

## Maryland General Assembly

## DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

#### Effective Dates

## 2014 Chapters - Effective June 1, 2014

### SB 332 Chapter 2

The President (By Request - Administration), et al

PREKINDERGARTEN EXPANSION ACT OF 2014

Expanding prekindergarten services to specified 4-year-old children; establishing the Prekindergarten Expansion Grant Program; requiring the administration of the Program as a competitive grant program for specified providers; requiring a specified report on the aggregate estimated number of 3-year-old children and the subcategory that includes the estimated number of 3-year-old and 4-year old children from an economically disadvantaged background in each county in the State for the current school year and the next 5 school years; etc.

#### SB 119 Chapter 34

Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Subsequent Injury Fund Board)

WORKERS' COMPENSATION – SUBSEQUENT INJURY FUND – BILLING ADDRESS NOTIFICATION

Requiring, on or before July 1, 2014, and on or before July 1 each year thereafter, an employer or its insurer that is liable for payment of specified Subsequent Injury Fund assessments to notify the Subsequent Injury Fund of the current billing address to which notices of payment shall be sent; requiring the employer or its insurer to notify the Subsequent Injury Fund of any change of billing address within 30 days of the change of address; etc.

#### SB 168 Chapter 43

## **Calvert County Senators**

#### CALVERT COUNTY - PUBLIC FACILITIES BONDS

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Calvert County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$12,650,000 to finance the construction, improvement, or development of specified public facilities in Calvert County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

## SB 555 Chapter 63

## **Carroll County Senators**

#### CARROLL COUNTY - PUBLIC FACILITIES BONDS

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$20,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of specified public facilities in Carroll County and to effect such borrowing by issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

## SB 644 Chapter 69

## Senator Ferguson, et al

STATE GOVERNMENT – OPEN DATA POLICY – COUNCIL ON OPEN DATA

Establishing a State policy that open data be machine readable and released to the public in specified ways; establishing a Council on Open Data; providing for the composition, appointment, terms, chairs, and staffing of the Council; requiring the Council to promote the policy on open data by providing specified guidance and policy recommendations, advocating for specified practices, and making recommendations on the purchasing of specified data processing devices, systems, or software; etc.

#### SB 891 Chapter 73

#### Senator Middleton, et al

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – AUTHORITY OF ACUTE CARE HOSPITALS TO PROVIDE CARDIAC SURGERY SERVICES – VOLUNTARY RELINQUISHMENT – REGULATIONS

Requiring that regulations adopted by the Maryland Health Care Commission provide for the voluntary relinquishment of the authority of specified acute care hospitals to provide cardiac surgery services under specified circumstances.

## SB 1044 Chapter 77

#### **Senators Middleton and Benson**

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRICITY AND GAS SUPPLY – CONSUMER PROTECTION – REPORT

Requiring the Public Service Commission to report to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2015, on the status of the Commission's efforts to provide appropriate protections for consumers in connection with competitive retail electricity supply and retail gas supply and recommendations regarding ratepayer protections; specifying the contents of the report; requiring the Commission to convene a workgroup of interested persons, including retail electricity suppliers, to advise the Commission; etc.

## HB 928 Chapter 78

## **Delegates Rudolph and James**

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRICITY AND GAS SUPPLY – CONSUMER PROTECTION – REPORT

Requiring the Public Service Commission to report to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2015, on the status of the Commission's efforts to provide appropriate protections for consumers in connection with competitive retail electricity and retail gas supplies and recommendations for ratepayer protections; specifying the contents of the report; requiring the Commission to convene a specified workgroup to advise the Commission on the information and recommendations that should be included in the report; etc.

#### HB 11 Chapter 80

## Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment)

ENVIRONMENT – BAY RESTORATION FUND – AUTHORIZED USES

Authorizing specified fee revenue collected for the Bay Restoration Fund to pay specified debt issued by a local government for the cost of connecting properties served by on—site sewage disposal systems to specified existing municipal wastewater facilities under specified circumstances; altering conditions for the funding of specified costs; requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt specified regulations; etc.

## HB 827 Chapter 103

#### Delegate Summers, et al

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS – CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS – SUBMISSION OF COPIES TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Requiring each candidate in specified municipal elections to submit a copy of a specified campaign finance report to the State Board of Elections within 10 days after the filing deadline.

## SB 338 Chapter 117

## The President (By Request - Administration)

PUBLIC SAFETY – STATEWIDE INTEROPERABILITY RADIO CONTROL BOARD – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Statewide Interoperability Radio Control Board in the Department of Information Technology; providing for the membership, appointment, terms, staggering of terms, chair, meetings, and staffing of the Board; establishing that members of the Board may not receive a specified compensation but are entitled to a specified reimbursement; establishing specified duties and responsibilities of the Board; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Board; specifying the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

## SB 60 Senator Colburn

## Chapter 122

DORCHESTER COUNTY – CLASS B BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSES – SUNDAY SALES

Altering in Dorchester County the hours that a Class B beer and light wine license holder may sell beer and light wine on Sundays for on— and off—premises consumption; and repealing a prohibition against the sale of beer and light wine on Sundays after a specified time for off—premises consumption.

#### HB 167 Chapter 123

## **Dorchester County Delegation**

DORCHESTER COUNTY – CLASS B BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSES – SUNDAY SALES

Altering in Dorchester County the hours that a Class B beer and light wine license holder may sell beer and light wine on Sundays for on— and off—premises consumption; and repealing a prohibition against the sale of beer and light wine on Sundays after a specified time for off—premises consumption.

## SB 116 Chapter 135

Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Juvenile Services)

JUVENILE LAW – COMMITTED FACILITIES – EXTENSION OF TERMINATION DATE

Extending to June 30, 2016 the termination of specified provisions of law authorizing the Department of Juvenile Services to transfer a child committed to residential placement from a specified facility to another facility under specified circumstances; requiring the Department of Juvenile Services to provide to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2015 a specified report; etc.

#### SB 257 Chapter 150

#### Senator Kelley, et al

TASK FORCE TO STUDY ACCESS TO PHARMACY SERVICES IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Task Force to Study Access to Pharmacy Services in Maryland; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to specified individuals, committees, and the Health Services Cost Review Commission on or before December 31, 2014; etc.

## SB 282 Chapter 152

## **Senator Hershey**

JUVENILE LAW – TRUANCY REDUCTION PILOT PROGRAM – KENT COUNTY

Authorizing the Circuit Administrative Judge of the Second Circuit to establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in Kent County; and making specified provisions relating to a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in specified counties applicable to Kent County.

## SB 356 Chapter 156

#### **Senator Ferguson**

PUBLIC UTILITIES – FIXED CHARGES FOR TAXICAB SERVICES – BALTIMORE CITY

Authorizing a taxicab permit holder to make a fixed charge for any trip by taxicab between specified locations in Baltimore City or between points within Baltimore City as approved by the Public Service Commission; and requiring that a fixed charge made under the Act be calculated on a mileage basis approved by the Commission.

## **HB 1147** Chapter 157

#### Delegate McHale, et al

PUBLIC UTILITIES FIXED CHARGES FOR TAXICAB SERVICES – BALTIMORE CITY

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## SB 592 Chapter 181

#### Senator Jones-Rodwell, et al

WORKGROUP ON WORKFORCE **DEVELOPMENT** FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Maryland Insurance Administration to establish a specified stakeholder workgroup; requiring, to the extent practicable, at least 50% of the membership of the workgroup be composed of individuals who are directly involved in or represent an institution or organization that is directly involved in the provision of nonclinical health care; requiring the workgroup to conduct a study and make recommendations on or before June 1, 2015; etc.

## **SB 736**

#### Senator Jones-Rodwell (By Request - Baltimore City Chapter 193 Administration)

BALTIMORE CITY - PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR HISTORIC OR HERITAGE PROPERTIES - CALCULATION

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to implement, by law, a specified property tax credit that may not specified amount under specified circumstances; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to adopt specified requirements and procedures to carry out a specified program; requiring a specified value to be determined by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; requiring a specified value to be determined by specified professional appraisers; etc.

# HB 876 Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Chapter 194 Administration)

BALTIMORE CITY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR HISTORIC OR HERITAGE PROPERTIES – CALCULATION

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to implement, by law, a specified property tax credit that may not exceed a specified amount under specified circumstances; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to adopt specified requirements and procedures to carry out a specified program; requiring a specified value to be determined by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; requiring a specified value to be determined by specified professional appraisers; etc.

## SB 803 Chapter 195

#### **Senator Raskin**

COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN PATIENT OR CLIENT AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL – EXCEPTIONS TO PRIVILEGE

Creating an exception to the privilege of communications of a patient or client if the disclosure is necessary to prove a charge in a specified criminal proceeding against the patient, former patient, client, or former client; creating an exception to the privilege of communications of a patient or client if the disclosure is necessary to obtain relief in a peace order proceeding in which a specified health care professional is a petitioner and the patient, former patient, client, or former client is a respondent; etc.

#### HB 641 Chapter 196

## **Delegate Simmons**

COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN PATIENT OR CLIENT AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL – EXCEPTIONS TO PRIVILEGE

Creating an exception to the privilege of communications of a patient or client if the disclosure is necessary to prove a charge in a specified criminal proceeding against the patient, former patient, client, or former client; creating an exception to the privilege of communications of a patient or client if the disclosure is necessary to obtain relief in a peace order proceeding in which a specified health care professional is a petitioner and the patient, former patient, client, or former client is a respondent; etc.

#### SB 867 Chapter 203

#### **Senator Benson**

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – REVOCATION OF PAROLE – REPEAL OF SUNSET

Repealing the termination date for a provision of law authorizing the parole commissioner who conducted the hearing on the revocation of an inmate's order of parole to require the inmate to serve any unserved portion of the sentence originally imposed on the inmate.

## SB 936 Chapter 206

#### **Cecil County Senators**

CECIL COUNTY – SHERIFF AND ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES – SALARY

Increasing the annual salary of the Sheriff of Cecil County and increasing the salary of each judge of the Orphans' Court for Cecil County, beginning with fiscal year 2015.

## SB 988 Chapter 208

#### **Senator Pugh**

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR BROADBAND CAPABILITIES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Requiring the State Department of Education to report to the General Assembly on specified matters relating to broadband capabilities in local school systems on or before December 1, 2014; and terminating the Act at the end of December 31, 2014.

## HB 1388 Chapter 209

## Delegate Pena-Melnyk, et al

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR BROADBAND CAPABILITIES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Requiring the State Department of Education to report to the General Assembly on specified matters relating to broadband capabilities in local school systems on or before December 1, 2014; and terminating the Act at the end of December 31, 2014.

# HB 460 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request - Chapter 231 Departmental - Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)

#### GAMING – BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS

Requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission, rather than the Department of State Police, to conduct background investigations in connection with specified gaming licenses; etc.

## HB 461 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request - Chapter 232 Departmental - Education)

#### STATE EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL

Establishing the State Early Childhood Advisory Council; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Council; requiring the Council to develop a strategic plan to improve the school readiness of young children; requiring the Council to assess the availability of high quality early childhood education and development programs that serve children with and without disabilities; requiring the Council to provide a statewide strategic report on or before December 1, 2015; etc.

## HB 881 De Chapter 240 MI

## Delegate Glenn, et al

## MEDICAL MARIJUANA – NATALIE M. LAPRADE MEDICAL MARIJUANA COMMISSION

Altering the purpose of the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission to include approval of physicians, development of a Web site, establishment of an application review process, and issuance of medical marijuana grower licenses; authorizing a medical marijuana grower to distribute marijuana at specified facilities; identifying patients and caregivers; requiring the Commission to report to the General Assembly on the level of competition in the market for medical marijuana on or before December 1, 2015; etc.

### SB 923 Chapter 256

#### Senator Raskin, et al

MEDICAL MARIJUANA – NATALIE M. LAPRADE MEDICAL MARIJUANA COMMISSION

Altering the purpose of the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission to include the approval of physicians, development of a Web site, establishment of an application review process, and issuance of medical marijuana grower licenses; authorizing a medical marijuana grower to distribute marijuana at specified facilities; identifying patients and caregivers; requiring the Commission to report to the General Assembly on the level of competition in the market for medical marijuana on or before December 1, 2015; etc.

## HB 856 Chapter 259

## Delegate Nathan-Pulliam, et al

WORKGROUP ON WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Maryland Insurance Administration to establish a specified stakeholder workgroup on workforce development for community health workers; requiring the workgroup to conduct a study and make recommendations; requiring the workgroup to submit a report to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before June 1, 2015; etc.

## HB 1415 Chapter 261

## Delegate Kaiser, et al

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR COUNTY EXECUTIVE – SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY IN OFFICE

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to provide that a county charter may provide for the filling of a vacancy in the office of chief executive officer or county executive of a county by special election; submitting an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; authorizing a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of chief executive officer or county executive of a charter county to be conducted by mail; etc.

### SB 508 Chapter 300

#### Senator Currie, et al

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONSUMER AFFAIRS SATELLITE OFFICE IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

Requiring the Office of the Attorney General to establish a consumer affairs satellite office located in Prince George's County; providing for the purpose of establishing a consumer affairs satellite office; requiring the consumer affairs satellite office to provide consumers with specified resources; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to give specified consideration when determining the location of the consumer affairs satellite office; etc.

## HB 480 Chapter 301

#### Delegate Davis, et al

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONSUMER AFFAIRS SATELLITE OFFICE IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

Requiring the Office of the Attorney General to establish a consumer affairs satellite office located in Prince George's County; providing for the purpose of establishing a consumer affairs satellite office; requiring the consumer affairs satellite office to provide consumers with specified resources; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to give priority to a specified site when determining the location of the consumer affairs satellite office; etc.

## SB 583 Chapter 306

## Senators Kelley and Middleton

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – INTEREST PAYABLE ON ESCROW ACCOUNTS AND SPECIFIC PURPOSE SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Altering the interest rate payable by specified lending institutions on escrow accounts created in connection with loans secured by a first mortgage or first deed of trust on residential real property; altering the interest rate payable by specified banking institutions on interest bearing accounts instituted for a specific purpose; and applying the Act retroactively to escrow accounts and savings accounts in existence on or after January 1, 2014.

### SB 585 Chapter 307

#### Senator Middleton, et al

COMMERCIAL LAW – PATENT INFRINGEMENT - ASSERTIONS MADE IN BAD FAITH

Prohibiting a person from making specified assertions of patent infringement in bad faith; authorizing a court to consider specified factors as evidence of whether a person has made an assertion of patent infringement in bad faith or in good faith; authorizing specified individuals to bring an action in a specified court to recover for injuries or losses sustained as a result of a violation of the Act; authorizing a court to award damages and remedies under specified circumstances; specifying an exception; etc.

#### SB 881 Chapter 350

#### **Senator Kelley**

TITLE INSURERS – STATUTORY OR UNEARNED PREMIUM RESERVES

Altering the formula in accordance with which a title insurer domiciled in the State shall reduce the reserves applicable to specified contracts of title insurance for purposes of a statutory or unearned premium reserve; altering a provision of law relating to a certification a title insurer is required to file with its annual report; providing that specified provisions of the Act be applied retroactively to specified title insurance contracts; etc.

## HB 1082 Chapter 351

## Delegate Jameson, et al

TITLE INSURERS – STATUTORY OR UNEARNED PREMIUM RESERVES

Altering the formula in accordance with which a title insurer domiciled in the State shall reduce the reserves applicable to specified contracts of title insurance for purposes of a statutory or unearned premium reserve; altering a provision of law relating to a certification that a title insurer is required to file with its annual report; etc.

# SB 893 Chair, Finance Committee (By Request - Department of Chapter 355 Legislative Services)

HEALTH INSURANCE – INSURANCE LAWS THAT APPLY TO HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS – CONSOLIDATION AND CLARIFICATION

Consolidating the insurance laws of the State that apply to health maintenance organizations; clarifying the application of the insurance laws of the State to health maintenance organizations; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

## SB 999 Chapter 366

#### **Senator Pugh**

INSURANCE – REINSURANCE – CERTIFICATION OF REINSURERS

Authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to use information provided by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) committee process to take specified actions relating to an applicant for certification as a reinsurer in Maryland; requiring the Commissioner to consider the list of conditionally qualified jurisdictions published through the NAIC committee process in determining the qualified jurisdictions in the State under specified circumstances; etc.

## HB 100 Chapter 381

#### **Delegate Kipke**

DENTAL HYGIENISTS – PRACTICE IN LONG–TERM CARE FACILITIES – REPEAL OF TERMINATION DATE

Repealing the termination date of specified provisions of law relating to the authority of a dental hygienist to practice dental hygiene under general supervision in a long—term care facility.

## HB 223 Chapter 390

#### **Delegates Rosenberg and Cardin**

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – URBAN AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY – APPLICABILITY

Altering the eligibility criteria for the urban agricultural property tax credit; altering the definition of "urban agricultural property"; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2014.

## HB 389 Chapter 397

#### Delegate Rudolph, et al

MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – ALL– ELECTRONIC TOLLING – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to study and report on the status of its initiative to implement all-electronic tolling; requiring the study to address specified matters, including an analysis of all-electronic tolling in other states and a description of various all-electronic tolling programs; requiring the Authority to submit the report on or before January 1, 2016; and prohibiting the Authority from implementing all-electronic tolling at the Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge before January 1, 2016.

## HB 579 Chapter 411

#### Delegate Kramer, et al

COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY – AUTHORITY – ENFORCEMENT OF LOCAL MINIMUM WAGE LAWS

Requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to enforce a local minimum wage law; specifying that the Commissioner has the same powers and duties in enforcing a local minimum wage law as the Commissioner has to enforce specified provisions of State law; authorizing the Commissioner, on the Commissioner's own initiative or on receipt of a written complaint, to investigate whether a local minimum wage law has been violated; etc.

#### HB 615 Chapter 415

# Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

COAST SMART COUNCIL

Establishing a Coast Smart Council in the Department of Natural Resources; providing for the membership, chair, staffing, and duties of the Council; requiring specified structures to be constructed in accordance with specified siting and design criteria established by the Council; requiring the Council, in consultation with the Department, to develop specified criteria in accordance with specified requirements on or before June 30, 2015; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

# HB 668 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Chapter 417 Request - Departmental - Health and Mental Hygiene)

INCOME TAX CREDIT – HEALTH ENTERPRISE ZONES – MODIFICATIONS

Allowing a specified Health Enterprise Zone employer a credit, in the amount of \$10,000, against the State income tax for hiring a qualified position in a Health Enterprise Zone; requiring that the employer create at least one qualified position during a 24-month period; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with the Community Health Resources Commission, to give special consideration to specified applicants when certifying applications for specified tax credits; etc.

## HB 932 I Chapter 431

## Delegate Murphy, et al

CHARLES COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – SENIOR CITIZENS RECEIVING SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

Authorizing the governing body of Charles County to grant a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on real property that is owned and used as the principal residence of an individual who is at least 65 years old and receives any benefit under the Social Security Act; authorizing the governing body of Charles County to provide for the amount, duration, additional eligibility criteria, application process, and other aspects of the credit; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2014.

#### HB 950 Chapter 433

## Delegate Hogan

PROPERTY TAX – CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL, OR RELIGIOUS PROPERTIES – TAX ON FORMERLY EXEMPT PROPERTY

Providing that, except under specified circumstances, for provisions of law concerning specified charitable, educational, or religious property, when any property that was formerly exempt from property tax is sold and the property is no longer entitled to the exemption, the property tax is payable for the remainder of the taxable year from the date of transfer; making the Act applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2014; etc.

#### HB 1006 Chapter 436

#### Delegate Kaiser, et al

TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF EXPANDING CREDIT AND NONCREDIT COURSES FOR STUDENTS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – EXTENSION

Extending the termination date of the Task Force to Study the Impact of Expanding Credit and Noncredit Courses for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; and altering to January 1, 2016, the date by which a specified report is due.

## **HB 1057 Chapter 442**

#### **Prince George's County Delegation**

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK BUS SERVICE – MOTOR CARRIER PERMIT EXEMPTION – REMOVAL OF SUNSET PG 403–14

Removing the termination provision applicable to a specified motor carrier permit exemption relating to bus service provided by the University of Maryland, College Park.

## **HB** 1148 **Chapter** 446

#### Delegate Jacobs, et al

RECREATIONAL STRIPED BASS FISHERY – STUDY ON HARVEST DATA

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to conduct a study on methods of obtaining more accurate harvest data for the recreational striped bass fishery; requiring the study to examine issues relevant to obtaining more accurate harvest data for the recreational striped bass fishery; requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations on obtaining more accurate harvest data for the recreational striped bass fishery to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2014; etc.

## HB 1174 Chapter 448

## **Delegate Dumais**

RECREATIONAL HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSES – DENIAL, SUSPENSION, AND REQUIRED DISCLOSURE

Establishing that specified provisions of law governing the denial or suspension of licenses for failure to pay child support apply to recreational hunting and fishing licenses; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to require an applicant to provide only specified information related to the applicant's Social Security number on an application for a recreational hunting or fishing license; altering the information that a request for information from a recreational hunting or fishing license application is required to contain; etc.

**Except Section 2** 

#### HB 1456 Chapter 457

Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE – BOARD OF REVIEW – JURISDICTION

Limiting the jurisdiction of the Board of Review of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to hear and determine appeals from decisions of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and units in the Department; authorizing the Board to hear and determine any appeal from a decision of the Secretary in a contested case concerning an individual's eligibility for or participation in specified programs; providing for the application of the Act to decisions of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene issued on or after June 1, 2014; etc.

## SB 171 Chapter 463

#### The President (By Request – Administration)

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2014, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, AND 2013

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,180,515,377, the proceeds to be used for specified necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring specified real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to specified subdivisions and other organizations for specified development and improvement purposes, subject to specified requirements; etc.

Except Sections 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16

## SB 172 Chapter 464

## The President (By Request - Administration)

#### BUDGET RECONCILIATION AND FINANCING ACT OF 2014

Authorizing specified funds to be used for specified purposes; creating a Maryland Amusement Game Advisory Committee; authorizing charter counties to impose a hotel rental tax under specified circumstances; repealing the authorization for the State Lottery Commission to pay specified incentives; altering the allocation of specified local impact grants; providing a specified calculation of local wealth for education aid purposes for specified fiscal years; etc.

Except Sections 2, 3, and 5

## SB 218 Chapter 475

#### The President (By Request - Administration)

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY BONDS

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$4,625,000, the proceeds to be used as grants to the Interagency Committee on School Construction and the Maryland State Department of Education for specified development or improvement purposes; providing for the disbursement of the loan proceeds and the further grant of funds to eligible school systems for specified purposes, subject to a requirement that the grantees document the provision of a required matching fund; etc.

## SB 267 Baltimore City Senators (By Request - Baltimore City Chapter 478 Administration)

BALTIMORE CITY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – NEWLY CONSTRUCTED DWELLINGS

Extending the period of time during which owners of newly constructed dwellings in Baltimore City may qualify for a property tax credit; and repealing specified provisions of law allowing for an amnesty period for owners who were denied the tax credit for failing to meet the application deadline.

## HB 314 Delegate Anderson (By Request – Baltimore City Chapter 479 Administration), et al

BALTIMORE CITY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – NEWLY CONSTRUCTED DWELLINGS

Extending the period of time during which owners of newly constructed dwellings in Baltimore City may qualify for a property tax credit; and repealing specified provisions of law allowing for an amnesty period for owners who were denied the tax credit for failing to meet the application deadline.

## SB 350 Senator Brochin, et al Chapter 490 Speed MONIFORING 6

#### SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS REFORM ACT OF 2014

Altering the standards and requirements for the required warning period for violations recorded by speed monitoring systems; applying notice and signage standards for unmanned local stationary speed monitoring systems to all local speed monitoring systems; requiring the Maryland Police Training Commission to compile and make publicly available on or before December 31 of each year a report containing specified information on each local speed monitoring system program; etc.

#### HB 929 Chapter 491

#### Delegate Malone, et al

#### SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS REFORM ACT OF 2014

Altering the standards and requirements for the required warning period for violations recorded by speed monitoring systems; altering the standards for signage required for local stationary speed monitoring systems; requiring local jurisdictions to designate specified persons to act in a public liaison capacity; requiring the Maryland Police Training Commission to compile and make publicly available an annual report containing specified information on each local speed monitoring system program; etc.

## SB 534 Chapter 515

#### Senator Edwards, et al

## EDUCATION – STATE GRANT TO COUNTIES WITH SMALL AND DECLINING STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Establishing eligibility for a county board of education to receive a specified State grant; requiring a specified grant to be provided to eligible county boards in fiscal years 2015 through 2017 if the full—time enrollment is less than 5,000, less in the current fiscal year than in the prior fiscal year, and total direct education aid in the current fiscal year is less than the prior fiscal year by more than 1%; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the impact of declining enrollment on small school districts be reviewed; etc.

## HB 814 Chapter 516

## Delegate Beitzel, et al

## EDUCATION – STATE GRANT TO COUNTIES WITH SMALL AND DECLINING STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Establishing eligibility for a county board of education to receive a specified State grant; requiring a specified grant to be provided to eligible county boards in specified fiscal years; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

#### SB 570 Chapter 525

#### Senator King, et al

INCOME TAX CREDIT – QUALIFIED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES – CREDIT AMOUNTS

Increasing the maximum total amount of research and development tax credits that the Department of Business and Economic Development may approve in a calendar year from \$8,000,000 to \$9,000,000; and applying the Act to tax credits certified after December 15, 2013.

## SB 572 Chapter 526

#### Senator King, et al

 $\begin{array}{ll} HOMESTEAD\ TAX\ CREDIT-ELIGIBILITY-DEFINITION\ OF\\ LEGAL\ INTEREST \end{array}$ 

Altering the definition of "legal interest" to include an interest in a dwelling as a settlor, grantor, or beneficiary of a trust under specified circumstances so as to include specified settlors, grantors, or beneficiaries of trusts as eligible to apply for the homestead property tax credit.

## HB 227 Chapter 527

#### **Delegate Dumais**

HOMESTEAD TAX CREDIT – ELIGIBILITY – DEFINITION OF LEGAL INTEREST

Altering the definition of "legal interest" to include an interest in a dwelling as a settlor, grantor, or beneficiary of a trust under specified circumstances so as to include specified settlors, grantors, or beneficiaries of trusts as eligible to apply for the homestead property tax credit.

### SB 600 Chapter 530

#### Senator Pugh, et al

REGIONAL INSTITUTION STRATEGIC ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM

Establishing the Regional Institution Strategic Enterprise Zone Program; authorizing specified educational institutions meeting specified criteria to apply to the Secretary of Business and Economic Development to be designated as a qualified institution; requiring the Secretary to approve or reject an application for designation as a qualified institution within 90 days after the application is submitted; requiring county and municipal corporations to provide specified property tax credits to specified entities; etc.

## HB 742 Chapter 531

#### Delegate Walker, et al

REGIONAL INSTITUTION STRATEGIC ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM

Establishing the Regional Institution Strategic Enterprise Zone Program; authorizing specified educational institutions that meet specified criteria to apply to the Secretary of Business and Economic Development to be designated as a qualified institution; requiring the Secretary to approve or reject an application for designation as a qualified institution within 90 days after the application is submitted; requiring county and municipal corporations to provide specified property tax credits for entities locating in a zone; etc.

## SB 605 Chapter 538

#### **Senator Edwards**

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES – REHABILITATION

Authorizing the governing body of Baltimore City, a county, or a municipal corporation to provide a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on an existing commercial structure in which a specified investment is made to allow for the adaptive reuse of the structure; providing for the amount and duration of the tax credit; etc.

#### SB 676 Chapter 544

#### **Senator King**

TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS – PERFORMANCE EVALUATION CRITERIA – USE OF STUDENT GROWTH DATA

Renaming specified model performance evaluation criteria; prohibiting specified performance evaluation criteria from requiring the use of specified student growth data before the 2016–2017 school year; etc.

## HB 1167 Chapter 545

## Delegate Hixson, et al

TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS – PERFORMANCE EVALUATION CRITERIA – USE OF STUDENT GROWTH DATA

Renaming specified model performance evaluation criteria; prohibiting specified performance evaluation criteria from requiring the use of specified student growth data based on State assessments to be used to make personnel decisions before the 2016–2017 school year; etc.

## SB 850 Chapter 561

#### **Senator Conway**

REAL PROPERTY – PROHIBITION ON ACQUIRING MORTGAGES OR DEEDS OF TRUST BY CONDEMNATION AND RELATED STUDY

Prohibiting the State or any of its instrumentalities or political subdivisions from acquiring mortgages or deeds of trust by condemnation during the period between June 1, 2014, and May 30, 2016; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to conduct a study to identify and evaluate methods, including the use of eminent domain by local governments, for restoring equity to specified homeowners who have been unable to obtain mortgage loan modifications to enable them to keep their homes; etc.

#### SB 852 Chapter 562

#### **Senator Conway**

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DISPENSERS OF DEVICES AND EQUIPMENT – EXCLUSION FROM THE MARYLAND PHARMACY ACT

Providing that the Maryland Pharmacy Act does not apply to a person who only dispenses prescription devices that do not contain a prescription drug, prescription devices within which the only prescription drug is medical oxygen, durable medical equipment as defined by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or prosthetics, orthotics and related supplies.

## **HB 1029 Chapter 563**

### Delegate Murphy, et al

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DISPENSERS OF DEVICES AND EQUIPMENT – EXCLUSION FROM THE MARYLAND PHARMACY ACT

Providing that the Maryland Pharmacy Act does not apply to a person who only dispenses prescription devices that do not contain a prescription drug, prescription devices within which the only prescription drug is medical oxygen, durable medical equipment as defined by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or prosthetics, orthotics and related supplies.

## SB 857 Chapter 566

## **Senators Kasemeyer and Conway**

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETIC PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES – FUNDING

Requiring the State Board of Education and specified county boards of education to ensure that specified types of physical education and athletic programs are funded in a specified manner; etc.

## SB 889 Chapter 570

#### Senators Jennings and Glassman

NORTHEASTERN MARYLAND ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING INNOVATION AUTHORITY

Establishing the Northeastern Maryland Additive Manufacturing Innovation Authority; establishing an Executive Board; requiring that, to the extent practicable, the members of the Board reasonably reflect the geographic, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity of the State; requiring the Board to appoint an Executive Director with specified duties; requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development and specified Cecil County and Harford County offices jointly to provide staff, office space, and operational support; etc.

## HB 1060 Chapter 571

## Delegates James and Rudolph

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## SB 895 Chapter 572

## The Minority Leader

ELECTION LAW – BALTIMORE CITY REPUBLICAN PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE – FILLING OF VACANCIES

Providing that an individual appointed to fill a vacancy of a member of the Baltimore City Republican Party Central Committee may reside anywhere in Baltimore City.

# SB 998 Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request - Chapter 575 Departmental - University System of Maryland)

#### ACADEMIC FACILITIES BONDING AUTHORITY

Approving specified projects for the acquisition, development, and improvement of specified academic facilities for the University System of Maryland; authorizing the University System of Maryland to issue bonds in a total principal amount of \$17,000,000 to finance and refinance specified renewal projects; etc.

## HB 321 Chapter 595

#### **Frederick County Delegation**

FREDERICK COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY AFFORDABLE HOUSING LAND TRUST

Authorizing the governing body of Frederick County to exempt real property that is owned by an affordable housing land trust but not subject to an affordable housing land trust agreement from the county property tax; etc.

## HB 510 Chapter 601

## Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request - Departmental - Planning)

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES TAX CREDIT PROGRAM – EXTENSION AND ALTERATION

Extending and altering the Sustainable Communities Tax Credit Program; providing for a tax credit for the rehabilitation of small commercial properties under specified circumstances; prohibiting the Director of the Maryland Historical Trust from issuing tax credit certificates for small commercial properties under specified circumstances; repealing a tax credit for qualified rehabilitated structures; altering the tax credit for high performance buildings; etc.

## HB 549 Chapter 602

## Delegate Stukes, et al

GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – JUNETEENTH NATIONAL FREEDOM DAY

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim June 19 as Juneteenth National Freedom Day.

### HB 863 Chapter 618

#### Delegate McIntosh, et al

PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION – COMMUNITY–MANAGED OPEN SPACE

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to exempt property owned by a community open space management entity from the county or municipal corporation property tax; authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to enact specified provisions to carry out the exemption; and providing the Act shall take effect June 1, 2014 and be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2014.

## HB 904 Chapter 621

#### Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY SERVICES – LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARDS AND STATE SPENDING – INFORMATION COLLECTION AND REPORT

Requiring local management boards to provide specified information to the Department of Legislative Services by October 1, 2014; requiring specified State agencies to provide specified information on State spending in each county and municipal corporation for services and programs for children, youth, and families to the Department by October 1, 2014; requiring the Department to collect information and present a report to the General Assembly in the form of a data resource guide by January 1, 2015; etc.

## HB 920 Chapter 623

## Delegate McIntosh, et al

#### BALTIMORE CITY RESIDENTIAL RETENTION ACT

Requiring the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to grant, by law, a specified tax credit against the property tax imposed on a dwelling in Baltimore City that is newly purchased by a homeowner who has received the homestead property tax credit for a dwelling in Baltimore City under specified circumstances; requiring a homeowner to submit an application to the Director of the Department of Finance of Baltimore City to receive the credit; etc.

#### HB 936 Chapter 624

#### Delegate McIntosh, et al

BALTIMORE CITY – HOMESTEAD ASSESSMENT CAP INCREASE AND PROPERTY TAX RATE REDUCTION – STUDY

Requiring the Department of Legislative Services to complete a study on the feasibility and effects of increasing Baltimore City's homestead property tax credit assessment cap and using the increased revenue to offset a reduction in Baltimore City's property tax rate; requiring the study to make specified estimates and to consider specified matters; requiring the Department to report findings and any recommendations on or before December 31, 2014; and providing the Act shall terminate at the end of June 30, 2015.

## HB 963 Chapter 627

#### Delegate A. Kelly, et al

HOSPITALS – PROTOCOL FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT MEDICAL FORENSIC EXAMINATIONS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Requiring hospitals that provide emergency medical services to have, on or before July 1, 2014, a protocol to provide timely access to sexual assault medical forensic examinations by forensic nurse examiners or physicians to specified victims; establishing the Planning Committee to Implement Improved Access to Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations in Maryland; etc.

## HB 1001 Chapter 630

### Delegate Hixson, et al

EDUCATION – FEDERAL ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT – WAIVER REQUESTS

Requiring the State Department of Education to submit a request for a waiver from the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly before the Department submits the proposed waiver request to the United States Department of Education and to give the Committee a specified amount of time to review and comment; etc.

## **HB 1019 Chapter 632**

## Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE – SUNSET REPEAL PG 421–14

Repealing the termination date of specified provisions of law establishing the Adults with Developmental Disabilities Citizen's Advisory Committee in Prince George's County.

## **HB** 1352 **Chapter 654**

## Delegate Morhaim, et al

SECRETARY OF STATE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL – CHARITABLE ENFORCEMENT AND PROTECTION OF CHARITABLE ASSETS

Authorizing the Attorney General to take specified actions relating to investigations of alleged violations of laws relating to charitable organizations and charitable representatives; providing that a specified enforcement action or other remedy is subject to specified immunity or limitation on liability; requiring that an action to enforce specified provisions of the Act be brought within a specified period of time; etc.

Sections 2 and 3 Only

## **HB 1406 Chapter 655**

## Delegates Kipke and Afzali

ELECTION LAW – SIGNED VOTING AUTHORITY CARDS – MAINTENANCE

Requiring each local board of elections to maintain voting authority cards that have been signed under a specified provision of law for 3 years by physically storing the voting authority cards, or electronically scanning and storing the voting authority cards in the same manner that the local board stores other electronic materials.

## 2013 Chapter - Effective June 1, 2014

### HB 101 Chapter 424

The Speaker (By Request - Administration)

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2013, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, AND 2012

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,109,119,000, the proceeds to be used for specified necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring specified real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to specified subdivisions and other organizations for specified development and improvement purposes, subject to specified requirements; etc.

**Section 12 Only** 

## 2012 Chapter - Effective June 1, 2014

#### SB 151 Chapter 444

The President (By Request - Administration)

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2012, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, AND 2011

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,119,424,000, the proceeds to be used for specified necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring specified real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to specified subdivisions and other organizations for specified development and improvement purposes, subject to specified matching fund requirements by specified dates; etc.

**Section 13 Only** 

## 2011 Chapter - Effective June 1, 2014

## HB 71 Chapter 396

The Speaker (By Request - Administration)

CREATION OF STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2011, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 1996, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, AND 2010

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$949,102,501, the proceeds to be used for specified necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring specified real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to specified subdivisions and other organizations for specified development and improvement purposes, subject to specified matching fund requirements by specified dates; etc.

**Section 14 Only**