND ARCHIVING**

Requiring the Charles County Board of Education to fill a vacancy on the county board within 60 days after the vacancy occurs; and requiring the county board to make publicly available on its website live video streaming and complete and unedited archived video recordings of public meetings during which the county board conducts interviews of applicants for a vacancy on the county board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 3-501(f) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 152 Delegate Boyce, et al**DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – STUDY ON DEATHCARE AND FUNERAL PRACTICES**

Requiring the Department of the Environment, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Department of Labor, to conduct a study of the environmental and public health impacts of deathcare and funeral practices in the State; and requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 153 Delegates Rosenberg and Stein**MEDICAL RECORDS – FEES – ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING PATIENTS**

Adding an attorney representing a patient to the list of individuals to whom a health care provider is prohibited from charging a fee for providing copies of a medical record that will be used for the purpose of filing a claim regarding or appealing a denial of Social Security disability income or Social Security benefits.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 4-304(c)(5) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 154 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**HOMEOWNERS' PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – APPLICATION FILING DEADLINE – EXTENSION FOR HOMEOWNER PROTECTION PROGRAM ENROLLEES**

Authorizing the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to accept an application for the homeowners' property tax credit submitted by a homeowner within 3 years after April 15 of the taxable year for which the credit is sought if the homeowner is enrolled in the Homeowner Protection Program; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, § 9-104(u) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 155 Delegate J. Lewis**MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – CARBON CAPTURE OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Carbon Capture Opportunity Program in the Maryland Energy Administration to assist nonprofit and for-profit businesses engaged in carbon capture projects or carbon capture research; and requiring the Administration to establish application procedures, provide technical assistance to participating businesses, assist participants in applying for federal and private grant funding, and publicize the availability of the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 9-2016 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 156 Delegate R. Lewis**TRANSPORTATION – ELECTRIC BICYCLE REBATE AND VOUCHER PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Electric Bicycle Rebate and Voucher Program to provide rebates and vouchers for qualified individuals who purchase electric bicycles and related items; requiring the Governor to include in the budget bill an appropriation of \$100,000 for the Program; and requiring a report to the General Assembly by December 31, 2026 and each December 31 thereafter on demographic, geographic, and income data on individuals receiving a rebate or voucher, information on participating retailers and a breakdown of covered items.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 2-609 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 157 Delegate Griffith**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – APPROPRIATIONS FOR SCHOOL SAFETY EXPENDITURES – INCREASE (SCHOOL SAFETY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2024)**

Beginning in fiscal year 2026, increasing from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 an annual appropriation to the Safe Schools Fund to provide grants to local school systems and local law enforcement agencies to assist in meeting an annual reporting requirement on law enforcement coverage in public schools.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 7-1508(g) and 7-1512(g) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 158 Delegate Cardin, et al**COURTS – PROHIBITED INDEMNITY AND DEFENSE LIABILITY AGREEMENTS**

Prohibiting a provision in a contract or agreement relating to architectural, engineering, inspecting, or surveying services that requires the promisor to defend a promisee against claims brought by a third party.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-401(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 159 Delegate Korman**COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES – ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT (ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT ACT OF 2024)**

Altering requirements for procedures relating to electric vehicle recharging equipment to include electric bicycles; establishing requirements and procedures relating to an application to the governing body of a cooperative housing corporation to install or use electric vehicle recharging equipment; and requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to publish certain information on its common ownership community website.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CA, § 5-6B-23.1 - added and HS, § 2-303 and RP, § 11-111.4(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 160 Delegate Acevero**ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS – WORKPLACE READINESS WEEK – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the third week in April as Workplace Readiness Week and requiring county boards of education to establish a specified program of education to be held during Workplace Readiness Week.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-135 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 161 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVER’S LICENSES, LEARNER’S INSTRUCTIONAL PERMITS, AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS**

Exempting certain applicants for identification cards who present certain documentation from the issuance fee for the identification card; extending the term of certain learner’s instructional permits from 180 days to 1 year after the date of issuance; and establishing that certain driver’s licenses issued to certain holders by the Motor Vehicle Administration remain in full force and effect during an absence from the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 12-301(b), 16-105(e), and 16-115(d) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 162 Delegates Cardin and Moon**COURTS – PROHIBITED LIABILITY AGREEMENTS – RECREATIONAL FACILITIES**

Establishing that a provision in a contract or agreement relating to the use of a recreational facility that purports to limit the recreational facility's liability, or release the recreational facility from or indemnify or hold harmless the recreational facility against liability, for injury caused by or resulting from the negligence or other wrongful acts of the recreational facility or its agents or employees is void and unenforceable under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-401.2 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 163 Delegate Charkoudian**FOOD WASTE AND SOLID WASTE REDUCTION – GRANTS, FUND, AND SURCHARGE**

Establishing the On-Farm Organic Diversion and Composting Grant Program to award grants to eligible entities to assist with the costs of developing and implementing on-farm composting and compost use, food waste prevention, and food rescue projects; requiring the Department of the Environment to use funds from the Reduce, Recycle, Remanufacture Fund to support the Grant Program to Reduce and Compost School Waste; authorizing the Department to establish a statewide solid waste disposal surcharge; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

AG, EN, and SF, Various Sections - added and ED and SF, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 164 Delegate R. Long**ELECTION LAW – VOTER REGISTRATION LIST – ABSENTEE VOTERS (ABSENTEE BALLOT TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2024)**

Requiring the State Board of Elections or a local board of elections, on request of a candidate, to provide the candidate with a list of registered voters who have requested an absentee ballot for an upcoming election; and requiring that the list of absentee voters provided include the email address and telephone number of each voter on the list, if the information is available.

