



SYNOPSIS

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SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED *February 2, 2024*

SB 864 **Senator King, et al**

UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER – DESIGNATION AS COMMUNITY OF INNOVATION

Designating the Universities at Shady Grove Regional Higher Education Center as the State’s Regional Higher Education Community of Innovation; and altering the purposes of the Universities at Shady Grove to include serving a diverse citizenry in an innovative manner to meet the educational needs of the region and fostering individual academic success leading to career success which positively impacts the entire economy of the region.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 12-119 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

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SB 865 **Senator King, et al****JUVENILES – TRUANCY REDUCTION PILOT PROGRAM – EXPANSION**

Expanding, renaming, and altering certain provisions relating to a certain truancy reduction program in certain juvenile courts; authorizing a county or circuit administrative judge to establish a certain Truancy Reduction and School Reengagement Program as a problem-solving court in certain juvenile courts in accordance with rules adopted by the Supreme Court of Maryland; and requiring the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland to annually report certain information to the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 3-8C-01 - added and CJ, §§ 3-8C-01, 3-8C-02, 3-8C-06, 3-8C-07, 3-8C-10, and 3-8C-12 and ED, § 7-301(e-1) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 866 **Senator Ready****HEALTH – SMALL HALFWAY HOUSES AND SMALL PRIVATE GROUP HOMES – COUNTY ZONING**

Authorizing a county to deem conclusively that a small halfway house or small private group home is a single-family dwelling or a multifamily dwelling for purposes of zoning.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 8-406 and 10-518 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 867 **Senator Ready, et al****GENERAL ASSEMBLY – FISCAL NOTES – FAMILY IMPACT STATEMENTS**

Requiring the fiscal note for proposed legislation prepared by the Department of Legislative Services to include a family impact statement; providing the purpose of the family impact statement is to indicate whether a bill may or will have impact on families in the state, specify the type and category of impact, including influence on marriage and family stability, marriage promotion, and family welfare; and prohibiting a committee from voting on a bill unless a family impact statement is attached to or included in the fiscal note.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 2-1505(a) and (e) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 868 **Senator Ready, et al**

CIVIL ACTIONS – INJURY TO OR DEATH OF PET – DAMAGES

Repealing the cap of up to \$10,000 on the compensatory damages for which a person who tortiously causes an injury to or death of a pet is liable.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 11-110 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 869 **Senator Guzzone, et al**

PROPERTY TAX – IMPROVEMENTS ON AGRICULTURAL LAND – ASSESSMENT

Clarifying a property owner’s right to receive information on the calculation of an assessment; requiring owners of certain buildings to provide certain information to the supervisor of assessments within 90 days after construction of the buildings is completed; creating a subclass of real property consisting of improvements on agricultural land; requiring improvements on agricultural land to be assessed in a certain manner; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TP, §§ 1-101(a-1) and (rr), 5-104, and 8-209.2 - added and §§ 1-402(1), 8-101(b), 8-102, and 14-201(c) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 870 **Senator Kelly**

VEHICLE LAWS – ELECTRIC VEHICLES – WEIGHT LIMITS

Allowing plug-in electric drive vehicles and certain other electric vehicles to exceed gross, axle, tandem, and bridge weight limits by up to an additional 2,000 pounds total.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 24-109 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 871 **Senator Kramer****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – DISQUALIFICATION – STOPPAGE OF WORK CAUSED BY LABOR DISPUTE**

Establishing that the disqualification from receiving unemployment insurance benefits due to a stoppage of work does not apply for any week beginning after the first 14 days of an individual's unemployment resulting from the stoppage of work that exists because of a labor dispute at the premises where the individual was last employed.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 8-1004 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 872 **Senator Kramer****CRIMINAL LAW – ANIMAL ABUSE OR NEGLECT – PENALTIES**

Establishing increased penalties of imprisonment for up to 3 years and a fine not to exceed \$5,000 or both for the abuse or neglect of an animal if the abuse or neglect results in the death or euthanasia of the animal; and authorizing the court, as a condition of sentencing a certain defendant, to prohibit the defendant from owning, possessing, or residing with an animal for a period of time determined by the court.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 10-604 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 873 **Senator McKay****COURTS – IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY – MARYLAND SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM**

Altering, clarifying, and expanding certain provisions of law relating to the immunity from liability of a parent who leaves an unharmed newborn with a responsible adult within 60 days of the birth under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Human Services to develop, implement, and maintain a public information program to inform the public about the Maryland Safe Haven Program; and requiring the Secretary of Human Services to submit a report to the General Assembly about the Maryland Safe Haven Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-641 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 874 **Senator West****HOSPITALS AND AMBULATORY SURGICAL FACILITIES –
SURGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS**

Prohibiting a hospital or an ambulatory surgical facility from employing or contracting with an individual to provide surgical technology services unless the individual completes certain educational requirements and holds a certain credential or provides documentation of certain training or employment; and requiring a hospital or an ambulatory surgical facility to submit to the Maryland Department of Health, on request, certain documentation related to surgical technologists.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 19-2601 through 19-2606 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 875 **Senator Kelly****MIRIAM KELTY AGING AND SENIOR SOCIAL CONNECTION HUB
AND SPOKE PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Miriam Kelty Aging and Senior Social Connection Hub and Spoke Pilot Program in the Maryland Department of Aging; establishing the purpose and the goals of the Pilot Program are to support the “village” concept of local, volunteer-led organizations that aim to provide certain services to community members who choose to age in place and to expand those services to more residents in the geographic region; and requiring the Montgomery County Village Consortium to establish a certain plan and submit certain reports.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HU, §§ 10-1401 through 10-1405 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 876 **Senator A. Washington****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – LIMITED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES**

Requiring, beginning January 1, 2025, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide limited behavioral health services to individuals under the age of 18 years regardless of whether the individual has a behavioral health diagnosis; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to seek input from stakeholders in determining the limited behavioral health services to be covered.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 15-103(a)(2)(xxi) and (xxii) - amended and §§ 15-103(a)(2)(xxiii) and 15-141.5 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 877 **Senator Klausmeier****SALES AND USE TAX – TAXABLE PRICE – EXEMPTION FOR TRADE-IN VALUE OF PORTABLE ELECTRONICS**

Altering, for purposes of provisions of law concerning the sales and use tax, the definition of “taxable price” to exclude the value of credit provided for a trade-in of certain portable electronics accepted in partial payment, if the value of the credit is separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or similar document provided to the purchaser.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 11-101(l)(3)(ii) and (iii) - amended and § 11-101(l)(3)(iv) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 878 **Senator Klausmeier****GAMING – PROBLEM GAMBLING – PREVALENCE STUDY AND FUND REVENUE**

Requiring the Department of Health to conduct certain prevalence studies concerning problem and pathological mobile gambling, with an initial study to be completed by July 1, 2029; and altering the distribution of certain State lottery, fantasy competition, and sports wagering proceeds.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, § 19-804 and SG, §§ 9-120(b)(1)(xii) and (xiii), 9-1D-04, and 9-1E-12(b) - amended and SG, § 9-120(b)(1)(xiii) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 879 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE – HARVEST HOURS**

Repealing a restriction on the harvesting of shellfish between the hours of sunset and sunrise from certain areas leased for aquaculture; and requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish by regulation the hours for harvesting shellfish within leased areas.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

NR, § 4-11A-10 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 880 **Senator Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION – COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENTS**

Establishing that certain adjustments to compensation may not be considered an extraordinary salary increase when determining the average final compensation of a member in the State Retirement and Pension System; and requiring a member to submit certain information to the State Retirement Agency at the time of retirement.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SP, §§ 20-205(e) and 20-205.1(d) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 881 **Senator Zucker****PUBLIC HEALTH – FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS GRANT PROGRAM – RECOVERY OF FUNDING**

Altering, from 30 to 15, the number of years after completion of a project funded in part by a grant of the Federally Qualified Health Centers Grant Program after which the State may recover funding under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 24-1306(a) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 882 **Senator King****GROWING FAMILY CHILD CARE OPPORTUNITIES PILOT PROGRAM
– PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Growing Family Child Care Opportunities Pilot Program as a permanent program; and extending the appropriation that the Governor is required to make in the annual budget bill to the Program to fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 9.5-114 and Chapters 437 and 438 of the Acts of 2021, § 2 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 883 **Senator King****EDUCATION – VIRTUAL TUTORING SERVICES – APPLICANT
REVIEW**

Requiring a virtual tutoring service to require an applicant for a position involving direct contact with minors to submit certain information relating to child sexual abuse or sexual misconduct of the applicant; requiring certain former employers of an applicant to submit certain information to the virtual tutoring service; requiring a virtual tutoring service to review certain information submitted by an applicant before hiring the applicant; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 6-113.2 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 884 **Senator James****REAL PROPERTY – RECORDATION – PROCEDURES**

Requiring the treasurer, tax collector, or director of finance for a county to provide a certificate enumerating certain taxes, assessments, and charges against a property and to establish certain procedures to facilitate the issuance of the certificate; requiring a collecting agent presented with a certificate to endorse a deed on payment of transfer and recordation taxes and all charges stated in the certificate and establishing that this endorsement is sufficient authority for a transfer on the assessment books; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, §§ 3-104(b) and 3-703 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 885 **Senator Folden****RESIDENTIAL LEASES – TERMINATION DUE TO MEDICAL CONDITIONS – LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR RENT**

Altering the limitation on the liability of a tenant for rent due under a lease due to the tenant's inability to live at the leased premises because of a medical condition to include individuals who will be under the care of a medical professional, professional caregiver, or family member at another location.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 8-212.2 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 886 **Senator Folden****STATE AND LOCAL PARKS – PLAYGROUNDS – SAFETY STANDARDS (OUR KIDS PLAY SAFE PLAYGROUND SAFETY ACT OF 2024)**

Requiring each unit of State or local government responsible for the construction and maintenance of a playground to ensure that the playground is constructed and maintained in accordance with certain safety standards; and requiring a unit of State or local government to inspect at least once every 2 years a certain playground to evaluate compliance with certain safety standards and to keep a record of the inspections including a written plan to address any safety issues discovered during the inspection.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, §§ 5-2101 and 5-2102 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 887 **Senators Folden and Gile****VETERANS AFFAIRS – RESPONSES TO ARRESTED VETERANS AND VETERANS IN CRISIS**

Requiring the Department of Veterans Affairs to coordinate with law enforcement agencies to establish a process by which the Department and the First Responders Action Group shall receive certain information about a veteran who was arrested; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill a \$2,000,000 appropriation to the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions; and requiring the Commissions, in consultation with the Department, to assess and develop first response practices to veterans in crisis.

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

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SG, § 9-905.2 and PS, § 3-531 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 888 **Senator Hayes****HEALTH – LOCAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITIES AND OVERSIGHT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS**

Authorizing a local behavioral health authority to hire its own inspectors to monitor behavioral health program quality and safety; requiring a local behavioral health authority to track complaints against behavioral health programs and health care providers working at the programs and to forward certain complaint information to certain licensing boards for a certain purpose; and requiring a behavioral health program to seek community input when adopting its agreement to cooperate with a local behavioral health authority.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 7.5-1001 through 7.5-1004 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 889 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**

CIVIL ACTIONS – ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS

Repealing the 1–year statute of limitations for a civil enforcement action brought by the Attorney General for a fine, penalty, or forfeiture and repealing the 4–year statute of limitations for a civil enforcement action brought by the Attorney General to enforce antitrust laws.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-107 and CL, § 11-209(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 890 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**

COMPENSATION FOR INDIVIDUALS ERRONEOUSLY CONVICTED – ALTERATIONS

Altering certain benefits that a certain individual who has been erroneously convicted of a crime is entitled to receive; requiring the State to notify a certain individual of certain information in writing under certain circumstances when the State intends to reduce or prevent an award of compensation to the individual; repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to the filing of a certain petition for compensation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SF, § 10-501 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 891 **Senator McCray**

TRANSPORTATION – MOBILITYLINK PARATRANSIT SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Institute at the University of Maryland to conduct a study to identify methods to improve the Maryland Transit Administration’s ADA MobilityLink paratransit service; authorizing the Governor to include in the fiscal year 2026 budget bill an appropriation of at least \$150,000 for the study; and requiring the Institute to submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly, and certain elected officials by July 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Finance

SB 892 **Senator McCray****SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FACILITY FUND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Public Charter School Facility Fund to provide funding on an annual basis to public charter schools in the State for eligible expenses associated with school facilities; exempting the Fund from a requirement that interest earnings on State money accrue to the General Fund of the State; requiring the Interagency Commission on School Construction to administer the Fund; and requiring the Fund to be used only to acquire, plan, develop, finance, construct, lease, improve, repair, and maintain public charter school facilities.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 5-330 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 893 **Senators M. Washington and Elfreth****ENVIRONMENT – SITING REQUIREMENTS FOR CREMATORIES AND CREMATORY INCINERATORS – AREAS III AND IV**

Prohibiting a person from locating a new crematory or a property with a crematory incinerator within 1,000 feet of certain properties in Areas III and IV of the State; and prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a certain permit to a crematory or a property with a crematory incinerator under certain circumstances.

EMERGENCY BILL

EN, § 2-407 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 894 **Senator Carter****BALTIMORE CITY – CONTROL OVER POWERS OF POLICE COMMISSIONER**

Repealing a prohibition on certain Baltimore City ordinances or acts of certain municipal officials from conflicting, impeding, obstructing, hindering, or interfering with the powers of the Baltimore City Police Commissioner.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

The Charter of Baltimore City, Art. II, § (27) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 895 Senator Carter (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSING FEES**

Altering certain licensing fees for alcoholic beverages in Baltimore City.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 896 Senator Carter (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**BALTIMORE CONVENTION AND TOURISM REDEVELOPMENT AND OPERATING AUTHORITY TASK FORCE**

Establishing the Baltimore Convention and Tourism Redevelopment and Operating Authority Task Force to study and make recommendations concerning the membership, purpose, and function of an authority to govern the renovation, revitalization, financing, and ongoing maintenance and management of the Baltimore Convention site and certain surrounding areas; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Mayor of Baltimore City, the Governor, and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Finance

SB 897 Senator Carozza, et al**INCOME TAX SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – DEATH BENEFITS – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIRE FIGHTERS**

Allowing a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for the payment of a death benefit under a collective bargaining agreement to a spouse or beneficiary of a law enforcement officer or fire fighter whose death arises out of the course of employment; and applying the Act retroactively to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-207(e-1) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 898 **Senator Waldstreicher****CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – RESALE CONTRACTS – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

Establishing that certain required notices in certain resale contracts may be provided to a purchaser's real estate agent; altering certain fees a council of unit owners or a homeowners association or its agent may charge for providing certain disclosures; and altering the time period within which a purchaser may cancel a resale contract when required notices are not provided.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, §§ 11-135(a) through (c), 11B-106(a) and (c), and 11B-108(b)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 899 **Senator Waldstreicher****CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS – PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Requiring certain custodians to deny inspection of the part of a public record that contains personal information of a constitutional officer except under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain constitutional officer or certain immediate family member of a constitutional officer to request that certain disclosed personal information be removed and that a certain person refrain from future disclosures; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

GP, § 4-331.1 and SG, § 1-201 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 900 **Senator Corderman****HIGHER EDUCATION – JANET L. HOFFMAN LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY**

Expanding the eligibility for the Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program to include individuals who received a certain degree from an accredited veterinary school and provided veterinary services for a certain time period at certain animal shelters.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 18-1502 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 901 Senator West**GROUND LEASES – APPLICATION FOR REDEMPTION – PROCEDURES**

Altering the notice requirement for a leasehold tenant to apply to redeem a ground lease to require that a tenant must provide notice only to ground lease holders who have registered a ground lease in accordance with certain law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 8-804(b) and (f)(1), (2), and (4) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 902 Senator Lewis Young**WILDLIFE – PROTECTIONS AND HIGHWAY CROSSINGS**

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources, in collaboration with the State Highway Administration, to identify and prioritize certain species whose habitat or movement corridors intersect with State highways and develop tools, technology, and techniques to identify certain State highway infrastructure locations; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to develop a methodology and a cost estimate for performing a statewide deer population survey on or before November 1, 2024; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR and SF, Various Sections - amended and added and TR, § 17-302 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

SB 903 Senator Muse**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – MOBILE SPORTS WAGERING PROCEEDS – LOCAL IMPACT GRANT**

Requiring a mobile sports wagering licensee that is part of an ownership group that operates a video lottery facility in Prince George's County to pay each year \$3,500,000 from the proceeds of mobile sports wagering to the Comptroller to be used for local impact grants to nonprofit organizations and municipalities located within 6 miles of the video lottery facility.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, § 9-1E-12(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 904 **Senator Hayes****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in ward 4, precincts 1 and 2; and establishing the requirements for a holder of the license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 12-1606 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 905 **Senator Kelly, et al****PUBLIC SAFETY – EXTREME RISK PROTECTIVE ORDERS – REVIEW OF COURT RECORDS**

Authorizing researchers affiliated with institutions of higher education who are conducting academic or policy research to review a court record related to a petition for an extreme risk protective order.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 5-602 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 906 **Senator Augustine****HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – CONVERSION OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS FOR RESIDENTIAL USE – REPORT**

Requiring each county and Baltimore City to inventory vacant commercial buildings, develop a plan to convert vacant commercial buildings for residential use, and submit a report to the Department of Housing and Community Development on or before January 1, 2025; requiring each county and Baltimore City to update the report every 2 years; and requiring the Department to establish and maintain a database of vacant commercial buildings in the State that have the potential to be converted for residential use.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HS, § 6-105 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 907 **Senator Augustine****MOTOR VEHICLES – DISABILITY PARKING PLACARDS – PHOTO IDENTIFICATION**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, on request, to issue a disability parking placard with an embedded color photograph of the placard holder; and requiring a parking placard with an embedded color photograph of the placard holder to include a privacy sleeve that allows a person to freely display or hide the color photograph.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-616.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 908 **Senator Augustine****INCOME TAX – ADDITION MODIFICATION – INTEREST FOR AND DEPRECIATION OF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY**

Providing, under certain circumstances, an addition modification under the Maryland income tax for interest paid or accrued by a certain disqualified single-family property owner in connection with certain single-family residential real property and for any amount deducted by a disqualified single-family property owner for the depreciation of certain single-family residential real property; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, §§ 10-204(m) and (n) and 10-305(d)(7) and (8) - added and § 10-305(d)(5) and (6) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 909 **Anne Arundel County Senators****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PUBLIC SCHOOLS – INNOVATIVE SCHEDULING PILOT PROGRAM**

Authorizing the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to establish a pilot program to operate one or more schools within the county using an innovative scheduling model including extended year, year-round school, or a 4-day school week; authorizing county boards of education to explore the use of certain innovative school scheduling models for public schools in the county; and requiring the county board to notify the State Board and impacted employees, the school community and a certain employee organization regarding a pilot program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 7-103(e) and 7-103.1 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 910 **Senator Rosapepe****GOVERNOR’S WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD – STUDY ON DIPLOMA AND DEGREE EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION**

Requiring the Governor’s Workforce Development Board, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Labor, to conduct a study on discrimination in employment opportunities in the State against individuals who do not hold a high school diploma or a degree from an institution of higher education; and requiring the Board to report its findings and recommendations on or before January 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Finance

SB 911 **Senator McKay****FOOD, DRUGS, AND COSMETICS – GENE STRUCTURE– AND FUNCTION–MODIFYING PRODUCTS – LABELING**

Prohibiting a person from offering for sale in the State a gene structure– or function–modifying product unless the product is labeled in a prominent and conspicuous manner with the words “Gene structure– or function–modifying product” and all potential risks, side effects, adverse effects, and other reasonably possible effects that the product may have; and establishing penalties for a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 21-3A-101 through 21-3A-104 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 912 **Senator McKay****COURTS – IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY – MARYLAND SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM**

Altering, clarifying, and expanding certain provisions of law relating to the immunity from liability of a parent who leaves an unharmed newborn with a responsible adult under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Human Services to develop, implement, and maintain a public information program to inform the public about the Maryland Safe Haven Program; and requiring the Secretary of Human Services to annually submit a report to the General Assembly about the Maryland Safe Haven Program beginning December 31, 2025.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-641 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 913 **Senator McKay**

ELECTION LAW – APPROVAL VOTING – AUTHORIZATION FOR COUNTY ELECTIONS

Authorizing the governing body of a county to adopt, by law, an approval voting method for elections for offices in the executive or legislative branches of county government.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

EL, § 8-101 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 914 **Senator McKay**

HUMAN RELATIONS – PROTECTIONS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION – GENETIC PROCEDURES

Prohibiting discrimination based on an individual’s refusal to undergo a genetic procedure in education, public accommodations, commercial leasing, housing, and employment and by certain licensed or regulated persons.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 20-101(f) and (g) - added, § 20-101(f) through (i) - renumbered, and Various Sections - amended and SP, § 2-302 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 915 **Senator Brooks**

AGRICULTURE – INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES – REGULATION (BIODIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURE PROTECTION ACT)

Altering the regulatory approach for controlling invasive plant species in the State, including repealing certain provisions of law relating to a two-tiered regulatory approach and requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a list of prohibited invasive plants by regulation in a certain manner on or before October 1, 2024; establishing certain protocols for assessing certain nonnative plants and determining whether those plants are invasive or whether the plants may be placed on a certain watch list; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

AG, §§ 9.5-101, 9.5-205, 9.5-301, 9.5-302, and 9.5-303 - amended, §§ 9.5-301.1 and 9.5-301.2 - added, and § 9.5-304 - repealed

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 916 **Senator Brooks****FISH AND WILDLIFE – ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES – DEFINITIONS, PETITIONS, AND REGULATIONS**

Requiring certain petitions to review the listing or unlisting of endangered or threatened species to contain certain information regarding the distribution, life, and habitat needs of the species and relevant information about the status of a species; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to review and, if warranted, update certain regulations listing endangered or threatened species on or before July 1, 2026, and every 5 years thereafter; and defining “fish” and “wildlife” for certain purposes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, §§ 4-101(j), 4-2A-01, 4-2A-04(f), 4-2A-05(a), 10-101(dd), 10-2A-04, and 10-2A-05 - amended and § 10-2A-01(m) - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 917 **Senator Brooks****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – RESTORATIVE PRACTICES SCHOOLS – ESTABLISHMENT**

Altering the duties of behavioral health services coordinators and the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports regarding duties related to implementing Restorative Practices Schools throughout the State; requiring the State Department of Education to develop a comprehensive plan to implement requirements for the establishment of Restorative Practices Schools; and requiring the Department to annually report to the General Assembly on the implementation of Restorative Practices Schools beginning December 1, 2026.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 7-447(a)(4) and (5), 7-447.1(a)(8), and 7-452 - added and §§ 7-447(c) and 7-447.1(c) and (k) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 918 **Senator Brooks****RETAIL CHOICE CUSTOMER EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND
– PURPOSES AND USES**

Changing the name of the Retail Choice Customer Education and Protection Fund to the Education and Protection Fund; and modifying the purpose and uses of the Fund to include educating certain customers on certain energy choices and developing a certain training and educational program for persons licensed by the Public Service Commission as electricity suppliers or gas suppliers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, §§ 7-310, 7-311, and 13-201(e)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 919 **Senator Klausmeier****WORKERS' COMPENSATION – MODIFICATION OF AWARD –
EXTENSION**

Extending, for 60 days, the period of time during which the Workers' Compensation Commission may modify an award related to a workers' compensation claim if an appeal is filed during the original 5-year period during which the Commission maintains authority to modify an appeal.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 9-736 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 920 **Senator Hester****STATE GOVERNMENT – MARYLAND ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION
AUTHORITY – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Maryland Electric Transmission Authority to serve as the lead State agency on issues related to electricity transmission; and requiring the Authority to advocate on, research, evaluate, and identify certain issues related to electricity transmission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, §§ 9-3801 through 9-3804 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 921 **Senators Mautz and Carozza**

STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – RETENTION PROCEEDS

Requiring that undisputed retention proceeds retained by a unit or a certain contractor under a State procurement contract be paid within 90 days after the date of substantial completion.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, § 13-225 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 922 **Senators Mautz and Bailey**

NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHERIES – OYSTER MANAGEMENT

Repealing a provision of law prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from taking any action to reduce or alter the boundaries of certain oyster sanctuaries until the Department has developed a certain updated fishery management plan for oysters; and authorizing a person to dredge by power boat in the public oyster fishery area in Eastern Bay in Queen Anne’s and Talbot counties.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, § 4-215(e)(4) - repealed, §§ 4-215(e)(5) and 4-1005(a) - amended, and §§ 4-215(e)(5) and 4-1011 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 923 **Senator Mautz**

CORPORATE INCOME TAX – RATE REDUCTION (ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS ACT OF 2024)

Decreasing, over 5 taxable years, the State corporate income tax rate from 8.25% to 6.25%.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 10-105(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 924 **Senator Mautz****BOATING – MIGRATORY WATERFOWL SEASON – PROHIBITED ACTS**

Prohibiting a person from operating a vessel within 500 yards of a stationary blind or blind site that is occupied and being used for hunting migratory waterfowl during open season.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, § 8-724.2 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 925 **Senator Mautz, et al****TIDAL FISH LICENSES – OYSTER AUTHORIZATIONS – REINSTATEMENT**

Authorizing a person whose authorization to catch oysters is revoked under certain provisions of law to apply for reinstatement of the authorization after 5 years; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish an Oyster Harvester Education Program; and requiring an applicant for reinstatement of an oyster authorization to successfully complete the Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, § 4-1210 - amended and § 4-1210.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 926 **Senators Mautz and Hershey****STATE GOVERNMENT – PERMITS, LICENSES, AND CERTIFICATES – REIMBURSEMENT**

Requiring the Attorney General to give notice to State agencies and the public when a court orders that the State may not require a person to possess a specified permit, license, or certificate; and requiring State agencies to reimburse issuance and renewal costs for such permits, licenses, and certificates.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, § 6-106 - amended and § 8-506 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 927 **Senator Mautz****CRIMINAL LAW – CRIME OF VIOLENCE – SECOND DEGREE ASSAULT OF A SCHOOL EMPLOYEE OR SUBCONTRACTOR (SCHOOL ASSAULT REDUCTION AND PREVENTION ACT)**

Establishing second degree assault of an employee or a subcontractor of a public or private elementary or secondary school as a crime of violence for certain purposes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 14-101(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 928 **Senator Mautz****MARYLAND ESTATE TAX – UNIFIED CREDIT**

Altering a certain limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after January 1, 2025; and altering a certain limitation on the amount of the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after January 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 7-309(b)(1) through (3) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 929 **Senator Rosapepe****SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION – LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT UNITS – REGISTRATION LOCATIONS**

Requiring a certain local law enforcement unit to designate multiple locations, geographically distributed throughout a certain county, where a certain registrant can register under certain provisions of law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 11-705 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 930 **Senator Rosapepe****COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER WIRE TRANSFERS – LIABILITY
(ELDER FRAUD PREVENTION ACT OF 2024)**

Exempting consumer wire transaction from certain provisions of the Maryland Uniform Commercial Code; limiting liability for damages resulting from consumer wire transfers; defining sufficient notice; requiring investigations; requiring decisions and materials be provided to a consumer; subjecting financial institutions to treble damages; subjecting financial institutions to liability for violation of the Act; prohibiting waiver of consumer rights under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 4A-108 - amended and §§ 12-1501 through 12-1507 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 931 **Senator Klausmeier****WORKERS' COMPENSATION – REHABILITATION PRACTITIONERS –
LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS**

Authorizing certain licensed social workers to register as a rehabilitation practitioner; and authorizing a licensed certified social worker–clinical to provide evaluation services for workers' compensation claims related to permanent impairments involving a behavioral or mental disorder.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, §§ 9-6A-01(d), 9-6A-04(c), 9-6A-09, and 9-721(c) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 932 **Senator Elfreth, et al****MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL BMP BEST IN SHOW PROGRAM –
ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Maryland Agricultural BMP Best in Show Program to provide and prioritize the use of certain funding relating to agricultural best management practices and to increase the cost–effectiveness and environmental, social, and health impacts of State–funded best management practices in a certain manner; requiring the Department of Agriculture to administer and manage certain competitive grants under the Program in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

AG, §§ 2-2301 and 2-2302 and NR, § 8-2A-02(f)(5) - added and EN, § 9-1605.4(f)(3) and NR, § 8-2A-02(f)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 933 Harford County Senators**HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PERFORMING ARTS THEATER LICENSE**

Altering eligibility for a performing arts theater license in Harford County by altering the definition of “performing arts theater” and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the license to a certain for-profit theater, rather than a nonprofit theater; authorizing the holder of the license to sell liquor for on-premises consumption in addition to beer and wine; and altering the license fee from \$500 to \$1,500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, §§ 22-1005.2 and 22-1501(b)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 934 Senator Brooks, et al**BALTIMORE COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY**

Altering the annual salary of the Sheriff of Baltimore County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 2-317(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 935 Senator Gallion**DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Requiring the Department of General Services, in consultation with the Public Service Commission, to establish a Renewable Natural Gas Pilot Program in the Department on or before January 1, 2025; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Commission, to issue a certain solicitation for a renewable natural gas contract; authorizing the Department to enter into a contract to procure renewable natural gas; terminating the Program on December 31, 2027; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, §§ 4-325 and 4-326 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 936 **Senator Gallion****ENVIRONMENT – WOOD VAULTS – AUTHORIZATION AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

Authorizing a landowner whose land is subject to an agricultural land preservation easement to use the land for the construction and use of a certain wood vault under certain circumstances; requiring a person to have a permit issued by the Secretary of the Environment before the person installs, materially alters, or materially extends a certain wood vault; applying certain provisions of law relating to permit requirements for certain facilities, including landfills, to a certain wood vault; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AG, § 2-513(e), EN, § 9-101(m) and (n), and NR, §§ 3-201(d) and 5-9A-05(q) - added and AG, EN, and NR, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 937 **Senator Augustine****GROW YOUR OWN EDUCATORS GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Grow Your Own Educators Grant Program to provide grants to local school systems for employees who pledge to fulfill a certain service obligation as a full-time teacher in the State; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Program and to take certain actions to develop and implement the Program; establishing the eligibility for certain teacher candidates in the Program and requiring teacher candidates to be paid a certain rate and offered certain benefits under the Program; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 18-27A-01 through 18-27A-06 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Judicial Proceedings

SB 938 **Senator Augustine****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ON PROSTATE, LUNG, AND BREAST CANCER PREVENTION**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop and implement a public education campaign on prostate, lung, and breast cancer prevention that targets communities disproportionately impacted by prostate, lung, and breast cancer on or before December 1, 2025; requiring the Department to implement the public education campaign on or before January 1, 2026; requiring the Governor to appropriate, in certain fiscal years, certain funding to the Department for the public information campaign from the Cigarette Restitution Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 13-11A-01 - added and SF, § 7-317(f) and (g)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 939 **Senator King****CRIMINAL LAW – RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT – USE OF MOTOR VEHICLE**

Repealing an exclusion of conduct involving the use of a motor vehicle applicable to the crime of reckless endangerment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 3-204 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 940 **Senator King****MOTOR VEHICLES – ALLOWING UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE AND RECKLESS, NEGLIGENT, AND AGGRESSIVE DRIVING**

Altering the penalties for the offenses of allowing the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and reckless, negligent, and aggressive driving; and adding certain motor vehicle offenses as elements that may contribute to charges for reckless or aggressive driving.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 16-305, 21-901.1, and 21-901.2 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 941 Senator Mautz**WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSES – PURCHASES FROM LICENSED WHOLESALERS AND SELF-DISTRIBUTION**

Authorizing a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license holder to purchase liquor for retail sale from a licensed wholesaler; and authorizing a Class B beer, wine, and liquor restaurant license holder that has been issued a Class 9 limited distillery license to sell certain products manufactured under the distillery license in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 32-902 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 942 Senator Gile**ENVIRONMENT – MANAGED AQUIFER RECHARGE PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Managed Aquifer Recharge Pilot Program; authorizing the Department of the Environment to review, permit, and regulate a process to test the use of treated reclaimed water from a demonstration facility as a source for groundwater augmentation under certain circumstances; and requiring, on or before December 31 of each year, the Department to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the Pilot Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, § 1-601(a) - amended and § 9-303.4 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 943 Senators Kelly and Lam**VEHICLE LAWS – BUS OBSTRUCTION MONITORING SYSTEMS (BETTER BUS SERVICE ACT OF 2024)**

Authorizing the use of automated bus obstruction monitoring systems to enforce violations of certain parking-related prohibitions; making statewide the authority of a local jurisdiction to use, in accordance with certain standards and procedures, bus obstruction monitoring systems to enforce certain prohibited acts related to dedicated areas near the edge of roadways; prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle in certain areas of the roadway; and establishing the Workgroup on Curb Space Management.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

TR, §§ 21-101(i-1), 21-1133, and 21-1134 - amended and TR, § 21-1003(gg) and (hh) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 944 **Senator Kelly****NONPRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND DEVICES – PROVISION BY REGISTERED NURSES AND SALE OF CONTRACEPTIVES THROUGH AUTOMATIC DEVICES**

Repealing the prohibition on the sale of certain contraceptives by means of a vending machine or other automatic device; and authorizing registered nurses to provide, without a prescription, nonprescription drugs and devices in a local health department under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, §§ 10-104 and 10-105 - repealed and HG, § 3-403(b) and HO, § 8-512 - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Judicial Proceedings

SB 945 **Senator Kelly****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH INSURANCE – INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES – STUDY**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Insurance Administration jointly to conduct a study of Maryland Medical Assistance Program and commercial health insurance coverage to measure the number and percentage of individuals who have been denied health coverage for the treatment of an intellectual disability from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2025, both inclusive; and requiring the Department and the Administration to jointly report their findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Finance

SB 946 **Senator Kelly****LANDLORD AND TENANT – FAILURE TO REPAIR SERIOUS AND DANGEROUS DEFECTS – TENANT REMEDIES (TENANT SAFETY ACT OF 2024)**

Establishing that a landlord that offers a residential dwelling unit for rent is deemed to warrant the dwelling fit for human habitation; clarifying that certain mold hazards constitute dangerous conditions and defects for which a tenant may obtain relief; authorizing certain remedies for a tenant if a landlord breaches the warranty of habitability; providing that a court may order certain relief in civil actions relation to the breach of warranty of habitability, including actual damages, abatement of rent, and lease termination; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 8-211 - amended and § 8-212 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 947 **Senator Kelly****ABORTION CARE ACCESS GRANT PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Abortion Care Access Grant Program to provide grants to improve access to abortion care services for individuals in the State; establishing the Abortion Care Access Grant Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide grants under the Program; and requiring that certain premium funds collected by health insurance carriers be used to provide certain coverage and to support improving access to abortion care services under certain circumstances.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

IN, HG, and SF, Various Sections - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 948 **Senators Waldstreicher and Carter****STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS – COSTS OF TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS**

Providing that a State correctional facility is responsible for the payment of costs charged by a telephone service provider under certain circumstances; providing that a State correctional facility and a telephone service provider may not charge an incarcerated individual or a third party under certain circumstances; and providing that an incarcerated individual's access to or use of telephone equipment and telephone services may not supplant time that the incarcerated individual is entitled to in-person visitation.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025

CS, § 10-503(a)(2) - amended and § 10-802 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 949 **Senator Hettleman****CONSUMER PROTECTION – SELF-ADMINISTERED SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE COLLECTION KITS**

Providing that a party in a criminal trial involving an allegation of a sexual crime may not introduce evidence that physical evidence of a sexual crime was obtained using certain materials; providing that selling, offering for sale, or distributing a certain self-administered sexual assault evidence collection kit is an unfair, deceptive, or abusive trade practice; establishing the Forensic Nurse Examiner Training Grant Program; and establishing the Forensic Nurse Examiner Training Grant Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, §§ 13-301(14)(xlii) and 14-4601 through 14-4604 and CJ, § 10-925 - added and CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Finance

SB 950 **Senator Hettleman****SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EXAMINATIONS CONDUCTED THROUGH TELEHEALTH – REIMBURSEMENT AND STUDY**

Authorizing the reimbursement of a sexual assault forensic exam conducted through telehealth under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Committee to conduct a study on the feasibility of a telehealth program that includes a pilot program for conducting sexual assault forensic examinations through telehealth; and requiring the Committee to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CP, § 11-1007 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 951 **Senator Hettleman****BUSINESS REGULATION – ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT – REGULATIONS FOR RETAIL USE**

Requiring the Comptroller to adopt regulations for the retail use of electric vehicle supply equipment in the State; and requiring the Comptroller, in consultation with the Public Service Commission, to submit a report on the development and enforcement of the regulations adopted under this Act to the General Assembly on or before January 15, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

BR, §§ 19-1001 through 19-1003 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 952 **Senator Hettleman****ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – ASSISTED LIVING REFERRERS – REQUIREMENTS AND PROHIBITIONS**

Establishing certain requirements for assisted living referrers, including requirements related to the maintenance of general liability insurance, criminal history records checks, the maintenance and provision of certain agreements and documents, and assisted living program tours; prohibiting an assisted living referrer from requesting payment for a referral more than 1 year after the referral is made; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-1813 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 953 **Senator Sydnor****HOUSING – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ACT – FUNDING**

Requiring the Comptroller to distribute \$5,000,000 to a certain Community Development Program Fund; and repealing a certain provision providing for the construction of certain Acts of the General Assembly concerning the Community Development Program Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

CL, § 17-317 and HS, § 6-606 - amended and Chapters 801 and 802 of the Acts of 2018, § 2 - repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 954 **Senator Sydnor****CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – TRANSPARENCY – BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Requiring certain business entities to file with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation a report including certain information regarding beneficial owners of the entities; and prohibiting the inspection of the reports in certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CA, § 1-210 and GP, § 4-328 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 955 **Senator Sydnor****STATE GOVERNMENT – TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMISSION – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Technology Advisory Commission to study and make recommendations on technology and science developments and use in the State; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$100,000 for the Commission; and requiring the Commission to submit a report on its activities and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31 each year.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, §§ 9-3801 and 9-3802 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 956 **Senator Hester****ENVIRONMENT – WATER POLLUTION CONTROL – PROTECTING STATE WATERS FROM PFAS POLLUTION (PROTECTING STATE WATERS FROM PFAS POLLUTION ACT)**

Establishing the discharge limit for PFAS chemicals in any water, including stormwater, discharged from a significant industrial user to be 4 parts per trillion; requiring a significant industrial user to reduce PFAS chemicals from the water it discharges to a publicly owned treatment works in a certain manner; requiring a significant industrial user to store, reuse, and dispose of certain PFAS chemicals in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 9-353 through 9-356 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 957 **Senator Hester****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – AUTOMATED EMPLOYMENT DECISION TOOLS – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting, subject to a certain exception, an employer from using an automated employment decision tool to make certain employment decisions; and requiring an employer, under certain circumstances, to notify an applicant for employment of the employer's use of an automated employment decision tool within 30 days after the use; and providing certain penalties per violation for an employer that violates the notification requirement of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, § 3-718 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 958 **Senator Hester, et al****RESPONDING TO EMERGENCY NEEDS FROM EXTREME WEATHER (RENEW) ACT OF 2024**

Establishing the Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Payment Program in the Department of the Environment to secure payments from certain businesses that extract fossil fuels or refine petroleum products in order to provide a source of revenue for State efforts to adapt to and mitigate the effects of climate change and to address the health impacts of climate change on vulnerable populations; establishing the Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Fund to support efforts to mitigate the effects of climate change; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 2-1701 through 2-1707 - added and EN, PS, SG, and TR, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Finance

SB 959 **Senator Feldman****ELECTRICITY – TARIFFS, DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES, AND ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SUPPORT SERVICES (DISTRIBUTED RENEWABLE INTEGRATION AND VEHICLE ELECTRIFICATION (DRIVE) ACT)**

Requiring the Public Service Commission, on or before December 31, 2025, to adopt a transition plan requiring each electric company to transition customers to a certain time-of-use tariff on or before September 1, 2028; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations on or before April 1, 2025, regarding the interconnection of certain systems to the electric distribution system; prohibiting an electric company from requiring a certain customer to enter into a certain contract; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, §§ 7-1001 through 7-1008 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 960 Senator Feldman**MARYLAND CLEAN ENERGY CENTER – CLIMATE TECHNOLOGY FOUNDER’S FUND**

Establishing the Climate Technology Founder’s Fund in the Maryland Clean Energy Center; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to use the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund to provide at least \$1,200,000 in fiscal year 2025 through 2028 to the Climate Technology Founder’s Fund; authorizing the Governor to transfer on or before June 30, 2024 up to \$2,200,000 from the Small, Minority, and Women–Owned Businesses Account to the Climate Technology Founder’s Fund; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

EC, § 10-858 - renumbered and EC, SF, and SG Various Sections - added, amended, and repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 961 Senators Carozza and Mautz**WICOMICO COUNTY – VEHICLE LAWS – PROHIBITION ON ROADWAY SOLICITATIONS**

Prohibiting a person in Wicomico County from standing in a roadway, median divider, or intersection to solicit money or donations from the occupant of a vehicle.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 21-507(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 962 Senator Ready**REAL PROPERTY – CONTRACTS OF SALE – TITLE REPORT REQUIREMENT**

Requiring the seller of any real property to provide a title report to the buyer prior to closing; permitting a buyer to rescind a contract of sale for real property under certain circumstances; and providing that a violation of the Act is an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended and CL, § 13-301(14)(xlii) and RP, § 10-714 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 963 **Carroll County Senators****CARROLL COUNTY – OFFICE OF PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS – DENIAL OF PERMIT OR LICENSE FOR UNPAID PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES**

Prohibiting the Carroll County Office of Permits and Inspections from issuing or renewing a license or permit in the county until the applicant submits certain evidence that the applicant has no unpaid assessed personal property taxes except under certain circumstances; and authorizing the Carroll County Office of Permits and Inspections to issue or renew a certain license or permit if the applicant submits certain evidence that the applicant has paid any previously unpaid assessed personal property taxes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LG, § 12-905 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 964 **Senator Ready****CARROLL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – ALCOHOL AWARENESS TRAINING**

Requiring an alcoholic beverages license holder in Carroll County or an individual designated by the license holder who has completed training in an approved alcohol awareness program to be present on the licensed premises at certain times when alcoholic beverages may be sold; providing for certain penalties; and requiring at least one license holder to maintain alcohol awareness program certification while listed on the license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 16-1901 - amended and § 16-1904 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 965 **Carroll County Senators****CARROLL COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY**

Altering the annual salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County to be equal to the salary of a Department of State Police lieutenant colonel, at the highest available step for a lieutenant colonel under the Department of State Police pay plan beginning in 2026; and providing for a certain change in the annual salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County under certain circumstances for each term of office of the Sheriff.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 2-320(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 966 **Senators Zucker and McCray**

PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS OF STATE DEBT – ALTERATIONS

Amending certain prior authorizations of State Debt to change the names of certain grantees and alter the authorized uses of certain grants.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Various Chapters of Various Years, Various Sections - amended and added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 967 **Senator Zucker, et al**

HIGHER EDUCATION – PART-TIME SENATORIAL AND DELEGATE SCHOLARSHIPS – ALTERATIONS

Allowing an applicant of a part-time senatorial or delegate scholarship with a documented disability to request from the Maryland Higher Education Commission a waiver from the requirement to carry at least 6 semester hours of courses each semester.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 18-406 and 18-504 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 968 **Senator Waldstreicher**

VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS – STANDING OF DEALER ASSOCIATIONS

Authorizing a vehicle dealer association, on behalf of itself, a vehicle dealer, or a group of vehicle dealers, to bring suit to recover damages and reasonable attorneys' fees or to request an administrative hearing on certain matters.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 15-201(a-1) - added and §§ 15-213 and 15-214 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 969 **Senators Elfreth and Guzzone****STREAM AND WATERSHED RESTORATION – STREAM RESTORATION CONTRACTOR LICENSING AND CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS RESTORATION AND FUNDING (WHOLE WATERSHED ACT)**

Establishing the Stream Restoration Contractors Licensing Board; requiring a person to be licensed as a stream restoration contractor or be employed by an individual or entity that is licensed as a stream restoration contractor before the person performs or solicits to perform stream restoration contractor services in the State, subject to a certain exception; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide notice of a certain violation to a stream restoration contractor; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AG, BR, EN, NR, SF, and SG, Various Sections - amended and EN, NR, SF, and SG, Various Sections - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 970 **Senator Guzzone****ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS – INCOME TAX CREDIT AND GRANT PROGRAM – SUNSET EXTENSION**

Extending for 2 years the termination date for a credit against the State income tax for the installation of energy storage systems in the State; and delaying for 2 years the establishment of the Energy Storage System Grant Program in the Maryland Energy Administration.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

TG, § 10-719(g), SG, § 9-2012(h), and Chapter 246 of the Acts of 2022, §§ 4, 5, and 6 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 971 **Senator Guzzone****HOWARD COUNTY – CLASS D ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – DELIVERY**

Applying certain provisions of law relating to the delivery of alcoholic beverages in Howard County to a holder or employee of a holder of a Class D license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 23-1904 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 972 **Senator Guzzone****CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM – MEMBERSHIP**

Altering membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to include certain employees of the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the State Retirement and Pension System to transfer the creditable service of employees transferred into the Correctional Officers' Retirement System under the Act unless the employee elects not to transfer service on or before June 1, 2025; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SP, §§ 20-206(g), 25-201, and 25-401 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 973 **Senator Guzzone****HOSPITALS – PRIVATE HOSPITAL GRANT PROGRAM – FUNDING**

Codifying a private hospital grant program for the purpose of making recommendations to the Governor for funding for capital projects at private hospitals in the State; requiring the Maryland Hospital Association to establish a certain review committee to develop a certain process for hospitals in the State to submit requests for funding; authorizing the Governor to include in the capital or operating budget bill in certain fiscal years an appropriation of \$20,000,000 for the Private Hospital Grant Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, § 19-310.4 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 974 **Senator Guzzone****BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES – 9–8–8 TRUST FUND FEES**

Establishing a 9–8–8 fee to be paid by each subscriber to switched local exchange access service, commercial mobile radio service, or other 9–8–8-accessible service; establishing a prepaid wireless 9–8–8 fee to be paid on certain retail transactions; requiring the Comptroller to deposit the 9–8–8 fees and the prepaid wireless 9–8–8 fees in the 9–8–8 Trust Fund; and requiring the Comptroller to adopt procedures for auditing fee collection and remittance by telephone companies and commercial mobile radio service providers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 7.5-5A-01, 7.5-5A-02, and 7.5-5A-04 - amended and §§ 7.5-5A-03.1 and 7.5-5A-03.2 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 975 **Senator Elfreth, et al****PUBLIC SAFETY – REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE CLINIC SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT (SUPPORTING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE CLINICS ACT)**

Establishing the Reproductive Health Care Clinic Security Grant Program in the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to assist reproductive health care clinics in the State with costs associated with security improvements and safety operational expenses; and authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 4-1701 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 976 **Senators Carozza and West****VEHICLE LAWS – ANNUAL VEHICLE SHOWS – MOTOR AND TRAILER HOMES**

Repealing a certain limitation on an exemption for motor or trailer home dealers, and salesmen employed by dealers, from restrictions on the number of annual vehicle shows in which dealers or salesmen may participate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 15-304(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 977 **Senator Jackson****AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE PRESERVATION GRANT FUND – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the uses of the African American Heritage Preservation Grant Fund to include grants to an African American heritage organization to fund the organization’s operations and activities; providing that the Grant Fund shall be jointly administered by the Commission on African American History and Culture and the Maryland Historical Trust; allocating certain money in the Grant Fund to be used for certain purposes; altering the required contents of a certain application for a certain grant; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, § 5A-330 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 978 **Senator Hester****ELECTION LAW – SYNTHETIC MEDIA – DISCLOSURE AND REGULATION**

Requiring certain persons that publish, distribute, or disseminate, or cause to be published, distributed, or disseminated synthetic media, to publish on their website or submit to the State Board of Elections for publication certain original media content; requiring certain persons that publish, distribute, or disseminate or cause to be published, distributed, or disseminated synthetic media to include a certain disclosure in a certain manner; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

EL, § 13-401.2 - added and § 13-602(a)(9) and (b) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 979 **Senator Hester****EDUCATION – ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE – GUIDELINES AND PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the AI Subcabinet of the Governor's Executive Council, to develop and update guidelines on artificial intelligence for county boards of education and to develop a pilot program to support the AI Subcabinet of the Governor's Executive Council; requiring the Department to develop certain strategies to coordinate and assist county boards to provide certain recommendations for integrating artificial intelligence into certain college and career readiness standards; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 7-2201 through 7-2203 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 980 **Senator Hester****EDUCATION – COMPUTER SCIENCE – CONTENT STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring public high schools to promote and increase the enrollment of certain students in high school computer science courses; requiring, beginning on or before June 1, 2025, the State Board of Education to update computer science content standards to include certain information; and requiring county boards of education to provide developmentally appropriate computer science instruction in public elementary and middle schools in the county.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 4-111.4 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 981 **Senator Hester****LOCAL CYBERSECURITY PREPAREDNESS AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY SUPPORT FUND – ALTERATIONS**

Authorizing the Governor for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$10,000,000 for the Local Cybersecurity Support Fund; requiring the Department of Information Technology to provide sufficient information security officers to assist the Director of Local Cybersecurity; requiring that, by July 1, 2025, a local school system shall implement for all school employees multifactor authentication, endpoint detection and response on all system-owned devices, and network monitoring; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

PS, § 14-104.2 and SF, §§ 3.5-2A-03(e) and 3.5-405 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

SB 982 **Senator Hester**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – MODERNIZATION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS

Altering the duties of the Secretary of Information Technology related to modernization of information technology systems; altering the authority of the Board of Public Works over certain information technology projects; establishing the Information Technology Investment Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund and the Technology Investment Board within the Department of Information Technology; and altering the duties and membership of the Modernize Maryland Oversight Commission.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SF, §§ 3.5-303(a)(4), 3.5-307, 3.5-316, and 12-101 - amended and §§3.5-309.1 and 3.5-309.2 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

SB 983 **Senator Lewis Young**

HUNTING – LEAD AND LEAD-BASED AMMUNITION – PHASE-OUT

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish a certain process to phase out on or before December 31, 2026, the use of lead or lead-based ammunition for hunting; and requiring the Department to establish a process to certify ammunition as nonlead ammunition.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, § 10-428 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 984 **Senator Lewis Young**

BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND’S FUTURE – ALTERATIONS

Requiring the Secretary of Labor to prioritize activities, programs, and services that contribute to meeting a certain statewide goal when administering the business of the Maryland Department of Labor; requiring the State Board of Education, rather than the Accountability and Implementation Board, to approve certain specifications of teachers for spending time outside the classroom and approving when a career ladder has become effective; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

BR, § 2-104.1 - added and ED, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 985 **Senator Lewis Young****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – POWERS AND USE OF
PROCEEDS**

Expanding the acceptable names authorized for an economic development authority established by a county or municipal corporation; expanding the powers of an authority, subject to limitations in the articles of incorporation of the authority; authorizing an authority to issue certain bonds in accordance with certain requirements; and expanding the authorized uses of tax increment proceeds.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EC and The Charter of Baltimore City, Various Sections - amended and The Charter of Baltimore City, Art. II, § (62)(b)(7) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 986 **Senator Lam****STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – PROHIBITION ON
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST 340B DRUG DISTRIBUTION**

Prohibiting a 340B manufacturer, wholesale drug distributor, or third-party logistics provider, or an agent or affiliate of a 340B manufacturer, wholesale drug distributor, or third-party logistics provider, from taking certain actions to limit or restrict the acquisition or delivery of a 340B drug; and making a violation of this Act an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice within the meaning of the Consumer Protection Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended and CL, § 13-301(14)(xlii) and HO, § 12-6C-09.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 987 **Senator Lam****BUSINESS REGULATION – ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES
MANUFACTURERS – CERTIFICATIONS**

Requiring a tobacco product manufacturer and a certain electronic smoking devices manufacturer to pay a certain certification fee; authorizing the Executive Director of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission and the Attorney General to take certain action relating to the licensure of certain electronic smoking devices manufacturers, wholesalers, importers, and retailers and vape shop vendors in certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, Various Sections - amended and §§ 16-509 and 16.7-301 through 16.7-307 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 988 **Senator Lam****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – SELF-DIRECTED
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES – PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Self-Directed Mental Health Services Pilot Program in the Maryland Department of Health to facilitate access to clinically appropriate, person-centered, culturally responsive, and trauma-informed self-directed services in the most integrated setting appropriate for certain recipients of services under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; requiring the Governor in fiscal years 2026 through 2028, to include \$1,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the program; and requiring a certain report.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 15-1201 through 15-1207 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 989 **Senator Lam, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – EPINEPHRINE INJECTORS – LIMITS ON COST
SHARING (EPINEPHRINE COST REDUCTION ACT OF 2024)**

Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to limit the amount a covered individual is required to pay in copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles for a covered prescription epinephrine injector to not more than \$60.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

IN, § 15-861 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 990 **Senator Lam**

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH INSURANCE – STEP THERAPY, FAIL–FIRST PROTOCOLS, AND PRIOR AUTHORIZATION – PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO TREAT SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS

Prohibiting the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, health maintenance organizations, and managed care organizations from applying a prior authorization requirement, step therapy protocol, or fail–first protocol for drugs to treat certain mental illnesses or a medication–induced movement disorder associated with the treatment of a serious mental illness.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HG, §§ 15-102.3(m) and 15-155 and IN, § 15-851.1 - added and IN, § 15-142 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 991 **Senator Lam**

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM

Establishing the Language Assistance Services Pilot Program in the Behavioral Health Administration to provide grants to local behavioral health authorities to reimburse behavioral health providers for language assistance services for children with limited English proficiency accessing and receiving behavioral health services and parents and guardians coordinating the provision of behavioral health services and making health care decisions regarding the services on behalf of a child.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, § 10-929 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 992 **Senator Benson****REAL PROPERTY – LANDLORD AND TENANT – PROCEDURES FOR FAILURE TO PAY RENT, BREACH OF LEASE, AND TENANT HOLDING OVER**

Requiring a landlord to provide certain notice to a tenant when a court has issued a warrant of restitution for a failure of a tenant to pay rent, a breach of lease, or a tenant holding over under certain circumstances; establishing certain procedures and requirements for the execution of a warrant for repossession; providing for the disposition of certain personal property following the execution of a warrant of restitution; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, §§ 8-401(f), (g), and (h), 8-402(b), and 8-402.1 - amended and 8-401(g) and 8-407 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 993 **Senator Benson****WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGE – REVIEW AND CREDIT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITY**

Requiring the Office of the Inspector General of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to complete a review of a certain facility within 60 days after receiving confirmation that the construction of the facility is complete; requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to grant the developer of the facility a certain credit against a certain system development charge within 60 days after the review is completed; requiring the Commission to pay a certain penalty and interest under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, § 25-405 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 994 **Senator Benson****MARYLAND PREDICTABLE SCHEDULING ACT**

Establishing certain requirements on food service establishments, hospitality establishments, and retail establishments regarding work schedules for employees, including requirements related to the provision of work schedules to employees, notifications regarding changes to the schedules, and payment of wages to employees whose work schedules are changed by the employer; authorizing certain employees to request an adjustment in a work schedule before beginning a shift; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, §§ 2-106(b) and 3-102(a) - amended and §§ 3-103(n) and 3-1801 through 3-1812 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 995 **Senator Klausmeier****HEALTH – LASER HAIR REMOVAL – REQUIREMENTS (LASER HAIR REMOVAL ACT)**

Prohibiting an individual from performing or attempting to perform a laser hair removal procedure unless the individual is a certain health professional; establishing certain requirements for the performance of laser hair removal procedures and laser hair removal practitioners; and requiring certain physician oversight of laser hair removal facilities and laser hair removal procedures performed by laser hair removal practitioners.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 19-3D-01 through 19-3D-04 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 996 **Senator Klausmeier****ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES – PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE – NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring advanced practice registered nurses practicing as an advanced practice registered nurse in the State to notify patients in writing if the nurse does not maintain professional liability insurance coverage or if the coverage has lapsed and not been renewed; requiring that the notification be provided at certain visits and as part of certain informed consents, signed by a patient at certain times, and retained as part of the advanced practice registered nurse's patient records; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, § 8-515 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 997 **Senator Klausmeier****HEALTH – VITAL RECORDS – ELECTRONIC FILING AND STORAGE**

Altering the date, to January 1, 2028, by which the Secretary of Health is required to establish a process by which death certificates can be filed electronically and requiring that the process allow all vital records to be filed electronically; and requiring the Secretary to store vital records in a searchable electronic database.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 4-203 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 998 **Senator Klausmeier****COMMERCIAL LAW – EARNED WAGE ACCESS SERVICES**

Requiring a certain provider of earned wage access services to register with the Commissioner of Financial Regulation; requiring a provider to file a certain surety bond or an irrevocable letter of credit with the Commissioner in a certain manner; regulating providers and earned wage access services; authorizing a certain consumer to submit a written complaint to the Commissioner under certain circumstances; providing the Commissioner with certain investigatory and enforcement authority; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, §§ 14-4601 through 14-4611 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 999 Senator Beidle**CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS – LICENSING REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES**

Exempting an individual who practices as a certain nursing assistant for less than 4 months under federal regulations from the State's certification requirement; altering the designation of, and licensure requirements for, certified nursing assistants and geriatric nursing assistants; requiring an applicant for certification as a certified nursing assistant to complete a nursing assistant competency evaluation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

HG, §§ 19-1410(b)(2)(vi), 19-1410.2, and 24-1901(e) and HO, Various Sections - amended and HO, § 8-703(a)(5) - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1000 Senator Beidle**MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – NURSING HOMES – ACQUISITIONS**

Requiring a person, before making a contractual agreement for the acquisition of a nursing home, to submit a request for acquisition to the Maryland Health Care Commission and provide certain notice to residents and staff of the nursing home; establishing requirements regarding the approval or denial of a request for acquisition; providing for judicial review of a final decision of the Commission regarding a request for acquisition of a nursing home; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 19-114(a-1) and 19-120.2 - added and §§ 19-115, 19-120(k)(6)(ii), 19-1401.1, and 19-1401.2 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1001 Senator Beidle**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY LICENSE – REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZATIONS**

Altering certain cultivation or production requirements applicable to a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license by basing them on agricultural products instead of grapes and other fruit; altering the standards for the purchase of certain wine by a license holder; and repealing a certain authorization for a license holder to blend certain wine under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 2-206 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1002 Senator Folden**FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BREWERY AND DISTILLERY LICENSES**

Establishing in Frederick County a Class DBR brewery license and a Class DDS distillery license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue to the holder of a certain brewery license a Class DBR license, which authorizes the holder to sell certain amounts of beer for on-premises consumption; authorizing the Board to issue to the holder of a certain distillery license a Class DDS license, which authorizes the holder to sell certain amounts of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 20-401 - amended and §§ 20-407 and 20-408 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1003 Senator Folden**VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS – DELIVERY OF VEHICLES**

Establishing that certain requirements for motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches to deliver new motor vehicles to licensed dealers apply after submission of an order or acceptance of an allocation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 15-208 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1004 Senator Folden**MOTOR VEHICLES – SPECIALLY DESIGNED VINTAGE REPRODUCTION REGISTRATION PLATES**

Repealing the time limitation within which the Motor Vehicle Administration is required to make available specially designed vintage reproduction registration plates; and requiring the Administration to charge a fee of \$100 for the initial issuance and \$20 for the renewal of a specially designed vintage reproduction registration plate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-619.3 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1005 Senator Hayes**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – WEST NORTH AVENUE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the administration and membership of the West North Avenue Development Authority; specifying the powers and duties of the Authority, subject to certain limitations; exempting the Authority from certain provisions of law; requiring the Authority to take certain actions regarding the finances of the Authority; exempting the Authority from certain taxation or assessments under certain circumstances; establishing the West North Avenue Development Authority Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EC and SF, Various Sections - repealed, renumbered, added, and amended and Chapters 80 and 81 of the Acts of 2021, § 2 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1006 Senator Hayes**HOSPITALS – MEDICAL DEBT COLLECTION – SALE OF PATIENT DEBT**

Authorizing a hospital, under certain circumstances, to sell the medical debt of patients if the debt is sold to a governmental unit or an entity that is under contract with the unit for the purpose of canceling the debt; and requiring that a hospital's financial policy require the hospital to dismiss actions pending against a patient for the collection of debt that was sold and prohibit the hospital from engaging in specified collection activities on patient debt that was sold.

EMERGENCY BILL

HG, § 19-214.2(a), (b), (f), (m), and (n) - amended and § 19-214.2(m) - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1007 Senator Hayes**STATE GOVERNMENT – EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS**

Requiring the Governor to submit a certain nomination to the Senate if the term of office will end during the next upcoming recess of the Senate; authorizing the Governor to submit a certain nomination to the Senate more than 40 days after the commencement of the regular Legislative session and before Sine Die only if the Senate consents; establishing that an Executive officer may continue to serve for 2 years only after the end of the officer's term; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SG, § 17-109 - amended

Assigned to: Executive Nominations

SB 1008 Senator Hayes**BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 40TH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – REVISIONS**

Establishing a Class M–F (Municipal Family Fun Center) alcoholic beverages license in the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license to a restaurant in a certain location; and authorizing a certain Class A license issued for a certain location to remain unexpired until the end of July 1, 2025, for the purpose of renewal.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, §§ 12-1001.5 and 12-1603(c)(18) - added and § 12-1603(c)(16) and (17) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1009 Senator Feldman**TASK FORCE ON RESPONSIBLE USE OF NATURAL PSYCHEDELIC SUBSTANCES**

Establishing the Task Force on Responsible Use of Natural Psychedelic Substances to study and make recommendations related to the use of natural psychedelic substances; and requiring the Task Force to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before July 31, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1010 Senator Klausmeier**BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – INDIVIDUAL STORAGE PERMITS**

Requiring an alcoholic beverages retailer in Baltimore County to have written approval from the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County before applying to the Executive Director of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission for an individual storage permit for alcoholic beverages.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 2-113 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1011 Senator Charles**FAMILY LAW – CHILD SUPPORT – MULTIFAMILY ADJUSTMENT**

Altering the definition of “adjusted actual income” under the State child support guidelines by requiring the deduction, from actual income, of an allowance for support for each child in the parent’s home for whom the parent owes a legal duty of support but who is not subject to a support order; requiring that the amount of a certain allowance be subtracted from a parent’s actual income before the court determines the amount of a child support award; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FL, §§ 12-201(c), 12-202(a), and 12-204(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1012 Senator Charles**VETERANS AFFAIRS – DISABLED VETERANS GUARANTEED BASIC INCOME**

Establishing the Disabled Veterans Guaranteed Basic Income Program; establishing the Disabled Veterans Guaranteed Basic Income Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; requiring, beginning in fiscal year 2025, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$5,000,000 to the Fund; and authorizing the appropriation to the Fund to be drawn from the State Lottery Fund or video lottery terminal proceeds.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)189. and 190. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)191. - added and SG, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation and Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1013 Senator Charles**STATE LOTTERY – INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES – VETERANS’ AND FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Authorizing the Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to issue certain fraternal organizations a license for not more than five instant ticket lottery machines; altering the distribution of proceeds from certain instant ticket lottery machine sales by a veterans’ organization; repealing a requirement that certain veterans’ organizations purchase or lease certain instant ticket lottery machines; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, § 9-112 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1014 Senator Charles**STATE PROCUREMENT – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – PROCUREMENT FORECAST AND OUTREACH**

Requiring each unit to publish on the unit’s website annually a forecast listing all known and anticipated procurements to be made by the unit in the upcoming fiscal year; requiring the Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to consult with each primary procurement unit to identify potential contracting opportunities for and increase outreach efforts to small businesses; requiring the Office to develop a certain program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SF, § 14-302(a)(16) and SG, § 9-304.1 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1015 Senator Charles**CONDOMINIUMS – MANDATORY INSURANCE COVERAGE – DETACHED UNITS**

Altering the types of elements and units for which a council of unit owners is required to maintain certain property insurance; and limiting instances when an owner of a detached unit within a condominium is required to carry homeowners insurance on the entirety of the unit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

RP, § 11-114 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1016 Senator Charles**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PRESCRIPTIONS FOR CHILDREN SUBJECT TO JOINT CUSTODY**

Requiring health care providers who are authorized to prescribe to double the amount of each drug prescribed for a child if a parent of the child presents the prescriber with a court order of joint legal custody with a right of medical decision making; and requiring a health care provider authorized to dispense prescription drugs to dispense the doubled prescription under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HO, § 1-229 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1017 Senator A. Washington**CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES – FORMERLY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS**

Requiring Maryland Correctional Enterprises to develop a plan for program participants to obtain employment after release on parole or supervised mandatory release; requiring the Division of Parole and Probation to report on individuals who participated in Maryland Correctional Enterprises programming; establishing certain procedures for appointing formerly incarcerated individuals to certain State positions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, §§ 3-502, 3-513, and 3-521(c) and SP, § 7-203(a) - amended and CS, § 6-123 and SP, § 7-203(c) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1018 Senator A. Washington**TOBACCO PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS – ESCROW ACT – ALTERATIONS**

Requiring, beginning in a certain year, a certain tobacco product manufacturer to pay a certain equity fee instead of depositing certain funds in a certain escrow account; authorizing a certain tobacco product manufacturer to contest the amount of the equity fee paid under certain circumstances; requiring a certain tobacco product manufacturer to make a certain certification to the Attorney General each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, §§ 16-401, 16-403, 16-501, 16-503, 16-504, and 16-506(e) - amended and § 16-404 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 1019 Senator A. Washington**HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS – PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – REBATES AND CALCULATION OF COST SHARING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring that the calculation of an enrollee's contribution to a cost sharing requirement for a prescription drug be based on the list price of the drug reduced by at least 85% of the total amount of rebates received or expected to be received by the carrier or pharmacy benefits manager for the dispensing or administration of the prescription drug; and prohibiting the disclosure of certain information concerning rebates.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

IN, §§ 15-118.1 and 15-1611.3 - added and § 15-1601 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1020 Senator A. Washington**HOSPITALS – CLINICAL STAFFING COMMITTEES AND PLANS – ESTABLISHMENT (SAFE STAFFING ACT OF 2024)**

Requiring each hospital licensed in the State to establish and maintain a clinical staffing committee and to implement a clinical staffing plan; requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to conduct investigations regarding alleged violations of certain provisions of this Act; and authorizing the Health Services Cost Review Commission to take certain actions if the Commission determines a violation has occurred.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 19-388 through 19-398 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1021 Senator A. Washington**PHARMACY BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION – MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS**

Altering the reimbursement levels for drug products that the Maryland Medical Assistance Program is required to establish and that pharmacy benefits managers that contract with a pharmacy on behalf of a managed care organization are required to reimburse the pharmacy; and altering the definition of “purchaser” for purposes of certain provisions of law regulating pharmacy benefits managers to include certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations.

EMERGENCY BILL

HG, § 15-118(b) and IN, § 15-1601(s) - amended and HG, § 15-118(f) and IN, § 15-1632 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1022 Senators King and Watson

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION – ACADEMIC PROGRAM APPROVAL AND INSTITUTIONAL MISSION STATEMENTS – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor, the Department of Commerce, and the Maryland Higher Education Commission to each have a certain staff member who performs certain duties related to defining, identifying, and compiling data regarding the workforce needs in the State and who works collaboratively across certain agencies; altering certain requirements for the State Plan of Higher Education; requiring the Commission to establish a Program Review Process Advisory Council; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

BR, § 2-103.2 - added and EC, ED, and SF, Various Sections - renumbered, amended, and added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1023 Senator Brooks, et al

MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – FOSSIL FUEL USE, ENERGY CONSERVATION, AND ELECTRIC– AND SOLAR–READY STANDARDS (BETTER BUILDINGS ACT OF 2024)

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt, on or before certain dates and as part of the Maryland Building Performance Standards, a requirement that new buildings meet all water and space heating demands of the building without the use of fossil fuels, energy conservation requirements, and an electric– and solar–ready standard for certain buildings; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 12-503 - amended and § 12-503.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1024 Senator Brooks

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CARDIAC EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring each public school to develop and implement a cardiac emergency response plan beginning in the 2024–2025 school year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-436 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1025 Senator Brooks**PUBLIC UTILITIES – DISTRIBUTED GENERATION CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**

Establishing a distributed generation certificate of public convenience and necessity to authorize the construction and operation of a certain distributed solar energy generating system; requiring the Power Plant Research Program to develop and submit to the Public Service Commission proposed siting and design requirements and licensing conditions; prohibiting a person from being required to obtain a distributed generation certificate of public convenience and necessity until a certain condition is met; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

NR, § 3-306(a)(1) and PU, §§ 7-207(b)(1) and 7-207.1(c)(1) - amended and PU, § 7-207.3 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1026 Senator Brooks**COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – BUDGETS – NOTICE (TRANSPARENCY IN EDUCATION SPENDING ACT)**

Requiring the State Board of Education to adopt a process for the uniform and timely reporting of certain county board of education budget information to a county governing body; requiring a county board to post certain information in a certain manner on the county board's website; requiring a certain transfer to be made only following the approval of the county commissioners or county council; providing for exemptions from certain requirements related to certain transfers; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 5-101(a) and (b), 5-102(e), 5-105(b), 5-109, and 5-111 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1027 Senator Guzzone**PROPERTY TAX – APPEALS – DEFINITION OF “TAXPAYER”**

Defining “taxpayer” for purposes of certain provisions of law concerning property tax appeals to mean a person with a legal interest in a property that is subject to an appeal; and applying the Act retroactively to affect any petition for review of an assessment of property filed after December 1, 2022.

EMERGENCY BILL

TP, § 14-501 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1028 Senator Waldstreicher**HUMAN REMAINS – ALKALINE HYDROLYSIS AND NATURAL ORGANIC REDUCTION (GREEN DEATH CARE OPTIONS ACT)**

Establishing a regulatory system for reduction operators and reduction facilities; establishing requirements and prohibitions related to the performance of alkaline hydrolysis and natural organic reduction and the disposition of hydrolyzed or soil remains by certain facilities; prohibiting a person from using or disposing of soil remains produced by natural organic reduction in a certain manner, including by using the soil to grow food for consumption by humans or livestock; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, HG, and HO, Various Sections - amended and BR, § 5-901(d) and HO, § 7-101(a-1), (l-1), (s-1), (v-1), and (v-2) - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1029 Senator Carter**ELECTION LAW – REGISTERED VOTER LIST AND PETITIONS (BALLOT PETITION MODERNIZATION ACT)**

Requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations for the secure storage and use of voter data from the list of registered voters and specifying procedures and requirements relating to electronic signatures; establishing and altering certain provisions governing the petition process, including provisions regarding the collection and invalidation of signatures, use of electronic signatures, and attestations by petition circulators; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EL, §§ 3-506(a), 6-103(a), 6-203, 6-204, 6-210(c), (d), and (e), and 16-401 - amended and §§ 6-208.1 and 6-210(c) - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1030 Senator Carter**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT OF RECORDS – GOOD CAUSE**

Authorizing a court to grant a petition for expungement of records relating to a certain conviction at any time on a showing of good cause; and specifying certain criteria for consideration of expungement for good cause.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CP, § 10-110 - amended and § 10-110.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1031 Senator Carter**CIVIL ACTIONS – LEAD POISONING – LIABILITY AND STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS (MARYLAND LEAD POISONING COMPENSATION ACT)**

Establishing that an action against the owner or manager of certain property to recover certain damages arising from injuries suffered as a result of lead poisoning may be filed at any time; establishing strict liability for the owner or manager of a property with lead-based paint hazards resulting in lead poisoning of another; establishing that limitations on certain damages awarded to a prevailing plaintiff do not apply to a claim under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-122 - added and CJ, §§ 5-303(a), 5-518(b) and (c), and 11-108(e) and SG, § 12-104(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1032 Senator Carter**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – STUDENT USE OF FORCE – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing a student to take reasonable action necessary to prevent violence on school premises or on a school-sponsored trip; authorizing a student to use reasonable force necessary to protect themselves or escape an attack under certain circumstances; requiring the principal or school administration to investigate each student use of force incident; and prohibiting a school from disciplining a student under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-307(a) - amended and § 7-311 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1033 Senator Carter**MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – LOCAL REQUESTS FOR GUIDANCE – RELIGIOUS CONSIDERATIONS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor, on request of a local jurisdiction and in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, to provide guidance for the implementation and enforcement of the Maryland Building Performance Standards in relation to any religious observance, practice, or belief.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 12-507 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1034 Senator Carozza, et al**9-1-1 SPECIALIST RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION WORKGROUP**

Establishing the 9-1-1 Specialist Recruitment and Retention Workgroup; 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 1, 2024 and a final report on or before December 1, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1035 Senator Rosapepe**FOCUSING FEDERAL CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT FUNDS ON BLUEPRINT SCHOOL-TO-WORK APPRENTICESHIP GOALS ACT**

Requiring the State Board of Education to collaborate with the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Committee to develop and approve a certain plan; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act; requiring the CTE Committee, beginning in fiscal year 2025, to review a certain proposal of the Department; requiring the CTE Committee to allocate funds received under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 21-202 and 21-209(h)(17) and (18) - amended and § 21-209(h)(19) - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1036 Senator West**TASK FORCE ON THE CREATION OF A DIVISION OF RETURNING CITIZENS AND EXPANDED REENTRY SERVICES – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Task Force on the Creation of a Division of Returning Citizens and Expanded Reentry Services; and requiring the Task Force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2025.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1037 Senator West**COURTS – IMPAIRED OPERATION OF VEHICLE OR VESSEL –
EXPERT WITNESSES AND EVIDENCE**

Authorizing certain police officers to testify as expert witnesses on the ultimate issue of impairment in cases involving driving a vehicle or operating a vessel while impaired by drugs; establishing a certain presumption in cases involving driving a vehicle or operating a vessel while impaired by a drug; and generally relating to driving a vehicle or operating a vessel while impaired by drugs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 9-125 - added and § 10-308 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1038 Anne Arundel County Senators**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION –
SUBPOENA ENFORCEMENT**

Authorizing the Human Relations Commission of Anne Arundel County to seek relief in a certain manner if a party fails to comply with a subpoena.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LG, § 12-905 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1039 Frederick County Senators**FREDERICK COUNTY – JUVENILES – TRUANCY REDUCTION PILOT
PROGRAM**

Authorizing the Circuit Administrative Judge of the Sixth Circuit to establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in Frederick County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 3-8C-02 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1040 Senator Gile, et al**CONSUMER PROTECTION – AUTOMATIC RENEWALS**

Requiring a person who makes an automatic renewal offer to consumers to allow a consumer to cancel the automatic renewal in a certain manner; requiring automatic renewal offers to be displayed in a certain manner and contain certain information; and establishing that a violation of the Act is an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xlii) and 14-1328 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 1041 Senators Gile and Folden**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BREWERIES, WINERIES, AND DISTILLERIES – DIRECT DELIVERY AND DIRECT SHIPMENT**

Establishing direct-to-consumer alcoholic beverages permits authorizing the direct delivery or shipment of beer, wine, or liquor to a consumer; establishing that affiliates of the holders of nonresident brewery permits or nonresident distillery permits are included in certain production limits; authorizing common carriers to transport, if applicable, beer or liquor; establishing the requirements an individual must meet to qualify for a direct-to-consumer alcoholic beverages delivery or shipping permit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, Various Sections - added and amended and TG, § 13-825(b) - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 1042 Senator Gile**EDUCATION – ARMED SERVICES VOCATIONAL APTITUDE BATTERY – STUDENT INFORMATION**

Requiring public schools in the State to notify students taking the ASVAB and parents or guardians of students taking the ASVAB of the option to prohibit the release of a student's ASVAB test scores to military recruiters; and repealing the requirement that certain schools provide certain notice to certain individuals regarding the release of student information and ASVAB test scores.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-111 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1043 Senator Gile**EDUCATION – PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES – SUBCONTRACTING FOR SERVICES**

Prohibiting a public school employer from entering into a certain subcontracting agreement unless certain circumstances occur; specifying the requirements for a public school employer to enter into a certain subcontracting agreement; providing for the contents of certain subcontracting agreements; requiring a certain public school employee who is displaced as a result of a subcontracting agreement to retain certain status and rights; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, §§ 6-402 and 6-503 - amended and §§ 6-801 through 6-809 - added and SG, § 22-206(a)(10) and (11) - amended and § 22-206(a)(12) - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1044 Senators Gile and Kelly**COSMETOLOGISTS – ESTHETIC SERVICES – DEFINITION**

Altering the definition of “provide esthetic services” to include certain services and to provide that it does not include the diagnosis of illness, disease, or injury or performing ablation of the dermis or hypodermis.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BOP, § 5-101(o) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1045 Senator Gile**ZONING – BOARD OF APPEALS DECISIONS OR ZONING ACTIONS – JUDICIAL REVIEW**

Applying to charter counties and the City of Baltimore certain provisions relating to a request for judicial review of certain decisions of a board of appeals or a zoning action; specifying when a person is aggrieved by a board of appeals decision or a zoning action of a legislative body for purposes of requesting judicial review by a circuit court; authorizing certain corporations, unincorporated associations, and other organizations to file a request for judicial review of a board of appeals decision or a zoning action; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LU, §§ 1-401, 4-401, and 10-103 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1046 Anne Arundel County Senators

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – FEES

Increasing alcoholic beverages license and permit fees paid to the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1047 Anne Arundel County Senators

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT PRIVILEGES

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to receive written approval from the Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning for a music and entertainment permit before the permit may be considered at a hearing; requiring the area used for the activity under the permit to be at least 100 feet from all residentially zoned properties; renaming the entertainment permit to be a limited entertainment permit; and renaming the dancing permit to be a full entertainment permit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 11-1102 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1048 Senator Mautz

ENVIRONMENT – TIDAL WETLAND PERMIT – OWNERSHIP OF LAND

Requiring the Department of the Environment to transfer certain interest in land to a riparian landowner in fee simple if the landowner obtains a tidal wetland permit for the purpose of creating a living shoreline or other shoreline stabilization measure.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, § 16-103 - amended and § 16-108 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1049 Senator Mautz

ENVIRONMENT – TIDAL WETLANDS – CONSTRUCTION OF PIERS

Prohibiting, in making a decision on an application for a license or permit to construct a pier, the Department of the Environment from considering any vessel owned by the applicant as a condition for issuing the license or permit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, § 16-105.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1050 Senator Mautz

COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES – RESERVE STUDIES – EXEMPTIONS

Exempting cooperative housing corporations, condominiums, and homeowners associations from conducting reserve studies on the vote of at least two-thirds of the members or owners.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CA, § 5-6B-26.1 and RP, §§ 11-109.4 and 11B-112.3 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1051 Senator Mautz

DORCHESTER COUNTY – SANITARY COMMISSION – TRANSFER OF POWERS TO COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorizing the Dorchester County Council to, by public local law, abolish the Dorchester County Sanitary Commission, establish a department of public facilities and services, and provide for the department's abilities and functions, subject to certain requirements; and transferring certain responsibilities from the Dorchester County Sanitary Commission to the Dorchester County Council.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, Various Sections - amended and § 9-629.1 - added and LG, § 12-104 - repealed

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1052 Senator Mautz**LOCAL BOARDS OF ELECTIONS – MAINTENANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF ELECTION RECORDS**

Requiring each local board of elections to maintain certain records, including all election data, absentee ballot requests, and voter registration lists, for at least 10 years and organized by election year; requiring an election director or representative of a local board to make certain records available for public inspection immediately and to post certain records on the local board's website on request; and authorizing a person to enforce a certain request by filing a petition for a writ of mandamus.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EL, § 2-106 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1053 Senators Mautz and Carozza**FISHERIES – STRIPED BASS – CLOSED SEASON**

Prohibiting a person from catching or attempting to catch striped bass or striped bass hybrids in the Chesapeake Bay and its tidal tributaries from March 1 through May 15, inclusive, in any year for which the Department does not establish a spring trophy season for striped bass; and establishing an exception for the closed striped bass season to the authority of the Department of Natural Resources to manage the striped bass fishery under a fisheries management plan.

EMERGENCY BILL

NR, §§ 4-215(i) and 4-732 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1054 Senator Kramer**LOCAL GOVERNMENT – BUILDING PERMITS FOR RESIDENTIAL SOLAR ENERGY AND RESIDENTIAL ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS – REQUIRED PLATFORM AND INSPECTIONS**

Requiring a county or municipality to implement a certain web-based platform for features supporting the tracking and approval of residential building permits for certain residential solar energy projects, residential energy storage projects, and main electric panel alterations by August 1, 2025, except under certain circumstances; requiring a county or municipality to adopt certain procedures for required inspections for a certain building permit under certain circumstances; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LG, § 1-1319 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1055 Senator Kramer**AGRICULTURE – ROOSTERS – RESTRICTIONS**

Prohibiting, unless authorized by the Department of Agriculture, a person from keeping a certain number of roosters on certain property beginning on January 1, 2026, subject to certain exceptions; and authorizing the Department to work in cooperation with a local animal control or law enforcement officer to enforce the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

AG, § 3-105.2 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1056 Senator Kramer**CIGARETTES, OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AND ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES – REVISIONS (TOBACCO RETAIL MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2024)**

Prohibiting licensees that sell cigarettes, other tobacco products, or electronic smoking devices at retail from displaying cigarettes, other tobacco products, or electronic smoking devices for sale unless located behind a counter; requiring certain licensed retailers to verify an individual's date of birth before selling cigarettes, other tobacco products, or electronic smoking devices in a certain manner; altering the application fee for a county license to sell cigarettes at retail; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

BR, Various Sections - added and amended, CR, § 10-107 - amended, and HO, § 12-403(c)(22) and (23) - amended and § 12-403(c)(24) - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1057 Senator Kramer**HOME– AND COMMUNITY–BASED SERVICES WAIVER – ELIGIBILITY**

Altering the financial eligibility criteria for the home– and community–based services waiver submitted by the Maryland Department of Health to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to include categorically needy individuals with an income disregard up to 300% of the Supplemental Security Income monthly benefit amount and a certain community spouse resource allowance; requiring the Department to adopt regulations to establish a timeline within which the Department is required to approve or deny the application of an applicant; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 15-132 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1058 Senator Kramer, et al

EDUCATION – CURRICULUM STANDARDS – ANTIHATE AND HOLOCAUST EDUCATION (EDUCATE TO STOP THE HATE ACT)

Requiring the State Board of Education to develop certain curriculum standards and curriculum resources for certain instructional content by January 1, 2025; requiring the State Department of Education to revise and enhance certain history and social studies frameworks to include certain instruction; requiring all public schools and certain nonpublic schools to include the revised and enhanced instruction in school curricula beginning in the 2025–2026 school year; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-135 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1059 Senator Ellis

MATERNAL HEALTH – ASSESSMENTS, REFERRALS, AND REPORTING (MARYLAND MATERNAL HEALTH ACT OF 2024)

Establishing requirements on local health departments and certain health care providers and facilities regarding maternal health, including requirements regarding prenatal risk assessment forms and postpartum infant and maternal referral forms; prohibiting the Maryland Department of Health from providing Medical Assistance Program reimbursement to a hospital or freestanding birthing center unless the facility complies with certain provisions of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, §§ 15-155, 19-310.4, 19-3B-03.1, 24-2401, and 24-2402 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1060 Senators Ellis and Augustine

RAILROADS – SAFETY REQUIREMENTS (MARYLAND RAILWAY SAFETY ACT OF 2024)

Establishing requirements and prohibitions related to the operation of railroads in the State, including provisions related to the size of the crew, the blocking of highway grade crossings, wayside detectors, and investigations by railroad labor union representatives; and requiring the Commission of Labor and Industry to establish and maintain a database regarding the transportation of hazardous materials and waste by rail in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, §§ 5.5-110(e), 5.5-110.1, 5.5-110.2, 5.5-111.1, and 5.5-113.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1061 Senator Ellis

EMPLOYEE AUTOIMMUNE DISORDER PROTECTION ACT

Prohibiting an employer from requiring an employee to work on-site at the employer's workplace if the employee provides documentation from a physician or other licensed health care practitioner that the employee has been diagnosed with an autoimmune disorder or other qualifying illness and that on-site work, or travel to and from the workplace, would be unsafe for the employee and the duties of the employee may reasonably be fulfilled at the home of the employee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

LE, §§ 3-103(n) and 3-1801 through 3-1805 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1062 Senator Hershey

EDUCATION – PREKINDERGARTEN AND WITHHOLDING OF COUNTY BOARD FUNDING (BLUEPRINT ACCOUNTABILITY AND FLEXIBILITY ACT OF 2024)

Altering certain dates related to the family share for Tier II children in publicly funded prekindergarten; altering certain dates related to the proportion of eligible private provider prekindergarten slots; repealing the authorization for the State Department of Education to exclude by annual waiver Tier I children who are 4 years old from a certain prekindergarten slot calculation; establishing a process for the Accountability and Implementation Board to withhold certain funding from a county board under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, §§ 5-229(a), (c), and (e), 7-1A-03, and 7-1A-04(a) - amended and § 5-415 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

SB 1063 Senator Hershey

ENVIRONMENT – ADVANCED CLEAN CARS II PROGRAM – APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from adopting the California Advanced Clean Cars II regulations to be effective before motor vehicle model year 2030; and prohibiting the Department from applying certain provisions of law governing enforcement and penalties under the California Advanced Clean Cars II Program to a motor vehicle manufacturer for failing to meet the minimum electric vehicle or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle delivery requirements for an applicable motor vehicle model year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 2-1103 and 2-1106 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1064 Cecil County Senators**CECIL COUNTY – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS –
INSPECTIONS OF LICENSED CANNABIS BUSINESSES**

Authorizing an inspector employed by the Board of License Commissioners in Cecil County to enter a licensed cannabis business for the purpose of observing whether the requirements of the license are being met, provided that the inspector makes a certain announcement and the inspector does not take any action against the licensee or an employee of the licensee.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, § 17-205 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1065 Senator Guzzone**MOTOR VEHICLES – REGISTRATION – ANNUAL SURCHARGE**

Requiring the owner of a plug-in electric drive vehicle or fuel cell electric vehicle to pay a \$100 annual surcharge in addition to the annual registration fee; authorizing the surcharge to be paid in installments; requiring the proceeds collected from the surcharge to be deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund and, under certain circumstances, used for certain purposes; and requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to refuse to register or renew or transfer the registration of a motor vehicle for failure to pay the surcharge.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 13-956 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1066 Senators Zucker and Ferguson**SPORTS WAGERING – INDEPENDENT EVALUATION OF SPORTS
WAGERING CONTENT – REQUIRED**

Requiring, rather than authorizing, certain sports wagering licensees and sports wagering operators that advertise in the State to contract with certain independent evaluators to evaluate and rate the sports wagering licensee's sports wagering content, sports wagering experts, sports wagering influencers, and content partners.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SG, § 9-1E-17(d) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1067 Senator West, et al**BALTIMORE COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – INTERSTATE 695**

Authorizing the placement and use of 16 speed monitoring systems on Interstate 695 in Baltimore County, except that only 4 may be operated at any given time; requiring that fines collected by Baltimore County as a result of violations enforced by speed monitoring systems on Interstate 695 be used to assist in covering the cost of roadway and safety improvements on Interstate 695 in Baltimore County; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

CJ, § 7-302(e)(4) and TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(vi) through (viii) and (d)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1068 Senator Kagan**HUMAN SERVICES – 2–1–1 AND 3–1–1 SYSTEMS – NONEMERGENCY INFORMATION AND REFERRALS**

Establishing the Maryland 2–1–1 and 3–1–1 Board to take certain actions relating to the establishment of a statewide 3–1–1 system and county 3–1–1 systems and the integration of the 2–1–1 system into a statewide 2–1–1 and 3–1–1 system; establishing a statewide 3–1–1 system under the Department of Human Services to provide certain nonemergency information and referrals, subject to certain requirements; requiring a county to be responsible for certain costs and expenses associated with a county 3–1–1 system; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

HG, §§ 24-1203 through 24-1205 - transferred and Various Sections - repealed and HU, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1069 Senator Kagan**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: Finance

SB 1070 Senator McKay**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – HERITAGE AREAS – CANAL PLACE**

Altering the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority to be the Passages of the Western Potomac Heritage Area Authority; altering and repealing certain duties and powers of the Authority; establishing the Canal Place Preservation and Development Board to manage the Canal Place Properties; requiring the Board, to the extent practicable, to enter into certain memoranda of understanding to delegate the management of certain Canal Place Properties and other projects; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

FI, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added and GP, SP, and TP, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1071 Senator McKay**HOSPITALS – OPIOID OVERDOSE – MEDICATION–ASSISTED TREATMENT**

Requiring hospitals to establish and maintain certain protocols and capacity related to the treatment of patients who are being treated for an opioid–related overdose; requiring hospitals to connect patients who are administered or prescribed medication–assisted treatment to an appropriate provider to voluntarily continue treatment under certain circumstances; and requiring the Governor to include a certain appropriation in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2026 from the Opioid Restitution Fund.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-308.10 - added and SF, § 7-331 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1072 Senator McKay**OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING – MILITARY TRAINING AND MILITARY SPOUSES**

Requiring an occupational licensing board to issue a license, certificate, permit, or registration to an applicant who is military trained or who is a military spouse if the applicant meets certain requirements; requiring an occupational licensing board to consider certain types of experience for a certain calculation; and authorizing an occupational licensing board to issue a temporary license, certificate, permit, or registration under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, §§ 10-1701 and 10-1702 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Finance

SB 1073 Senator Ready, et al

AMENDMENTS CONVENTION CALLED UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION – DELEGATION TO THE CONVENTION

Requiring the General Assembly to appoint a delegation to an amendments convention called under Article V of the U.S. Constitution and an advisory committee under certain circumstances and in accordance with certain requirements; providing for the membership of the delegation; providing for the qualifications, oath, compensation, and duties of a commissioner to the delegation; establishing the operations of the delegation and the advisory committee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SG, §§ 10-1701 through 10-1707 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1074 Senator Ready, et al

ENVIRONMENT – INDUSTRIAL SLUDGE UTILIZATION PERMIT – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing an industrial sludge utilization permit; prohibiting a person from utilizing industrial sludge in the State unless the person obtains a permit; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide certain notices and information to certain persons; applying certain provisions of law regarding public notice and participation to industrial sludge utilization permits; and authorizing a representative of the Department to enter and inspect any site where industrial sludge is utilized.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, § 1-601(a) - amended and §§ 9-293 through 9-299, 9-299.1, 9-299.2, 9-299.3, and 9-299.4 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1075 Senator Ready, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – DISTRIBUTION OF HEROIN OR FENTANYL CAUSING SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH (VICTORIA AND SCOTTIE’S LAW)

Prohibiting an individual from distributing heroin or fentanyl or chemical analogues of heroin or fentanyl, the use of which results in the death or serious bodily injury of another.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CR, § 5-602.1 and CP, § 4-201(j) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1076 Senator Corderman**SALES AND USE TAX – ELECTRICITY TO CHARGE ELECTRIC VEHICLES – TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND**

Requiring the Comptroller to distribute to the Transportation Trust Fund revenue from the sales and use tax that is attributable to the sale of electricity used to charge an electric vehicle at an electric vehicle charging station or used to charge an electric vehicle and is not sold under a residential or domestic rate schedule on file with the Public Service Commission; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 2-1302.1 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1077 Senator Corderman**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – APPROPRIATIONS FOR SCHOOL SAFETY EXPENDITURES – SCHOOL SECURITY EMPLOYEES**

Increasing a certain annual appropriation for certain school safety expenditures for fiscal year 2026 and further increasing the annual appropriation for certain school safety expenditures beginning in fiscal year 2027; altering the allocation of certain grant funds to be based on student enrollment; and authorizing local school systems to use certain funds for school security employees.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-1508(h) - renumbered, § 7-1508(g) - amended, and § 7-1508(h) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1078 Washington County Senators**TASK FORCE ON WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AND WASTEWATER GOVERNANCE**

Establishing the Task Force on Washington County Regional Water and Wastewater Governance to study the water supply, wastewater treatment, and approaches to water and wastewater governance in Washington County; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2026 an appropriation of \$750,000 for the completion of a certain report; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to certain entities on or before July 1, 2026.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1079 Senator McCray**BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE EXTENSIONS**

Extending until July 1, 2025, the expiration date of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Baltimore City that are issued for certain areas for certain transferal and renewal purposes under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1080 Senator McCray**STATE PERSONNEL – MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – PAY RATES**

Increasing the number of certain bargaining units for the purpose of specifying certain pay rates for certain employees of the Maryland Department of Health; and requiring that the pay rates of certain Department employees who are in certain bargaining units and who work at the Regional Institutes for Children and Adolescents be equal to certain pay rates for employees who work at Clifton T. Perkins Hospital.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

SP, § 8-203(a) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1081 Senator McCray**EDUCATION – PUBLIC SCHOOLS – DRIVER EDUCATION AND TRANSPORTATION TO FIELD TRIPS**

Establishing the Driver Education in Public Schools Grant Program to provide grants to public schools and nonprofit organizations to assist public schools in offering driver education courses to students; establishing the State–Aided Institutions Field Trip Grant Program to assist public schools in transporting students to field trips at State–aided educational institutions; altering the penalties and distribution of fines for termination or lapse of required vehicle security, including distribution to the Programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, §§ 7-414.1 and 7-810 - added and TR, § 17-106(e)(1) and (2) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

SB 1082 Senator Hester**SOLAR ENERGY AND ENERGY STORAGE – DEVELOPMENT AND STATE PROCUREMENT**

Authorizing a county to enact a local law creating a conservation and restoration fund for a certain purpose; establishing the Utility–Scale Solar Design and Siting Commission in the Power Plant Research Program to provide recommendations related to solar energy development and land conservation and preservation; requiring the owner or operator of a certain solar energy generating station to plant and maintain a certain cover crop on certain land and submit a certain vegetation management plan to a certain entity; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

LG, § 12-905, NR, § 3-306.2, PU, §§ 7-215.1 and 7-216.2, SF, § 4-325, and SG, § 9-2016 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

SB 1083 Senator Hester**PUBLIC UTILITIES – ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PLANNING – REGULATIONS, PLANS, AND FUND**

Requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt certain regulations to oversee electric distribution system planning in the State on or before December 31, 2025; requiring electric companies in the State to submit to the Commission certain plans to upgrade certain parts of the electric distribution system in the State on or before January 1, 2026; and establishing the Electric Distribution System Make–Ready Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund administered by the Maryland Energy Administration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PU, §§ 7-804 and 13-205 - amended and §§ 7-805 and 7-806 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1084 Senator M. Washington**STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMISSION FOR THE DEAF, DEAFBLIND, AND HARD OF HEARING**

Establishing the Commission for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing as an independent unit of State government to provide and advocate for accessible and comprehensive services, and foster inclusivity, equal opportunities, and improved quality of life, for individuals who are deaf, deafblind, or hard of hearing.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

SG, §§ 9-3801 through 9-3806 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1085 Senator M. Washington, et al

CORRECTIONS – SEGREGATED HOUSING – LIMITATIONS

Altering a reporting requirement for correctional units relating to restrictive housing; requiring hearing officers and personnel involved with the supervision and care of individuals placed in restrictive housing to undergo certain training; and establishing guidelines and procedures for the placement of incarcerated individuals in certain types of segregated housing.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, § 9-614 - amended and §§ 10-1001 through 10-1003 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1086 Senator M. Washington

ENVIRONMENT – ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE DISTRICTS – DESIGNATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Authorizing a resident of a local jurisdiction or an overburdened and underserved community in the State to submit an application to the Department of the Environment to request the designation of a certain area as an environmental justice district in a certain manner; requiring the Department to publish the application process and criteria used for evaluating an application on or before December 1, 2024; requiring the Department to hold a certain hearing on a certain permit application under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, § 1-701(a)(5) - amended and § 1-703 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1087 Senator McCray

MARYLAND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY AND OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Establishing the Maryland Artificial Intelligence Advisory and Oversight Commission to guide the State in growing, developing, using, and diversifying artificial intelligence in the State; and requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2024, and each year thereafter.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

SF, § 3.5-205 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1088 Senator M. Washington

ENVIRONMENT – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE PERMITTING PROCESS – ALTERATIONS

Authorizing judicial review of certain environmental permitting and license decisions by the Department of the Environment at the request of certain persons who meet certain federal standing requirements under certain circumstances; requiring a person applying for a certain permit from the Department to request an EJ Score from the Department for the census tract where the applicant is seeking the permit for purposes of including the score in the permit application; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

EN, §§ 1-601, 1-601.1, 1-602, 1-603, and 1-605 through 1-607 - amended and § 1-604 - repealed

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1089 Senator M. Washington

EDUCATION – STUDENT AND SCHOOL EMPLOYEE DATA PRIVACY – PROTECTIONS

Requiring certain operators of certain Internet sites, services, and applications to protect certain school employee information from unauthorized access, implement and maintain security procedures and practices, and delete school employee information under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain operators from knowingly engaging in certain activities with respect to certain websites, services, and applications related to targeted advertising, selling, and disclosing school employee information under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

ED, § 4-131 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1090 Senators Waldstreicher and Kagan**MARYLAND CENTER FOR SCHOOL SAFETY – STATEWIDE SECURE SCHOOLS EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Statewide Secure Schools Emergency Response Program to be administered by the Maryland Center for School Safety to improve the safety and security of public schools in the State by implementing a certain emergency notification system; requiring the Center to ensure that the Program has been implemented in each public school in the State on or before September 1, 2026; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2026 an appropriation of \$4,500,000 for the Program.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 7-1502(g)(20) and (21) - amended and §§ 7-1502(g)(22) and 7-1513 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1091 Senator Watson, et al**EDUCATION – BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED STUDENTS – TEXTBOOK EQUITY**

Requiring each county board of education, on or before January 15 each year, to determine the instructional materials that will be used in the upcoming school year and to coordinate with the Instructional Resources Center to provide the materials in a specialized format to blind or visually impaired students; requiring the State Department of Education to cover the cost to produce materials that are not available in a specialized format; requiring certain textbook publishers to provide an electronic file of certain textbooks; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

ED, § 8-408(b) and (e) - amended and § 8-408(e) and (f) - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1092 Senator Guzzone**VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EMERGENCY MEDICAL SYSTEM SURCHARGE – INCREASE AND DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS**

Increasing the motor vehicle registration emergency medical system surcharge to \$40.00 per year for certain motor vehicles; and providing for the distribution of revenues derived from the surcharge.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TR, § 13-954 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1093 Senator Guzzone

MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – TOLLS – COLLECTION AND USE (MARYLAND TOLL RATE REFORM ACT OF 2024)

Establishing the Transportation Facilities Overage Account in the Transportation Trust Fund; requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to fix, revise, charge, and collect fees, tolls, and other charges for the use of transportation facilities under its control to maximize revenues above certain amounts and to distribute the additional revenues to the Transportation Facilities Overage Account for certain purposes; and establishing certain standards under which the Authority is required to set certain toll rates.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, §§ 3-215(b), 3-216(c)(2)(i), and 4-312(c) - amended and §§ 3-216(d)(5) and 4-312(b-1) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1094 Senator McKay, et al

STATE LAKES PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND – ALTERATION AND EXTENSION

Altering the amount of an appropriation the Governor is required to make to the State Lakes Protection and Restoration Fund, from \$1,000,000 each fiscal year to \$2,000,000 for fiscal years 2026 and 2027; and extending the termination date applicable to certain provisions relating to the purpose, use, and funding of the Fund, from June 30, 2025, to June 30, 2027.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

NR, § 8-205 and Chapter 698 of the Acts of 2018, § 3, as amended - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1095 Senators Smith and Elfreth

WORKGROUP ON HOME DETENTION MONITORING

Establishing the Workgroup on Home Detention Monitoring to study and make recommendations regarding the costs and availability of both publicly and privately provided pretrial home detention monitoring systems; and requiring the Workgroup to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 31 each year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1096 Senators Smith and Jackson

VEHICLE LAWS – LICENSES, IDENTIFICATION CARDS, AND MOPED OPERATOR’S PERMITS – IDENTIFICATION OF NONAPPARENT DISABILITY

Requiring that an application for a license, an identification card, or a moped operator’s permit allow an applicant to indicate the applicant’s nonapparent disability; and requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to ensure that the license, identification card, or moped operator’s permit of an applicant who indicates that the applicant has a nonapparent disability includes an “ND” notation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

TR, § 12-306 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1097 Senator Smith

PUBLIC SAFETY – GUN BUYBACK PROGRAMS – DESTRUCTION OF FIREARMS

Requiring a person or entity operating a gun buyback program to destroy a firearm, including all components and parts attached to the firearm, that is voluntarily traded in at a certain gun buyback program; authorizing a certain person or entity to contract with a law enforcement agency, an organization, or a business to destroy certain firearms; and requiring the Secretary of State Police to revoke a certain person’s dealer’s license if the person violates the provisions of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

PS, § 5-114(b) - amended and §§ 5-901 and 5-902 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1098 Senator Smith

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – DIMINUTION CREDITS – SEXUAL OFFENSES

Prohibiting the earning of diminution credits to reduce the term of confinement of an incarcerated individual who is serving a sentence for rape in the first degree in a State or local correctional facility.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CS, §§ 3-702 and 11-502 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1099 Senator Smith, et al

EMERGENCY SERVICES – AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR AND NALOXONE CO-LOCATION INITIATIVE – REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Requiring the State Emergency Medical Services Board, in collaboration with the Maryland Department of Health, to develop and implement an initiative under the Public Access Automated External Defibrillator Program to require that naloxone be co-located with each automated external defibrillator placed in a public building; establishing a certain immunity from liability for individuals who administer naloxone made available under the initiative in response to a known or suspected drug overdose; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CJ, § 5-603 and ED, § 13-517 - amended and ED, § 13-518 - added

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

SB 1100 Senator Ferguson

BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 46TH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT – REVISIONS

Providing that, in the 46th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City, a certain license may be issued and an existing license may be moved to a building that is within a certain distance of a place of worship or school under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to waive a certain requirement for a certain license holder that operates a restaurant to remain open after hours; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

AB, §§ 12-1605(b) and 12-2007 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1101 Senator Smith**SCHOLARSHIPS AND POLICE OFFICER RECRUITMENT**

Requiring law enforcement agencies to develop and implement certain recruitment policies; clarifying that the Edward T. Conroy and Mary A. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program and the Jean B. Cryor Memorial Scholarship Program include certain postsecondary institutions in the State as eligible institutions that may award scholarships under the programs; and establishing the Police Officers Educational Benefit Scholarship I and the Police Officers Educational Benefit Scholarship II.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

PS, § 3-207(a)(20) and ED, §§ 18-103 and 18-601 - amended and PS, § 3-209.3 and ED, §§ 18-4001 through 18-4004 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 1102 The President (By Request – Accountability and Implementation Board)**EDUCATION – BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND’S FUTURE – ALTERATIONS**

Authorizing the State Department of Education to award funding for a new Judy Center or Family Support Center for planning and development under a certain circumstance; altering the date by which the Accountability and Implementation Board has to conduct and submit an independent evaluation; requiring a nonclassroom teacher who pursues National Board Certification to receive certain funding from the State under certain circumstances; altering requirements for the Prekindergarten Expansion Grant Program; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2024

ED, Various Sections and Ch. 36 of 2021, § 16(d) through (f) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment and Budget and Taxation

SB 1103 The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**HOSPITALS AND RELATED INSTITUTIONS – OUTPATIENT FACILITY FEES**

Altering the definition of “hospital” to require a hospital located outside the State that provides outpatient services to patients in the State to provide a certain written notice regarding outpatient facility fees under certain circumstances; altering the required contents of the written notice regarding outpatient facility fees; and requiring the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission to study and make recommendations regarding hospital outpatient facility fees.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

HG, § 19-349.2 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1104 The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – NOTICE TO CONSUMERS – OUT-OF-NETWORK STATUS (HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OUT-OF-NETWORK INFORMATION ACT)**

Requiring out-of-network health care facilities to provide certain information to a consumer and obtain certain consent before providing a health care service; requiring that certain out-of-network status information be provided in a certain consent form; prohibiting an out-of-network health care facility from charging, billing, or attempting to collect an amount in excess of the consumer’s in-network cost unless the consumer is provided certain notice and provided consent; and making a violation of this Act an unfair trade practice.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

CL, § 13-301(14)(xl) - amended and CL, § 13-301(14)(xlii) and HG, §§ 19-2601 through 19-2604 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 1105 The President (By Request – Office of the Comptroller)**INCOME TAX – INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX CREDIT ELIGIBILITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**

Requiring the Comptroller to implement and administer a certain individual income tax credit eligibility awareness campaign to identify and encourage individuals to apply for certain individual income tax credits; authorizing the Comptroller to enter into a certain data sharing agreement with other State agencies to carry out the awareness campaign; and requiring, for certain fiscal years, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$300,000 for the awareness campaign.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024

TG, § 2-116.1 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 1106 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**ANNUAL CORRECTIVE BILL**

Correcting certain errors or omissions in certain articles of the Annotated Code; clarifying language; correcting certain obsolete references; reorganizing certain sections of the Annotated Code; providing that this Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; and providing for the correction of certain errors and obsolete provisions by the publishers of the Annotated Code.

EMERGENCY BILL

Annotated Code, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

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Senator Carter

DIVISION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH – STUDENT TRUANCY FROM SCHOOL – UNIT, POLICIES, AND REPORT

Encouraging the State Department of Education to add a section or unit dedicated to addressing student truancy from school to further the purposes and goals of the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future; and requiring the Division of Children and Youth in the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to develop certain strategies relating to student truancy from school.

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings