

May 2, 2013

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On May 2, 2013, the Honorable Martin O'Malley, Governor; the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate; and the Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House of Delegates, signed the following pieces of legislation, which you passed:

SB 276 The President (By Request – Administration), et al

Chapter 156

DEATH PENALTY REPEAL – SUBSTITUTION OF LIFE WITHOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF PAROLE

Repealing the death penalty; repealing procedures and requirements related to the death penalty; providing that in specified cases in which the State has filed a notice to seek a sentence of death, the notice shall be considered withdrawn and it shall be considered a notice to seek a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole under specified circumstances; altering the authorization for the Governor to commute or change a sentence of death into a specified period of confinement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 279 The President (By Request – Administration), et al

Chapter 157

ELECTION LAW – IMPROVING ACCESS TO VOTING

Requiring an individual who applies to register to vote or update an existing voter registration online to provide specified information; providing an exception to the voter registration deadline to allow an individual to register to vote or update an existing voter registration address and vote during early voting; requiring proof of residency to register or update an existing voter registration address during early voting; specifying methods of requesting an absentee ballot, including through an accessible online application; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 224 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**
Chapter 158 **ELECTION LAW – IMPROVING ACCESS TO VOTING**

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EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 228 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**
Chapter 159 **MARYLAND HEALTH PROGRESS ACT OF 2013**

Altering eligibility requirements for the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and the definition of “former foster care adolescent” to conform to federal eligibility requirements; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide specified grants; adding to the purposes for which a specified assessment in hospital rates may be used; exempting the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange and its employees from specified provisions of law governing third party administrators; etc.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 4 **Senator Pugh**
Chapter 160 **STATE PERSONNEL – APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT –
CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS**

Prohibiting specified appointing authorities in the Judicial, Executive, and Legislative branches of State government from inquiring into the criminal record or criminal history of an applicant for employment until the applicant has been provided an opportunity for an interview; providing that the Act does not prohibit specified appointing authorities from notifying an applicant for employment of specified information; providing for exceptions; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- SB 8**
Chapter 161 **Senators Astle and Middleton**
GAS COMPANIES – RATE REGULATION – INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT SURCHARGE
- Allowing a gas company to recover costs associated with infrastructure replacement projects through a gas infrastructure replacement surcharge on customer bills; requiring project cost calculations to include specified elements; specifying how the pretax rate of return is calculated and adjusted and what it includes; stating that the intent of the General Assembly is to accelerate infrastructure improvements by establishing a mechanism for gas companies to recover reasonable and prudent costs of infrastructure replacement; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- SB 11**
Chapter 162 **Senator Astle**
NATURAL RESOURCES – STATE BOAT ACT – EXPIRATION OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF BOAT NUMBER
- Altering the expiration date for a temporary certificate of boat number.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 12**
Chapter 163 **Senator Zirkin**
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – LEAVE – DEPLOYMENT OF FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE ARMED FORCES
- Authorizing specified employees to take leave from work on the day that an immediate family member is leaving for, or returning from, active duty outside the United States as a member of the armed forces of the United States; prohibiting an employer from requiring an employee to use compensatory, sick, or vacation leave when taking leave under the Act; authorizing an employer to require an employee who takes leave under the Act to submit specified proof to the employer; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 19

Senator Jennings

Chapter 164

CRIMES – AIMING LASER POINTER AT AIRCRAFT

Making it a misdemeanor to knowingly and willfully shine, point, or focus the beam of a laser pointer on an individual operating an aircraft; exempting specified individuals under specified circumstances from provisions of the Act; and specifying a penalty.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 21

Senator Klausmeier

Chapter 165

NATURAL RESOURCES – AQUACULTURE COORDINATING COUNCIL – REPORTING DATE

Altering from October 1 to June 30 the date by which the Aquaculture Coordinating Council must make specified proposals and recommendations to the Governor, the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, and the House Environmental Matters Committee each year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 72

Delegate O'Donnell

Chapter 166

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EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 25

Senators Forehand and Klausmeier

Chapter 167

VEHICLE LAWS – TITLE AND REGISTRATION – TRANSFER TO SURVIVING SPOUSE

Establishing that when the interest in a vehicle of one joint owner passes to another joint owner who is the surviving spouse, the surviving spouse is not required to apply for a new certificate of title or submit a specified certificate of title to the Motor Vehicle Administration until a specified time; authorizing a surviving spouse to drive a vehicle and allow the vehicle to be driven on a highway until a specified time without applying for a registration; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 32

Senator Colburn

Chapter 168

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BREWERY LICENSE – ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION

Authorizing brewery licensees to sell beer for on-site consumption under specified circumstances; requiring a specified local licensing board to grant an on-site consumption permit to an applicant that holds specified licenses; providing that an on-site consumption permit entitles the holder to sell beer brewed at the brewery for on-premises consumption to persons that have attained the legal drinking age; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 4

Delegates Haddaway–Riccio and Eckardt

Chapter 169

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BREWERY LICENSE – ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION

Authorizing brewery licensees to sell beer for on-site consumption under specified circumstances; requiring a specified local licensing board to grant an on-site consumption permit to an applicant that holds specified licenses; providing that an on-site consumption permit entitles the holder to sell beer brewed at the brewery for on-premises consumption to persons that have attained the legal drinking age; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 39

Senator Colburn

Chapter 170

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – SPECIAL VINTAGE REPRODUCTION REGISTRATION PLATE

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to develop and make available a specially designed vintage reproduction registration plate; prescribing who may apply for and the classes of vehicles eligible for the registration plate; providing the manner in which fees will be established, collected, and distributed in connection with the registration plate; requiring that the registration plate be available for a specified time and resemble a specified registration plate issued by the State; and providing for a delayed effective date.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014

SB 53 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 171 **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – ADMINISTRATIVE
REVIEW OF CONTESTED CASES

Repealing provisions of law relating to the Board of Review of the Department of Agriculture, including provisions requiring persons in contested cases to exhaust an avenue of appeal to the Board of Review before pursuing review in court; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 54 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 172 **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Higher Education**
Commission)

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION –
SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS – TECHNICAL ALTERATIONS

Amending provisions of the Educational Excellence Fund, the Edward T. Conroy Scholarship Fund, the Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship Fund, and the Workforce Shortage Student Assistance Grant Fund to require each of the funds to be special, nonlapsing funds that are administered by the Maryland Higher Education Commission, held by the State Treasurer, and accounted for by the Comptroller; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 59 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 173 **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**

NATURAL RESOURCES – FISH AND FISHERIES

Repealing an exemption for specified veterans' hospital patients from the requirement to obtain an angler's license under specified circumstances; repealing a provision of law that lists nontidal species for which the Department of Natural Resources is required to establish open seasons; repealing provisions of law that prohibit a person from using, and authorize a person to use, specified devices while catching fish under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 69 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 174 **Departmental – Comptroller)**

TOBACCO PRODUCTS – TOBACCO TAX – EXEMPTIONS AND PENALTIES

Increasing the exemptions from the tobacco tax for cigarettes and other tobacco products brought into the State by specified consumers; establishing mandatory fines for first and subsequent violations; and altering the penalties for first and subsequent violations for a person who willfully ships, imports, sells into or within, or transports within the State cigarettes or other tobacco products on which the tobacco tax has not been paid.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 70 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 175 **Departmental – Business and Economic Development)**

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ENTERPRISE FUND AND INVEST MARYLAND PROGRAM

Altering the uses and composition of the Enterprise Fund in the Department of Business and Economic Development; authorizing the Department to acquire an ownership interest exceeding 25% when making an equity investment in one or more venture or private equity firms; restricting to a specified percentage the Department's allocation of designated capital in specified side car funds under the Invest Maryland Program; expanding specified prohibitions to apply to a specified purchaser of tax credits; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 72 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 176 **Departmental – Transportation)**

**MOTOR VEHICLES – DAMAGE TO HIGHWAYS FROM
OVERWEIGHT OR OVERSIZED VEHICLES – LIABILITY AND
PENALTIES**

Clarifying that a person who drives or moves overweight vehicle loads on a municipal highway is liable for specified damage caused to the highway; establishing that a person who drives or moves oversized loads on State, county, or municipal highways is liable for all resulting damage caused to the highways; establishing an exception if an overweight or oversize vehicle is operated in accordance with a specified permit; establishing a maximum civil penalty applicable to a person who causes specified damage to specified highways; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 80 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 177 **Health and Mental Hygiene)**

**PUBLIC HEALTH – PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING
PROGRAM – DISCLOSURE OF PRESCRIPTION MONITORING
DATA**

Adding the Division of Drug Control of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to the list of units of the Department to which the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program must disclose prescription monitoring data under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 83 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 178 **Aging)**

**DEPARTMENT OF AGING – AGING AND DISABILITY
RESOURCE CENTER PROGRAM – MARYLAND ACCESS POINT**

Adding to the duties of the Secretary of Aging; establishing the Aging and Disability Resource Center Program in the Department of Aging; designating the Program as the State's Aging and Disability Resource Center for purposes of the federal Older Americans Act; requiring the Department to administer, supervise, and coordinate the Program with the cooperation of other State agencies; requiring the Program to designate local Program offices and provide specified services and materials; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 87 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 179 **Departmental – Transportation) and Senator Forehand**

VEHICLE LAWS – SEAT BELTS AND CHILD SAFETY SEATS

Repealing an exception to the requirement that a child under 16 years old riding in a vehicle be secured in a child safety seat or a seat belt that applies in instances where all passenger securing locations are in use by other children; prohibiting a person who is at least 16 years old from being a passenger in a rear seat of a motor vehicle unless the person is restrained by a seat belt; authorizing a police officer to enforce a specified provision of the Act only as a secondary offense; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 90 **Senator Astle**

Chapter 180 **NATURAL RESOURCES – VESSEL EXCISE TAX – WATERWAY
IMPROVEMENT FUND**

Limiting the amount of the vessel excise tax to \$15,000 for any vessel; altering the distribution of motor fuel tax revenue; requiring the Comptroller, after making specified distributions, to distribute 0.5% of the revenue to the Waterway Improvement Fund; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to submit reports describing the effect of the limitation on the vessel excise tax; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 128 **Senator Glassman, et al**

Chapter 181 **HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – HOURS OF
SALE FOR CLASS B LICENSEES**

Altering the hours of sale for a Class B Cafe licensee in Harford County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 129 **Senators Glassman and Jacobs**

Chapter 182

**HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS H–CC
(CORPORATE CLUB/CONFERENCE CENTER) LICENSE**

Establishing a Class H–CC (corporate club/conference center) license in Harford County; authorizing the Liquor Control Board to issue the license for an establishment that meets specified requirements; requiring that a corporate dining room in a licensed establishment meets specified requirements; authorizing a holder of the license to engage in specified activities; specifying a license fee of \$3,000; providing that not more than six licenses be in effect at a time; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 131 **Senator Glassman, et al**

Chapter 183

**HARFORD COUNTY LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD – RESERVE
ACCOUNT**

Establishing a Reserve Account of the Harford County Liquor Control Board as a special, nonlapsing account; specifying the purpose of the Reserve Account; requiring the Board to hold the Account separately and account for the Reserve Account; specifying the contents of the Reserve Account; specifying a maximum amount that is payable annually into the Reserve Account; requiring that fines imposed or recognizances forfeited for specified violations be payable to the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 139 **Senator Conway**

Chapter 184

**HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS – PRESCRIPTION DRUG OR
DEVICE DISPENSING – MEDICAL FACILITIES OR CLINICS
THAT SPECIALIZE IN TREATMENT REIMBURSABLE
THROUGH WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE**

Repealing an exception to the requirement that an individual be licensed by the Board of Pharmacy before the individual may practice pharmacy in the State; and requiring a dentist, physician, or podiatrist who dispenses a prescription drug or device in the course of treating a patient at a medical facility or clinic that specializes in the treatment of medical cases reimbursable through workers' compensation insurance to obtain a dispensing permit and meet other requirements.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 983 **Delegate Hixson, et al**

Chapter 188 PUBLIC SCHOOLS – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANS –
EVALUATIONS

Requiring each county board of education to evaluate the emergency management plan in each public school under the jurisdiction of the county board on or before February 1, 2014; requiring each county board of education to report to the State Department of Education on a specified evaluation on or before March 1, 2014; requiring the Department to make a specified report to the General Assembly; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 144 **Senator Kasemeyer**

Chapter 189 PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – HISTORICALLY AND
ARCHITECTURALLY VALUABLE PROPERTY

Increasing, from 10% to 25%, the amount of restoration and preservation expenses for specified historic structures that the governing body of a county or municipal corporation may authorize to be claimed by specified taxpayers as a property tax credit against the county or municipal property tax; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2013; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 263 **Delegate Lafferty**

Chapter 190 PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – HISTORICALLY AND
ARCHITECTURALLY VALUABLE PROPERTY

Increasing, from 10% to 25%, the amount of restoration and preservation expenses for specified historic structures that the governing body of a county or municipal corporation may authorize to be claimed by specified taxpayers as a property tax credit against the county or municipal property tax; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2013; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 148 **Senators Colburn and Pipkin**

Chapter 191

CAROLINE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MICRO-BREWERY LICENSES

Adding Caroline County to the list of counties in which the Comptroller may issue a Class 7 micro-brewery (on- and off-sale) license; and adding the county to the list of counties in which a Class 7 micro-brewery licensee may sell at retail beer brewed under the license to customers for consumption off the licensed premises in refillable containers under specified conditions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 162 **Caroline County Delegation**

Chapter 192

CAROLINE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MICRO-BREWERY LICENSES

Adding Caroline County to the list of counties in which the Comptroller may issue a Class 7 micro-brewery (on- and off-sale) license; and adding the county to the list of counties in which a Class 7 micro-brewery licensee may sell at retail beer brewed under the license to customers for consumption off the licensed premises in refillable containers under specified conditions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 151 **Senator Colburn**

Chapter 193

HOSPITALS – OUTPATIENT SERVICES – OFF-SITE FACILITY – RATE REGULATION

Altering the hospital outpatient services for which the Maryland Medical Assistance Program must pay according to specified rates, under specified circumstances; altering the date by which a hospital must notify the Health Services Cost Review Commission that the hospital would like specified services to be subject to specified provisions of law; altering the hospital outpatient services for which a hospital may elect to be subject to specified provisions of law; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 154 **Senator Mathias**

Chapter 194 SOMERSET COUNTY – COUNTY TREASURER – ABOLISHMENT
AND TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS TO THE COUNTY
SUPERVISOR OF TAX COLLECTION

Abolishing the elected position of County Treasurer of Somerset County; transferring the duties and functions of the office of County Treasurer to the County Supervisor of Tax Collection, who shall work under the direction of the County Finance Director; repealing provisions related to the appointment and salary of the deputy treasurer of Somerset County; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 155 **Senator Mathias**

Chapter 195 SOMERSET COUNTY – SALE OF SMALL BOAT HARBOR DOCK

Authorizing the County Commissioners of Somerset County to sell the Small Boat Harbor Dock to the City of Crisfield at private sale under specified terms; requiring the Small Boat Harbor Dock to revert to the County Commissioners under specified circumstances; and exempting the sale of the Small Boat Harbor Dock from specified requirements.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 168 **Senator Simonaire**

Chapter 196 ESTATES AND TRUSTS – GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNTS – FORM
AND LIMITS

Authorizing a guardian of the property of a minor or disabled person to petition the court to deposit cash belonging to the minor or disabled person in an amount not exceeding \$200,000 into a single restricted account; requiring specified excess amounts to be deposited into additional restricted accounts not exceeding \$200,000; and authorizing a deposit under the Act to be made into any type of account, including a certificate of deposit, in a specified financial institution or one that accepts deposits and is federally insured.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- SB 171** **Senator Forehand**
Chapter 197 **ELECTION LAW – SPECIAL ELECTIONS – VOTING BY MAIL**
- Altering provisions of law concerning voting by mail in special elections; authorizing the Governor, a county council, or a board of county commissioners to direct that voting by mail be utilized in specified special elections; requiring a local board of elections to mail a vote-by-mail ballot to each registered voter who is eligible to vote in a special election conducted by mail unless the voter has requested that the ballot be transmitted by other means; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- HB 196** **Delegate Cardin, et al**
Chapter 198 **ELECTION LAW – SPECIAL ELECTIONS – VOTING BY MAIL**
- Altering provisions of law concerning voting by mail in special elections; authorizing the Governor, a county council, or a board of county commissioners to direct that voting by mail be utilized in specified special elections; requiring a local board of elections to mail a vote-by-mail ballot to each registered voter who is eligible to vote in a special election conducted by mail unless the voter has requested that the ballot be transmitted by other means; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- SB 175** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 199 **STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – MARYLAND CENTENARIANS DAY**
- Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim the second Thursday in May as Maryland Centenarians Day.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 188** **Senator Pugh, et al**
Chapter 200 **MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – PARTICIPATION AND GOALS AND SUBGOALS**
- Requiring the Special Secretary of Minority Affairs, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation and the Attorney General, to establish guidelines for units of State government to consider when determining the appropriate minority business enterprise participation percentage goal for specified procurements; altering the termination date for specified provisions of law concerning the minority business enterprise program; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 1353** **Delegate Oaks, et al**
Chapter 201 MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – PARTICIPATION AND GOALS AND SUBGOALS
- Requiring the Special Secretary of Minority Affairs, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation and the Attorney General, to establish guidelines for units of State government to consider when determining the appropriate minority business enterprise participation percentage goal for specified procurements; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 195** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 202 HOSPITALS – NOTICE TO PATIENTS – OUTPATIENT STATUS AND BILLING IMPLICATIONS
- Requiring a hospital, under specified circumstances, to provide notice to a patient of the patient’s outpatient status, the billing implications of the outpatient status, and the impact of the outpatient status on the patient’s eligibility for Medicare rehabilitation services; and requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with specified hospitals, to adopt by regulation standardized elements to be included in a written notice.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 1062** **Delegate Cullison, et al**
Chapter 203 HOSPITALS – NOTICE TO PATIENTS – OUTPATIENT STATUS AND BILLING IMPLICATIONS
- Requiring a hospital, under specified circumstances, to provide specified notice to a patient of the patient’s outpatient status and the billing implications of the outpatient status; and requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with specified hospitals, to adopt by regulation standardized elements to be included in a specified written notice.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 198** **Senator Frosh**
Chapter 204 ESTATES AND TRUSTS – FAMILY ALLOWANCE
- Increasing the allowance for a surviving spouse of a decedent from \$5,000 to \$10,000; and increasing the allowance for an unmarried minor child of a decedent from \$2,500 to \$5,000.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 199 **Senators Frosh and Klausmeier**

Chapter 205 **REAL PROPERTY – REFINANCE MORTGAGE – PRIORITY OVER JUNIOR LIENS**

Authorizing a mortgagor or grantor to refinance the indebtedness secured by a first mortgage or deed of trust at a lower interest rate without obtaining permission from the holder of a junior lien under specified circumstances; providing that a refinance mortgage meeting the requirements of the Act shall have, on recordation, the same lien priority as the mortgage or deed of trust it replaces; requiring a specified statement to be included on a refinance mortgage; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 212 **Senator Edwards, et al**

Chapter 206 **VEHICLE LAWS – REGISTRATION PLATES FOR MOTORCYCLES – INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES**

Authorizing an individual to possess two special registration plates for individuals with disabilities for Class D motorcycles in addition to the special registration plate and parking placards authorized under specified provisions of law.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 223 **Senator Conway**

Chapter 207 **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 7 LIMITED BEER WHOLESALER'S LICENSE**

Creating a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license that allows the license holder to sell, deliver, and distribute its own beer produced at the holder's premises to a retail license holder or permit holder in the State under specified circumstances; authorizing the Office of the Comptroller to issue a nonresident brewery permit to a specified person licensed outside the State to sell and deliver beer in the State; providing for specified fees; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 224 **Senator Pugh, et al**

Chapter 208

**STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE
BENEFITS PROGRAM – WELLNESS PROGRAM**

Requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to include a specified wellness program in the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; establishing requirements for the wellness program; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to submit reports on implementation to the Governor and specified legislative committees on two specified dates, the latter being on or before February 1, 2016; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 230 **Senators Getty and Ferguson**

Chapter 209

OPEN MEETINGS ACT – PUBLIC BODY – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of a “public body” for the purposes of the Open Meetings Act to include an entity that is created by a memorandum of understanding or a master agreement to which a majority of the county boards of education and the State Department of Education are signatories.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 235 **Senator Ferguson, et al**

Chapter 210

**BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE
REVOCATION**

Specifying that in Baltimore City, an order by the Board of Liquor License Commissioners to revoke a license may be stayed, pending appeal, only by the court with which the appeal has been filed; prohibiting a person whose license has been revoked by the Board from giving, serving, dispensing, keeping, or allowing to be consumed any alcoholic beverages until specified circumstances occur; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 237 **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative
Chapter 211 Services)**

**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND
PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Continuing the State Acupuncture Board, the State Board of Dietetic Practice, and the State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to a specified date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the boards; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 238 **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative
Chapter 212 Services)**

**STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY – SUNSET
EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Continuing the State Board of Public Accountancy in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2025, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before July 1, 2024; and requiring the Board to submit a specified report on or before October 1, 2013.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 243 **Senator Astle**
Chapter 213

**MARYLAND INCOME TAX REFUND – ANNE ARUNDEL
COUNTY WARRANT INTERCEPT PROGRAM – EXTENSION**

Extending, from September 30, 2013, to September 30, 2018, the termination date of a program that requires the Comptroller to withhold, under specified circumstances, the Maryland income tax refund of specified residents of Anne Arundel County with an outstanding warrant or specified individuals that have an outstanding warrant from Anne Arundel County; requiring the Comptroller to provide a report on or before December 1 of each year on the implementation of the programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 244 **Senator Astle**

Chapter 214

CITY OF ANNAPOLIS – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
REFILLABLE CONTAINER LICENSE

Creating in the City of Annapolis a refillable container license; authorizing the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to issue the license to a holder of specified classes of alcoholic beverages licenses; specifying that a holder of the license may sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a specified refillable container; requiring a refillable container to meet specified requirements; requiring an applicant for the license to complete a specified form and pay a specified fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 145 **Anne Arundel County Delegation**

Chapter 215

CITY OF ANNAPOLIS – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
REFILLABLE CONTAINER LICENSE

Creating in the City of Annapolis a refillable container license; authorizing the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to issue the license to a holder of specified classes of alcoholic beverages licenses; specifying that a holder of the license may sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a specified refillable container; requiring a refillable container to meet specified requirements; requiring an applicant for the license to complete a specified form and pay a specified fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 245 **Senator Robey**

Chapter 216

SCHOOL BUILDINGS – SOLAR TECHNOLOGY – DESIGN
DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS

Requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt regulations requiring design development documents for the construction or major renovation of school buildings to include specified information relating to the use of solar technology; requiring the Interagency Committee on School Construction to submit a report on the use of solar technologies in specified public school construction and major renovation projects to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31 of each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 103
Chapter 217 **Delegate Morhaim, et al**
SCHOOL BUILDINGS – SOLAR TECHNOLOGY – DESIGN
DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS

Requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt regulations requiring design development documents for the construction or major renovation of school buildings to include specified information relating to the use of solar technology; requiring the Interagency Committee on School Construction to submit a report on the use of solar technologies in specified public school construction and major renovation projects to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31 of each year; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 254
Chapter 218 **Senator Montgomery, et al**
STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS –
LICENSE RENEWAL

Altering the time period before a license expires by which the Board of Examiners of Psychologists is required to send a renewal notice to a licensee; requiring the Board, under specified circumstances, to send a renewal notice by electronic means to a specified electronic mail address of a licensee; requiring each licensee to notify the Board in writing of any change in address or electronic mail address within 30 days after the change occurs; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 98
Chapter 219 **Delegate Hubbard**
STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS –
LICENSE RENEWAL

Altering the time period before a license expires by which the Board of Examiners of Psychologists is required to send a renewal notice to a licensee; requiring the Board, under specified circumstances, to send a renewal notice by electronic means to a specified electronic mail address of a licensee; requiring each licensee to notify the Board in writing of any change in address or electronic mail address within 30 days after the change occurs; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 269 **Senator Jones–Rodwell (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**
Chapter 220 STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – CORRECTION
OF ERRORS IN BENEFITS

Altering the conditions under which the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System is required to correct an error that results in a retiree or beneficiary receiving a benefit that differs from the benefit the retiree or beneficiary is entitled to receive.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 376 **Delegate Griffith (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**
Chapter 221 STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – CORRECTION
OF ERRORS IN BENEFITS

Altering the conditions under which the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System is required to correct an error that results in a retiree or beneficiary receiving a benefit that differs from the benefit the retiree or beneficiary is entitled to receive.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 302 **Senators Glassman and Simonaire**
Chapter 222 ENVIRONMENT – WATER POLLUTION CONTROL –
REPORTING

Requiring the Department of the Environment to publish annually on its Web site the total amount of sewage overflow into the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries and the total amount of fines collected by the Department as a result of sewage overflows into the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 304 **Senators Miller and Dyson**
Chapter 223 CALVERT COUNTY – ELECTION JUDGES – COMPENSATION

Altering the compensation for chief election judges and election judges in Calvert County; and providing that the Act does not apply to the compensation of the incumbent chief election judges or election judges in Calvert County.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 305 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Department of
Chapter 224** **Legislative Services)**

DIVISION OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY AND ASSOCIATED
BOARDS AND COUNCILS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND
PROGRAM EVALUATION

Continuing the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board, the Occupational Safety and Health Advisory Board, the Apprenticeship and Training Council, and the Board of Boiler Rules in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (Sunset Law) by extending to July 1, 2024 specified termination provisions; repealing the termination provision for the Division of Labor and Industry; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to request units of State and local governments to provide specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 313 **Senator Astle**

Chapter 225 **WORKERS' COMPENSATION – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
DEPUTY SHERIFF**

Altering a specified definition of “public safety employee” to include Anne Arundel County deputy sheriffs for purposes of establishing eligibility for enhanced workers’ compensation benefits for a permanent partial disability award for less than a specified number of weeks; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 370 **Anne Arundel County Delegation**

Chapter 226 **WORKERS' COMPENSATION – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
DEPUTY SHERIFF**

Altering a specified definition of “public safety employee” to include Anne Arundel County deputy sheriffs for purposes of establishing eligibility for enhanced workers’ compensation benefits for a permanent partial disability award for less than a specified number of weeks; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 315 **Senators Brinkley and Young**
Chapter 227 **FREDERICK COUNTY – GAMING PERMITS**

Repealing in Frederick County a specified limitation on the number of specified raffles that may be held on a single day; and authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County to determine the number of permits to conduct a raffle that specified organizations in the county may receive in a calendar year.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 414 **Frederick County Delegation**
Chapter 228 **FREDERICK COUNTY – GAMING PERMITS**

Repealing in Frederick County a specified limitation on the number of specified raffles that may be held on a single day; and authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County to determine the number of permits to conduct a raffle that specified organizations in the county may receive in a calendar year.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 321 **Senators Brinkley and Young**
Chapter 229 **FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE FEES**

Altering the distribution of alcoholic beverages license fees in Frederick County; requiring that the County Treasurer receive all of the license fees that the Board of License Commissioners collects; and requiring that all of the salaries and expenses of the Board of License Commissioners be paid from the license fees.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 410 **Frederick County Delegation**
Chapter 230 **FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE FEES**

Altering the distribution of alcoholic beverages license fees in Frederick County; requiring that the County Treasurer receive all of the license fees that the Board of License Commissioners collects; and requiring that all of the salaries and expenses of the Board of License Commissioners be paid from the license fees.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 357 Delegate Wood, et al

Chapter 235 POTOMAC RIVER FISHERIES COMMISSION – INSPECTION TAX AND PENALTY

Establishing a maximum oyster inspection tax that may be imposed by the Potomac River Fisheries Commission; requiring the Potomac River Fisheries Commission to use the proceeds of the oyster inspection tax solely for planting seed or shell oyster on working bottom; increasing a maximum penalty for the violation of specified regulations; making the Act subject to a specified contingency; etc.

CONTINGENT – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 346 Senator Kelley

Chapter 236 INNOVATIONS IN AGING SERVICES PROGRAM – COMMISSION ON AGING – RESPONSIBILITIES

Repealing the Innovations in Aging Services Advisory Council and transferring specified responsibilities of the Council to the Commission on Aging; providing that the Commission advise the Secretary of Aging on the development of an annual Innovation in Aging Services Program plan; and providing that the Commission shall advise the Secretary on the awarding of grants in accordance with the Program priorities.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 350 Senator Colburn, et al

Chapter 237 ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS AND PLUMBING INSPECTORS – MASTER LICENSE REQUIRED

Requiring a county or local government to employ as electrical inspectors only individuals who hold, or have previously held within the past 5 years under specified circumstances, a State license or local license, as applicable, to provide electrical services as a master electrician or who are certified by specified entities; requiring a county or local government to employ as plumbing inspectors only individuals who hold a master plumber license issued by specified entities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014

- SB 351**
Chapter 238 **Senator Mathias**
SOMERSET COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER AND WINE TASTING LICENSE
- Establishing in Somerset County a beer and wine tasting (BWT) alcoholic beverages license for a holder of a beer, wine and liquor license or a beer and wine license, notwithstanding any other provision of law; specifying that a BWT license authorizes a holder to serve specified alcoholic beverages for tasting purposes only and for no consideration; requiring the County Board of License Commissioners to regulate the quantity and number of bottles of specified alcoholic beverages to be served; specifying license and issuance fees; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- SB 355**
Chapter 239 **Senator Pugh, et al**
OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE QUALITY – ABUSER REGISTRY WORKGROUP
- Requiring the Office of Health Care Quality to reconvene the Abuser Registry Workgroup; requiring the Abuser Registry Workgroup to undertake a specified review, monitor the implementation of specified recommendations, and recommend specified changes; requiring the Office to submit a report to the Governor and specified legislative committees on or before January 1, 2014; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- SB 356**
Chapter 240 **Senator Pugh, et al**
EX-OFFENDER BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM STUDY
- Requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development, the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services jointly to study and evaluate the feasibility of establishing a business development program for ex-offenders and to identify nongovernmental funding sources for specified purposes; and requiring the Departments jointly to report their findings to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2014.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 698 **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**

Chapter 241

EX–OFFENDER BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM STUDY

Requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development, the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services jointly to study and evaluate the feasibility of establishing a business development program for ex–offenders and to identify nongovernmental funding sources for specified purposes; and requiring the Departments jointly to report their findings to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2014.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 358 **Senator Conway**

Chapter 242

**STATE BOARD OF MORTICIANS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS –
AUTHORITY TO DISCIPLINE – FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT
LICENSES**

Altering the authority of the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors to discipline the holders of funeral establishment licenses; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 314 **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**

Chapter 243

**STATE BOARD OF MORTICIANS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS –
AUTHORITY TO DISCIPLINE – FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT
LICENSES**

Altering the authority of the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors to discipline the holders of funeral establishment licenses; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 371 **Senator Edwards**

Chapter 244

GARRETT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SUNDAY SALES

Specifying that provisions of law concerning the Sunday sale of alcoholic beverages in Garrett County apply to a precinct of an election district in which the voters in a referendum authorized by law approve Sunday sales; specifying that provisions of law concerning Sunday sales apply to a holder of a Class D license operating an establishment that meets four specifications; and providing for specified fees.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 464 **Delegate Beitzel**

Chapter 245

GARRETT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SUNDAY SALES

Specifying that provisions of law concerning the Sunday sale of alcoholic beverages in Garrett County apply to a precinct of an election district in which the voters in a referendum authorized by law approve Sunday sales; specifying that provisions of law concerning Sunday sales apply to a holder of a Class D license operating an establishment that meets four specifications; and providing for specified fees.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 374 **Senator Astle, et al**

Chapter 246

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – WORKGROUP ON CHILDREN’S ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTION

Requiring the Office of the Attorney General to convene and direct a workgroup to examine specified issues relating to the protection of children’s online privacy; requiring the workgroup to include specified representatives; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to report the findings and recommendations of the workgroup to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2013; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 385 **Senator Pugh, et al**

Chapter 250

STATE GOVERNMENT – HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND SOCIAL SERVICES – SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS IN ELECTRONIC FORM

Requiring the Council for the Procurement of Health, Education, and Social Services to establish a workgroup to determine a process for specified entities to submit specified electronic documents to specified agencies; requiring the Council to report to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 390 **Senator Raskin**

Chapter 251

HEALTH – FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS, FOOD SAFETY, AND FOOD SERVICE FACILITY LETTER GRADING – POSTING REQUIREMENT AND TASK FORCE

Requiring a food establishment, beginning March 1, 2014, to display a specified poster relating to food allergies; requiring, on or before January 1, 2014, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with the Restaurant Association of Maryland and Food Allergy Research and Education, to create and make available on its Web site a specified poster; establishing a Task Force to Study Food Allergy Awareness, Food Safety, and Food Service Facility Letter Grading; requiring a report on or before January 1, 2014; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 9 **Delegate Hixson, et al**

Chapter 252

HEALTH – FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS, FOOD SAFETY, AND FOOD SERVICE FACILITY LETTER GRADING – POSTING REQUIREMENT AND TASK FORCE

Requiring a food establishment, beginning March 1, 2014, to display a specified poster relating to food allergies; requiring, on or before January 1, 2014, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with the Restaurant Association of Maryland and Food Allergy Research and Education, to create and make available on its Web site a specified poster; establishing a Task Force to Study Food Allergy Awareness, Food Safety, and Food Service Facility Letter Grading; requiring a report on or before January 1, 2014; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 392 **Cecil County Senators**

Chapter 253

CECIL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – REFILLABLE CONTAINERS

Creating in Cecil County a refillable container license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license to a holder of a Class A or Class B alcoholic beverages license; specifying that a holder of the license may sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a specified refillable container; requiring a refillable container to meet specified requirements; requiring an applicant for a license to complete a form and pay a fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 400 **Senator Glassman**

Chapter 254

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS – LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS – APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS AND WAIVER

Altering a specified educational qualification that an applicant for licensure as an environmental health specialist may meet to qualify to be examined under a specified provision of law; altering the circumstances under which the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists may waive licensure examination requirements; and altering the qualifications that an applicant must meet to qualify for a waiver of examination requirements under a specified provision of law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 401 **Senator Dyson**

Chapter 255

PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINATIONS – EXPANDED AUTHORITY AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Altering the authority of pharmacists to administer vaccinations; authorizing a pharmacist to administer vaccinations to an individual in a specified age group who has a prescription or to an adult under a written protocol that meets specified requirements; altering a vaccination reporting requirement; requiring a pharmacist, under specified circumstances, to document at least one effort to inform specified health care practitioners or other sources of care that a vaccination has been administered; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 179**
Chapter 256 **Delegate Hubbard, et al**
PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINATIONS –
EXPANDED AUTHORITY AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
- Altering the authority of pharmacists to administer vaccinations; authorizing a pharmacist to administer vaccinations to an individual in a specified age group who has a prescription or to an adult under a written protocol that meets specified requirements; altering a vaccination reporting requirement; requiring a pharmacist, under specified circumstances, to document at least one effort to inform specified health care practitioners or other sources of care that a vaccination has been administered; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 404**
Chapter 257 **Senator Middleton, et al**
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – ENHANCED
AGRICULTURAL MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT
- Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland individual and corporate income tax for specified expenses incurred to buy and install enhanced agricultural management equipment under specified circumstances; defining “enhanced agricultural management equipment”; applying the Act to tax years after 2012; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- HB 408**
Chapter 258 **Delegate Conway, et al**
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – ENHANCED
AGRICULTURAL MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT
- Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland individual and corporate income tax for specified expenses incurred to buy and install enhanced agricultural management equipment under specified circumstances; defining “enhanced agricultural management equipment”; applying the Act to tax years after December 31, 2012; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 414 **Senator King, et al**

Chapter 259

HIGHER EDUCATION – TUITION WAIVER – FOSTER CARE RECIPIENTS

Altering the definition of “foster care recipient” to include individuals who are placed into guardianship or who are adopted out of an out-of-home placement by a guardianship family, as specified; providing that specified foster care recipients are eligible for a specified tuition waiver if the recipient is enrolled in a vocational certificate program at a public institution of higher education in the State, subject to specified conditions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 1012 **Delegate Wilson, et al**

Chapter 260

HIGHER EDUCATION – TUITION WAIVER – FOSTER CARE RECIPIENTS

Altering the definition of “foster care recipient” to include individuals who are placed into guardianship or who are adopted out of an out-of-home placement by a guardianship family, as specified; providing that specified foster care recipients are eligible for a specified tuition waiver if the recipient is enrolled in a vocational certificate program at a public institution of higher education in the State, subject to specified conditions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 422 **Senator Pugh, et al**

Chapter 261

PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – REPRESENTATION FEES

Requiring public school employers in all jurisdictions of the State to negotiate with employee organizations designated as the exclusive representatives for the public school employees a requirement of a service or representation fee to be charged to nonmembers; providing a specified exception and requirement for specified noncertificated employees whose religious beliefs are opposed to joining or financially supporting a collective bargaining organization; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

- HB 667** **Delegate Hixson, et al**
Chapter 262 **PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – REPRESENTATION FEES**
- Requiring public school employers in all jurisdictions of the State to negotiate with employee organizations designated as the exclusive representatives for the public school employees a requirement of a service or representation fee to be charged to nonmembers; exempting specified employees from specified requirements for paying service or representation fees; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- SB 424** **Senator Mathias**
Chapter 263 **SOMERSET COUNTY – EMERGENCY BURNING BAN – ADOPTION AND ENFORCEMENT**
- Authorizing the County Commissioners of Somerset County to adopt an emergency burning ban; prohibiting a person from starting or allowing any open air burning during an emergency burning ban, subject to specified exceptions; authorizing the County Commissioners, by resolution, to set a fine for a violation of an emergency burning ban; and authorizing the Sheriff and the Sheriff's deputies to assess a fine against any person believed to be in violation of an emergency burning ban.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 426** **Senator Simonaire**
Chapter 264 **ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – DRUG FREE SCHOOL ZONES – HOTLINE NUMBER ON SIGNS**
- Requiring that a hotline number to report information concerning suspected illegal drug activity be included on all new and replacement signs designating specified areas as drug free school zones in Anne Arundel County.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

[HB 1209](#)
Chapter 268

Delegate Frick, et al

RECORDATION TAXES – EXEMPTIONS

Exempting specified indemnity mortgage transactions from the recordation tax; making indemnity mortgage transactions subject to recordation tax after a specified date; authorizing a specified calculation or allocation of recordation tax on indemnity mortgage transactions; altering the transaction amount that is subject to the recordation tax for supplemental instruments of writing; making specified refinancing instruments exempt from the recordation tax; altering the definition of “supplemental instrument of writing”; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

[SB 446](#)
Chapter 269

Senator Pugh, et al

HOMEOWNER’S OR RENTER’S INSURANCE AND PRIVATE PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – BUNDLING REQUIREMENT – PROHIBITED

Prohibiting an insurer, with respect to homeowner’s insurance or renter’s insurance, from denying, refusing to renew, or canceling coverage solely because the applicant or policyholder does not carry private passenger motor vehicle insurance with specified insurers; prohibiting an insurer, with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance, from taking specified actions solely because the applicant or policyholder does not carry homeowner’s insurance or renter’s insurance with specified insurers; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

[HB 342](#)
Chapter 270

Delegate Hucker, et al

HOMEOWNER’S OR RENTER’S INSURANCE AND PRIVATE PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – BUNDLING REQUIREMENT – PROHIBITED

Prohibiting an insurer, with respect to homeowner’s insurance or renter’s insurance, from denying, refusing to renew, or canceling coverage solely because the applicant or policyholder does not carry private passenger motor vehicle insurance with specified insurers; prohibiting an insurer, with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance, from taking specified actions solely because the applicant or policyholder does not carry homeowner’s insurance or renter’s insurance with specified insurers; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 459 **Senators Conway and Middleton**

Chapter 271

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL HYGIENISTS – PROVISION OF SERVICES AT A COMMUNITY–BASED HEALTH FAIR

Authorizing a licensed dental hygienist, without the supervision of a dentist, to provide specified services without compensation at specified community–based health fairs; requiring the Board of Dental Examiners, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene’s Office of Oral Health, to develop a specified form; requiring a specified dental hygienist to complete and submit a specified form to the Office of Oral Health under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 1121 **Delegate Kipke, et al**

Chapter 272

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL HYGIENISTS – PROVISION OF SERVICES AT A COMMUNITY–BASED HEALTH FAIR

Authorizing a licensed dental hygienist, without the supervision of a dentist, to provide specified services without compensation at specified community–based health fairs; requiring the Board of Dental Examiners, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene’s Office of Oral Health, to develop a specified form; requiring a specified dental hygienist to complete and submit a specified form to the Office of Oral Health under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 460 **Senators Conway and Middleton**

Chapter 273

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – AUTHORITY TO PRACTICE

Authorizing a physician assistant to complete a specified certificate that an individual of a specified age is pregnant or has given birth to a child; authorizing a physician assistant to provide specified information on a certificate of birth under specified circumstances; authorizing a physician assistant to fill out and sign a certificate of death under specified circumstances; authorizing a physician assistant to file a replacement death certificate under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 723 **Delegate Tarrant, et al**

Chapter 274

**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS –
AUTHORITY TO PRACTICE**

Authorizing a physician assistant to complete a specified certificate that an individual of a specified age is pregnant or has given birth to a child; authorizing a physician assistant to provide specified information on a certificate of birth under specified circumstances; authorizing a physician assistant to fill out and sign a certificate of death under specified circumstances; authorizing a physician assistant to file a replacement death certificate under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 462 **Senator Simonaire**

Chapter 275

**ENVIRONMENT – WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS
AUTHORIZATIONS – INSTALLATION OF PERSONAL
WATERCRAFT LIFTS**

Authorizing a person to install a maximum of six personal watercraft lifts or hoists per pier, a maximum of four boat lifts or hoists per pier, or a combination of a maximum of six boat or personal watercraft lifts or hoists per pier of which not more than four lifts or hoists are boat lifts or hoists, under a minor wetlands and waterways project authorization from the Department of the Environment; and establishing a \$300 application fee for an authorization to install the lifts or hoists.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 994 **Delegate Schuh**

Chapter 276

**ENVIRONMENT – WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS
AUTHORIZATIONS – INSTALLATION OF PERSONAL
WATERCRAFT LIFTS**

Authorizing a person to install a maximum of six personal watercraft lifts or hoists per pier, a maximum of four boat lifts or hoists per pier, or a combination of a maximum of six boat or personal watercraft lifts or hoists per pier of which not more than four lifts or hoists are boat lifts or hoists, under a minor wetlands and waterways project authorization from the Department of the Environment; and establishing a \$300 application fee for an authorization to install the lifts or hoists.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 471 **Senator Mathias**

Chapter 277

**SOMERSET COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SELLING
NEAR SCHOOLS, PLACES OF WORSHIP, PUBLIC LIBRARIES,
AND YOUTH CENTERS**

Making exceptions to the prohibition against the Somerset County Board of License Commissioners approving a license to sell alcoholic beverages for specified establishments located within 300 feet of a school, church or other place of worship, public library, or youth center.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 484 **Senator Dyson, et al**

Chapter 278

INCOME TAX CREDIT – OYSTER SHELL RECYCLING

Allowing an individual or corporation a \$1 credit against the State income tax for each bushel of oyster shells recycled during the taxable year; providing that the credit may not exceed \$750 during a taxable year; requiring the Department of Natural Resources and the Comptroller jointly to adopt regulations to authorize businesses, landfills, and nonprofit organizations to verify the amount of oyster shells recycled by each individual or corporation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 184 **Delegate Lafferty, et al**

Chapter 279

INCOME TAX CREDIT – OYSTER SHELL RECYCLING

Allowing an individual or corporation a \$1 credit against the State income tax for each bushel of oyster shells recycled during the taxable year; providing that the credit may not exceed \$750 during a taxable year; requiring the Department of Natural Resources and the Comptroller jointly to adopt regulations to authorize businesses, landfills, and nonprofit organizations to verify the amount of oyster shells recycled by each individual or corporation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 496 **Senator Pugh, et al**

Chapter 280 MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM –
TELEMEDICINE

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance program to provide a specified reimbursement for services delivered by telemedicine under specified circumstances; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations for a specified purpose; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 501 **Senator Conway**

Chapter 281 STATE BOARD OF NURSING – LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT
– CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Clarifying that specified applicants for license by endorsement are required to have a specified active unencumbered license; requiring specified applicants to submit specified applications and specified evidence of active nursing practice to the State Board of Nursing and submit to specified criminal history records checks; authorizing the Board to waive specified clinical experience requirements under specified circumstances; authorizing the Board to deny licenses to specified applicants; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 624 **Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al**

Chapter 282 STATE BOARD OF NURSING – LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT
– CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Clarifying that specified applicants for license by endorsement are required to have a specified active unencumbered license; requiring specified applicants to submit specified applications and specified evidence of active nursing practice to the State Board of Nursing and submit to specified criminal history records checks; authorizing the Board to waive specified clinical experience requirements under specified circumstances; authorizing the Board to deny licenses to specified applicants; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 516 **Senator Jones–Rodwell (By Request – Baltimore City
Chapter 283 Administration), et al**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – BALTIMORE CONVENTION
FACILITY – OPERATING DEFICITS**

Altering the period during which the Maryland Stadium Authority and Baltimore City must contribute a specified amount to the annual operating deficits of the Baltimore Convention facility and extending to December 31, 2019, the date after which Baltimore City is solely responsible for all operating deficits and capital improvements for the Baltimore Convention facility.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 547 **Senators Middleton and Frosh**

**Chapter 284 NATURAL RESOURCES – NUISANCE ORGANISMS –
PENALTIES**

Creating a separate criminal offense for each nuisance organism imported or possessed in violation of specified provisions of law or regulation; and establishing a total maximum fine of \$25,000 for offenses arising out of the same enforcement action.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 708 **Delegate McIntosh, et al**

**Chapter 285 NATURAL RESOURCES – NUISANCE ORGANISMS –
PENALTIES**

Creating a separate criminal offense for each nuisance organism imported or possessed in violation of specified provisions of law or regulation; and establishing a total maximum fine of \$25 for offenses arising out of the same enforcement action.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 548 **Senator Pugh, et al**

Chapter 286 **EDUCATION – MINORITY TEACHER RECRUITMENT – STUDY
AND REPORT**

Requiring the State Department of Education, the Maryland Higher Education Commission, and the University System of Maryland to study and make recommendations on strategies to increase and improve minority teacher recruitment, preparation, development, and retention in elementary and secondary education in the State; requiring the Department, Commission, and System jointly to submit a specified report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2013; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 557 **Senator Stone**

Chapter 287 **MEDICAL RECORDS – DISCLOSURE IN RESPONSE TO
COMPULSORY PROCESS**

Altering the circumstances under which a health care provider is required to disclose a medical record without the authorization of a person in interest; altering a specified notice that must be sent to specified parties in order to require a health care provider to disclose a medical record under specified circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 581 **Senator Kelley, et al**

Chapter 288 **HEALTH INSURANCE – FEDERAL MENTAL HEALTH PARITY
AND ADDICTION EQUITY ACT – NOTICE AND
AUTHORIZATION FORMS**

Requiring health maintenance organizations and entities that issue or deliver specified health insurance policies or contracts to provide, on their Web sites and in print, notice about specified benefits for mental illness, emotional disorders, drug abuse, or alcohol abuse required under State law and under the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act and notice that members and insureds may contact the Maryland Insurance Administration for further information; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 1216

Delegate A. Kelly, et al

Chapter 289

HEALTH INSURANCE – FEDERAL MENTAL HEALTH PARITY AND ADDICTION EQUITY ACT – NOTICE AND AUTHORIZATION FORMS

Requiring health maintenance organizations and entities that issue or deliver specified health insurance policies or contracts to provide, on their Web sites and in print, notice about specified benefits for mental illness, emotional disorders, drug abuse, or alcohol abuse required under State law and under the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act and notice that members and insureds may contact the Maryland Insurance Administration for further information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 582

Senator Kelley, et al

Chapter 290

HEALTH INSURANCE – FEDERAL MENTAL HEALTH PARITY AND ADDICTION EQUITY ACT – UTILIZATION REVIEW CRITERIA AND STANDARDS

Requiring entities that propose to issue or deliver specified insurance policies or contracts in the State or administer health benefit programs that provide specified coverage to ensure that, when conducting utilization review for mental health and substance abuse benefits, the criteria and standards used are in compliance with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 1252

Delegate A. Kelly, et al

Chapter 291

HEALTH INSURANCE – FEDERAL MENTAL HEALTH PARITY AND ADDICTION EQUITY ACT – UTILIZATION REVIEW CRITERIA AND STANDARDS

Requiring entities that propose to issue or deliver specified insurance policies or contracts in the State or to administer health benefit programs that provide specified coverage to ensure that, when conducting utilization review for mental health and substance abuse benefits, the criteria and standards used are in compliance with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 586

Senator Middleton, et al

Chapter 292

TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A HUB AND SPOKE PROGRAM IN THE SOUTHERN MARYLAND REGION

Creating a Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Hub and Spoke Program in the Southern Maryland Region; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving compensation; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding nutritional needs of the low-income, working poor, and unemployed populations of the Southern Maryland regions; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations on or before December 1, 2013; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 1019

Delegate Jameson, et al

Chapter 293

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Creating a Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Hub and Spoke Program in the Southern Maryland Region; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving compensation; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding nutritional needs of the low-income, working poor, and unemployed populations of the Southern Maryland regions; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations on or before December 1, 2013; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 589

Senator Pugh, et al

Chapter 294

COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION – RENTAL–PURCHASE TRANSACTIONS

Altering the contents of a rental–purchase agreement; establishing a summary of costs form; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 334**
Chapter 295 **Delegate M. Washington, et al**
COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION – RENTAL–
PURCHASE TRANSACTIONS
Altering the contents of a rental–purchase agreement; establishing a
summary of costs form; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 592**
Chapter 296 **Senator Frosh, et al**
NATURAL RESOURCES – SHARK FINS – RESTRICTION ON
POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION
Prohibiting a person from possessing, selling, offering for sale,
trading, or distributing a shark fin; exempting a specified person,
museum, college, or university from the prohibition against
possessing a shark fin under specified circumstances; and requiring
the Department of Natural Resources to adopt regulations to
implement the Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 1148**
Chapter 297 **Delegate Luedtke, et al**
NATURAL RESOURCES – SHARK FINS – RESTRICTION ON
POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION
Prohibiting a person from possessing, selling, offering for sale,
trading, or distributing a shark fin; exempting a specified person,
museum, college, or university from the prohibition against
possessing a shark fin under specified circumstances; and requiring
the Department of Natural Resources to adopt regulations to
implement the Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 595**
Chapter 298 **Senators Montgomery and Benson**
STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION
– PHARMACIES
Authorizing specified pharmacy permit holders to conduct wholesale
distribution under specified circumstances; limiting the authority of
specified pharmacy permit holders to engage in wholesale
distribution; altering definitions; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- SB 610**
Chapter 299 **Senator Klausmeier, et al**
HEALTH – OVERDOSE RESPONSE PROGRAM –
ESTABLISHMENT
- Providing for an Overdose Response Program overseen by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department to adopt regulations and authorizing the Department to take other actions; specifying the requirements an individual must meet to qualify for a specified certificate; authorizing a certified individual to receive a prescription for naloxone and supplies, possess prescribed naloxone and paraphernalia, and administer naloxone, under specified circumstances, to specified individuals; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 624**
Chapter 300 **Senator Pugh (Commission on Maryland Cybersecurity Innovation and Excellence)**
IDENTITY FRAUD – HEALTH INFORMATION AND HEALTH CARE RECORDS
- Prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully possessing, obtaining, or helping another to possess or obtain personal identifying information with fraudulent intent to access health information or health care; prohibiting a person from using a specified device knowingly, willfully, and with fraudulent intent to access health information or health care; providing penalties for a violation; authorizing a court to order restitution; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 942**
Chapter 301 **Delegate Lee (Commission on Maryland Cybersecurity Innovation and Excellence), et al**
IDENTITY FRAUD – HEALTH INFORMATION AND HEALTH CARE RECORDS
- Prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully possessing, obtaining, or helping another to possess or obtain personal identifying information with fraudulent intent to access health information or health care; prohibiting a person from using a specified device knowingly, willfully, and with fraudulent intent to access health information or health care; providing penalties for a violation; authorizing a court to order restitution; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 634 **Senator Peters, et al**
Chapter 302 **COMMERCIAL LAW – SELF–SERVICE STORAGE FACILITIES**

Altering specified notice procedures required to enforce a lien on specified property stored in a leased space at a self–service storage facility; providing that a specified sale held on an online auction Web site to enforce a specified lien shall be deemed to be held at a specified location; altering the required means of delivery of specified notices; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 1127 **Delegate Jameson, et al**
Chapter 303 **COMMERCIAL LAW – SELF–SERVICE STORAGE FACILITIES**

Altering specified notice procedures required to enforce a lien on specified property stored in a leased space at a self–service storage facility; providing that a specified sale held on an online auction Web site to enforce a specified lien shall be deemed to be held at a specified location; altering the required means of delivery of specified notices; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 676 **Senator Pugh (Commission on Maryland Cybersecurity**
Chapter 304 **Innovation and Excellence)**

GOVERNMENTAL PROCEDURES – SECURITY AND PROTECTION OF INFORMATION

Requiring State and local government units, when destroying records of an individual that contain personal information of the individual, to take reasonable steps to protect against unauthorized access to or use of the personal information under specified circumstances; requiring a government unit that collects specified personal information of an individual to implement and maintain specified security procedures and practices; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

- SB 679**
Chapter 305 **Senator Pugh, et al**
VIRGINIA I. JONES ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS COUNCIL
- Establishing the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Council; providing for the membership of the Council; requiring the Governor to consider the geographic and demographic diversity of the State in appointing individuals to the Council; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Secretary of Aging or their designees to cochair the Council; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, with assistance from the Department of Aging, to provide staff support for the Council; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 690**
Chapter 306 **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**
VIRGINIA I. JONES ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS COUNCIL
- Establishing the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Council; providing for the membership of the Council; requiring the Governor to consider the geographic and demographic diversity of the State in appointing individuals to the Council; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Secretary of Aging or their designees to cochair the Council; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, with assistance from the Department of Aging, to provide staff support for the Council; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 690**
Chapter 307 **Senator Montgomery**
MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – FAILURE TO RENEW A LICENSE OR MISREPRESENTATION AS A LICENSED PERSON – PENALTIES
- Altering the penalties to which a person is subject if the person fails to renew a license to practice medicine or misrepresents to the public that the person is authorized to practice medicine in the State.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 900** **Delegate Kach**
Chapter 308 MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – FAILURE TO RENEW A
 LICENSE OR MISREPRESENTATION AS A LICENSED PERSON
 – PENALTIES
- Altering the penalties to which a person is subject if the person fails to renew a license to practice medicine or misrepresents to the public that the person is authorized to practice medicine in the State.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 715** **Senator Ramirez, et al**
Chapter 309 MARYLAND HIGHWAY SAFETY ACT OF 2013
- Authorizing the issuance, to new applicants, of identification cards, moped operators' permits, and drivers' licenses that are not acceptable by federal agencies for specified official purposes; requiring an applicant for an identification card, a moped operator's permit, or a driver's license to provide specified evidence that the applicant has filed specified Maryland income tax returns or has resided in Maryland for a specified period of time and has been claimed as a dependent on Maryland income tax returns; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014
- SB 729** **Calvert County Senators**
Chapter 310 CALVERT COUNTY – COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – METHOD
 OF ELECTION
- Altering the manner in which the County Commissioners of Calvert County are elected beginning with the November 2014 general election; requiring that specified county commissioners be residents of and represent specified election districts; requiring that other county commissioners be residents of the county and represent the county at large; requiring that each candidate for the office of county commissioner specify when filing a certificate of candidacy specified information; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 736

Senator Astle

Chapter 311

**INSURANCE – FRAUDULENT INSURANCE ACTS –
COMPENSATION FOR DEDUCTIBLE**

Providing that it is a fraudulent insurance act for a contractor offering specified services for damages caused by weather to pay or otherwise compensate, or offer or promise to pay or compensate, with fraudulent intent, an insured for all or part of a specified insurance deductible; and providing penalties for a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 742

**Senator Jones–Rodwell (By Request – Baltimore City
Administration) and Senator Ferguson**

Chapter 312

**VEHICLE LAWS – RESIDENTIAL PARKING IN BALTIMORE
CITY**

Establishing that specified provisions of law granting a person who is issued special registration plates for individuals with disabilities the authority to park for unlimited periods of time in specified restricted parking zones do not supersede local ordinances in Baltimore City that restrict parking for vehicles that do not display specified residential parking permits.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 745

Senator Middleton

Chapter 313

**PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEMS
– PREPAID SERVICE – COLLECTION OF SURCHARGE**

Establishing a prepaid wireless E 9–1–1 fee of 60 cents per retail transaction; providing that the fee shall be collected for specified transactions in the State for the purpose of contributing to the 9–1–1 Trust Fund; authorizing specified percentages of the money collected from the fee to be used for specified purposes; providing that the fee is not subject to the sales and use tax; authorizing a seller to demonstrate a specified exemption from the fee in a specified manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 748 **Senator Middleton**

Chapter 314 AGRICULTURE – NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT – LIMITING
APPLICABILITY

Providing that specified requirements of the nutrient management program administered by the Department of Agriculture apply to specified surface waters, the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, and other specified bodies of water.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 561 **Delegate Hubbard, et al**

Chapter 315 AGRICULTURE – NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT – LIMITING
APPLICABILITY

Providing that specified requirements of the nutrient management program administered by the Department of Agriculture apply to specified surface waters, the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, and other specified bodies of water.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 752 **Senator Robey, et al**

Chapter 316 DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT – FOSTER
YOUTH SUMMER INTERNSHIP PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to develop and implement the Foster Youth Summer Internship Pilot Program; requiring the Program to be established in multiple regions of the State; requiring the Secretary to coordinate with specified agencies on the establishment of the internships; specifying components of the Program; establishing eligibility standards for the Program; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Human Resources, to issue a report to committees of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014

- HB 1119** **Delegate Zucker, et al**
Chapter 317 DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT – FOSTER
 YOUTH SUMMER INTERNSHIP PILOT PROGRAM
- Requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to develop and implement the Foster Youth Summer Internship Pilot Program; requiring the Program to be established in multiple regions of the State; requiring the Secretary to coordinate with specified agencies on the establishment of the internships; specifying components of the Program; establishing eligibility standards for the Program; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Human Resources, to issue a report to committees of the General Assembly; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014
- SB 769** **Senator Raskin, et al**
Chapter 318 HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS – PROPOSED RATE INCREASES –
 NOTICE TO INSUREDS
- Requiring health insurance carriers to provide a specified notice to insureds and enrollees, and post a specified notice on the carrier’s Web site, that an insured or enrollee may access specified information and submit specified comments relating to proposed rate increases on the Maryland Insurance Administration’s Web site.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 776** **Senator Pugh, et al**
Chapter 319 TELEMEDICINE TASK FORCE – MARYLAND HEALTH CARE
 COMMISSION
- Declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the Maryland Health Care Commission, in conjunction with the Maryland Health Quality and Cost Council, continue to study the use of telehealth throughout the State through the Telemedicine Task Force; requiring the Task Force to consist of specified advisory groups and undertake specified activities; and requiring the Commission to submit specified reports of the Task Force to the Governor and specified legislative committees.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 934 **Delegate Lee, et al**

Chapter 320 **TELEMEDICINE TASK FORCE – MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION**

Declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the Maryland Health Care Commission, in conjunction with the Maryland Health Quality and Cost Council, continue to study the use of telehealth throughout the State through the Telemedicine Task Force; requiring the Task Force to consist of specified advisory groups and undertake specified activities; and requiring the Commission to submit specified reports of the Task Force to the Governor and specified legislative committees.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 777 **Senator Pugh**

Chapter 321 **INSURANCE – CEDING INSURERS AND REINSURANCE**

Requiring that a domestic ceding insurer be allowed credit for reinsurance in specified manners under specified circumstances; providing for specified credit to be allowed under specified circumstances depending on the licensure or authorization status and accreditation status of the assuming insurer; establishing requirements and procedures for an assuming reinsurer to be accredited by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 797 **Senator Middleton**

Chapter 322 **THERMAL ENERGY – TASK FORCE AND REGULATIONS**

Establishing the Maryland Thermal Renewable Energy Credit Task Force; requiring the Task Force to analyze how to restructure the renewable energy portfolio standard to incorporate specified thermal energy sources; requiring the Task Force to make specified determinations and consider the impact of specified changes; requiring the Task Force to report findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2013; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 1084 **Delegate Stein, et al**
Chapter 323 **THERMAL ENERGY – TASK FORCE AND REGULATIONS**

Establishing the Maryland Thermal Renewable Energy Credit Task Force; requiring the Task Force to analyze how to restructure the renewable energy portfolio standard to incorporate specified thermal energy sources; requiring the Task Force to make specified determinations and consider the impact of specified changes; requiring the Task Force to report findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2013; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 798 **Senator Middleton, et al**
Chapter 324 **HOSPITALS – CREDENTIALING AND PRIVILEGING PROCESS –
TELEMEDICINE**

Authorizing a hospital, in its credentialing and privileging process for a physician who provides medical services to patients at the hospital only through telemedicine from a distant-site hospital or distant-site telemedicine entity, to rely on credentialing and privileging decisions made for the physician by the distant-site hospital or distant-site telemedicine entity under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 846 **Senator Conway**
Chapter 325 **COURTS – BALTIMORE CITY SHERIFF AND FEES FOR FILING
AND SERVICE OF PROCESS**

Altering the type and the number of specified employee positions to which the Baltimore City Sheriff may appoint employees; increasing a specified annual expense allowance for specified deputy sheriffs; altering specified surcharges on filing fees in the District Court in Baltimore City; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 849

Senator Ramirez, et al

Chapter 326

**PUBLIC UTILITIES – CONSUMER RELATIONS – TENANT
PAYMENT OF LANDLORD UTILITY BILLS**

Authorizing a specified tenant to prevent the termination of specified utility service by applying for a new utility service account; specifying that a specified tenant may not incur liability for specified charges; requiring a specified utility service provider to establish a new utility service account for a specified tenant under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014

HB 1090

Delegate Barnes, et al

Chapter 327

**PUBLIC UTILITIES – CONSUMER RELATIONS – TENANT
PAYMENT OF LANDLORD UTILITY BILLS**

Authorizing a specified tenant to prevent the termination of specified utility service by applying for a new utility service account; specifying that a specified tenant may not incur liability for specified charges; requiring a specified utility service provider to establish a new utility service account for a specified tenant under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014

SB 881

Senator Middleton

Chapter 328

**COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION –
REVISIONS**

Authorizing the Community Health Resources Commission to contract with a specified third party for specified services; prohibiting a specified third party from releasing, publishing, or using in a specified manner specified information; providing that the power of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene over a specified procurement procedure does not apply to the Commission; providing that, when procuring services or supplies, the Commission is subject to specified provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

- SB 897**
Chapter 329 **Senator Klausmeier**
CONSUMER PROTECTION – SECURITY FREEZES – CHILDREN
IN FOSTER CARE SETTINGS
- Requiring the Department of Human Resources to request a security freeze on the consumer report or a specified record of specified protected consumers who are minor children in the custody of a local department of social services who have been placed in a foster care setting in accordance with specified application procedures; requiring a consumer reporting agency to place a security freeze for a protected consumer under specified circumstances and within a specified period of time; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 1297**
Chapter 330 **Delegate Zucker, et al**
CONSUMER PROTECTION – SECURITY FREEZES – CHILDREN
IN FOSTER CARE SETTINGS
- Requiring the Department of Human Resources to request a security freeze on the consumer report or a specified record of specified protected consumers who are minor children in the custody of a local department of social services who have been placed in a foster care setting in accordance with specified application procedures; requiring a consumer reporting agency to place a security freeze for a protected consumer under specified circumstances and within a specified period of time; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- SB 899**
Chapter 331 **Senator Mathias, et al**
LOCAL GOVERNMENT – FIRE, RESCUE, AND AMBULANCE
FUNDS – DISTRIBUTION
- Requiring that each county distribute a specified minimum percentage of funds that the county receives from the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund to volunteer fire, rescue, and ambulance companies; requiring the Director of the Maryland Emergency Management Agency to submit an annual report to the General Assembly on the money distributed by each county to volunteer companies; requiring each county to provide a specified report; establishing a workgroup to study specified laws and policies; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 778 **Delegate Conway, et al**

Chapter 332

LOCAL GOVERNMENT – FIRE, RESCUE, AND AMBULANCE FUNDS – DISTRIBUTION

Requiring that each county distribute a specified minimum percentage of funds that the county receives from the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund to volunteer fire, rescue, and ambulance companies; requiring the Director of the Maryland Emergency Management Agency to submit an annual report to the General Assembly on the money distributed by each county to volunteer companies; requiring each county to provide a specified report; establishing a workgroup to study specified laws and policies; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 920 **Senator Dyson**

Chapter 333

NATURAL RESOURCES – SUBMERGED LAND AND WATER COLUMN LEASES – HERRING CREEK

Exempting specified submerged land leases and water column leases from a specified setback requirement; authorizing a submerged land lease or a water column lease of a riparian owner or a lawful occupant of the riparian property to be located in Herring Creek in St. Mary's County; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 930 **Senator Pugh, et al**

Chapter 334

PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE – PREMIUM PAYMENTS – ACCEPTANCE ON INSTALLMENT PAYMENT BASIS AND PREMIUM FINANCE AGREEMENTS

Authorizing the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund to accept premiums on an installment payment basis under specified circumstances; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to ensure specified provisions of an installment payment plan; prohibiting the Fund from discriminating among insureds in a specified manner; prohibiting the Fund from considering, in determining specified commissions, whether a fund producer placed an insured in an installment payment plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 931 **Senator Stone, et al**

Chapter 335

BALTIMORE COUNTY – ORPHANS’ COURT JUDGES – SALARY

Increasing to \$43,000 the salary of each associate judge of the Orphans’ Court for Baltimore County beginning July 1, 2014; increasing to \$45,000 the salary of the Chief Judge of the Orphans’ Court for Baltimore County beginning July 1, 2014; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the judges of the Orphans’ Court for Baltimore County during a specified term of office.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 963 **Senator Mathias, et al**

Chapter 336

TASK FORCE TO STUDY A POST–LABOR DAY START DATE FOR MARYLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Establishing the Task Force to Study a Post–Labor Day Start Date for Maryland Public Schools; providing for the membership, chair, and staff for the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study issues relating to a post–Labor Day start date for Maryland public schools; and requiring the Task Force to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before June 30, 2014.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SB 1004 **Calvert County Senators**

Chapter 337

CALVERT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SUNDAY SALES

Making inapplicable in Calvert County the prohibition against a holder of a Class B or Class C license from selling alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on Sunday; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 1448 **Calvert County Delegation**

Chapter 338

CALVERT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SUNDAY SALES

Making inapplicable in Calvert County the prohibition against a holder of a Class B or Class C license from selling alcoholic beverages at a bar or counter on Sunday; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 1029
Chapter 339

Senator Middleton, et al

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL CERTAINTY PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Agricultural Certainty Program; stating the intent of the General Assembly; establishing the purpose of the Program; requiring the Department of Agriculture to develop the Program in coordination with the Department of the Environment; requiring that the Program be self-sustaining and revenue neutral; requiring the Department of Agriculture to administer the Program; authorizing the Department of Agriculture to establish by regulation reasonable fees to cover operation of the Program; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 1057
Chapter 340

Senator Middleton, et al

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE – HEALTH CARE STAFF AGENCIES – REGULATION

Altering provisions of law that apply to nursing staff agencies and nursing personnel to apply more broadly to health care staff agencies and specified health care practitioners licensed or certified by health occupation boards; requiring a health care staff agency to be licensed by the Office of Health Care Quality in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene before referring specified health care practitioners to a health care facility to render temporary health care services at a health care facility in the State; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SB 1064
Chapter 341

Senator Middleton

RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – SOLAR WATER HEATING SYSTEMS

Altering the definition of “solar water heating system” for purposes of the renewable energy portfolio standard to include systems that consist of specified concentrating solar thermal collectors under specified circumstances; and making a stylistic change.
EMERGENCY BILL

- HB 1534** **Delegate Frush, et al**
Chapter 342 RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – SOLAR
WATER HEATING SYSTEMS
- Altering the definition of “solar water heating system” for purposes of the renewable energy portfolio standard to include systems that consist of specified concentrating solar thermal collectors under specified circumstances; and making a stylistic change.
EMERGENCY BILL
- SB 1066** **Senator Pugh**
Chapter 343 MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – NOT-FOR-PROFIT
ENTITIES
- Requiring specified entities to include in specified contracts a requirement for procuring janitorial products; excluding a not-for-profit entity organized to promote the interests of physically or mentally disabled individuals from a specified definition of minority business enterprise; prohibiting specified contracts from being counted as part of a unit of State government’s total dollar value of procurement contracts; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- SB 1068** **Senator Glassman**
Chapter 344 COMMISSION TO STUDY THE REGULATION OF PAYROLL
SERVICES
- Establishing the Commission to Study the Regulation of Payroll Services; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Commission to study and make specified recommendations on or before December 15, 2013, regarding the payroll services industry in the State; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SB 1072 **Senator Middleton**

Chapter 345 **LINKED DEPOSIT PROGRAMS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES AND
MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES**

Altering the minimum interest rate that a loan may have in order to qualify under certain linked deposit programs; altering the interest rate that the State Treasurer may accept in making specified interest bearing deposits; authorizing the State Treasurer to make specified interest bearing deposits in any financial institution without specified security under specified circumstances; and providing for the termination of specified provisions of the Act.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 7 **Delegate Bohanan**

Chapter 346 **SOUTHERN MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COUNCIL –
MODIFICATIONS**

Increasing the number of members on the Southern Maryland Higher Education Council from 12 to 13 by adding a member of the public with extensive knowledge of higher education in Maryland, appointed by the Governor; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to provide staff for the Council; altering to December 1, 2013, the deadline for the Council to submit a final report; and extending the termination provisions relating to the Council by 1 year.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 34 **Delegate Aumann, et al**

Chapter 347 **STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMEMORATIVE MONTH –
GERMAN–AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim October as German–American Heritage Month; and requiring the proclamation to urge educational and cultural organizations to observe the month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 56

Delegate Smigiel, et al

Chapter 348

STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS

Requiring applicants for a license or certificate from the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists to submit to a criminal history records check; authorizing the Board to take specified disciplinary actions against specified individuals for failure to submit to a specified criminal history records check; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 99

Delegates Hubbard and V. Turner

Chapter 349

PUBLIC HEALTH – CHILD CARE PRODUCTS CONTAINING FLAME–RETARDANT CHEMICALS (TCEP) – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a person from importing, selling, or offering for sale specified child care products containing flame–retardant chemicals (TCEP); providing that the Act does not apply to the sale or distribution of a child care product that is resold, offered for resale, or distributed by a consumer for consumer use; specifying penalties; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to suspend implementation under specified circumstances; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 126

Delegate Davis

Chapter 350

CONSUMER PROTECTION – MARYLAND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT – SCOPE

Expanding the definition of “consumer” under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act to include a specified organization that purchases, rents, or leases goods or services for the benefit of the members of the organization; expanding the definition of “consumer goods” and “consumer services” under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act to include specified goods and services purchased, rented, or leased by a specified organization for the benefit of members of the organization; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 139**
Chapter 351 **Delegates O'Donnell and Krebs**
OPEN MEETINGS ACT – TRAINING FOR PUBLIC BODIES
Requiring a public body to designate at least one individual who is an employee, an officer, or a member of the public body to receive training on the requirements of the open meetings law; requiring the public body to submit a list of individuals designated to receive specified training to the State Open Meetings Law Compliance Board; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 167**
Chapter 352 **Delegate Ivey, et al**
STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – MARYLAND EMANCIPATION DAY
Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim November 1 as Maryland Emancipation Day.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 199**
Chapter 353 **Delegate Hershey, et al**
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE
Creating in Queen Anne's County a beer, wine and liquor tasting license; specifying to whom the license may be issued; setting maximum limits on the amounts of individual servings; specifying that the license may be issued for tasting purposes only; and establishing a \$100 license fee.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- HB 201**
Chapter 354 **Delegate Hershey, et al**
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Decreasing from 25 to 12 the number of new employees that a business must employ in order to qualify for a property tax credit against the Queen Anne's County property tax imposed on businesses that make specified real property improvements.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 207 **Delegate Luedtke, et al**

Chapter 355 EDUCATION – TRUANT STUDENTS

Requiring county boards of education to develop a system of intervention for truant students; defining “truant student”; and providing that the Act does not prohibit a county board from taking specified actions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 212 **Delegate Hershey, et al**

Chapter 356 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CECIL AND QUEEN ANNE’S
COUNTIES – BEER AND WINE FESTIVALS

Increasing the number of special wine festival licenses that the Cecil County Liquor Board may issue; authorizing the Queen Anne’s County Board of License Commissioners to issue a specified number of Beer and Wine Festival (BWF) licenses in the county each year; authorizing the Board to select a specified number of weekends each year for a specified festival; requiring the Board to choose a specified location for a specified festival and to ensure that the primary focus of a specified festival is the promotion of Maryland beer and wine; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 214 **Delegate Hershey, et al**

Chapter 357 QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – DEER HUNTING ON PRIVATE
PROPERTY – SUNDAYS

Authorizing a person to hunt deer on private property in Queen Anne’s County using specified hunting equipment on specified Sundays during specified hunting seasons.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 216 **Delegate Hershey, et al**

Chapter 358 QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY AND ST. MARY’S COUNTY –
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MICRO-BREWERY LICENSES

Adding Queen Anne’s County and St. Mary’s County to the list of counties in which a Class 7 micro-brewery license may be issued; and adding Queen Anne’s County and St. Mary’s County to the list of counties in which the beer brewed by the license holder for consumption off the licensed premises may be sold in refillable containers.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 218 **Delegate George**

Chapter 359

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – PERFORMANCE OF X–RAY DUTIES

Providing for the circumstances under which a licensed physician assistant may perform nonfluoroscopic X–ray procedures using a mini C–arm or similar low–level radiation machine; and requiring a primary supervising physician to obtain specified approval from the Board of Physicians.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 234 **Delegate Oaks, et al**

Chapter 360

TRANSPORTATION – BALTIMORE CORRIDOR RED LINE TRANSIT STUDY

Repealing a reference to specified fiscal years included in the Maryland Consolidated Transportation Program referencing the Baltimore Corridor Red Line Transit Study to apply indefinitely specified provisions of law that specify factors that the Maryland Transit Administration, in conducting the transit project, must consider and that prohibit the Administration from acquiring real property for specified purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 235 **Delegate McComas, et al**

Chapter 361

PROPERTY TAX – VALUATION OF RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY – DATABASE

Requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to maintain a database, available to the public on the Department’s Web site, that relates to the valuation of specified real property in the State and includes specified information.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 238 **Delegate Oaks, et al**

Chapter 362

MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY – BOARD OF REGENTS – LENGTH AND LIMITATION OF TERMS AND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

Altering the length of time of the term of office of a member of the Board of Regents of Morgan State University; setting a limit on the number of terms that a member may serve; and limiting the number of specified members who are not residents of Maryland.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 250** **Delegate Smigiel, et al**
Chapter 363 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIMS’ RIGHTS – REMEDY AND
PRIORITY OF RESTITUTION**
- Expanding the applicability of specified appeal rights from a victim of a violent crime to a victim of a nonviolent crime; authorizing a victim to appeal to the Court of Special Appeals from a specified final order; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- HB 301** **St. Mary’s County Delegation**
Chapter 364 **ST. MARY’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 6
PUB–BREWERY LICENSE**
- Authorizing the State Comptroller to issue a Class 6 pub–brewery license to a holder of a specified alcoholic beverages license that is issued for use on the premises of a restaurant located in St. Mary’s County.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- HB 303** **Delegate Nathan–Pulliam, et al**
Chapter 365 **TASK FORCE TO STUDY POINT–OF–CARE TESTING FOR LEAD
POISONING**
- Establishing the Task Force to Study Point–of–Care Testing for Lead Poisoning; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the use of and reimbursement for point–of–care testing to screen and identify children with elevated blood–lead levels; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and specified legislative committees on or before January 1, 2014; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 311 **Delegate K. Kelly, et al**

Chapter 366

**CRIMES – REQUIREMENT TO REPORT DEATH OR
DISAPPEARANCE OF MINOR – PENALTIES**

Requiring, under specified circumstances, a parent or other person who has permanent care or custody or responsibility for the supervision of a minor under the age of 13 to notify within 24 hours the appropriate law enforcement agency that the minor is a missing child; requiring, under specified circumstances, a parent or specified other person to notify, within 5 hours, the appropriate law enforcement agency or medical authority that the minor has died; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 333 **Delegates Rosenberg and Haynes**

Chapter 367

**FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – COUPLES ADVANCING
TOGETHER PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring the Secretary of Human Resources to establish the Couples Advancing Together Pilot Program in the Department of Human Resources; requiring the Program to be established for 100 couples in at least three counties in the State; requiring the Secretary to cooperate with specified persons on the establishment of the Program; requiring the implementation of specified policies and procedures in local departments of social services; requiring the Secretary to report on the Program annually to committees of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 361 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By**
Chapter 368 **Request – Departmental – Insurance Administration,**
 Maryland)

HEALTH INSURANCE – CONFORMITY WITH AND
IMPLEMENTATION OF FEDERAL PATIENT PROTECTION AND
AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

Establishing fees for an initial SHOP Exchange navigator license, a renewal, and a reinstatement; providing that the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act relating to annual limitations on cost sharing and deductibles, child-only plan offerings, minimum benefit requirements for catastrophic plans, health insurance premium rates, coverage for individuals participating in approved clinical trials, and contract requirements for specified dental plans apply to specified coverage in specified insurance markets; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 396 **Delegate Cardin, et al**

Chapter 369 **CRIMINAL LAW – MISUSE OF INTERACTIVE COMPUTER**
 SERVICE (GRACE’S LAW)

Prohibiting a person from using an interactive computer service to maliciously engage in a specified course of conduct that inflicts serious emotional distress on a minor or places a minor in reasonable fear of death or serious bodily injury under specified circumstances; and defining terms.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 419 **Delegate Frick**

Chapter 370 **PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX – LIENS FOR UNPAID TAX**

Providing that a secured party may elect to satisfy a tax lien on secured property under specified circumstances; providing that a specified statutory lien shall be released under specified circumstances; requiring the secured party to send specified written notice under specified circumstances; requiring a secured party to pay a specified portion of personal property taxes owed, including a specified share of penalties and interest, in a specified manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 430 **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 371 **Transportation)**

**CRIMINAL LAW – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CONSUMPTION
AND POSSESSION IN MOTOR VEHICLES**

Altering the definition of “motor vehicle” to expand the types of vehicles for which an occupant is prohibited from consuming or possessing an alcoholic beverage in the passenger area while on a highway.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 453 **Delegate Walker, et al**

Chapter 372 **EDUCATION – MARYLAND CENTER FOR SCHOOL SAFETY**

Establishing the Maryland Center for School Safety as an independent unit of State government; establishing the location and staffing of the Center; authorizing the Center to establish satellite offices in specified locations; specifying the function and duties of the Center; establishing the Governing Board of the Maryland Center for School Safety; providing for the membership and duties of the Governing Board; requiring the Governor to provide an amount in the annual State budget to carry out specified provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 489 **Delegate Mitchell, et al**

Chapter 373 **CRIMINAL LAW – THREAT AGAINST STATE OR LOCAL
OFFICIAL – EXPANSION**

Making it a misdemeanor to knowingly and willfully make specified threats against a deputy State’s Attorney, an assistant State’s Attorney, or an Assistant Public Defender; and imposing penalties.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 526**
Chapter 374 **Delegate Summers, et al**
HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND FIRST SCHOLARSHIP –
CREATION AND FUNDING
- Establishing the Maryland First Scholarship; establishing eligibility requirements for the scholarship; requiring specified information to be provided in an application for the scholarship; authorizing the use of the scholarship for specified educational expenses; authorizing the scholarship awarded to be in an annual amount up to a specified percentage of specified tuition and fees at specified institutions of higher education; establishing the Maryland First Scholarship Fund; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- HB 527**
Chapter 375 **Delegate Clagett**
FREDERICK REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION ADVISORY
BOARD
- Establishing the Frederick Regional Higher Education Advisory Board; providing for the composition, appointment, and terms of the Board members; providing for a chair of the Board and the establishment of committees; prohibiting Board members from receiving compensation but entitling Board members to reimbursement for specified expenses; providing for the powers and duties of the Board; authorizing the Board to apply, accept, and expend specified gifts, appropriations, or grants; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 529**
Chapter 376 **Delegates Pena–Melnik and Hubbard**
STATE BOARD OF MORTICIANS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS –
APPRENTICE SPONSORS, FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT
LICENSES, AND SUPERVISING MORTICIANS
- Clarifying the requirements for specified apprentice sponsors and a specified process for seeking approval by the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors for an apprentice license; requiring specified evidence and death certificates to be submitted to the Board as proof of the completion of specified apprentice requirements; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 537**
Chapter 377 **Delegate Serafini, et al**
INSURANCE PRODUCERS – CONTINUING EDUCATION –
ONLINE COURSES
- Prohibiting the Maryland Insurance Commissioner from disapproving a continuing education course for insurance producers solely on a specified basis; authorizing insurance producers to obtain all or part of the credit hours of continuing education required for license renewal from correspondence courses or online courses approved by the Commissioner; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 555**
Chapter 378 **St. Mary’s County Delegation**
ST. MARY’S COUNTY – BUILDING IMPACT FEES – DEFERRALS
- Authorizing the County Commissioners of St. Mary’s County to defer the building impact fee imposed on newly constructed living units constructed in accordance with a specified building trades program for a specified period of time.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 581**
Chapter 379 **Delegate Hubbard, et al**
HOSPITALS – ESTABLISHMENT OF PALLIATIVE CARE PILOT PROGRAMS
- Providing for the establishment of a specified number of palliative care pilot programs in specified hospitals in the State; requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to select the pilot programs in a specified manner; requiring specified palliative care programs to include specified policies and procedures; requiring specified counseling about palliative care to include information regarding specified rights of patients; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 631**
Chapter 380 **Delegate Hough, et al**
FAMILY LAW – PREVENTING OR INTERFERING WITH REPORT OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT
- Prohibiting an individual from preventing or interfering with the making of a specified report of suspected child abuse or neglect; and making a violation of the Act a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment not exceeding 5 years or a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or both.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 669** **Delegate Vaughn, et al**
Chapter 381 BUSINESS REGULATION – INTRODUCTION OF ADDITIVES
 INTO GASOLINE – AUTHORIZATION
- Authorizing the Comptroller to authorize any person who holds a specified dealer license to introduce an additive into gasoline for resale under specified circumstances; providing for the content of certain regulations.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- HB 674** **Montgomery County Delegation**
Chapter 382 MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION –
 COMPENSATION MC 8–13
- Altering the compensation received by the president and elected members of the Montgomery County Board of Education; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the president and members of the board during a specified term of office.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- HB 695** **Delegate Rudolph**
Chapter 383 HOMEOWNER’S INSURANCE – ANTI-CONCURRENT
 CAUSATION CLAUSE – NOTICE AND STUDY
- Requiring an insurer that issues a policy of homeowner’s insurance in the State that contains an anti-concurrent causation clause to provide a policyholder with a notice; providing that the notice is not part of the policy or contract of insurance and does not create a private right of action; requiring specified committees of the General Assembly to study the handling by insurers and the National Flood Insurance Program of property insurance claims in cases where two or more factors could affect or cause the loss; requiring a report; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 706 **Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 384 **Departmental – Natural Resources)**

NATURAL RESOURCES – FOREST PRESERVATION ACT OF
2013

Expanding the purpose and authorized uses of the Reforestation Fund to include tree planting on private land and financing the prevention of and response to forest health emergencies; defining the term “no net loss of forest”; altering the range of acres of land that a person is required to own or lease to be eligible for a specified income tax subtraction modification; exempting specified stream restoration projects from the requirements of the Forest Conservation Act; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 724 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By**
Chapter 385 **Request – Departmental – Insurance Administration,**
Maryland)

INSURANCE – RISK BASED CAPITAL STANDARDS –
FRATERNAL BENEFIT SOCIETIES AND LIFE INSURERS

Requiring that a fraternal benefit society’s risk based capital be determined in accordance with a specified formula set forth in specified instructions; altering the circumstances under which a company action level event occurs in the case of a life insurer; establishing the circumstances under which a company action level event occurs for a fraternal benefit society; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 742 **Delegate Waldstreicher, et al**
Chapter 386 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CITATION AUTHORITY**

Authorizing a police officer to charge by citation for sale of an alcoholic beverage to an underage drinker or intoxicated person, malicious destruction of property if the amount of damage to property is less than \$500, and theft of property or services with a value of less than \$1,000; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 749 **Delegate Beitzel**

Chapter 387

GARRETT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSES, PERMITS, AND OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners in Garrett County to grant specified license holders a privilege at no charge to sell specified alcoholic beverages at catered events in commemorative or special event bottles under specified circumstances; establishing a Class BDR beer and wine license for a deluxe restaurant; establishing a refillable container permit for specified draft beer license holders; authorizing the Board to issue annually not more than two beer festival licenses; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 781 **Delegate Gilchrist**

Chapter 388

VEHICLE LAWS – TOWING OR REMOVAL OF VEHICLES – NOTICE

Altering the authority of a person who tows or removes a vehicle from a parking lot to charge specified persons for providing the required notice of the tow or removal; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 791 **Delegates McHale and Malone**

Chapter 389

TAX CREDITS – ELECTRIC VEHICLES – EXTENSIONS

Extending the credit against the State income tax for qualified electric vehicle recharging equipment for specified tax years; providing for the amount of tax credit certificates that may be issued by the Maryland Energy Administration; altering the amount of credit that specified vehicles may claim; establishing that the credit is subject to available funding; transferring a specified amount of money from the Strategic Energy Investment Fund to the Transportation Trust Fund for fiscal year 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 803 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 390 **Departmental – Business and Economic Development)**

INCOME TAX – BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT –
CYBERSECURITY INVESTMENT INCENTIVE TAX CREDIT

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for specified cybersecurity companies under specified circumstances; providing for specified applications to the Department of Business and Economic Development for approval and certification of specified credits; providing for the issuance of specified initial credit certificates by the Department, subject to specified requirements and limitations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 806 **Delegate Hubbard**

Chapter 391 **HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK**
EXAMINERS – REVISIONS

Requiring applicants to the State Board of Social Work Examiners for licensure to submit to a criminal history records check and a mental or physical examination under specified circumstances; prohibiting licensees from practicing social work, engaging in private practice, and diagnosing disorders, except under specified circumstances; requiring the Board, in using information obtained from the Central Repository, to consider specified factors; altering fines and penalty provisions relating to violations of provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 813 **Delegate Kaiser, et al**

Chapter 392 **TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF EXPANDING CREDIT**
AND NONCREDIT COURSES FOR STUDENTS WITH
INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Creating the Task Force to Study the Impact of Expanding Credit and Noncredit Courses for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters on or before January 1, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

- HB 868**
Chapter 393 **Delegate Murphy, et al**
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY –
WAIVERS – PHARMACIES THAT ONLY DISPENSE DEVICES
Authorizing the State Board of Pharmacy to waive specified requirements for specified pharmacies that only dispense devices in accordance with specified rules and regulations; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL
- HB 955**
Chapter 394 **Delegates Jameson and Kaiser**
TASK FORCE TO STUDY TEMPORARY DISABILITY
INSURANCE PROGRAMS AND THE PROCESS FOR ASSISTING
INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AT LOCAL DEPARTMENTS
OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Establishing the Task Force to Study Temporary Disability Insurance Programs and the Process for Assisting Individuals with Disabilities at Local Departments of Social Services; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2013; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- HB 963**
Chapter 395 **Delegate Cullison, et al**
EDWARD T. CONROY AND JEAN B. CRYOR MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS
Establishing the Jean B. Cryor Memorial Scholarship Program to provide scholarships for the son or daughter or the surviving spouse of a school employee who died in the line of duty or who sustained an injury in the line of duty that rendered the school employee 100% disabled; authorizing the use of the scholarship for specified educational expenses; requiring specified postsecondary institutions to determine eligibility for the scholarships; requiring a specified report; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 978

Delegate Barkley

Chapter 396

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WINERY OFF–SITE PERMIT AND WINE FESTIVAL PERMIT

Requiring the Office of the Comptroller to collect a fee for a winery off–site permit and a wine festival permit; repealing a requirement that the Comptroller collect a fee for a winery special event permit; repealing provisions that provide for a winery special event permit; repealing provisions that provide for a farmer’s market permit; establishing a winery off–site permit to be issued by the Comptroller; authorizing the Comptroller to issue a winery off–site permit to specified persons who meet specified requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 986

Delegate Hammen

Chapter 397

STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – STERILE COMPOUNDING – PERMITS

Requiring a sterile compounding facility to hold a sterile compounding permit issued by the State Board of Pharmacy before the sterile compounding facility may perform sterile compounding in the State; providing that a sterile compounding permit is required in addition to and does not replace other permits or licenses; providing that a person that prepares and distributes sterile drug products into or within the State is not required to hold a sterile compounding permit but must hold specified other permits; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 1009

Delegate Reznik

Chapter 398

COSMETIC SURGICAL FACILITIES – REGULATION

Authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt specified regulations for specified cosmetic surgical facilities; authorizing the Secretary to investigate specified complaints relating to cosmetic surgical facilities; requiring specified complaints to be referred to specified health occupations boards; altering definitions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

- HB 1040** **Delegate Sophocleus, et al**
Chapter 399 BUSINESS REGULATION – SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL
OBJECT DEALERS AND PAWNBROKERS – REVISIONS
- Repealing provisions of law relating to regulation of numismatic items; providing that specified provisions of law do not apply to retail jewelers who participate in a remount sale; requiring specified dealers and pawnbrokers to hold specified items for an additional number of days on request of a primary law enforcement unit under specified circumstances; defining “remount sale”; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 1082** **Prince George’s County Delegation**
Chapter 400 PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
CLASS A LICENSES AND CLASS B–AE LICENSES PG 317–13
- Increasing the number of Class B–AE (arts and entertainment) alcoholic beverages licenses from 5 to 8 that may be issued in Prince George’s County; and prohibiting the Board of License Commissioners of Prince George’s County from issuing a new Class A license or transferring an existing Class A license to a location within a specified distance of a correctional facility.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- HB 1096** **Delegate Hammen (Chair, Health and Government**
Chapter 401 **Operations Committee)**
STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS AND ALLIED HEALTH
ADVISORY COMMITTEES – SUNSET EXTENSION AND
PROGRAM EVALUATION
- Continuing the State Board of Physicians and allied health advisory committees in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (Sunset Law) by extending to July 1, 2018, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board and committees; requiring the Board to adopt regulations to allow a licensee to receive up to a specified number of credit hours for providing specified services; establishing disciplinary panels through which allegations must be resolved; etc.
EMERGENCY BILL

- HB 1098** **Delegate Olszewski, et al**
Chapter 402 **TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE APPLICABILITY OF THE MARYLAND PREVAILING WAGE LAW**
- Establishing a Task Force to Study the Applicability of the Maryland Prevailing Wage Law; providing for the membership and cochairs of the Task Force; requiring the Department of Legislative Services, with assistance from the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, to staff the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to report its findings on or before December 31, 2013, relating to the effect of the Maryland Prevailing Wage Law on school construction to the Governor and committees of the General Assembly; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013
- HB 1101** **Delegate Morhaim, et al**
Chapter 403 **MEDICAL MARIJUANA – ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTERS – NATALIE M. LAPRADE MEDICAL MARIJUANA COMMISSION**
- Establishing the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission; providing for the purpose and membership of the Commission; providing for the terms of the members of the Commission; establishing the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission Fund; requiring the Commission to issue a specified request for applications at least annually; requiring a specified application submitted by an academic medical center to include specified information; limiting the number of programs the Commission may approve to operate at one time; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 1115** **Delegate Cullison, et al**
Chapter 404 **HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – LICENSE RENEWAL, INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS, AND IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY**
- Authorizing specified health occupations boards within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish an electronic system to distribute specified licenses, permits, certifications, or registrations; requiring the system to meet requirements; requiring specified boards to discontinue sending by first-class mail specified renewal notices and a renewed license, permit, certificate, or registration; requiring specified boards to continue to send by first-class mail specified documents under specified circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

- HB 1190** **Delegate Hixson, et al**
Chapter 405 COUNTY PROPERTY TAX – PERSONAL PROPERTY RATE
- Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to set a tax rate for personal property and specified operating real property of no more than 2.5 times the county tax rate for real property.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- HB 1203** **Delegates Kramer and Simmons**
Chapter 406 HOMEOWNER’S OR RENTER’S INSURANCE – POLICY EXCLUSIONS FOR SPECIFIC BREEDS OR MIXED BREEDS OF DOGS – NOTICES
- Requiring specified insurers that exclude coverage for losses caused by specific breeds or specific mixed breeds of dogs under homeowner’s or renter’s insurance policies to provide a specified notice to an applicant or insured at specified times; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013
- HB 1205** **Delegate Rudolph**
Chapter 407 STUDY OF CAPTIVE INSURERS
- Requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration to study and examine methods to establish and properly regulate a captive insurer industry in the State; authorizing the Administration to hire a specified consultant to assist in the study; and requiring the Administration to report on specified matters to the Governor and specified legislative committees on or before December 31, 2013.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013
- HB 1215** **Delegate Walker**
Chapter 408 CONSUMER PROTECTION – HOME APPLIANCES AND WARRANTY ENFORCEMENT – STUDY
- Requiring the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General to conduct a study of the consumer protections available to purchasers of home appliances who seek enforcement of specified warranties; requiring the study to analyze specified complaints, evaluate whether specified requirements and remedies under State and federal law provide adequate protection to specified purchasers of home appliances, and make a specified determination; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HB 1220 **Delegate Swain, et al**

Chapter 409

**INVALIDATION AND DESTRUCTION OF UNEXECUTED
WARRANT, SUMMONS, OR OTHER CRIMINAL PROCESS –
FAILURE TO APPEAR DESIGNATION**

Specifying that a provision of law relating to invalidation and destruction of an unexecuted warrant, summons, or other criminal process may not be construed to nullify or remove a failure to appear designation that has been placed on an individual's driving record by the Motor Vehicle Administration; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 1279 **Delegate Niemann, et al**

Chapter 410

**STATEWIDE BUILDING CODES – MARYLAND ACCESSIBILITY
CODE – ENFORCEMENT**

Authorizing an occupant, a dependent of an occupant, or a prospective tenant who otherwise meets the requirements for tenancy to commence a civil action to obtain relief for a violation of the Maryland Accessibility Code with regard to a building of four or more dwelling units that is subject to the Code; requiring a specified individual to provide written notice to a property manager, landlord, or rental agent before filing a complaint under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 1292 **Delegate O'Donnell, et al**

Chapter 411

**CALVERT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES AND
APPEALS**

Establishing a Continuing Care Retirement Community license in Calvert County; authorizing the license to be issued for a club that meets specified requirements; authorizing the licensee to sell beer, wine, and liquor to members and guests under specified circumstances; providing for an annual license fee of \$500; and authorizing a court to remand specified proceedings to the local licensing board of Calvert County.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 1406 **Howard County Delegation**

Chapter 416 HOWARD COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY INCREASES HO. CO.
13–13

Increasing the annual salary of the Sheriff of Howard County to \$97,000 over a 4–year period; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent Sheriff.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 1408 **Delegate Cullison, et al**

Chapter 417 FAMILY LAW – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS –
STUDENT TEACHERS

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, on written request from a specified student teacher, to submit a specified printed statement to additional employers if the criminal history records check was completed during the prior 365 days; and establishing that a specified printed statement is valid in any county in the State.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 1429 **Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 418 **Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE –
FORMER OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES – EMPLOYMENT

Providing that specified former officials or employees of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene may not be considered to have participated significantly in a contract under specified circumstances for purposes of specified restrictions on employment; requiring the Department to submit a specified report; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HB 1499 **The Speaker (By Request – Commission to Study Campaign
Chapter 419** **Finance Law), et al**

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM ACT OF 2013

Providing that a candidate may join a slate or continue as a member of a slate only under specified circumstances; altering limits on the aggregate amount of contributions a person may make in an election cycle; requiring that contribution limits and transfer limits be adjusted in a specified manner at specified times; providing that contributions by two or more business entities be considered as being made by one contributor under specified circumstances; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 1513 **Delegate Hixson**

Chapter 420 **PUBLIC SAFETY – RESPONSE TO A STATE DISASTER OR
EMERGENCY – LICENSING AND TAXES**

Providing that specified out-of-state businesses and out-of-state employees do not have a presence in the State that subjects the businesses or employees to specified licensing or registration requirements, income taxes, unemployment insurance contributions, personal property tax, or any requirement to collect and remit the sales tax; exempting specified businesses and employees from income taxes and withholding requirements; requiring specified businesses to provide a specified statement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HB 1514 **Howard County Delegation**

Chapter 421 **HOWARD COUNTY – NOISE CONTROL – OUTDOOR CONCERT
VENUES HO. CO. 9–13**

Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from adopting a noise control ordinance, rule, or regulation regarding an outdoor concert venue with a capacity over 15,000 individuals in Howard County, as specified; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

Pursuant to Article XIV, Section 1 of the Maryland Constitution, the following constitutional amendment has been assigned a chapter number:

SB 829 **Senator Miller, et al**

Chapter 422 **TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND – USE OF FUNDS**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish a Transportation Trust Fund to be used only for purposes relating to transportation except in specified circumstances; prohibiting the transfer of funds in the Transportation Trust Fund to the General Fund or a special fund of the State except under specified circumstances; providing that the amendment does not apply to the allocation or use of specified funds for counties, municipalities, and Baltimore City as authorized by law, or to a specified transfer of funds; etc.

CONTINGENT

Pursuant to Article III, Section 52(6) of the Maryland Constitution, the following bill has been assigned a chapter number:

HB 100 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**

Chapter 423 **BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2014)**

Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

EFFECTIVE APRIL 5, 2013

Sincerely,

Karl S. Aro
Executive Director