EMERGENCY BILL

EL, § 3-506(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 165 Delegate J. Lewis**LOCAL GOVERNMENT – ANNUAL AUDIT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS – ALTERATIONS**

Requiring 20% of certain State aid to be discontinued if a county, municipality, or special taxing district does not submit a certain audit report within 1 calendar year after the deadline for the report, subject to a certain condition.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

LG, § 16-306 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 166 Delegate Stewart, et al**RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – ELIGIBLE SOURCES – ALTERATIONS (RECLAIM RENEWABLE ENERGY ACT OF 2024)**

Altering the definition of “Tier 1 renewable source” for purposes of excluding energy derived from waste and refuse from being eligible for inclusion in the renewable energy portfolio standard; and applying the Act to all renewable energy portfolio standard compliance years starting on or after January 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, §§ 7-701(s) and 7-704(a) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 167 Delegate Harrison**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – STUDENT HEALTH – CERTIFICATE OF DENTAL HEALTH**

Requiring, beginning in the 2026–2027 school year, each student enrolled in a public elementary or secondary school in the State, to submit a certificate of dental health to their school on a certain schedule; and requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Health, to adopt certain regulations and to develop and disseminate a standard form for a certificate of dental health to county boards of education and parents and guardians of certain students.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, § 7-402.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 168 Delegate Terrasa, et al**ENVIRONMENT – PLASTIC PRODUCTS – POSTCONSUMER RECYCLED CONTENT PROGRAM**

Prohibiting certain producers of certain plastic products from selling, offering for sale, or distributing the products to any person in the State unless certain conditions are met; requiring certain producers of certain plastic products to, individually or as part of a representative organization, register and pay a certain annual registration fee to the Department of the Environment; establishing certain minimum postconsumer recycled content percentage requirements for certain products; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 9-1702(d) and 9-1707(f) - amended and §§ 9-2601 through 9-2610 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

HB 169 Delegate Acevero**CUSTODIAL INTERROGATION OF MINORS – ADMISSIBILITY OF STATEMENTS**

Establishing a certain rebuttable presumption that a statement made by a minor during a custodial interrogation is involuntary and is inadmissible in a juvenile or criminal proceeding against the minor if the law enforcement officer intentionally used information known by the officer to be false in order to elicit the statement.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 10-925 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 170 Delegate Williams**STATE FINANCE – PROHIBITED APPROPRIATIONS – MAGNETIC LEVITATION TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM**

Prohibiting the State and certain units and instrumentalities of the State from using any appropriation for a magnetic levitation transportation system in the State; and providing that the prohibition does not apply to certain expenditures for salaries.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SF, § 7-240 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 171 Delegate Guyton

STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – MEMBERSHIP – VETERINARY PHARMACIST

Adding a veterinary pharmacist member to the State Board of Pharmacy.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, § 12-202 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 172 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE – PROFESSIONAL OCCUPATIONS – APPLICATION PROCESS

Authorizing the Secretary of State Police to determine the manner and format for applications for certification as a private detective and security guard and for a license to provide security guard services; altering the application requirements related to security guard agency licenses and commercial general liability insurance; and requiring an applicant for a special police commission to submit two sets of fingerprints in a format approved by the Director of the Central Repository and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

BOP, §§ 13-403, 13-404.1, 19-304, 19-308, 19-402, and 19-404.1 and PS, § 3-304 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 173 Delegate Lehman, et al

STATE BUILDINGS AND STATE HIGHWAYS – COLLECTION OF YARD WASTE

Prohibiting a person from disposing of yard waste collected on the grounds of a State building or a State highway in a single-use plastic container; and requiring a person to collect yard waste on the grounds of a State building or a State highway in a container that will not be discarded with the yard waste or in a container that is compostable.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, § 2-901 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 174 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT – APPEALS TO MARYLAND TAX COURT – FILING FEE

Requiring a taxpayer, when filing an appeal to the Maryland Tax Court of a property tax assessment for income-producing property valued greater than \$5,000,000, to pay a \$100 nonrefundable fee to the Maryland Tax Court.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TP, § 14-512(f) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 175 **Delegate Harrison**

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION – CRIMINAL HISTORY – PROHIBITED DISCLOSURES AND PREDETERMINATION REVIEW PROCESS

Altering certain provisions of law regarding the prohibition on certain departments of State government from denying an occupational license or certificate to an applicant solely on the basis of the criminal history of the applicant by prohibiting a department from requiring disclosure of certain actions on an application and establishing a predetermination review process; authorizing a department to change a criminal history review fee of no more than \$100 or to waive the fee under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 1-209 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 176 **Delegate Foley**

VEHICLE TOWING OR REMOVAL – INSURER OF RECORD – ELECTRONIC NOTIFICATION

Authorizing a person who undertakes the towing or removal of a vehicle from a parking lot to notify the insurer of record electronically if that form of notice is agreed to by the tower and the insurer of record in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 21-10A-04(a)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 177 Delegate R. Lewis**HOSPITALS – CARE OF INFANTS AFTER DISCHARGE**

Requiring a hospital to provide certain oral and written instructions to the parent or legal guardian of an infant before the hospital discharges the infant into the care of the parent or legal guardian; requiring a hospital before discharging an infant to inquire as to whether a parent or legal guardian is able to provide the infant with a safe sleep environment and a bassinet, crib, or portable crib, inform a parent or legal guardian of certain matters, and provide each parent or legal guardian with a certain form; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-308.10 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 178 Delegate Griffith**VEHICLE LAWS – DISABLED VETERAN REGISTRATION PLATES – ISSUANCE**

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue certain special disabled veteran registration plates to disabled veterans who are between 50% and 99%, inclusive, service-connected disabled as designated or classified by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; prohibiting the Administration from charging certain persons the fee required for replacement registration plates under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-619.4 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 179 Delegate J. Lewis**INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY – RULE OF INTERPRETATION AND REPLACEMENT OF COLUMBUS DAY**

Replacing references to Columbus Day in certain provisions of law with references to Indigenous Peoples' Day; and establishing that Indigenous Peoples' Day is to be observed on October 12 or, if the United States Congress designates another day for the observance of Columbus Day, the day designated by the United States Congress.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 14-301(b), ED, § 7-103(c)(3), FI, § 5-705, GP, § 1-111, and SP, § 9-201 - amended and GP, § 1-111.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 180 Delegate Kerr**STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGISTS – LICENSING – EYELASH EXTENSIONS**

Authorizing the State Board of Cosmetology to issue a limited license to provide eyelash extension services.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BOP, §§ 5-101(i), (l), (n), & (p) through (r), 5-205(b) & (c), 5-301, 5-305, 5-310, 5-404, 5-501, & 5-605 - amended & § 5-101(p) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 181 Delegate Hill, et al**FAILURE TO PAY RENT PROCEEDINGS – PROHIBITION ON RENT INCREASES AND SHIELDING OF COURT RECORDS**

Prohibiting a landlord from increasing a tenant's rent because a judgment was entered against the tenant in a failure to pay rent action; requiring the District Court to shield all court records within 60 days after the final resolution of a failure to pay rent proceeding under certain circumstances; requiring the District Court to shield all court records relating to a failure to pay rent proceeding, on motion by a tenant, under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Judiciary to publish a certain form; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

RP, §§ 8-119 and 8-503 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Judiciary

HB 182 Delegate Bouchat**DISTRICTING – SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS AND LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT CONVENTION**

Requiring that each legislative district established for the purpose of electing members of the House of Delegates consist of a certain number of single-member delegate districts; requiring the General Assembly to enact a law establishing and governing a Legislative and Congressional Redistricting and Apportionment Convention to establish legislative and congressional districts and establishing certain requirements regarding the Redistricting Convention; establishing the Redistricting Convention; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, §§ 3 and 5 and Art. IV, § 14 - amended and EL, §§ 8-7A-01 through 8-7A-11 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 183 **Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)**

HUMAN SERVICES – FOOD SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM (SUMMER SNAP FOR CHILDREN ACT)

Making technical and clarifying changes to the administration of certain food supplement benefits for children; and increasing the amount the Governor is required to include in the annual budget bill for certain food supplement benefits for children.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HU, § 5-501.1 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 184 **Delegate Acevero**

PUBLIC HEALTH – HEALTHY MARYLAND PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Healthy Maryland Program as a public corporation and a unit of State government to provide comprehensive universal single-payer health care services for residents of the State by January 1, 2026; establishing requirements and prohibitions related to Healthy Maryland, including provisions regarding eligibility, participation by and payments to health care providers, benefits, payroll premiums, funding, and collective negotiations with health care providers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, IN, and SF, Various Sections - added and amended and IN, §§ 31-104 and 31-105(a) - repealed

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 185 **Delegate Bartlett**

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – MEDICAL PAROLE – LIFE IMPRISONMENT

Repealing provisions relating to gubernatorial approval of a decision of the Maryland Parole Commission to grant medical parole to an inmate serving a sentence of life imprisonment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, § 7-309 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 186 Delegate Hartman**EASTERN SHORE CODE COUNTIES – MAXIMUM HOTEL RENTAL TAX RATE – ALTERATION**

Increasing, from 5% to 6%, the maximum hotel rental tax rate that counties in the Eastern Shore class of code counties may impose.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LG, § 20-405 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 187 Delegate Ruth, et al**TASK FORCE TO STUDY AGGRESSIVE AND RECKLESS DRIVING**

Establishing the Task Force to Study Aggressive and Reckless Driving to study data, research, initiatives, and policies regarding aggressive and reckless driving; and requiring the Task Force to submit an interim report by December 1, 2024 and a final report by December 1, 2025 with recommendations on actions, interventions, and policies that could reduce aggressive and reckless driving and include recommended legislation to be introduced in the 2026 legislative session.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Judiciary

HB 188 Delegate Cardin**PUBLIC SAFETY – POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY – TIME LIMIT FOR FILING ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES**

Requiring a law enforcement agency to file any administrative charges arising out of an investigation of alleged police officer misconduct that is not required to be reviewed by an administrative charging committee within 1 year and 1 day from the date of the incident that led to the investigation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 3-113 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 189 Delegate R. Lewis

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – PROVIDER AGENCIES AND PERSONAL CARE AIDES – REIMBURSEMENT AND WAGE REPORTS (HOMECARE WORKERS EMPLOYMENT ACT OF 2024)

Requiring provider agencies to submit certain reports to the Maryland Department of Labor regarding wage rates for personal care aides on or before September 1 each year, beginning in 2025; and requiring, by September 30, 2026, and every 2 years thereafter, the Maryland Department of Health to submit reports to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee regarding reimbursement rates for provider agencies and any recommended regulatory or legislative changes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, § 15-155 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 190 Delegate Hill

WORKERS' COMPENSATION – OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE PRESUMPTIONS – FIRST RESPONDERS

Providing that a first responder who is diagnosed by a licensed psychologist or psychiatrist with post-traumatic stress disorder is presumed under certain circumstances to have an occupational disease that was suffered in the line of duty and is compensable under workers' compensation law; and specifying that the presumption does not limit any other right or claim an individual may have under workers' compensation law.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 9-503 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 191 Delegate Mireku–North**CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – PREGNANCY AND POSTPARTUM SUPPORT (PREVENTION OF FORCED INFANT SEPARATION ACT)**

Requiring the Division of Correction to allow a certain pregnant woman and a certain woman who recently gave birth to transfer to the prerelease unit for women for 1 year following the birth; establishing the Healthy Start Bonding Program to facilitate strong bonds between incarcerated women and their children; and requiring the Division to allow liberal visitation between certain individuals and certain children under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, §§ 3-901 through 3-903 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 192 Delegate R. Long**ELECTIONS – IN–PERSON VOTING – PROOF OF IDENTITY**

Requiring an election judge to establish a voter’s identity by requiring the voter to present a valid government–issued photo identification or a valid nongovernment–issued photo identification, and a current bill, statement, or check that states the voter’s name and address as proof of identity; requiring a voter to vote a provisional ballot if the voter is unable to provide certain proof of identity; and prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully voting or attempting to vote under a false form of identification.

EMERGENCY BILL

EL, §§ 10-310 and 16-201 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 193 Delegates Lehman and Pena–Melnyk**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SPEED LIMITS – ESTABLISHMENT**

Authorizing Anne Arundel County and municipalities in Anne Arundel County to decrease the maximum speed limit to not less than 15 miles per hour on highways after performing an engineering and traffic investigation; and prohibiting Anne Arundel County and municipalities in Anne Arundel County from implementing a new speed monitoring system to enforce speed limits on highways on which the speed limit has been reduced under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 21-803(a)(4) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 194 Delegate Edelson**SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – SENIORS – STATE SUPPLEMENT**

Increasing the amount of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefit that the State is required to provide for a household that includes an individual who is at least 62 years old and receives a federally funded benefit in an amount less than \$60 per month; and requiring the State to provide a supplement to increase the total benefit to \$60 per month.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HU, § 5-501 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 195 Delegate Guyton, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – MISSING PERSONS WITH COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT – PURPLE ALERT PROGRAM**

Establishing a Purple Alert Program to disseminate information to assist in locating a missing person who suffers a cognitive impairment, intellectual or developmental disability, or brain injury who is not eligible for the Silver Alert Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 3-608 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 196 Delegate Taveras, et al**MOTOR VEHICLES – SCHOOL BUSES – SEAT BELTS**

Prohibiting certain persons from allowing pupils to stand in a school bus while the school bus is in motion; requiring that school buses purchased after October 1, 2024, be equipped with seat belts that are accessible to passengers; requiring school buses in operation on October 1, 2024, to have seat belts installed that are accessible to passengers for every seat on the bus on or before October 1, 2026; prohibiting a person from operating a school bus unless the person and each occupant are restrained by a seat belt; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, § 7-410 and TR, §§ 21-1118, 22-412, and 22-412.3 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Ways and Means

HB 197 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – WORK SEARCH REQUIREMENT – EXEMPTION FOR FEDERAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES DURING A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

Authorizing the Secretary of Labor to exempt a federal civilian employee who has been furloughed from the requirement to be actively seeking work for unemployment insurance benefits eligibility if, during the furlough, the employee remains able to work, available for work, and work-attached.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LE, § 8-903(d) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 198 Delegates Korman and J. Lewis

TRANSPORTATION – WMATA OPERATING ASSISTANCE – ALTERATION (MARYLAND METRO FUNDING ACT OF 2024)

Repealing for fiscal year 2025 only the requirement that the Secretary of Transportation withhold 35% of the State's share of annual operating grants for the Washington Suburban Transit District if the State's operating assistance provided in the approved Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority budget increases by more than 3% over the total operating assistance provided in the prior fiscal year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TR, § 10-205(b) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 199 Delegate Wu, et al

MULTIFAMILY DWELLINGS – SMOKING POLICIES

Requiring the governing body of a common ownership community to develop a smoking policy if the property subject to the control of the governing body is a multifamily dwelling.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 14-134 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 200 Delegate Wilkins**COMMUNITY SCHOOLS – ALTERATIONS**

Authorizing each county board of education that has fewer than 40 community schools and that receives funding from the Concentration of Poverty School Grant Program for the personnel grant and the per pupil grant to expend no more than 10% of the funds distributed by the State under certain circumstances; providing that the per pupil grant portion of the Program prioritize funding for areas of greatest need according to the needs assessment plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 5-223(c) and (f), 9.9-101 through 9.9-104, and 9.9-106 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations and Ways and Means

HB 201 Delegate Taveras, et al**COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES – KNOWLEDGE TEST – ENGLISH AND SPANISH**

Requiring the commercial driver's license knowledge test to be offered in English and Spanish.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 16-807(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 202 Delegate R. Long**ELECTION LAW – ABSENTEE BALLOTS – SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS AND VERIFICATION**

Prohibiting a local board of elections from removing an absentee ballot from a return envelope or ballot/return envelope or counting the ballot unless the return envelope or ballot/return envelope is signed by the voter and, except under certain circumstances, a witness and the local board verifies the voter's signature; and providing that the witness signature requirement does not apply to active duty uniformed services members serving overseas or their spouses or dependents who live overseas.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EMERGENCY BILL

EL, §§ 9-303 and 9-310(a)(5) and (c) - amended and § 9-310.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 203 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services)

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – LOCAL DETENTION CENTERS – REPORTING ON OPIOID USE DISORDER

Altering a certain requirement that the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services annually report to the General Assembly about opioid use disorder among incarcerated individuals in local correctional facilities by repealing certain reporting requirements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, § 9-603 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 204 Delegate Attar, et al

EDUCATION – COACHES – MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING

Requiring the State Department of Education to develop guidelines for public schools and the Maryland Higher Education Commission to develop guidelines for public institutions of higher education to train coaches to recognize indicators of mental illness and behavioral distress in students who participate in athletic programs in public schools and public institutions of higher education; requiring public schools and public institutions that offer athletic programs to provide a certain training to coaches; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 7-452 and 15-130.1 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations and Ways and Means

HB 205 Delegate Charkoudian

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2024

Repealing and establishing the methodology used to calculate the weekly benefit amount; altering the taxable wage base used to determine employer contributions to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund, the dependent allowance, and the amount of earned wages subtracted from a weekly benefit amount; requiring the Secretary of Labor to set the taxable wage base and the maximum weekly benefit amount in a certain manner beginning in calendar year 2027 and each calendar year thereafter; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

LE, §§ 8-607(b), (c), and (d)(1), 8-610(a) and (c), 8-612, 8-802, and 8-804 - amended and § 8-803 - repealed and added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 206 Delegate R. Long**EDUCATION – STUDENT BEHAVIOR – PARENT AND GUARDIAN NOTICE AND REQUIRED COUNSELING (PARENT AND GUARDIAN ACCOUNTABILITY ACT)**

Establishing that it is unlawful for a parent or guardian of a student in a public school to fail to seek and participate in counseling with the parent's or guardian's child after receiving a certain notice of violent and disruptive behavior; and requiring a public school principal to provide a certain written notice to the parent or guardian of a student who engages in two or more incidents of violent and disruptive behavior on school premises or during school-related activities during the school year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CJ, § 3-8A-30.1 and ED, § 7-304.2 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 207 Delegate Edelson**MOTOR VEHICLES – RECKLESS DRIVING AND AGGRESSIVE DRIVING – PENALTIES**

Altering the penalties that may be imposed for reckless driving and aggressive driving to include a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days or both, and for a subsequent offense occurring within 3 years of a prior conviction, a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 21-901.1 and 21-901.2 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 208 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Library)**COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES – OVERDUE LIBRARY MATERIALS – MINORS**

Prohibiting a county public library from charging a minor a fine for overdue library materials; prohibiting a county public library from charging a minor a replacement fee for overdue library materials until 21 days after the date on which the library materials were due; and providing that a public library is not required to refund the replacement fee if overdue library materials are returned after a replacement fee has been paid.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, § 23-409 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 209 Delegate Amprey**PRISON EDUCATION DELIVERY REFORM COMMISSION**

Establishing the Prison Education Delivery Reform Commission to develop recommendations relating to education and its impact on the criminal justice system; and requiring the Commission to submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 1, 2025, and a final report by January 1, 2026.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 210 Delegate Acevero**MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – FOSSIL FUEL USE AND ELECTRIC-READY STANDARDS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt, on or before January 1, 2025, and as part of the Maryland Building Performance Standards, a requirement that new buildings meet all energy demands of the building without the use of fossil fuels and an electric-ready standard for certain buildings.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 12-503 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

HB 211 Delegate Taveras**BUSINESS REGULATION – CONTRACTORS, SUBCONTRACTORS, AND BROKERS – PROHIBITED CONDUCT**

Prohibiting a person from serving or acting as a broker between a contractor and subcontractor during the 5-year period immediately following the date the person was convicted of an offense constituting criminal malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance under any federal or State law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, § 19-107 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 212 Delegate Palakovich Carr, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – NOISE ABATEMENT MONITORING SYSTEMS – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing the use of noise abatement monitoring systems in Anne Arundel County, Montgomery County, and Prince George’s County to enforce certain motor vehicle noise requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, §§ 4-401(13), 7-302(e)(1) through (3) and (4)(i), and 10-311 - amended and TR, § 22-612 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 213 Delegate Attar**EDUCATION – MARYLAND STEM PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Maryland STEM Program in the State Department of Education to provide additional compensation to educators who teach STEM classes at nonpublic schools; authorizing nonpublic schools to apply for the Program and requiring participating nonpublic schools to report certain information to the Department each year; requiring public schools to inform current and retired teachers about the Program and to submit a list of interested teachers to the superintendent of the local school system each year; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-135 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 214 Delegates Boyce and Grammer**FAMILY LAW – ADOPTION OF AN ADULT**

Establishing that certain provisions of law requiring the issuance and service of a show-cause order on a prospective adoptee’s parents do not apply if the prospective adoptee is an adult; authorizing a court to order, for good cause shown, certain investigations before ruling on certain adoption petitions involving a prospective adoptee who is an adult; and establishing that parental consent to an adoption is not required if the prospective adoptee is an adult.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FL, §§ 5-3B-15, 5-3B-16, and 5-3B-20 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 215 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Disabilities)**

HUMAN SERVICES – ATTENDANT CARE PROGRAM – ONGOING ADDITIONAL SUPPORTS

Altering the purpose of the Attendant Care Program to include the provision of financial assistance for ongoing additional supports that increase an individual's independent performance of essential daily activities and is requested by an eligible individual.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HU, §§ 7-401, 7-402, and 7-404 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 216 **Delegate Charkoudian**

CONDOMINIUMS – COMMON ELEMENTS – CLEAN ENERGY EQUIPMENT

Authorizing certain governing bodies of a condominium to grant certain interests affecting the common elements of the condominium for the installation and use of leased clean energy equipment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 11-125 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 217 **Delegate R. Long**

VEHICLE LAWS – CANNABIS USE IN MOTOR VEHICLE WITH MINOR OCCUPANT – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting an individual from smoking, vaping, or consuming cannabis in the passenger area of a motor vehicle if a minor is an occupant.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 21-903.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 218 Delegate Stewart**INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR LONG–TERM CARE PREMIUMS (LONG–TERM CARE RELIEF ACT OF 2024)**

Limiting eligibility for a credit against the State income tax for certain long–term care insurance premiums paid by a taxpayer for long–term care insurance purchased before January 1, 2005, to taxpayers who are at least 85 years old with a Maryland adjusted gross income of less than \$100,000 for an individual or \$200,000 for a joint filer; altering the maximum amount of the credit; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-718 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 219 Delegates Guyton and Ruth**NATURAL RESOURCES – REMOVAL OF TREES OR SHRUBS – NOTICE AND OBJECTION**

Authorizing a utility or local government to remove a tree or shrub on certain private property under certain circumstances, including requiring the utility or local government to provide certain notice to the owner of the property on which the tree or shrub is located; establishing a process for a private property owner who receives certain notice to file an objection with the Department of Natural Resources in accordance with certain requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, §§ 5-2101 through 5-2105 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 220 Delegate R. Long**HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – CALCULATION OF CREDIT FOR DWELLING PURCHASED BY FIRST–TIME HOMEBUYER**

Authorizing certain local governments to allow, by law, a first–time homebuyer in the State to calculate the homestead property tax credit for property that includes a newly purchased dwelling using a certain method; requiring that the credit for a newly purchased dwelling be calculated in a certain manner; providing that a certain homeowner may receive the larger of the homestead property tax credit amounts as calculated using certain methods; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, § 9-105(e)(1) and (2) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 221 Delegate Wu, et al**EDUCATION – FUNDING FOR GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS –
DEFINITION ALTERATIONS**

Altering certain definitions relating to student enrollment that are generally used for the calculation of funding for general education programs.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 5-201 and 5-239(b)(1)(v) and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 222 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety
and Correctional Services)****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PRETRIAL DETENTION
AND SERVICES – FACILITIES**

Altering the composition and authority of the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; altering the authority of the Commissioner of the Division; establishing the Youth Detention Center in the Division; establishing the facility administrator and authorizing assistant facility administrators for the Youth Detention Center; and repealing authorization for the Baltimore City Detention Center.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, §§ 5-201, 5-202, and 5-401 through 5-406 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 223 Delegate Queen**COMMERCIAL LAW – MORTGAGE LOANS – VERIFICATION OF
ABILITY TO REPAY**

Exempting mortgage loans made by community development financial institutions from certain requirements to verify the borrower's ability to repay.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 12-1029 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 224 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)

SPORTS WAGERING – SPORTS WAGERING ASSISTANCE FUND – REPEAL

Repealing provisions of law establishing the Small, Minority–Owned, and Women–Owned Business Sports Wagering Assistance Fund.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, § 9-1E-07(d) - amended and § 9-1E-16 - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 225 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Planning)

SMART GROWTH SUBCABINET – MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES

Altering the membership and duties of the Smart Growth Subcabinet.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 9-1406 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 226 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING – ESTABLISHED

Establishing a property tax credit against the State, county, and municipal corporation real property tax on certain properties that provide permanent supportive housing; providing for the calculation of the tax credit; providing for the recapture of the tax credit under certain circumstances; requiring a certain reimbursement by the State to a county or municipal corporation for a certain percentage of the tax credit; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2025; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2025

TP, § 9-112 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 227 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Information Technology)

STATE GOVERNMENT – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Altering the definitions of “information technology” and “major information technology development project” for the purpose of certain provisions of law governing information processing and security; requiring a unit of State government to submit certain information to the Secretary of Information Technology relating to a major information technology development project; altering certain responsibilities of the Secretary relating to major information technology development projects; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, §§ 3.5-301 and 3.5-307 through 3.5-309 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 228 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee and Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

NATURAL RESOURCES – MARYLAND STATE PARKS – FUNDS AND PLAN ALTERATIONS

Extending the date by which the Park System Critical Maintenance Fund must be expended to July 1, 2029; authorizing the Park System Capital Improvements and Acquisition Fund to be used for State projects on lands managed by the Department of Natural Resources for public purposes; altering the allowable uses of funds for the initial allocation to the Park System Capital Improvements and Acquisition Fund; authorizing the Great Maryland Outdoors Fund to be used for promoting outdoor environmental education in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, §§ 5-220(k), 5-221(c),(g),(j), and (l), 5-222(c),(g), and (k), and 5-2A-05(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 229 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)

VEHICLE LAWS – MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE COMPANIES – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring motor vehicle insurance companies to participate in the Administration’s online verification program for vehicle insurance policies for law enforcement and administrative purposes; and requiring motor vehicle insurance companies to provide certain customer information details.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 17-104(c) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 230 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)

MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION – DEATH CERTIFICATES – ISSUANCE OF COPIES

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to access electronically from the Maryland Department of Health a copy of a death certificate and, on request, provide any person authorized by regulations with a certified or abridged copy of a death certificate; and authorizing the Administration to set and collect a fee for processing and issuing death certificates, subject to certain limitations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 4-217(a), (c), and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 231 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Veterans Affairs)

VEHICLE LAWS – SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES – GOLD STAR AND NEXT OF KIN FAMILIES

Authorizing the recipient of a U.S. Department of Defense Next of Kin lapel button to apply for special registration plates; and waiving the initial vehicle registration fee associated with, and requiring the name and rank of the deceased service member to be included on, special registration plates issued to the recipient of a Gold Star or a Next of Kin lapel button.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-619.1(a)(4), (b), and (c)(2)(iii) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 232 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

PHYSICIANS AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS – REORGANIZATION AND REVISIONS

Repealing obsolete and redundant language in, clarifying language in, and reorganizing certain provisions of law governing the State Board of Physicians and the regulation of physicians, physician assistants, and allied health professions; altering physician, physician assistant, and allied health professional licensure exceptions for individuals in the service of the federal government; altering the grounds for discipline for physicians, physician assistants, and allied health professionals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

AB, CS, CJ, HG, HO, TG, and TR, Various Sections - repealed, renumbered, amended, and added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 233 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Critical Area Commission)

CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS CRITICAL AREA PROTECTION PROGRAM – CLIMATE, EQUITY, AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Authorizing the Critical Area Commission to adopt regulations governing the transfer of development rights, fee in lieu payments, the assessment of and adaption to climate change relevant to the critical area, enhancing resilience in the critical area, and environmental justice and equity initiatives; establishing certain considerations of climate change, resiliency, and equity as general principles and minimum elements of local programs; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 234 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – LICENSING, REGISTRATION, FEES AND PENALTIES, AND REGULATION

Altering and establishing renewal and reinstatement processes for horse establishment licenses; establishing certain duties and administrative penalties with respect to beekeeping activities; altering the administrative penalty structure for certain violations related to nutrient management plans; and altering the renewal process and fee structure for the registration of weights and measures.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

AG, §§ 2-712, 5-503, 5-506, 8-801.1, 11-204.4, and 11-204.7 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 235 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – PAY-FOR-SUCCESS CONTRACTS – PROCUREMENT EXEMPTION

Exempting pay-for-success contracts negotiated or entered into by the Department of Natural Resources from certain provisions of the General Procurement Law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, § 11-203(a)(1)(xviii) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 236 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Energy Administration)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND CONSUMER PROTECTIONS – REGULATIONS AND ORDERS

Requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt regulations or orders regarding the marketing of and contracting for certain electricity supply.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, § 7-507(e) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 237 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

COMMERCIAL NORTHERN SNAKEHEAD LICENSE – GEAR

Repealing certain buffer zones within which a commercial northern snakehead licensee may not fish using bowfishing gear; and requiring a licensee who fishes for northern snakehead to comply with Department of Natural Resources regulations governing the use of gear.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, § 4-701.1 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 238 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

PUBLIC HEALTH – CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT – REVISIONS

Prohibiting vaping in certain indoor areas and certain mass transportation; and requiring that certain signs be posted and maintained in a certain manner in each indoor area open to the public and each public entrance to an indoor area where smoking or vaping is prohibited under the Clean Indoor Air Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, §§ 24-501, 24-504, 24-505, 24-506, and 24-508(c)(2) - amended, § 24-509 - repealed, and §§ 24-510 and 24-511 - renumbered

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 239 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

NATURAL RESOURCES – STATE BOAT ACT – ALTERATIONS

Altering and repealing certain definitions for purposes of the State Boat Act; repealing certain advertising and public hearing requirements for proposed regulations implementing provisions of the State Boat Act; altering the fees for manufacturer and dealer licenses, certificates of number, Maryland use stickers, and the issuance of certificates of title, transfers of title, or duplicate or corrected certificates of title; requiring that certain vessels equipped with a sail be numbered for identification; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

NR, Various Sections - amended, § 8-704(e) - repealed, §§ 8-712.4 and 8-725.9 - added, and § 8-704(f) through (i) - renumbered

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 240 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

HEALTH INSURANCE – CANCELLATION OF INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS – RESTRICTION

Prohibiting a carrier from canceling an individual health benefit plan if a policyholder has made a premium payment before the end of the grace period, the amount of the premium payment made is less than the aggregate amount of the net monthly premium due as of the date of the payment, the amount of the deficiency is \$10 or less, and the policyholder pays the remainder of the net monthly premium due within 30 days after a written notice of the deficiency is sent by the carrier.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

IN, § 15-1309(a) and (f) - amended and § 15-1309(j) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 241 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – JUST COMMUNITY DESIGNATION

Authorizing the Governor, on the recommendation of the Secretary of Housing and Community Development, to designate certain areas as Just Communities based on certain criteria; and providing for the prioritization of State funding for Just Communities to increase racial, economic and health equity in the State.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HS, §§ 6-1201 through 6-1203 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 242 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

STATE AMUSEMENT RIDE SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2034, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

BR, § 3-315 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 243 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)

PROPERTY TAX – TAX SALES – REVISIONS

Requiring that certain property be withheld from tax sale; authorizing a county or a municipal corporation to withhold from tax sale certain property designated for redevelopment purposes; altering certain provisions of law concerning abandoned property that is sold for less than the lien amount; altering certain requirements concerning the rate of redemption for properties sold at tax sale; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

TP, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 244 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

MARYLAND OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT – CIVIL PENALTIES – ALTERATIONS

Altering certain civil penalties for violations of the Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Act; and requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to annually increase the maximum and minimum civil penalties in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LE, § 5-810 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 245 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment)

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – FEES, PENALTIES, FUNDING, AND REGULATION

Authorizing the Department of the Environment to charge a fee for processing and issuing on-site sewage disposal permits and individual well construction permits under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to establish a certain fee for the Responsible Personnel Training Program Certification; requiring a holder of a license to transfer oil into the State to pay a certain fee when oil owned by the licensee is first transferred into the State; establishing the Private Dam Repair Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

EN, Various Sections - added, amended, repealed, & renumbered & SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. & 190. - amended & § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 246 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

COMMERCIAL LAW – CREDIT REGULATION – EARNED WAGE ACCESS AND CREDIT MODERNIZATION

Subjecting certain earned wage access products to the Maryland Consumer Loan Law and other provisions that regulate entities that provide consumer credit, revolving credit, and closed end credit; restricting the acceptance of tips by certain lenders under certain circumstances; providing for the licensing or registration of certain entities offering earned wage access products with certain exemptions; limiting the costs and fees associated with obtaining an earned wage access product; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, §§ 12-101, 12-301, 12-901, and 12-1001 - amended and §§ 12-128, 12-318, 12-319, 12-927, 12-1031, and 12-1501 through 12-1506 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 247 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

REAL PROPERTY – RESIDENTIAL FORECLOSURES – PROCEDURES

Repealing the use of a preliminary loss mitigation affidavit in an order to docket or complaint to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential property; altering certain requirements for the filing of an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential property and altering certain requirements for an order to docket or a complaint to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust; establishing that a copy of a notice of intent to foreclose is not a public record and is not subject to the Public Information Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

RP, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 248 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)

PROPERTY TAX – ASSESSMENT APPEAL BOARDS AND SUPERVISORS – REGIONAL ORGANIZATION

Establishing certain regions for supervisors of real property assessments offices; altering the geographic jurisdiction of property tax assessment appeal boards from county to regional; establishing the membership of the regional boards; and prohibiting an employee of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from concurrently being a member of a regional board, serving as the Administrator of the regional boards, or being employed as staff for a regional board.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

TP, §§ 1-101(mm), 2-105, 2-106, 2-216, 3-102, 3-103, 3-105(d), 3-107, 3-108(a), 7-106, 7-241, and 8-421 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 249 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)**PUBLIC SAFETY – STATEWIDE DNA DATABASE SYSTEM, DNA COLLECTION, AND PENALTIES – ALTERATIONS**

Requiring a certain DNA sample to be collected in a certain manner from an individual who is required to register as a sex offender; requiring a DNA sample to be collected by a certain individual or at a certain location under certain circumstances; prohibiting a DNA sample from being tested and placed in a certain statewide DNA database system until certain conditions are met; prohibiting an individual from refusing to provide a DNA sample as required; and requiring certain DNA samples or records to be destroyed or expunged.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, §§ 2-504 and 2-511 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 250 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDERS – EXAMINATIONS**

Authorizing the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to examine a third-party service provider as to services and activities performed on behalf of an entity licensed or chartered by the Office of Financial Regulation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FI, §§ 1-101(w) and (x) and 2-122 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 251 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – COVERED EMPLOYMENT – EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES OR CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL, OR RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS**

Specifying that certain limitations on the payment of benefits to employees of governmental entities or charitable, educational, or religious organizations do not apply with respect to service in other covered employment, including covered employment for a for-profit employing unit, even if the service is provided exclusively for a governmental entity or a charitable, educational, religious, or other organization.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 8-909 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 252 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

INSURANCE – HOLDING COMPANIES – GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATION AND LIQUIDITY STRESS TEST

Requiring certain controlling persons of certain insurers in an insurance holding company system to file an annual group calculation as directed by the lead state commissioner of the insurance group; requiring certain controlling persons of certain insurers in an insurance holding company system to file the results of a liquidity stress test for certain years; and providing for the confidentiality of certain information.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

IN, §§ 7-101, 7-106, and 7-603 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 253 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Maryland Cannabis Administration)

CANNABIS REFORM – ALTERATIONS

Making alterations and clarifications related to the duties of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission, the Office of Social Equity, the Advisory Board on Medical and Adult-Use Cannabis, and the Maryland Cannabis Administration; altering the composition of the Advisory Board; requiring the Governor to appoint the chair of the Advisory Board and removing the Director of the Administration as chair; authorizing processors to provide cannabis to cannabis licensees; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

AB, Various Sections - amended, added, & repealed & EC, § 5-1901(g)(1) & Chapters 254 & 255 of the Acts of 2023, § 10 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 254 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

COMMERCIAL LAW – CREDIT REGULATION – PREDATORY LOAN PREVENTION (TRUE LENDER ACT)

Prohibiting a person from engaging in certain activities to evade certain requirements relating to lending or the extension of credit; establishing that a person is a lender subject to certain statutory requirements under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, §§ 12-1501 through 12-1503 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 255 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Aging)

INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON AGING SERVICES – REPEAL

Repealing the provisions of law establishing and governing the Interagency Committee on Aging Services, and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HU, §§ 10-301 through 10-310 - repealed

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 256 Delegate D. Jones

WATERWAY INCIDENT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (WINS)
WORKGROUP

Establishing the Waterway Incident Notification System (WINS) Workgroup to study issues and factors regarding the feasibility of establishing a Waterway Incident Notification System to notify members of the public of certain waterway emergencies; and requiring the Workgroup to submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2024, and a final report on or before September 30, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation