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Secretary of the Senate

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Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 14, 2015
Twelve O'clock Noon

The Senate met at 11:59 A.M.

Call to Order by the Secretary of the Senate, William B.C. Addison, Jr.

Prayer by Reverend Shirley A. Gravely–Currie, Director of Development, Howard University School of Divinity, guest of Senator Miller.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Astle be excused from today's session.

STATE OF MARYLAND, TO WIT:

This being the day prescribed by Article 3, Section 14, of the Constitution of the State of Maryland for the meeting of the General Assembly of Maryland, at 12:00 o'clock Noon, William B.C. Addison, Jr., Secretary of the Senate for the preceding Session, called the Senate to order.

Present at the roll call were the following Senators:

District 1	–	Allegheny, Garrett and Washington George C. Edwards
District 2	–	Washington Christopher Shank
District 3	–	Frederick and Washington Ron Young
District 4	–	Frederick and Carroll Michael Hough
District 5	–	Carroll and Baltimore Joseph Getty
District 6	–	Baltimore County Johnny Ray Salling
District 7	–	Baltimore and Harford J.B. Jennings
District 8	–	Baltimore County Katherine A. Klausmeier
District 9	–	Howard and Carroll Gail Bates
District 10	–	Baltimore County

District 11	–	Delores G. Kelley Baltimore County Robert A. Zirkin
District 12	–	Baltimore County and Howard Edward J. Kasemeyer
District 13	–	Howard Guy J. Guzzone
District 14	–	Montgomery Karen S. Montgomery
District 15	–	Montgomery Brian J. Feldman
District 16	–	Montgomery Susan C. Lee
District 17	–	Montgomery Cheryl C. Kagan
District 18	–	Montgomery Richard S. Madaleno, Jr.
District 19	–	Montgomery Roger Manno
District 20	–	Montgomery Jamie Raskin
District 21	–	Prince George’s and Anne Arundel James Rosapepe
District 22	–	Prince George’s Paul G. Pinsky
District 23	–	Prince George’s Douglas J.J. Peters
District 24	–	Prince George’s Joanne C. Benson
District 25	–	Prince George’s Ulysses Currie
District 26	–	Prince George’s C. Anthony Muse
District 27	–	Prince George’s and Calvert Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
District 28	–	Charles Thomas Mac Middleton
District 29	–	Calvert, Charles and St. Mary’s Steve Waugh
District 30	–	Anne Arundel John C. Astle
District 31	–	Anne Arundel Bryan W. Simonaire
District 32	–	Anne Arundel James E. DeGrange, Sr.
District 33	–	Anne Arundel Edward Reilly

District 34	–	Harford and Cecil Bob Cassilly
District 35	–	Harford Wayne Norman
District 36	–	Kent, Queen Anne’s, Cecil and Caroline Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.
District 37	–	Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot and Wicomico Adelaide Eckardt
District 38	–	Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester James N. Mathias, Jr.
District 39	–	Montgomery Nancy J. King
District 40	–	Baltimore City Catherine E. Pugh
District 41	–	Baltimore City Lisa A. Gladden
District 42	–	Baltimore County James Brochin
District 43	–	Baltimore City Joan Carter Conway
District 44	–	Baltimore City Shirley Nathan–Pulliam
District 45	–	Baltimore City Nathaniel J. McFadden
District 46	–	Baltimore City Bill Ferguson
District 47	–	Prince George’s Victor Ramirez

Forty–seven Senators having answered to their names, the Secretary announced that a quorum being present, the Senate of Maryland, 2015 Session is now ready for the transaction of business.

The first order of business was the swearing in of the Senators elect by the Secretary of the Senate.

All 47 Senators received the oath of office and took their seats. All of the Senators received their Certificate of Election.

The next order of business was the election of the President Pro Tem.

The Honorable Douglas J. J. Peters nominated the Honorable Nathaniel McFadden as President Pro Tem. The nomination was seconded by the Honorable Katherine A. Klausmeier. There being no further nominations, the roll was then called which resulted in the election of the Honorable Nathaniel McFadden as President Pro Tem.

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 8)

The Honorable Katherine A. Klausmeier and the Honorable Christopher Shank were appointed to escort the President Pro Tem to the Chair.

The oath of office was administered to the Honorable Senator Nathaniel McFadden by the Secretary of the Senate, William B.C. Addison, Jr.

Remarks by the President Pro Tem, Senator Nathaniel McFadden.

The next order of business was the election of the President of the Senate. This election was presided over by the President Pro Tem of the Senate.

The Honorable Catherine E. Pugh, seconded by the Honorable Richard S. Madaleno, Jr. nominated the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. for the President of the Senate.

The roll was then called, which resulted in the election of the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. of District 27, as President of the Senate.

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 9)

The Honorable Catherine E. Pugh and the Honorable J. B. Jennings were appointed to escort the President to the Chair.

The oath of office was administered to Senator Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. by the President Pro Tem, the Honorable Nathaniel McFadden.

Remarks by the President, Senator Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

Introduction and Remarks by Governor–Elect Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.

REMARKS BY GOVERNOR–ELECT LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR.

January 14, 2015

Thank you very much. First of all I just want to thank President Miller for allowing me to come in and give you a little short greeting. Thank you so much for extending the courtesy. I am a big fan of the Senate President. As he said we have been friends a long, long time. I just came by today to congratulate each and every one of you. I am really proud of all of you. I know it took a lot for you to get here. I know you have some new members. You got some people who have been serving here a long time. I want to congratulate all of you for everything that you are doing on behalf of the State. It's a big day for you. We got a big day

next Wednesday. I hope everybody will be there for that. But I did just want to come by and let you know how excited I am about the opportunity to work with you.

It is an incredible honor to have been chosen as the sixty-second Governor of the State of Maryland. I am truly humbled and deeply grateful to the people of Maryland for giving me this opportunity to serve with you. We've got some problems that are fairly serious but I resolve to fix them as serious as well. And I truly believe that the only way we are going to solve these issues is by sitting down together, reaching across the aisle, and coming up with real, common sense, bipartisan solutions. And that's exactly the way I intend to govern. I believe that together with all of us working with the House and the Senate, people on both sides of the aisle that we are going to tackle these things. We are all Marylanders. People voted for us to work together. It's what they want. It's what they deserve. And I think with your help we are going to be able to put Maryland on a new path. And we will together change Maryland for the better. So thank you and congratulations to all of you. I look forward to working with you.

Introduction and Remarks by United States Senator Barbara Mikulski

Introduction of Attorney General Brian Frosh

Introduction of Honored Guests

ORDERS

ORDER

January 14, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

ORDERED, BY THE SENATE OF MARYLAND, That, for the Legislative Session of 2015, the Senate adopts the Rules, with the exception of Rule 116, as in effect at the end of the Regular Legislative Session of 2014.

The rules with the exception of Rule 116 were adopted by roll call vote as follows:.

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 10)

Senator Klausmeier moved to make Rule 116 a Special Order until January 21, 2015.

The motion was adopted.

ORDER

January 14, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

RESOLVED, that the following Desk Officers be, and are hereby elected to serve, during the Legislative Session of 2015:

Secretary of the Senate	–	William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Assistant to the Secretary	–	Melissa A. Ross
Assistant to the Secretary	–	Nicole M. Xander
Journal Clerk	–	Donald G. Hopkins
Assistant Journal Clerk	–	Dorothy D. Chaney
Reading Clerk	–	Lynne B. Porter
Proceedings Clerk	–	Johanne H. Greer
Chief Page	–	Donna L. Horgan

Read and adopted by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 11)

ORDER

January 14, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

ORDERED, That the monies appropriated for the expense of this Legislative Session of 2015, as set forth in the Appropriation Bill, be paid upon the joint order of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Read and adopted.

ORDER

January 14, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

ORDERED, That the President shall appoint the employees necessary for the proper transaction of the business of this Legislative Session of 2015, as provided for in the Budget, this order to remain in effect until changed or modified by the Senate.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary

Read and adopted.

ANNOUNCEMENT

January 14, 2015

The President makes the following appointments to the legislative standing committees pursuant to Senate Rule 18(a)(1); the appointments are effective as of January 14, 2015.

BUDGET AND TAXATION

Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer, Chairman
Senator Richard S. Madaleno, Jr., Vice–Chairman

Senator Ulysses Currie	Senator Guy J. Guzzone
Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.	Senator Nancy J. King
Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt	Senator Nathaniel McFadden
Senator George C. Edwards	Senator Roger P. Manno
Senator Bill Ferguson	Senator Douglas J.J. Peters
Senator Joseph M. Getty	

EDUCATION, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Senator Joan Carter Conway, Chairman
Senator Paul Pinsky, Vice–Chairman

Senator Gail H. Bates	Senator Johnny Ray Salling
Senator Cheryl C. Kagan	Senator Bryan W. Simonaire
Senator Karen S. Montgomery	Senator Steve Waugh
Senator Shirley Nathan–Pulliam	Senator Ronald N. Young
Senator James C. Rosapepe	

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Senator Thomas M. Middleton, Chairman
 Senator John C. Astle, Vice–Chairman

Senator Joanne C. Benson
 Senator Brian J. Feldman
 Senator Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.
 Senator J.B. Jennings
 Senator Delores G. Kelley

Senator Katherine A. Klausmeier
 Senator James N. Mathias, Jr.
 Senator Catherine E. Pugh
 Senator Edward R. Reilly

JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS COMMITTEE

Senator Robert A. Zirkin, Chairman
 Senator Lisa A. Gladden, Vice–Chairman

Senator James Brochin
 Senator Robert Cassilly
 Senator Michael J. Hough
 Senator Susan C. Lee
 Senator C. Anthony Muse

Senator Wayne Norman
 Senator Victor R. Ramirez
 Senator Jamie B. Raskin
 Senator Christopher B. Shank

RULES COMMITTEE

Senator Katherine A. Klausmeier, Chairman
 Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr., Vice–Chairman

Senator John C. Astle
 Senator Joan Carter Conway
 Senator George C. Edwards
 Senator J.B. Jennings
 Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer

Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
 Senator Thomas M. Middleton
 Senator Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
 Senator Christopher B. Shank

ANNOUNCEMENT

The President makes the following appointments to continuing committee pursuant to Senate Rule 18(a)(2). The appointments are effective as of January 14, 2015.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Senator Jamie B. Raskin, Chairman
 Senator Delores G. Kelley, Vice–Chairman

Senator James Brochin
 Senator Joan Carter Conway
 Senator Ulysses Currie
 Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.
 Senator George C. Edwards
 Senator Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.
 Senator J.B. Jennings
 Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer
 Senator Katherine A. Klausmeier

Senator Richard S. Madaleno, Jr.
 Senator James N. Mathias, Jr.
 Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
 Senator Thomas M. Middleton
 Senator Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
 Senator Catherine E. Pugh
 Senator Edward R. Reilly
 Senator Christopher B. Shank

ANNOUNCEMENT

The President makes the following appointments to the statutory committees and joint committees; the appointments are effective as of January 14, 2015.

LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

Senator Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman

Senator John C. Astle
 Senator Joan Carter Conway
 Senator Ulysses Currie
 Senator George C. Edwards
 Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.
 Senator J.B. Jennings
 Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer

Senator Richard S. Madaleno, Jr.
 Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
 Senator Thomas M. Middleton
 Senator Catherine E. Pugh
 Senator Christopher B. Shank
 Senator Robert A. Zirkin

JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE, EXECUTIVE, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW (AELR)

Senator Roger P. Manno, Senate Chairman

Senator John C. Astle
 Senator James Brochin
 Senator Robert Cassilly
 Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt
 Senator Lisa A. Gladden

Senator James N. Mathias, Jr.
 Senator Catherine E. Pugh
 Senator Victor R. Ramirez
 Senator Steve Waugh

JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE

Senator Guy J. Guzzone, Senate Chairman

Senator Gail H. Bates

Senator Richard S. Madaleno, Jr.

Senator George C. Edwards
Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt
Senator Cheryl C. Kagan
Senator James C. Rosapepe

Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
Senator Douglas J.J. Peters
Senator Catherine E. Pugh

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS
CRITICAL AREAS**

Senator James N. Mathias, Jr. Senate Chairman

Senator Karen S. Montgomery
Senator Jamie B. Raskin

Senator Johnny Ray Salling
Senator Bryan W. Simonaire

JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

Senator Nancy J. King, Senate Chairman

Senator Gail H. Bates
Senator Joanne C. Benson
Senator Joan Carter Conway
Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt

Senator Bill Ferguson
Senator Michael J. Hough
Senator Shirley Nathan–Pulliam

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON FAIR PRACTICES AND STATE PERSONNEL
OVERSIGHT**

Senator C. Anthony Muse, Senate Chairman

Senator Joanne C. Benson
Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt

Senator Johnny Ray Salling

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL RELATIONS

Senator Brian J. Feldman, Senate Chairman

Senator Roger P. Manno
Senator Douglas J.J. Peters
Senator Jamie B. Raskin
Senator Victor R. Ramirez

Senator Christopher B. Shank
Senator Steve Waugh
Senator Ronald N. Young

JOINT COMMITTEE ON GAMING OVERSIGHT

Senator Nancy J. King, Senate Chairman

Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.
Senator George C. Edwards

Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON CYBERSECURITY, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
AND BIOTECHNOLOGY**

Senator James C. Rosapepe, Senate Chairman

Senator John C. Astle
Senator Brian J. Feldman
Senator Bill Ferguson

Senator Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.
Senator Susan C. Lee

JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

Senator Jamie B. Raskin, Senate Chairman

Senator James Brochin
Senator Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.
Senator Wayne Norman

Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
Senator Victor R. Ramirez

JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS

Senator James C. Rosapepe, Senate Chairman

Senator Joanne C. Benson
Senator Richard S. Madaleno, Jr.

Senator Edward R. Reilly

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE TECHNOLOGY & OPEN
GOVERNMENT**

Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr., Senate Chairman

Senator George C. Edwards
Senator J.B. Jennings
Senator Nancy J. King

Senator Katherine A. Klausmeier
Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden

JOINT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

Senator Douglas J.J. Peters, Chairman

Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt
Senator Bill Ferguson
Senator Joseph M. Getty
Senator Guy J. Guzzone

Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer
Senator Roger P. Manno
Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden

**JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON PROGRAM OPEN SPACE & AGRICULTURAL
LAND PRESERVATION**

Senator Karen S. Montgomery, Senate Chairman

Senator George C. Edwards
Senator Thomas M. Middleton

Senator James N. Mathias, Jr.
Senator Ronald N. Young

JOINT COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL

Senator Joanne C. Benson, Senate Co-Chairman
Senator George C. Edwards, Senate Co-Chairman

Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.

Senator Gail H. Bates

JOINT COMMITTEE ON SPENDING AFFORDABILITY

Senator Roger P. Manno, Senate Chairman

Senator George C. Edwards
Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.
Senator J.B. Jennings
Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer
Senator Richard S. Madaleno, Jr.

Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
Senator Thomas M. Middleton
Senator Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
Senator Douglas J.J. Peters
Senator Catherine E. Pugh

JOINT COMMITTEE ON UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE OVERSIGHT

Senator Thomas M. Middleton, Senate Chairman

Senator Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.

Senator Delores G. Kelley

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFIT AND INSURANCE OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE**

Senator Katherine A. Klausmeier, Senate Chairman

Senator Brian J. Feldman

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

January 14, 2015

By The Majority Leader:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

The House of Delegates has organized by the election of the Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House.

We respectfully propose, with your concurrence, the appointment of a Joint Committee of six members, four on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the General Assembly is now organized and prepared to receive any communications he may desire to make.

We have appointed on the part of the House of Delegates, Delegates Frush, C. Wilson, M. Washington, and Reznik.

BY ORDER,
Sylvia Siegert
Chief Clerk

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 14, 2015

By the Majority Leader,

Ladies and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message notifying the Senate of the organization of your Honorable Body, and requesting the appointment of a joint committee to wait upon the Governor to inform him that the General Assembly is now prepared to receive any communications which he may desire to make.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate, Senators Pugh and Jennings.

The Senate has organized by the election of the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., as President.

By Order,
William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE TO THE EXECUTIVE

January 14, 2015

By the Majority Leader,

His Excellency, the Governor of Maryland
Martin O'Malley:

The Senate of Maryland is organized and prepared to receive any communication you may desire to make.

The President of the Senate is the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

By Order,
William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

The Secretary of State appeared and delivered a Message from the Executive.

January 14, 2015

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
H-107 State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear President Miller:

In accordance with Article II, §11 of the Constitution of Maryland, I am pleased to submit for confirmation by the Maryland State Senate, appointments made during the 2014 Recess of the General Assembly. I am confident you will find these individuals to be well qualified for their respective offices and deserving of your support for appointment confirmation.

Sincerely,

Governor

**GUBERNATORIAL RECESS APPOINTMENTS TO STATEWIDE BOARDS
REQUIRING SENATE CONFIRMATION
2015 SESSION OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE, COMMISSION ON	
Janet Sims–Wood, Ph.D. 2102 Keating Street Temple Hills, Maryland 20748 Prince George's/25	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Michael G. Miller 2698 Willow Hill Road Annapolis, Maryland 21403 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Kelsey R.M. Bush 22585 Joan Drive California, Maryland 20619 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Barbara Jane Mobarak 7570 Monarch Mills Way, Apt. 109 Columbia, Maryland 21046 Howard/13	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Shelley Stokes–Hammond 2420 Seminary Road Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 Montgomery/18	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Evan Richardson 2806 Harview Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21234 Baltimore City/43	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
AGRICULTURAL AND RESOURCE–BASED INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (MARBIDCO), BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MARYLAND	
John P. Jastrzembski 780 Bishop Walsh Road Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Timber/Forest Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
AMUSEMENT RIDE SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD, STATE	

Michael H. Jones 25 Willow Way Berlin, Maryland 21811 Worcester/38	Reappointment Amusement Park Owner Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Ralph E. Shaw 307 Main Avenue, SW Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061 Anne Arundel/32	Reappointment Carnival Owner Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Curtis G. Collins, Sr. 9221 Old Court Road Windsor Mill, Maryland 21244 Baltimore County/10	Reappointment Consumer – Chair Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
APPEALS, COURT OF SPECIAL	
Hon. Dan Friedman 361 Rowe Boulevard Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Baltimore County/11	Appointment At Large Term of 10 years from September 23, 2014
ARCHAEOLOGY, ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON	
C. Jane Cox 1621 Defense Highway Gambrills, Maryland 21054 Anne Arundel/33	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Joy Beasley 5312 Brabant Road Baltimore, Maryland 21229 Baltimore City/44	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND	
Martin Knott 6303 Blenheim Road Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Financial Management Expertise Remainder of a term of 5 years from October 1, 2013
BLIND, BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE	
Kimberley G. Alfonso 7500 Woodmont Avenue, #616 Bethesda, Maryland 20814 Montgomery/16	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Lorraine A. Costella, Ph.D. 5387 Graywing Court Columbia, Maryland 21045 Howard/13	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013

BLIND INDUSTRIES AND SERVICES OF MARYLAND, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF	
James R. Berens 12920 Wexford Park Clarksville, Maryland 21029 Howard/13	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Walter A. Brown, Ed.D. 2156 Mt. Royal Terrace Baltimore, Maryland 21217 Baltimore City/40	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
BOILER RULES, BOARD OF	
Richard C. Ludlow 7782A West Shore Road Pasadena, Maryland 21122 Anne Arundel/31	Appointment Owner/User of Power Boilers Term of 4 years from January 1, 2013
CANAL PLACE PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	
Leanne D. Mazer 151 Old Route 219 Salisbury, Pennsylvania 15558 Nonresident	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 1, 2010 and a term of 4 years from June 1, 2014
Frederick A. Thayer, IV 216 N. Mechanic Street, Apt. 4 Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Reappointment Chair Term of 4 years from June 1, 2014
CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS, CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION FOR THE	
Charles P. Goebel 220 S. Harrison Street Easton, Maryland 21601 Talbot/37	Appointment Talbot/Dorchester – Citizen Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
CHESAPEAKE CONSERVATION CORPS PROGRAM BOARD	
John Quinn 17 Osborne Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/12	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2010
Jeff Horstman P.O. Box 6 Queenstown, Maryland 21658 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012

John Coale 179 Duke of Gloucester Street Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Member Remainder of a term to expire June 30, 2015
CHESAPEAKE EMPLOYERS' INSURERS COMPANY, BOARD FOR THE	
Maria Harris Tildon, Esq. 5616 Cross Country Boulevard Baltimore, Maryland 21209 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from June 1, 2013
CHIROPRACTIC AND MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS, STATE BOARD OF	
Gregory C. Lewis, D.C. 2855 Sommersby Road Mt. Airy, Maryland 21771 Carroll/04	Appointment Chiropractor Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2011
CLEAN ENERGY CENTER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MARYLAND	
Jessica L. Schiavone 1425 Beason Street Baltimore, Maryland 21230 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Clean Energy Industry Remainder of a term to expire June 30, 2014
CONSUMER COUNCIL	
Deborah Jefferson 306 Nova Court Silver Spring, Maryland 20904 Montgomery/14	Appointment Consumer Group Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
Howard Folkes, Sr. 8912 Brink Road Gaithersburg, Maryland 20882 Montgomery/14	Appointment Business Group Term of 6 years from July 1, 2012
Norman Goldstein, Esq. 1014 Chiswell Lane Silver Spring, Maryland 20901 Montgomery/19	Reappointment Public Sector Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
Frank A. Porter 5306 Lorraine Drive Camp Springs, Maryland 20748 Prince George's/26	Reappointment Public Sector Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
CORRECTIONAL TRAINING COMMISSION	

Patricia Phelps Schupple 4354 Stonecrest Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21043 Howard/09	Appointment Correctional Official Term of 3 years from July 1, 2011
DEAF, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE	
Denise Y. Gagnon Perdue 5112 Main Street Grasonville, Maryland 21638 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from October 1, 2010
Debra Patkin 2305 East West Highway Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 Montgomery/18	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from October 1, 2009
Stephen Hlibok 5911 Trumpet Sound Court Clarksville, Maryland 21029 Howard/13	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from October 1, 2009
Benjamin J. Bahan, Ph.D. 309 W. 2nd Street Frederick, Maryland 21701 Frederick/03	Reappointment Deaf Member Term of 6 years from October 1, 2010
Jennifer L. Smart, Ph.D. 702 Sawyer Court Towson, Maryland 21286 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from October 1, 2010
DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING, MARYLAND ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE	
Donnice M. Turner 5636 Hartfield Avenue Camp Springs, Maryland 20746 Prince George's/26	Appointment DLLR Remainder of a term of 3 years from October 1, 2011 and a term of 3 years from October 1, 2014
Sue Mclean 810 Bayside Drive Stevensville, Maryland 21666 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment DHCD Term of 3 years from October 1, 2013
Lance J. Fischer 3006 Memory Lane Silver Spring, Maryland 20904 Montgomery/14	Appointment Expertise Remainder of a term of 3 years from October 1, 2011 and a term of 3 years from October 1, 2014

Jason Corning 1415 Duckens Street Odenton, Maryland 21113 Anne Arundel/32	Appointment Citizen with Hearing Loss Term of 3 years from October 1, 2014
Nancy G. Jenkins 1226 Pine Avenue Shady Side, Maryland 20764 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Citizen with Hearing Loss Term of 3 years from October 1, 2012
Ann C. Black 16 Clemson Court Rockville, Maryland 20850 Montgomery/17	Reappointment Knowledge/Expertise of Deaf Blind Individuals Term of 3 years from October 1, 2013
Dakota Burgess 3605 W. Saratoga Street Baltimore, Maryland 21229 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Aging Term of 3 years from October 1, 2014
DIETETIC PRACTICE, STATE BOARD OF	
Phylcia Porter 300 N. Charles Street, Apt. 506 Baltimore, Maryland 21201 Baltimore City/40	Appointment Consumer Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2010
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 1 – BALTIMORE CITY	
Hon. Jack I. Lesser 5800 Wabash Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Judge – Baltimore City Term of 10 years from October 25, 2014
Hon. Askew W. Gatewood, Jr. 5800 Wabash Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Baltimore City/40	Reappointment Judge – Baltimore City Term of 10 years from November 20, 2014
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 2 – DORCHESTER, SOMERSET, WICOMICO AND WORCESTER COUNTIES	
Hon. Melvin J. Jews 310 Gay Street Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Appointment Judge – Dorchester County Term of 10 years from June 20, 2014
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 5 – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY	

Hon. Brian C. Denton 14735 Main Street Upper Marlboro, MD 20772 Prince George's/27	Appointment Judge – Prince George's County Term of 10 years from September 23, 2014
Hon. Clayton Anthony Aarons 14735 Main Street Upper Marlboro, MD 20772 Prince George's/24	Appointment Judge – Prince George's County Term of 10 years from September 15, 2014
Hon. Ann L. Wagner–Stewart 14735 Main Street Upper Marlboro, MD 20772 Prince George's/22	Appointment Judge – Prince George's County Term of 10 years from September 16, 2014
Hon. Katina Self Steuart 14735 Main Street Upper Marlboro, MD 20772 Prince George's/27	Appointment Judge – Prince George's County Term of 10 years from January 15, 2014
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 6 – MONTGOMERY COUNTY	
Hon. Zuberi Bakari Williams 191 E. Jefferson Street Rockville, Maryland 20850 Montgomery/18	Appointment Judge – Montgomery County Term of 10 years
Hon. Holly David Reed, III 191 E. Jefferson Street Rockville, Maryland 20850 Montgomery/14	Appointment Judge – Montgomery County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 7 – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY	
Hon. Laura Marie Robinson 251 Rowe Boulevard Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/31	Appointment Judge – Anne Arundel County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 8 – BALTIMORE COUNTY	
Hon. Sally Creighton Chester 120 East Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21286 Baltimore County/11	Reappointment Judge – Baltimore County Term of 10 years from June 15, 2014
Hon. Alexandra N. Williams 120 East Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21286 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment Judge – Baltimore County Term of 10 years from July 23, 2014

Hon. Kevin Yvonne Thomas Wiggins 120 East Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21286 Baltimore County/10	Appointment Judge – Baltimore County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 10 – CARROLL AND HOWARD COUNTIES	
Hon. Wayne Alan Brooks 3451 Courthouse Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21043 Howard/09	Appointment Judge – Howard County Term of 10 years from June 13, 2014
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 12 – ALLEGANY AND GARRETT COUNTIES	
Hon. Stephan Martin Moylan 205 S. Third Street Oakland, Maryland 21550 Garrett/01	Appointment Judge – Garrett County Term of 10 years from June 16, 2014
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Nicholas E. Johansson, Esq. 5866 Pimlico Road Baltimore, Maryland 21209 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
EDUCATION, STATE BOARD OF	
Steven R. Priester 2112 Ebbvale Road Manchester, Maryland 21102 Carroll/05	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2014
ELECTIONS, STATE BOARD OF	
Janet S. Owens 1624 John Ross Lane Crownsville, Maryland 21032 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Majority Party Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2011
ELEVATOR SAFETY REVIEW BOARD	
Donald E. Greulich 3947 Germantown Road Edgewater, Maryland 21037 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Elevator Servicing Term of 3 years from October 1, 2013
ETHICS COMMISSION, STATE	

Robert G. Blue, Esq. 1809 Thornton Ridge Road Baltimore, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County/11	Reappointment Member – Republican Term of 5 years from July 1, 2010
Rachel McGuckian, Esq. 3500 King William Drive Olney, Maryland 20832 Montgomery/14	Appointment Member – Democrat Term of 5 years from July 1, 2013
FIRE-RESCUE EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION	
Daniel J. Stevens 6461 Hawkins Gate Road La Plata, Maryland 20646 Charles/28	Reappointment Volunteer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
R. Michael Clemens 8104 Pete Wiles Road Middletown, Maryland 21769 Frederick/04	Reappointment Career Academy Instructor – Chair Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Hon. Lynn D. Gilroy 1008 Martin Drive La Plata, Maryland 20646 Charles/28	Reappointment Volunteer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
FOOD CENTER AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Steven L. Fanaroff 11718 Split Tree Circle Potomac, Maryland 20854 Montgomery/15	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2013
HANDGUN PERMIT REVIEW BOARD	
W. Roland Knapp 8504 Woodfall Road Nottingham, Maryland 21236 Baltimore County/08	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from March 27, 2014
Charles L. Washington 10711 Mattaponi Road Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772 Prince George's/27	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from March 27, 2014
HART-MILLER PLEASURE ISLAND CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE	
Frederick H. Habicht, Jr. 2517 Barrison Point Road Essex, Maryland 21221 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment Grantee in Interest Term of 2 years from July 1, 2013

Francis H. Taylor 7603 Iroquois Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21219 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment North Point Pen CC Term of 2 years from July 1, 2013
Samuel L. Lee 11313 Beach Road White Marsh, Maryland 21162 Baltimore County/07	Reappointment Essex Middle River CC Term of 2 years from July 1, 2013
Paul D. Brylske 822 Frog Mortar Road Baltimore, Maryland 21220 Baltimore County/07	Reappointment 7th Legislative District Citizen Term of 2 years from July 1, 2013
Harry Wujek, Jr. 9005 Chesapeake Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21219 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment Balt. Co. Waterman's Assn. Term of 2 years from July 1, 2013
Craig E. Doyle 7827 North Cove Road Baltimore, Maryland 21219 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment Pleasure Boating Term of 2 years from July 1, 2013
George Hetterick 8905 Carlisle Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21236 Baltimore County/08	Reappointment Sport Fishing/Crabbing Term of 2 years from July 1, 2013
Thomas G. Kroen 435 Hopkins Landing Drive Baltimore, Maryland 21221 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment Greater Dundalk CC Term of 2 years from July 1, 2013
HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE BOARD, MARYLAND	
Enrique E. Martinez–Vidal 18640 Queen Elizabeth Drive Brookeville, Maryland 20833 Montgomery/14	Reappointment Expertise Term of 4 years from June 1, 2014
Jennifer A. Goldberg 7526 Summer Leave Lane Columbia, Maryland 21046 Howard/13	Reappointment Employer/Individual Consumer Term of 4 years from June 1, 2014
HEALTH CARE COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Michael S. Barr, M.D. 2309 Old Maple Court Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/09	Reappointment Physician Term of 4 years from October 1, 2012

Stephen B. Thomas, Ph.D. 7301 Radcliffe Drive College Park, Maryland 20740 Prince George's/21	Appointment No Industry Connection Term of 4 years from October 1, 2013
HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION, MARYLAND COMMUNITY	
Elizabeth Leung Chung 5924 White Flint Drive Frederick, Maryland 21702 Frederick/04	Appointment Expertise Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS, STATE BOARD OF	
Clifton E. Savoy, Jr. 8565 Chesley Drive Lusby, Maryland 20657 Calvert/29	Appointment Master Contractor Term of 3 years from January 1, 2012
HERITAGE AREAS AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Hon. Francis Jack Russell 16127 Piney Point Road P.O. Box 134 Piney Point, Maryland 20674 St. Mary's/29	Appointment MACO Elected Official Remainder of a term of 4 years from October 1, 2010
HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Joseph DeMattos, Jr. 18 Chasemount Court Baltimore, Maryland 21209 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2011
Catherine Cano 10 Cross Point Drive Owings, Maryland 20736 Calvert/27	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2014
HIGHER EDUCATION LABOR RELATIONS BOARD, STATE	
Syndia A. Nazario-Cardona 120 Gibbs Street, #577 Rockville, Maryland 20850 Montgomery/17	Appointment Higher Education Term of 6 years from July 1, 2011
INDIAN AFFAIRS, COMMISSION ON	
Rico M. Newman 4002 Beechwood Road University Park, Maryland 20782 Prince George's/22	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2012

Rebecca S. Stone 9461 Kilimanjaro Road Columbia, Maryland 21045 Howard/13	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Lisa A. Savoy 6850 Arbor Lane Bryans Road, Maryland 20616 Charles/28	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2011
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Sean W. Glynn, Esq. 11723 Split Tree Circle Potomac, Maryland 20854 Montgomery/15	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2013
INFANTS AND TODDLERS, INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR	
Elizabeth Snyder 41685 Burnt Mill Drive Hollywood, Maryland 20636 St. Mary's/29	Appointment Parent Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Cynthia Bouchard 289 Scotts Glen Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061 Anne Arundel/32	Appointment Provider Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Valerie Ashton–Thomas 13100 Vicar Woods Lane Bowie, Maryland 20720 Prince George's/24	Appointment MSDE Homeless Education Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Deborah Badawi, M.D. 14 Edelweiss Way Parkton, Maryland 21120 Baltimore County/07	Reappointment DHMH Mental Health Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Margaret C. Berman 7031 Kenleigh Road Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment DHMH Medicaid Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
INTERIOR DESIGNERS, STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED	
Carla K. Viar Pullen 138 S. Mulberry Street Hagerstown, Maryland 21740 Washington/02	Reappointment Interior Designer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2011

Danielle M. Bush Marsalek 7 Copewood Court Millers, Maryland 21102 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment Interior Designer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Robyn I. Dubick 9630 Stirling Bridge Drive Columbia, Maryland 21046 Howard/13	Reappointment Interior Designer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Kevin Sneed 9215 Whitney Street Silver Spring, Maryland 20901 Montgomery/20	Appointment Architect/Design Services Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
JUDICIAL DISABILITIES, COMMISSION ON	
Venkat A.R. Subramanian 7302 Goddard Drive Lanham, Maryland 20706 Prince George's/22	Appointment Public Term of 4 years from January 1, 2012
Hon. Alexander Wright, Jr. 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County/10	Reappointment Judge Term of 4 years from January 1, 2015
Mayda Colon Tsaknis, Esq. 4302 Bill Moxley Road Mt. Airy, Maryland 21771 Frederick/04	Reappointment Attorney Term of 4 years from January 1, 2015
LABOR RELATIONS BOARD, STATE	
LeRoy A. Wilkison 25896 Miles Haven Road P.O. Box 68 Newcomb, Maryland 21653 Talbot/37	Reappointment Nominee of Exclusive Representatives Term of 6 years from July 1, 2013
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF	
Christopher L. Schein 15 Thompson Street Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Landscape Architect Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MARYLAND	
Nancy A. Sachitano, Esq. 11140 Rockville Pike, #580 Rockville, Maryland 20852 Montgomery/16	Reappointment Attorney Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013

Franklin D. Chambers, Jr., Ph.D. 12627 Quaking Branch Court Bowie, Maryland 20720 Prince George's/23	Reappointment Nonlawyer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Glenn F. Ivey, Esq. 2700 Valley Way Cheverly, Maryland 20785 Prince George's/47	Reappointment Attorney Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Christina R. Garcia 2 Maryland Avenue, Apt. #8 Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Nonlawyer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
LONGITUDINAL DATA SYSTEM CENTER GOVERNING BOARD, MARYLAND	
Renee A. Foose, Ed.D. 2435 Sand Hill Road Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/09	Appointment Local Superintendent Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Steven D. Rizzi 58 Harbour Heights Drive Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS	
Eleanor M. Carey, Esq. 15 W. Barre Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2013
Latichia Perine 6606 Touchstone Court Baltimore, Maryland 21214 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2014
MORTICIANS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS, STATE BOARD OF	
James K. Govoni 12713 Keswick Lane Bowie, Maryland 20715 Prince George's/23	Appointment Mortician Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2010
Camille Andrea Bryan, Ed.D. 1518 Perrell Lane Bowie, Maryland 20716 Prince George's/23	Appointment Consumer Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2010

Wayne A. Cooper, Esq. 3719 Halloway North Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772 Prince George's/23	Appointment Consumer Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2011
OPEN MEETINGS LAW COMPLIANCE BOARD, STATE	
Monica J. Johnson, Esq. 4401 Roland Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Attorney Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Wanda Martinez, Esq. 1401 Leister Drive Silver Spring, Maryland 20904 Montgomery/20	Appointment Attorney Term of 3 years from July 1, 2012
Mamata Poch 2537 Yorkway Dundalk, Maryland 21222 Baltimore County/06	Appointment Attorney Term of 3 years from July 1, 2011
PATUXENT INSTITUTION BOARD OF REVIEW	
Evelyn White-Lloyd 5533 Suffield Court Columbia, Maryland 21044 Howard/12	Appointment Public Term of 4 years from March 21, 2014
PATUXENT RIVER COMMISSION	
Christopher B. Perry 915 South Wolfe Street, Unit 101 Baltimore, Maryland 21231 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Environmental/Citizen Term of 4 years from October 1, 2013
PHYSICIANS, STATE BOARD OF	
Mark D. Olszyk, M.D. 2707 Farm View Drive Fallston, Maryland 21047 Harford/7	Appointment Physician Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Priti Kaur Sood, M.D. 2223 Hollowoak Drive Hanover, Maryland 21076 Anne Arundel/32	Appointment Physician Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2011
Mary G. Mussman, M.D. 9708 Kenmore Drive Kensington, Maryland 20895 Montgomery/18	Appointment DHMH Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION	

Larry M. Brownlee, Sr. 6700 Riverdale Road Riverdale Park, Maryland 20737 Prince George's/22	Reappointment Police Official Term of 3 years from June 1, 2014
PSYCHOLOGISTS, STATE BOARD OF	
Cyndie M. Buckson, Psy.D. 5200 Roberts Prospect Drive Bowie, Maryland 20720 Prince George's/24	Appointment Psychologist – Services Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2010
Linda Berg–Cross, Ph.D. 13 Atwell Court Potomac, Maryland 20854 Montgomery/15	Appointment Psychologist – ETR Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2010
PUBLIC DEFENDER, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OFFICE OF THE	
T. Wray McCurdy, Esq. 223 W. Seminary Avenue Lutherville, Maryland 21093 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment 3rd Circuit Term of 3 years from June 1, 2012
Harry S. Johnson, Esq. 28 Warren Manor Court Cockeysville, Maryland 21030 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment 8th Circuit Term of 3 years from June 1, 2013
Margaret A. Mead, Esq. 4303 Conifer Court Glen Arm, Maryland 21057 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment 3rd Circuit Term of 3 years from June 1, 2012
REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS AND HOME INSPECTORS, STATE COMMISSION OF	
Maryann L. Rush 12240 Roundwood Road, Unit 508 Timonium, Maryland 21093 Baltimore County/11	Reappointment General Appraiser Term of 3 years from January 1, 2013
RESIDENTIAL BOARDING EDUCATION PROGRAMS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF	
Dawn Kirstaetter 1000 Fell Street, Unit 402 Baltimore, Maryland 21231 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
RURAL LEGACY BOARD, ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE	

James B. Norris, Jr. 23678 Hurry Road Chaptico, Maryland 20621 St. Mary's/29	Appointment MALPF Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2012
ST. MARY'S CITY COMMISSION, HISTORIC	
Danielle E. Troyan 146 Ingle Place Alexandria, Virginia 22304 Nonresident	Appointment Distinguished Scholar – Educator Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Roland M. Colina, Sr. 19132 Hamlet Court Lexington Park, Maryland 20653 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Kelsey Roderic Moffatt Bush 22585 Joan Drive California, Maryland 20619 St. Mary's/29	Appointment Historical Museum Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF	
Carlos J. Alcazar 5202 Wehawken Road Bethesda, Maryland 20816 Montgomery/16	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from June 1, 2013
SEAFOOD MARKETING ADVISORY COMMISSION	
Lin Hwang 204 Hibiscus Lane Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Appointment Seafood Packer – CBSI Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Joseph N. Brooks 703 Radiance Drive Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Reappointment Seafood Packer – CBSI Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
Jordan T. Todd 1 Sunset Lane Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Appointment Seafood Packer – CBSI Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Aubrey M. Vincent 2010 Church Creek Road Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Appointment Seafood Packer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012

Lee Duncan Carrion 7656 Old Battle Grove Road Dundalk, Maryland 21222 Baltimore County/06	Appointment Retail Food Industry Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
William L. Rice 10750 Rockies View Place Newburg, Maryland 20664 Charles/28	Reappointment Waterman Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Jody Kelly Wright 9702 Shady Grove Court Ocean City, Maryland 21842 Worcester/38	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
TEACHER EDUCATION BOARD, PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND	
Lisa M. Grillo, Ed.D. 3014 Courtside Road Bowie, Maryland 20721 Prince George's/23	Appointment PSSAM Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Christopher W. Lloyd 12260 Weller Road Monrovia, Maryland 21770 Frederick/04	Appointment Statewide Teachers' Org. with Majority Representation Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2011
Philip S. Kauffman 17621 Gatsby Terrace Olney, Maryland 20832 Montgomery/14	Appointment Maryland Assn. of Boards of Education Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2012
TOURISM DEVELOPMENT BOARD, MARYLAND	
Rick Howarth 1807 Chaney's Grant Court Crofton, Maryland 21114 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Attractions Term of 3 years from July 1, 2012
Judy Long Bixler 5011 Reed Road Oxford, Maryland 21654 Talbot/37	Appointment Transportation Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2011
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Katrina J. Dennis, Esq. 33 Peregrine Court Baltimore, Maryland 21208 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2011
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND BOARD OF REGENTS	

Catherine J. Motz, Esq. 1001 Aliceanna Street, Unit P2-102 Baltimore, Maryland 21202 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2012
Raaheela Ahmed 6800 Willow Creek Road Bowie, Maryland 20720 Prince George's/23	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2014
VENTURE FUND AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Andrew E. Jones 8 Hunt Club Court Phoenix, Maryland 21131 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment Investment Capital Experience Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Michael J. Howard 6907 Mackson Drive Temple Hills, Maryland 20748 Prince George's/26	Reappointment Small Business Owner Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Peter S. Greenleaf 7307 Burdette Court Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Montgomery/16	Reappointment Business Executive – Chair Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
WELLMOBILE PROGRAM ADVISORY BOARD, GOVERNOR'S	
Gerard M. Walsh 30 Bellevue Avenue Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Reappointment Business Term of 3 years from October 1, 2013
Dottie Li 3000 Parkway Cheverly, Maryland 20785 Prince George's/47	Appointment Media/Marketing Term of 3 years from October 1, 2014
WOMEN, MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR	
Sylvia D. Butler 2701 W. Garrison Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
Toni Sandridge 12830 Fountain Head Road Hagerstown, Maryland 21742 Washington/02	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013

Nicole Drew, Esq. 1703 East–West Highway, #411 Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 Montgomery/20	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2011
Michele J. Hughes 11571 Riverton Wharf Road Mardela Springs, Maryland 21837 Wicomico/37	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
Cynthia M. Lifson, Esq. 10774 McGregor Drive Columbia, Maryland 21044 Howard/12	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Necole Parker 2108 Waterleaf Way Bowie, Maryland 20721 Prince George’s/25	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Diane Fink 11025 Gray Marsh Place Ijamsville, Maryland 21754 Frederick/04	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2011
Amanda K. Rodriguez, Esq. 16099 Dorset Road Laurel, Maryland 20707 Prince George’s/21	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
WORKERS’ COMPENSATION COMMISSION, ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET OF THE	
Mary C. Larkin 7310 Abbington Drive Oxon Hill, Maryland 20745 Prince George’s/26	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2011 and a term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
WORKFORCE CORPORATION BOARD, MARYLAND	
Paola Moya 930 Wayne Avenue, #608 Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 Montgomery/20	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Ce–Vera Gail Bassette 12907 Turnberry Circle Fort Washington, Maryland 20744 Prince George’s/26	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013

Tina M. Bjarekull 1710 Mansion Ridge Road Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/33	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
H. Walter Townshend, III 1504 Pittsfield Lane Mitchellville, Maryland 20716 Prince George's/23	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2011
Hon. Francis Jack Russell 16127 Piney Point Road P.O. Box 134 Piney Point, Maryland 20674 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
Anthony R. Sarmiento 1502 Ballard Street Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 Montgomery/20	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
George Patrick Maloney 563 Quaker Ridge Court Arnold, Maryland 21012 Anne Arundel/33	Reappointment Chair Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
ANNE ARUNDEL COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Devanice M. Ball 30A Jones Station Road West Severna Park, Maryland 21146 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2014
BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Hon. Thomas Ward 1325 Bolton Street Baltimore, Maryland 21217 Baltimore City/40	Appointment Chair Term to expire June 30, 2015
Dana P. Moore, Esq. 3015 Guilford Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Member Term to expire June 30, 2015
BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF	
Thermon R. Morris, Jr. 3105 Taney Road Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2014
BALTIMORE COUNTY, COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES FOR	

Brian V. McFarland, Esq. 2111 Devere Lane Catonsville, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/44	Appointment 1st Councilmanic District Term of 5 years from July 1, 2013
Walter S. Clary 4818 King Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21236 Baltimore County/08	Appointment 6th Councilmanic District Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2012
CALVERT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS AND SUPERVISORS	
James VanDuzer 3916 S. Shore Drive Port Republic, Maryland 20676 Calvert/27	Reappointment Member Term of 2 years from June 1, 2013
Robert F. Heinrich 1008 Adelina Road Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678 Calvert/27	Reappointment Member Term of 2 years from June 1, 2013
David L. Swann 1290 Adelina Road Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678 Calvert/27	Reappointment Member Term of 2 years from June 1, 2013
HARFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Carolyn W. Evans, Esq. 2407 Chatau Court Fallston, Maryland 21047 Harford/07	Appointment Majority Party – Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 6, 2011
HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Patrick R. Mullinix 16525 A.E. Mullinix Road Woodbine, Maryland 21797 Howard/09	Appointment Minority Party – Substitute Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 6, 2011
KENT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Gail Webb Owings 29851 River Road Millington, Maryland 21651 Kent/36	Appointment Minority Party – Substitute Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 6, 2011
SOMERSET COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	

Douglas Bloodsworth, Jr. 9813 Champ Road Princess Anne, Maryland 21853 Somerset/38	Appointment Majority Party – Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 6, 2011
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The Message from the Executive, being of an Executive nature, was referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 1 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Pharmacists – Refills of Prescriptions During State of Emergency

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a pharmacist, during a state of emergency, may refill a prescription for a drug for which the refill has not been authorized; providing that a pharmacist who is working in Maryland, instead of the area declared an emergency, may refill the prescription if the federal or any state government, instead of the federal or this State's government, declares a state of emergency; increasing the maximum quantity of the drug that may be dispensed under the prescription refill; and generally relating to refills of prescriptions during a state of emergency.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–101(a) and (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–506(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 2 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education Investment Tax Credit Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Higher Education Investment Tax Credit Program to authorize tax credits against the State income tax, public service company franchise tax, and insurance premium tax for certain donations to certain eligible higher education institutions; stating the purpose of the Program; requiring the donations to be used for certain purposes in certain areas; authorizing, each year, the Maryland Higher Education Commission to allocate up to a certain amount of tax credits to eligible higher education institutions; requiring the Commission to adopt a competitive application process to award the tax credits; requiring the application to include certain information; establishing a process for the issuance of tax credit certificates; providing for the amount of the tax credit; providing that the tax credit allowed for any taxable year may not exceed the amount of tax otherwise payable; providing for the carry forward of excess tax credits; requiring certain entities to provide certain reports; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to tax credits for certain donations to certain higher education institutions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 1–101(a) and (f) and 10–101(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 17–401 through 17–406 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Higher Education Investment Tax Credit”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 8–418 and 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 6–123
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 3 – Senator Getty

AN ACT concerning

**State Minimum Wage Rate – Exceptions – Social Service Nonprofit
Organizations**

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain nonprofit organizations to pay employees a certain wage; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to exceptions to the State minimum wage rate.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–413
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 4 – Carroll County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Gaming Events

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations in Carroll County to conduct a card game, card tournament, or casino event under certain circumstances; requiring an organization to obtain a certain permit from the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County before conducting a card game, card tournament, or casino event; requiring an organization that seeks a permit to meet certain requirements; specifying that a card game, card tournament, or casino event may be managed and operated by certain organizations; prohibiting an operator of a card game, card tournament, or casino event from receiving certain compensation; requiring a certain volunteer or player in a card game, card tournament, or casino event to be of a certain age; specifying that a permit holder may receive a certain maximum number of permits in a calendar year; providing a certain time limit on a card game, card tournament, or casino event; specifying that a permit is not transferable; requiring that proceeds from a card game, card tournament, or casino event be used for certain purposes and may not be used for other purposes; specifying a certain exception; specifying that the operation of a card game, card tournament, or casino event may not occur after a certain time on Sunday; authorizing a permit holder under this Act to charge only a preset entrance fee; requiring participants in a card game, card tournament, or casino event to use tokens and not cash for wagering under certain circumstances; prohibiting a permit holder from exchanging tokens under certain circumstances; requiring a permit holder to submit a financial report to the Carroll County Sheriff's Office under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt certain regulations; providing a certain penalty; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gaming in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–906
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–906.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 5 – Senator Getty

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Canvass of Votes – Public Observation

FOR the purpose of clarifying the definition of “canvass” as it applies to votes cast during early voting; providing that a board of canvassers and the staff of a local board may be observed as they complete each part of the canvass by authorized observers; specifying certain individuals or entities who have the right to designate a registered voter as an observer at each counting center; authorizing the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations prohibiting public observation of the canvass only if necessary to accomplish certain purposes; requiring the State Board to ensure that the requirements of this Act are implemented uniformly and consistently by each local board; making conforming changes; and generally relating to public observation of the canvass of votes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 11–101 and 11–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 6 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Credit for Long–Term Care Premiums

FOR the purpose of altering a certain limitation on a certain credit against the State income tax for certain long-term care insurance premiums paid by a taxpayer; altering the amount a taxpayer may claim as a credit for certain long-term care insurance purchased after a certain date; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a certain income tax credit for eligible long-term care premiums.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–718
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 7 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Electronic Cigarettes – Sale to Minors – Components, Supplies, and Enforcement

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the prohibition against selling, distributing, or offering for sale a certain electronic device to a minor that can be used to deliver nicotine includes any component for the device or product used to refill or resupply the device; clarifying that the exception to the prohibition for devices approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration applies only to devices for sale as a certain tobacco cessation product; changing a violation of the prohibition from a misdemeanor to a civil infraction; establishing certain civil penalties; providing that a sworn law enforcement officer, county health officer, or a designee of a county health officer may issue a certain civil citation for a violation of this Act; providing requirements for processing a certain citation; providing for a certain election to stand trial; authorizing a certain prosecution; authorizing the District Court to access certain costs; requiring the District Court to remit certain collected penalties in a certain manner; clarifying that the adjudication of a violation of this Act is not a criminal conviction for any purpose; and generally relating to electronic cigarettes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 24–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 8 – Senator Getty

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Regulation of Milk Products – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering certain definitions related to the regulation of milk products; repealing the limitation on the number of milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permits the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene may issue; repealing the requirement that an applicant for a milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permit operate a dairy farm with no more than a certain number of cows or goats in the herd; repealing the limit on the number of times a milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permit may be renewed; making conforming changes; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the regulation of milk products.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–401, 21–416.1, and 21–417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 9 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Gas and Electricity – Smart Meters – Customer Rights and Required Reports

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain utility company to give certain written notice to certain customers prior to deploying smart meters throughout all or a portion of the utility company’s service territory; specifying the contents of a certain notice; prohibiting a utility company from imposing certain additional fees or charges on certain customers; requiring the Public Service Commission to report on certain matters to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Commission jointly to report on certain matters to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; specifying the contents of certain reports; requiring the Commission, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to select and retain an independent expert to prepare a certain report; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gas and electricity service and smart meters.

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–302.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 10 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Motor Fuel Tax Rates – Consumer Price Index Adjustment – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain motor fuel tax rates be adjusted in future years based on growth in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers; and generally relating to motor fuel tax rates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 9–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 11 – Senators Astle and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title

FOR the purpose of changing the job title of “hearing examiners” of the Public Service Commission to “public utility law judges”; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Public Service Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 2–105(c)(1), 2–108(d)(5) and (8)(ii)6. and (e)(5), 2–303(a), 2–306(b), 2–307(a),
2–308(a), 3–104(a), (b), and (d), 3–108, and 3–113(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 12 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

**Family Law – Child Abuse and Neglect – Expungement of Reports and Records –
Time Period**

FOR the purpose of requiring a local department of social services to maintain certain reports of suspected abuse or neglect and all assessments and investigative findings for a certain purpose for certain periods of time; altering the time period after which a local department is required to expunge certain reports and records of suspected child abuse and neglect; and generally relating to reports of child abuse and neglect.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–707
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 13 – Senators Conway and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Fully Online Distance Education – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “fully online distance education program” as it relates to the registration of institutions of higher education that offer certain online distance education programs in the State; and generally relating to institutions of higher education and fully online distance education in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–202.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 14 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Board of Pharmacy – Pharmacist Rehabilitation Committee – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “pharmacist rehabilitation committee”, for purposes of provisions of law governing pharmacist rehabilitation committees, to provide that it is a group that includes at least one pharmacist instead of a group, the majority of which is comprised of pharmacists; and generally relating to pharmacist rehabilitation committees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–317
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 15 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 12)

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:05 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 15, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 15, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:05 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Greg St. Cyr, Bay Area Community Church, guest of Senator Reilly.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 14, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Astle be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 14)

Remarks by Lieutenant Governor Anthony Brown

FAREWELL TO THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BROWN

January 14, 2015

Thank you.

First, let me lend my voice to the chorus of your friends, your family and your constituents in saying congratulations to each and every one of you.

Congratulations for seeking and earning the privilege, and the honor, and the responsibility to serve the people of Maryland as a member of the General Assembly.

For eight years, before serving as Lieutenant Governor, I too had the opportunity to serve the people of Maryland as a member of the House of Delegates.

I want to thank the Speaker for giving me the opportunity 16 years ago to try and make a difference.

As I look around this chamber, I see the many faces of those with whom I served, as we did the challenging work of the people. To those familiar faces, thank you for allowing me to work with you, as we did on so many important issues.

To those less familiar and unfamiliar faces, the new members, thank you for bringing your talent and experience and your passion and commitment to Annapolis. You will no doubt find the business of the General Assembly to be demanding, exciting, challenging, and sometimes even frustrating. Always remember that it is the people's business.

Your most rewarding work, the work that will be most beneficial for Maryland, and that will be perhaps the most personally rewarding to you as it has been for me, will be the work that involves collaboration, and where necessary compromise, between parties and across geography, and the work that is inclusive of the diversity that is Maryland, and increasingly this Assembly.

Without compromising your values or principles, you will achieve the greatest good when you find the common ground on issues and ideas. And that's what we do so well, here in Annapolis.

During my 16 years in Annapolis, 8 on the first floor and 8 on the second floor, I've witnessed first-hand that there's no right way or wrong way to build good schools, ensure safe neighborhoods, or improve the health of our environment and our neighbors. And, there's certainly no easy way either.

I've seen that there are many things that can be done in Annapolis to strengthen the economy, create jobs, and make Maryland attractive to business. At the end of the day, those jobs will be created not by government, but by the private sector, and they will require the most competitive workforce, and that's why our most successful work over the years to strengthen our economy always involved a partnership with industry and labor.

Whether it's healthcare or the environment, public safety or good government, the challenges are many, and progress is achievable... so long as you find the common ground.

Maryland is a great State. It's great because of who we are as a people. Diverse in our talents, and experiences, backgrounds and perspectives.

You, the members of the General Assembly, are a reflection of that greatness. I am so very excited for you and the work that you have ahead of you.

Each of you has come to Annapolis to participate in and make a contribution in the march towards progress. And each of us has our own ideas of what progress looks like.

Whether it's balancing the budget or positioning Maryland to have the most competitive business climate in the nation, I ask you to keep in mind the words of a great American president who said, and I paraphrase: "The test of our progress is not whether we add to the abundance of those who have much, for they will do well. It is whether we provide enough opportunity to those who have little, so that they too can do well."

I believe that the greatest challenge that we face in our march towards progress is the persistent gaps, disparities and inequities that exist in communities across our State.

Whether it's our neighbors in rural Maryland who lack access to primary healthcare, or families in urban communities whose children lack access to the world-class education we want for all of our children, or even families in the suburbs who struggle to keep their home or find affordable housing, the true measure of your work and progress should be and will be not only how high is the median household income or how low is the unemployment rate, or whether our schools are number one or number three in the nation, but rather, do we ensure that every Marylander has the opportunity to succeed, regardless of where they live or where their family is from.

I remain optimistic, that working together, in partnership with Governor Hogan who I've come to learn during the past year, possesses an extraordinary love for Maryland, I remain optimistic that you will make that kind of progress for the people of Maryland.

God bless you, your families, this wonderful institution, and the Great State of Maryland.

Remarks by Governor Martin O'Malley

Mr. President and men and women of the Maryland State Senate, thank you so very, very much for your kindness, your warm reception and thank you for the real privilege, blessing and honor that it has been to work alongside Anthony Brown and you and the important work of our state. In addition to thanking the Senate President for all of his hard work and his courtesies and by extension all of the long hours, the long debates and the hard work that all of you have done. I also wanted to thank the most important constituent I have that in the chambers and that is my son William who is with me today, William thank you. And you have watched him grow up, haven't you. He's like Opie Taylor, isn't he? He'll always be forever young.

Let me begin by saying thank you to Lieutenant Governor Anthony Brown. All of the good that we have been able to do as an administration and for others Anthony has been at the forefront of each of those drives; reducing violent crime to its lowest levels in thirty-seven years and Prince George's County we together have reduced auto thefts to almost seventy percent over these last eight years, homicides forty percent in just the last four, 700,000 people covered with health insurance who did not have it when you and I started this work, Lieutenant Governor, who have it today, almost unique among the states in making college more affordable in the middle of a recession, instead of more expensive, those things and many, many others. Domestic violence, the sort of accelerated leadership that we have in life science, biotech, IT, those things were all things that we did together. And Anthony Brown I will always consider myself a very, very fortunate Governor for many reasons but one of the foremost being that I had such a good and hardworking and fearless Lieutenant Governor over these last eight years. Thank you.

I also want to thank all of the members of this O'Malley–Brown Administration and all of you for your good work with each of them. Anthony and I tried to follow that rule of governing which says thou shalt surround yourself with the best possible people you can find. And I hope members on both sides of the aisle felt that the members of this administration were always courteous and were always responsive. Perhaps disagreeing on policy but agreeing on one very important thing and that is that the phone does work both ways and we all have an obligation to speak with one another, dialogue with one another and talk with one another.

So to those of you who are new to the Senate, Congratulations. To those of you who might have moved from across the hall, I hope you like it better. But to all of you that I have had the honor to work with these last eight years, my time with you in this service is coming to a close. But you and I together have carried with us a promise and it is a promise that transcends Party. It is a promise that says “yes together we can make our tomorrows better than our todays”. And that’s what we have done.

United in our mission to strengthen and grow the ranks of an ever more diverse and upwardly mobile middle class, to improve public safety and public education, in every part of our state, and to expand opportunity. This, for all of our differences of opinion and for all of our diversity is the mission that has united us. And you have delivered in some of the toughest of times for the people that we love and serve. There is no progress without a job and since the depths of this recession, Maryland, your Maryland, has achieved a better rate of job creation than our neighbors in Pennsylvania or Virginia. We have improved our schools instead of letting our children’s future backslide. And I leave you with this thought. The most precious and important power we have as a people is one another. And there’s a subtle thing that happened over the course of these last eight years and it was more in keeping with the longer arc of our people’s history. And it was the reemergence of civility, of respect, of honest differences but an honest search for the understanding that allows us to move past our disagreements and reach a consensus and a compromise that allows us to move forward. Because for all of our diversity as a people and that is our greatest strength, we are nonetheless united today and always have been. And with your stewardship and leadership in the future we will continue to be united by certain core beliefs; a belief in the dignity of every individual, a belief in our own responsibility to advance the common good, and an understanding that in fact there is a unity to spirit and matter that we’re all in this together. And as the great Frederick Douglas said “We must help one another if we are to succeed”. Thank you all and may God Bless your work.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 39 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Calvert High School Soccer Team
in recognition of

your winning the 2014 Maryland 2A State Championship. We applaud your outstanding season and wish you many, many more. Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 15th day of January 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 15)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 16 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Misdemeanor and Felony Convictions

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain person to file a certain petition for expungement of a certain record if the person was convicted of a certain misdemeanor or a certain felony; specifying the time periods within which a petition for expungement based on a conviction of a certain misdemeanor or a certain felony may not be filed; making a conforming change; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 17 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City School Police Force – Carrying of Firearms – Scope

FOR the purpose of authorizing a Baltimore City school police officer to carry a firearm on certain premises of certain public schools and certain other property used for a certain purpose; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to the carrying of firearms by the Baltimore City school police force.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–318(a) through (c)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–318(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 18 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Dental Examiners – Dentists and Dental Hygienists – Grounds
for Discipline**

FOR the purpose of adding certain grounds on which the State Board of Dental Examiners may take certain disciplinary action against applicants for a license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene, licensed dentists, or licensed dental hygienists; and generally relating to the discipline of applicants for licensure and licensees of the State Board of Dental Examiners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–315
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Introduction and Remarks by New Senate Members

Remarks by Senate Members Getty and Shank to say farewell

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 16)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:08 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 16, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 16, 2015
11:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 11:05 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Mandy Sayers, Covenant United Methodist Church, guest of Senator King.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 15, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senators Astle, Currie and Miller be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 18)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 19 – Senator Conway

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

University System of Maryland – Chancellor – Appointment

FOR the purpose of subjecting the appointment of the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland to the advice and consent of the General Assembly; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the appointment of the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 12–108(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 20 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Board of Elections – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the number of regular members of the Kent County Board of Elections; requiring the members of the local board to be of certain political parties; requiring that a vacancy on the local board be filled in a certain manner; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the membership of the Kent County Board of Elections.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 2–201(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Election Law
Section 2–204(b)(2)(ii)3.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 21 – Senators Hershey and Norman

AN ACT concerning

Cecil County and Queen Anne’s County – Intergovernmental Cooperation and Acceptance of Funds

FOR the purpose of applying to Cecil County and Queen Anne’s County certain provisions authorizing the governing body of a county to contract with another governmental entity for certain purposes and authorizing the governing body of a county to accept certain gifts or grants from the federal or State government and to use the gifts and grants for certain purposes; and generally relating to the application to Cecil County and Queen Anne’s County of certain provisions relating to intergovernmental cooperation and the acceptance of certain funds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government
Section 1–902
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Madaleno

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Earned Income Tax Credit – Tax Year 2014 – Technical Correction

FOR the purpose of clarifying, for a certain taxable year, the percentage of the federal earned income credit used for determining the amount that an individual may claim as a refund under the Maryland earned income credit under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the earned income tax credit allowed under the State income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(a) and (b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 19)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:17 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, January 19, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, January 19, 2015
8:00 P.M. Session

The Senate met at 8:00 P.M.

Prayer by Reverend Shawn Wilson, Pastor, Goshen United Methodist Church, guest of Senator King.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 16, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senators Conway, Madaleno and Mathias be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 24)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 23 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Estates – Closing – Statement of Compensation and Reporting of Income
(Mike Cady Act)

FOR the purpose of requiring a court or a register of wills, at a certain time, to provide to the personal representative of the estate a certain document that includes certain information; requiring the court or register of wills to send a copy of the document to certain federal and state agencies; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to registers of wills and personal representatives.

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 10–106

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 24 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Weinberg Center HVAC Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Frederick for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 25 – Senators Young and Hough

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology

FOR the purpose of altering the name of the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology (CREST); altering the name of the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology Governing Board; altering the powers and duties of the Board to require the Board to operate and exercise general control over the Frederick CREST; authorizing the Board to fix the salaries and terms of employment of the Director and other employees of Frederick CREST; authorizing the Board to purchase, lease, sell, or otherwise acquire or dispose of certain property; authorizing the Director of Frederick CREST or the chair of the Board to execute certain legal documents under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to submit an adopted mission statement to the Maryland Higher Education Committee subject to certain Commission policies and guidelines; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 24–1001, 24–1002, 24–1003(a), and 24–1004

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 26 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Animal Cruelty – Leaving Dogs Outside in Extreme Temperatures

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from leaving a dog outside and unattended by use of a certain restraint during a snow emergency declared by the State Police or during a certain period in which the temperature is below a certain temperature for a certain amount of time; establishing penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to the unattended restraint of dogs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–623
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 27 – Senators Brochin and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County Public Schools – Revocation of Magnet Status – Approval

FOR the purpose of providing that, in Baltimore County, the revocation of the magnet status of a public school approved by the Baltimore County Board of Education after recommendation by the county superintendent does not become effective until the revocation is approved by the majority vote of the Baltimore County Senate and House Delegations to the General Assembly; and generally relating to the revocation of the magnet status of a public school in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 28 – Senator Simonaire

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund – Use of Funds

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish a Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to be used only for certain purposes except under certain circumstances; prohibiting the transfer of funds in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to the General Fund or a special fund of the State except under certain circumstances; providing that this amendment does not apply to the allocation or use of certain funds in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund for counties, municipalities, or Baltimore City or to a transfer of certain funds to the BayStat Subcabinet agencies, in accordance with law; authorizing funds in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to be used for a purpose not related to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays or transferred to the General Fund or a special fund of the State if the Governor and the General Assembly take certain action; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 53A

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 29 – Senators Brochin, Raskin, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Hydraulic Fracturing – Prohibitions

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from storing, treating, discharging, or disposing of, in the State, certain wastewater resulting from hydraulic fracturing; prohibiting a person from engaging in the hydraulic fracturing of a well for the exploration or production of natural gas in the State; defining certain terms; and generally relating to hydraulic fracturing for the exploration or production of natural gas.

BY adding to
Article – Environment
Section 9–293 to be under the new part “Part IX. Hydraulic Fracturing Wastewater”;
and 14–107.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 30 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

**Procurement – Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprise Participation –
Award of Contracts**

FOR the purpose of requiring a unit awarding a contract with a certain expected goal of veteran–owned small business enterprise participation to award the contract in accordance with certain provisions of law to a certain bidder or offeror that meets or makes a good faith effort to meet the expected goals; and generally relating to veteran–owned small business enterprise participation in State procurements.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 31 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Military Retirement Income –
Individuals at Least 65 Years Old**

FOR the purpose of altering a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain military retirement income for individuals who are at least a certain age; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the State income taxation of certain retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 32 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Northwest Trek Conservation and Education Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Global Wildlife Trust, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 33 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Good Shepherd Boys Unit Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the House of the Good Shepherd of the City of Baltimore for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 34 – Carroll County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Carroll County – The Arc of Carroll County Building Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Arc of Carroll County, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND TAXATION REPORT #1

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 4 – Carroll County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Gaming Events

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

**SENATOR SHIRLEY NATHAN–PULLIAM
REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SPEECH
SENATE CHAMBER, 8:00 PM
JANUARY 19TH, 2015**

“Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health is the most shocking and inhumane.”
~ Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., NAACP Convention 1965

Mr. President, Members of the Senate, Constituents, Friends & Family, Good evening,

I would like to give a personal historic perspective to my speech this evening. I came to this country in late 1960. As an immigrant born in Jamaica, West Indies, educated in Jamaica and England. I had heard my whole life about America—the “*greatest country in the world*”—and the land of opportunity. Oh yes, it is the land of opportunities, I can totally agree! What I discovered early was that it was not for everyone. Black people—or as we are now called, African–Americans—in most cases were not afforded the same opportunities.

The American I married in England came from the South. My eyes were wide open and my jaws hanging when I saw the “colored only” signs on my first visit to North Carolina. I was discouraged by racial discrimination in employment, housing, department stores, basic accommodations, lack of blacks in the police and fire departments, and civil rights in general. [My husband was one year older than I, and the son of a sharecropper. At 10 years old on Saturday morning he was working in the fields picking tobacco and cotton with his father, brothers, and sisters. They barely could make it, their everyday struggle was survival. At approximately the same age, on Saturday morning I was attending matinee at the Carib Theater in Kingston, Jamaica. My parents instilled education and service to the community. Our worlds were totally different. Yes, poverty exists in Jamaica—a 3rd world country—but I did not expect it to exist to that degree in America.] Fast forward to June 12, 1963 when Medgar Evers was gunned down. On August 28th, 1963 was the March on Washington. When Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gave his famous *I Have a Dream* speech, he declared “I have a dream that one day...little black boys and girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers.” I was so upset that I could not be at the march because I had a new baby but it gave me hope to see so many people of all races standing together on the National Mall in the name of peace. The theme of the day was “**The time of Civil Rights for all is now.**” Shortly after that was the assassination of John F. Kennedy. Then came the signing of the Civil Rights Act by LBJ in the presence of MLK, then the March for the voting rights act in Selma, and then another MLK led march in Memphis, Tennessee to support garbage collectors. After giving his famous *I have Been to the Mountain Top* Speech where he stated “my eyes have seen the coming of the lord”, Doctor King was assassinated the next day. On TV I saw Attorney General Robert Kennedy holding Coretta Scott King at the funeral. Two months later, Robert Kennedy was assassinated as well. What a turbulent and tumultuous time for anyone to come to this country. My heart was broken as was that of many Americans—both black and white.

Doctor Martin Luther King Jr. This blessed man of faith and vision, born January 15th, 1929 for a time as that. A minister, a preacher of non-violence, a lover of humankind, an activist for the garbage collectors, the underprivileged, the disadvantaged, the poor, the uninsured, he fought for the man who had no voice. He led the Civil Rights Movement in these United States. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. instilled values towards community in service. His life and speeches resonated throughout my young adult life, and many of yours as well—some of you were not yet born. It has been stated, that MLK Jr., has been dead longer than he lived. At age 33, he was pressing the case for civil rights with JFK. At 34, he gave his *I have a dream speech*. At 35 he won the Nobel Peace Prize. And at 39 on April 4, 1968 he was assassinated. He was a remarkable man who left a legacy of nonviolence, hope, and inspiration that is still felt today. What would he think of the violence worldwide and in our state and country? Had he lived, he would be on his knees praying. As the saying goes, I am almost sure he is turning over in his grave. As a young nurse, I developed a passion for the underserved, the uninsured, the poor, the sick, the elderly, the incarcerated, and the fight for the elimination of racial and ethnic disparities by reducing the morbidity and mortality rate (disease and death) in our state and in the nation, and to achieve health equity. In the late 1970s, I visited the grave of Dr Martin Luther King Jr. and sat in his church in Georgia. That was an awesome feeling.

On June 20th, 1965 Dr. King visited my homeland Jamaica and delivered a talk at the University of the West Indies on *Facing the Challenges of the New Age*. He spoke about the need to fight any kind of injustice with love, and a need for us all to strive to be the best that we can be at whatever we choose to do in our lives. “The time is always right to do right.” It is worth mentioning that he also said “of all the places in the world, I feel most at home in Jamaica among my sisters and brothers.” [Later that day he visited the grave of Jamaican hero Marcus Garvey with his wife, Coretta, and later that night he gave a final speech to a jam-packed standing room only arena.] Designated in 1983, MLK Day is the only Federal holiday that honors a private American citizen.

I, like you, have witnessed this continuing struggle for civil rights and a tragic series of events. As Dr. King reminded us “Life’s most persistent and urgent question is “What are we doing for others?” Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. lived a life that mattered. He stated “our lives begin and end the day we become silent about things that matter.” We should do no less. I thank you.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 25)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:26 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 20, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, January 20, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:10 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Doctor Amy E. Richter, St. Anne's Episcopal Church, guest of Senator Astle.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 19, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 27)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 35 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Miscellaneous Business Licenses – Fees

FOR the purpose of altering certain license fees that applicants are required to pay for keeping a billiard table for commercial use, for doing certain construction business, for keeping a garage where motor vehicles are stored for a fee, for doing the business of cleaning or laundering, for doing business as a plumber or gas fitter, for operating a restaurant, for doing business as a trader, and for operating a chain store; and generally relating to business license fees in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 17–504, 17–603, 17–803, 17–1103, 17–1504(a), 17–1604, 17–1808(a), and 17–1809(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 36 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, Klausmeier, Muse, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Stormwater Management – Watershed Protection and Restoration Program –
Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that on or before a certain date a county or municipality subject to a certain municipal stormwater permit adopt and implement laws or ordinances to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; repealing the exemption of a county or municipality from certain requirements if the county or municipality has enacted and implemented a certain system of charges in a certain manner on or before a certain date; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality maintain or administer a local watershed protection and restoration fund in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish and annually collect a stormwater remediation fee in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish certain policies and procedures to reduce a certain stormwater remediation fee to account for certain measures; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the prohibition against the assessment of a stormwater remediation fee on a property by both a county and a municipality; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality determine the method, frequency, and enforcement of the collection of the stormwater remediation fee; repealing the requirement that certain money be deposited in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the uses of money in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality make publicly available a certain report beginning on a certain date; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish a certain hardship exemption program; repealing the authorization of the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations; altering the definition of a certain term; repealing the definition of a certain term; and generally relating to stormwater management in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–201.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 37 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Tobacco Taxes – Healthy Maryland Initiative

FOR the purpose of altering certain fees for licenses for tobacco manufacturers, retailers, and storage warehouses; altering certain fees for licenses for other tobacco products manufacturers, retailers, tobacconists, and storage warehouses; requiring a certain level of funding for the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program; altering the tobacco tax rates on cigarettes and other tobacco products; requiring certain wholesalers of cigarettes and other tobacco products to report the amount of other tobacco products sold on a tobacco tax return; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to file a certain tax return and pay tobacco taxes due on sales; altering the discount allowed on tax stamps to a licensed wholesaler of cigarettes; requiring a person to obtain a certain permit before selling and shipping pipe tobacco or premium cigars directly to a consumer in the State; requiring an applicant for a direct tobacco shipper's permit to submit certain information and pay a certain fee; requiring the Comptroller to issue a direct tobacco shipper's permit to an applicant who meets certain requirements; establishing the term of a direct tobacco shipper's permit; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to label packages with certain information; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to report certain information quarterly to the Comptroller; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to maintain certain records for a certain period of time; requiring a direct tobacco shipper to consent to the jurisdiction of the Comptroller and allow audits of the direct tobacco shipper's records; establishing the criteria and fee for the renewal of a direct tobacco shipper's permit; requiring a consumer receiving a direct shipment of certain tobacco to be at least a certain age; prohibiting the resale of a shipment of tobacco by the recipient; requiring a person to obtain a tobacco common carrier permit before transporting certain tobacco from a direct tobacco shipper to a consumer; requiring an applicant for a tobacco common carrier permit to submit certain information and pay a certain fee; prohibiting the delivery of tobacco to a consumer in the State without a valid tobacco common carrier permit; establishing the term of a tobacco common carrier permit; requiring a tobacco common carrier to verify the age of a recipient to complete delivery; prohibiting a tobacco common carrier from delivering a shipment to certain individuals; requiring a tobacco common carrier to verify that the shipper of tobacco in the State holds a valid direct tobacco shipper's permit; requiring a tobacco common carrier to report certain information quarterly to the Comptroller; requiring a tobacco common carrier to maintain certain records for a certain number of years; authorizing the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; prohibiting the sale and shipment of certain tobacco products directly to consumers in the State unless the person has a certain permit; establishing penalties for violating certain provisions of this Act; clarifying that all cigarettes and other tobacco products used, possessed, or held in the State on or after a certain date are subject to the full tax enacted under

this Act; authorizing the Comptroller to determine the method of assessing and collecting certain additional taxes; requiring certain additional taxes to be remitted to the Comptroller by a certain date; making the provisions of this Act severable; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to the taxation of cigarettes and other tobacco products.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 16–101(b), 16–204, and 16.5–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Business Regulation
Section 16.7–101 through 16.7–114 to be under the new title “Title 16.7. Direct Tobacco Shipper’s Permits”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1015
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–101(a) and (d) and 12–303(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–101(b), 12–105, 12–202, and 12–303(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 38 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Veterans’ License – Fee

FOR the purpose of altering the annual fee for a seven–day veterans’ license in Worcester County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Worcester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–301(y)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–301(y)(2) and (4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 39 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Culler Lake Stormwater Management Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Friends of Baker Park, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 40 – Senators Pugh, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, Ferguson, Gladden, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Maryland Healthy Working Families Act

FOR the purpose of requiring certain employers to provide employees with certain earned sick and safe leave; providing for the method of determining whether an employer is required to provide paid or unpaid earned sick and safe leave; providing for the manner in which earned sick and safe leave is accrued by the employee and treated by the employer; authorizing an employer, under certain circumstances, to deduct the amount paid for earned sick and safe leave from the wages paid to an employee on the termination of employment under a certain provision of law; requiring an employer to allow an employee to use earned sick and safe leave for certain purposes; requiring an employee, under certain circumstances, to request leave, notify the employer of certain information, and comply with certain procedures; authorizing an employer to establish, subject to certain limitations, certain procedures for an employee to follow when requesting and taking earned sick and safe leave; authorizing an employer, under certain circumstances, to require an employee to provide certain documentation subject to certain limitations; requiring an employer to notify the employees that the employees are entitled to certain earned sick and safe leave; specifying the information that must be included in the notice; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to create and make available a certain poster and notice; providing for the manner in which an employer may comply with a certain notice requirement; establishing certain civil penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this Act; requiring an employer to keep certain records for a certain time period; authorizing the Commissioner under certain circumstances to inspect certain records; establishing a rebuttable presumption that an employer has violated certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; providing that a certain rebuttable presumption may be overcome only by certain evidence; authorizing the Commissioner to take certain acts when the Commissioner determines certain provisions of this Act have been violated; authorizing an employee to bring a civil action in a certain court against an employer for a violation of certain provisions of this Act; requiring that a certain action be brought within a certain time period; authorizing a court to award certain damages and fees under certain circumstances; establishing certain prohibited acts; providing for certain criminal penalties; providing that certain protections apply to certain employees; requiring the Commissioner to develop and implement a certain outreach program; authorizing the Commissioner to adopt regulations to carry out certain provisions of this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to conduct an investigation, under certain circumstances, to determine whether certain provisions of this Act have been violated; requiring the Commissioner, except under certain circumstances, to keep certain information confidential; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to earned sick and safe leave.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 2–106(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 3–103(k); and 3–1301 through 3–1312 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle
13. Healthy Working Families Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

January 20, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

We propose with your concurrence a Joint Session of the General Assembly on January 21, 2015 for the purpose of witnessing the Opening of the Certified Election Returns by the Speaker, for the Offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

We have appointed Delegates McComas and A. Washington to escort your Honorable Body to the House Chamber for this Joint Session.

By Order,

Sylvia Siegert
Chief Clerk

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 20, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We have received your message proposing a Joint Session of the General Assembly in the House Chamber on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 10:20 a.m. for the purpose of witnessing the opening of Certified Election Returns by the Speaker, for the Offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

We respectfully concur in your message.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 20, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We respectfully invite your Honorable Body to be present in the Senate Chamber at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 21, 2015, to participate with us in the Inauguration of the Governor–elect, the Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan and the Lieutenant Governor–elect, the Honorable Boyd K. Rutherford, as well as to witness the administration of the Oath of Office to them by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution and the Laws of the State.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate, a committee consisting of Senators King and Edwards, who will wait upon your Honorable Body at 11:30 a.m., and conduct you to the Senate Chamber, where Members of the House will remain standing while the Governor–elect and the Lieutenant Governor–elect take the oath of office.

We propose also, with your concurrence, the appointment of a Committee of eight, four on the part of the House and four on the part of the Senate, to escort the Governor–elect and the Lieutenant Governor–elect to the Senate Chamber for the purpose of being sworn in by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals. After the administration of the Oath, the Committee will escort the Governor to the Executive Offices.

The Committee will at 12:30 p.m. escort the Governor to the West Portico of the State House, where his Inaugural Address will be delivered.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate for this Committee, Senators Pugh and Jennings to escort the Governor; and, Senators Klausmeier and Shank to escort the Lieutenant Governor.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

January 20, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received and accept your Invitation to attend the Inaugural Ceremonies in the Senate Chamber on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 11:30 AM.

We concur with your message for the appointment of a committee of eight, four on the part of the House and four on the part of the Senate, to escort the Governor–elect and the Lieutenant Governor–elect to the Senate Chamber, and, at 12:30 PM to the Northwest Portico of the State House where his Inaugural Address will be delivered.

We have appointed on the part of the House, Delegates Kipke and Kaiser to escort the Governor–elect; and, Delegates Szeliga and Branch to escort the Lieutenant Governor–elect.

By Order,

Sylvia Siegert
Chief Clerk

Read and ordered journalized.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 28)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:26 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 21, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 21, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:04 A.M.

Prayer by Senator Nathaniel McFadden.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 20, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 30)

Farewell remarks by Senator Jennings to Senator Shank

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 41 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Nancy Grasmick Teacher Award – Eligibility

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain public school teachers in the State who earned certain degrees from certain out-of-state institutions of higher education to be eligible for a Nancy Grasmick Teacher Award under certain circumstances; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to eligibility for the Nancy Grasmick Teacher Award.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–1502(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 42 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

**Stormwater Management – Watershed Protection and Restoration Program –
Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that on or before a certain date a county or municipality subject to a certain municipal stormwater permit adopt and implement laws or ordinances to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; repealing the exemption of a county or municipality from certain requirements if the county or municipality has enacted and implemented a certain system of charges in a certain manner on or before a certain date; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality maintain or administer a local watershed protection and restoration fund in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish and annually collect a stormwater remediation fee in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish certain policies and procedures to reduce a certain stormwater remediation fee to account for certain measures; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the prohibition against the assessment of a stormwater remediation fee on a property by both a county and a municipality; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality determine the method, frequency, and enforcement of the collection of the stormwater remediation fee; repealing the requirement that certain money be deposited in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the uses of money in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality make publicly available a certain report beginning on a certain date; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish a certain hardship exemption program; repealing the authorization of the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations; altering the definition of a certain term; repealing the definition of a certain term; and generally relating to stormwater management in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–201.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 43 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Governor – Approval of Duplicative Bills

FOR the purpose of requiring, within the time prescribed by law after its presentment, the Governor to approve a bill if the bill is duplicative of a bill that the Governor approves from the same regular or special session of the General Assembly; and generally relating to duplicative bills presented to the Governor for approval.

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 2–1509.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 44 – Senators Edwards, Astle, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Getty, Hershey, Jennings, Klausmeier, Manno, Mathias, Middleton, Norman, Peters, Reilly, Salling, Shank, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Maximum Speed Limits on Highways

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum speed limit that may be established on certain highways in the State; and generally relating to maximum speed limits on highways.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 21–801.1(b) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 21–801.1(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 45 – Senators Miller and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Charles County – Benedict Volunteer Fire
Department and Rescue Squad and Auxiliary Facility**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Benedict Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and Auxiliary, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 46 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, Klausmeier, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Baltimore County – License Fees

FOR the purpose of altering certain alcoholic beverages license fees in Baltimore County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages license fees in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4–201(a)(2) and (b)(1), 5–101(a)(1), 5–201(a)(1), 5–301(a)(1), 5–401(a)(1), 6–101(a)(1), 6–201(a)(1) and (e)(1), 6–301(a)(1), 6–401(a)(1) and (e)(1), 7–101(b)(1)(i) and (d)(1)(i), 8–204(a) and (c), 8–204.1(a), 8–304(a), 8–404(a)(1), and 8–802(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4–201(b)(8), 5–101(e), 5–201(e)(1), 5–301(e), 5–401(e)(1), 6–101(e), 6–201(e)(2), 6–301(e), 6–401(e)(2), 7–101(b)(4) and (d)(4)(i), 8–204(e), 8–204.1(e), 8–304(d), 8–404(a)(5), and 8–802(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 47 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Fair Campaign Financing Fund – Income Tax Checkoff

FOR the purpose of establishing a checkoff on the individual income tax return through which certain individuals may make a contribution to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; requiring the Comptroller to take certain actions to administer the checkoff; and generally relating to allowing individuals to contribute to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund through a checkoff on the individual income tax return.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 15–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–113.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 48 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners – Failure to Pass Licensure Examination – Prohibition on Issuance of License

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or a physical therapist assistant who fails the examination for licensure a certain number of times from retaking the examination and being licensed by the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners; and generally relating to examination requirements for licensure by the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 13–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 49 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists – Examination of Applicants, Licensees, Certificate Holders, and Trainees

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists to require certain applicants, licensees, certificate holders, and trainees to submit to a mental health or physical examination under certain circumstances; providing that certain applicants, licensees, certificate holders, or trainees are deemed to have consented to submit to an examination and to have waived a certain claim of privilege under certain circumstances; providing that a certain report or testimony of a certain health care practitioner is confidential, except under certain circumstances; providing that the failure or refusal of a certain applicant, licensee, certificate holder, or trainee to submit to a certain examination is prima facie evidence of the inability to practice competently, unless the Board makes a certain finding; requiring the Board to pay the reasonable cost of certain examinations for certain licensees, certificate holders, or trainees; requiring certain applicants to pay the reasonable cost of a certain examination; and generally relating to the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists and examinations of applicants, licensees, certificate holders, and trainees.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 17–513.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 50 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Acupuncture Board – Disciplinary Procedures – Judicial Appeals and Prohibition on Stays

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a hearing of charges filed by the State Acupuncture Board from being stayed or challenged by certain procedural defects; prohibiting an order of the Board from being stayed pending judicial review; authorizing the Board to appeal from any decision that reverses or modifies a certain order; clarifying the circumstances under which a person may take a direct judicial appeal; and generally relating to disciplinary procedures of the State Acupuncture Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1A–310 and 1A–311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 51 – Senators Shank, Benson, and Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Commission on African American History and Culture – Duties

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Commission on African American History and Culture to provide operational funding to certain museums; and generally relating to the duties of the Commission on African American History and Culture.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9.5–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9.5–407
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

Senate Rule 116. Change in Rules

A motion, order, or resolution to repeal, to amend, or to add a new Rule to these Rules:

(1) May not be considered or acted upon unless it has been submitted in writing to the Senate, together with the written text of any proposal, at least one day prior to its presentation; and

(2) In order to be adopted, requires the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the Members elected to the Senate.

STATUS OF RULE: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF SENATE RULE 116.

Senator Klausmeier moved, duly seconded, to adopt Senate Rule 116.

Rule 116 was adopted by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 31)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 32)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #1

Senate Bill 4 – Carroll County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Gaming Events

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 33)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 34)

RECESS

At 10:16 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate recessed until 10:20 A.M. on Wednesday, January 21, 2015.

AFTER RECESS
Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 21, 2015

At 10:20 A.M. the Senate resumed its session.

JOINT SESSION
SENATE QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Senate Roll Call No. 34A)

HOUSE QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 138 Members present.

(See House Roll Call No. 18)

A majority of both the House and the Senate being present, Speaker Busch declared both bodies in Joint Session.

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE

January 20, 2015

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with the provisions of Article II, Section 2 of the Constitution of Maryland, I am enclosing herewith a certified copy of the official returns for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor in the 2014 General Election.

Sincerely,
John P. McDonough
Secretary of State

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE FROM THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

I, LINDA H. LAMONE, Administrator of the State Board of Elections, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE OFFICES OF GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

It is further certified that the original of this document is on file and part of the permanent records of the State Board of Elections.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused to be affixed the official seal of the State Board of Elections, this 16th day of January 2015.

Linda H. Lamone
Administrator

Read and ordered journalized.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFIED ELECTION RESULTS

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS –
NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GUBERNATORIAL GENERAL ELECTION –
OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

(See Exhibit B of Appendix III)

Read and ordered journalized.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:25 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 22, 2015.

**INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF GOVERNOR LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR. AND
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BOYD K. RUTHERFORD**

Wednesday, January 21, 2015, Annapolis, Maryland

The Senate and House representatives escorted the Governor and Lieutenant Governor to the Senate Chamber.

At 11:30 A.M. the Senate and House met in the Senate Chamber, and thereafter Chief Judge Mary Ellen Barbera conducted the swearing in of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Maryland.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 22, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:09 A.M.

Prayer by Monsignor J. Bruce Jarboe, St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church, guest of Senator DeGrange.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 21, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senators Guzzone and Muse be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 37)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 98 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Jody Zepp
Howard County
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015 Maryland Teacher of the Year. We applaud your outstanding contributions to Maryland students and for spending this year as an education voice in policy and instruction in our State. Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 38)

Senate Resolution No. 74 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Dana Jo Reinhardt
George’s Creek Elementary School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Allegany County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 75 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Christina Houstian
Broadneck High School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Anne Arundel County. We
applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 76 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Elizabeth K. Barletta
Barclay Elementary/Middle School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Baltimore City. We applaud your
outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 77 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Anne Cross
Gunpowder Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Baltimore County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 78 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Laura Anne Collins
Plum Point Middle School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Calvert County. We applaud your
outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 79 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Chad J. Shelly
Colonel Richardson High School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for
Caroline County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education
of Maryland students. Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 80 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Nicole D. Heinlein
Carrolltowne Elementary School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for
Carroll County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of
Maryland students. Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 81 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Kelly O’Hara
Elkton High School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for
Cecil County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of
Maryland students. Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 82 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Kimberly King
Milton Somers Middle School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for
Charles County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education
of Maryland students. Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 83 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland

offers its sincerest congratulations to
Thomas H. Mills III
Cambridge–South Dorchester High School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Dorchester County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 84 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Erin Doolittle
Hillcrest Elementary School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for
Frederick County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education
of Maryland students. Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 85 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Ryan Wolf
Southern Garrett High School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for
Garrett County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education
of Maryland students. Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 86 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Lawrence M. Jehnert

Edgewood Elementary School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for
Harford County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education
of Maryland students. Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 87 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Florence Terrill
Henry Highland Garnett Elementary School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for
Kent County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of
Maryland students. Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 88 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Jane Marie Lindsay
John Poole Middle School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Montgomery County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 89 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Laura Shelton
Benjamin D. Foulois Academy
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Prince George’s County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 90 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
April Pinder
Church Hill Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Queen Anne’s County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 91 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Anna L. Breland
Crisfield Academy & High School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Somerset County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 92 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Kathleen Reineke
Oakville Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for St. Mary’s County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 94 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Bridget Whited
St. Michaels Middle/High School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Talbot County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 95 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Courtney M. Leard
Fountaindale School for the Arts and Academic Excellence
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Washington County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 96 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Lauren Nicole Monroe
Wicomico Early Learning Center
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Wicomico County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 97 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Brenna C. Johnson
Stephen Decatur Middle School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2014–2015 Teacher of the Year for Worcester County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

The preceding twenty–three resolutions were read and adopted.

Senate Resolution No. 69 – Senator Bill Ferguson:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
The National Federation of the Blind
in recognition of
its 75th Anniversary of helping the blind raise
their expectations, enabling them to live
more productive, fulfilling lives.

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 22nd day of January 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 39)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 52 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Liberty Elementary Early Childhood Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Baltimore for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 53 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – MSSDAR Headquarters Restoration

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Maryland State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 54 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Restrictions After Service

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a certain individual from receiving financial benefit from certain public service companies, persons, or entities until a certain time has passed after the individual has left service with the Public Service Commission as a commissioner; and generally relating to the Public Service Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(a) and (x)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 2–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SENATE MINORITY CAUCUS

January 22, 2015

The Senate Minority Caucus met on January 16, 2015 for the purposes of electing a replacement Minority Whip for the 2015 Legislative Session following the resignation of Senator Christopher Shank. The following member has been selected:

Minority Whip: Honorable Stephen S. Hershey, Jr. – District 36

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 35 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 40)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:31 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 23, 2015 in Memory of Rodney E. Kennedy retired Maryland State Police and former Sheriff of Cecil County, Maryland.

Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 23, 2015
11:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 11:03 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Abhi Janamanchi, Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church, guest of Senator Madaleno.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 22, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senators Miller and Muse be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 43)

Introductions and Remarks by United States Senator Ben Cardin

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 55 – The Speaker and the President (By Request – Administration)

Budget Bill

(Fiscal Year 2016)

AN ACT for the purpose of making the proposed appropriations contained in the State Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; and generally relating to appropriations and budgetary provisions made pursuant to that section.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 56 – The President (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2015,
and the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2004, 2005, 2008, 2009,
2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of One Billion, Sixty–Eight Million, Five Hundred Forty–Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,068,545,000), the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain development and improvement purposes, subject to certain requirements that certain matching funds be provided and expended by certain dates; providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan; imposing a certain tax on all assessable property in the State; making a certain Watershed Implementation Plan appropriation contingent on the failure of certain legislation; authorizing the creation of State Debt in certain years to be used for certain purposes; requiring that certain grantees convey certain easements under certain circumstances to the Maryland Historical Trust; authorizing certain grantees to appeal certain determinations by the Maryland Historical Trust or the Director to the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees; providing that a certain decision by the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees is final and not subject to administrative or judicial review; providing that the proceeds of certain loans must be expended or encumbered by a certain date; authorizing certain unexpended appropriations in certain prior capital budgets and bond loans to be expended for other public projects; altering certain requirements for certain programs in certain prior capital budgets and bond loans; providing that the authorizations of State Debt in certain prior capital budgets and bond loans be reduced by certain amounts; requiring that certain projects be constructed at certain locations; repealing certain requirements for certain appropriations; requiring the Comptroller to make certain transfers, adjustments, and reconciliations; repealing certain Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan Preauthorization acts; making certain technical corrections; providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the financing of certain capital projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 432 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004, as amended by Chapter
445 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005
Section 1(3) Item DE02.01(B)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 432 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004, as amended by Chapter
483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 1(3) Item UB00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 432 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004, as amended by Chapter 445 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005, Chapter 46 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006, Chapter 488 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008, Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, and Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 445 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, and Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 1(3) Item UB00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008

Section 1(3) Item UB00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008, as amended by Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(3) Item KA05(B)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009

Section 1(3) Item DE02.01(B), ML01(A), and UB00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010

Section 1(3) Item RC00(A) and 12(3) Item RM00(E)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(3) Item DH01(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General

Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 12(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013 and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 1(3) Item KA05(C)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 1(3) Item QB08.01(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, as amended by Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 1(3) Item RM00(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, as amended by Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 483 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010, as amended by Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012
Section 1(3) Item KA05(C)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 1(3) Item KA05(C) and RB31(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012

Section 1(3) Item ZA00(M)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012 and Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012

Section 1(3) Item KA05(B), MM06(C), PA13.01(A), and RB23(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter 430 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 1(3) Item ZA01(F)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(1) and (3) Item DE02.01(D) and RM00(D)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 1(3) Item KA05(B), RM00(B), UA04(A) and (B), UB00(A), ZA00(P), and ZA02(M)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, as amended by Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(1) and (3) Item DH01.04(A), KA05(B), UB00(A), and ZA00(B) and (AF)

BY repealing

Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 57 – The President (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing or altering the distribution of certain revenue; altering or repealing certain required appropriations; authorizing the use of certain funds for certain purposes; repealing a certain requirement for a certain notice relating to abandoned property to be published in certain newspapers; requiring the Comptroller to maintain an abandoned property database containing the names and last known addresses, if any, of persons listed in certain reports; requiring the Comptroller to maintain a certain Internet Web site relating to the abandoned property database; requiring the Comptroller to publish certain notices on a certain Internet Web site; altering the time period by which the Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation is to become self-sufficient and in no further need of certain operating support; altering the date for requiring the establishment of a certain library; altering the method for calculating certain income tax disparity grants; providing that certain payments in certain fiscal years be based on certain revenues; repealing the State Police Helicopter Replacement Fund; altering a certain provision that authorizes a certain refund to make it applicable to State residents only; altering the amount of certificates for certain tax credits that the Secretary of Business and Economic Development may issue; altering the date by which the Governor is required to reduce a certain assessment by a certain amount; clarifying language regarding a certain appropriation; requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to enact certain policies to achieve certain savings for certain fiscal years; setting certain limits on increases in payments to certain providers for a certain fiscal year; prohibiting the payment of certain merit increases or cost-of-living adjustments for certain State employees, except under certain circumstances; providing that certain payments be deposited into the General Fund for certain fiscal years; providing for the transfer of certain funds; setting certain limits on increases on certain required appropriations; requiring that on or before a certain date the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene make adjustments to certain rates; providing for a certain reimbursement under certain circumstances; altering the definition of certain terms; defining a certain term; making the provisions of this Act severable; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the financing of State and local government.

BY repealing

Article – Commercial Law

Section 17–311(a) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 17–311(a), (b), and (c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Commercial Law

Section 17–311(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 10–523(a)(3)(i) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(a)(13)(ii), (iii), and (iv) and (k)(5), 16–305(c)(1)(i), 17–104(a)(1),
23–108(a), 23–205(c), (d), and (e), and 23–503(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 5–202(a)(13)(v) and (vi), 16–305(c)(1)(iii) and (iv), and 17–104(a)(2) and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Education
Section 16–305(c)(1)(iii) and (iv) and 17–104(a)(2) and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 2–302(b)(3) and 7–307(d)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1116(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1116(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 31–107.2(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 16–501(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Local Government

Section 16–501(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 5–212(g)(2) and 8–709(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Public Safety

Section 2–801 and the subtitle “Subtitle 8. State Police Helicopter Replacement Fund”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 4–506(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 7–311(j)(1) and 7–325(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 2–1302.1(b), 10–704(b)(2)(i), 10–730(f)(1), and 10–733(f)(3)(iv)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–704(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 13–209(f)(2) and (h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Tax – Property

Section 13–209(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 8–613.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 397 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter 425 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 464 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 16

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 58 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Housing and Community Development – Notice of Proposed Projects

FOR the purpose of requiring the Community Development Administration in the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide written notice and a reasonable opportunity to comment to the Senate and House delegations for the county in which a proposed community development project or a public purpose project is located; requiring the Department to provide written notice and a reasonable opportunity to comment to the Senate and House delegations for the county in which a proposed project under the Rental Housing Program is located;

and generally relating to notice of proposed projects by the Department of Housing and Community Development.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–101(a) and (b) and 4–401(a) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–213 and 4–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 59 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by repealing 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 a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators.

BY repealing
Article – Health Occupations
Section 9–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government

Section 8–403(b)(37)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill 60 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland
Judicial Conference)**

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Collection of Appearance Fees

FOR the purpose of clarifying that if more than one stockholder, partner, member, or employee of a certain entity engaged in practicing law enters an appearance in an action or a case, the clerk of the circuit court may collect only one appearance fee per entity; clarifying that, if more than one employee of a certain governmental entity enters an appearance in an action or a case, the clerk of the circuit court may collect only one appearance fee per governmental entity; and generally relating to the collection of appearance fees.

BY renumbering

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(b) through (w), respectively to be Section 7–204(c) through (x),
respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 61 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland
Judicial Conference)**

AN ACT concerning

Active Armed Forces Member – Exemption From Payment of Fees for Certain Court Records

FOR the purpose of requiring a clerk of a court to provide without charge a copy of certain papers or records requested by an active armed forces member or the United States government; requiring a clerk of a court to provide without charge a copy of certain marriage records that are requested under certain circumstances; and generally relating to certain court papers and records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 62 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Water and Sewer Lien Registers – Fees

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain water and sewer authorities pay a certain fee to the clerk of a certain circuit court to record a lien in a certain lien register; and generally relating to real estate lien registers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–949(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 63 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Manufactured Homes – Recording of Affidavits of Affixation and Severance – Fees

FOR the purpose of clarifying that certain fees that the clerk of a circuit court may charge for recording an affidavit of affixation or an affidavit of severance for a manufactured

home shall be set by the State Court Administrator; and generally relating to recording fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8B–202(e) and 8B–302(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 64 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund – Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Court Administrator to assess a certain surcharge on certain fees, charges, and costs in certain cases in the Court of Appeals, Court of Special Appeals, and circuit courts; requiring the Chief Judge of the District Court to assess a certain surcharge in certain cases; requiring the surcharges to be deposited in the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund; and generally relating to the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–102, 7–202(e) and (f), 7–301(c), and 13–603(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–202(d) and 13–603(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–202(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 65 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Hospital Lien Docket – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the clerks of the circuit courts provide a hospital lien docket; making a conforming change; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to hospital lien dockets.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 16–605
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 66 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund – Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the surcharge on certain recordable instruments that the State Court Administrator is required to establish for the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund; and generally relating to the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 13–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 67 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Crime of Violence – Home Invasion

FOR the purpose of classifying the offense of home invasion as a crime of violence under certain provisions of law; and generally relating to crimes of violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law
Section 4–401(b) and 14–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–101(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 68 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Charles County and St. Mary’s County – Deer Hunting – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that the Department of Natural Resources establish a program in certain counties to train rifle shooters to hunt deer for the purpose of controlling the deer population; repealing the requirement that the Department give certain applicants priority to participate in the program; repealing provisions of law that authorize the Department to terminate the program under certain circumstances; repealing a certain reporting requirement; repealing a requirement that the Department adopt certain regulations; repealing provisions of law that authorize a person to hunt deer with a certain shotgun in certain counties during certain months; repealing provisions of law that authorize an individual who holds a certain permit in certain counties to hunt with a certain shotgun during deer season in certain locations; repealing a prohibition on the Department from requiring a certain permit holder to renew a certain permit more frequently than at a certain interval; repealing a prohibition on the Department from authorizing an individual in certain counties to hunt deer on Sundays under a certain permit; repealing provisions of law that authorize the Department to terminate a certain deer season under certain circumstances; repealing provisions of law that authorize the Department to restrict the lands on which a person may hunt deer under certain circumstances; repealing a certain termination provision; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to deer hunting in Charles County and St. Mary’s County.

BY repealing
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–408.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources

Section 10–415
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 574 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 69 – Senator Conway

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Pharmacy – Sterile Compounding – Compliance by Nonresident Pharmacies and Repeal of Permit Requirement

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that certain entities hold a sterile compounding permit issued by the State Board of Pharmacy before engaging in certain activities relating to sterile compounding; repealing the requirement that a person that prepares and distributes sterile drug products into or within the State hold a certain permit; repealing the qualifications, fees, and other requirements for applying for a sterile compounding permit; repealing the requirement for the Board to adopt regulations relating to sterile compounding permits; repealing requirements for inspections of and reporting by sterile compounding permit holders; repealing the authority of the Board to take certain disciplinary action or impose certain fines for violating sterile compounding permit requirements; repealing the requirement that the inspection report submitted by a wholesale distributor applicant or permit holder that prepares sterile drug products demonstrate compliance with certain standards; repealing certain criminal penalties and civil fines for operating a sterile compounding facility without a permit; requiring a nonresident pharmacy that will dispense compounded sterile preparations to patients in the State to obtain and submit to the Board a report of an inspection that meets certain standards and is conducted by a certain entity within a certain time period in order for the nonresident pharmacy to obtain a pharmacy permit from the Board; requiring a nonresident pharmacy, if dispensing compounded sterile preparations to patients in the State, to comply with certain standards and regulations; repealing certain definitions; defining certain terms; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to sterile compounding and the State Board of Pharmacy.

BY renumbering

Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–101(d) through (t–1) and (u) through (w), respectively
to be Section 12–101(e) through (y), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing

Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–4A–01 through 12–4A–12 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4A. Sterile
Compounding Permits”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–101(d) and (z)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–403(f)(1) and (g), 12–6C–03.2, and 12–707(b) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 70 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Orders of Summary
Suspension – Prohibition on Stays**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a stay if a person notes an appeal from an order of summary suspension by the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–319(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–320
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 71 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Reappointment of Washington County Superintendent of Schools – Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting the Washington County Board of Education from certain requirements for the appointment and reappointment of a Washington County Superintendent of Schools; and generally relating to the Washington County Superintendent of Schools.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 72 – Senators Astle and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Administration – Selective Service Registration – Driver’s License and Identification Card Applicants

FOR the purpose of making certain provisions of law relating to the Motor Vehicle Administration’s collection and electronic forwarding of Selective Service registration information gender–neutral and expanding their applicability to certain minors; altering the conditions under which certain information about an applicant is forwarded to the Selective Service System including removing an applicant’s option to refuse to consent to Selective Service registration; making certain changes to the contents of the statement the Administration is required to include on an application for a driver’s license or an identification card; making a certain conforming change relating to an applicant’s refusal to consent to Selective Service registration; repealing a certain provision making the Administration’s collection and electronic forwarding of Selective Service registration information on certain individuals to the Selective Service System contingent on the Administration’s receipt of federal funds to pay for certain start–up costs; repealing a certain provision requiring the Motor Vehicle Administrator to initiate and monitor efforts to obtain certain federal funds and to report to the Department of Legislative Services when

a certain contingency is fulfilled; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Motor Vehicle Administration and Selective Service registration.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 12–304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 309 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

BY repealing

Chapter 309 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002

Section 2 and 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 73 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Commission on Tax Policy, Reform, and Fairness

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Tax Policy, Reform, and Fairness; specifying the membership of the Commission; providing for the appointment of a Senate cochair and House cochair of the Commission; providing for the staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to study, consider, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission on Tax Policy, Reform, and Fairness.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 74 – Senators Feldman, Benson, Kelley, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or

before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 75 – Senators Feldman and Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study a Program for Interest-Free Loans to STEM College Students in Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study a Program for Interest-Free Loans to STEM College Students in Maryland; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study a Program for Interest-Free Loans to STEM College Students in Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 76 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Noncontributory Pension Benefit – Definition

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the definition of “noncontributory pension benefit”, as it relates to the State Retirement and Pension System, does not include the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit; and generally relating to the definition of “noncontributory pension benefit” for the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 20-101(aa-1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 77 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Secured Transactions – False Records

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from causing a record to be filed or recorded with a filing office under certain circumstances; authorizing a filing office to refuse to accept a record for filing or recording under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain person to file a request to terminate a filed record under certain circumstances; requiring the request to be accompanied by a certain affidavit; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to adopt by regulation and make available a certain request form and affidavit; requiring a filing office, on the filing office's refusal to accept a record or on receipt of a request to terminate a filed record, to send to certain persons a request to provide certain information; authorizing a filing office to terminate a record under certain circumstances; prohibiting a filing office from charging or refunding certain fees; requiring a filing office to notify certain persons of a certain decision; establishing that the sole remedy of a party aggrieved by a filing office's decision is to file a certain petition in the circuit court for the county where certain property is located; providing for the parties to the proceeding; requiring the prevailing party to provide a copy of the court order to the filing office under certain circumstances; requiring the filing office to take certain actions on receipt of the court order; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to secured transactions.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 9–501.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 78 – Senators Raskin, Astle, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hough, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Shank, Simonaire, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Rape Survivor Family Protection Act

FOR the purpose of excluding as a father of a child a man who has committed a certain sexual crime against the child's mother for purposes of certain provisions relating to the paternity of a child in a guardianship or adoption proceeding under certain

circumstances; requiring a court to consider a certain statement when making a certain finding; prohibiting a court from requiring publication of certain information under certain circumstances; requiring that a certain hearing be held within a certain period of time; authorizing a court to order a man to provide financial support to a child under certain circumstances; prohibiting a court from awarding custody of or visitation with a child to a parent who has committed a certain sexual crime against the other parent under certain circumstances; requiring a court to consider the safety and well-being of the child's other parent or guardian in approving supervised visitation; and generally relating to adoption, guardianship, custody, and visitation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–306, 5–3A–06, 5–3B–05, and 9–101.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 79 – The President (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Qualified Zone Academy Bonds

FOR the purpose of 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 certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds and the further grant of funds to eligible school systems for certain purposes, subject to a requirement that the grantees document the provision of a required matching fund; providing that, after a certain date, any bonds authorized under this Act shall be canceled and be of no further effect; providing that the proceeds of the loan under this Act shall be expended not later than a certain number of years after the issuance of the bonds authorized under this Act; authorizing the Board of Public Works to sell certain bonds at certain sales in proportion to the documented matching fund; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 1 – Senators Simonaire, Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Currie, Eckardt, Edwards, Getty, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, King, Middleton, Montgomery, Norman, Pugh, Raskin, Reilly, Salling, Waugh, and Young

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

**Conowingo Dam – Sediment and Nutrient Pollution
(National Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act of 2015)**

FOR the purpose of urging the United States Congress to authorize a review of certain studies related to the Conowingo Dam for the purpose of initiating and funding a certain project by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; providing that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Services to certain individuals; and generally relating to the Conowingo Dam.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

The Secretary of State appeared and delivered a Message from the Executive.

January 21, 2015

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. President:

It is a pleasure to submit to the Maryland State Senate, the following nominations for appointment as Department Secretaries:

Department of Aging
Rona E. Kramer, Esq.
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Agriculture
Joseph Bartenfelder
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Budget and Management
David R. Brinkley
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Business and Economic Development
R. Michael Gill
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of the Environment
Ben Grumbles
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of General Services
C. Gail Bassette
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
Van T. Mitchell
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Housing and Community Development
Kenneth C. Holt
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Human Resources
Sam Malhotra
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Maryland Insurance Administration
Al Redmer, Jr.
Appointment as Insurance Commissioner
Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 1, 2011
and a term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
Kelly Schulz
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Military Department
Brig. Gen. Linda L. Singh
Appointment as Adjutant General
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Planning

David R. Craig
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services
Stephen T. Moyer
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Secretary of State
John C. Wobensmith
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Transportation
Pete K. Rahn
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Veterans Affairs
George W. Owings, III
Appointment as Secretary
To serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Thank you for your consideration. Additional executive nominations will be forthcoming. I look forward to your favorable approval of these nominations.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

The Message from the Executive, being of an Executive nature, was referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 44)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:23 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, January 26, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, January 26, 2015
8:00 P.M. Session

The Senate met at 8:10 P.M.

Prayer by Reverend Clare L. Petersberger, Towson Unitarian Universalist Church, guest of Senator Raskin. Prayer read by Senator Raskin.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 23, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senators Madaleno and Muse be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 43 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 46)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 80 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain day as Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day in recognition of the service and sacrifice of Vietnam veterans; and generally relating to Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–402 through 7–413, respectively
to be Section 7–403 through 7–414, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 81 – Senator Getty

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Property Tax Credit – Buc’s Pleasure Club

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Carroll County to grant a property tax credit for certain real property owned by Buc’s Pleasure Club, Incorporated; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to authorizing Carroll County to provide a property tax credit for certain real property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–308(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 82 – Senators Brochin and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Second–Degree Murder – Penalty

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum term of imprisonment that may be imposed for the offense of second–degree murder; and generally relating to second–degree murder.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 83 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Department of Natural Resources – Vibrio Notice Regulations

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources by regulation to provide for the inclusion of a Vibrio notice with certain recreational tidal fishing licenses, recreational crabbing licenses, and certificates of boat number; authorizing the Department by regulation to provide for the inclusion of a Vibrio notice with certain other licenses or authorizations; specifying the minimum information that a Vibrio notice must contain; and generally relating to Vibrio notice regulations.

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–222
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 84 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Rules of the Road – Duty to Remain at Scene of Accident – Penalties

FOR the purpose of increasing the penalty for failing to remain at the scene of a certain vehicle accident that results in the death of another person; and generally relating to the requirement to remain at the scene of a vehicle accident.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 20–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 27–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 85 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Clean Waterways Tax Credit Act

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual a credit against the State income tax for the purchase price of equipment purchased during the taxable year used to install or maintain a floating garden; providing that the credit may not exceed a certain amount; providing that the credit may not be carried forward to another taxable year; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for floating garden equipment.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–724.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 86 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Hit and Run Suspects – Yellow Alert Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of State Police to establish a Yellow Alert Program to provide a system for rapid dissemination of certain information to assist in locating and apprehending certain missing persons suspected of failing to remain at the scene of a vehicle accident under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to adopt certain guidelines and develop certain procedures for issuing a Yellow Alert, provide certain training and assistance to local law enforcement agencies, recruit certain broadcasters, local volunteer groups, and other members of the public to assist in developing and implementing a Yellow Alert, and consult with the State Highway Administration to establish a certain plan; requiring certain law enforcement officers or agencies to provide certain notification under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of a Yellow Alert Program.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–606

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 27–113

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 87 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Transfer to Juvenile Court – Petition for Expungement

FOR the purpose of requiring a petition for expungement of a criminal charge that has been transferred to the juvenile court to be filed in the court of original jurisdiction from which the order of transfer was entered; and generally relating to expungement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105(b) and 10–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 88 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Game Birds – Baiting

FOR the purpose of altering the prohibition against a person hunting certain game birds by the aid of baiting or on or over a baited area to require that the person know or reasonably should know that the area is a baited area before a violation occurs; and generally relating to hunting game birds by bait or on or over a baited area.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–412
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 89 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

City of Annapolis – Alcoholic Beverages – Election Days

FOR the purpose of adding the City of Annapolis to the list of subdivisions in which a holder of an alcoholic beverages license may exercise all of the privileges conferred by that license on the day of any election in that subdivision; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in the City of Annapolis.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–401(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 90 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Guzzone, Klausmeier, Mathias, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Guardianship, Advance Directives, and Surrogates – Disabled Persons and Mental Health Services

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to appoint a guardian of the person of a disabled person for a limited period of time under certain circumstances; specifying that certain rights, duties, and powers that a court may order include the duty to file a certain report; providing that a revocation of an advance directive for mental health services by a certain declarant is not effective until a certain period of time after the request for revocation is made by the declarant; repealing the prohibition against certain surrogate decision makers authorizing treatment for a mental disorder; and generally relating to guardianship, advance directives, and surrogate decision making.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 13–708(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 5–604 and 5–605(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 91 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Mathias, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Continuing Care Retirement Communities – Continuing Care Agreements – Actuarial Studies

FOR the purpose of altering the contents of a renewal application for a continuing care retirement community by requiring that actuarial studies reviewed by qualified actuaries be submitted on a certain basis for certain continuing care agreements; defining certain terms; and generally relating to continuing care retirement community continuing care agreements and actuarial studies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 10–401 and 10–413(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 92 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Assignment of Benefits and Reimbursement of Nonpreferred Providers – Repeal of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law relating to the assignment of benefits and reimbursement of nonpreferred providers; and generally relating to the assignment of benefits and reimbursement of nonpreferred providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 537 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 7

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 93 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Conway, Gladden, Kagan, Madaleno, McFadden, Montgomery, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Civil Action – Wrongfully Selling or Furnishing Alcoholic Beverages

FOR the purpose of providing that a civil action for certain damages may be brought against an alcoholic beverages licensee or the licensee's employee who sold or furnished under certain circumstances alcoholic beverages to an individual who was under the influence of alcoholic beverages and who negligently drove or attempted to drive a motor vehicle after consuming the alcoholic beverages; requiring a trier of fact to determine whether a wrongful sale or furnishing of alcoholic beverages was a proximate cause of certain damages; providing for a certain standard of proof; establishing that an action may not be brought under this Act by certain individuals; providing for the admissibility of certain evidence; providing for a certain period of limitations for bringing an action under this Act; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain civil liability for wrongfully selling or furnishing alcoholic beverages under certain circumstances.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–2101 through 3–2105 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 21. Wrongful Sale or Furnishing of Alcoholic Beverages”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 94 – Senators Ferguson, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Automated Mapping–Geographic Information Systems – System Services Costs

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority of certain governmental units to adopt a fee structure to cover certain costs for system services; altering a certain definition for the purpose of repealing the authority of certain governmental units to adopt a fee structure to cover certain costs relating to existing system products; repealing a requirement that a person must contract with a governmental unit for certain online access to geographic data; making conforming changes; and generally relating to automated mapping–geographic information systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 10–901 through 10–904
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing

Article – State Government
Section 10–905
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 95 – Senators Klausmeier and Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation – Children’s Scholarship Fund – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Workers’ Compensation Children’s Scholarship Fund; requiring the Workers’ Compensation Commission to impose, in addition to the payment of certain compensation, a certain assessment against an employer or its insurer for each award of compensation for permanent total disability against the employer; providing that the assessments shall be paid into the Fund; establishing the Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Joint Committee on Workers’ Compensation Benefit and Insurance Oversight to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purposes for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; authorizing the Committee to award certain scholarship assistance to individuals who meet certain requirements; requiring the Committee, in consultation with a certain organization, to establish certain policies and procedures for the administration of the scholarship assistance; authorizing the Committee to consider the recommendations of a certain entity in awarding scholarship assistance under a certain provision of this Act; providing that an award or a denial of scholarship assistance under a certain provision of this Act is in the sole and exclusive discretion of the Committee; requiring the Commission, at the discretion of the Committee, to pay awards of scholarship assistance directly to a certain educational institution for a certain purpose; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law requiring interest on State money in special funds to accrue to the General Fund of the State; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Workers’ Compensation Children’s Scholarship Fund.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 9–751; and 10–401 through 10–403 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Workers’ Compensation Children’s Scholarship Fund”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)83.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 96 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Getty, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Reilly, Salling, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Early Voting Centers – Parking

FOR the purpose of requiring each early voting center to have sufficient parking on–site to accommodate the maximum number of voters expected to be present at the early voting center at one time; and generally relating to parking at early voting centers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 10–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 97 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Death of Voter Before Canvass – Counting of Ballot

FOR the purpose of requiring a ballot cast by a voter who dies before the ballot is canvassed to be counted in full unless a law or regulation requires that it be fully or partially rejected for a reason unrelated to the death of the voter; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the counting of a ballot cast by a voter who dies before the canvass.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 11–302(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 11–302(d)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 11–303.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 98 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Operation of Vehicle When Approaching a Service Vehicle

FOR the purpose of requiring drivers approaching a service vehicle that is stopped, standing, or parked on a highway and using certain visual signals, unless otherwise directed by a police officer or a traffic control device, to make a lane change into an available lane not immediately adjacent to the service vehicle under certain circumstances or to slow to a reasonable and prudent speed that is safe for certain existing conditions under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the rules of the road when approaching service vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–405(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 22–201 and 22–218(c)(6) and (11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 99 – Senators Norman, Cassilly, Hough, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Congressional Districting Process

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Legislative Services to obtain certain census data, adjust the census data for certain purposes, and provide the adjusted census data to a temporary redistricting commission within a certain time period; creating a temporary redistricting commission; providing for the membership of the commission and the qualifications of its members; providing that individuals cease to be members of the commission under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to staff and provide certain support for the commission; requiring the commission to use certain census data to prepare and adopt a districting plan for congressional districting within a certain time period; specifying that a certain districting plan is the plan for the State; requiring that a certain districting plan be filed with the Secretary of State within a certain time period; providing for the effectiveness of a certain districting plan; making this Act subject to a certain contingency; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of districts in Maryland for the election of members of Congress.

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 8–6A–01 through 8–6A–04 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6A.
Congressional Districting Process”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 100 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Getty, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Permit to Carry, Wear, or Transport a Handgun – Qualifications

FOR the purpose of clarifying that self–defense can qualify as a good and substantial reason to wear, carry, or transport a handgun for purposes of the issuance by the Secretary of State Police of a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun; and generally relating to a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–301(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–306(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 101 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Uniform Real Property Transfer–on–Death (TOD) Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Uniform Real Property Transfer–on–Death (TOD) Act; providing for the construction of this Act; authorizing an individual to transfer certain property to one or more beneficiaries effective at the transferor’s death by a transfer–on–death deed; establishing that a transfer–on–death deed is revocable and nontestamentary; providing that the capacity required to make or revoke a transfer–on–death deed is the same as that required to make a will; establishing the requirements of a transfer–on–death deed; providing that notice, delivery, acceptance, or consideration are not required for a transfer–on–death deed; providing for the revocation of a transfer–on–death deed; providing for the effect of a transfer–on–death deed during the life of the transferor; providing for the effect of a transfer–on–death deed at the death of the transferor; authorizing a beneficiary to make a certain disclaimer; providing for certain creditor claims and statutory allowances; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the citation of this Act; providing certain statutory forms that may be used to create a transfer–on–death deed and a revocation of a transfer–on–death deed; defining certain terms; and generally relating to transferring real estate on death.

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 18–101 through 18–202 to be under the new title “Title 18. Maryland
Uniform Real Property Transfer–on–Death (TOD) Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 102 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Accumulated Contributions of
Nonvested Former Members**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain accumulated contributions of certain nonvested former members to be transferred into a certain fund; making conforming changes; and generally relating to accumulated contributions of nonvested former members of the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 21–303(a) and 21–311

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 103 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**Judges’ Retirement System – Membership, Accrual of Interest, and
Reemployment**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that regular interest may not be paid on member contributions of certain members of the Judges’ Retirement System under certain circumstances; providing that membership in the Judges’ Retirement System for certain members ends under certain circumstances; repealing a limitation on when a member may withdraw accumulated contributions from the Judges’ Retirement System; repealing a duplicative provision pertaining to the withdrawal of accumulated contributions from the Judges’ Retirement System; clarifying that certain retirees of the Judges’ Retirement System are required to have a certain break in service before obtaining certain employment; repealing obsolete language pertaining to the reemployment of retired former members of the Judges’ Retirement

System; making conforming changes; and generally relating to membership, accrual of interest, and reemployment in the Judges' Retirement System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 27–203, 27–204, 27–405, and 27–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 104 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Officers' Retirement System – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the positions eligible for membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to include certain individuals who elect to transfer from the Employees' Retirement System; clarifying that certain individuals who do not elect to transfer are not members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; authorizing certain individuals to cease membership in the Employees' Retirement System and enroll in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; authorizing certain individuals to transfer service credit from the Employees' Retirement System to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; requiring an individual who elects to transfer membership and service credit to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to make that election on a form provided by the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System; requiring service credit transferred to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System under this Act to be transferred in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring the Executive Director of the State Retirement Agency to grant a certain waiver if it is necessary to implement a certain transfer of service credit; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 25–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 105 – Senators Middleton and Conway

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Home Birth Safety Act

FOR the purpose of establishing a licensing and regulatory system for the practice of direct–entry midwifery under the State Board of Nursing; establishing the Direct–Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee within the Board; providing for the composition, qualifications, chair, term, quorum, meeting requirements, compensation, reimbursement, and removal of members of the Committee; providing for the duties of the Committee; including certain midwives under the jurisdiction of a certain rehabilitation committee; requiring the Board to give certain persons a hearing before taking certain actions; requiring certain midwives to notify certain providers of certain births, transfer certain records, make certain recommendations, develop certain plans for certain patients, obtain certain informed consent agreements that acknowledge certain items from certain patients, comply with certain data collection and reporting requirements, and display a certain notice under certain circumstances; requiring certain midwives to consult with certain health care providers under certain circumstances, arrange for emergency transfer under certain circumstances, and refer and transfer care of certain patients under certain circumstances; requiring the Committee to review and approve certain plans; requiring certain plans to be provided to certain hospitals; requiring the Board, in consultation with certain parties, to develop a certain form for use during certain transfers; prohibiting certain midwives from offering a certain service except under certain circumstances; specifying the qualifications for a license to practice direct–entry midwifery; specifying the procedure for applying for a license to practice direct–entry midwifery; requiring the Board to set certain fees for the issuance and renewal of certain licenses and services; requiring the Board to pay certain fees to the Comptroller of the State; requiring the fees to be used for a certain purpose; authorizing the Board to waive certain education and training requirements under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to issue certain licenses and to include a certain designation on each license; requiring the Board to consider certain factors on receipt of certain criminal history record information in making certain determinations; specifying the scope of a license issued under this Act; providing for the expiration and renewal of a license to practice direct–entry midwifery; requiring the Board to send to the licensee a certain renewal notice at a certain time and in a certain manner; requiring certain continuing education, peer review, and data submission as a condition of license renewal; requiring the Board to place certain licensees on inactive status and to reactivate and reinstate certain licenses under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Board from reinstating certain licenses under certain circumstances; requiring certain licensees to submit to additional criminal history records checks at specified intervals; prohibiting certain midwives from surrendering certain licenses except under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain licenses from lapsing by operation of law under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to set certain conditions to accept the surrender of certain licenses; authorizing the Board to deny certain licenses, reprimand or place on probation certain licensees, or suspend or revoke certain licenses under certain circumstances, subject to certain hearing provisions; authorizing the Board to impose a certain penalty; prohibiting certain individuals from making certain representations or using certain abbreviations or designations unless authorized to

practice direct-entry midwifery in the State; prohibiting certain licensees from advertising in a certain manner; providing for the scope of this Act; providing certain health care providers with certain immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; providing certain penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this Act; providing a short title for certain provisions of this Act; subjecting certain provisions of this Act to the Maryland Program Evaluation Act and a certain full evaluation under certain circumstances; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Committee; requiring the Board to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date regarding the practice of direct-entry midwifery in the State; defining certain terms; altering a certain definition; requiring the Committee, with the approval of the Board, to convene a certain workgroup; providing for the composition and duties of the workgroup; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the licensure and regulation of direct-entry midwives by the State Board of Nursing.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–301(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–208 and 8–317(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–6C–01, 8–6C–02, 8–6C–02.1, 8–6C–02.2, and 8–6C–03 through
8–6C–26 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6C. Direct-Entry Midwives”;
and 8–701(e–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–405(b)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 106 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake Bay Trust – Investment Options – Expansion

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Chesapeake Bay Trust to invest any money of the Trust in marketable equity securities, marketable equity–related mutual funds, or debt–related mutual funds; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the Chesapeake Bay Trust.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1909
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 107 – Senator Conway

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Hotels – Carbon Monoxide Alarms

FOR the purpose of requiring certain hotels, on or after a certain date, to install a certain carbon monoxide alarm inside each guest room within the hotel; authorizing the owner of a hotel to install a certain carbon monoxide alarm within a certain distance from carbon monoxide–producing fixtures and equipment within the hotel under certain circumstances; altering a certain definition; defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to carbon monoxide alarms.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–1101, 12–1102, and 12–1104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–1103, 12–1105, and 12–1106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 108 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**State Finance and Procurement – Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals –
Membership**

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals; requiring the membership of the Appeals Board to reasonably reflect the geographic, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity of the State; specifying that at least one member of the Appeals Board have expertise concerning certain preferences under the procurement law; requiring that certain members of the Appeals Board be licensed to practice law in this State; and generally relating to the membership of the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 15–207
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 109 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Task Force to Study Small and Minority Design Firm Participation in State
Procurement**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Small and Minority Design Firm Participation in State Procurement; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to determine certain measures; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Small and Minority Design Firm Participation in State Procurement.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 110 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Developmental Disabilities Administration – Low Intensity Support Services –
Definition**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “low intensity support services” as it relates to the Low Intensity Support Services Program in the Developmental Disabilities Administration; and generally relating to the Developmental Disabilities Administration and low intensity support services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 7–717
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 111 – Senators McFadden, Gladden, Kelley, and Muse

AN ACT concerning

Inmates – Life Imprisonment – Parole Reform

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions that provide that inmates serving a term of life imprisonment may be paroled only with the Governor’s approval, subject to certain provisions; requiring certain parole decisions to be transmitted to the Governor under certain circumstances; authorizing the Governor to disapprove certain parole decisions in a certain manner; providing that if the Governor does not disapprove a certain parole decision in a certain manner within a certain time period, the decision becomes effective; and generally relating to sentences of life imprisonment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 4–305(b) and 7–301(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 112 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

**Public Service Commission – Taxicab Services – Contract With Baltimore City
Board of School Commissioners**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a taxicab business from charging more than a certain administrative rate when the taxicab business enters into a contract with the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to transport a passenger who is a student; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to rates for taxicab services in Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–302

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 113 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Moveable Feast

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Moveable Feast, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 114 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

State Designations – State Tartan

FOR the purpose of designating a State tartan made up of a certain design and a certain thread count; and generally relating to a State tartan.

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 7–318.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 115 – Senators Manno, Astle, Benson, Cassilly, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Getty, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Mathias, McFadden, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax Subtraction Modification – Retirement Income of Law Enforcement, Correctional Officer, Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Services Personnel
(Hometown Heroes)**

FOR the purpose of providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax under certain circumstances for certain retirement income attributable to a resident's employment as a law enforcement or correctional officer or the individual's service as fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain retirement income attributable to a resident's employment as a law enforcement or correctional officer or the individual's service as fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 112 – Senator Brian J. Feldman:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Winston Churchill High School Golf Team
in recognition of
winning the 2014 Maryland State 4A/3A golf championship conducted by Maryland
Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association. Your hard work and dedication are to be
commended.

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 26th day of January 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 43 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 47)

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 77 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Secured Transactions – False Records

Reassigned to the Committee on Finance under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 43 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 48)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:29 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 27, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, January 27, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:16 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Dr. Tracey Davenport, Harundale Presbyterian Church, guest of Senator DeGrange.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 26, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Madaleno be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 51)

**THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
AFFAIRS REPORT #1**

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 15 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program

SB0015/114734/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 15

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Conway” and substitute “Senators Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 16, strike “10” and substitute “11”; in line 23, strike “and”; and after line 23, insert:

“(5) one representative of the Public School Superintendents Association of Maryland, appointed by the Executive Director of the Association; and”.

On page 2, in line 1, strike “(5)” and substitute “(6)”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #1

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 11 – Senators Astle and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 52)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:34 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 28, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 28, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:14 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Doctor William T. Wallace, Union United Methodist Church, guest of Senator Eckardt.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 27, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 54)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 116 – Senator Pugh

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2013 and 2014 – Baltimore City –
Skatepark of Baltimore at Roosevelt Park**

FOR the purpose of amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2013 and 2014 to change the grantees of certain grants; extending the deadline for a grantee to present evidence of a certain matching fund; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2013 and 2014.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 1(3) Item ZA02(W)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 1(3) Item ZA02(Z) and Item ZA03(X)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 117 – Senators Hershey and Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Caroline County and Dorchester County – Sunday Hunting

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Caroline County or Dorchester County to hunt a certain game bird or game mammal on a Sunday on certain land during the open season for that game bird or game mammal; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to Sunday hunting in Caroline County and Dorchester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 118 – Senators Feldman, King, Klausmeier, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation Commission – Regulation of Fees and Charges

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Workers' Compensation Commission to adopt regulations about payment for the examination of a covered employee and the preparation of a report by a medical expert engaged by a party; authorizing the Commission to regulate fees and other charges for examinations and the preparation of reports by medical experts under certain provisions of law; prohibiting certain fees and charges from varying based on the party responsible for paying the fee or charge; and generally relating to the regulation of fees and charges by the Workers' Compensation Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–663
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 119 – Senators Brochin, Eckardt, and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Health Maintenance Organizations – Premium Tax and Transfer of Premium Tax Exemption Value – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain tax on certain premiums of certain for–profit health maintenance organizations; repealing certain provisions of law that require certain nonprofit health maintenance organizations to transfer funds in an amount equal to the value of a certain premium tax exemption to a certain Medical Assistance Program Account, require the funds to be allocated in a certain manner, and require the health maintenance organizations to file with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner a certain report establishing transfer of the funds; altering the contents of the Maryland Health Care Provider Rate Stabilization Fund to remove revenue from a certain premium tax imposed on certain health maintenance organizations; repealing a requirement that the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene transfer to the Community Health Resources Commission Fund, at certain times, certain money collected from a nonprofit health maintenance organization; repealing certain provisions of law exempting, to a certain extent, certain premiums received by an insurer from a certain premium tax; repealing a certain provision of law that makes a certain tax on premiums applicable to certain subscription charges or other amounts paid to a health maintenance organization; repealing a certain provision of law that makes a certain tax exemption applicable to certain health maintenance organizations; repealing certain definitions; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to premium taxes and health maintenance organizations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–727
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 6–101, 6–102(b), 6–103, 19–802(c), and 19–807(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 6–102(a) and 19–802(a) and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Insurance

Section 6–121

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 5 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the Special Session of 2004

Section 6 and 8

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 120 – Harford County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – School Buses – Length of Operation

FOR the purpose of altering the length of time a school bus may be operated in Harford County; and generally relating to school bus operations in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 7–804

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 121 – Senators Norman, Cassilly, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Salling, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Discovery – Examination in Aid of Enforcement of Money Judgment

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a circuit court and the District Court, in ruling on a certain request by a judgment creditor for an examination in aid of enforcement of a certain judgment, from requiring the judgment creditor to show that good cause exists for the examination; authorizing a circuit court and the District Court to require a judgment creditor to show that good cause exists for a certain examination under certain circumstances; and generally relating to an examination in aid of enforcement of a money judgment entered or recorded in a circuit court or in the District Court.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 11–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 122 – Senators Eckardt, Bates, Cassilly, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, King, Middleton, Montgomery, Salling, and Waugh

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Regulation of Milk Products – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering certain definitions related to the regulation of milk products; repealing the limitation on the number of milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permits the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene may issue; repealing the requirement that an applicant for a milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permit operate a dairy farm with no more than a certain number of cows or goats in the herd; repealing the limit on the number of times a milk processor – farmstead cheese producer permit may be renewed; making conforming changes; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the regulation of milk products.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–401, 21–416.1, and 21–417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 123 – Senators Brochin and Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Public High Schools – Adoption of School Schedule

FOR the purpose of authorizing a public high school in Baltimore County to adopt a school schedule for that school; authorizing certain parties to initiate a change to a certain school schedule; requiring the principal of a certain school to convene a school schedule committee for a certain purpose under certain circumstances; providing for the composition and election and appointment of certain members of a school schedule committee; providing for the duties of a school schedule committee; requiring the adoption of a certain school schedule by a certain vote; requiring certain schools to send a copy of a certain school schedule to the Baltimore County Superintendent of Schools and the Baltimore County Board of Education within a

certain period of time; requiring a certain schedule to be effective for a certain period of time; and generally relating to the adoption of school schedules by public high schools in Baltimore County.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–103.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 124 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Special Registration Plates and Parking Placards for Individuals With Disabilities – Licensed Physical Therapists

FOR the purpose of authorizing a licensed physical therapist to certify certain medical conditions of an applicant for a special disability registration number and special disability registration plates for a certain vehicle; requiring the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners to be responsible for the development and maintenance of a database system with which the Motor Vehicle Administration can interface and verify licensure; authorizing a licensed physical therapist to certify the existence of certain permanent disabilities for applicants for a certain parking placard; authorizing a licensed physical therapist to certify the existence of a certain temporary disability of an applicant for a temporary parking placard; defining a certain term; making conforming changes; repealing certain obsolete provisions; and generally relating to special registration plates and parking placards for individuals with disabilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 13–616(a), (b)(1) and (2), and (m), 13–616.1(a) and (k), and 13–616.2(a), (b), (c), and (i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 125 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Window Tinting Restrictions – Medical Exemption for Vehicle Owner’s Family

FOR the purpose of expanding the medical necessity exemption from the prohibition against operating a certain vehicle with certain window tinting to apply the exemption to a member of the vehicle owner’s immediate family; clarifying language; and generally relating to window tinting in vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 22–406(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 126 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Orianda Mansion Preservation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Baltimore Chesapeake Bay Outward Bound Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 127 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Malpractice – Certificate and Report of Qualified Expert – Objection

FOR the purpose of establishing when objections to a certificate of a qualified expert or expert report are required to be filed in health care malpractice cases; requiring a party to file a legally sufficient certificate of a qualified expert and report within a certain time after an arbitration panel chairman or the court rules a certificate or report is legally insufficient; and generally relating to health care malpractice.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–2A–04(a)(1)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–04(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 128 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Get Involved Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$350,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of New Miracle Christian Community Church, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 129 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Desecration of Human Remains – Penalty

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from willfully damaging or destroying human remains; providing for certain exceptions; establishing a certain penalty; and generally relating to the desecration of human remains.

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 130 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Shielding – Misdemeanor Convictions

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to request that certain court records and police records relating to a certain conviction be shielded at a certain time; providing that, if a certain person is convicted of a new crime during a certain time period, a certain original conviction is not eligible for shielding unless the new conviction becomes eligible for shielding; requiring the Court of Appeals, by rule, to establish procedures relating to the filing of a certain request for shielding; prohibiting the Maryland Judiciary Case Search from in any way referring to the existence of specific records shielded in accordance with this Act; prohibiting a person authorized to access a shielded record under this Act from disclosing any information from a shielded record to a person who is not authorized to access shielded records under this Act; prohibiting an educational institution from requiring a person who applies for admission to the institution to disclose certain shielded information at a certain time or expelling or refusing to admit a person solely because the person refused to disclose certain information; prohibiting a unit, an official, or an employee of the State or a political subdivision of the State from requiring a person who applies for a license, permit, registration, or governmental service to disclose certain shielded information at a certain time or denying a person's application for a license, permit, registration, or governmental service solely because the person refused to disclose certain information; requiring a certain custodian to deny inspection of criminal records and police records relating to the conviction of a crime that has been shielded under this Act; providing that this Act does not apply to a conviction of a felony, any misdemeanor requiring registration as a sex offender under certain provisions of law, or a certain domestically related crime; providing that a shielded record shall remain fully accessible by certain persons; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the shielding of court records and police records.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–301 through 10–305 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Shielding”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–327

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.**Senate Bill 131 – Senator Gladden**

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City Community College – Tuition Waivers – Graduates of Baltimore City Public High Schools

FOR the purpose of requiring an exemption from the payment of tuition at the Baltimore City Community College for any student eligible for in-State tuition who is a graduate of a Baltimore City public high school; requiring that a certain individual be counted in computing full-time equivalent enrollment at the Baltimore City Community College if the individual is enrolled in a class that is eligible for State support; defining a certain term; and generally relating to tuition waivers for graduates of Baltimore City public high schools at the Baltimore City Community College.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–106(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 16–514
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 132 – Senators Brochin and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Speed Monitoring Systems – Local Designees – Hearing and Approval

FOR the purpose of making a local jurisdiction’s designation of an official or employee to investigate and respond to questions or concerns about the local jurisdiction’s speed monitoring system program subject to the approval of the governing body of the local jurisdiction following a public hearing; and generally relating to local designees and speed monitoring systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(b)(1)(ix)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 133 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Bay Restoration Fund – Use of Funds

FOR the purpose of authorizing funds in the Bay Restoration Fund, in certain fiscal years, to be used to pay a certain percentage of the total cost of projects relating to combined sewer overflows abatement, rehabilitation of existing sewers, and upgrading certain conveyance systems; and generally relating to the use of funds in the Bay Restoration Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1605.2(i)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 134 – Senators Edwards, DeGrange, Eckardt, Hershey, Jennings, King, Manno, Mathias, and Miller

AN ACT concerning

Open Space Incentive Program – Payments to Counties

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions that provide counties with a certain percentage of revenues derived from a State forest or park reserve within a county; repealing certain provisions that provide counties with a certain percentage of revenues derived from concession operations within a State forest or park; requiring certain payments to counties for State forests, parks, and wildlife management areas that are exempt from the property tax; providing for the amount of the payments; providing for a biennial adjustment to the amount of the payments; establishing the manner of determining which land is considered in determining the amount of the payment; clarifying how to apportion the land in a State forest, park, or wildlife management area that is contained in multiple counties; clarifying when land shall be included in the total number of acres for a county in a fiscal year; excluding certain lands from being included in the total number of acres in a county; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to certify certain information to the Governor and the Secretary of Budget and Management on or before a certain date; requiring the Governor to include certain amounts to be paid to each county in the annual budget bill; requiring the State to pay to each county a certain percentage of a certain

payment on or before certain dates; clarifying that the provisions of this Act may not be construed to prohibit the application of or collection of certain taxes; repealing certain obsolete provisions of law; defining certain terms; and generally relating to payments to counties for State forests, parks, and wildlife management areas within a county.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–101(a) and (e), 5–215, and 10–801
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–212 and 5–212.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 6–102, 7–210, 7–211(c), and 7–501(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 6.5–101 through 6.5–301 to be under the new title “Title 6.5. Open Space
Incentive Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and the
Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 135 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation – Heart Disease and Hypertension Presumption – Anne Arundel County Correctional Officers

FOR the purpose of extending the presumption of compensability under the workers’ compensation law to include, subject to certain conditions, Anne Arundel County correctional officers who suffer from heart disease or hypertension resulting in partial or total disability or death; requiring Anne Arundel County correctional officers to submit certain medical disclosures to a certain official; providing that, subject to a certain limitation, workers’ compensation benefits received under this

Act are in addition to certain retirement benefits; altering the definition of “public safety employee” to include Anne Arundel County correctional officers for the purposes of determining certain compensation; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to compensability of Anne Arundel County correctional officers under the workers’ compensation law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–503(b) and (e) and 9–628(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–628(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND TAXATION REPORT #2

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Madaleno

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Earned Income Tax Credit – Tax Year 2014 – Technical Correction

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 55)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:30 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 29, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 29, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:15 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Doctor Kevin Carlin Kennedy, St. Ambrose Parish, guest of Senator Ramirez.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 28, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Ferguson be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 57)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 136 – Senators Brochin, Cassilly, Hough, Muse, and Norman

AN ACT concerning

**Crimes – Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a Crime – Diminution Credits
and Sentencing**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the earning of diminution credits to reduce the term of confinement of an inmate committed to the custody of the Commissioner of Correction or sentenced to a term of imprisonment in a local correctional facility who is serving a sentence for the use of certain firearms in the commission of certain crimes; clarifying that a court may not impose less than a certain mandatory minimum sentence for the use of certain firearms in the commission of certain crimes; prohibiting a court from suspending any part of a certain mandatory minimum sentence; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the use of a firearm in the commission of a crime.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Correctional Services
Section 3–702 and 11–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 4–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 137 – Senators Cassilly, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough,
Jennings, Norman, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh**

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Solicitation to Commit Crimes – Statute of Limitations

FOR the purpose of providing that the statute of limitations for the crime of solicitation to commit certain offenses is the statute of limitations for the prosecution of the substantive crime that is the subject of the solicitation; and generally relating to the statute of limitations for the crime of solicitation.

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–106(ff)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 138 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Assisted Living Services

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to reimburse through the Maryland Medical Assistance Program certain assisted living services provided to certain individuals; defining certain terms; and generally relating to assisted living services and the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 15–132.2

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 139 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class B Wine Shop and Lounge License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class B wine shop and lounge license in Kent County; specifying that the license authorizes the holder to sell wine for consumption on and off the premises and to sell or serve certain foods; providing that the license holder is not subject to any requirement regarding the percentage of average daily receipts derived from the sale of food; allowing an individual under the legal drinking age to enter the licensed premises if accompanied by an individual who is of the legal drinking age; setting an annual license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Kent County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4–301 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Class B Wine Licenses”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 140 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Tobacco Products Offenses – Citations Issued by Alcoholic Beverages Inspectors

FOR the purpose of authorizing an alcoholic beverages inspector for Kent County to issue a citation if the inspector has probable cause to believe that certain offenses involving the distribution of tobacco products or paraphernalia or the possession of tobacco products are being committed or have been committed; and generally relating to tobacco products offenses in Kent County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 10–107 and 10–108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 141 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Feldman, Kagan, Kelley, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Former Foster Care Adolescents – Dental Care

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, subject to the limitations of the State budget, and as permitted by federal law, to provide dental care for certain former foster care adolescents; and generally relating to dental care services provided by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to former foster care adolescents.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(2)(x)2.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 142 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Feldman, King, Madaleno, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Property and Casualty Insurance – Premium Finance Companies – Assignment of Rights and Obligations – Repeal of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law relating to the authority of a premium finance company, with respect to certain motor vehicle insurance, personal insurance, and commercial insurance, to assign certain rights and obligations under a premium finance agreement and to pledge a premium finance agreement as collateral for a loan; and generally relating to premium finance companies under property and casualty insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 23–301.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 334 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 6

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 143 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Klausmeier, Middleton, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Malpractice Claims – Notice of Intent

FOR the purpose of requiring a claimant to send a notice of intent to file a claim to a health care provider at least a certain number of days before filing a claim with the Director of the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office against the health care provider for a medical injury; requiring the notice of intent to contain certain information and to be sent in a certain manner; authorizing the Director to waive the notice requirement on motion and for good cause shown; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to health care malpractice claims.

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–03B
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 144 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Knights of St. John Hall

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$26,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Knights of St. John, Ascension Commandery 283, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the

encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 145 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Disclosure of Information – Repeal of Certification Requirement

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a plaintiff file a certain certification with the court and serve the certification on an insurer or a person that has a self-insurance plan before the insurer or person with a self-insurance plan is required to provide the plaintiff with certain information on the last known home and business addresses of the defendant; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the disclosure of information in a civil action.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 6–311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 146 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Prelitigation Discovery – Insurance Coverage – Prerequisites for Disclosure

FOR the purpose of repealing certain requirements that certain claimants provide a certain insurer with certain information relating to health care treatment and economic damages before the insurer is required to disclose to the claimants certain coverage limits in a certain insurance agreement; repealing a requirement that the amount of health care bills and loss of income documented by a certain claimant meet a certain minimum threshold before a certain insurer is required to disclose to the claimant certain coverage limits; and generally relating to the disclosure of certain coverage limits in certain insurance agreements.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 10–1102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 10–1103 and 10–1104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 147 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Local Government Tort Claims Act and Maryland Tort Claims Act – Repeal of
Certain Notice Requirements**

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain notice requirement for a claim under the Local Government Tort Claims Act; repealing a requirement that a claimant submit a claim within a certain time to the State Treasurer or a designee of the State Treasurer under the Maryland Tort Claims Act; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to repealing certain requirements under the Local Government Tort Claims Act and the Maryland Tort Claims Act.

BY repealing
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 12–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 148 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

**Office of Cemetery Oversight – Preneed Burial Contracts – Report Submission
Requirement**

FOR the purpose of altering the time period within which a certain seller of preneed goods or preneed services is required to submit a certain report regarding preneed burial contracts and preneed trust accounts to the Director of the Office of Cemetery

Oversight; and generally relating to preneed burial contracts and the Office of Cemetery Oversight.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–710(a) and (b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–710(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 149 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Helen Smith Studio

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Luce Fund for Children, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 150 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Child Abuse and Neglect – Waiver of Reunification Efforts

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a local department of social services may ask the court in a child in need of assistance proceeding to find that reasonable reunification efforts are not required; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–801(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–812
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 151 – Senators Kagan, Feldman, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno,
Montgomery, and Raskin**

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Jewish Foundation for Group
Homes Renovations**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Foundation for Group Homes, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 152 – Senators Raskin, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno,
Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Pugh, Rosapepe, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

Tanning Devices – Use by Minors – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain owners, employees, and operators of tanning facilities from allowing minors to use tanning devices; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to tanning devices.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 20–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 153 – Senators Raskin, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Corporations – Political Expenditures – Stockholder Approval

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a corporation from using any money or other property of the corporation in connection with a political expenditure unless the stockholders, by a certain vote, have authorized in advance a certain amount of money or property that may be used for certain political expenditures and directed that the money or property be used for certain purposes; requiring stockholder consideration of political expenditures to occur at an annual or special meeting; requiring a corporation to give and, under certain circumstances, post a certain notice within a certain period of time after making a political expenditure; requiring the annual report of a corporation to contain certain information about political expenditures; authorizing the Attorney General, under certain circumstances, to bring a civil action to obtain certain remedies for a violation of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to political expenditures by corporations.

BY adding to

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–407
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 154 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Thermal Energy

FOR the purpose of altering the renewable energy portfolio standard for certain years; providing for certain thermal energy sources to be thermal tier renewable sources; requiring an electricity supplier to meet the renewable energy portfolio standard by accumulating a certain amount of renewable energy credits and thermal renewable energy credits; providing that thermal energy from a thermal tier renewable source is eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable portfolio standard if it is generated at a certain system or facility; applying certain provisions that relate to renewable energy credits to thermal renewable energy credits; repealing a provision that

limited which persons could receive renewable energy credits for energy generated by a certain geothermal heating and cooling system; altering the method of determining the amount of thermal renewable energy credits generated by a certain geothermal heating and cooling system; altering the method of determining the amount of thermal renewable energy credits generated by a certain animal manure biomass system; providing that thermal energy from a woody biomass system is eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations relating to woody biomass systems; requiring the Commission to consider certain metering and verification methods for woody biomass systems when adopting certain regulations; authorizing an interested party to petition the Commission to adopt certain new metering and verification methods under certain circumstances; providing that a certain woody biomass system shall receive thermal renewable energy credits only for the portion of thermal energy generated by the woody biomass; providing that the owner of a certain geothermal heating and cooling system or animal manure biomass system that is registered with the Commission to receive renewable energy credits as a Tier 1 renewable source before a certain date may remain registered as a Tier 1 renewable source that generates renewable energy credits or reregister as a thermal tier renewable source that generates thermal renewable energy credits; requiring the Commission, on or before a certain date each year, to publish certain information on its Web site regarding the availability of thermal renewable energy credits and the adjustment of certain compliance fees under certain circumstances; requiring an electricity supplier, on or before a certain date each year, to submit certain thermal renewable energy credits or pay a certain compliance fee under certain circumstances; providing that an electricity supplier may not be required to comply with a certain obligation if insufficient thermal renewable energy credits are available by a certain date through a certain electronic system; setting certain compliance fees for a certain thermal renewable energy credits shortfall; requiring the Commission to establish a market-based trading system on the Internet where producers of thermal renewable energy credits may register and publish thermal renewable energy credits for sale to an electricity supplier; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; altering and repealing certain definitions; making certain clarifying changes; and generally relating to the renewable energy portfolio standard.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7-701, 7-703, 7-704, 7-705(a) and (b), and 7-708

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7-705(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 155 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Belvoir–Scott’s Plantation
Historic Manor House**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$125,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Magnum Enterprises, LTD. and the Board of Directors of the Rockbridge Academy, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 156 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Conway, Guzzone, Kagan,
Kelley, Lee, Mathias, McFadden, Montgomery, Pugh, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Establishment of a Sickle Cell
Disease Outreach Program**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish, before a certain date, a certain sickle cell disease outreach program; requiring that the outreach program provide certain programs, support, and services; and generally relating to the establishment of a sickle cell disease outreach program by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 18–507

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 157 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Klausmeier, Montgomery, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Consultation, Diagnosis, and Treatment of Mental and Emotional Disorders –
Consent by Minors**

FOR the purpose of altering the list of health care providers who provide consultation, diagnosis, and treatment of a mental or emotional disorder to which certain minors have the same capacity as an adult to consent; providing that the capacity to consent does not include the capacity to refuse consultation, diagnosis, or treatment for a mental or emotional disorder by certain health care providers for which a certain individual has given consent; authorizing, except under certain circumstances, certain health care providers to give certain individuals information about treatment needed by or provided to a minor under a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to the consent of minors to consultation, diagnosis, and treatment of mental and emotional disorders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 20–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 43 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 58)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #2

Senate Bill 11 – Senators Astle and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 59)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 15 – ~~Senator Conway~~ Senators Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan-Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 60)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 61)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 62)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:41 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 30, 2015, in honor of Pat Dougherty and Marvin Wilson.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 30, 2015
11:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 11:07 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Jim Kirk, Harundale Presbyterian Church, guest of Senator DeGrange.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 29, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 64)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 158 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Health – Medical Procedures – Ultrasound Options

FOR the purpose of requiring certain physicians, under certain circumstances, to provide a certain pregnant woman the opportunity to view a certain ultrasound image before the performance or inducement of a certain medical procedure; requiring a physician to allow a certain pregnant woman to view a certain ultrasound image at no additional charge; and generally relating to ultrasound options for medical procedures.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–210

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 159 – Senators Montgomery, Benson, Feldman, Guzzone, Kelley, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Funeral Establishments – Pre-Need Contracts – Reporting and Audit Requirements

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain buyer or beneficiary of a pre-need contract to contact the Maryland State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors and request the Board to conduct an audit of certain licensees; requiring the Board to conduct a certain audit within a certain number of days after a certain request; requiring a certain disclosure statement for a pre-need contract to state that the buyer or beneficiary of the pre-need contract is authorized to contact the Board and request a certain audit; requiring certain funeral establishments to submit certain reports on certain pre-need contracts to the Board on or after a certain date; providing that certain reports are not public records and may be made available only to certain persons; establishing requirements for certain reports on certain pre-need contracts; and generally relating to reporting and audit requirements for pre-need contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–101(a), (d), (k), (p), and (v) and 7–405(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–205(b) and 7–405(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–205(d) and 7–405(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 160 – Senators Montgomery, Benson, Guzzone, Kelley, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Cease and Desist Orders and Injunctive Relief – Authority

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors to issue a cease and desist order or obtain injunctive relief for certain violations of certain provisions of law; making a technical correction; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–316.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 161 – Senator Simonaire

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Legislators’ Right to Vote Act

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution prohibiting a member of the General Assembly from being expelled from or denied voting rights on the standing committee on which the member serves except under certain circumstances; making a conforming change; submitting an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to standing committee members in the General Assembly.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 19

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–1101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 162 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Bates, Lee, Montgomery, Pugh, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Regulation of Teletherapy

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Regulation of Teletherapy; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations on certain matters; requiring the Task Force to submit an interim report and a final report, including its findings and recommendations, to the Governor and certain legislative committees on or before certain dates; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Regulation of Teletherapy.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 163 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Montgomery, Pugh, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Agriculture – Neonicotinoid Pesticide – Labeling Requirement
(Pollinator Protection Act of 2015)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from selling in the State certain seeds, material, or plants that have been treated with a neonicotinoid pesticide unless the seeds, material, or plants bear a label with a certain statement; prohibiting a person from selling in the State, on or after a certain date, a neonicotinoid pesticide unless the person also sells a restricted–use pesticide; prohibiting a person from using a neonicotinoid pesticide on or after a certain date unless the person is a certified applicator, a farmer who uses the product for a certain purpose, or a veterinarian; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a neonicotinoid pesticide.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 5–201(a), (c), and (r)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 5–2A–01 and 5–2A–02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2A. Plants Treated With Pesticides”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 164 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, King, Lee, Montgomery, Muse, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Truant Students – System of Active Intervention – Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring the system of active intervention for certain truant students developed by each county board of education to include an Individualized Reengagement Plan for each truant student, coordination and collaboration with State and municipal agencies to deliver certain services, creation of a certain database to track truant students, and a specific plan for each public school to reengage truant students; requiring the Individualized Reengagement Plan to be developed by certain individuals using a certain process and requiring the Plan to be customized to the student; defining certain terms; and generally relating to requirements for a system of active intervention for truant students.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–302.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 165 – Senators Feldman, Guzzone, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kelley, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Norman, Peters, Raskin, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Constitutional Officers – Forfeiture of Benefits

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the payment of certain retirement benefits payable from the State Retirement and Pension System to certain constitutional officers who are convicted of or enter a plea of nolo contendere for certain crimes; requiring a certain court to order the forfeiture of certain retirement benefits under certain circumstances; providing for the return of certain accumulated contributions under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement

and Pension System to recover the amount of certain retirement benefits under certain circumstances; requiring a certain court to order the restoration of certain retirement benefits back to a certain date under certain circumstances; requiring a certain clerk of the court to provide a certain order to the Board of Trustees within a certain period of time; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the forfeiture of certain retirement benefits by certain constitutional officers with a criminal conviction.

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 21–701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Forfeiture of Benefits”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 166 – Senators Feldman, Raskin, Benson, Currie, Guzzone, Hough, Kagan, King, Madaleno, Manno, and Young

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Special Election to Fill a Vacancy in Office

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution authorizing the counties and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to enact legislation authorizing a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Delegate or Senator; establishing certain voting procedures for the authorization of special elections by the counties and City of Baltimore; establishing that if a vacancy occurs during a certain period of the term of the office and a special election is authorized, the special election shall coincide with the next ensuing regular presidential and congressional election; establishing that the Governor’s appointee to fill a vacancy in the General Assembly is temporary under certain circumstances; specifying the term of office for a member elected by special election; establishing who is qualified for candidacy and to vote in a special election; making certain clarifying changes; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to special elections to fill vacancies in the General Assembly.

BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland

Article III – Legislative Department

Section 6, 7, and 13

BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland

Article XVII – Quadrennial Elections

Section 1 through 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 167 – Chair, Anne Arundel County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Police Officers – Secondary Employment

FOR the purpose of authorizing Anne Arundel County to enact a local law that authorizes secondary employment of county police officers; and generally relating to the secondary employment of county police officers in Anne Arundel County.

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 5–811.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 168 – Senators Feldman, King, Montgomery, Pinsky, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Marijuana Possession

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to file a certain petition for expungement if the person was convicted of a certain crime involving the use or possession of less than 10 grams of marijuana; excluding certain charges involving less than 10 grams of marijuana that arise from the same incident, transaction, or set of facts as another charge from a certain unit for the purposes of a certain petition for expungement; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–105 and 10–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 169 – Senator Gladden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Warrantless Arrests – Assault on Baltimore City Special Enforcement Officer

FOR the purpose of expanding the authority of a police officer without a warrant to arrest a person suspected of committing a certain assault against a certain Baltimore City special parking enforcement officer or special traffic enforcement officer engaged in the performance of the officer's official duties; and generally relating to warrantless arrests.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–203(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 2–203(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 2–203(b)(10) and (11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 2–203(b)(12)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 170 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – TuTTie's Place

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$85,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the TuT's, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan

proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 171 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Program Open Space – Baltimore City – Purchase Talbot Road Property

FOR the purpose of requiring the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to use a portion of certain funding authorized for certain grants for the purpose of acquiring property at a certain location in Baltimore City; providing that Baltimore City may not use certain funds for any purpose until certain property is acquired; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to determine if a certain requirement is met; and generally relating to a requirement that the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City use certain funding for purchasing certain property.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–903(a)(2)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 172 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Juveniles – Transfer Determinations – Confinement in Juvenile Facilities

FOR the purpose of requiring a court exercising criminal jurisdiction in a case involving a child, or the District Court at a bail review or preliminary hearing involving a child, to order a certain child to be held in a secure juvenile facility pending a certain transfer determination except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the confinement of juveniles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 4–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 173 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – SWAT Team – Deployment and Reporting

FOR the purpose of authorizing the deployment of a SWAT team only under certain circumstances; requiring a law enforcement agency to create a certain report before the deployment of a SWAT team, with a certain exception; requiring, at certain intervals beginning on a certain date, a law enforcement agency that maintains a SWAT team to report certain information to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention using a certain format; requiring the Police Training Commission, in consultation with the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, to develop a standardized format that certain law enforcement agencies shall use in reporting certain data relating to the activation and deployment of certain SWAT teams to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention and to certain local officials; requiring a law enforcement agency to compile certain information as a report in a certain format and to submit the report to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention no later than a certain date following the period that is the subject of the report; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention to analyze and summarize certain reports of law enforcement agencies and to submit a report of the analyses and summaries to the Governor, the General Assembly, and each law enforcement agency before a certain date each year; providing that, if a law enforcement agency fails to comply with the reporting provisions of this Act, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention shall report the noncompliance to the Police Training Commission; providing that the Commission shall contact a certain law enforcement agency and request that the agency comply with this Act under certain circumstances; providing that, if a certain law enforcement agency fails to comply with certain reporting provisions within a certain period, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention and the Commission jointly shall make a certain report to the Governor and the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the activation and deployment of SWAT teams.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–507

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 174 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Behavioral Health Administration – Behavioral Health Advisory Council

FOR the purpose of establishing the Behavioral Health Advisory Council in the Office of the Governor; providing for the purpose, duties, and membership of the Council; requiring the Council to appoint the chair of the Council; providing for the terms of members; authorizing the Council to adopt certain procedures; authorizing the chair to designate certain individuals to serve on a committee or task force of the Council; requiring the Council to meet at least a certain number of times a year; providing that a member may not receive compensation as a member of the Council but is entitled to certain reimbursement for expenses; requiring the Behavioral Health Administration to provide certain staff for the Council; repealing the Maryland Advisory Council on Mental Hygiene and the State Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to the Behavioral Health Advisory Council.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 7.5–301 through 7.5–305 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Behavioral Health Advisory Council”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 10–101(g), 10–312(b)(4)(i)9., and 10–1203(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General

Section 10–301 through 10–305 and the part “Part I. Maryland Advisory Council”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Government

Section 9–2801 through 9–2806 and the subtitle “Subtitle 28. State Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 175 – Senators Manno, Lee, Montgomery, Pinsky, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Sales Receipts Containing Bisphenol-A – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from manufacturing, knowingly selling, or distributing in commerce any sales receipt containing bisphenol-A on or after a certain date, except under certain circumstances; requiring a person to use a safe and legal alternative when replacing bisphenol-A in sales receipts; prohibiting a person from replacing bisphenol-A in sales receipts with certain carcinogens or reproductive toxicants; providing a certain penalty for a violation this Act; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to suspend implementation of this Act under certain circumstances; and generally relating to sales receipts containing bisphenol-A.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 24-304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 176 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre and Social Hall

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rockville for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 177 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Filing of Tax Returns

FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements for filing certain estate tax returns so as to require that they be filed with the Comptroller only; and generally relating to filing Maryland estate tax returns.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–305(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 178 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Alternative Payment Schedule – Penalty Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a certain penalty for late payment of the Maryland estate tax if a certain alternative payment schedule is allowed by the Comptroller and the tax is paid in accordance with the alternative payment schedule; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to alternative payment schedules for the payment of the Maryland estate tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 179 – Senators Pinsky, Benson, Conway, Currie, Gladden, Kelley, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Business Relief and Tax Fairness Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from imposing a certain fee for the filing of certain documents by certain corporations and business entities; requiring certain corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a certain method; authorizing certain corporations, subject to regulations adopted by the Comptroller, to determine certain income using a certain method; requiring, subject to regulations adopted by the Comptroller, certain groups of corporations to file a combined income tax return reflecting the aggregate income tax liability of all the members of the group; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; requiring certain regulations to be consistent with certain regulations adopted by the Multistate Tax Commission; requiring the Comptroller to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; defining

certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to fees collected by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation and the Maryland corporate income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–203(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–203(b)(3)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–402.1 and 10–402.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–811
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 180 – Senators Manno, Lee, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**General Provisions – Commemorative Days – National Healthcare Decisions
Day**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain day as National Healthcare Decisions Day; and generally relating to National Healthcare Decisions Day.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–404 through 7–413, respectively
to be Section 7–405 through 7–414, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 181 – Senators Manno, Cassilly, Feldman, Hough, Kagan, King, Lee, Madaleno, Mathias, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Highway User Revenues – Phased Restoration

FOR the purpose of increasing the portion of highway user revenues that is distributed to local governments; altering the allocation of the local share of highway user revenues among Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities; repealing obsolete language; and generally relating to highway user revenues.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–402 and 8–403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 182 – Senators King, Astle, Benson, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Jennings, Klausmeier, Manno, McFadden, Peters, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Terminal Revenues – Purse Dedication Account – Standardbred Racetrack Operating Assistance

FOR the purpose of extending through certain calendar years the authorization to use certain Purse Dedication Account funds generated from video lottery proceeds for operating assistance by the Ocean Downs Race Course and Rosecroft Raceway to support a minimum number of live racing days at each race course; and generally relating to the use of Purse Dedication Account funds by the Ocean Downs Race Course and Rosecroft Raceway for operating assistance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(a)(4) and 9–1A–28(a) and (e)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–28(g)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 183 – Senators King, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Peters, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Education – Geographic Cost of Education – Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain county boards of education receive a certain grant; repealing a certain provision that allowed for the reduction of a grant under certain circumstances; and generally relating to education funding in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 184 – Senators King, Astle, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, Klausmeier, Manno, Middleton, Montgomery, Norman, Peters, Pugh, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Gaming – Home Games

FOR the purpose of allowing a person to conduct a home game that is a game of chance or skill involving wagering that is conducted in a person's home and allows a player to compete directly against one or more other players; prohibiting a person from conducting a home game involving a player's use of an electronic device that connects to the Internet; prohibiting a person from benefiting financially in any way, directly

or indirectly, other than from the winnings accrued by participating as a player in a home game; and generally relating to gaming.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 12–102(a) and 13–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 140 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

**Kent County – Tobacco Products Offenses – Citations Issued by Alcoholic
Beverages Inspectors**

Reassigned to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

**Senate Bill 156 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Conway, Guzzone, Kagan,
Kelley, Lee, Mathias, McFadden, Montgomery, Pugh, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Establishment of a Sickle Cell
Disease Outreach Program**

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 66 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund – Funding

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 65)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #3

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Madaleno

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Earned Income Tax Credit – Tax Year 2014 – Technical Correction

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 66)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 67)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:25 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, February 2, 2015 in memory of Pat Dougherty.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, February 2, 2015
8:00 P.M. Session**

The Senate met at 8:06 P.M.

Prayer by Reverend James Kiesel, St. Joseph Catholic Church, guest of Senator Reilly.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 30, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 70)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 145 – Senator John C. Astle:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Mike Ashford, Founder
Annapolis Dragon Boat Club
in recognition of

the Maryland Dragon Boat Club participants who successfully participated in the
international dragon boat competition with 3,000 other breast cancer survivors from
around the world in Sarasota, Florida. Congratulations!

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 2nd day of February 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 71)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 185 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Hattie N. Harrison Memorial Scholarship – Establishment

FOR the purpose of altering the workforce shortage fields eligible for a Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grant to include school counselors under certain circumstances; naming a certain grant to be the Hattie N. Harrison Memorial Scholarship; and generally relating to the Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grants program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–708(b) through (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–708(e)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 186 – Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Residential Retention Property Tax Credit – Modification

FOR the purpose of providing a certain exemption from a prohibition against certain homeowners receiving certain property tax credits under certain circumstances; providing for a delayed effective date; providing for the application and termination of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–304(g)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–304(g)(6)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 187 – Senators Pugh, Conway, Currie, Guzzone, King, Lee, Mathias, Montgomery, Muse, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

**Governor’s Workforce Investment Board – Workgroup to Study Access to
Obstetric Services**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor’s Workforce Investment Board to coordinate with the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, health occupations boards, and certain other parties to establish a workgroup to study access to obstetric services in the State by developing a certain mechanism to evaluate certain factors; requiring the workgroup to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; and generally relating to the Governor’s Workforce Investment Board and a workgroup to study access to obstetric services.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–505.2

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 188 – Senators Pugh, Conway, Currie, Guzzone, King, Montgomery, and Muse

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Establishment of Health Courts

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Establishment of Health Courts; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Establishment of Health Courts.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 189 – Senators Hough, Bates, Cassilly, Klausmeier, Peters, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

State Correctional Facilities – Correctional Officers – Polygraph Examination

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services to require an individual to pass a polygraph examination before being appointed to serve as a correctional officer in a correctional facility; requiring the Secretary to adopt regulations governing the administration of the polygraph examination required by this Act; and generally relating to correctional officers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Correctional Services

Section 3–215(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 190 – Senators Madaleno, Eckardt, Guzzone, King, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Taxable Price – Accommodations

FOR the purpose of clarifying the definition of “taxable price” for the State sales and use tax as it applies to the sale or use of an accommodation facilitated by an accommodations intermediary; altering the definition of “vendor” under the State sales and use tax to include an accommodations intermediary; defining certain terms; making a conforming change; and generally relating to clarifying the taxable price for an accommodation under the State sales and use tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–101(a) and (l)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–101(a–1), (a–2), (a–3), (a–4), and (l)(5)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–101(k)(1) and (o)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 191 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Credit for Unused Sick Leave –
Clarification**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a member of the State Retirement and Pension System may not receive creditable service for unused sick leave at retirement unless the leave was available to the member to be used as sick leave during employment; clarifying the definition of “unused sick leave” to specify that the leave must have been available to be used as sick leave during employment; and generally relating to the clarification of unused sick leave that may be used to provide additional creditable service at retirement for members of the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 20–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 192 – Senator Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Voters’ Rights Protection Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Attorney General to institute an action in a circuit court for injunctive relief to prohibit a person from engaging in or continuing to engage in certain violations of election law; providing that injunctive relief may be granted under this Act only to prevent certain violations of election law from affecting a pending election; requiring a circuit court to hear and determine an action filed under this Act as soon as practicable; providing that the grant of a remedy under this Act does not preclude any other remedy available under State or federal law; providing that a circuit court shall have jurisdiction over any proceeding instituted under this Act; requiring a circuit court to exercise its jurisdiction without regard to whether a person asserting a right under this Act has exhausted any other remedy

available under law; and generally relating to election law violations related to voting.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 16–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 16–1003
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 193 – Senators Bates, Guzzone, and Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Local Petitions – Advance Determination of Sufficiency of Local Legislation Summary

FOR the purpose of requiring a chief election official of an election authority who is determining the sufficiency of the format of a certain petition to determine the sufficiency of any summary of local legislation that is contained in the petition; requiring the chief election official to make a certain determination within a certain time period; requiring, under certain circumstances, the chief election official to provide the sponsor of a petition with an explanation of the reasons for a certain determination; and generally relating to notices of deficiencies in the information pages of local petitions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 6–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 194 – Senators Eckardt, Bates, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax Subtraction Modification – Retirement Income
(Fairness in Taxation for Retirees Act)**

FOR the purpose of including income from certain retirement plans within a certain subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals who are at least a certain age or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals for certain retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 195 – Senators Eckardt and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

**Mental Health – Voluntary and Involuntary Admissions – Assent and
Certification by Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners**

FOR the purpose of altering the individuals who may give assent to the admission of a minor to a certain unit of a State facility for the treatment of a mental disorder by providing that assent may be given by a physician and psychiatric nurse practitioner; altering a requirement that a certain certificate accompany an application for involuntary admission to a facility or Veterans' Administration hospital by providing that the certificate may be of a physician and psychiatric nurse practitioner; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the standards for voluntary and involuntary admissions to facilities for the treatment of mental disorders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 10–610, 10–615, and 10–616
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill 196 – Senators Edwards, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt,
Hershey, Hough, Jennings, King, Mathias, Middleton, Miller, Norman,
Peters, Salling, Waugh, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

**Economic Development – Rural Economic Development Program and One
Maryland Tax Credit**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Rural Economic Development Program to encourage businesses to locate and expand in certain rural counties of the State and provide certain rural counties of the State with funding for the expansion of infrastructure necessary to encourage businesses to locate in those counties; providing that certain provisions of the Program apply in certain counties; establishing an application process for the Department of Business and Economic Development to certify businesses that meet certain criteria as eligible for certain tax incentives; providing that for a certain number of taxable years after a business is designated as a qualified business, the business is eligible for a certain property tax exemption, income tax subtraction modification, and sales and use tax exemption; prohibiting the Department from designating a business as a qualified business after a certain date; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; establishing the Rural Economic Development Program Infrastructure Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Department to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; requiring the Governor, for certain fiscal years, to include in the annual operating or capital budget an appropriation of a certain amount to the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; requiring a county, under certain circumstances, to repay a grant from the Fund; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; altering the definition of a qualified distressed county for purposes of the One Maryland Tax Credit program to provide that certain counties are not included as a qualified distressed county for purposes of the program; allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain income of certain qualified businesses; exempting from the sales and use tax the sale of certain capital equipment used by certain qualified businesses; exempting from property tax certain property owned by certain qualified businesses; providing for the interpretation of a certain provision of this Act; stating the intent of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to establishing the Rural Economic Development Program and economic development in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 1–101(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–1501 through 5–1503 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 15. Rural
Economic Development Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 6–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(cc) and 11–232
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–307(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 7–245
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 197 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Municipalities – Vacant and Blighted Buildings

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of a municipality, by ordinance, to establish a Vacant and Blighted Buildings Registry and to require an owner of a vacant building to register the building and pay a certain fee; authorizing the ordinance to apply to all land within the municipality or to certain specific areas; requiring a municipality to consider certain factors in determining whether a building is a vacant building or a blighted vacant building; prohibiting a building from being determined to be a vacant building or a blighted vacant building for a certain period of time under certain circumstances; requiring the owner of a building

in a municipality that has adopted an ordinance under this Act to register the building and pay a certain fee within a certain period of time after the building becomes vacant; making a violation of the registration requirement a misdemeanor subject to a certain penalty; providing that a person who violates the registration requirement is also liable to the municipality for a certain civil penalty; requiring a municipality to inspect a vacant building promptly after receiving an application to register the building; requiring the municipality to register the building under certain circumstances; authorizing the governing body of a municipality to set special tax rates for vacant buildings and blighted vacant buildings; requiring a municipality to notify the owner of a building within a certain period of time after denying an application to register a vacant building or determining that a unregistered building is a vacant building or a blighted vacant building; authorizing an owner of a building aggrieved by a decision of a municipality under this Act to file a certain appeal; defining certain terms; and generally relating to vacant and blighted vacant buildings in municipalities.

BY adding to

Article – Local Government

Section 5–501 through 5–508 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Vacant and Blighted Buildings”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 198 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Kelley, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, Pugh, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Disparities, Cultural and Linguistic Competency, and Health Literacy – Continuing Education

FOR the purpose of requiring certain applicants and health care professionals to provide to certain boards evidence of completion of certain continuing education requirements; requiring certain boards, in consultation with the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities and State experts, to adopt certain regulations; stating the intent of the General Assembly that the regulations require a certain percentage of the total required continuing education credits be in health care disparities, cultural and linguistic competency, and health literacy; requiring certain boards, on or before a certain date, to approve certain continuing education courses; requiring courses approved by a board to include certain instruction; authorizing a board to approve certain courses; defining certain terms; and generally relating to continuing education in health care disparities, cultural and linguistic competency, and health literacy for health care providers.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 1–801 through 1–804 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. Continuing Education in Health Care Disparities, Cultural and Linguistic Competency, and Health Literacy”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 199 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Opioid Maintenance Programs – Licensing

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain regulations adopted by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene include a requirement that the process for approval of a license for an opioid maintenance program include an assessment of the number of existing slots in opioid maintenance programs in a certain zip code and the number of individuals in need of certain services in a certain zip code, the severity of drug-related crime in a certain zip code, the at-risk population of opioid addiction in a certain zip code, and the need for an opioid maintenance program in a certain zip code; requiring that certain regulations adopted by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene include a requirement that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene conduct a certain assessment and that an applicant for a license for an opioid maintenance program pay the cost of a certain assessment; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the licensing of opioid maintenance programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 8–404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 200 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Environment – Personal Care Products Containing Synthetic Plastic
Microbeads – Prohibition on Manufacturing or Sale**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from manufacturing for sale or accepting for sale a personal care product or an over-the-counter drug that contains synthetic plastic

microbeads on or after certain dates; defining certain terms; and generally relating to synthetic plastic microbeads.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 9–2001 and 9–2002 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 20. Personal Care Products”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 201 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board for the Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for the designation and appointment of a certain program administrator of a residential child care program under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board for the Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals to evaluate the moral character of an acting residential child care program administrator; requiring the governing body of a residential child care program to appoint a chief administrator of the program; making certain provisions of law that apply to the owner of a residential child care program apply instead to the chief administrator of the program; providing for the designation of an acting chief administrator under certain circumstances; requiring, unless waived by the Board, an applicant for a program administrator certificate and a residential child and youth care practitioner certificate to have completed a child protective services background clearance to qualify for a certificate; requiring an applicant for a certificate or for renewal or reinstatement of a certificate to provide evidence of application for a child protective services background clearance; requiring the results of the child protective services background clearance to be provided to the Board and the applicant; authorizing the Board to waive the required evidence of application for a child protective services background clearance under certain circumstances; altering the requirements for an applicant to obtain a criminal history records check; restricting the use of information obtained from a criminal history records check; authorizing the subject of a criminal history records check to contest the contents of a certain statement; clarifying the types of addresses that a certain application file must contain; requiring an applicant to provide evidence of completing a national criminal history records check before the Board may grant a waiver of a certain examination requirement; requiring an applicant to whom the Board has issued a certificate to maintain on file and update certain addresses; authorizing the Board to take certain disciplinary action if an applicant or a certificate holder fails to maintain certain addresses on file or notify the Board of certain address changes;

repealing certain obsolete provisions of law; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the State Board for the Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 20–101, 20–301 through 20–304, 20–306, 20–307, 20–310, 20–311, and 20–313

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 202 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Dental Examiners – Mental Health and Physical Examinations

FOR the purpose of providing that if the State Board of Dental Examiners, in reviewing a certain application or in investigating a certain allegation, makes a certain finding, the Board shall direct a certain applicant, dentist, dental hygienist, or dental assistant to submit to a certain mental health examination, a certain physical examination, or both; providing that, in return for a certain privilege given by the State, a certain individual is deemed to have consented to submit to a certain examination and to have waived certain claims of privilege; providing that the failure or refusal of a certain individual to submit to a certain examination is prima facie evidence of the individual's inability to practice a certain profession competently, except under certain circumstances; requiring a certain individual to advise the Board of certain information relating to the reasons for a failure or refusal to submit to a certain examination and the expected date on which the individual would be able to submit to the examination; requiring a certain individual who fails or refuses to submit to a certain examination to immediately cease any practice of a certain profession until the individual submits to the examination; requiring the Board to pay the reasonable costs of certain examinations; and generally relating to the State Board of Dental Examiners and required mental health and physical examinations.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 4–205.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 203 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Business Occupations and Professions – Real Estate Salespersons and Brokers –
Formation of Business Entities and Payment of Commissions**

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain licensed real estate salespersons and licensed associate real estate brokers, with the consent of a certain licensed real estate broker, to form a certain business entity; providing for the formation of a certain business entity; authorizing payment of a certain commission to a certain business entity under certain circumstances; authorizing payment of compensation for the provision of real estate brokerage services to a certain business entity under certain circumstances; and generally relating to real estate salespersons and brokers and the formation of business entities and payment of commissions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–512 and 17–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 204 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Primary Election Dates in the Presidential Election Year

FOR the purpose of altering the date of the statewide primary election in the year in which the President of the United States is elected; altering the date of the primary election for municipal offices in Baltimore City in the year in which the President of the United States is elected; making certain conforming changes; clarifying certain provisions of law concerning the filling of certain vacancies in nomination; repealing an obsolete provision of law concerning the printing of certain ballots; and generally relating to primary election dates in the presidential election year and the nomination of candidates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5–303(c), 5–703(c), 5–703.1(c), 5–801(b), 5–1002(b), 5–1003(b), 5–1004(b),
6–210(e), 8–201, 8–502(c), 9–207(a), 9–215(a), and 13–309(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 205 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Dentists and Dental Hygienists – Misrepresentation and Practicing Without a License – Penalties

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to issue a cease and desist order or obtain injunctive relief against a certain person under certain circumstances; establishing that, for a certain cease and desist order, proof is not required of actual damage or that any person will sustain any damage if a cease and desist order is not issued; establishing that a certain injunction or cease and desist order is in addition to and not instead of certain criminal prosecution or disciplinary action; prohibiting a person from practicing, attempting to practice, or offering to practice dental hygiene unless licensed by the Board; prohibiting a person from aiding or abetting the unlicensed practice of dental hygiene in the State; prohibiting a person from representing to the public that the person is authorized to practice dental hygiene in the State unless licensed by the Board to practice dental hygiene; altering certain penalties for a violation of certain provisions of law governing the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene; establishing a certain exception to the imposition of certain criminal penalties and civil fines for a licensee who has failed to renew a license under certain circumstances; altering certain penalties for a person who violates certain provisions of law relating to dental laboratory work or advertising a dental appliance; establishing certain penalties for a person who aids or abets the unlicensed practice of dentistry; making certain stylistic, clarifying, and conforming changes; and generally relating to the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–320, 4–601, 4–602, and 4–606
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–602.1, 4–602.2, and 4–607
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 206 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Landover Hills Town Hall

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Landover Hills for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 207 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Telephone Companies – Streamlined Regulatory Requirements

FOR the purpose of narrowing the types of services of a telephone company that are regulated by the Public Service Commission by altering a certain definition; providing that the Commission may allow a telephone company to provide a regulated service without requiring the telephone company to file a certain tariff schedule under certain circumstances; providing that a certain merger of or transfer of stock or other ownership interest between a telephone company and another certain entity does not require a certain prior authorization from the Commission; providing that a certain transaction in which a telephone company is acquired by another certain entity does not require a certain prior authorization from the Commission; allowing a telephone company to withdraw offering a certain retail service under certain circumstances after providing certain notice; and generally relating to regulatory requirements of telephone companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(ll), 4–202, 5–203, and 6–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities
Section 8–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill 208 – Senators Young, Conway, Kagan, Kelley, Manno, Montgomery,
Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, and Salling**

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Rehoming of Adopted Children

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from rehoming a child, committing certain acts related to rehoming a child, conspiring in the commission of certain acts related to rehoming a child, or acting as an accessory to the commission of certain acts related to rehoming a child; providing that this Act does not apply to the placement of a child by a licensed attorney, a child placement agency, or the State Department of Human Resources; defining certain terms; imposing a certain penalty; and generally relating to the rehoming of children.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–101(a) through (c) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 5–3C–01 through 5–3C–03 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3C.
Rehoming of Adopted Children”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 209 – Senators Young, Conway, Currie, Guzzone, Hough, Montgomery,
and Ramirez**

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Retirement Income

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum amount of a subtraction modification allowed under the State income tax for certain retirement income of an individual of a certain age or who is totally disabled or whose spouse is totally disabled; altering the

maximum amount of a certain subtraction modification allowed for certain taxable years; and generally relating to an income tax subtraction modification for certain retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 210 – Senators Young, Conway, Hough, Montgomery, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Educational Institutions – Personal Electronic Account – Privacy Protection

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an educational institution from requiring, requesting, suggesting, or causing a student, an applicant, or a prospective student to grant access to, allow observation of, or disclose information that allows access to or observation of the individual's personal electronic account; prohibiting an educational institution from compelling a student, an applicant, or a prospective student, as a condition of acceptance or participation in curricular or extracurricular activities, to add certain individuals to a certain list of contacts or to change certain privacy settings; prohibiting an educational institution from taking or threatening to take certain actions against a student, or failing or refusing to admit an applicant, as a result of the student's or applicant's refusal to grant access to, allow observation of, or disclose certain information relating to a personal electronic account, add certain individuals to a certain list of contacts, or change certain privacy settings; providing that this Act may not be construed to prohibit an educational institution from requesting or requiring a student to disclose access information to certain electronic accounts, to prohibit or restrict an educational institution from viewing, accessing, or utilizing certain information that is available in the public domain or available to an educational institution as the result of certain actions of the student, to create a duty to search or monitor the activity of a personal electronic account, to make an educational institution liable for failing to request or require a student, an applicant, or a prospective student to grant access to, allow observation of, or disclose certain information relating to a personal electronic account, to prohibit a student, an applicant, or a prospective student from allowing a certain individual to view certain communications, or to apply to a certain investigation conducted by a certain department of or in accordance with a certain policy or protocol of an institution of postsecondary education; authorizing an individual who is the subject of a violation of this Act to take certain legal action; establishing that an educational institution's action in compliance with federal or State law is an affirmative defense to a claim under this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the personal

electronic accounts of students, applicants, and prospective students of educational institutions.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 26–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Personal Electronic Account Privacy Protection”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 211 – Senators Young, Kagan, Nathan–Pulliam, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

State Plumbing Code – Adoption of International Code Council Standards

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Plumbing to adopt standards of the International Code Council as part of the State Plumbing Code; requiring the Board to periodically review certain standards of the International Code Council; requiring the Board to amend the State Plumbing Code to incorporate certain standards of the International Code Council for a water conserving appliance, device, fitting, or fixture under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to allow the installation of a water conserving appliance, device, fitting, or fixture that meets certain standards of the International Code Council under certain circumstances; and generally relating to incorporating International Code Council standards into the State Plumbing Code.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 12–205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 212 – Senators Young, Conway, Ferguson, Montgomery, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Driving Under the Influence – Ignition Interlock System Program

FOR the purpose of requiring a person who is convicted of driving while under the influence of alcohol to successfully complete the Ignition Interlock System Program; making conforming changes; and generally relating to driving while under the influence of alcohol and the Ignition Interlock System Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–404.1(a)(1), (4), and (5) and 21–902(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–404.1(d)(1) and (2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 213 – Senators Young, Edwards, Hough, Nathan–Pulliam, and Norman

AN ACT concerning

Legal Drinking Age – Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain holder of an alcoholic beverages license or a certain employee to sell or furnish beer or wine for consumption on the premises of a bar or restaurant to an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States who is at least a certain age and who displays a certain armed forces identification card; and generally relating to the legal drinking age in the State for active duty members of the armed forces of the United States.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 12–108(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 214 – Chair, Anne Arundel County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Immunity From Liability – Emergency Medical Care for Drug Overdose

FOR the purpose of providing immunity from civil liability for a certain person administering medications or treatment in response to an apparent drug overdose if the person is trained and certified under certain protocols established by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; extending immunity under this Act to a corporation under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to civil liability for acts or omissions in giving emergency medical care.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 215 – Senator Astle

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Pilots – Recreational Vessels – Employment Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring that a certain recreational vessel employ a licensed pilot to pilot the vessel when it is underway on the navigable waters of the State; defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the employment of pilots on recreational vessels.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 11–501
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 216 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Guardianship Commissions and Fees –
Income Deduction**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to deduct as a remedial service certain guardianship commissions and attorney's fees when determining the portion of income certain recipients of Maryland Medical Assistance Program benefits are required to contribute to the cost of care under the Program; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and guardianship services for Program recipients.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 15–122.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 217 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Special or Supplemental Needs Trusts – Authorization to Fund

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law concerning regulations adopted by certain State agencies regarding certain special or supplemental needs trusts may not be interpreted to require a court order to authorize the funding of a special or supplemental needs trust; and generally relating to special or supplemental needs trusts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 14.5–1002

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 218 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Medical Assistance Program – Home– and Community–Based Services Waiver – Priority for Services

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene from placing certain individuals on a waiting list for certain services or giving priority to certain individuals to receive certain services based on the setting in which the individual is residing at the time of a certain determination; making a certain stylistic change;

and generally relating to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the determination of priority to receive home– and community–based waiver services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–132
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 219 – Senators Kelley and Currie

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Home– and Community–Based Services Waiver – Modification

FOR the purpose of altering certain financial eligibility criteria included in the home– and community–based services waiver; requiring, on or before a certain date, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for an amendment to a certain waiver to cease providing certain services to certain individuals and to allow certain individuals to qualify for certain services by establishing a certain qualified income trust; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations under a certain circumstance; making certain provisions of this Act subject to a certain contingency; and generally relating to the home– and community–based services waiver and the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–132
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 220 – The President

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Mandated Reports by State Agencies

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law that require certain State agencies to submit certain reports to the General Assembly that are deemed obsolete, duplicative, impractical, inefficient, or otherwise unnecessary; altering certain provisions of law that require certain State agencies to submit certain reports to the

General Assembly; combining certain reporting requirements for certain programs with another more extensive annual report required to be submitted by a certain department; providing that, in the year immediately preceding the beginning of a term of the General Assembly, the Department of Legislative Services, in consultation with other State agencies, shall review the laws of the State and make recommendations to the presiding officers of the General Assembly for the introduction of legislation to repeal or modify laws of the State that require the agencies to submit certain reports at certain times and on certain matters to the General Assembly or Governor; and generally relating to reports to the General Assembly by certain State agencies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–901(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Agriculture
Section 5–704(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–1006(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 2–123, 4–216(c)(3) and (d), 6–529(a), and 14–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Economic Development
Section 3–404(e), 5–315, 5–419, 5–512(c)(4), 5–555(h), and 6–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development
Section 3–404(e), 5–315, 5–419, 5–512(c)(4), 5–555(h), and 6–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 16–106(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Environment
Section 2–1107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Environment
Section 9–351
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law
Section 5–1309(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 10–207, 13–1002(g), 13–1004(d), 13–1102(h), 13–1104, 13–2105,
13–2504, and 19–310.1(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 13–1013(a) and (b) and 13–21A–02(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General
Section 13–1013(h), 13–21A–02(i), 15–102.4(e), and 15–124.2(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–215
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Human Services
Section 6–708
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 10–208(f) and 10–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 11–326 and 14–102(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 5–608, 9–312, 10–219(b), and 10–320(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–422(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 1–104(e), 1–706(a), 4–210(h), 4–210.1(d), 4–746, 5–103(h), 5–307(j),
5–1613, 8–1808.1(e)(4), and 8–2103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Natural Resources

Section 3–3A–04, 4–2A–04(g), and 8–1808.1(e)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 5–7B–09(d) and 5A–403(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–314(g) and (j), 7–317(h), and 17–204(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–317(a) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 2–506(b), 2–10A–03(f), 2–10A–13(f), 6–406(b), and 9–1405(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing

Article – State Government
Section 2–10A–07
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 2–1209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–104(e)(3) and 21–123(g)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–108(a)(4), 21–125.1, and 21–128(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–721(g)(1), 10–725(h)(1), 10–732(f), and 10–733(i)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–721(g)(1), 10–725(h)(1), 10–732(f), and 10–733(i)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–730(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–102(d)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 6–201.2(c), 8–309(e), and 8–613
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Transportation
Section 6–210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Transportation
Section 23–203(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Chapter 674 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1983, as amended by Chapter 533 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1984 and Chapter 646 and Chapter 741 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1987
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 791 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1984
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 640 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1991
Section 4

BY repealing

Chapter 111 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994, as amended by Chapter 471 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
Section 5

BY repealing

Chapter 112 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994, as amended by Chapter 471 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
Section 5

BY repealing

Chapter 414 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994
Section 2

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 584 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1995
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 597 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1995
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 96 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1996
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 294 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
Section 5

BY repealing

Chapter 692 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 77 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001
Section 4

BY repealing

Chapter 103 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001, as amended by Chapter 46
of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006
Section 12

BY repealing

Chapter 685 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001, as amended by Chapter
443 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 453 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002, as amended by Chapter
203 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003
Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 84 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004, as amended by Chapter 283
of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008
Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 206 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004
Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 551 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005
Section 3

BY repealing

Chapter 368 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007
Section 2

BY repealing

Chapter 397 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 30

BY repealing

Chapter 617 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 221 – Senator Miller

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Calvert County – Town of North Beach Flood Mitigation Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of North Beach for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 222 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

Annual Curative Bill

FOR the purpose of generally curing previous Acts of the General Assembly with possible title defects; increasing the maximum average final compensation of a retiree of the Local Fire and Police System at the time of retirement for purposes of applying an exemption from a certain reemployment earnings limitation; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to certify to the Comptroller the applicability of a certain income tax credit for each Health Enterprise Zone employer and the amount of each credit assigned to a Health Enterprise Zone employer for each taxable year; requiring the State Board of Physicians to conduct a certain examination and provide certain information to the Naturopathic Medicine Advisory Committee; providing for the effect and construction of certain provisions of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally repealing and reenacting without amendments certain Acts of the General Assembly that may be subject to possible title defects in order to validate those Acts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–412(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 28–402(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–309(c)(3), 10–207(y), and 10–731
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Chapter 153 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 4

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Chapter 399 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 4

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 223 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Annual Corrective Bill

FOR the purpose of correcting certain errors or omissions in certain articles of the Annotated Code and in certain uncodified laws; clarifying language; correcting certain obsolete references; reorganizing certain sections of the Annotated Code; ratifying certain corrections made by the publishers of the Annotated Code; providing that this Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; providing for the correction of certain errors and obsolete provisions by the publishers of the Annotated Code; providing for the effect and construction of certain provisions of this Act; and making this Act an emergency measure.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(h)(3)(vii) and 9–204.3(d)(1)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–217(f)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–508(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 15–305(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 20–403(a)(1)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 5–6C–07(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–309(l)(5)(ii)2. and 7–409(a)(2)(xi)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 3–107(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–114(f), 3–1401(c)(3), 4–306.2(c), 7–1608(a)(1), 8–501(b),
16–414.1(a)(16), 17–302(a), 18–406(e), and 18–1502(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law

Section 8–202(b)(2) and 13–504
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 6–804(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–505(a)(19)(i), 9–677(a), and 9–1601(dd)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–103(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–512(a)(2)(ii)2. and (4)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–515(f) and 5–702(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–101, 4–102(a)(1), 4–306(b)(5), 7–307(a), 13–203(b)(2), 13–3307(e)(2),
19–703(f)(1), 21–2A–07(b)(2), 21–304(e)(2), and 24–804(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–203(b)(1) and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General
Section 19–706(m), (n), and (o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–208(a)(2)(iii), 1–212(a), (b)(3), (d), and (e), 2–101(t)(2), 8–101(m)(2)(iv),
8–6B–19(h)(1), 9–306(b)(2), 14–5F–09, 14–5F–20(b) and (c)(1), 14–5F–21(c),
(d), and (e), 14–5F–22(a), and 17–6A–22(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Human Services
The part designation “Part III. Interagency Council on Homelessness” immediately
preceding Section 6–417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Human Services
Section 6–417(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 5–205(i)(1) and 8–223
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Labor and Employment
The subtitle designation “Subtitle 10. Bloodborne Pathogen Standard” immediately
preceding former Section 5–1001
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government
Section 10–312(e)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–701(j)(1) and 5–1203(b), (d)(1)(concerning Parcel 2), (l)(concerning Parcel 8), (q)(5), (r)(3)(concerning Parcel 4), (v)(3)(concerning Parcel 3), (gg), (jj)(1), and (mm)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 1–401(b)(9) and 3–506.1(c)(2) and (3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 7–105.1(m)(2)(i) and 11–111(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 3A–309(e)(2)(ii) and 14–302(a)(9)(i)1.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 2–403(a)(2)(vii), 6.5–303(2), 9–120(a)(2), and 9–1A–24(b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 21–601(d)(3)(ii)2., 22–405(c), and 29–303(g)(2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 2–1104(a)(1) and (b)(3), 2–1302.1(a)(2) and (b)(2), 10–204(j), 10–402(c)(2)(vii), and 10–702(a)(5) through (7)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–702(a)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–702(a)(7)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 16–803(j)(2), 17–105(a), and 25–111(a)(3)(ii), (b), and (f)(2)(iv)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 505 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

February 2, 2015

The President makes the following appointments to the legislative standing committees pursuant to Senate Rule 18(a)(1); the appointments are effective February 2, 2015.

Senator Andrew A. Serafini has been appointed to Budget & Taxation Committee

Senator Justin Ready has been appointed to Judicial Proceedings Committee

Read and adopted.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The President makes the following appointments to the legislative standing committees pursuant to Senate Rule 18(a)(1); the appointments are effective as of February 2, 2015.

BUDGET AND TAXATION

Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer, Chairman
Senator Richard S. Madaleno, Vice-Chairman

Senator Ulysses Currie
 Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.
 Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt
 Senator George Edwards
 Senator Bill Ferguson
 Senator Guy J. Guzzone

Senator Nancy J. King
 Senator Roger Manno
 Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
 Senator Douglas J.J. Peters
 Senator Andrew A. Serafini

EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Senator Joan Carter-Conway, Chairman
 Senator Paul G. Pinsky, Vice-Chairman

Senator Gail Bates
 Senator Cheryl C. Kagan
 Senator Karen S. Montgomery
 Senator Shirley Nathan-Pulliam
 Senator Jim Rosapepe

Senator Johnny Ray Salling
 Senator Bryan Simonaire
 Senator Steve Waugh
 Senator Ronald N. Young

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Senator Thomas M. Middleton, Chairman
 Senator John C. Astle, Vice-Chairman

Senator Joanne C. Benson
 Senator Brian J. Feldman
 Senator Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.
 Senator J.B. Jennings
 Senator Delores Kelley

Senator Katherine A. Klausmeier
 Senator James N. Mathias
 Senator Catherine E. Pugh
 Senator Edward R. Reilly

JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS COMMITTEE

Senator Robert A. Zirkin, Chairman
 Senator Lisa A. Gladden, Vice-Chairman

Senator James Brochin
 Senator Bob Cassilly
 Senator Michael J. Hough
 Senator Susan C. Lee
 Senator C. Anthony Muse

Senator Wayne Norman
 Senator Victor R. Ramirez
 Senator Jamie B. Raskin
 Senator Justin Ready

Read and ordered journalized.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT**Senate Bill 167 – Chair, Anne Arundel County Senators**

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Police Officers – Secondary Employment

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 72)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:36 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 3, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 3, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:13 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Ben Cachiaras, Sr., Mountain Christian Church, guest of Senator Jennings.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 2, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 74)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 224 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maintenance of Effort – Lease Payment Exclusion

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain county governing bodies to exclude certain lease payments made by a county board of education from the maintenance of effort calculation under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to maintenance of effort funding.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(d)(1) through (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 225 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education – Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Tuition Exemption –
Modification**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of unaccompanied homeless youth by requiring a determination of homelessness by a certain individual or certain documentation; requiring a financial aid administrator to annually make a certain verification; and generally relating to the tuition exemption for unaccompanied homeless youth.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 15–106.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 226 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Property Tax Credit – Blind Individuals and Surviving Spouses

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County and of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county and municipal corporation property tax imposed on certain residential property owned by certain blind individuals or surviving spouses of blind individuals; requiring that a property tax credit authorized by this Act shall be granted in addition to any property tax exemption authorized by law, except under certain circumstances; authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County and of a municipal corporation in the county to provide, by law, for regulations, procedures, and any other provisions necessary to administer the tax credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for certain residential property in Anne Arundel County.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–303(b)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 227 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – The Arc of the Central Chesapeake Region

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Arc of the Central Chesapeake Region, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 228 – Senators King, Brochin, Feldman, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Supplemental Public School Construction Matching Fund Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Supplemental Public School Construction Matching Fund Program; providing for the purpose of the Program and requiring the Department of Budget and Management to implement and administer the Program; establishing certain requirements a county must meet to be eligible for the Program; requiring the Department to provide to each county that is eligible for the Program up to a certain amount of State funding each fiscal year to be used for certain purposes related to the cost of public school construction projects and public school capital improvements in the county; requiring that certain funding provided under the Program shall be pledged or used for certain purposes; requiring that certain funding provided under the Program shall end at certain times; specifying that certain bonds issued in accordance with this Act are not a debt, liability, moral obligation, or pledge of the faith and credit or taxing power of the State; requiring certain projects to be approved by the Department and the Interagency Committee on School Construction before certain funding may be released; requiring a qualifying county, the Department, and the Interagency Committee on School Construction to enter into a certain memorandum of understanding regarding certain projects before certain funding may be released; specifying the requirements of the memorandum of understanding; specifying that funding provided under the Program is supplemental to public school construction funding from other sources; establishing the Supplemental Public School Construction Fund as a continuing, nonlapsing fund; specifying the contents of the Fund and the uses of the Fund; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law requiring interest on State money in special funds to accrue to the General Fund of the State; altering the distribution of certain State lottery revenues and requiring the Comptroller to

distribute certain State lottery revenues into the Fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Supplemental Public School Construction Matching Fund Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 5–3A–01 through 5–3A–04 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3A. Supplemental Public School Construction Matching Fund Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)83.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 9–120

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 229 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Sale or Distribution of Tobacco and Related Products – Civil Penalties

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person who owns and operates a certain business in Calvert County that engages in the retail sale of tobacco products from storing or displaying a tobacco product in a certain manner; prohibiting a person in Calvert

County from distributing a tobacco product to a minor except under certain circumstances, distributing cigarette rolling papers to a minor, or distributing to a minor a coupon redeemable for a tobacco product except under certain circumstances; providing that a person has not violated a certain provision if the person took certain actions under certain circumstances; providing for civil penalties for violations of certain prohibitions; and generally relating to the sale or distribution in Calvert County of tobacco and related products to minors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 1–1202 and 1–1203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 230 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Length of Service Award Program – Recipient Benefits

FOR the purpose of altering the age at which certain individuals may begin to receive certain benefits under the Length of Service Award Program for Calvert County; altering a certain additional amount that is payable under the Program for certain volunteer service; repealing a certain limit on a maximum benefit payable under the Program; authorizing a certain death benefit to be paid to a certain alternate beneficiary if a certain volunteer dies and is unmarried at the time of death; providing for the termination of the death benefit for an alternate beneficiary; and generally relating to the Length of Service Award Program in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Calvert County
Section 14–102
Article 5 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2002 Edition and July 2014 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 231 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Beer and Wine Festival License

FOR the purpose of altering the scope and title of a certain alcoholic beverages festival license in Calvert County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of Calvert County to issue a special beer and wine festival license to the holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses or to a not-for-profit organization; authorizing the holder of the license to display and sell beer or wine for consumption on or off certain premises on certain days and for certain hours; authorizing the Board to approve up to a certain number of weekends for certain applicants for certain festivals; requiring the Board to approve certain locations for the festivals; providing for the application of this Act; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

February 3, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

The Governor of Maryland has signified his intention of addressing the General Assembly of Maryland on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 12 Noon in the House Chamber.

We propose with your concurrence, a joint meeting of the two Houses for this occasion and have appointed Delegates Hill and Smith to escort your Honorable Body to the House Chamber.

We further propose the appointment of a joint committee of six, three on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House, to escort the Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed Delegates Miele, S. Howard and Lisanti.

We further propose the appointment of a joint committee of six, three on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House to escort the Lieutenant Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed Delegates Simonaire, Cassilly and Angel.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

February 3, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We have received your message that the Governor has signified his intention to address the General Assembly of Maryland on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 12:00 Noon, and your proposal of a joint meeting of the General Assembly in the Chamber of the House of Delegates.

We respectfully concur in your message and have appointed on behalf of the Senate, Senators Pugh, Jennings and Edwards as members of the joint committee to escort the Governor to the Chamber of the House of Delegates.

We have also appointed as members of a joint committee, Senators Klausmeier, Hershey and Peters to escort the Lt. Governor to the House Chamber.

By Order,
William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 75)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:27 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 A.M. on Wednesday, February 4, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 4, 2015
11:30 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 11:37 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Sue Shorb–Sterling, Salem United Methodist Church, guest of Senator Montgomery.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 3, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 78)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 232 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

**Death or Life–Threatening Injury by Motor Vehicle or Vessel – Subsequent
Offenders – Penalties**

FOR the purpose of establishing subsequent offender penalties for certain offenses that result in the death or life–threatening injury to another as the result of a certain person driving, operating, or controlling a vehicle or vessel; providing that certain offenses committed in another state or federal jurisdiction are to be considered for the application of certain subsequent offender penalties; and generally relating to death or life–threatening injuries by motor vehicles or vessels.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–209, 2–210, 2–503 through 2–506, and 3–211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 233 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Community Action Council Food Bank Facility

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Action Council of Howard County, Maryland, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 234 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Howard County Historical Society Roof Repair
Ho. Co. 9–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$35,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Historical Society, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 235 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Historic Clover Hill Farm House Restoration
Ho. Co. 10–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for

disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 236 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Environmental Education Center
Renovation and Expansion
Ho. Co. 2-15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Conservancy, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 237 – Senators Madaleno, Feldman, King, Manno, Montgomery,
Raskin, and Rosapepe**

AN ACT concerning

**University System of Maryland – Pay It Forward Pilot Program and Tuition
Freeze – Studies**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland to study the creation of a potential Pay It Forward Pilot Program; requiring the study to consider certain items; requiring the Board of Regents to study whether public institutions of higher education could successfully implement a certain tuition freeze program; requiring the Board of Regents to report its findings and recommendations on the potential Pay It Forward Pilot Program and the potential tuition freeze program to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to studies by the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 238 – Senators Madaleno, Feldman, Kagan, King, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Jubilee Association of Maryland Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jubilee Association of Maryland, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 239 – Senators Madaleno, Feldman, King, Lee, Manno, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Warner Manor

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 240 – Senators Madaleno, Feldman, Kagan, King, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – The Writer’s Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Writer’s Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the

loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 241 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Coverage for Ostomy Equipment and Supplies – Required

FOR the purpose of requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide certain health insurance benefits under certain insurance policies or contracts to provide coverage for certain equipment and supplies used for the treatment of ostomies; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, to adopt by regulation and periodically update a list of certain ostomy equipment and supplies; providing that ostomy equipment and supplies included on a certain list are subject to certain insurance coverage; providing that the required coverage may be subject to certain deductibles and coinsurance; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to coverage for ostomy equipment and supplies under health insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–848

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 242 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Samaritan House

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Samaritan House, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 243 – Senators Feldman, Benson, Currie, Guzzone, King, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Ramirez, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Service Contracts – Reporting and Audit Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “service contract”, for purposes of provisions of law governing procurement contracts for certain services, to include services provided within a State–owned facility; requiring that certain units submit a certain demonstration to a certain exclusive representative under certain circumstances; requiring that certain units meet with a certain exclusive representative to discuss certain alternatives under certain circumstances; requiring that certain service contracts be subject to an audit to determine compliance with certain requirements; requiring that certain audits be completed before the expiration of an initial term of certain service contracts; requiring that a certain audit finding be made available to the public; requiring a unit in the Executive Branch of State government that has an independent personnel system to adopt certain rules and regulations; and generally relating to service contracts, reporting requirements, and audits of service contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 13–401 and 13–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 244 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Kelley, King, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice – Renewal of Licenses

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice to stagger the terms of certain licenses; providing that, before a certain date, a license to practice occupational therapy or limited occupational therapy may be renewed for a certain term; providing that, during a certain time period, a license expires on a date set by the Board and may be renewed in a certain manner; requiring the Board to renew licenses in a certain manner during a certain time period; providing that, beginning on a certain date, a license expires on the date set by the Board unless the license is renewed for a certain term; and generally relating to the renewal of licenses by the State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 10–311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 245 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – New City of Hope Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Positive Youth Expressions, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 246 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – In For Of Building Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of In For Of, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 247 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Pigtown Facade Restoration

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Pigtown Main Street,

Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 248 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – 908–912 Washington Boulevard
Project**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Pigtown Main Street, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 249 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Economic Empowerment
Community Center**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$175,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Economic Empowerment Coalition, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 250 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Garrett–Jacobs Mansion Safety and Access Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Garrett–Jacobs Mansion Endowment Fund, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 251 – Senators Pugh, Bates, Benson, Conway, Feldman, Kagan, King, Lee, Mathias, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board – School Counselors – Certification Requirement
(Lauryn’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board to require, beginning on or after a certain date, certain applicants for certification as a school counselor to have successfully completed a certain course regarding the recognition of, initial screening for, and response to emotional and behavioral distress in students and other individuals; requiring a certain course to include certain information; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to a certification requirement for school counselors by the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 6–704.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 252 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

FOR the purpose of entering into the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; stating the purpose of the Compact; requiring a physician to meet certain eligibility requirements to receive certain licensure; requiring physicians to designate a certain state as the state of principal license for purposes of registration for certain expedited licensure; authorizing a physician to redesignate a state of principal licensure under certain circumstances; authorizing the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission to develop rules to facilitate redesignation; establishing requirements for application, issuance, fees, and renewal of certain expedited licenses; establishing the Commission to administer the Compact; requiring the Commission to establish a database of certain physicians and applicants; requiring member boards to report certain information relating to certain public action or complaints against certain licensed physicians to the Commission; authorizing certain joint investigations; establishing requirements for certain disciplinary action; establishing the duties and finance powers of the Commission; providing for the organization and operation of the Commission; requiring the Commission to establish certain rules; providing for certain executive, legislative, and judicial oversight of the Compact; requiring the Commission to enforce certain provisions and rules of the Compact; establishing certain default procedures and requirements for dispute resolution; providing that certain states are eligible to become member states of the Compact; establishing procedures for amending the Compact; establishing certain requirements for withdrawal by member states from the Compact; providing for the dissolution of the Compact under certain circumstances; making the provisions of the Compact severable and providing for the application of the Compact; providing for the binding effect of the Compact and other laws; defining certain terms; making this Act subject to a certain contingency; and generally relating to the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 14–3A–01 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3A. Interstate Medical Licensure Compact”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 253 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Allegany County – Allegany County Animal Shelter Adoption and Care Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Allegany County Animal Shelter Management Foundation, Inc. for certain development or

improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 254 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Department of General Services – Deep Creek Lake Buy Down Area Program – Extension

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of General Services to establish a program to offer the owners of certain properties adjoining Deep Creek Lake the right to purchase certain land at a price not to exceed a certain amount; requiring the program to be administered in a certain manner; providing that the parcels sold under the program are subject to the same covenants and restrictions as parcels sold under a similar program; providing that the proceeds received from the sale of any property under the program be disposed of in a certain manner; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the disposition of certain properties around Deep Creek Lake.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings and the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 255 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Garrett County – Emergency Operations Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of County Commissioners of Garrett County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 256 – Senators Pinsky, Benson, Conway, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Middleton, Montgomery, Raskin, Rosapepe, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Shoreline Risk Assessment, Preparation, and Adaptation Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Agriculture, on or before a certain date, to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the impacts of climate change on agriculture in the State; requiring the assessment to identify, evaluate, and quantify the economic impact of certain risks of climate change on agriculture in the State; requiring the assessment to examine the latest climate science, recommend certain preparation and adaptation strategies, and identify ways in which the Department of Agriculture may provide technical assistance to farmers; requiring the Department of Agriculture to update its assessment every certain number of years and to make it publicly available on its Web site; requiring the Department of Agriculture to consult with the Maryland Commission on Climate Change and the Coast Smart Council to complete the assessment; requiring the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science to establish certain sea level rise projections and update them every 5 years; requiring the sea level rise projections to include certain maps and to be made publicly available on the Internet; requiring the Department of the Environment, on or before a certain date and in consultation with the Commission on Climate Change and the Coast Smart Council, to conduct a certain assessment, update the assessment every 5 years, and make the assessment publicly available on the Internet; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to update the Maryland Environmental Policy Act guidelines to require the consideration of certain climate change risks; requiring a State capital project that involves the construction of a highway, beginning on a certain date, to be constructed in compliance with certain siting and design criteria established by the Coast Smart Council; requiring the Department of Planning, in consultation with the Coast Smart Council, to develop certain model local laws and ordinances; altering the State's Economic Growth, Resource Protection, and Planning Policy to include the consideration of climate change risks; and generally relating to preparing for and adapting to climate change impacts in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 2–108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 2–1212

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 1–304

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 3–602.3 and 5–7A–01
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 257 – Senators Pinsky, Conway, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Nutrient Management – Phosphorus Management Tool

FOR the purpose of incorporating by reference certain nutrient management plan requirements in the Maryland Nutrient Management Manual of the Department of Agriculture and any supplements to the Manual; establishing certain content and criteria for a nutrient management plan developed for an agricultural operation; requiring a certain license holder or certain certified consultant to file a certain report with the Department under certain circumstances and in accordance with certain requirements; providing that a certain agricultural certification does not prevent the application or enforcement of certain provisions of law; and generally relating to nutrient management by agricultural operations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 8–801 and 8–1006
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 8–808 and 8–808.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 258 – Senators Pinsky, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee,

Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Commission on Climate Change

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Climate Change in the Department of the Environment to advise the Governor and General Assembly on ways to mitigate the causes of, prepare for, and adapt to the consequences of climate change; establishing the membership of the Commission; providing for the terms of a member of the Commission; authorizing the Governor to remove a member of the Commission under certain circumstances; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing a member to be reimbursed for certain expenses; requiring the Commission to establish certain working groups; requiring the Chair of the Commission to appoint working group members who represent certain public and private interests; requiring the Commission to prioritize certain working group actions; requiring the Commission, on or before a certain date each year, to report to the Governor and General Assembly; requiring each State agency to complete a certain review in accordance with certain requirements; requiring each State agency to identify and recommend certain changes to certain programs under certain circumstances; requiring certain State agencies to report annually to the Governor and General Assembly on the status of certain programs; requiring the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science to establish and update certain sea level rise projections; requiring the sea level rise projections to include certain maps and to be made publicly available on the Internet; requiring the Commission to be convened and the working group members to be appointed on or before a certain date; requiring each working group to meet and establish a work plan on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Maryland Commission on Climate Change.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 2–1301 through 2–1306 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13. Maryland Commission on Climate Change”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 259 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Deadline Date for Withdrawal of Certificate of Candidacy

FOR the purpose of altering the date by which an individual who has filed a certificate of candidacy for an election may withdraw the candidacy; and generally relating to the deadline date for an individual to withdraw a certificate of candidacy for an election.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 260 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – K9 Veterans Day

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain day as K9 Veterans Day; and generally relating to commemorative days.

BY renumbering
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–402 through 7–413, respectively
to be Section 7–403 through 7–414, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 261 – Senators Jennings, Brochin, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Permit Background Investigation – Armored Car Company Employees

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of State Police to accept certain background investigations from certain armored car companies in place of a certain criminal history records check performed by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services under certain circumstances; and generally relating to handgun permit background investigations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 262 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Building Performance Standards – Energy Codes – Local Authority

FOR the purpose of authorizing a local jurisdiction to adopt local amendments to the Maryland Building Performance Standards that are equivalent to the requirements of certain international energy conservation and energy efficiency codes; and generally relating to building performance standards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–504
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 263 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Chesapeake Arts Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Chesapeake Arts Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 264 – Senator Miller

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court for Calvert County – Fees for Appearance of Counsel

FOR the purpose of altering certain appearance of counsel fees collected or charged by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Calvert County; altering the purposes for which certain appearance fees deposited into the Calvert County Law Library Fund may be used; and generally relating to certain appearance of counsel fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(a)(1) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(a)(7)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 265 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Electronic Bingo and Electronic Tip Jars – Distribution of Admissions and Amusement Tax Revenues

FOR the purpose of extending and altering the amount of, for certain fiscal years, certain distributions of revenue from the State admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars in Calvert County; repealing a certain obsolete provision; and generally relating to the distribution of certain revenue from the State admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General

Section 4–105(a–1)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–1901(f)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 266 – Senators Hough, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Jennings, Norman,
Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, Ready, and Serafini**

AN ACT concerning

**Education – Privacy of Education Records and Personal Information of
Students**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Department of Education, the State Board of Education, a county board of education, a local school system, a primary school, or a secondary school to collect or disclose the education records, or personally identifiable information contained in the education records, of a student only as necessary or required for certain purposes; prohibiting a person from requiring a certain student, without prior written consent, to submit to a survey, an analysis, or an evaluation that reveals certain information; requiring the Department to develop security measures and procedures to protect personally identifiable information contained in education records from release to any unauthorized person or for any unauthorized purpose; requiring the Department to comply with all federal and State privacy protection laws when collecting, maintaining, or disclosing education records; establishing that this Act does not prohibit the disclosure of aggregate data from education records in certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the privacy of education records and personal information of students.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–1701 through 7–1706 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Privacy of
Student Information”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 267 – Senators Hough, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Montgomery, Salling, Waugh, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Cat and Dog Adoption

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual who adopts a cat or dog from certain animal shelters or rescue facilities a credit against the State income tax; providing that an individual may not claim the credit for more than 1 taxable year with respect to the same cat or dog; providing that an individual may not claim a credit greater than a certain amount for any taxable year; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a credit against the State income tax for adopting a cat or dog.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 268 – Senators Hough, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Jennings, Norman, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, Ready, and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Baltimore City Detention Center – Transfer of Ownership

FOR the purpose of abolishing the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; repealing the authority of the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services to operate and control the Baltimore City Detention Center and the centralized booking facility for Baltimore City; repealing certain findings and policies relating to inmates housed at the Detention Center; repealing certain provisions relating to inmate medical care; establishing certain policies and findings relating to the transfer of ownership of the Detention Center from the State to the City of Baltimore; providing for the commitment of certain persons after a certain date; providing for the transfer of title to and possession and preservation of certain records; providing for the termination of employees of the Detention Center; requiring the State to provide certain leave benefits to former employees of the Detention Center; specifying certain financial responsibilities of the State; providing for the hiring of former employees of the Detention Center under certain circumstances at certain salaries; providing for certain pension and health insurance benefits for certain former employees of the Detention Center; authorizing the Mayor of Baltimore City to accept certain

liabilities and assume certain contracts of the State under certain circumstances; specifying the applicability of the Maryland Tort Claims Act; authorizing the Mayor of Baltimore City to assume certain procurement and construction contracts entered into by the State under certain circumstances; directing the transfer of property, assets, licenses, credits, and rights of the Detention Center to the Mayor of Baltimore City; providing that the transfer of the property, assets, licenses, credits, and rights of the Detention Center may not go into effect until it is approved by the Board of Public Works; requiring the State to pay the operating and capital costs of the Detention Center in specified years; requiring the City of Baltimore to pay a certain part of the operating and capital costs of the Detention Center in a specified year; requiring the City of Baltimore to pay all of the operating and capital costs of the Detention Center beginning in a specified year; requiring that the Mayor of Baltimore City and the Secretary of Budget and Management enter into a certain memorandum of understanding; providing that the memorandum of understanding may not go into effect until approved by the Board of Public Works; requiring the City of Baltimore and the State to establish a certain process to inform and advise certain employees about certain matters; providing that certain employees may present certain grievances; specifying certain contractual obligations; altering the definition of “local correctional facility” to include a facility operated by Baltimore City; making certain conforming changes; repealing and correcting certain references; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Detention Center.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Correctional Services

Section 1–101(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Correctional Services

Section 1–101(j) and (o), 9–106, 9–604, 10–304, 10–701(c)(1)(vi), 10–801(a), (c)(1), and (d), and 11–704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Correctional Services

Section 5–101 and 5–102 and the subtitle “Subtitle 1. Definitions; General Provisions”; 5–201, 5–202, and 5–203 and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. Division of Pretrial Detention and Services”; 5–301 and 5–302 and the subtitle “Subtitle 3. Pretrial Release Services Program”; 5–401 through 5–406 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4. Baltimore City Detention Center”; and the title “Title 5. Division of Pretrial Detention and Services”; and 11–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 269 – Senators Lee, Bates, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Madaleno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Domestic Violence – Additional Relief

FOR the purpose of expanding the relief that may be awarded in an interim protective order to include any other relief that a District Court commissioner determines is appropriate; expanding the relief that may be awarded in a temporary protective order and a final protective order to include any other relief that a judge determines is appropriate; and generally relating to domestic violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–504.1(b), 4–505(a)(1), and 4–506(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–504.1(c), 4–505(a)(2), and 4–506(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 270 – Senators Lee, Kagan, King, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Protective Order and Peace Order Petitions – Maryland Residents

FOR the purpose of authorizing the filing of a protective order petition if the abuse is alleged to have occurred in the State or if the person eligible for relief is a resident of the State; authorizing the filing of a peace order petition if a certain act is alleged to have occurred in the State or if the petitioner is a resident of the State; and generally relating to protective orders and peace orders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–504(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–1503(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 271 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Cassilly, Eckardt, Feldman, Guzzone, Jennings, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Mathias, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Reilly, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Use of Campaign Funds for Meeting and Conference Expenses

FOR the purpose of including a disbursement to pay the costs for travel, lodging, meals, and registration expenses to attend certain meetings or conferences as an allowable expenditure of funds from a campaign account under the State election law; and generally relating to the use of campaign funds to pay expenses for a candidate's or an elected official's attendance at certain meetings and conferences.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 1–101(o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 1–101(aa)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 272 – Senators Kelley, Conway, Currie, King, Madaleno, Middleton, Montgomery, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Requirements for Filial Support – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the prohibition on the neglect or refusal, by an adult child who has or is able to earn sufficient means, to provide a destitute parent with food, shelter, care, and clothing; repealing the authority of an individual to make a certain

complaint relating to the neglect or refusal of a certain adult child to provide a destitute parent with necessary food, shelter, care, and clothing; repealing the authority of the State's Attorney to file a certain information relating to certain nonsupport of a destitute parent; repealing a requirement that a court order a certain individual to pay support to the individual's destitute parent under certain circumstances; repealing a requirement that a certain individual pay certain support until a certain occurrence; repealing the authority of a court to order payment of certain forfeited recognizance to a destitute parent or certain agency under certain circumstances; repealing the authority of a court to release a certain individual and a certain surety from the terms of a certain order, bond, or recognizance under certain circumstances; altering the definition of "responsible relative", as it relates to responsibility for the cost of certain services provided in a facility or program operated or funded by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to exclude from the definition the children of a recipient of certain services; repealing a certain definition; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the repeal of laws requiring filial support and financial responsibility.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 13–101 through 13–103 and 13–106 through 13–109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 16–101(a) and (c) and 16–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 16–101(f) and 16–203(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 273 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Collaborative Reproduction Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Collaborative Reproduction Act; establishing the purposes of this Act; establishing certain rights and obligations of certain intended parents who use gamete or embryo donors to conceive a child through collaborative reproduction; establishing certain rights of a child conceived

through collaborative reproduction; establishing that a gamete or embryo donor is not a parent of a child conceived through collaborative reproduction under certain circumstances; establishing that a gestational carrier agreement is enforceable in the State under certain circumstances; specifying certain requirements for parties who enter into a gestational carrier agreement; specifying certain requirements for the contents of a gestational carrier agreement; specifying the effect of the dissolution of the marriage or partnership of a gestational carrier or an intended parent on a gestational carrier agreement; prohibiting an embryo transfer from occurring under certain circumstances; specifying the effect of an unauthorized embryo transfer; specifying the effect of the death of an intended parent on a gestational carrier agreement; authorizing an intended parent to revoke consent to a gestational carrier agreement under certain circumstances; providing for the resolution of disputes under a gestational carrier agreement; authorizing a party to a gestational carrier agreement to file a petition for parentage; establishing the jurisdiction of a circuit court of the State over a petition for parentage under certain circumstances; specifying the required contents of a petition for parentage; requiring a court to issue an order of parentage under certain circumstances; establishing the legal effect of an order of parentage; requiring an order of parentage to be sealed under certain circumstances; requiring that, in the absence of an order of parentage, the parentage of a child born as the result of a gestational carrier agreement be determined in a certain manner; providing for the issuance of a birth certificate under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain persons who have been convicted of certain crimes from being involved in the business of collaborative reproduction; establishing certain criminal penalties; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; making the provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to the Maryland Collaborative Reproduction Act.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–901 through 5–914 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9. Maryland Collaborative Reproduction Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 274 – Harford County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Harford County – Warrant Intercept Program

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Harford County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Harford County; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions;

making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 275 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman,
Hershey, Jennings, Klausmeier, Ready, and Salling**

AN ACT concerning

**Transportation – Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge – Discounted Variable Toll
Rate for Commuters**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to establish a discounted variable toll rate for certain commuters to cross the Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge; setting the discounted variable toll rate at a certain amount and applying the toll during certain hours each day; requiring certain persons to register with the Authority and present documentation and other information to qualify for the discounted variable toll rate; authorizing the Authority to adopt certain

regulations; and generally relating to a discounted variable toll rate for commuters to cross the Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 4–406

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 276 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Responsible Operator

FOR the purpose of specifying that an applicant for a Class H–CC (corporate club/conference center) beer, wine and liquor license is not required to own at least a certain percentage of a business in order to qualify as a responsible operator for the purpose of obtaining an alcoholic beverages license in Harford County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–201(n)(1) and (6)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–101(k)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 277 – Senators Cassilly, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Protective Orders – Additional Relief

FOR the purpose of authorizing a judge in a final protective order to order the respondent to remain a specified distance away from the residence, place of employment, school,

or temporary residence of a person eligible for relief; and generally relating to protective orders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–506(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 278 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Public Schools – Health and Safety – Food Transparency

FOR the purpose of requiring certain local school systems to create certain dining menus; requiring a certain dining menu to include certain information under certain circumstances; requiring certain local school systems to post certain information on the local school system’s Web site; requiring certain public schools to provide a certain link on the public school’s Web site under certain circumstances; requiring certain public schools to send, by regular mail, certain information to parents and guardians under certain circumstances; and generally relating to food transparency in public schools.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–437
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 279 – Senators Montgomery, Benson, Feldman, Guzzone, Kelley, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Public Work Contracts – Contractor Occupational Safety and Health Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring a prospective bidder or offeror when submitting a bid or offer for a public work contract to submit to the public body a certain contractor safety and health plan and a certain attestation; requiring that a contract safety and health

plan include certain information; requiring a prospective bidder or offeror to provide a copy of the contractor safety and health plan to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry on request; requiring the Commissioner to develop a certain safety and health calculation worksheet and specified safety and health rating system; requiring each contractor and subcontractor working under a public work contractor to complete a certain safety and health calculation worksheet within a certain number of days after entering into the public work contract and implement certain additional safety and health measures; requiring the Commissioner to adopt regulations to carry out this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to require by regulation that a prospective bidder or offeror, a contractor, or a subcontractor subject to this Act maintain certain records; requiring the Commissioner to investigate as necessary to determine whether certain persons are complying with this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to enter a place of business or a work site for certain purposes; requiring the Commissioner to issue a certain citation and proposed order to a prospective bidder or offeror, a contractor, or a subcontractor under certain circumstances; requiring the citation and proposed order to be sent by certified mail and contain certain information; authorizing a certain prospective bidder, contractor, or subcontractor to request a certain hearing within a certain number of days after receiving the citation and proposed order; requiring the Commissioner to schedule a hearing on receipt of a request for a hearing; providing that a certain proposed order becomes a final order under certain circumstances; providing that a certain decision of the Commissioner is final except under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to assess certain civil penalties under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to consider certain factors in determining the amount of a penalty to be assessed; authorizing the Commissioner, under certain circumstances, to recommend to a public body that a prospective bidder or offeror, contractor, or subcontractor be debarred from entering into a certain public work contract for a certain period of time; prohibiting a prospective bidder or offeror, contractor, or subcontractor from taking certain action against an employee for certain reasons; authorizing a certain employee to submit to the Commissioner a certain written complaint; requiring that an employee submit a certain complaint within a certain time period; requiring the Commissioner to investigate a certain complaint; requiring the Commissioner, under certain circumstances, to refer a certain matter to the Officer of Administrative Hearings for findings of fact and a proposed decision under certain provisions of law; providing for the application of a certain provision of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to contractor occupational safety and health requirements on public work contracts.

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 17–801 through 17–807 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. Contractor Occupational Safety and Health Requirements”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 229 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Sale or Distribution of Tobacco and Related Products – Civil Penalties

Reassigned to the Committee on Finance under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET NO. 1 – FISCAL YEAR 2016

(See Exhibit C of Appendix III)

Supplemental Budget No. 1 read and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 79)

RECESS

At 11:51 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate recessed until 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, February 4, 2015.

AFTER RECESS
Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 4, 2015

At 11:57 A.M. the Senate resumed its session.

Joint Session in the House Chamber for the State of the State Address.

JOINT SESSION

Delegates Hill and Smith escorted the Senate into the House Chamber.

President Miller called for the Senate roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Senate Roll Call No. 79A)

Speaker Busch called for the House roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 135 Members present.

(See House Roll Call No. 44)

A majority of both the House and the Senate being present, Speaker Busch declared both bodies in Joint Session.

Senators Klausmeier, Hershey and Peters and Delegates Simonaire, Cassilly and Angel escorted the Lieutenant Governor Boyd K. Rutherford to the Rostrum.

Senators Pugh, Jennings and Edwards and Delegates Miele, S. Howard and Lisanti escorted the Chief Executive to the Speaker's Rostrum.

Speaker Busch presented the Chief Executive of Maryland, Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.

The Chief Executive addressed the General Assembly.

STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS

GOVERNOR LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR.

“A New Direction for Maryland”**Wednesday, February 4, 2015****State House, Annapolis**

Speaker Busch, President Miller, members of the General Assembly, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen.

It is an honor, and I am truly humbled, for the opportunity to appear before this 435th General Assembly – as Maryland’s new governor – to report on the state of our state.

Marylanders are among the nation’s hardest working and most educated people. We have universities and schools that are among the best in the nation.

No state can match the beauty of the Chesapeake Bay, our beaches and farms, or the mountains of Western Maryland, the Port of Baltimore, or the historic charm of every corner of our state.

But while our assets are many, and our people are strong and hopeful, their state is simply not as strong as it could be – or as it should be.

We have a lot to do, to get Maryland back on track and working again.

The challenges we face are great.

High taxes, over–regulation, and an anti–business attitude are clearly the cause of our economic problems. Our economy is floundering, and too many Marylanders have been struggling, just to get by.

40 consecutive tax hikes have taken an additional \$10 billion out of the pockets of struggling Maryland families and small businesses. We’ve lost more than 8,000 businesses, and Maryland’s unemployment nearly doubled.

We’re number three in the nation in foreclosures, and dead last in manufacturing. We’ve had the largest mass exodus of taxpayers fleeing our state – of any state in our region, and one of the worst in the nation.

And, while most states around the country have turned the corner – sadly, Maryland continues to languish behind. The federal government ranked our state’s economy 49th out of 50 states.

That is simply unacceptable.

According to a recent Gallup poll, nearly half of all Marylanders would leave the state if they could. As a lifelong Marylander who loves this state – that just breaks my heart.

We fail all Marylanders if we simply accept these dismal facts as the status quo.

Well – I refuse to accept the status quo, because the people of Maryland deserve better.

Over the past few years, as I traveled across the state, I listened to the concerns of Marylanders from all walks of life. The common theme I kept hearing was frustration. People everywhere feel a real disconnect between Annapolis and the rest of Maryland. They feel that we are way off track, heading in the wrong direction, and that change is desperately needed in Annapolis.

The problems we face aren't Democratic problems, or Republican problems. These are Maryland's problems.

And they will require common sense, Maryland solutions. With the will of the people behind us, and with all of us working together, we can put Maryland back on track.

And we will.

Today, Marylanders look to us for leadership. They look to us to put Maryland on a new path, toward opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens.

Ladies and gentlemen, it is time for us to listen to Maryland's hard working taxpayers and our job creators.

The people of Maryland simply cannot afford for us to continue on the same path of more spending, more borrowing, more taxes, and politics as usual.

It is time for a new direction for Maryland.

Our administration will chart a new course; one guided by simple, common sense principles. Our focus will be on jobs, struggling Maryland families, and restoring our economy.

And every decision I make as governor will be put to a simple test.

Will this law or action make it easier for families and small businesses to stay in Maryland?

And – will it make more families and small businesses want to come to Maryland?

Our administration will work with all of you to enact the necessary budgets, tax reductions, regulatory reforms, and legislation that is necessary, to ensure that we turn our economy around.

Just 24 hours after being sworn into office, I proposed a budget for Fiscal Year 2016 that fairly and responsibly controls spending.

When my team began the budgeting process, we encountered a baseline budget of \$17 billion in expenses and projected revenue of only \$16.3 billion. The state was poised to somehow spend \$700 million that we simply did not have.

Mandatory payments on state debt had increased by 96 percent just this year. We face an \$18.7 billion unfunded pension liability.

Faced with this troubling reality, we revised that script – delivering a fiscally responsible budget that only expends what we take in. This is just common sense. And will come as no surprise to anyone that manages a family's finances, or runs a small business.

Our team created a structurally balanced budget for the first time in nearly a decade. This budget sends a clear and important message that the days of deficit spending in Maryland are over.

We had to make some very tough decisions in just the first few days of our administration in order to get this state budget under control. But our budget puts Maryland on sound financial footing, without raising taxes or fees, without eliminating agencies, departments, or services, without imposing furloughs and without laying off a single state employee.

Our new budget also funds our priorities, including providing record investment in K–12 education and increased investment in higher education.

This proposed FY2016 budget is just a start. We will have much more to do in the days and months ahead to correct our state's fiscal course. I am eager to work cooperatively with the General Assembly to meet these challenges head on.

Before I became governor, increases in spending were promised that simply could not be kept. If ever Maryland needed a dose of honesty, it's now.

The debates that take place in this chamber in the weeks ahead cannot ignore the certainty of our current fiscal situation. We will make every effort to be fair, judicious and thoughtful, and my administration will work hard to preserve jobs and to fund priorities.

Budget choices are never easy, and you may have different ideas and solutions. And we look forward to hearing them, and to working together with you to find common ground.

As long as those solutions don't include increasing taxes, spending more than we take in, or going further into debt.

And remember, every penny that is added to one program, must be taken from another.

Failing to spend the taxpayer's money in a responsible way could eventually jeopardize our ability to adequately fund education, transportation, environmental programs, and provide support to the vulnerable and those most in need.

We simply cannot let that happen.

So, how do we begin to change direction, and to improve the state that we all love?

It won't happen overnight, and there will be times and issues that will test us all, but there are a number of initial actions that I believe we must begin working on immediately.

1. Making Maryland More Competitive

Maryland's anti-business attitude, combined with our onerous tax and regulatory policies have rendered our state unable to compete with any of the states in our region. It's the reason that businesses, jobs and taxpayers have been fleeing our state at an alarming rate.

It's at the heart of the fiscal and economic issues we are currently dealing with, and it is something we must find solutions to.

A year ago, I held my second annual Change Maryland Business Summit on Improving Maryland's Economic Competitiveness.

We became the leading voice on these issues – it's the reason I have the honor of being your governor, and it will be the primary focus of our administration.

I want to commend Senate President Miller and Speaker Busch for recognizing the need to make Maryland more economically competitive.

A year ago, at their urging, this legislature created the Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission, also known as the Augustine Commission, to make recommendations to make Maryland competitive. It was a great first step, and we are anxiously awaiting the recommendations of this commission.

But, I am confident that we will find many areas of agreement to make Maryland a more business friendly and more competitive state, so that we can create more jobs and more opportunities for our citizens.

2. Making State Government More Efficient And More Responsive

I'm proud of the experienced, diverse and bipartisan Cabinet that we have assembled to take over the reins [reins] of state government.

Many of them bring fresh, innovative ideas and valuable real world, private-sector management expertise to their agencies. Their primary mission will be to find ways to restructure their agencies and to make state government more efficient, and more cost effective.

But, we also want to change the culture of state government.

The voters have given us an opportunity to build a government that works for the people – and not the other way around.

Comptroller Franchot noted at his swearing-in last week that we must reinstate old-fashioned customer service to every aspect of government.

I completely agree – and together we will.

3. Repealing The Rain Tax

Dealing with the problem of storm water management and working to restore our most treasured asset, the Chesapeake Bay, is a goal we all strongly agree on.

But in my humble opinion, passing a state law that forced certain counties to raise taxes on their citizens – against their will – may not have been the best way to address the issue.

If there was one message that Marylanders have made perfectly clear it was that taxing struggling and already overtaxed Marylanders for the rain that falls on the roof of their homes was a mistake that needs to be corrected.

This week, our administration will submit legislation to repeal the rain tax.

4. Tax Relief For Retirees

Nearly every day I hear from folks who say that they love the state of Maryland, that they have spent their entire lives here, and that they don't want to leave their kids and grandkids. But, that they simply cannot afford to stay here on a fixed income.

We are losing many of our best and brightest citizens to other states.

Eventually, once we solve our current budget crisis, and turn our economy around, I want to reach the point where we are able to do away with income taxes on all retirement income, just as many other states have done.

This week, we will start heading toward that goal by submitting legislation that repeals income taxes on pensions for retired military, police, fire, and first responders.

These brave men and women have put their lives on the line for us – they deserve it – and they have earned these tax breaks.

5. Tax Relief For Small Businesses

I have spent most of my life in the private sector, running a small business in a state that, at times, seemed openly hostile to people like me.

There is much more for us to do, but as a first step, I'm proposing cutting personal property taxes for small businesses.

This burdensome tax and bureaucratic paperwork discourages the creation of new business, and drives small businesses and jobs elsewhere.

This legislation would create a tax exemption on the first \$10,000 in personal property, entirely eliminating this tax for more than 70,000 small business owners — or one-half of all Maryland's businesses.

6. Repealing Automatic Gas Tax Increases

After syphoning a billion dollars from the Transportation Trust Fund, a decision was made to enact the largest gas tax increase in state history. This legislation also included language that would automatically increase taxes every single year without it ever having a coming up for a vote.

Marylanders deserve the transparency to know how their elected leaders vote every time the state takes a bigger share of their hard-earned dollars. This is a regressive tax that hurts struggling Maryland families and our most vulnerable, and which adds to the cost of almost everything.

These automatic tax increases should be repealed, and we will submit legislation to do so.

7. Improving Transportation

Over the last several years, monies for local road improvements have been slashed by up to 96 percent.

Our administration is committed to restoring the money that was taken from the transportation trust fund, and to making sure that it never happens again.

Today I am pleased to announce a supplemental to our FY2016 budget that will increase Highway User Revenues by \$25 million and give counties and municipalities the most money for road improvements that they have received since FY 2009.

Further, we are committed to increasing the local share of Highway User Revenues from 10% today to its original high point of 30% over the next 8 years.

This initial tax relief package is just a starting point in the process of rebuilding our state's economy, and of course tax relief is only part of the solution. We have other important initiatives as well.

8. Improving Education For All Maryland Children

Education is our top priority.

In our proposed budget, we spend more money on education than ever before. We fund K–12 education at record levels and have committed over \$290 million to school construction.

And this is the first time in history that any administration has provided additional supplemental funding for education through GCEI in their first year.

We have some great schools here in Maryland, but the gap between the best and the worst schools is dramatic.

I believe that every child in Maryland deserves a world–class education, regardless of what neighborhood they grow up in. We must fix our under–performing schools while also giving parents and children realistic and better alternatives.

So, let’s expand families’ choices. Let’s encourage more public charter schools to open and operate in Maryland.

This month, our administration will submit legislation to strengthen Maryland’s charter school law. This legislation will expand choices for families and make it easier for more public charter schools to operate in Maryland.

Our administration will also push for the enactment of the “Building Opportunities for All Students and Teachers” legislation, also known as “BOAST”.

It provides tax credits to those who make voluntary contributions to private or parochial schools, and it will help free up more money and resources for our students in public schools.

This legislation has been debated in these chambers for more than a decade. The Senate has already voted to support it. We need to work to convince our colleagues in the House that it is the right thing to do.

9. Protecting The Environment

A healthy Bay is key to a strong economy and high quality of life – for all Marylanders. It will be a top priority of our administration.

Even after spending \$15 billion in Maryland tax dollars, the health of our Chesapeake Bay has declined. Maryland just received a D+ on a recent report card.

This is just the latest indicator that our current strategy for protecting and restoring our greatest natural asset is failing. Our administration intends to reverse that trend.

It’s time for a new approach. We can, and we must do better.

We all agree on the problem: there’s too much phosphorous, nitrogen, and sediment entering our bay. We must take action to prevent as much of this pollution as possible from entering the bay.

However – restoration of our bay must not fall on one group disproportionately. Placing unreasonable burdens upon Maryland’s farmers will serve only to devastate more rural communities.

We will work with the agricultural and environmental communities to find fair and balanced solutions for limiting phosphorus. In addition, we will take a comprehensive approach to restoring our bay by addressing the long-ignored impact of upstream polluters, and the sediment spilling over the Conowingo Dam.

We will work with all stakeholders to come up with fresh, innovative solutions to protect and restore our greatest natural asset.

10. Tackling Maryland’s Heroin Epidemic

As I travel throughout our state, I hear the devastating stories from our families and friends who hurt from the devastation heroin has wreaked on our communities.

Throughout Maryland, from our smallest town to our biggest city, it has become an epidemic, and it is destroying lives. I have tasked Lt. Governor Rutherford with bringing together all of the stakeholders in order to come up with a plan to tackle this emergency.

Later this month, we will execute an executive order to address this heroin epidemic.

11. Campaign Finance And Election Reform

The strength of our democracy rests on a balanced, honest and open political process that challenges convention and encourages progress.

The Fair Campaign Financing Act for gubernatorial elections provides this balance and opens discord [discourse]. It levels the playing field and holds our elected leaders accountable.

And while many said we would never elect a governor because of the low spending limits mandated in our public finance laws, I stand before you today as proof that the system does work.

We must replenish this fund as soon as possible and make it available for future candidates. Therefore, we will submit legislation to reinstate the voluntary check-off which allows a taxpayer to make a donation to go towards the public campaign financing system each year.

Finally, we need to address redistricting reform.

We have some of the most gerrymandered districts in the country – this is not a distinction that we should be proud of.

Gerrymandering is a form of political gamesmanship that stifles real political debate and deprives citizens of meaningful choices. Fair and competitive elections – and having checks and balances – make for a more vibrant and responsive citizen republic.

To advance this discussion, I will execute an executive order that creates a bipartisan commission to examine Maryland's redistricting process with the goal of fully reforming this process and giving this authority to an independent, bipartisan commission.

Though this is an ambitious agenda, I believe that these actions will begin to put Maryland on a new path, one that leads to a new era of opportunity, and prosperity for all our citizens.

Though our visions may differ, our goals are the same: a better, stronger, cleaner, healthier, and more prosperous Maryland. We can't accomplish these goals alone. We need your help, your ideas, and your support.

And while I'm sure we will disagree on a few points in the coming weeks, I am prepared to create an environment of trust and cooperation, one in which the best ideas rise to the top based upon their merit, regardless of which side of the political debate they come from.

So let us commit ourselves to that goal: to live up to our potential, to work together to solve the big problems with cooperation and good faith, for the sake of our children and grandchildren.

Let us renew our sense of optimism, and make Maryland a place of unlimited promise. Together, let's change Maryland for the better.

Thank you, God bless you, and may God bless the great state of Maryland.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:49 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 5, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, February 5, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:09 A.M.

Prayer by Chaplain Washington Johnson II, United States Navy Reserves, guest of Senator Raskin.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 4, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senators Benson, Mathias and Reilly be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 81)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 280 – Senator Middleton

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Qualified Farms – Food Donation Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of allowing certain qualified farms a credit, up to a certain amount, against the State income tax equal to a certain percentage of the value of certain food donations; providing for the carry forward of the credit; providing for the calculation of the amount of the credit; requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to establish certain values on a weekly basis; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Comptroller, to establish a certain certification procedure for certain tax credit administrators; requiring a tax credit certificate administrator that receives a certain donation to issue a certain tax credit certificate; requiring that a tax credit certificate contain certain information; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Comptroller, to prepare certain tax credit certificate forms; requiring the

Secretary to notify certain administrators to stop issuing certain certificates if a certain limit is reached; providing that the total amount of tax credit certificates issued may not exceed a certain amount for certain fiscal years; requiring that the Secretary, in consultation with the Comptroller and the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Hub and Spoke Program in the Southern Maryland Region submit a certain report by a certain date each year; reestablishing the 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 certain compensation; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Secretary and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Comptroller, to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to a tax credit for certain food donations.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 281 – Senators Middleton, Astle, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Maryland’s Behavioral Health System

FOR the purpose of establishing the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Maryland’s Behavioral Health System; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring, to the extent practicable, the membership of the Commission to reflect a certain diversity; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to study and make certain recommendations; requiring the Commission to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Maryland’s Behavioral Health System.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 282 – Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Pass–Through Entities

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual a credit against the State income tax equal to the amount by which the tax, when applying a certain effective tax rate, on the individual's distributive share of pass–through entity income exceeds the tax on the individual's distributive share of pass–through entity income when applying a tax rate of a certain percentage; providing that an individual may not claim the credit if the individual's effective tax rate is less than a certain percentage; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for income from certain pass–through entities.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 283 – Senators Raskin, Eckardt, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Madaleno, Peters, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Ethics Law – Financial Disclosure Statement by Elected Local Official of a Municipal Corporation – Confidential Information

FOR the purpose of altering certain financial disclosure provisions governing an elected local official of a municipal corporation; prohibiting the disclosure of certain information concerning certain relatives, interests in certain real property or business entities, or information concerning certain employment or indebtedness that is included in the financial disclosure statement filed by an elected local official of a municipal corporation; and generally relating to the financial disclosure statement filed by an elected local official of a municipal corporation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 5–809

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 284 – Senators Raskin, Eckardt, Guzzone, Hough, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Middleton, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Jane Lawton Farm–to–School Program – Maryland Homegrown School Lunch Week – Occurrence

FOR the purpose of increasing the occurrence of a certain promotional event established under the Jane Lawton Farm–to–School Program in the Department of Agriculture; requiring the promotional event to be held during certain seasons; and generally relating to the Jane Lawton Farm–to–School Program in the Department of Agriculture.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 10–1601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 285 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Inter–Generational Center Expansion

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Easter Seals of Greater Washington–Baltimore Region, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 286 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement Officers’ Pension System – Division of Parole and Probation – Warrant Apprehension Unit Employees – Membership

FOR the purpose of providing for the membership of employees of the Warrant Apprehension Unit in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; authorizing certain employees of the Warrant Apprehension Unit to transfer membership to the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System by a certain date; requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to transfer certain funds to the accumulation fund of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; requiring certain members of the Warrant Apprehension Unit to deposit certain amounts in the annuity savings fund of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; and generally relating to membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 6–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 26–201(a), 26–202, and 26–203.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 26–203.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 287 – Senators Raskin, Feldman, King, Lee, Madaleno, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Four Corners Community
Outreach Site**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Silver Spring United Methodist Church for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 288 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Procedure – Financial Crimes Against Vulnerable and Elder Adults –
Petition to Freeze Assets**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a State’s Attorney to file a petition to freeze assets of a defendant charged with a certain financial crime involving a vulnerable or elder adult under certain circumstances; requiring that a petition to freeze assets be served in accordance with the Maryland Rules and include certain information; requiring that a petition to freeze assets be mailed to certain lienholders and certain financial institutions; authorizing a court to grant a petition to freeze assets and issue an order to freeze assets under certain circumstances; requiring that an order to freeze assets remain in effect for a certain period of time; authorizing the court to modify an order to freeze assets under certain circumstances; specifying that a certain lienholder is not prohibited from exercising certain rights if a default occurs in the obligation giving rise to the lien; specifying that a certain financial institution is not prohibited from exercising certain rights; defining certain terms; and generally relating to petitions to freeze assets.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 4–206

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 289 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Lake Roland Education Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$340,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Baltimore County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 290 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company Building

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 291 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Crownsville Treatment Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Gaudenzia Foundation, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 292 – Senators Ramirez, Kelley, Madaleno, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Land Records – Fraudulent Recordings

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from causing a certain instrument to be recorded in the land records of a county under certain circumstances; requiring a clerk of the circuit court to send a certain notice to the parties named in a deed or other instrument affecting real property no later than a certain number of days after recording the deed or other instrument; specifying the minimum contents of the notice; requiring the notice to be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested; establishing certain penalties; and generally relating to land records.

BY adding to

Article – Real Property
Section 3–112 and 3–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 293 – Senators Ramirez, Benson, Cassilly, Feldman, Ferguson, Hough, Kelley, Madaleno, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Jury Service – Excusal

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain parent may be excused from jury service under certain circumstances; and generally relating to jury service and excusals from jury service.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 8–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 294 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Education – Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program in the State Department of Education; requiring the Department, after consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to implement the Program for a certain number of students in public high school in Prince George’s County and a certain number of students in public high school in another county; authorizing the State Department of Education to collaborate with certain local community organizations; specifying the purpose of the Program; defining a certain term; requiring the State Department of Education to report annually to certain committees of the General Assembly; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 7–415.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 295 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Education – Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program in the State Department of Education; requiring the Department, after consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to implement the Program for a certain number of students in public high schools in Prince George’s County; authorizing the State Department of Education to collaborate with certain local community organizations; specifying the purpose of the Program; defining a certain term; requiring the State Department of Education to report annually to certain committees of the General Assembly; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program in Prince George’s County.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–415.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 296 – Senators Montgomery, Lee, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Ramirez, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Public Schools – Thirsty Kids Act

FOR the purpose of requiring each public school to make available free, unlimited, potable drinking water for each student throughout the school day, to include a reusable water bottle on the school supplies list for each student in kindergarten through grade 12, and to provide certain cups for drinking water in certain locations; requiring the State Department of Education to encourage each county board to develop a plan to promote the consumption of drinking water, the use of reusable water bottles, and weekly cleaning of reusable water bottles; and generally relating to drinking water in public schools.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–437

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 297 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Feldman, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Mathias, Middleton, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Task Force on Family Caregiving and Long–Term Supports

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on Family Caregiving and Long–Term Supports; providing for the composition, staff, and dates of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on Family Caregiving and Long–Term Supports.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 298 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Administration – Temporary Registration Plates – Regulations

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt regulations to govern the issuance of a temporary registration plate to a vehicle buyer that accepts delivery of the vehicle before all the agreements of the parties become final; and generally relating to regulations governing the issuance of temporary registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 13–602

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 299 – Harford County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Wine Container Permits

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Harford County Liquor Control Board to issue a refillable container permit for wine; providing that the permit authorizes the permit holder to sell wine for consumption off the licensed premises in a refillable container under certain circumstances; specifying that the Board may issue a permit for draft beer or wine or both to license holders who hold certain licenses under certain circumstances; making a clarifying change; and generally relating to refillable container permits for wine.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–103 and 8–213.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 300 – Senators Feldman and Conway

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Issuance of Class A Licenses

FOR the purpose of increasing, subject to certain conditions, the number of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses that may be issued in the State to any individual for a certain use; clarifying that, with a certain exception, no more than one license may be issued in any single county or Baltimore City to an individual; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to Class A alcoholic beverages licenses in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–102(a)(1) and 9–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 301 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Judgments – Appeals – Supersedeas Bond

FOR the purpose of limiting the amount of a supersedeas bond required to stay the enforcement of a judgment in a civil action; authorizing a court to reduce further the amount of a supersedeas bond; providing a procedure by which an appellee may seek discovery for the limited purpose of determining whether an appellant has dissipated or diverted assets under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to impose certain remedies and sanctions if an appellant is found to have dissipated or diverted assets; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to supersedeas bonds.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 12–301.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 302 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Potomac Community
Resources Home**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Potomac Community Resources, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 303 – Senators Lee, Feldman, King, Montgomery, Norman, Salling, and
Ready**

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Distribution of Heroin or Fentanyl Resulting in Death

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from distributing heroin or fentanyl, the use of which is a contributing cause of the death of another; establishing penalties for a violation of this Act; providing that it is not a defense under this Act that the

defendant did not directly distribute the heroin or fentanyl to the decedent; providing that a person who, in good faith, seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of medical assistance for a person experiencing a medical emergency after using heroin or fentanyl shall be immune from criminal prosecution for a violation of this Act if the evidence for the criminal prosecution was obtained in a certain manner; providing that a sentence imposed under this Act shall be separate from and consecutive to a certain other sentence; and generally relating to distribution of controlled dangerous substances.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–602.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 304 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Special Registration Plates – Class L (Historic) Vehicles

FOR the purpose of authorizing the owner of a Class L (historic) vehicle to apply to the Motor Vehicle Administration for certain special registration plates; requiring the Administration on registration of a vehicle that qualifies for historic vehicle registration plates and for certain other special registration plates to issue a certain registration plate at the option of the vehicle owner; making conforming changes; and generally relating to Class L (historic) vehicles and special registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 13–616(b)(1), 13–618(a), 13–619.2(a), and 13–936(a) and (e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 13–616(b)(3), 13–617(a), 13–618(b), 13–619(a), 13–619.1(a)(1), 13–619.2(b),
and 13–936(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 305 – Senators Eckardt, Bates, Cassilly, Edwards, Jennings, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Theft of Scrap Metal

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully taking the scrap metal of another without authorization; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; requiring a certain person to pay the value of certain repairs or replacements; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the theft of scrap metal.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 7–111

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 306 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Reckless Endangerment – Repeal of Specific Charging Requirement

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a defendant must be charged specifically with reckless endangerment to be found guilty of reckless endangerment; and generally relating to the offense of reckless endangerment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–206

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 307 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Blair Regional Park Scoreboards

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$25,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Montgomery Blair

Athletic Association, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 308 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Kitchen and Counseling Center Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School of the Archdiocese of Washington, Inc. and the Board of Directors of the Don Bosco Cristo Rey Work–Study of the Archdiocese of Washington, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 309 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Early Literacy Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$110,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Library, Silver Spring Maryland Chapter, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 310 – Senators Rosapepe, Madaleno, Bates, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Kagan, Kelley, King, Lee, Manno, Mathias, McFadden,

Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maryland Seal of Biliteracy Act – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Seal of Biliteracy Program; providing for the purpose of the Program; providing that participation in the Program by a local school system is voluntary; providing that, beginning with a certain graduating class, certain students shall receive a certain seal under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Education to establish certain criteria and requirements by a certain date; requiring the State Board to provide certain information regarding the Program to certain local school systems by a certain date; requiring certain local school systems to maintain certain records; requiring certain local school systems to affix a certain seal to certain academic documents under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Seal of Biliteracy Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–208

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 311 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Casting of Ballot by Mail – Public Communications

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Elections and local boards of elections to emphasize in public communications certain information about casting a ballot by mail; specifying public communications that are subject to this Act; and generally relating to public awareness of casting a ballot by mail.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 9–303

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 9-311.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 312 – Senators Rosapepe and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program and Trust

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program for eligible private sector employees; establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Trust; establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Board to implement, maintain, and administer the Program and the Trust; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Board; providing for the powers and duties of the Board, including investing certain assets, adopting an investment policy, disseminating information to employers and employees, and submitting an annual audited financial report; authorizing the Board to establish a certain trust fund to accept certain employer contributions; requiring eligible employers to offer the Program and requiring eligible employees to participate in the Program unless written notice to opt out is provided to the employer; providing for the method of payment of certain expenses incurred by the Board as a result of administering the Program; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; authorizing the Comptroller to enforce employer compliance with certain Program requirements; imposing certain penalties for noncompliance with certain Program requirements; prohibiting certain employers and the State from incurring certain liabilities regarding the Program and the Trust; requiring certain conditions to be met before any plan, trust, administrative arrangement, or investment offering may be implemented; providing for the expiration of terms of certain initial Board members; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program and Trust.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 12-101 through 12-601 to be under the new title “Title 12. Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program and Trust”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 313 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Alcoholic Beverages – Underage Individuals at Special Entertainment Events

FOR the purpose of authorizing a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in Prince George’s County that obtains a special entertainment permit to allow an individual over a certain age to be present on the licensed premises under certain circumstances; altering the age for admission to certain special entertainment events under certain circumstances; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(a)(1) and (r)(1) and (19)(i), (ii), and (v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(r)(2) and (19)(viii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 314 – Senators Ramirez, Guzzone, Madaleno, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Special Education – Translations of Individualized Education Programs or Individualized Family Service Plans – Native Language

FOR the purpose of authorizing the parents of a child with a disability to request the translation into their native language of a completed individualized education program or a completed individualized family service plan; requiring certain school personnel to provide the parents with a certain translation of a completed individualized education program or a completed individualized family service plan within a certain time frame; defining certain terms; and generally relating to individualized education programs and individualized family service plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 315 – Senators Ramirez, Brochin, Cassilly, and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Domestic Violence – 2-Year Protective Order

FOR the purpose of specifying that a court may issue a final protective order for a period not to exceed 2 years by consent of the respondent under certain circumstances; and generally relating to domestic violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4-506(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 316 – Senators Ramirez and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Obstruction Hanging From Rearview Mirror – Enforcement

FOR the purpose of providing for enforcement only as a secondary offense for a violation of the prohibition under certain circumstances against a person driving a vehicle on a highway with any object, material, or obstruction hanging from the rearview mirror under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21-1104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 317 – Senators Ramirez, Benson, Ferguson, Hough, Kelley, Klausmeier, Montgomery, Norman, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Lawyers – Fees – Payment by Credit or Debit Card

FOR the purpose of requiring the Court of Appeals to allow an applicant for admission to the Bar or a lawyer to use a credit or debit card to pay certain fees; authorizing the Court of Appeals to charge a processing fee not exceeding a certain amount; and generally relating to the payment of lawyer fees by credit or debit card.

BY adding to

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 10–503

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 318 – Senators Pugh, Astle, Benson, Eckardt, Feldman, Kelley, Middleton, and Peters

AN ACT concerning

Community Mental Health Services – Telemental Health Services – Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners

FOR the purpose of requiring that regulations adopted by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene under a certain provision of law allow psychiatric nurse practitioners to provide and receive reimbursement from State and federal funds for the provision of telemental health services; and generally relating to the provision of telemental health services in community–based mental health programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 10–901(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 319 – Senators Muse, Kelley, and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Award of Attorney’s Fees and Expenses – Violation of Maryland Constitutional Right

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to award to a prevailing plaintiff reasonable attorney’s fees and expenses in certain actions seeking to remedy a violation of a Maryland constitutional right; authorizing a court to award reasonable attorney’s fees and expenses to a prevailing defendant under certain circumstances;

establishing that the limit on the liability of the State under the Maryland Tort Claims Act does not include a certain award of attorney's fees and expenses; establishing that certain limits on attorney's fees under the Maryland Tort Claims Act do not apply to a certain award of attorney's fees and expenses; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to awarding attorney's fees and expenses in certain actions seeking to remedy a violation of a Maryland constitutional right.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–2101 and 3–2102 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 21. Award of Attorney's Fees and Expenses – Violation of Maryland Constitutional Right”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 12–104(a)(2) and 12–109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 320 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Health Care Commission – Uterine Fibroids – Study

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, certain experts, and interested stakeholders, to conduct a study of issues related to the incidence of uterine fibroids in the State; requiring the study to examine certain issues; requiring, on or before a certain date, the Commission to report certain findings to certain committees of the General Assembly; and generally relating to the Maryland Health Care Commission and a study of uterine fibroids.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 321 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City and Baltimore County – Police Mental Health Units – Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of requiring, on or before a certain date, the Baltimore City and Baltimore County police departments to establish mental health units; requiring a mental health unit to consist of at least a certain number of officers who are specially trained to understand the needs of mentally ill individuals and in cultural sensitivity and cultural competency; requiring the training to be developed in consultation with the Behavioral Health Administration in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; establishing the purpose and goals of a mental health unit; requiring the Baltimore City and Baltimore County police departments to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to police mental health units.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–510

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 279 – Senators Montgomery, Benson, Feldman, Guzzone, Kelley, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Public Work Contracts – Contractor Occupational Safety and Health Requirements

Reassigned to the Committee on Finance under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

MOTION

Senator Raskin moved, duly seconded, that the Senate receive in Open Session the following Report from the Committee on Executive Nominations.

The motion was adopted.

SENATE EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT #1

The Senate Executive Nominations Committee reports favorably on the attached gubernatorial appointments and recommends that the Senate of Maryland advise and consent to these appointments.

Jamie Raskin
Chair

Senate Executive Nominations Committee
Report #1
February 5, 2015

District Court, Anne Arundel County (District 7)

1. Laura Marie Robinson, Esq. District 31

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 7, Anne Arundel County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 21, 2015

District Court, Baltimore City (District 1)

2. Askew Gatewood, Jr. District 40

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from November 20, 2014

3. Jack I. Lesser District 41

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from October 25, 2014

District Court, Baltimore County (District 8)

4. Sally C. Chester District 11

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from June 15, 2014

5. Kevin Yvonne Thomas Wiggins, Esq. District 10

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 20, 2015

6. Alexandra N. Williams District 42
Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from July 23, 2014

District Court, Dorchester County (District 2)

7. Melvin J. Jews, Esq. District 37
Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Dorchester County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 20, 2014

District Court, Garrett County (District 12)

8. Stephan Martin Moylan, Esq. District 1
Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 12, Garrett County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 16, 2014

District Court, Montgomery County (District 6)

9. Holly David Reed, III District 14
Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 6, Montgomery County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 6, 2015

10. Zuberi Bakari Williams District 18
Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 6, Montgomery County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 6, 2015

District Court, Prince George's County (District 5)

11. Clayton Anthony Aarons, Esq. District 24
Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 15, 2014

12. Brian C. Denton, Esq. District 27
Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 23, 2014

13. Katina Self Steuart District 27

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 15, 2015

14. Ann L. Wagner–Stewart District 22

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 16, 2014

Special Appeals, Court of

15. Dan Friedman, Esq. District 11

Judge of the Court of Special Appeals of Maryland; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 23, 2014

Budget and Management, Department of

16. David R. Brinkley District 4

Secretary of Department of Budget and Management; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of

17. Van T. Mitchell District 28

Secretary of Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, Department of

18. Kelly Schulz District 4

Secretary of Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Planning, Department of

19. David Craig District 34

Secretary of Department of Planning; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Veterans Affairs, Department of

20. George W. Owings

District 27

Secretary of Department of Veterans Affairs; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Senator Raskin moved, duly seconded, to make the Report a Special Order for February 6, 2015.

The motion was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**Senate Resolution No. 194 – Senator Michael J. Hough:**

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Marilyn Anne Fisher
in recognition of
your outstanding performance at the National Marble Championship and being crowned
the
“Queen of Marbles” with your win.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 5th day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 195 – Senator Michael J. Hough:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Dominic Rudakevych
in recognition of
your outstanding performance at the National Marble Championship and being crowned
the
“King of Marbles” with your win.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 5th day of February 2015.

The preceding two resolutions were read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 82)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 44 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 83)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:26 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, February 6, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, February 6, 2015
11:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 11:05 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Herb Townsend, Grandview Christian Church, guest of Senator Jennings.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 5, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Madaleno be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 85)

Recognition of the Humphrey Fellows, students in the Journalism Department at the University of Maryland

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 322 – Senators Middleton and King

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Nuisance Organisms – Reward for Information

FOR the purpose of authorizing a judge to award a reward to a person providing information leading to a conviction for a violation of certain nuisance organism laws or regulations; requiring a certain reward to be paid from certain fine proceeds in an amount not to exceed a certain percentage of fines imposed; prohibiting a reward from being awarded to a law enforcement officer or an employee of the Department of Natural Resources; and generally relating to nuisance organism laws and regulations.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–205.1(a)(1) and (8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–205.1(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 323 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

Mechanics' Liens – Design Services

FOR the purpose of establishing that, if the owner of certain land or the owner's agent contracts for the provision of certain services, the land and any improvements are subject to the establishment of a mechanics' lien for the payment of all debts, without regard to the amount, contracted for work done and materials furnished for or about a building, whether or not a building on the land is erected, repaired, rebuilt, or improved; repealing a requirement that a building be erected or repaired, rebuilt, or improved to the extent of a certain percentage of its value in order to be subject to the establishment of a mechanics' lien for the provision of certain services; and generally relating to mechanics' liens.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 9–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 324 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

Minority Business Enterprise Participation – Liquidated Damages – Architectural or Engineering Services

FOR the purpose of excluding a contract for certain architectural or engineering services from the requirement to include a certain liquidated damages provision that applies

in the event a contractor fails to comply in good faith with certain provisions relating to minority business enterprise participation; and generally relating to liquidated damages provisions in contracts containing minority business enterprise participation goals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 325 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Life Insurers – Reserve Investments – Loans Secured by Real Estate

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum term of certain loans on certain real estate that may be included in the reserve investments of life insurers; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to the reserve investments of life insurers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 5–511(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 326 – Senators Klausmeier, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Montgomery, and Norman

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Permits – Term

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of State Police to set the date for expiration of a handgun permit under certain circumstances; clarifying that an expiration date for a handgun permit does not apply if the permit is renewed under certain circumstances; and generally relating to handgun permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety

Section 5–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 327 – Senators Klausmeier, Eckardt, Kagan, King, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Substance Use Disorders

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations setting standards that use the American Society of Addiction Medicine criteria for treatment, care, and rehabilitation of individuals with a substance use disorder; and generally relating to the treatment, care, and rehabilitation of individuals with a substance use disorder.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 8–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 328 – Senators Klausmeier, Bates, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Middleton, Montgomery, and Norman

AN ACT concerning

Private Detective Agencies – License Terms

FOR the purpose of altering the term of a license to conduct business to provide private detective services; making a conforming change; and generally relating to private detective agencies.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 13–101(a), (f), and (l) and 13–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 13–308
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 329 – Senator Klausmeier (By Request – Baltimore County Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Civil Actions – Subpoena for Police Officer – Liability of Party for Reimbursement of Cost

FOR the purpose of requiring a party who requests the issuance of a subpoena in a civil action to compel the attendance of a police officer employed by the Baltimore County Police Department to reimburse the police department for the cost of the police officer's salary and travel expenses to attend court; requiring a deposit in a certain amount to be tendered when the subpoena is served; requiring the deposit to be transmitted promptly to the Baltimore County Director of Finance; requiring the Director of Finance to hold the deposit in escrow for the police department; providing that a Baltimore County police officer is not required to attend court in response to a subpoena unless the required deposit has been paid; requiring proof of payment of the deposit to be filed with proof of service of the subpoena; establishing that the party who requested issuance of a subpoena is liable to the police department for a certain amount under certain circumstances; requiring the Director of Finance to refund a certain amount to the party who requested issuance of a subpoena under certain circumstances; and generally relating to reimbursing the Baltimore County Police Department for certain costs and expenses.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 7–410

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 330 – Senator Klausmeier (By Request – Baltimore County Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County Code of Public Local Laws – 2015 Edition – Legalization

FOR the purpose of legalizing the 2015 Edition of the Baltimore County Code of Public Local Laws and any supplement to the extent to which that code or supplement contains laws enacted by the General Assembly; and generally relating to the 2015 Edition of the Baltimore County Code of Public Local Laws.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 331 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation – Baltimore County Deputy Sheriff

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition of “public safety employee” to include a deputy sheriff in Baltimore County when performing certain duties for purposes of providing for enhanced compensation benefits under the Workers' Compensation Law for a compensable permanent partial disability of less than a certain number of weeks under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to workers' compensation benefits for deputy sheriffs in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–628(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–628(h) and 9–629
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 332 – The President (By Request – Maryland Judiciary)

AN ACT concerning

Judgeships – Circuit Courts and District Court

FOR the purpose of altering the number of resident judges of the circuit court in certain counties and Baltimore City; altering the number of resident judges of the District Court in certain districts; and generally relating to judgeships in the circuit courts and the District Court.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 1–503 and 1–603(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings and the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 333 – Senator Miller

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

**Calvert County – Improvements to County Roads and Related Infrastructure –
“Quick-Take” Condemnation**

FOR the purpose of proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution to authorize the General Assembly to provide that certain property located in Calvert County may be taken by the County Commissioners of Calvert County for public use immediately on payment of a certain amount to the owner of the property, under certain circumstances and subject to certain conditions; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; establishing a certain “quick-take” procedure for the acquisition of property by the County Commissioners of Calvert County for certain purposes; authorizing the county commissioners to take possession of certain property and proceed with certain construction activities without the interference of the property owner, under certain circumstances; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to pay a certain amount paid into the court to a property owner within a certain number of days after receiving a written request from the property owner, subject to a certain condition; providing that a certain payment does not prejudice the rights of a certain property owner; providing that a certain payment does not limit in any way the amount of the final award that may be allowed in certain condemnation proceedings; requiring the county commissioners to pay a certain excess to a certain property owner at the conclusion of certain proceedings; specifying that certain provisions of law do not prevent the county commissioners from using certain procedures to acquire property; providing for the application of this Act; making certain provisions of this Act contingent on the passage and ratification of a certain constitutional amendment; and generally relating to the taking of private property for public use.

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 40D

BY adding to
Article – Local Government
Section 12–524
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 12–101(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 334 – Senators Madaleno, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Mathias,
and Montgomery**

AN ACT concerning

The Hunger–Free Schools Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition for a certain fiscal year to determine the number of students used to calculate a certain grant for schools that participate in a certain federal program; and generally relating to the compensatory education grant for primary and secondary education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–207(a)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and the
Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 335 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Community Colleges – Victims of Human Trafficking – Exemption From
Out–of–County Fees**

FOR the purpose of exempting certain victims of human trafficking from paying a certain out–of–county fee at community colleges in the State; authorizing each board of community college trustees to waive a certain out–of–county fee for certain students; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to an exemption from the out–of–county fees for victims of human trafficking.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–310(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 336 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Elderly Inmates – Compassionate Release

FOR the purpose of establishing compassionate release as a form of release from incarceration for inmates over a certain age under certain circumstances; establishing a means of initiating consideration by the Maryland Parole Commission of the appropriateness of granting compassionate release; requiring the Commission to provide for a compassionate release hearing on receipt of a certain request; requiring the Commission to appoint a certain guardian to represent the best interests of a certain person under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commission to grant compassionate release on a certain finding; requiring the Commission to impose certain conditions in conjunction with compassionate release; authorizing the Commission to impose certain conditions in conjunction with compassionate release; authorizing a certain person who is denied compassionate release by the Commission to request an additional compassionate release hearing at a certain time; providing that a certain person who is denied compassionate release by the Commission may not be housed with the general population in a correctional facility, shall be housed in a separate area of a correctional facility reserved exclusively for the elderly, and shall be provided with certain services that specifically address the needs of the elderly; providing for the applicability of compassionate release proceedings of provisions of law concerning victim notification and participation in parole proceedings; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to elderly inmates.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 7–309.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 337 – Senator Conway (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Expedited Partner Therapy Program – Repeal of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of establishing the Expedited Partner Therapy Program in the Baltimore City Health Department as a permanent program; authorizing a certain advanced practice nurse instead of a certified nurse practitioner to dispense or otherwise provide antibiotic therapy under certain circumstances; repealing a certain reporting requirement; repealing the termination date of the Program; making conforming and clarifying changes; and generally relating to the Expedited Partner Therapy Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18–214.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 146 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, as amended by Chapter
136 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 338 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Medical Records – Authorization to Disclose – Person in Interest

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “person in interest” as it relates to the disclosure of confidential medical records to include the spouse, parent, or child of a deceased person under certain circumstances; requiring a certain person in interest to include a certain affidavit with a certain authorization for the disclosure of certain medical records; and generally relating to the authorization to disclose medical records to a person in interest.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–301(l) and 4–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 339 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Baltimore City – Belvedere Square

FOR the purpose of repealing a prohibition on the issuance of a new alcoholic beverages license within and the transfer of an existing alcoholic beverages license into a certain area beginning on a certain date; prohibiting an existing Class A license from being transferred into a certain area beginning on a certain date; authorizing the consumption of alcoholic beverages within a certain area under certain circumstances; requiring a certain owner or designee to report quarterly to certain organizations in accordance with certain requirements; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Belvedere Square.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–204.1(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 340 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex–Felons

FOR the purpose of altering certain qualifications for voter registration; providing that individuals discharged from incarceration are qualified to register to vote; requiring certain State authorities to notify certain individuals of their right to vote on release from incarceration; specifying that the notice include certain information; requiring the State Administrator of Elections to make arrangements with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to receive certain monthly reports concerning certain individuals with criminal convictions who are released from incarceration; requiring certain courts to notify certain defendants concerning their voting rights prior to accepting a guilty plea and before sentencing; and generally relating to voting rights and ex–felons.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–102, 3–204, 3–504, and 16–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–234
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 341 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Kagan, King, Madaleno, Manno, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Josiah Henson Park

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$275,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 342 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

State Employees – Fairness in Financial Disclosures Act

FOR the purpose of establishing that a State employee shall be immune from liability in any civil, criminal, or administrative action for any representation made by the employee about the employee's compensation for calendar year 2015 if the employee relied in good faith on the amount appropriated in the fiscal year 2015 State operating budget; and generally relating to State employees and employee compensation.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–809

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 343 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – State Ethics Commission)**

AN ACT concerning

Public Ethics – Advisory Bodies – Advisory Opinions and Informal Advice

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain advisory bodies to issue informal advice; specifying that informal advice provided by certain advisory bodies is confidential and not subject to certain requirements of the Public Ethics Law; and generally relating to informal advice by certain advisory bodies to certain entities under the Public Ethics Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 344 – Senators Pugh, Astle, Guzzone, Kagan, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; providing for the purpose of the Program; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations, collect certain fees, issue and renew certain certificates, and approve certain training programs relating to the Program; establishing qualifications for applicants for a certain certificate; requiring the Department to issue certain certificates to certain applicants; providing for the contents, replacement, term, and renewal of certain certificates; authorizing certain physicians to prescribe and certain pharmacists to dispense auto–injectable epinephrine to certain certificate holders; authorizing certain certificate holders to take certain actions; providing that a cause of action may not arise against certain certificate holders for certain acts or omissions under certain circumstances; providing that a cause of action may not arise against certain physicians who prescribe or dispense auto–injectable epinephrine and certain paraphernalia to certain certificate holders under certain circumstances; providing that a cause of action may not arise against certain pharmacists who dispense auto–injectable epinephrine and certain paraphernalia to certain certificate holders under certain circumstances; providing for immunity from civil liability for certain individuals under certain circumstances; providing for the effect of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the construction of this Act; requiring certain certificate holders to submit to the Department a certain report; requiring the Department to publish a certain report on or before a certain date each year; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 13–7A–01 through 13–7A–10 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7A.
Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on
Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 345 – Senators Middleton and King

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Enhanced Agricultural Management
Equipment**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “enhanced agricultural management equipment” as it relates to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax to allow the subtraction if a certain nutrient management plan is prepared by an individual with a certain certification instead of a certain license; altering the definition of “enhanced agricultural management equipment” to include a certain manure loading or hauling equipment and commercial fertilizer application equipment; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification for certain agricultural management equipment.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(a) and 10–308(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 346 – Senators Pugh, Middleton, Bates, Klausmeier, Madaleno,
Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Salling, Waugh, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

Pharmacists – Scope of Practice – Revisions

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain pharmacists to administer drugs or biological products under certain circumstances in accordance with certain regulations; authorizing certain pharmacists to prescribe certain medications under certain circumstances in accordance with certain protocols and certain regulations; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to the authority of pharmacists to administer and prescribe medication.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–101(b) and (t)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–509 and 12–510
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 347 – Senators Pugh, Middleton, Bates, Feldman, Madaleno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Salling, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Prescriber–Pharmacist Agreements and Therapy Management Contracts

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain dentists, physicians, podiatrists, nurse midwives, and nurse practitioners to enter into certain agreements; requiring certain prescribers who wish to enter certain therapy management contracts to have certain agreements; requiring certain prescribers and certain pharmacists to submit to certain health occupations boards certain documents; authorizing certain pharmacists to enter into certain agreements and certain contracts under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain pharmacists from employing or providing certain incentives to certain prescribers for certain purposes; providing that a certain protocol may authorize the initiation of certain drug therapy; providing that certain protocols may authorize certain drug substitutions; repealing a certain prohibition against certain drug substitutions except under certain circumstances; repealing a provision of law that provides for the termination of a therapy management contract after a certain time period unless there is a certain renewal; specifying that certain contracts apply only to conditions agreed to by certain prescribers; requiring certain contracts to include certain provisions; authorizing the Board of Pharmacy to assess certain fees for certain purposes; requiring certain prescribers to maintain certain records in a certain manner; requiring certain health occupations boards to jointly

adopt certain regulations; requiring the regulations to include certain provisions; defining certain terms; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to prescriber–pharmacist agreements and therapy management contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–6A–01, 12–6A–03 through 12–6A–08, and 12–6A–10

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–6A–02

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 348 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Allegany County – Special Beer Festival License

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County to issue a special beer festival license for certain purposes; authorizing the holder of the license to display and sell beer for consumption on or off certain premises on certain days and hours subject to certain limitations; requiring the holder to hold a certain other license; providing for the license fee; authorizing the Board to approve a certain number of weekends each year for the festival; requiring the Board to approve certain premises for the festival; prohibiting a holder from selling certain beverages under certain circumstances; providing that the license does not prohibit the license holder from holding certain other licenses; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to beer festivals in Allegany County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–810

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 349 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Bethesda Graceful Growing Together Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Graceful Growing Together, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 350 – Senators Edwards, Jennings, Astle, Currie, and DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprises – Participation Goal

FOR the purpose of altering a certain participation goal for certain veteran–owned business enterprises for certain procurement contracts; repealing obsolete language; and generally relating to procurement participation by veteran–owned small business enterprises.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 351 – Senators Ready, Cassilly, Feldman, Hough, Lee, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Cybersecurity Investment Incentive Tax Credit – Eligible Investments

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of investment for purposes of the cybersecurity investment incentive tax credit to include convertible debt; defining a certain term;

providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the cybersecurity investment incentive tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–733(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–733(a)(6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 352 – Senator Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Greenbelt Lake Dam Repair

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$285,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Greenbelt for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 353 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Electric Companies – Installation of Solar Electric Generating Facility – New Interconnection Agreement

FOR the purpose of requiring a person who is negotiating a certain solar installation and interconnection contract with a customer to contact the customer’s electric company to determine whether the electric company is accepting new interconnection agreements in the customer’s property area and to notify the customer of this determination before the contract is executed; requiring an electric company, on request of a certain person, to provide certain information regarding the ability of the distribution system to accept a new interconnection; and generally relating to a

new interconnection agreement for the installation of a solar electric generating facility.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–306.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 354 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Queen Anne’s County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of establishing a refillable container permit for draft beer in Queen Anne’s County; authorizing the Queen Anne’s County Board of License Commissioners to issue the permit to a holder of a certain license under certain circumstances and conditions; specifying that the permit authorizes the permit holder to sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a refillable container under certain circumstances and conditions; requiring an applicant to complete a certain form and to pay a certain fee before the Board issues a refillable container permit; specifying certain hours of sale; restricting a permit holder to refill only certain containers that meet certain standards; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; providing that a certain distance restriction does not apply to an establishment in Queen Anne’s County for which a Class B (on–sale) hotel and restaurant alcoholic beverages license of any type is proposed; repealing a certain distance restriction in Queen Anne’s County concerning a certain alcoholic beverages license; defining a certain term; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Queen Anne’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–103 and 9–218(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–218.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 21–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 355 – Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Housing Authority of Baltimore City – Subsidiary Entities

FOR the purpose of providing that a not–for–profit entity shall be deemed controlled by the Housing Authority of Baltimore City under certain circumstances; altering the applicability of certain tax exemption provisions for property of a subsidiary entity of a Baltimore Housing Authority entity; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to the Housing Authority of Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 12–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 12–502(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 356 – Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax – Exemption – Low Income Housing – Ownership by Limited Liability Company

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption, under certain circumstances, from property tax for certain real property if, under certain circumstances, the owner of the real property is a certain limited liability company or is a certain limited partnership whose managing general partner is a certain limited liability company; providing

that the real property may be exempt from property tax only under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax exemption for certain housing for low income families.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 7–503
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 357 – Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

**Program Open Space – Baltimore City Grants – Increase and
Inflation Adjustment**

FOR the purpose of increasing a certain statutory minimum grant to Baltimore City, payable from the State's share of the proceeds of Program Open Space, for certain purposes related to Program Open Space; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to increase the grant by applying the growth in a certain consumer price index to the amount of grants received in the prior fiscal year; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain grants to Baltimore City under Program Open Space.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–903(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–903(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 358 – Senators Klausmeier, Guzzone, King, Manno, Ramirez, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Workers' Compensation – Permanent Partial Disability Compensation –
Reversal or Modification of Award**

FOR the purpose of applying certain provisions of law relating to the reversal or modification of an award of permanent partial disability compensation to a reversal or modification by the Workers' Compensation Commission; clarifying that, for purposes of a certain provision of law relating to the reversal or modification of an award of permanent partial disability compensation, the payment of certain new compensation awarded is subject to a certain monetary credit for compensation previously awarded and paid; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the reversal or modification of an award of permanent partial disability compensation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–633
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 359 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Contracts and Purchasing – Bidding Process

FOR the purpose of increasing the threshold amount above which contracts for the purchase of supplies or services by Calvert County are required to be made through a competitive bidding process; altering the threshold amount below which certain purchases or contracts may be awarded by Calvert County without complying with certain bidding procedures; providing that certain purchases or contracts are exempt from certain bidding procedures when a certain county official determines that an emergency exists; and generally relating to contracts and purchasing by Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Calvert County
Section 6–101 and 6–102
Article 5 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2002 Edition and July 2014 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 360 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Budget Hearings and Procedures

FOR the purpose of altering the procedures for preparing and adopting a budget for Calvert County; requiring each county department, agency, or board receiving county funds to submit a certain itemized budget request on or before a date set by the County Commissioners of Calvert County; requiring the County Commissioners to conduct a public hearing on a certain staff–recommended budget and a subsequent public hearing on the County Commissioners’ budget; requiring that one of the newspapers in which a notice of hearings is published be a newspaper of general circulation in the county; providing that the final county budget be adopted after holding the record open for a certain number of days after the hearing on the County Commissioners’ budget; requiring that a copy of a proposed county budget be available in a certain manner for a certain minimum time period before each public hearing; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the procedures for preparing and adopting a budget for Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Calvert County
Section 5–102
Article 5 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2002 Edition and July 2014 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 361 – Calvert County Senators**EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Bottle Clubs – Prohibited

FOR the purpose of defining a “bottle club” in Calvert County to mean certain establishments where certain persons undertake certain activities under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from operating a bottle club in the county; prohibiting certain activities with respect to alcoholic beverages at a bottle club in the county; providing that certain entities may not be considered a bottle club for certain purposes under certain conditions; providing a certain penalty for a violation of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 20–103.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 362 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Public Facilities Bonds

FOR the purpose of authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Calvert County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$51,925,000 to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Calvert County, as herein defined, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds in like par amount; empowering the County to fix and determine, by resolution, the form, tenor, interest rate or rates or method of determining the same, terms, conditions, maturities, and all other details incident to the issuance and sale of the bonds; empowering the County to issue refunding bonds for the purchase or redemption of bonds in advance of maturity; empowering and directing the County to levy, impose, and collect, annually, ad valorem taxes in rate and amount sufficient to provide funds for the payment of the maturing principal of and interest on the bonds; exempting the bonds and refunding bonds and the interest thereon and any income derived therefrom from all State, county, municipal, and other taxation in the State of Maryland; providing that nothing in this Act shall prevent the County from authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds the interest on which is not excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes; and generally relating to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 363 – Senators Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Ready, Salling, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Great Preschools Tax Credit Program

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual or a corporation a credit against the State income tax for certain contributions to certain scholarship–granting organizations, subject to certain limitations; providing for the carryover of certain unused credit under certain circumstances; requiring certain scholarship–granting organizations to take certain actions to be eligible for certain donations for which a tax credit may

be claimed; requiring the Comptroller to administer the Great Preschools Tax Credit Program; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Comptroller to submit certain reports; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Great Preschools Tax Credit Program.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 364 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Alternate Contributory Pension Selection – Return to Employment

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual to resume participation in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection in the Employees' Pension System or Teachers' Pension System if the individual has been separated from employment for a certain period, has accrued a certain amount of eligibility service by a certain date, and by a certain date has returned to employment in a position included in the Employees' Pension System or Teachers' Pension System; and generally relating to participation in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection in the Employees' Pension System and Teachers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 23–215.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 365 – Senators Ferguson, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Guzzone, Kasemeyer, King, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Peters, Rosapepe, Serafini, and Young

AN ACT concerning

One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit – Business Incubators

FOR the purpose of altering certain eligibility criteria for certain credits under the One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit to include certain persons who

establish or expand a business facility that, for certain business incubators, creates a certain aggregate number of qualified positions at the facility under certain circumstances; requiring, in order to be certified as a certain qualified business entity for certain credits, a certain business incubator to submit certain information to the Secretary of Business and Economic Development; altering the manner in which the amount of a certain start-up tax credit is calculated for each taxable year; authorizing, under certain circumstances, certain business incubators to claim a certain start-up tax credit on a prorated basis if the aggregate number of qualifying positions filled by the businesses at the business incubator's facility meets certain requirements; providing that the total amount claimed as a refund under certain circumstances may not exceed a certain amount; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit and certain business incubators.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 6-401(a), (f), and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 6-402 and 6-404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9-247(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 366 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Gladden, Kagan, Madaleno, McFadden, Miller, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan-Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Sentencing Review and Parole Eligibility – Juvenile Offenders Sentenced as Adults

FOR the purpose of authorizing parole eligibility for a certain person at a certain time under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain parole hearing at certain times for a certain person not granted parole under certain circumstances; authorizing representation of counsel for a certain person under certain circumstances; requiring

a certain hearing officer, a certain member of the Maryland Parole Commission, or the Maryland Parole Commission to consider certain information at a certain parole hearing under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; prohibiting a court from imposing a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole on a certain person under certain circumstances; requiring a court to consider certain circumstances when determining a certain sentence for a certain person; authorizing a court to suspend all or any portion of a certain sentence if the defendant was under a certain age at the time of the offense; authorizing a court to allow all or any portion of a sentence to be served with the benefit of parole if the defendant was under a certain age at the time of the offense; altering the number of applications for sentence review that a certain person may file under certain circumstances; requiring a certain review panel to hold a certain hearing for each application for review of sentence filed by a certain person; requiring a certain review panel to consider certain information; authorizing a certain review panel to alter a certain sentence under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain review panel from altering a certain sentence under certain circumstances; and generally relating to juvenile offenders sentenced as adults.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 7–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 7–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Correctional Services
Section 7–310
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 14–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–234
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 8–102 and 8–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 367 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Middleton, Miller, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Young, and Zirkin

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Judges – Selection, Qualifications, and Term of Office

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection and tenure of circuit court judges; repealing provisions relating to election of circuit court judges; requiring the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a qualified person to fill a vacancy in the office of a judge of the circuit court; requiring certain hearings, deliberation, and debate on the confirmation of certain appointees to be public; providing that a judge of the circuit court shall cease to hold office if not confirmed by a certain time; altering the term of office of circuit court judges; requiring the Governor to reappoint a circuit court judge, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, upon the expiration of the judge's term; requiring a certain judicial nominating commission or body to reflect a certain demographic diversity; providing for a transitional period during which the terms of certain amendments are effective; repealing certain obsolete provisions; making stylistic changes; generally relating to the selection, election, appointment, qualification, tenure, and term of office for judges of the circuit courts; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 2 and 3

BY proposing a repeal of the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 5; 18B and the part “Part IIA – Interim Provisions”; and 21A

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department

Section 5 and 5B

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article XVIII – Provisions of Limited Duration
Section 6

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 368 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation Insurance – Cancellation and Nonrenewal – Notice

FOR the purpose of altering the time period within which an insurer, except under certain circumstances, must serve a certain notice on an employer and file a copy of the notice with a certain individual if the insurer is canceling or refusing to renew a workers’ compensation insurance policy before its expiration; and generally relating to cancellation and nonrenewal of workers’ compensation insurance policies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 369 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – City of College Park – Class D Beer and Wine License

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain Class D (on–sale) beer and wine license issued for certain premises in the City of College Park to be converted, on or after a certain date, into a certain Class D (on– and off–sale) beer and wine license for certain other premises in the City of College Park; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George’s County.

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–217(l)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 370 – Senators Rosapepe, Astle, Feldman, Hershey, Lee, Madaleno, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Unmanned Aircraft Systems Research, Development, Regulation, and Privacy Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of providing that only the State may enact a law or take other action to prohibit, restrict, or regulate the testing or operation of unmanned aircraft systems in the State; preempting the authority of a county or municipality to prohibit, restrict, or regulate the testing or operation of unmanned aircraft systems and providing that certain laws or ordinances are superseded; specifying that federal preemption of State law is not affected by this Act; requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development, in consultation with the University of Maryland and other interested parties, to study the benefits of and the concerns regarding the use of certain unmanned aircraft systems in the State; requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to unmanned aircraft systems.

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 14–301 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Unmanned Aircraft Systems”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 371 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Bicycle and Pedestrian Priority Areas

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration, under certain circumstances, to make a determination by certain dates on whether to designate certain areas as bicycle and pedestrian priority areas; requiring the Administration to adopt a certain statewide policy on or before a certain date; clarifying that the Administration and a local government each must make a certain designation before a certain plan is required to be implemented; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to bicycle and pedestrian priority areas.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–204(c) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 372 – Senators Feldman, Astle, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Guzzone, Hough, Jennings, King, Manno, McFadden, Peters, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – First–Time Homebuyer Savings
Accounts**

FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for a certain amount contributed to a certain first–time homebuyer savings account and certain earnings on the account; providing that the account holder may claim the subtraction modification under certain circumstances; providing that certain transfers of money to or from the account are subject to certain requirements and limitations; providing that a certain person who transfers money to the account is not entitled to the subtraction modification; authorizing the account holder to withdraw and deposit certain money in certain accounts under certain circumstances; requiring the account holder to use the funds in the account for certain eligible costs within a certain time period; providing that certain funds remaining in the account on a certain date shall be subject to taxation as ordinary income; providing that a certain financial institution may not be held responsible for certain actions; authorizing a certain financial institution to use certain funds for a certain purpose; providing that, except under certain circumstances, certain funds withdrawn from the account for certain purposes shall be taxed as ordinary income and subject to a certain penalty; requiring a certain account holder claiming the subtraction modification to submit certain documentation under certain circumstances; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a Maryland income tax subtraction modification for certain amounts paid into and earned on certain first–time homebuyer savings accounts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 373 – Senators Feldman, Madaleno, Benson, Currie, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Revisions
(Maryland Clean Energy Advancement Act of 2015)**

FOR the purpose of altering the minimum required percentage of energy that must be derived from Tier 1 renewable sources in the State’s renewable energy portfolio standard in certain years; altering the minimum required percentage of Tier 1 renewable energy that must be derived from solar energy in the State’s renewable energy portfolio standard in certain years; establishing renewable energy portfolio standards for certain years; altering the percentage of total annual electricity sales revenues that are used solely for the purchase of Tier 1 renewable energy credits derived from solar energy an electricity supplier must incur to request a delay of certain solar energy requirements in the renewable energy portfolio standard; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to renewable energy portfolio standards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–703(b)(13), (14), (15), (16), and (17) and 7–705(e)(1) and (4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–703(b)(18), (19), and (20)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 374 – The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General) and Senators Raskin, Benson, Brochin, Conway, Feldman, Gladden, Hough, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Montgomery, Muse, Pinsky, Pugh, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Maryland False Claims Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain actions constituting false claims against a governmental entity; providing certain penalties for making false claims; requiring the court to consider and give special attention to certain factors in determining the amount of fines and penalties provided for in certain provisions of this Act; providing that this Act does not apply to certain claims, records, or statements; authorizing a person and a governmental entity to file a civil action against a person who makes a certain false claim under certain circumstances; providing for the procedures to be followed in the civil action and for certain remedies under the action; requiring the governmental entity to investigate a certain civil action; requiring the governmental entity to make certain efforts to coordinate certain investigations and to establish a certain objective for the governmental entity; authorizing the governmental entity to intervene and proceed with a certain civil action with or without the person who initiated the action; requiring the court to dismiss the action if the governmental entity elects not to intervene in the action; authorizing the governmental entity to pursue certain alternative remedies; providing certain limitations on civil actions filed under this Act; prohibiting a person from taking retaliatory action against an employee, a contractor, or an agent under certain circumstances; authorizing an employee, a contractor, or an agent to file a civil action against a person who takes retaliatory action against the employee, contractor, or agent under certain circumstances; providing certain remedies for retaliatory action; establishing that certain remedies provided under this Act are in addition to certain other appropriate legal and equitable relief; requiring the Comptroller to deposit a certain penalty or damages into the General Fund of the State; requiring the Office of the Attorney General and the attorney for each county and Baltimore City to report certain information annually to the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to false claims against governmental entities.

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 8–101 through 8–111 to be under the new title “Title 8. False Claims”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 375 – Senators Salling, Jennings, and Muse

AN ACT concerning

Homestead Property Tax Credit – Application Requirement – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that a homeowner submit a certain application to the Department of Assessments and Taxation to receive the homestead property tax credit; repealing certain deadlines and procedures for filing the application for

the homestead property tax credit; repealing a requirement that the Comptroller assist the Department with certain matters relating to applications for the homestead property tax credit; repealing a requirement that the counties reimburse the Department for the administration of the application process for the homestead property tax credit; and generally relating to repealing the application process for the homestead property tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–105(d)(1) and (n)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–105(d)(6), (l), and (m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 376 – Senators Salling, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Kagan, Klausmeier, Muse, Ready, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Qualified Maryland Toll Expenses

FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain amounts paid in a certain manner by taxpayers for certain toll expenses; requiring a taxpayer to submit certain documentation to qualify for the subtraction modification; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a Maryland income tax subtraction modification for certain amounts paid in a certain manner for certain tolls.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 377 – Senators Salling, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Norman, Reilly, Rosapepe, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Transportation Authority – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Maryland Transportation Authority to include certain members of the General Assembly as nonvoting members serving in an advisory capacity only; specifying certain criteria concerning the appointment, tenure, and compensation of the legislative members of the Authority; clarifying language; and generally relating to the membership of the Maryland Transportation Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 4–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 378 – Senator Salling

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Sunday Hunting

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain restriction on Sunday deer hunting in Baltimore County; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Baltimore County to hunt any game bird or game mammal, except migratory game birds and wetland game birds, on a Sunday on certain land during the open season for that game bird or game mammal; making conforming changes; and generally relating to Sunday hunting in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 379 – Senator Salling

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Francis Scott Key Bridge Authority

FOR the purpose of establishing the Francis Scott Key Bridge Authority to finance, construct, operate, and maintain the Francis Scott Key Bridge; providing for the members, appointment, terms, chair, and staff of the Authority; prohibiting the Maryland Department of Transportation from exercising jurisdiction or authority over the Francis Scott Key Bridge; authorizing the Authority to take certain actions in the performance of its duties; authorizing the Authority to issue revenue bonds payable from certain fees and tolls for the purpose of financing the Bridge; providing that bonds issued by the Authority do not constitute a debt or pledge of the full faith and credit of the State or a political subdivision of the State; providing that bonds issued by the Authority do not obligate the State or a political subdivision of the State to impose any tax; requiring the Authority to determine certain matters concerning bonds it issues; providing for the issuance and execution of the bonds; authorizing the Authority to issue bonds to refinance the cost of the Bridge; authorizing the Authority to issue revenue refunding bonds for certain purposes; authorizing the Authority to issue interim certificates or temporary bonds; authorizing the Authority to issue bond anticipation notes; authorizing revenue bonds issued by the Authority to be secured by certain trust agreements; requiring certain fees and tolls designated by the Authority as security for bonds to be adjusted in a certain manner; providing that certain revenues of the Authority shall be deemed to be trust funds to be used only in a certain manner; authorizing the trustee or a holder of revenue bonds issued by the Authority to bring a legal action to enforce certain rights and compel the performance of certain duties; providing that bonds issued by the Authority are securities in which certain persons may invest and which may be deposited with certain persons; exempting revenue bonds issued by the Authority from taxation; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the creation of the Francis Scott Key Bridge Authority to finance, construct, operate, and maintain the Francis Scott Key Bridge.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 4–101(h)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 4.5–101 through 4.5–412 to be under the new title “Title 4.5. Francis Scott
Key Bridge Authority”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 380 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Single Registration Plate – Class L (Historic) Vehicles and Class N (Street Rod) Vehicles

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, when it registers a Class L (historic) vehicle or Class N (street rod) vehicle, to issue a single registration plate for the vehicle; making conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to vehicle registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–410(a) and 13–936.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 381 – Senators Mathias, Astle, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Hough, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Norman, Peters, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Display of the POW/MIA Flag on State Building Grounds

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of General Services and the Secretary of Transportation to cause the POW/MIA flag to be flown on the grounds of certain State buildings whenever the flag of the United States is flown; providing for the application of a certain provision of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the display of the POW/MIA flag on the grounds of State buildings.

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 4–210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 382 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Electric Companies – Customer Choice of Electricity Supplier – Smart Meters

FOR the purpose of requiring certain regulations adopted by or orders issued by the Public Service Commission to specify a certain timing for an electric company to process a certain transaction for enrollment from an electricity supplier; requiring an electric company to process a certain transaction to be effective within a certain period of time if a customer has a certain smart meter; defining a certain term; and generally relating to customer choice of electricity supplier and smart meters.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–507(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–507(e–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 383 – Senators Hershey and Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

**Public Safety – Appointment of Members of Fire Companies as Deputy Sheriffs –
Caroline County and Talbot County**

FOR the purpose of altering the applicability in Caroline County of certain provisions governing the appointment and duties of members of fire companies as deputy sheriffs; providing for the appointment and duties of members of fire companies as deputy sheriffs in Talbot County; making conforming changes; and generally relating to fire company members acting as deputy sheriffs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 7–302(a), (d), (e), and (f)(4) and 7–303(a) through (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 384 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Mental Hygiene Community–Based Services Fund – Residential Rehabilitation Programs

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain funds in the Mental Hygiene Community–Based Services Fund that are used to increase the availability of certain housing and employment opportunities for certain individuals include services provided in residential rehabilitation programs developed by community health providers; and generally relating to the Mental Hygiene Community–Based Services Fund and services provided in residential rehabilitation programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 10–208
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 385 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Substance Use Disorder Treatment Programs – Performance Measures and Assessment Criteria

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations setting standards that use the American Society of Addiction Medicine criteria for treatment, care, and rehabilitation of individuals with a substance use disorder; requiring, on or before a certain date each year, the Behavioral Health Administration to submit a copy of a certain evaluation to the Governor and the General Assembly; requiring the Administration to use certain information to guide certain policy decisions; and generally relating to substance use disorder treatment programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 8–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 386 – Senator Hough

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Certificate of Merit – Provider of Professional Services

FOR the purpose of requiring the contents of the certificate of a qualified expert to include a statement from a qualified expert that the licensed professional failed to meet a certain standard; making a certain clarifying change; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a certain certificate of merit for certain negligent actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2C–01
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2C–02
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 387 – Senator Hough

AN ACT concerning

Agreements to Defend or Pay the Cost of Defense – Void

FOR the purpose of providing that certain agreements to defend or pay the costs of defending certain promisees or indemnitees against liability for certain damages are against public policy and are void and unenforceable under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain agreements to defend or pay the costs of defending certain promisees or indemnitees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–401(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 388 – Senators Hough, Raskin, Benson, Eckardt, McFadden, Muse, Pugh, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Restorative Justice Programs

FOR the purpose of adding community conferencing, community mediation, and similar agreements to the list of requirements for the entering of a nolle prosequi or stet for which a certain petition for expungement of court, police, and other governmental records may be filed; prohibiting the filing of a certain petition for expungement until community conferencing, community mediation, or certain other agreements are completed under certain circumstances; prohibiting expungement under certain circumstances; and generally relating to expungement of court, police, and other governmental records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 389 – Senators Montgomery, Guzzone, Lee, Pinsky, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

State Individual Income Tax – Rate Changes

FOR the purpose of altering the State income tax rates for certain income of individuals; requiring the Comptroller to waive certain interest and penalties for a certain taxable year to a certain extent; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to altering the income tax rates for certain income of individuals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 390 – Senators Montgomery, Bates, Benson, Guzzone, Kelley, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Education – Due Process Hearings for Children With Disabilities – Burden of Proof

FOR the purpose of requiring certain public agencies to bear a certain burden of proof in due process hearings that are held to resolve a dispute relating to the provision of a free appropriate public education to children with disabilities; providing a certain exception that requires a parent or guardian seeking tuition reimbursement for a unilateral placement of a student by the parent or guardian to bear a certain burden of proof; establishing that a certain provision of law is not intended to change certain record-keeping requirements or what constitutes a free appropriate public education under federal or State law; and generally relating to the burden of proof in certain due process hearings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–413
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 391 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Licenses, Permits, and Registrations – Processes and Criminal History Records Checks

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a certain process for regulating crematories must provide for the registration of crematory operators or the issuance of permits for operating crematories; requiring certain applicants to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors to submit to a certain criminal history records check; requiring certain applicants to submit certain fingerprints and certain fees to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services under certain circumstances; requiring the Central Repository to forward to the Board and certain applicants certain criminal history record information; authorizing the Board to accept certain alternate methods of criminal history records checks under certain circumstances; providing that certain information is confidential, may not be disseminated, and may be used only for certain purposes; authorizing certain individuals to contest the contents of certain statements issued by the Central Repository under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to consider certain factors in determining whether to grant certain licenses, permits, and registrations on receipt of certain criminal history record information; prohibiting the Board from issuing certain licenses, permits, and registrations under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; making a conforming change; and generally relating to licenses, permits, and registrations issued by the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–205(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 392 – Senators Montgomery, Astle, Bates, Benson, Cassilly, Currie, Feldman, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Peters, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Assault – First Responders

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from intentionally causing physical injury to another if the person knows or has reason to know that the other is a firefighter, an emergency medical technician, a rescue squad member, or any other first responder engaged in providing emergency medical care or rescue services; altering certain penalties for assaulting certain individuals; and generally relating to assault.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 393 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Edwards, Feldman, Guzzone, Hough, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Montgomery, Peters, Pinsky, Rosapepe, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Costs of Care for Seized Animals

FOR the purpose of establishing that the owner or custodian of an animal seized or removed under certain provisions of law is liable for certain costs relating to the care of the animal during a certain period; requiring a person who seizes or removes an animal

under certain provisions of law to post a certain notice in a certain manner; requiring a certain seizing authority to make a reasonable attempt to provide a certain notice under certain circumstances; repealing a certain provision of law regarding the circumstances under which an animal may be considered a stray; authorizing the owner or custodian of a certain animal to file a certain petition; providing that a certain petition be served on a seizing authority; providing that failure to file a certain petition shall be considered a forfeiture of a certain animal to the seizing authority; providing for a certain hearing to make a certain determination; requiring the District Court to issue a certain order unless a certain bond is posted; providing that failure to post a certain bond results in a certain forfeiture; authorizing the seizing authority to draw certain funds from a certain bond; requiring the unused portion of a certain bond to be returned to a certain person; providing for adjusting the amount of a certain bond; defining a certain term; and generally relating to animals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–615
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 394 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Feldman, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Pinsky, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Hazing

FOR the purpose of providing that the offense of hazing is committed by subjecting a student to the risk of serious bodily injury, regardless of whether injury actually occurs; altering the penalty for a certain offense relating to subjecting a student to the risk of serious bodily injury for the purpose of a certain initiation; and generally relating to hazing.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–607
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 395 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Feldman, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Rosapepe, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Drunk Driving Reduction Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of requiring an individual who is convicted of a certain alcohol offense to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for certain periods of time and to successfully complete the Program; requiring the Administration to suspend for an indefinite period, rather than revoke, the license of an individual who is convicted of a certain alcohol offense and who fails to participate in or successfully complete the Program; and generally relating to expanding participation in the Ignition Interlock System Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–404.1(a)(1), (4), and (5) and (d)(1)(ii) and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–404.1(d)(1)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 396 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Prospective Responsible Bidders or Offerors – Transitioning to Be Prime Contractors

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a unit from placing certain requirements on prospective responsible bidders or offerors; prohibiting a unit from drafting specifications requiring unnecessary experience or excessive bonding on prospective responsible bidders or offerors; and generally relating to prospective responsible bidders or offerors and the application of certain procurement specifications.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 13–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 397 – Senators Pugh, Benson, DeGrange, Guzzone, Kelley, Klausmeier, Muse, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

**Developmental Disabilities Administration – Licensees – Duties and Immunities
– Employees**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt rules and regulations for licensees of the Developmental Disabilities Administration to obtain and provide information on certain employees; requiring the rules and regulations to require a licensee to carry out certain duties; requiring a licensee to respond in a certain manner to a request for information; requiring a licensee to have certain immunities under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to educate all licensees about certain matters; requiring the Administration, on or before a certain date, to establish and maintain a database of certain employees; requiring the Administration to require each licensee to submit certain information to the database; requiring a licensee to submit certain information on or before certain dates to the Administration for inclusion in the database; requiring the Administration to phase in certain submissions and to complete the phase-in within a certain time period; requiring the Secretary to establish by regulation the form, manner, and deadlines for the submission and certain procedures; requiring the Administration to carry out certain duties relating to the database; providing that certain requirements that apply to licensees also apply to an individual who self-directs certain services; authorizing an individual who self-directs services to submit certain information in a certain manner; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Developmental Disabilities Administration and requirements for licensees to obtain and provide information on employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 7–901
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 7–911 through 7–913
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 398 – Senators Pugh and Muse

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Community Solar Projects or Virtual Net Energy Metering – Study

FOR the purpose of requiring the Public Service Commission to convene a stakeholder workgroup to study and make recommendations on the establishment of a program to allow certain customers to participate in certain community solar projects or virtual net energy metering; requiring the workgroup to examine certain matters relating to the establishment of a certain program; requiring the Commission to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a study by the Public Service Commission on the establishment of a program for community solar projects or virtual net energy metering.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 399 – Senators Pugh and Muse

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Malpractice Claims – Use of Clinical Practice Guidelines

FOR the purpose of requiring the Director of the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office to maintain a record of the names of physicians willing to serve as members of an independent medical review panel; establishing certain qualifications for eligibility to serve on a panel; establishing procedures for selection of the members of a panel; requiring a claim for damages due to medical injury to be referred to the Director to select a panel if a defendant asserts as a defense that certain clinical practice guidelines apply and the defendant acted in accordance with the guidelines; requiring the parties to the claim to send certain information to the Director; requiring a panel to make a certain written finding; requiring a panel to make certain determinations; providing that certain determinations made by a panel establish certain rebuttable presumptions; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations establishing clinical practice guidelines for obstetrical and gynecological services; requiring the Secretary to consult with certain medical professional organizations; requiring the Secretary to review and update the guidelines at least annually; defining a certain term; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to clinical practice guidelines and health care malpractice claims.

BY renumbering

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–2A–03A

to be Section 3–2A–03C

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–2A–03A and 3–2A–03B

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 2–701 and 2–702 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Clinical Practice Guidelines”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 400 – Senators Pugh, Bates, Benson, Eckardt, Feldman, Guzzone, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, Middleton, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Reilly, Young, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Commemorative Months – Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Month

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain month as Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Month and to urge the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Aging, in conjunction with certain entities, to properly observe Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities, including certain summits and updates; and generally relating to Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Month.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions

Section 7–504 through 7–506, respectively

to be Section 7–505 through 7–507, respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 7–504

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 401 – Senators Astle, Bates, Guzzone, Hershey, Jennings, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Underground Utility Damage Prevention – Connecting Buildings to Sewerage Systems – Detectable Wires

FOR the purpose of requiring that any new or replacement piping that is buried or installed for the purpose of connecting a building to a sewerage system be buried or installed with a certain wire that makes the piping detectable; requiring that the wire buried or installed with the piping meet certain product criteria, certain installation criteria, and run from certain locations along the piping and sewerage system; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to underground utility damage prevention through the use of detectable wires to connect buildings to sewerage systems.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 9–223.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 12–129 and 24–107

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 402 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – De Facto Parent

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court, on request of certain parties in certain judicial proceedings, to determine whether an individual is a de facto parent of a child; authorizing an individual who asserts that the individual is a de facto parent to initiate or intervene in certain judicial proceedings by filing a certain pleading; establishing a certain burden of proof and standard of proof; requiring that a judicial determination on de facto parent status be in writing; establishing that an individual who is judicially determined to be a de facto parent has the duties, rights, and

obligations of a parent unless the court makes a certain determination; requiring that certain disputes regarding the allocation of child custody and visitation be resolved on the basis of the best interest of the child; defining a certain term; and generally relating to de facto parents.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–207

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 403 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maryland Council on Advancement of School–Based Health Centers

FOR the purpose of repealing the Maryland School Board Health Center Policy Advising Committee and establishing the Maryland Council on Advancement of School–Based Health Centers; specifying the duties of the Council; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Council; prohibiting a member of the Council from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Council to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Council to report its findings and recommendations to certain State agencies and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Council to include certain recommendations in a certain report that is due on a certain date; repealing obsolete provisions of law; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Council; and generally relating to the Maryland Council on Advancement of School–Based Health Centers.

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 7–4A–01 and 7–4A–05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–4A–01 and 7–4A–05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 7–4A–02, 7–4A–03, and 7–4A–04

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 404 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Arson, Burning, Malicious Destruction, and Theft – Property of Another – Definition

FOR the purpose of defining the term “property of another” as used in certain provisions prohibiting arson, burning, and the malicious destruction of property to conform with the definition found in provisions relating to theft and related crimes; clarifying that the “property of another” includes a tenant by the entirety; and generally relating to arson, burning, the malicious destruction of property, and theft.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 6–101(a) and 7–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 6–101(d) and (e), 6–301, and 7–101(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 6–101(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 405 – Senators DeGrange, Astle, Currie, Eckardt, Gladden, Hershey, Jennings, Klausmeier, Mathias, McFadden, Miller, Muse, Peters, Reilly, and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Education Credit

FOR the purpose of allowing a credit against the State income tax for contributions made to certain student assistance organizations; requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development to administer the tax credit; requiring an entity to submit an application to be a student assistance organization by a certain date each year; requiring a student assistance organization to meet certain qualifications; requiring a business entity to submit a certain application within a certain time period and to make a contribution to a student assistance organization and to provide certain notice within a certain time period; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department to approve certain applications within a certain time period and in a certain manner; requiring the Department to rescind certain tax credit certificates if certain notice is not provided within a certain time period; providing limits on the amount of certain tax credits and the aggregate amount of tax credits that may be approved by the Department in a calendar year; establishing the Maryland Education Tax Credit Reserve Fund; authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation to the Fund in the annual budget bill and providing that the appropriation may not exceed a certain amount; requiring the Comptroller to transfer certain amounts from the Fund to the General Fund under certain circumstances; providing that certain unused tax credits may not be carried forward; requiring the Department to publish and update a certain list in a certain manner each year and report certain information on the credit each year; requiring a certain addition modification under the Maryland income tax if a certain tax credit is claimed; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for contributions made to certain student assistance organizations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 2–123(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–205(a) and 10–306(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–205(l), 10–306(g), and 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 406 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Board of Education – Selection of Members

FOR the purpose of establishing a procedure for the election and appointment of certain members of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education; repealing certain provisions governing the appointment of all members of the county board; establishing the composition of the county board; providing for the qualifications, terms of offices, and the filling of a vacancy of certain members of the county board; repealing certain provisions relating to the retention election of certain appointed members of the county board; requiring the County Executive of Anne Arundel County and the Governor to appoint certain members of the School Board Nominating Commission of Anne Arundel County; requiring the elected members of the county board to reside in, be a registered voter in, and be elected from certain districts; specifying that a member may not be elected or appointed to serve for more than a certain number of terms; providing for the removal of, and hearings and appeal procedures for, certain members of the county board; altering the amount of compensation for certain members of the county board; providing for the termination of terms of the appointed members of the county board; and generally relating to the election and appointment of members of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education.

BY renumbering

Article – Education

Section 3–2A–01 through 3–2A–10, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2A. Baltimore County”

to be Section 3–2B–01 through 3–2B–10, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2B. Baltimore County”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 3–110 and 3–114

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 3–2A–01 through 3–2A–09 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2A. Anne Arundel County”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 2 – Senators Pinsky, Benson, Conway, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, King, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, and Raskin

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

United States Constitution – Amendments Convention – Democracy Amendment

FOR the purpose of applying to the U.S. Congress for an amendments convention called under Article V of the U.S. Constitution, on the application of the legislatures of two–thirds of the several states, to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that affirms every citizen’s freedom to vote and restores free and fair elections in America; and generally relating to an application to Congress for a convention to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

SENATE EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT #1

The Senate Executive Nominations Committee reports favorably on the attached gubernatorial appointments and recommends that the Senate of Maryland advise and consent to these appointments.

Jamie Raskin
Chair

Senate Executive Nominations Committee
Report #1
February 5, 2015

District Court, Anne Arundel County (District 7)

1. Laura Marie Robinson, Esq. District 31

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 7, Anne Arundel County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 21, 2015

District Court, Baltimore City (District 1)

2. Askew Gatewood, Jr. District 40

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from November 20, 2014

3. Jack I. Lesser District 41

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from October 25, 2014

District Court, Baltimore County (District 8)

4. Sally C. Chester District 11

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from June 15, 2014

5. Kevin Yvonne Thomas Wiggins, Esq. District 10

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 20, 2015

6. Alexandra N. Williams District 42

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from July 23, 2014

District Court, Dorchester County (District 2)

7. Melvin J. Jews, Esq. District 37

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Dorchester County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 20, 2014

District Court, Garrett County (District 12)

8. Stephan Martin Moylan, Esq. District 1

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 12, Garrett County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 16, 2014

District Court, Montgomery County (District 6)

9. Holly David Reed, III District 14

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 6, Montgomery County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 6, 2015

10. Zuberi Bakari Williams District 18

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 6, Montgomery County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 6, 2015

District Court, Prince George's County (District 5)

11. Clayton Anthony Aarons, Esq. District 24

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 15, 2014

12. Brian C. Denton, Esq. District 27

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 23, 2014

13. Katina Self Steuart District 27

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 15, 2015

14. Ann L. Wagner–Stewart District 22

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 16, 2014

Special Appeals, Court of

15. Dan Friedman, Esq. District 11

Judge of the Court of Special Appeals of Maryland; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 23, 2014

Budget and Management, Department of

16. David R. Brinkley District 4

Secretary of Department of Budget and Management; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of

17. Van T. Mitchell District 28

Secretary of Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, Department of

18. Kelly Schulz District 4

Secretary of Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Planning, Department of

19. David Craig District 34

Secretary of Department of Planning; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Veterans Affairs, Department of

20. George W. Owings District 27

Secretary of Department of Veterans Affairs; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

STATUS: QUESTION IS WILL THE SENATE ADVISE AND CONSENT TO THE NOMINATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE?

Senator McFadden moved, duly seconded, to make the Report a Special Order for February 13, 2015.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 86)

RECESS

At 11:34 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate recessed until 8:00 P.M. on Legislative Day, February 6, 2015, Calendar Day, Monday, February 9, 2015.

AFTER RECESS
Annapolis, Maryland
Legislative Day: February 6, 2015
Calendar Day: Monday, February 9, 2015

At 8:07 P.M. the Senate resumed its session.

Prayer by Reverend Paul Sparklin, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, guest of Senator Reilly.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Rosapepe be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 88)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senator Pugh moved to suspend Rule 32 to allow **Senate Bill 588 through Senate Bill 599** to be referred to the appropriate committees.

The motion was adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 89)

Senate Bill 588 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**Stormwater Management – Watershed Protection and Restoration Program –
Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law requiring that, on or before a certain date, a county or municipality subject to a certain municipal stormwater permit adopt and implement laws or ordinances to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality

maintain or administer a local watershed protection and restoration fund in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish and annually collect a stormwater remediation fee in accordance with certain provisions of law; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish certain policies and procedures to reduce a certain stormwater remediation fee to account for certain measures; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the prohibition against the assessment of a stormwater remediation fee on a property by both a county and a municipality; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality determine the method, frequency, and enforcement of the collection of the stormwater remediation fee; repealing the requirement that certain money be deposited in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the uses of money in a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality make publicly available a certain report beginning on a certain date; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish a certain hardship exemption program; repealing the authorization of the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations; altering the definition of a certain term; repealing the definition of a certain term; and generally relating to stormwater management in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–201.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 589 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Motorist Tax Relief – Motor Fuel Tax – Consumer Price Index and Sales and Use Tax Equivalent Rate Adjustments – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain motor fuel tax rates be adjusted in future years based on growth in Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers; repealing a requirement that a certain sales and use tax equivalent rate be

determined in a certain manner on certain dates and added to the motor fuel tax rates; making conforming and technical changes; and generally relating to the motor fuel tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 9–305 and 9–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Chapter 429 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 8

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments
Chapter 429 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 11 and 12

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 590 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Small Business Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of exempting from the personal property tax persons with personal property that is assessed at less than a certain amount of total assessed value; exempting certain persons from certain annual reporting requirements and any associated fees under certain circumstances; requiring an appropriation in the annual State budget for certain reimbursements to counties or municipal corporations in certain years; requiring the Department to establish application procedures for a certain purpose; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the personal property tax.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 7–245
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 591 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Highway User Revenues – Phased Restoration

FOR the purpose of increasing the portion of highway user revenues that is distributed to local governments; altering the allocation of the local share of highway user revenues among Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities; repealing obsolete language; and generally relating to highway user revenues.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–402 and 8–403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 592 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Mathias, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Military Retirement Income

FOR the purpose of altering for certain taxable years a certain limitation on a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain military retirement income; and generally relating to a subtraction modification for military retirement income.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 593 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Raskin, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Fair Campaign Financing Fund – Income Tax Checkoff

FOR the purpose of requiring the Comptroller to establish a checkoff on the individual income tax return through which certain individuals may make a contribution up to a certain amount to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; providing that certain fines and penalties be deposited in the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; requiring the Comptroller to take certain actions to administer the checkoff; and generally relating to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 15–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 16–1003
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 2–113.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation and Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 594 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Mathias, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**Income Tax Subtraction Modification – Law Enforcement, Fire, Rescue, and
Emergency Services Personnel
(Hometown Heroes Act)**

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain qualifying volunteer fire, rescue, and emergency medical services members; providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax under certain circumstances for a certain amount of retirement income attributable to a resident's employment as a law enforcement officer or the individual's service as fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to subtraction modifications under the Maryland income tax for certain law enforcement officers and fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(i–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 546 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 595 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Charter School Expansion and Improvement Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of including certain employees of certain public charter school operators under certain provisions of law relating to collective bargaining; authorizing certain employees of certain public charter school operators to form certain employee organizations; requiring certain employee organizations to be separate units in a county for the purpose of collective bargaining; altering a certain requirement to hold a certain lottery under certain circumstances and in accordance with a certain application; authorizing certain public charter schools to give certain weight to certain students during a certain lottery; clarifying that the State Board of Education

is a public chartering authority; specifying certain contents of a certain application; prohibiting certain public chartering authorities from withholding approval of certain applications under certain circumstances; altering the time period within which the State Board must render a decision on a certain appeal; requiring certain professional staff to be qualified and credentialed in a certain manner; authorizing certain public charter schools to apply to the State Board for certain waivers; repealing a certain requirement that a certain waiver be sought through a certain process; authorizing certain employees of a public charter school to be employees of the operator of the public charter school; requiring a certain application to include certain information relating to the employment status of certain employees; authorizing a certain employment status to be changed on renewal of a certain application; prohibiting certain employees of a public charter school operator from being required to be members of a certain bargaining unit or bound by a certain collective bargaining agreement; requiring a county board to make certain disbursements in each fiscal year to a public charter school; requiring a public charter school to reimburse local school systems under certain circumstances; requiring public charter schools to be eligible for the public school construction program; requiring the State Department of Education to act as the administering agency for certain purposes; requiring public charter schools to be subject to a certain State and local cost–share formula; authorizing the use of certain funds for the construction or renovation of public charter schools; requiring certain agencies to adopt certain regulations; requiring a certain staff person at the Department to perform certain duties; including certain employees of public charter school operators under certain provisions of law relating to the State Teachers’ Pension System and the Teachers’ Retirement System; making certain stylistic changes; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to the laws that relate to public charter schools in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 6–401(c), (e)(1), and (f), 6–404(a), (c), and (d), 6–405(a), 6–407(a), 9–102, 9–102.1, and 9–103 through 9–110

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 9–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 9–102.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–304(a)(6) and (7), 22–205(a)(1), and 23–206(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 596 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Facilities – Surveys, Inspections, and External Reviews

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to survey freestanding ambulatory care facilities in accordance with certain regulations, with a certain exception; requiring the Department to survey each freestanding birthing center at a certain frequency; requiring the Department to inspect the operations of each home health agency at a certain frequency; repealing a provision of law authorizing a certain professional standards review organization to conduct an external review of health maintenance organizations; exempting certain accredited health maintenance organizations from a certain external review; altering the frequency at which the Department must make a site visit and conduct a survey of each licensed nursing home; repealing an exception to the licensed nursing home site visit and survey requirements; and generally relating to surveys, inspections, and external reviews of health care facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–3B–03, 19–407, 19–705.1(f), and 19–1408
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 597 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Immunizations – Related Institutions

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a resident or an employee of a related institution is not required to receive a certain vaccine; authorizing a related institution to permit a resident or an employee to refuse a certain vaccine under

certain circumstances; and generally relating to immunizations by related institutions of residents and employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18–404(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18–404(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

**Senate Bill 598 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Vaccination Reporting Requirements – ImmuNet

FOR the purpose of requiring all health care providers in the State to report all vaccines administered to the Maryland immunization registry, ImmuNet; altering certain responsibilities of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene relating to certain forms and a certain brochure; defining certain terms; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to immunizations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

**Senate Bill 599 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Expedited Partner Therapy for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea

FOR the purpose of providing for the purpose of expedited partner therapy; authorizing certain health care providers who diagnose chlamydia or gonorrhea in an individual patient to prescribe, dispense, or otherwise provide prescription antibiotic drugs to that patient's sexual partners without examination of that patient's partners; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations; repealing a certain reporting requirement regarding the Expedited Partner Therapy Pilot Program; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; repealing certain definitions; extending the termination date of the Expedited Partner Therapy Pilot Program within the Baltimore City Health Department; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to expedited partner therapy for chlamydia and gonorrhea.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18–214.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 146 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, as amended by Chapter
136 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 407 – Senators Brochin, Cassilly, Hough, Muse, Norman, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Permits

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of the State Police to issue a certain handgun permit within a certain time period under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary to provide a certain notice, in writing, regarding a certain handgun permit application within a certain time period; and generally relating to handgun permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 408 – Senators Muse, Cassilly, Norman, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Residential Leases – Interest on Security Deposits

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of the interest rate paid on a security deposit under a residential lease at the end of a tenancy; altering the calculation of the interest rate paid on a security deposit under a residential lease when an evicted or ejected tenant makes a timely written demand for return of the security deposit; altering the calculation of the interest rate paid by a mobile home park owner on a security deposit at the end of a tenancy; altering the requirements for a certain calculator that the Department of Housing and Community Development is required to maintain on its Web site; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the interest paid on security deposits under residential leases and mobile home park rental agreements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 8–203(e), (h), and (k) and 8A–1001(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 8–203(l) and 8A–1001(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 409 – Senators Montgomery, Raskin, Guzzone, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Ramirez, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Protect Our Health and Communities Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a permit to authorize the hydraulic fracturing of a well for the exploration or production of natural gas in the State until a certain date and until a certain panel is appointed, convenes, and reports to the Governor and General Assembly on a certain date; establishing a certain panel of experts for certain purposes; requiring the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates to appoint a certain number of members to the panel in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the

panel to be appointed and convened on or after a certain date; requiring the panel to examine certain scientific literature through a certain date; requiring the panel to report to the Governor and General Assembly on a certain date; defining a certain term; and generally relating to hydraulic fracturing for the exploration or production of natural gas.

BY adding to

Article – Environment
Section 14–107.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 410 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Vehicle Laws – Traffic Safety

FOR the purpose of adding Baltimore City to the list of local authorities that under certain circumstances may impose certain weight and speed restrictions on vehicles passing over a bridge or culvert under the jurisdictions of the local authorities without the approval of the State Highway Administration; authorizing a Baltimore City special traffic enforcement officer to issue a citation for certain violations of the Maryland Vehicle Law; and generally relating to traffic safety in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 24–206(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 24–206(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 16–16C(e)
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)
(As enacted by Chapter 469 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003, as amended by Chapter 511 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 411 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Elder Abuse or Neglect – Increased Penalties

FOR the purpose of altering the penalties for the crime of causing abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult in the first or second degree; and generally relating to elder abuse or neglect.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–604(b) and 3–605(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–604(c) and 3–605(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 412 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Elder Abuse or Neglect – Restrictions on Pretrial Release

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant charged with causing abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult in the first or second degree; providing that a judge may authorize the pretrial release of the defendant on certain conditions; requiring the judge to order the continued detention of the defendant if neither suitable bail nor other conditions will reasonably ensure that the defendant will not flee or pose a danger to a certain person or the community before the trial; and generally relating to elder abuse or neglect.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 5–202(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 413 – Senators Gladden, Currie, Ferguson, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Race–Based Traffic Stops – Policy and Reporting Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain law enforcement officers record certain information pertaining to traffic stops; requiring certain law enforcement agencies to report certain information to the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center; requiring the Police Training Commission to develop a certain format and guidelines and a standardized format for the reporting of certain data; requiring the Police Training Commission to develop a certain model policy; requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center to analyze certain data based on a methodology developed in conjunction with the Police Training Commission; requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center to make certain reports to the General Assembly, the Governor, and law enforcement agencies; requiring law enforcement agency policies regarding race–based traffic stops to provide for certain reviews of certain data and reports for certain purposes; requiring the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center to report to the Police Training Commission those law enforcement agencies that fail to comply with certain reporting requirements; requiring certain actions following a report on the failure of a law enforcement agency to comply; providing certain exceptions applicable to law enforcement agencies that are subject to certain agreements; defining certain terms; and generally relating to law enforcement procedures and traffic stops.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 25–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 414 – Senators Gladden, Currie, Hough, Kelley, Manno, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Segregated Confinement – Report

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to make an annual report on segregated confinement to the Governor; requiring

certain information be included in the report; defining certain terms; making provisions of this Act severable; and generally related to segregated confinement.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 2–601 and 2–602 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Segregated Confinement Report”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 415 – Senators Kagan, Astle, Bates, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hershey, Jennings, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**State Donor Registry – Methods of Registration – Clerks of Circuit Courts,
Registers of Wills, and Motor Vehicle Administration
(Enhancing Organ Donation Rates Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the clerks of the circuit courts and registers of wills to provide a method by which certain individuals can register with the State donor registry for a certain purpose; requiring, under certain circumstances, the clerks of the circuit courts and the registers of wills to transfer certain information received by the clerks of the circuit courts or registers of wills to the State donor registry; requiring the clerks of the circuit courts and registers of wills to notify certain individuals that a certain registration will remain effective until the individual makes a certain request; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to provide a method by which an individual doing business with the Administration can register as a donor with the State donor registry for a certain purpose and select to have a donor designation on the individual’s driver’s license or identification card, rather than providing a method by which an applicant for a driver’s license or identification card can designate that the applicant consents to a certain gift; making conforming changes; and generally relating to methods of registering with the State donor registry.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 2–214

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 2–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 4–516
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 12–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 416 – Senators Kagan, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Montgomery, Pinsky, Pugh, Raskin, Rosapepe, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Mandated Benefits – In Vitro Fertilization and Artificial Insemination Procedures

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from excluding benefits for certain expenses arising from artificial insemination procedures performed on certain individuals; requiring a policyholder or subscriber, whose expenses for certain in vitro fertilization or artificial insemination procedures are covered under certain benefits, to be married; applying a certain condition of providing benefits for certain expenses arising from in vitro fertilization or artificial insemination procedures only to a patient whose spouse is capable of producing sperm; requiring certain benefits to be provided when the patient and the patient's spouse are of the same sex; altering the guidelines and standards to which medical facilities performing certain covered procedures must conform; making certain technical corrections; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to mandated health insurance benefits for in vitro fertilization and artificial insemination procedures.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–810
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 417 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Trust Act – Revocable Trusts – Creditors’ Claims – Limitations

FOR the purpose of providing that, under certain circumstances, property of a certain revocable trust is not subject to, and a trustee and beneficiaries of that trust may not be held liable for, certain claims of creditors of the settlor; providing that, if a certain proceeding has not been commenced, the publication of certain notice by a certain trustee in a certain manner shall afford the trust property, the trustee, and the trust beneficiaries certain protections under certain provisions of law barring certain claims after a certain period of time; barring certain claims against the trust property, the trustee, and the trust beneficiaries unless, within a certain time period, a certain creditor files a certain action and serves certain notice on the trustee or presents to the trustee a certain claim; providing that a claim may not be deemed to have been presented to the trustee under certain circumstances; providing that, except under certain circumstances, a claimant is forever barred to the extent of a certain disallowance; and generally relating to certain creditors’ claims against certain trust property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–508
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 418 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Estates – Modified Administration – Final Report and Distribution – Extension

FOR the purpose of authorizing, under certain circumstances, a register of wills to extend the time periods for filing a final report and making distribution of an estate in a modified administration of the estate for a certain period of time on the filing of a certain request; requiring the request for the extension to be signed by the personal representative and consented to by certain persons; requiring the request to be delivered to the register of wills by a certain date; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an extension of the time periods for filing a final report and for making final distribution of an estate in a modified administration of the estate.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 5–703
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 419 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Estates and Trusts – Maryland Trust Act – Incapacity

FOR the purpose of defining certain terms for purposes of the Maryland Trust Act; clarifying that a revocable trust does not become irrevocable if the settlor loses the capacity to create a will; and generally relating to the Maryland Trust Act.

BY renumbering
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–103(k) through (z), respectively
to be Section 14.5–103(m) through (bb), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–103(k) and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 420 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

**Estates – Modified Administration – Payment of Funeral Expenses Without
Court Approval**

FOR the purpose of providing that an allowance by the court for a personal representative to pay certain funeral expenses is not required if the estate is solvent, under modified administration, and the personal representative includes the expenses on a certain final report; and generally relating to funeral expenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 8–106(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 421 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Dental Examiners – Authority – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of altering certain exemptions from the authority of the State Board of Dental Examiners; providing that the Board’s authority does not apply to certain clinics, government agencies, or nonprofit organizations; repealing the exemption from the Board’s authority of certain groups under certain circumstances; requiring certain dental employees of certain government agencies or nonprofit organizations to be under the authority of the Board; requiring the dentists employed by certain government agencies or nonprofit organizations to be licensed and under certain authority of the Board; and generally relating to the authority of the State Board of Dental Examiners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 422 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – South Asian American Heritage Day

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to proclaim annually a certain day as South Asian American Heritage Day; requiring the proclamation to urge certain

organizations to properly observe South Asian American Heritage Day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities; and generally relating to South Asian American Heritage Day.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–411 through 7–413, respectively
to be Section 7–412 through 7–414, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 423 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Towne Centre at Laurel – Class A License

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum number of certain Class A alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George’s County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to convert a certain Class B–DD alcoholic beverages license to be a certain Class A alcoholic beverages license to be issued to an establishment located within the Towne Centre at Laurel; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–217(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–217(b)(11) and (f)(7)(iv)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–217(o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 424 – Senators Lee, Benson, Conway, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Equal Pay for Equal Work

FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of law concerning equal pay for equal work to prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender identity; prohibiting an employer from discriminating between employees in any occupation by providing certain less favorable employment opportunities based on sex or gender identity; providing that, for purposes of certain provisions of law concerning equal pay for equal work, an employee shall be deemed to work in the same establishment as another employee if the employees work at work places within a certain radius of each other; providing that a certain provision of law does not prohibit a certain variation based on a certain system or bona fide factor; providing that certain exceptions do not apply under certain circumstances; prohibiting an employer from taking certain actions concerning the disclosure or discussion of an employee’s wages; authorizing an employer, in a certain policy, to establish certain limitations on certain inquiries about or discussions or disclosures of wages; providing that, under certain circumstances, the failure of an employee to adhere to certain limitations shall be an affirmative defense against certain claims; providing that a certain employer prohibition against the disclosure of certain wage information may not apply under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, in consultation with the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights, to develop certain educational materials and make certain training available for certain purposes; altering a certain provision of law to allow a certain employee to bring a certain action to recover the difference paid between certain employees who do work of a comparable nature; authorizing a certain employee to bring a civil action against an employer to recover certain damages for a violation of a certain provision of this Act; authorizing the trier of fact to award certain liquidated damages under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to award certain prejudgment interest under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to equal pay for equal work and the disclosure of certain wage information by certain employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment

Section 3–304, 3–306, and 3–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–304.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–308
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 425 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Wage Disclosure and Discussion Protection

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an employer from taking certain actions concerning the inquiry about or disclosure or discussion of an employee’s wages; authorizing an employer, in a certain policy, to establish certain limitations on certain inquiries about or discussions or disclosures of wages; providing that, under certain circumstances, the failure of an employee to adhere to certain limitations shall be an affirmative defense against certain claims; providing that a certain employer prohibition against the disclosure of certain wage information may not apply under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, on a certain request, to provide without charge a copy of this Act; requiring each employer to post in a certain manner a copy of this Act; requiring the Commissioner to develop certain educational materials and make certain training available for certain purposes; requiring the Commissioner to take certain actions regarding violations of this Act; authorizing the Attorney General to take certain actions regarding a violation of this Act; authorizing a certain employee to bring a civil action against an employer to recover certain damages for a violation of a certain provision of this Act; authorizing a trier of fact to award certain liquidated damages under certain circumstances; authorizing an employee to bring a certain action on behalf of certain employees; requiring an action under this Act to be filed within a certain period of time; authorizing a court to award certain fees, costs, and prejudgment interest under certain circumstances; prohibiting an employer from willfully violating this Act or taking certain other actions related to this Act; prohibiting an employee from making a certain groundless or malicious complaint or taking certain actions in bad faith; authorizing

the Commissioner to bring certain actions and, on a certain request, take certain actions; providing that an employer who violates certain provisions of this Act is guilty of a misdemeanor and is subject to a certain penalty; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to employee protections for the disclosure and discussion of wages.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 3–1301 through 3–1306 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13. Wage Disclosure and Discussion Protection”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 426 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County – Alcoholic Beverages – Waiver of License Requirements

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners, on the affirmative vote of a certain number of members, to waive certain registered voter and residency requirements for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license if the application is made for a partnership; authorizing the Board, on the affirmative vote of a certain number of members, to waive certain registered voter, taxpayer, and residency requirements for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license if the application is made for a certain corporation or club; authorizing the Board, on the affirmative vote of a certain number of members, to waive certain registered voter, taxpayer, and residency requirements for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license if the application is made for a limited liability company; authorizing the Board, on the affirmative vote of a certain number of members, to waive a certain residency requirement for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license; requiring the Board to obtain certain criminal records of an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license from a certain local police department under certain circumstances; and generally relating to waivers of requirements for alcoholic beverages licenses in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–101(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–101(a)(2)(i), (b)(1), and (c)(1) and 10–103(b)(4) and (13)(iv)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 427 – Senators Lee, Guzzone, Hough, Jennings, Ready, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Victims of Crime – Notification Regarding DNA Profile

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain law enforcement agency or unit, under certain circumstances, to give a certain victim or victim's representative timely notice as to certain matters relating to a DNA profile of a certain alleged perpetrator or perpetrators; requiring the State Board of Victim Services to develop certain pamphlets to notify victims and victims' representatives of how to request information regarding an unsolved case; defining certain terms; and generally relating to victims of crime.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–104 and 11–914
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–1002(b)(8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 428 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Trust Act – Revocable Trusts – Partial Revocation by Divorce or Annulment

FOR the purpose of providing for the revocation of certain terms of a revocable trust on the absolute divorce of the settlor and the settlor's spouse or the annulment of their marriage occurring after the creation of the settlor's revocable trust, except under certain circumstances; requiring removal of the spouse as a trustee or an advisor on the date of the divorce or annulment; prohibiting the spouse from serving as a trustee

or an advisor or exercising certain powers after the divorce or annulment; and generally relating to the effects of divorce or annulment on a revocable trust.

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 14.5–604

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 429 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Estates and Trusts – Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act; authorizing certain fiduciaries to access certain digital assets under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain fiduciary to take certain actions concerning certain digital assets under certain circumstances; providing that, for certain purposes, a fiduciary has the lawful consent of a certain account holder for the custodian to divulge certain content of a certain electronic communication to the fiduciary; providing that, under certain circumstances, a fiduciary is, for the purpose of certain computer–related laws, an authorized user; providing that, except under certain circumstances, a provision in a certain terms–of–service agreement limiting certain access is void as against the strong public policy of the State and is not violated by a fiduciary’s access under this Act; providing that certain choice–of–law provisions in a terms–of–service agreement are unenforceable under certain circumstances; providing that, under certain circumstances, a certain fiduciary may access certain tangible personal property and is an authorized user for the purpose of certain computer–related laws; requiring a custodian to comply with certain requests by a fiduciary under certain circumstances; requiring certain requests by certain fiduciaries to be accompanied by certain documents; requiring a custodian to comply with a request within a certain time period; authorizing a fiduciary to apply for a certain court order under certain circumstances; providing that a custodian and its agents are immune from liability for an act or omission done in good faith compliance with this Act; requiring consideration to be given to the need to promote certain uniformity of the law; providing that this Act modifies, limits, or supersedes certain federal law in a certain manner; providing for the scope and application of this Act; altering certain provisions in certain statutory forms for a power of attorney relating to authority to access and take control of certain digital assets in accordance with this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act.

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 15–601 through 15–613 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Maryland
Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 17–202 and 17–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 430 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Mental Health and Substance Use
Disorder Benefits – Parity**

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law apply to mental health and substance use disorder benefits provided by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program or administered by an administrative services organization; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to use certain standards in determining compliance with a certain provision of law; requiring the Department to use certain criteria in determining medical necessity for substance use disorder services; and generally relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and mental health and substance use disorder benefits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(b)(21) and (22)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–802
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 431 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Dental Services for Adults – Coverage and Access

FOR the purpose of requiring, beginning on a certain date, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide dental services to postpartum women during a certain period; requiring that certain dental services for postpartum women be included as a benefit under a certain program under the Program; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in conjunction with certain entities, to work with stakeholders to identify certain options for expanding access to dental services; requiring the Department to report its findings to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to coverage of and access to dental services for adults.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(1) and (2)(ii) and (b)(1) and (2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(2)(xi) and (xii) and (b)(2)(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(2)(xiii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 432 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

**Employees’ and Teachers’ Pension Systems – Combination of Service –
Clarification**

FOR the purpose of clarifying the manner in which a member of the Employees’ Pension System or Teachers’ Pension System may combine certain prior eligibility service

with the member's current service; making conforming changes; clarifying that a member who combines certain prior eligibility service with the member's current service has no further rights to a certain rate of benefit accrual; and generally relating to clarifying the combination of prior service credit in the Employees' and Teachers' Pension Systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 23–303.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 433 – Senators Peters, Astle, Cassilly, Currie, DeGrange, Guzzone, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Montgomery, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**Funeral Establishments and Crematories – Unclaimed Cremains
of Veterans – Disposition**

FOR the purpose of requiring licensed funeral establishments or holders of permits for the business of operating a crematory in the possession of unclaimed cremated human remains for a certain period of time to provide certain identifying information to the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs or certain veterans service organizations for a certain determination; requiring the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs or veterans service organization to make a certain notification of certain information within a certain period of time; authorizing a licensed funeral establishment or permit holder to transfer certain cremains to the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs or a veterans service organization for certain disposition under certain circumstances; establishing that a licensed funeral establishment, holder of a permit for a crematory, or certain veterans service organization that acts in good faith when taking certain actions is not civilly liable; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the disposition of unclaimed cremains of veterans.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–101(a), (e), (f), (g), (i), (k), and (n)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–803
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–642

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 7–101(a), (d), (e), (h), (i), (k), (l), and (p)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 7–406

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 434 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Insurance and Workers' Compensation Insurance – Notice of Premium Increase

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain notice required under certain circumstances when an insurer seeks to increase the renewal policy premium for certain policies of commercial insurance or workers' compensation insurance to be delivered by electronic means in accordance with certain provisions of law; providing that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, an insurer shall be considered to have met a certain notice requirement and is not required to deliver a certain notice required by certain provisions of law if the insurer has taken certain actions; altering the time period in which a certain notice of the availability of the renewal policy must be sent to any independent insurance producer for an insurer to meet a certain notice requirement; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to notices of premium increases for policies of commercial insurance and policies of workers' compensation insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 27–608

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 435 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Homeowner’s Insurance – Coverage for Loss Caused by Water Damage

FOR the purpose of requiring insurers that issue, sell, or deliver policies of homeowner’s insurance to make available, rather than to offer in writing to provide at certain times, coverage for loss that is caused by certain water damage under certain circumstances; requiring the coverage to be made available in at least a certain amount; authorizing insurers that make certain coverage available to offer certain other coverage in a certain amount, notwithstanding any other law or regulation; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to coverage for loss caused by water damage under homeowner’s insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–202

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 436 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Insurance Commissioner – Prior Approval Rate Making – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of exempting from the prior approval rate making process certain kinds of insurance and certain types of insurance coverage; and generally relating to approval of insurance rates and forms by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 11–202

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 11–206(a)(1), (f), and (g)(3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 437 – Senator Middleton

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Nonprofit Health Service Plans – Hearing and Order – Impact of Law or
Regulatory Action by Another State**

FOR the purpose of requiring, instead of authorizing, the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to hold a certain hearing relating to the impact of a law of another state on a nonprofit health service plan operating in this State; authorizing the Commissioner to conduct an examination instead of holding a hearing; adding a regulatory action by another state to the circumstances that require the Commissioner to hold a hearing or conduct an examination; adding a requirement by another state that a nonprofit health service plan operating in this State distribute or reduce its surplus to the circumstances that require the Commissioner to hold a hearing or conduct an examination; authorizing an order issued by the Commissioner to include certain actions; prohibiting a nonprofit health service plan from distributing or reducing its surplus under certain circumstances except with certain approval of the Commissioner; making certain conforming changes; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the impact of a law or regulatory action by another state on a nonprofit health service plan operating in this State and actions by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 14–124
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 438 – Senator Middleton

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Well Drilling – Notice to Municipalities

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a well driller, when applying for a permit to drill a well, notify a municipality under certain circumstances; requiring

the Department of the Environment to notify a municipality of an application for a permit to drill a well under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to permits to drill a well.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 439 – Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Tax Sales

FOR the purpose of requiring the tax collector in Baltimore City to withhold property from a tax sale when the taxes on the property are under a certain amount; altering the time at which a holder of a certificate of sale may file to foreclose the right of redemption in Baltimore City; altering the time at which a certain notice of intent to foreclose the right of redemption on property in Baltimore City may be sent; authorizing an owner of property in Baltimore City to request the holder of a certificate of sale to provide certain information; requiring the request to be sent in a certain manner; requiring the holder of a certificate of sale who receives a certain request to provide certain information within a certain number of days; prohibiting a holder of a certificate of sale who receives a certain request from filing a complaint to foreclose the right of redemption on property in Baltimore City until a certain amount of time has passed; altering the amount of time that has to pass before a holder of a certificate of sale of property in Baltimore City may be reimbursed for certain expenses when the property is redeemed; prohibiting a plaintiff or holder of a certificate of sale of property in Baltimore City from being reimbursed for certain expenses incurred before a certain period of time has passed; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to establish, by law, a process to make property redemption payments by installment; requiring a court to include certain information in a final order in an action to foreclose the right of redemption of property in Baltimore City; altering the amount of a lien for unpaid water and sewer service which would authorize Baltimore City to sell the property at a tax sale; making conforming changes; and generally relating to tax sales of property in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–811, 14–833, 14–843, 14–844, and 14–849.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 440 – Senator Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

**Education – Expenditures of Revenues – Reporting by County Boards of
Education**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain expenditures to be reported by certain county boards of education to the State Department of Education at both the school level and the local education agency level; and generally relating to the reporting of expenditures of revenues by county boards to the State Department of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–101(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–105(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 441 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Energy Administration – Annual Report – Grants

FOR the purpose of requiring that a certain annual report made by the Maryland Energy Administration to the Governor and General Assembly include certain information on the grants awarded by the Administration; and generally relating to the annual report of the Maryland Energy Administration.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–20B–12
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 442 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

**Employees' Pension System – Dorchester County Sanitary Commission –
Eligible Governmental Unit**

FOR the purpose of adding the Dorchester County Sanitary Commission as an eligible governmental unit in the Employees' Pension System; providing that certain individuals are subject to the alternate contributory pension benefit in the Employees' Pension System in the same manner as certain other individuals; and generally relating to employees of the Dorchester County Sanitary Commission participating in the Employees' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 23–221, 31–102, and 31–116.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 443 – Senators Norman and Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Charitable Gaming

FOR the purpose of creating in Harford County a permit to be issued by the Sheriff of Harford County that authorizes certain nonprofit organizations to conduct a gaming contest in Harford County; specifying certain requirements that organizations must meet to be issued a permit; specifying a certain maximum number of gaming contests an organization may hold in a year and the location and hours for conducting a gaming contest; authorizing certain games to be conducted at a gaming contest under certain circumstances; specifying the maximum bet a single individual may place on a game; specifying that alcoholic beverages may be served or sold under certain conditions; prohibiting profits or proceeds from being paid to certain persons under certain circumstances; authorizing certain organizations to use certain proceeds for certain purposes after certain costs are deducted; requiring the holder of a permit to meet certain financial reporting requirements; authorizing the sheriff to refuse to issue a permit under certain conditions; requiring the sheriff to adopt certain regulations; providing a certain penalty; defining a certain term; and generally relating to gaming contests in Harford County.

BY renumbering

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–1512

to be Section 13–1513

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–1512

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 444 – Senator Ready

AN ACT concerning

Public Records – Inspection

FOR the purpose of clarifying that an official custodian is required to make a certain designation and maintain a certain list concerning the availability of public records; repealing the prohibition against a certain applicant obtaining a copy of a judgment until a certain time; and generally relating to the inspection of public records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–201 and 4–205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 445 – Senator Ready

AN ACT concerning

**Ethics Commission, Judicial Ethics Committee, and Joint Ethics Committee –
Duties**

FOR the purpose of providing that the Judicial Ethics Committee rather than the Commission on Judicial Disabilities shall administer and implement certain provisions of law that apply to State officials of the Judicial Branch; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to duties of the Ethics Commission, Joint Ethics Committee, and Judicial Ethics Committee.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–104 and 5–819
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 446 – Senator Ready

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Staff – Designation and Duties of Executive Director

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, instead of the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors, to employ certain staff; authorizing the Secretary to designate one of the staff as executive director; requiring the executive director to manage certain staff and perform certain administrative functions; prohibiting the executive director from directly conducting certain investigations or inspections; and generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors, staff, and the designation and duties of the executive director.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 7–204(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 447 – Senators Ready, Cassilly, Jennings, Norman, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Tax-Free Periods – Hunting and Sporting Goods

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain sales and use tax exemption period for certain hunting and sporting goods under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a certain sales and use tax exemption for certain hunting and sporting goods.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General

Section 11–232
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 448 – Senators Kelley, Bates, Benson, Currie, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, and Montgomery

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Congressional Districts – Standards and Process

FOR the purpose of adding a new article to the Maryland Constitution to govern congressional districts; requiring congressional districts to conform to certain standards and that due regard be given to certain boundaries; requiring the Governor to prepare a certain plan following each decennial census of the United States and after public hearings; requiring the Governor to present the plan to the presiding officers of the General Assembly; requiring the presiding officers to introduce the plan as a joint resolution within a certain time period; authorizing the Governor to call a special session for a certain purpose; authorizing the General Assembly to adopt a certain plan by joint resolution; requiring the General Assembly plan to become law under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor's plan to become law under certain circumstances; providing that the Court of Appeals has certain jurisdiction to review a certain plan and authorizing the Court to grant certain relief under certain circumstances; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
New Article XX – Congressional Districts
Section 1 and 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 449 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physicians – Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Allied Health Practitioners – Licensure Requirements

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Physicians and a disciplinary panel to take certain actions against certain applicants and licensees for failing to submit to a certain criminal history records check; requiring certain applicants for licensure

by the State Board of Physicians to submit to a certain criminal history records check; altering the circumstances under which certain individuals and certain physicians are authorized to practice medicine in the State without a license; requiring certain applicants and licensees to apply to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for a certain criminal history records check and to submit to the Central Repository certain fingerprints and fees; requiring the Central Repository to forward to the Board and to certain individuals certain information under certain circumstances; providing that certain information is confidential, may not be redisseminated, and may be used only for certain purposes; authorizing certain individuals to contest certain information in accordance with certain provisions of law; altering the circumstances under which the Board may grant a certain waiver; requiring the Board, on receipt of certain information, to consider certain information in making certain determinations about certain applicants and licensees; requiring the Board to require certain criminal history records checks as a condition of license renewal beginning on a certain date; prohibiting the Board from renewing certain licenses if certain criminal history records check information has not been received; altering the circumstances under which the Board may issue a license to an individual who is on inactive status; authorizing the Board to reinstate certain licenses under certain circumstances; prohibiting a disciplinary panel from reinstating certain revoked or suspended licenses except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the licensure of physicians and allied health practitioners by the State Board of Physicians.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 14–205(b)(1)(iii), 14–302, 14–302.1, 14–309(a), 14–312(c) and (d), 14–313, 14–320(b), 14–409(a), 14–5A–10, 14–5A–11, 14–5A–17(a)(26) and (27), 14–5A–19, 14–5B–09(b), 14–5B–10, 14–5B–14(a)(26) and (27), 14–5B–16, 14–5C–09(b), 14–5C–11, 14–5C–12, 14–5C–17(a)(27) and (28), 14–5C–19, 14–5D–08(b), 14–5D–09, 14–5D–14(a)(27) and (28), 14–5D–16, 14–5E–09(b), 14–5E–11, 14–5E–16(a)(27) and (28), 14–5E–19, 14–5F–12, 14–5F–13, 14–5F–16(a)(2), 14–5F–18(a)(25) and (26), 14–5F–24, 15–303(a), 15–304, 15–305, 15–308, and 15–311

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BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 14–307(i), 14–308.1, 14–316(g), 14–5A–09(e), 14–5A–13(g), 14–5A–17(a)(28), 14–5B–12(g), 14–5B–14(a)(28), 14–5C–14(g), 14–5C–17(a)(29), 14–5D–12(h), 14–5D–14(a)(29), 14–5E–13(g), 14–5E–16(a)(29), 14–5F–11(g), 14–5F–15(d), 14–5F–18(a)(27), and 15–307(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland
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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 450 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Expense Reimbursement Claims Forms – Methods for Submission

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to permit an insured, a subscriber, or a member to submit a claim for reimbursement for certain expenses by first-class mail and by facsimile transmission or through a certain Web site; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide a certain notice and certain instructions; specifying when certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations must comply with this Act; and generally relating to submission of claims forms under health insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–1011

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 451 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Title Fees – Rental Vehicles

FOR the purpose of making permanent a certain fee for a certificate of title for a rental vehicle; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, on application by an owner of a rental vehicle titled during a certain period of time, to refund a certain amount of the title fee collected from the owner; stating the intent of the General Assembly; and generally relating to rental vehicles and title fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 13–802

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 452 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Drivers' Licenses and Identification Cards – Notation of Allergy or Medical Condition

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to include a notation indicating a certain allergy or medical condition on the driver's license or identification card of an applicant who provides certain evidence of the allergy or medical condition to the Administration; requiring that an application for a driver's license or an identification card contain a certain statement; establishing certain requirements for the addition and removal of the notation; and generally relating to a notation of an allergy or a medical condition on drivers' licenses and identification cards.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 12–303.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 453 – Senators Guzzone and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Public–Private Partnership Agreements – Performance Security – Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement that a public–private partnership agreement include, under certain circumstances, a certain provision regarding performance and payment security to require that requirements for performance security for construction contracts be in accordance with certain provisions of law; making a conforming change; and generally relating to performance security in public–private partnership agreements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 10A–401(a)(12)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 454 – Senators Waugh, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Klausmeier, Montgomery, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Handgun Permits – Reciprocity

FOR the purpose of specifying that a permit issued by another state to an individual to carry a handgun, including a concealed handgun, is valid in Maryland; and generally relating to handgun permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–303.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 455 – Senators Mathias, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kasemeyer, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Education – Beginning of School Year – After Labor Day

FOR the purpose of prohibiting public schools and publicly funded prekindergarten programs from opening for pupil attendance before the day after Labor Day; and generally relating to the beginning of the school year after Labor Day.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 456 – Senators Zirkin and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia – Medical Necessity

FOR the purpose of requiring a court to dismiss a certain possession of marijuana charge if the court finds that the person used or possessed marijuana because of medical necessity; requiring a court to dismiss a certain possession of drug paraphernalia charge related to marijuana if the court finds that the person possessed the drug paraphernalia related to marijuana because of medical necessity; and generally relating to the use or possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601 and 5–619
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 457 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Liability Insurance – Reservation of Rights for Failure to Cooperate –
Prohibition**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an insurer from disclaiming coverage under a policy of liability insurance on the ground that the insured or a certain person has breached the policy by failing to cooperate with the insurer or by not giving the insurer required notice; and generally relating to reservations of rights by insurers and policies of liability insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–110
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 458 – Senators Zirkin and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Hydraulic Fracturing Liability Act

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain permittee is strictly liable for any injury, death, or loss to person or property caused by the hydraulic fracturing activities of the permittee; establishing that compliance with certain standards, laws, and permit conditions is not a defense to a certain action; establishing a certain rebuttable presumption in an action brought by a plaintiff who resides within a certain presumptive impact area; providing that certain permittees shall be presumed to be jointly and severally liable for any injury, death, or loss to person or property alleged by a certain plaintiff, under certain circumstances; providing that a permittee has the burden of proof to rebut a certain presumption; voiding a provision of a certain contract or agreement that attempts or purports to waive certain rights or reduce certain liability as against public policy; providing for the treatment of certain information relating to a chemical constituent used in hydraulic fracturing for the purposes of a certain action; authorizing a certain plaintiff to recover certain economic and noneconomic damages; requiring a court to make a certain award under certain circumstances; altering the amount of certain insurance coverage a certain permittee is required to maintain; extending the length of time a certain permittee must maintain certain insurance coverage; defining certain terms; and generally relating to civil actions arising from hydraulic fracturing activities.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–2101 through 3–2107 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 21. Hydraulic Fracturing Liability Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 14–111(a)(6) and (7) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 459 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Corporations and Real Estate Investment Trusts – Directors and Trustees – Duties and Immunity From Liability

FOR the purpose of clarifying the duties of a director of a corporation and the manner in which a director must act; clarifying that a director who acts in accordance with a certain provision of law shall have certain immunity from liability; clarifying that a director of a corporation is not required to act solely because of the effect the act may have on, or the amount or type of consideration offered or paid to stockholders in, certain transactions involving the corporation; clarifying that an act of a director of

a corporation relating to or affecting certain transactions involving the corporation may not be subject to a certain duty or scrutiny; repealing a limitation on the enforcement of a duty of a director; clarifying that certain provisions of law are the sole source of duties of a director of a corporation to the corporation or its stockholders, and apply to any act of a director; clarifying the circumstances under which a director of a corporation is immune from certain liability; making certain provisions of law relating to certain duties and immunity from liability of a director of a corporation applicable to a trustee of a real estate investment trust; defining a certain term; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; making certain conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to directors of a corporation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 2–401(a), 2–405.1, and 8–601.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 460 – Senators Feldman and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Electricity – Construction of Overhead Transmission Lines

FOR the purpose of altering the scope of persons who may apply for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to begin construction of a certain new overhead transmission line for electricity under certain circumstances to include a person rather than only an electric company; prohibiting the Public Service Commission from authorizing, and prohibiting a certain person from undertaking, the construction of a certain new overhead transmission line that is within a certain distance of a public airport runway; and generally relating to the construction of overhead transmission lines.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(a), (h), and (u)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–207
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 461 – Senators Feldman and Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Surplus Lines – Disability Insurance

FOR the purpose of authorizing the use of surplus lines insurance for certain disability insurance coverage under certain circumstances; providing for the application of certain provisions to certain disability insurance; providing that the procurement of certain disability insurance through surplus lines insurance is subject to certain requirements; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to surplus lines insurance and disability insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 3–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 3–306.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 462 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Mechanical Repair Contracts – Definition and Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “mechanical repair contract” for purposes of certain provisions of law establishing requirements for mechanical repair contracts and persons who sell or offer them; establishing that an agreement or contract sold by the person obligated under the agreement or contract may be a mechanical repair contract under certain circumstances; specifying services that may be offered under a mechanical repair contract; establishing that certain warranties under a certain

federal law and agreements for regular maintenance are not mechanical repair contracts; establishing that a mechanical repair contract is not required to be filed for approval with the Insurance Commissioner; prohibiting certain persons who sell mechanical repair contracts from making certain false, deceptive, or misleading statements; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to mechanical repair contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–311.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 463 – Senators Pinsky, Conway, Montgomery, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Cattle, Swine, and Poultry – Use of Antimicrobial Drugs

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from engaging in the nontherapeutic use of certain antimicrobial drugs in certain cattle, swine, and poultry on or after a certain date; requiring a certain farm operation to submit certain information under certain circumstances to the Department of Agriculture on or before a certain date each year, beginning on or before a certain date; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year, beginning on or before a certain date; authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to impose a certain penalty; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the use of antimicrobial drugs in cattle, swine, and poultry.

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 3–1001 through 3–1005 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Use of Antimicrobial Drugs”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 464 – Senators Klausmeier, King, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation Act – Frivolous Proceedings – Required Finding

FOR the purpose of requiring, for the purpose of assessing certain costs under a certain provision of law, the Workers' Compensation Commission to find under certain circumstances that a person has brought a proceeding under the Workers' Compensation Act without any reasonable ground; and general relating to frivolous proceedings under the Workers' Compensation Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–734
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 465 – Senators Klausmeier and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company and Injured Workers' Insurance
Fund Advisory Board**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company to take certain actions relating to a subsidiary for certain purposes subject to certain requirements and under certain circumstances; specifying a certain condition of being an authorized insurer; altering the selection and appointment process for the members of the Board for the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company; repealing a requirement that certain appointees take a certain oath before taking office as members of the Board; altering the staggering of the terms of members of the Board; authorizing the Governor to remove only certain members for incompetence or misconduct; authorizing the Board to remove certain members under certain circumstances; requiring a certain designated rating organization to create a certain exception in its classification system for certain authorized insurers; authorizing the Company to remain exempt from certain insurance rate making requirements until a certain date; repealing certain provisions of law that exempt the Company from certain aspects of the insurance rate making process; repealing a provision of law that requires the Board to set rates in a certain manner; establishing the Advisory Board for the Injured Workers' Insurance Fund; providing for the membership of the Advisory Board; requiring the Advisory Board, to the extent practicable, to reflect the geographic and demographic diversity of the State; providing for the terms of the members of the Advisory Board; prohibiting a member of the Advisory Board from serving for more than a certain number of terms or a certain number of years or serving as a member of a certain board; providing that a member of the Advisory Board is entitled to certain reimbursement and compensation; requiring a member of the Advisory Board to take a certain oath before taking office; requiring the Advisory Board to monitor and oversee the administration of a certain program, meet quarterly, and review certain information and report certain findings to certain persons; authorizing the Advisory Board to consult with certain employees, make

certain recommendations, and retain certain professionals under certain circumstances; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that a rating organization, in consultation with the Company, create a certain exception in its classification system for authorized insurers before a certain date; requiring the terms of certain members to be extended until a certain date; specifying the process for appointing or selecting a certain member of the Board; authorizing the Governor to appoint a certain member of the Board to be a member for an additional term; providing for the terms of certain members of the Board; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Advisory Board; defining a certain term; altering a certain defined term; making conforming changes; providing for delayed effective dates for certain provisions of this Act; providing for the termination of a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 11–202, 11–303, 24–302, 24–306, and 24–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 11–331 and 11–332
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Insurance
Section 24–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 10–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 10–105.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 466 – Senators Klausmeier and Jennings

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore County – Education – Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps
Instructors**

FOR the purpose of applying to Baltimore County a certain definition of “public school employee” that includes Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) instructors for the purpose of certain provisions of law related to organizations of certificated employees; and generally relating to representation for JROTC instructors in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 6–401(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 467 – Senators Klausmeier, Madaleno, and Rosapepe

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Newborn Screening Program Fund
– Establishment**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Newborn Screening Program Fund; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to administer the Fund; providing for the uses, purposes, sources of funding, investment of money, and auditing of the Fund; providing that the Fund is a continuing, nonlapsing fund not subject to certain provisions of law; requiring the Secretary to pay certain fees to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to distribute certain fees to the Fund; defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Newborn Screening Program Fund in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 13–111(f) and 13–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 468 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Civil Right to Counsel – Implementation

FOR the purpose of requiring the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals to certify to the Governor for inclusion without revision in each State budget a certain appropriation to provide legal representation to certain parties in certain protective order proceedings; requiring certain amounts to be allocated to certain programs; establishing a Judicare Pilot Program; establishing the purpose of the pilot program; requiring the pilot program to be implemented in certain jurisdictions; providing for the administration of the pilot program; requiring representation to be provided by certain attorneys; requiring the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals to certify to the Governor for inclusion without revision in each State budget a certain appropriation to fund the pilot program; establishing the amount and allocation of the appropriation; establishing that money appropriated under this Act for the pilot program shall be used to supplement and not supplant certain existing funding; establishing a workgroup to monitor implementation of a civil right to counsel; providing for the membership, chair, staffing, and duties of the workgroup; providing that members of the workgroup may not receive compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for expenses; requiring the workgroup to report its findings and recommendations on or before a certain date; and generally relating to providing legal representation for certain parties in certain civil matters.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 4–512.2 and 9–109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 13–103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 469 – Senators Madaleno, Benson, Feldman, Klausmeier, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System

FOR the purpose of altering the name of the Maryland Mental Health Crisis Response System to be the Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System; establishing the Crisis Response System in the Behavioral Health Administration; requiring

certain services to be provided by the Crisis Response System; requiring the Crisis Response System to include an evaluation of outcomes of services through the annual collection of certain data; requiring the Administration to maintain a certain bed registry; requiring the Administration to implement the Crisis Response System in collaboration with the core service agency serving each jurisdiction; repealing a prohibition against the State spending more than a certain amount of State general funds in each fiscal year to implement the Crisis Response System; providing that community benefit includes certain support of the Crisis Response System; making certain conforming changes; defining a certain term; repealing a certain provision of law that makes the Crisis Response System contingent on the receipt of certain funding; and generally relating to a behavioral health crisis response system.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 10–1401 through 10–1405 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 14. Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 371 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–303(a)(3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Chapter 371 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002

Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 470 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Antibiotic Drug Usage – Food–Producing Animals

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from administering an antibiotic drug to a food–producing animal under certain circumstances; requiring the State Department of Agriculture to establish by regulation a certain program; requiring the regulations adopted by the Department to include certain provisions; defining a certain term; and generally relating to antibiotic drug usage in food–producing animals.

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 3–1001 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Antibiotic Drug Usage in Food–Producing Animals”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 471 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kelley, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Montgomery, Muse, Peters, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Provision of Health Care Coverage to Uninsured Marylanders

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Provision of Health Care Coverage to Uninsured Marylanders; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; establishing the purpose of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study and make findings and recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to submit certain reports of its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Provision of Health Care Coverage to Uninsured Marylanders.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 472 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Grounds for Divorce – Mutual Consent

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to decree an absolute divorce on the grounds of mutual consent if the parties have executed a written settlement agreement that resolves certain contested issues between the parties; requiring the parties to jointly file a certain complaint and include a certain affidavit with the complaint in order to initiate proceedings for an absolute divorce on the grounds of mutual consent; and generally relating to the grounds for an absolute divorce.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 7–103
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 473 – Senators Jennings and Brochin

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore County – Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Companies –
Funding Allocation**

FOR the purpose of requiring that in Baltimore County, a certain allocation of money from the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund shall be determined by a certain vote of certain individuals; and generally relating to the allocation in Baltimore County of money from the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund for volunteer fire, rescue, and ambulance companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 8–103(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 474 – Senator Ramirez

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Civil Jury Trials – Amount in Controversy

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Declaration of Rights to alter the amount in controversy in civil proceedings in which the right to a jury trial may be limited by legislation; altering the amount in controversy in civil proceedings in which the right to a jury trial shall be inviolably preserved; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution

Declaration of Rights

Article 5(a) and 23

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 475 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Civil Jury Trials – Amount in Controversy

FOR the purpose of altering the amount in controversy in a civil action in which a party may not demand a jury trial; providing for the construction and application of this Act; making this Act contingent on the passage and ratification of a certain constitutional amendment; and generally relating to jury trials in civil actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 4–402(e)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 476 – Senators Ramirez, Benson, Kelley, Lee, McFadden, Montgomery, and Peters

AN ACT concerning

Department of Juvenile Services – Juvenile Court Jurisdiction – Feasibility of Repeal of Excluded Offenses

FOR the purpose of requiring, by a certain date, the Department of Juvenile Services to prepare and submit to the General Assembly a certain assessment of the feasibility of repealing certain provisions of law relating to offenses excluded from the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; and generally relating to the Department of Juvenile Services and juvenile court jurisdiction.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 477 – Senators Ramirez, Benson, Hough, Lee, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Domestic Violence – Persons Eligible for Relief

FOR the purpose of altering, for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to domestic violence, the definition of “person eligible for relief” to include an individual who has had a sexual relationship with a certain respondent; and generally relating to domestic violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law

Section 4–501(m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 478 – Senators Ramirez, Montgomery, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Fiscal Notes – Criminal Justice Policy Impact Statements

FOR the purpose of requiring a fiscal note for a bill to include a criminal justice policy impact statement under certain circumstances; requiring the criminal justice policy impact statement to contain certain information; requiring the Department of Legislative Services to prepare the criminal justice policy impact statement by requesting certain information from certain entities; prohibiting certain entities from being required to prepare information for inclusion in the criminal justice policy impact statement; prohibiting the Department from being required to make a certain determination beyond reporting data provided under a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to criminal justice policy impact statements in fiscal notes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–1505(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 479 – Senators Ramirez, Manno, Muse, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Noneconomic Damages – Catastrophic Injury

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum amount of noneconomic damages that may be recovered in health care malpractice and other civil actions for a catastrophic injury under certain circumstances; providing for certain procedures; defining certain terms; and generally relating to altering the maximum amount of noneconomic damages that may be recovered in health care malpractice and other civil actions for a catastrophic injury under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–09(a) and (b) and 11–108
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 480 – Senators Ramirez, Benson, Currie, Kelley, Madaleno, Muse, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Commission on Rental Housing Stabilization

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Rental Housing Stabilization; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to investigate certain strategies for stabilizing rental housing conditions in the State, evaluate the experiences of certain tenants in Maryland, evaluate the experiences of other states and jurisdictions in taking action to stabilize rental housing conditions, and make specific recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission on Rental Housing Stabilization.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 481 – Senators Ramirez, Benson, Feldman, Ferguson, Kagan, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Pinsky, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Electricity – Community Solar Energy Generating System Program

FOR the purpose of establishing a program on community solar energy generating systems under the authority of the Public Service Commission; providing for the structure and operation of the program, including the generation of electricity and allocation of costs to subscribers to a community solar energy generating system; authorizing an electric company to submit a petition to own and operate a community solar energy generating system to the Commission; authorizing the Commission to approve a petition if the Commission makes a certain determination; requiring the Commission to approve or deny a petition within a certain period of time; specifying when an electric company may recover the costs associated with developing and owning a community solar energy generating system through base rates; requiring an electric company to sell certain services and attributes associated with the community solar energy generating system; requiring an electric company to use a certain method to refund or credit certain proceeds to ratepayers; requiring the Commission to determine an appropriate method for an electric company to distribute its proceeds to ratepayers; requiring the Commission to adopt certain

regulations by a certain date; defining certain terms; stating certain findings of the General Assembly; and generally relating to a program for community solar energy generating systems.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–306.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 482 – Senators Ramirez, Madaleno, Montgomery, Raskin, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Law Enforcement Officers – Body–Worn Cameras

FOR the purpose of requiring a law enforcement officer to activate both the audio and visual recording capabilities of a body–worn camera under certain circumstances; requiring a certain camera, once activated, to continue recording until a certain event; providing that a law enforcement officer may not use a certain camera to record an individual engaged in certain activities, with a certain exception; providing that a recording made under certain circumstances may not be used to identify certain persons; requiring a certain law enforcement officer to provide a certain notice to the subject of a certain recording; providing certain requirements for recording on private property under certain circumstances; providing for requests to turn the camera off under certain circumstances; requiring a certain law enforcement agency to establish certain policies; limiting the use or review of certain recordings for certain purposes; requiring a certain log to be maintained and updated under certain circumstances; requiring an unedited copy of a certain recording to be maintained; providing that the subject of a certain recording is a certain person in interest; providing that it is lawful under a certain provision of law for a law enforcement officer to intercept a certain oral communication; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to law enforcement officers and body–worn cameras.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–510

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 10–402(c)(11)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 483 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Property Tax Credit – Benefit Corporations and Benefit Limited Liability Companies

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County or of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on certain property owned or leased by a benefit corporation or benefit limited liability company; authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County or of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to provide, by law, for the eligibility criteria, amount, duration, application process, and other aspects of the credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to authorizing a property tax credit in Anne Arundel County for benefit corporations and benefit limited liability companies.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–303(b)(5)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 484 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County Public Schools Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to develop and operate a certain Web site that includes certain information about certain payments; specifying certain parameters of the Web site; requiring the Board to post certain information in a timely manner; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the development and operation of a searchable Web site by the Anne Arundel County Board of Education.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 5–119

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 485 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Alternate Contributory Pension Selection – Return to Employment

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual to resume participation in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection in the Employees' Pension System or Teachers' Pension System if the individual has been separated from employment for a certain period, has accrued a certain amount of eligibility service by a certain date, and by a certain date has returned to employment in a position included in the Employees' Pension System or Teachers' Pension System; and generally relating to participation in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection in the Employees' Pension System and Teachers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 23–215.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 486 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County Board of Education – Public School Holidays – References
in Official Publications
(Public School Holiday Protection Act)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the proper name of certain official school holidays from being removed, renamed, or prohibited from being referenced in any official publication of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education or public school under the jurisdiction of the board; and generally relating to references to public school holidays in official publications of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education or public schools under the jurisdiction of the board.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–103
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–103.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 487 – Senators King, Bates, Benson, Currie, Kagan, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Montgomery, Ramirez, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Family Child Care – Registration Requirements for Participants in Maryland Child Care Subsidy Program

FOR the purpose of requiring a family child care home that participates in the Maryland Child Care Subsidy Program to register with the State Department of Education and comply with certain regulations concerning registration; altering a certain definition of “family child care provider”; and generally relating to family child care homes and family child care providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–550(a), (b), and (d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–552 and 5–595

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 488 – Senators King, Feldman, and Peters

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Qualified Research and Development Expenses – Credit Amounts

FOR the purpose of altering the total amount of research and development tax credits that the Department of Business and Economic Development may approve in a calendar year; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain credits against the State income tax based on certain expenses paid or incurred for certain research and development conducted in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–721(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–721(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 489 – Senators King, Kagan, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**Education – Sexual Abuse and Assault Awareness and Prevention Program –
Development and Implementation**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education and certain nonpublic schools to develop and implement a certain program relating to sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention; defining a certain term; and generally relating to sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention programs in public and nonpublic schools in the State.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–437
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 490 – Senators King, Feldman, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms

FOR the purpose of establishing the Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms; providing for the purpose of the Program and requiring the Interagency Committee on Public School Construction to implement and administer the Program; specifying certain requirements for grants awarded under the Program; requiring the Interagency Committee to award certain grants to certain county boards of education under the Program; requiring the Interagency Committee to develop certain eligibility requirements and certain procedures and processes for grants awarded under the Program; requiring the Interagency Committee to adopt certain procedures; requiring the Governor, beginning in a certain fiscal year, to provide a certain amount of money in the State budget for the Program each fiscal year; specifying that funding provided under the Program is supplemental to public school construction funding from other sources; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 5–313

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 491 – Senators King, Feldman, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Cornerstone Montgomery and Interfaith Works Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$350,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Montgomery, Inc. and the Board of Directors of the Interfaith Works, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 492 – Senators King, Feldman, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Cornerstone Montgomery and Interfaith Works Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in certain years not to exceed \$350,000 each year, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Montgomery, Inc. and the Board of Directors of the Interfaith Works, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds each year, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund each year; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loans.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 493 – Senators King, Benson, Ferguson, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Rosapepe, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Placement of Library Services Within the Annotated Code of Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Placement of Library Services Within the Annotated Code of Maryland; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Placement of Library Services Within the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 494 – Senators King, Ferguson, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Housing and Community Development – Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program Tax Credit – Maximum Contributions

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum sum of contributions for certain projects under the Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program that are eligible for a certain tax credit; and generally relating to the Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 6–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 495 – Senators Conway, Astle, Benson, Brochin, Feldman, Gladden, Guzzone, Kelley, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Facilities – Table Games – Distribution of Proceeds

FOR the purpose of altering the percentage that a video lottery operation licensee shall retain of the table game proceeds at a video lottery facility; altering the percentage that the Comptroller shall pay to the Education Trust Fund of the table game proceeds at a video lottery facility; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the distribution of the proceeds of table games at video lottery facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)
(As enacted by Section 3 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the Second Special Session of 2012)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 496 – Senators Rosapepe, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, Guzzone, Hough, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland College Education Export Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Higher Education Commission to enter into the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement; exempting certain institutions that participate in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement from a certain requirement to register with the Commission under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–105(m) and 11–202.2(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 497 – Senators Pinsky, Astle, Benson, Brochin, Conway, Currie, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Reilly, Rosapepe, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Commission to Review Maryland’s Use of Assessments and Testing in Public Schools

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission to Review Maryland’s Use of Assessments and Testing in Public Schools; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to survey, assess, review, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the State Board of Education and certain county boards of education on or before a certain date; requiring the State Board and certain county boards to review and consider the Commission’s findings and make certain comments or recommendations on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission to Review Maryland’s Use of Assessments and Testing in Public Schools.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 498 – Senators Montgomery, Benson, Ferguson, Hough, Kagan, Kelley, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Statewide Accounting of Sexual Assault Evidence Kits

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain law enforcement agency or other State or local agency to conduct an inventory of certain sexual assault kit evidence on or before a certain date; requiring a certain agency to prepare a certain report regarding certain untested sexual assault evidence collection kits on or before a certain date; requiring the report to be submitted to the Attorney General; requiring the Attorney General to prepare and submit to the General Assembly a certain report and certain recommendations on or before a certain date; and generally relating to sexual assault evidence.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 499 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Class C (Retirement Center) License

FOR the purpose of establishing a special Class C (retirement center) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license by converting a certain license held on behalf of a retirement center into the retirement center license; specifying that the retirement center license authorizes the holder to sell at retail beer, wine, and liquor to residents and guests at the licensed premises for on–premises consumption; authorizing the license holder to sell wine or liquor for off–premises consumption under certain circumstances; allowing a civic group or any other organization that rents the premises for an event to serve alcoholic beverages at the event under certain circumstances; providing that the licensed premises may be expanded; providing that the retirement center campus shall be limited to certain areas and rooms; providing for an annual fee; and generally relating to a retirement center license in Frederick County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–301(l)(10)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 500 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Wine Events, Licensing, Alcohol Awareness Requirements, and Fines

FOR the purpose of restricting the number of bottles of wine that may remain open at any one time at a wine sampling or tasting event in Frederick County to all bottles in a wine preservation system that the Board of License Commissioners approves and a certain number of other bottles opened by certain persons; altering in Frederick County the qualifications for signatories of a certificate accompanying a license application; providing for an alternative method for selecting signatories under certain circumstances; requiring, with a certain exception, that a person certified by an approved alcohol awareness program be present at a licensed premises in the county when alcoholic beverages may be sold; allowing the person to be absent for a certain time under certain circumstances; altering the maximum fine that the Board may impose on a licensee for a certain violation; authorizing the Board to reduce a suspension under certain circumstances; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–406.1, 10–103(b)(18), 13–101(c)(2), and 16–507(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 501 – Senators Young and Hough

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Permit – Hours of Sale

FOR the purpose of authorizing a holder of a certain alcoholic beverages license in Frederick County who has been granted a Sunday opening permit to sell certain alcoholic beverages for off–premises consumption at a certain event that the Frederick County Board of License Commissioners has approved; providing that the

Board set the hours for the event; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–511(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–511(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 502 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Multiple Event Licenses and Promoter’s License

FOR the purpose of authorizing an applicant in Frederick County to purchase a certain single–day alcoholic beverages license or multiday alcoholic beverages license; specifying the maximum number of days for which licenses may be issued to a single applicant in a calendar year; specifying the fees for certain single–day licenses and multiday licenses; establishing a promoter’s license in the County; requiring a for–profit organization to obtain a promoter’s license from the Board of License Commissioners before the organization may conduct certain activities related to events at which alcoholic beverages are sold or served and that are held in conjunction with a certain organization; providing for certain license fees; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 7–101(b)(7) and (d)(8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 7–102
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 503 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Notice for License Applications, Fees, and Inspectors

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to fulfill a certain notice requirement for license applications by posting online a completed application with all submitted documents on or before a certain date; eliminating the fees for a certain certificate of permission and a certain new license; repealing the requirement that the Governor appoint for the County a full-time alcoholic beverages inspector; repealing the qualifications for appointment and term of the inspector; repealing the authority of the Governor to remove the inspector; repealing the grounds for removing the inspector; authorizing the Board to appoint a chief alcoholic beverages inspector and a certain number of full-time or part-time alcoholic beverages inspectors; specifying the qualifications and duties of the inspectors; specifying an additional duty of the chief inspector; providing for the compensation and travel reimbursement for inspectors; making certain technical and clarifying corrections; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses and inspectors in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 10–202(a)(1), 10–506(a), and 15–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 504 – Senators Young, Ferguson, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Public Schools – Nutrition Standards – Vending Machines and Marketing

FOR the purpose of requiring certain county boards of education to develop and implement a policy that requires that all foods and beverages sold from a vending machine in an area of a public school that is accessible to students at any time during the day comply with certain nutrition standards adopted by the State Board of Education

and a certain wellness policy adopted by the local school system; requiring certain county boards of education to develop and implement a policy that requires that all oral, written, and visual marketing on a public school campus for foods and beverages comply with certain nutrition standards adopted by the State Board and a certain wellness policy adopted by the local school system; repealing the requirement that certain vending machines have and use certain timing devices; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to nutrition standards for foods and beverages in public schools.

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 7–423

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–423 and 7–423.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 505 – Senators Young, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Primary and Secondary Education – Health and Safety – Sugar–Free Schools Act

FOR the purpose of requiring certain county boards to develop a certain plan on or before a certain date for reducing certain students' total sugar intake per school meal based on certain recommendations; requiring certain county boards to convene a certain workgroup to assist with the development of a certain plan; providing for the membership of a certain workgroup; requiring the workgroup to make certain recommendations; requiring a certain workgroup to hold a certain amount of public hearings and provide a certain opportunity for public testimony; and generally relating to the Sugar–Free Schools Act.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–437

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 506 – Senators Young, Currie, Guzzone, Madaleno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Education – Health and Safety – School Wellness Committees

FOR the purpose of requiring each county board of education to establish a certain wellness committee to discuss certain topics and make certain recommendations; providing for the membership of certain wellness committees; requiring each meeting of certain wellness committees to be open to the public and to provide opportunity for public comment; authorizing each county board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to school wellness committees.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–437

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 507 – Senators Manno, DeGrange, Edwards, Kagan, Klausmeier, Peters, Ramirez, Salling, Waugh, Young, and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Strong Manufacturing Development Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Manufacturing Development Zone Program to encourage business entities engaged in manufacturing outside the State to invest in manufacturing facilities in certain areas of the State; authorizing certain political subdivisions to apply to the Secretary of Business and Economic Development to have certain areas of the State designated as a manufacturing development zone; requiring the application to contain certain information; requiring the Secretary to submit each application to the Maryland Advisory Commission on Manufacturing Competitiveness for approval or rejection within a certain time period; authorizing the Secretary to approve or reject a zone application within a certain number of days on or after a certain date after the application is approved by the Commission; providing that a designation is effective for a certain number of years; providing that the Secretary may not designate and a county may not receive more than a certain number of zones during a calendar year; authorizing a political subdivision to apply to the Secretary to expand an existing zone; authorizing the Secretary to grant a

certain number of extraordinary expansions of zones in the State each year; providing that certain business entities that meet certain conditions are entitled to certain incentives; providing that certain business entities are not eligible for certain incentives; providing for the length of availability of certain incentives; requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development and the Comptroller to jointly assess the effectiveness of certain tax credits; requiring the Department and Comptroller to submit a certain report; authorizing a business entity that locates in a zone and its employees to receive certain tax incentives and financial assistance; requiring the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a property tax credit on a certain assessment of qualified properties located in the zone; providing for the amount of the credit; providing that the credit may not be claimed for more than a certain number of years; requiring the Secretary to make certain certifications; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to submit a certain list to the Secretary; requiring the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a property tax credit on certain personal property; providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain income earned as an employee of certain business entities; authorizing certain business entities to claim a credit against the State income tax equal to the amount of State income tax imposed on certain qualified income; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the creation of the Manufacturing Development Zone Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–102(10) and (11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–102(11); and 5–1501 through 5–1507 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle
15. Manufacturing Development Zone Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–103.2 and 9–110
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(cc) and 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 508 – Senators Hough, Cassilly, King, Lee, Ramirez, Raskin, Waugh,
and Ready**

AN ACT concerning

**Children – Child Care Facilities, Public Schools, and Nonpublic Schools –
Contractors and Subcontractors**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain county boards of education and certain nonpublic schools from allowing certain individuals to hire or retain certain individuals who have been convicted of certain crimes; adding certain contractors and subcontractors who have certain access to certain children to the list of individuals required to obtain a certain criminal history records check; amending a certain definition of “employee” to include certain contractors and subcontractors who have certain access to certain children; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to contractors and subcontractors who work with or have access to children.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 2–206.1 and 6–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Family Law
Section 5–560(a) and (d) and 5–561(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law
Section 5–561(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law
Section 5–561(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 509 – Senators Hough, Bates, Eckardt, Montgomery, Ready, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority – Purpose, Appointments, and Compensation

FOR the purpose of altering the purpose of the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority; altering the appointment of the executive director and the general counsel for the Authority; requiring the Authority to recommend to the Governor compensation for the executive director and the general counsel; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority.

BY renumbering

Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–904(h) through (j), respectively
to be Section 3–904(i) through (k), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–902 and 3–903(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–903(a)(1) and 3–904(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–904(h) and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 510 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Gaming Events

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations in Frederick County to conduct a card game, card tournament, or casino event under certain circumstances; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the County Department of Permits and Inspections before conducting a card game, card tournament, or casino event; requiring an organization that seeks a permit to meet certain requirements; specifying that a card game, card tournament, or casino event may be managed and organized by certain organizations; requiring an individual who participates in or helps operate a card game, card tournament, or casino event to be of a certain age; specifying that a permit holder may receive a certain maximum number of permits in a calendar year; providing a certain time limit on a card game, card tournament, or casino event; specifying that a permit is not transferable; requiring that proceeds from a card game, card tournament, or casino event be used for certain purposes and may not be used for certain other purposes subject to a certain exception; specifying that the operation of a card game, card tournament, or casino event may not occur during a certain time; authorizing a permit holder under this Act to charge only a preset entrance fee; requiring participants in a card game, card tournament, or casino event to use tokens and not cash for wagering under certain circumstances; prohibiting a permit holder from exchanging tokens under certain circumstances; requiring a permit holder to submit a financial report to the County Department of Permits and Inspections under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to forward a certain report to the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission; authorizing the County Executive to adopt certain regulations; providing a certain penalty; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gaming in Frederick County.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 13–1304.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 511 – Senators Hough, Bates, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Norman, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, Ready, and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Women’s Late–Term Pregnancy Health Act

FOR the purpose of providing that, except in the case of a medical emergency, an abortion may not be performed or induced or be attempted to be performed or induced unless a certain physician makes a certain determination; providing that, except in the case of a medical emergency, an individual may not knowingly perform or induce or attempt to perform or induce an abortion if the probable gestational age of an unborn child is a certain number of weeks; requiring certain physicians to submit a certain report to a certain medical facility; requiring certain medical facilities to submit a certain report to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring certain physicians to submit a certain report to the Department under certain circumstances; establishing certain penalties for a physician who fails to file a certain report; establishing certain penalties for an individual who intentionally or knowingly performs or induces an abortion in violation of this Act, with a certain result; authorizing certain individuals to bring a certain civil action under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain individuals from bringing a civil action under certain circumstances; providing that the relief provided in a certain civil action shall include certain damages; providing that certain medical facilities are subject to revocation of a certain license and revocation of State funding for a certain time period; providing that certain women may not be subject to certain prosecution; authorizing certain physicians to seek a certain hearing to make a certain determination; providing that certain findings are admissible at certain trials; providing for the construction of various provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; establishing a certain short title; and generally relating to the Women's Late-Term Pregnancy Health Act.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–217 through 20–225 to be under the new part “Part V. Women's Late-Term Pregnancy Health Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 512 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Hepatitis C – Opportunity for Testing and Follow-Up Health Care

FOR the purpose of requiring certain hospitals and certain health care practitioners who provide certain care in certain health care facilities to offer, to the extent practicable, certain individuals a hepatitis C screening test or hepatitis C diagnostic test; establishing the circumstances under which a hospital or certain health care practitioner is not required to offer certain tests to certain individuals; requiring hospitals and certain health care practitioners to offer, to the extent practicable, certain health care to or make a certain referral for certain individuals under certain circumstances; requiring a certain offer of certain testing to be, to the extent

practicable, culturally and linguistically appropriate; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to collect and analyze certain information, subject to the limitations of the State budget; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, on or before a certain date each year, to report on certain information to certain committees of the General Assembly; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to hepatitis C testing and health care.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 18–1003
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 513 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Hospitals – Rate-Setting – Participation in 340B Program Under the Federal Public Health Service Act

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “hospital services” to include a certain hospital outpatient service of a certain hospital for the purpose of allowing the hospital outpatient service to continue to participate in a certain federal program under rates set by the State Health Services Cost Review Commission; and generally relating to rates for hospital outpatient services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 19–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 19–219(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 514 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Net Price Calculator Improvement Act – Establishment

FOR the purpose of requiring each institution of higher education in the State to meet certain requirements for certain net price calculators on or before a certain date; requiring the Web site of each institution of higher education to contain a link to the net price calculator; requiring the results page for the net price calculator to include certain information under certain circumstances; requiring a net price calculator estimate to contain a certain notice; prohibiting institutions of higher education from allowing certain personally identifiable information provided to a certain net price calculator to be sold or otherwise made available to certain third parties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to net price calculators at institutions of higher education in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–114

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 515 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Financial Institutions – Depository Institutions – Savings Promotion Raffles

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which certain depository institutions may conduct a savings promotion raffle; repealing a requirement that a depository institution that offers a savings promotion raffle must post in certain locations and disclose in certain materials a certain statement describing the terms and conditions of the savings promotion raffle; repealing a requirement that a savings promotion raffle conducted by a banking institution must be approved by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation; repealing certain provisions of law relating to savings promotion raffles conducted by State-chartered credit unions made unnecessary by certain provisions of this Act; altering certain definitions; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to savings promotion raffles conducted by depository institutions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Commercial Law

Section 13–305(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 12–106(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 1–101(a) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 1–211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 6–716
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 516 – Senators Klausmeier, Currie, Eckardt, Ferguson, Madaleno, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Overdose Response Program

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain advanced practice nurses, in addition to certain nurse practitioners and pharmacists to conduct certain overdose prevention educational training programs; altering the circumstances under which certain employees or volunteers may conduct the training programs; authorizing certain advanced practice nurses, in addition to certain nurse practitioners, to prescribe and dispense naloxone to certain certificate holders; authorizing certain licensed physicians and advanced practice nurses to prescribe and dispense naloxone to certain certificate holders directly or under a certain standing order under certain circumstances; authorizing certain licensed health care providers to prescribe naloxone to certain patients under certain circumstances; authorizing a pharmacist to dispense naloxone in accordance with a certain therapy management contract; providing that certain individuals who administer naloxone or provide naloxone to certain certificate holders under certain circumstances may not be considered to be practicing certain health occupations; providing that an advanced practice nurse who

prescribes or dispenses naloxone to a certificate holder in a certain manner may not be subject to certain disciplinary actions; providing immunity from liability for certain persons under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; making clarifying and conforming changes; and generally relating to the Overdose Response Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–3101, 13–3104, 13–3107, 13–3108, and 13–3109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 13–3110
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 517 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Use and Possession of Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain criminal prohibition on the use or possession of marijuana; establishing that certain civil penalties apply to the use or possession of any quantity of marijuana; establishing a civil penalty for the smoking of marijuana in a public place; requiring a court to dismiss a certain use or possession of marijuana charge if the court finds that the person used or possessed marijuana because of a certain medical necessity; providing that the provisions of this Act may not be construed to authorize certain activities; establishing that certain procedures regarding the issuance of a citation for the use or possession of marijuana apply to all amounts and not just certain amounts of marijuana; establishing that a certain criminal prohibition on the use or possession of drug paraphernalia does not apply to the use or possession of drug paraphernalia involving the use or possession of marijuana; repealing a certain affirmative defense regarding a certain medical necessity as it relates to a certain offense prohibiting the use and possession of drug paraphernalia; prohibiting the use of marijuana in a vehicle while on a highway; providing for certain penalties for a violation of this Act; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the use and possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601, 5–601.1, and 5–619

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation
Section 21–903.1 and 27–116
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 518 – Senator Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Fair Elections Act

FOR the purpose of reforming the system of public financing of campaigns for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor; establishing a Fair Elections Fund; providing for the contents and administration of the Fund; allocating certain fees and penalties that are assessed under the Election Law Article to the Fund; establishing the powers and duties of the State Board with respect to the administration of public campaign financing; requiring a gubernatorial ticket that seeks to qualify for public financing to file a certain notice and establish a certain campaign account; prohibiting a gubernatorial ticket that files a notice of intent to qualify for public campaign financing from taking certain actions with respect to a nonpublicly funded campaign account; requiring a gubernatorial ticket to raise seed money in a certain manner to qualify for public funding; establishing certain procedures governing a determination by the State Board as to whether a gubernatorial ticket qualifies for public financing; establishing certain requirements and procedures concerning a participating ticket's publicly funded campaign account; requiring a participating ticket to accept only certain contributions; limiting the amount that each member of a participating ticket and each member's spouse may contribute or lend to the participating ticket's campaign; prohibiting a gubernatorial ticket that files a notice of intent to qualify for public financing or a participating ticket from being a member of a slate; requiring that certain eligible private contributions be matched in a certain manner with money from the Fund; establishing certain limits on the total amount of matching funds a participating ticket may receive; authorizing the State Board to authorize the Comptroller to make disbursements of matching funds to participating tickets on a continuing basis; requiring a participating ticket to submit certain information to the State Board each time the participating ticket seeks a disbursement of matching funds; requiring a participating ticket to return to the Fund matching funds not expended on the election; requiring a participating ticket that opts out of public financing to take certain actions and pay a certain penalty; providing that this Act may not be construed to prohibit a political party from using the political party's funds for certain expenses; providing for judicial review of actions of the State Board; prohibiting certain conduct and establishing certain civil

and criminal penalties for violations; establishing a checkoff on the individual income tax return for contributions to the Fund; establishing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for a certain amount of contributions to the Fund by an individual during the taxable year; requiring the Comptroller to transfer funds in the Fair Campaign Financing Fund as of a certain date to the Fund; altering a certain exception to the prohibition on campaign fund-raising by certain officials during the General Assembly session; repealing the Public Financing Act for gubernatorial tickets; defining certain terms; making conforming changes; providing that certain captions included in this Act are not law; making the provisions of this Act severable; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to public financing of campaigns for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

BY repealing

Article – Election Law

Section 15–101 through 15–111 and the title “Title 15. Public Financing Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 5–403, 13–235, 13–247, 13–306(i), 13–307(i), 13–309.1(i), 13–340,
13–604(d)(3), 13–604.1(s), and 14–107(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 13–309.1(g), 13–604(a)(1), and 13–604.1(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 13–604(g); and 15–101 through 15–116 to be under the new title “Title 15.
Fair Elections Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)25.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 2–115 and 10–208(v)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 519 – Senator Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Public Funding and Small Donor Act for General Assembly Elections

FOR the purpose of establishing a system of public financing of campaigns for certain General Assembly candidates; requiring the State Board of Elections to administer the system of public financing for General Assembly candidates; specifying certain powers and duties of the State Board; requiring the Comptroller to credit to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund money collected under certain provisions of this Act and to distribute public contributions to the campaign finance entities of certain candidates for election to the General Assembly; repealing a certain provision of law regarding distributions from the Fund; requiring the State Board to transfer to the Comptroller for the purposes of a certain fund certain money, contributions, fines, and donations; defining certain terms; specifying certain procedures, requirements, and conditions participating candidates must meet to receive a distribution from the Fund; requiring that participating candidates adhere to certain campaign expenditure limits; authorizing participating candidates to raise certain supplemental private contributions under certain circumstances; prohibiting a participating candidate from being a member of a slate; prohibiting a participating candidate from accepting a contribution from a political party; requiring a participating candidate who opts out of public financing to repay the full amount of the public contribution received by the candidate and pay a certain penalty; providing for judicial review of certain actions by the State Board, subject to a certain exception; providing for certain penalties; providing that certain captions are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as part of this Act; requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations; making provisions of this Act severable; creating a Commission to Study Public Financing of Elections in Maryland; providing for the membership, duties, and staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the State Board to provide certain reports to certain persons on or before certain dates on certain matters; and generally relating to the Public Funding and Small Donor Act for General Assembly Elections.

BY repealing

Article – Election Law

Section 15–106

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 13–235 and 15–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 15.5–101 through 15.5–118 to be under the new title “Title 15.5. Public
Funding and Small Donor Act for General Assembly Elections”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

**Senate Bill 520 – Senators Lee, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Raskin, Ready, and
Simonaire**

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Human Trafficking – Affirmative Defense

FOR the purpose of providing that, in a prosecution for a certain charge relating to prostitution, it is an affirmative defense of duress if the defendant committed the act as a result of being a victim of an act of another committed in violation of the human trafficking law; providing that a defendant intending on asserting a certain affirmative defense is required to provide the State’s Attorney with a certain notice; and generally relating to human trafficking.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 11–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 521 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Klausmeier,
Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Raskin, and Simonaire**

AN ACT concerning

Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking

FOR the purpose of establishing the Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking; specifying the purpose of the Workgroup; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibiting a member of the Workgroup from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; establishing the duties of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 522 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Registration – Outstanding Arrest Warrants

FOR the purpose of requiring rather than authorizing State and local law enforcement agencies in the State to meet certain criteria relating to notifying the Motor Vehicle Administration of certain individuals named in outstanding warrants for purposes relating to a requirement that the Administration refuse to register or transfer certain individuals' registrations; and generally relating to vehicle registration and outstanding arrest warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–406.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 523 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Craft Distillery License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class 9 craft distillery license in Worcester County; setting a license fee; providing that the State Comptroller issue the Class 9 license only to a holder of a Class D beer, wine and liquor license in the County for use on the premises for which the Class D license was issued; authorizing a holder of a Class 9 license to establish and operate a plant for distilling and bottling brandy, rum, whiskey, alcohol, and neutral spirits under certain circumstances; authorizing a holder of Class 9 license to acquire bulk alcoholic beverages, to store, sell, and deliver product, to conduct guided tours, and to serve a certain number of samples to certain

persons; prohibiting a holder of a Class 9 license from taking certain actions; requiring a holder of a Class 9 license to abide by all trade practice restrictions applicable to distilleries; requiring a holder of a Class 9 license to take certain actions to distill more than a certain amount of gallonage; and generally relating to Class 9 distillery licenses in Worcester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–201(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 524 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Brochin, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Montgomery, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Protecting the Resources of Children in State Custody

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Human Resources to serve in a fiduciary capacity for children in its custody; requiring the Department, in any action, service, or decision on behalf of a child in the Department’s custody, to protect and serve the best interest of the child; prohibiting the Department from imposing a debt obligation on a child in the Department’s custody or taking any other action that requires the child to pay for the child’s own care or custody; requiring the Department, when applying for certain benefits for a child in the Department’s custody, to identify a representative payee in consultation with the child’s attorney; establishing certain duties of the Department when the Department serves as the representative payee for a child receiving certain benefits; requiring the Department to provide certain notice to the child, through the child’s attorney, of certain actions taken with respect to certain benefits for the child; providing for the construction of a certain provision of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to children in State custody.

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 5–527.1
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 525 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Hough, King, Lee, Montgomery, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Child Abuse and Neglect – Failure to Report

FOR the purpose of requiring an agency that is participating in a child abuse or neglect investigation and that has reasonable grounds to believe that a person has failed to report child abuse as required under a certain provision of law to file a certain complaint with a certain board, agency, institution, or facility; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–705.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 526 – Senators Raskin, Hough, Conway, Benson, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kasemeyer, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Ready, Salling, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Second Chance Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to petition the court to shield certain court records and police records relating to certain convictions at a certain time; providing that, if a certain person is convicted of a new crime during a certain time period, a certain original conviction is not eligible for shielding unless the new conviction becomes eligible for shielding; providing that a certain person is not eligible for shielding if the person is a defendant in a pending criminal proceeding; providing that, if a person is not eligible for shielding of one conviction in a certain unit, the person is not eligible for shielding of any other conviction in the unit; providing that a certain conviction is eligible for shielding at a certain time; requiring the court to have a copy of a certain petition served on the State’s Attorney; authorizing the court to order the shielding of certain records after taking certain objections or information into consideration; requiring the court to hold a hearing under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to deny a certain petition for good cause; authorizing a court

to grant only one shielding petition to a person over the lifetime of the person; requiring the court to send a certain written notice to certain victims; prohibiting the Maryland Judiciary Case Search from in any way referring to the existence of specific records shielded in accordance with this Act; providing that a conviction that has been shielded in accordance with this Act may not be considered a conviction for certain purposes; prohibiting a person authorized to access a shielded record under this Act from disclosing any information from a shielded record to a person who is not authorized to access shielded records under this Act; prohibiting an employer from requiring a person who applies for employment to disclose certain shielded information at a certain time or discharging or refusing to hire a person solely because the person refused to disclose certain information, with a certain exception; prohibiting an educational institution from requiring a person who applies for admission to the institution to disclose certain shielded information at a certain time or expelling or refusing to admit a person solely because the person refused to disclose certain information; prohibiting a unit, an official, or an employee of the State or a political subdivision of the State from requiring a person who applies for a license, certificate, permit, registration, or government service to disclose certain shielded information at a certain time or denying a person's application for a license, certificate, permit, registration, or government service solely because the person refused to disclose certain information, with a certain exception; requiring a certain custodian to deny inspection of criminal records and police records relating to the conviction of a crime that has been shielded under this Act; providing that this Act does not apply to a certain conviction; providing that a shielded record shall remain fully accessible by certain persons; establishing penalties for a violation of a certain provision of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the shielding of court records and police records.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–301 through 10–306 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Shielding”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–327

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 527 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Fair Employment Preservation Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of providing that an employer is liable under certain circumstances in an action concerning a violation of certain provisions of law based on the creation or continuation of a hostile work environment; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to discrimination and retaliation in employment.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 20–610

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 528 – Senators Raskin, Brochin, Currie, Feldman, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Muse, Pinsky, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Seizure and Forfeiture

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain minimum amount of money that is subject to forfeiture in connection with a controlled dangerous substance violation; repealing a certain presumption that certain money or weapons are forfeitable; altering a certain provision of law so as to provide that certain property may not be forfeited unless the State establishes by a preponderance of the evidence that a violation of a certain law was committed with the property owner's actual knowledge, rather than that the property may not be forfeited if the owner establishes by a preponderance of the evidence that the violation of law was committed without the owner's actual knowledge; prohibiting a certain seizing authority or prosecuting authority from directly or indirectly transferring seized property to a federal law enforcement authority or agency, with a certain exception; providing that if the owner of seized property is not charged with a violation of a certain law in connection with the seizure of the property within a certain amount of time, the property shall be immediately returned to the owner; repealing a certain rebuttable presumption that certain property is subject to forfeiture as proceeds; requiring a certain law enforcement agency to report, on an annual basis, certain information about each individual seizure and forfeiture completed by the agency under State or federal forfeiture law; authorizing the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center (MSAC) to require a law enforcement agency to provide relevant information not specified in this Act; requiring a certain law enforcement agency to file a certain report for the agency and the corresponding prosecutor's office with MSAC; requiring MSAC to develop a certain form, a process, and deadlines for certain data entry; requiring MSAC to compile certain submissions and issue a certain report; requiring MSAC to make certain reports available in a certain manner; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention (GOCCP) to submit a certain report to the Governor, the General Assembly, and each law enforcement agency before a certain date each year; authorizing GOCCP to include in a certain report certain

recommendations; requiring GOCCP to report information on law enforcement agencies not in compliance with this Act to the Police Training Commission; requiring the Police Training Commission to contact a certain law enforcement agency and request certain compliance; requiring GOCCP and the Police Training Commission to report certain noncompliance to the Governor and the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly under certain circumstances; authorizing MSAC to recoup certain costs in a certain manner; authorizing a certain law enforcement agency to use forfeiture proceeds to pay the cost of compiling and reporting information required under this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to seizure and forfeiture.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 12–102, 12–103(a), 12–301, and 12–312

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 12–211; and 13–601 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Reporting”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 529 – Senators Raskin, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Special Elections for United States Senate Vacancies Act

FOR the purpose of altering the process for filling a vacancy in the office of United States Senator; repealing the authority of the Governor to make an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor to issue a proclamation to call for a special primary election and a special general election to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator under certain circumstances; specifying the dates when a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator shall be held; requiring the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator temporarily under certain circumstances; prohibiting an individual appointed and duly sworn in to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator temporarily from being a candidate to fill the vacancy in the special election; and generally relating to filling a vacancy in the office of United States Senator.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law
Section 8–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 8–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 530 – Senators Raskin, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Firearms – Transfer

FOR the purpose of requiring a court to inform a person convicted of a certain offense that the person is prohibited from possessing a firearm under certain provisions of law; providing that if a person commits a certain offense and the offense is a domestically related crime, the court shall order the person to transfer all firearms owned by the person or in the person's possession; providing for the procedure to transfer certain firearms; requiring a person who is subject to a certain order to file certain proof with the court or attest certain facts to the court; authorizing the disposal of a certain firearm under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to firearms and domestically related crimes.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–233
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–234
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 531 – Senators Raskin, Feldman, Kelley, King, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Pinsky, Pugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Marijuana Control and Revenue Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of repealing certain civil and criminal prohibitions against the use and possession of marijuana; establishing certain exemptions from prosecution for certain persons for using, obtaining, purchasing, transporting, or possessing marijuana under certain circumstances; providing that certain conduct is lawful; establishing certain exemptions from prosecution for certain retailers, marijuana product manufacturers, marijuana cultivation facilities, and safety compliance facilities in certain circumstances; establishing a certain affirmative defense; prohibiting a certain adult from cultivating marijuana under certain circumstances; requiring the Comptroller or the Comptroller's designee to establish certain procedures; providing that this Act does not exempt certain conduct from certain penalties; prohibiting a person from smoking marijuana in a public place; providing that employers are not required to accommodate certain conduct; authorizing landlords and innkeepers to prohibit certain behavior in certain locations; prohibiting a person from falsely representing the person's age for certain purposes; providing that this Act, by operation of law, expunges certain convictions; providing that this Act does not repeal or modify certain other statutes; establishing a procedure for a certain retailer, marijuana cultivation facility, or safety compliance facility to register under this Act; requiring the Comptroller to issue certain regulations for marijuana product manufacturer registration; authorizing local governments to enact certain ordinances or regulations not in conflict with this Act; prohibiting a retailer, a marijuana cultivation facility, or any other person from advertising in a certain manner; requiring a retailer to include a certain safety insert with the sale of marijuana; requiring a marijuana cultivation facility to create certain packaging; providing for the cultivation of marijuana in certain circumstances; requiring a certain marijuana cultivation facility to have certain documentation at certain times; prohibiting a retailer from selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing marijuana to a person under a certain age; prohibiting a retailer from allowing a person under a certain age to be present in a certain location under certain circumstances; prohibiting a retailer from selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing more than a certain amount of marijuana to a person in a single transaction, knowingly and willfully selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing an amount of marijuana to a person under certain circumstances, purchasing marijuana from a person other than a marijuana cultivation facility, or violating certain regulations; providing a certain defense; prohibiting a marijuana cultivation facility from allowing a person under a certain age to be present on certain premises under certain circumstances, selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing marijuana to certain persons, purchasing marijuana from certain persons, or purchasing or selling, giving, or otherwise furnishing marijuana in a certain manner; authorizing the Comptroller to suspend or terminate a certain registration under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain court action under certain circumstances; providing that it is not a violation of State or local law for a person to purchase and possess a material or product made, in whole or in part, with industrial hemp; requiring the Department of Agriculture to adopt certain rules and regulations; providing that a

certain person is authorized to manufacture, produce, use, obtain, purchase, transport, or possess marijuana paraphernalia in a certain manner or to distribute or sell marijuana paraphernalia to certain persons; prohibiting a person under a certain age from possessing marijuana; requiring the Governor to appoint a certain oversight committee; requiring the oversight committee to undertake certain duties; imposing a certain excise tax on marijuana cultivation facilities; requiring the Comptroller to allocate certain tax funds in a certain manner; requiring the Comptroller to administer and carry out this Act and to adopt certain regulations; allowing a certain deduction from State taxes; providing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to marijuana.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601(c) and 5–620(d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–1201 through 5–1232 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Marijuana”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 12.5–101 through 12.5–105 to be under the new title “Title 12.5. Marijuana Tax”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–19(d)(7)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings and the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 532 – Senators Madaleno, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Farmers' Rights Act

FOR the purpose of establishing that certain contracts for the production of livestock impose a certain obligation of good faith on all parties; requiring certain production contracts to include a certain disclosure statement and cover sheet containing certain information; requiring certain production contracts to comply with certain standards; requiring certain production contracts to be submitted to the Attorney General for review to determine compliance with this Act; authorizing the Attorney General to decline to review a production contract for certain reasons; requiring the Attorney General to take certain actions after reviewing a production contract; requiring the Attorney General to consider certain factors in determining whether a production contract meets certain requirements; establishing that certain actions of the Attorney General under this Act are not subject to judicial review; establishing that a production contract is deemed to comply with certain requirements under certain circumstances; establishing that certification of a production contract by the Attorney General does not constitute approval of the contract's legality or legal effect; authorizing a certain producer to cancel a production contract within a certain period of time; providing that certain provisions in a production contract are void and unenforceable; establishing that a contract producer has a lien on certain livestock under certain circumstances; providing for enforcement of the lien; establishing procedures for termination of, cancellation of, or failure to renew a production contract; establishing that certain contract producers have certain rights; prohibiting certain contractors from engaging in or allowing their employees or agents to engage in certain practices; requiring a production contract to provide for resolution of disputes by mediation; establishing certain requirements for mediation; providing that a certain contractor that violates certain provisions of this Act is subject to a certain civil penalty; providing that a certain contractor that violates certain provisions of this Act is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a certain fine; requiring the Attorney General to enforce this Act; authorizing the Attorney General to take certain actions to enforce this Act; authorizing a certain contract producer to bring a certain civil action; requiring the court to award reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses to a contract producer under certain circumstances; exempting a contract producer from certain requirements to obtain injunctive relief; authorizing a court to order certain equitable relief in an action under this Act; authorizing the Attorney General to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to certain contracts for the production of livestock.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 24–101 through 24–902 to be under the new title “Title 24. Livestock
Production Contracts”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 533 – Senators Madaleno, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, Pinsky, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Bay Tax Equity Act

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain chicken manure pollution fee payable to the Comptroller by a certain poultry integrator in a certain manner; prohibiting a poultry integrator from recovering certain costs from certain farmers that raise chickens for certain purposes; requiring the Comptroller to transfer revenue from a certain fee to the Maryland Agriculture Water Quality Cost Share Program in the Department of Agriculture for certain cover crop activities; authorizing the Comptroller to distribute a certain amount in an administrative account for certain purposes; repealing certain provisions of law requiring the Comptroller to disburse certain funds from the Bay Restoration Fund to be used for certain cover crop activities; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to nutrient management in the Chesapeake Bay.

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture

Section 8–704.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 9–1605.2(h), (i)(2)(ii)3. and (ix), and (j)(6)(vi)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 9–1605.2(j)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 534 – Senators Madaleno, King, Montgomery, Raskin, Rosapepe, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – College Admissions Outreach Program for High–Achieving Students – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the College Admissions Outreach Program for High–Achieving Students; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission and the Maryland State Department of Education, in collaboration with certain educational officials, agencies, and organizations, to jointly administer the Program; requiring the Program to provide certain information on the college admissions process to certain students free of charge; requiring the Commission and the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the College Admissions Outreach Program for High–Achieving Students.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–301 and 18–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 18–303.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 535 – Senators Madaleno, Montgomery, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Tuition Waiver for Disabled Individuals – Requirements

FOR the purpose of repealing certain requirements for receiving an exemption from the payment of tuition at community colleges for certain disabled individuals; and generally relating to tuition waivers for disabled individuals at community colleges.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–106(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 536 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Certified Public Accountants – Definitions – Attest and Practice Certified
Public Accountancy**

FOR the purpose of altering the definitions of “attest” and “practice certified public accountancy” as they relate to the Maryland Public Accountancy Act to include certain services and procedures performed in accordance with the Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements issued by a certain organization; and generally relating to the regulation of certified public accountants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 2–101(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 2–101(c) and (m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 537 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Pharmacists – Substitution and Dispensing – Interchangeable Biological
Products**

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain pharmacists to substitute certain interchangeable biological products for certain prescribed products only under certain circumstances; requiring certain pharmacists or certain designees to inform certain consumers of the availability of an interchangeable biological product and the approximate cost difference as compared to a certain drug; providing that the requirement to provide certain information to certain consumers does not apply to a prescription that is written for an interchangeable biological product; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy to maintain on its Web site a link to a certain list of biological products; requiring certain pharmacists who make certain substitutions to notify certain patients that a certain product is interchangeable and to record and keep a record of certain information relating to the substitution; authorizing the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to disqualify an interchangeable biological product from

being used as a substitute in Maryland under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to provide an opportunity for public comment under certain circumstances; providing that certain pharmacists who substitute an interchangeable biological product in compliance with certain provisions of law incur no greater liability than would be incurred in filling the prescription by dispensing a certain drug or device; requiring certain pharmacists or their designees to notify certain prescribers of the provision of a certain product to a patient within a certain period of time after dispensing the product; specifying the methods by which certain notice must be provided, subject to a certain exception; providing a certain exception to the notice requirement; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the substitution and dispensing of interchangeable biological products.

BY renumbering

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–101(c) through (i) and (j) through (w), respectively

to be Section 12–101(d) through (j) and (m) through (aa), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–101(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–101(c), (k), and (l) and 12–504.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–504

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 538 – Senators Conway and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Blind or Visually Impaired Children – Individualized Education Programs –
Orientation and Mobility Instruction**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain individualized education programs for certain blind or visually impaired children to include certain orientation and mobility instruction under certain circumstances; requiring certain orientation and mobility evaluations to be provided under certain circumstances; requiring a certain orientation and mobility evaluation to contain certain content; requiring certain local school systems to provide certain parents and guardians with a certain verbal and written notice at a certain time; requiring certain orientation and mobility instruction to be provided by a certain qualified individual; requiring the State Department of Education to adopt certain regulations and provide certain guidelines on or before certain dates; defining certain terms; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to orientation and mobility instruction in individualized education programs for blind or visually impaired children.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–408
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 539 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Patient Referrals – Oncologists – Radiation Therapy Services and Nondiagnostic Computer Tomography Scan Services

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “in–office ancillary services” to include certain oncology group practices or offices of oncologists that provide certain radiation therapy services or computer tomography services for a certain purpose; providing that certain prohibitions on referrals do not apply to a referral by certain oncologists for certain radiation therapy services or computer tomography services; requiring certain oncology group practices or offices of oncologists that are exempt from a certain provision of law to provide treatment to certain patients; requiring certain for profit oncology group practices or for profit offices of oncologists that are exempt from a certain provision of law to report certain information to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; and generally relating to patient referrals for radiation therapy services and nondiagnostic computer tomography scan services by oncologists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 1–302(a) and (d)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 1–302(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 540 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Municipalities – Parking Authorities

FOR the purpose of authorizing a municipality that is organized under Article XI–E of the Maryland Constitution to create a parking authority as a body politic and corporate as provided under the Parking Authorities Act; requiring that a municipality pass a local law to establish the charter for the authority and to file the charter with certain units of State government; authorizing a municipality to amend the authority’s charter and change the structure or activity of or terminate the authority under certain circumstances; requiring a municipality to establish by local law certain requirements for members of an authority and certain budgetary and financial procedures of the authority; authorizing a municipality to authorize an authority to take certain actions; requiring a municipality to determine certain matters by local law in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale, delivery, and payment of certain revenue bonds as authorized under the Parking Authorities Act; authorizing a municipality to guarantee certain revenue bonds; prohibiting a municipality from granting an authority independent tax authority; exempting certain revenue bonds and related matters from any referendum requirements under a municipal charter or local law; and generally relating to authorization for a municipality to creating a parking authority under the Parking Authorities Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 1–101(a) and (g), 18–101, 18–110, 18–111, 18–113 through 18–115, and 18–119 through 18–121

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 18–103 through 18–109, 18–112, and 18–116 through 18–118

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 541 – Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Property Tax Credit – Supermarkets

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the personal property tax imposed on personal property of a supermarket that completes certain construction and is located in or near a certain food desert; requiring the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to designate what constitutes a food desert for purposes of the tax credit; providing that the tax credit may not exceed a certain amount; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to provide, by law, for certain matters relating to the tax credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a personal property tax credit for certain supermarkets in Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–304(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 542 – Senators Lee, Edwards, Feldman, Guzzone, Montgomery, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Cybersecurity Council – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Cybersecurity Council; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Council; prohibiting a member of the Council from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Council to work with certain entities to take certain actions related to cybersecurity; requiring the Council, beginning on a certain date and every certain number of years thereafter, to submit a report on its activities to the General

Assembly; defining certain terms; requiring the Council to submit a report on its initial activities on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Maryland Cybersecurity Council.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 9–2901 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 29. Maryland Cybersecurity Council”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 543 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Guzzone, Montgomery, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Task Force on Procurement and Cybersecurity

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on Procurement and Cybersecurity; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to conduct a study and make recommendations regarding certain laws, policies, procedures, and best practices that should be adopted by the State to address cybersecurity issues; requiring the Task Force to submit its recommendations to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a study on procurement and cybersecurity.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 544 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Guzzone, Manno, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Statewide Information Technology Master Plan – Inclusion of Cybersecurity Framework – Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring that the statewide information technology master plan developed by the Secretary of Information Technology include a cybersecurity framework; requiring that the Secretary consider materials developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology in developing or modifying the cybersecurity framework; and generally relating to the inclusion of a cybersecurity framework in the statewide information technology master plan.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 3A–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 545 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Guzzone, Manno, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Unauthorized Computer Access for Sabotage – Water

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from intentionally and willfully taking certain actions relating to unauthorized access to computer services with the intent to interrupt or impair the functioning of a service, device, or system related to the production, transmission, delivery, or storage of water in the State that is owned, operated, or controlled by a person other than a certain public service company; providing penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally related to unauthorized computer access.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 7–302(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 7–302(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 546 – Senators Klausmeier, Astle, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Feldman, Ferguson, Jennings, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Immunity From Liability – Emergency Medical Care for Drug Overdose

FOR the purpose of providing immunity from civil liability for a certain person administering medications or treatment in response to an apparent drug overdose if the person is trained and certified under certain protocols established by the

Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; extending immunity under this Act to a corporation under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to civil liability for acts or omissions in giving emergency medical care.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 547 – Senators Klausmeier, Guzzone, Lee, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Passing Bicycles, Personal Mobility Devices, or Motor Scooters

FOR the purpose of requiring that when overtaking a bicycle, an electric personal assistive mobility device (EPAMD), or a motor scooter, the driver of a vehicle is required to pass at a safe speed; repealing a certain exception to a certain requirement that a driver overtake and pass a bicycle, an EPAMD, or a motor scooter in a certain manner that applies when a highway lacks sufficient width; and generally relating to rules of the road for overtaking and passing bicycles, EPAMDs, or motor scooters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–1209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 548 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Personal Information Protection Act – Revisions

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain business, when destroying a customer's records that contain certain personal or private information of the customer, to take certain steps to protect against unauthorized access to or use of the information; requiring a certain business to implement and maintain certain procedures and practices to protect against the unauthorized access, use, modification, or disclosure of the personal or certain private information under certain circumstances; requiring a certain business that owns or licenses computerized data that includes certain

personal or private information of an individual residing in the State to implement and maintain certain security procedures and practices under certain circumstances; altering the circumstances under which a certain business that owns, licenses, or maintains computerized data that includes certain private information of an individual residing in the State must conduct a certain investigation and notify certain persons of a breach of the security of a system; specifying the time at which certain notice must be given; altering the contents of the notice; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; making certain conforming changes; providing for the application of a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to the protection of personal or private information contained in the records of businesses, owned or licensed by businesses, or included in computerized data owned, licensed, or maintained by businesses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–3501 through 14–3504, 14–3506, and 14–3507
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–3505 and 14–3508
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 549 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Identity Fraud – Name of the Individual

FOR the purpose of repealing, for purposes of a certain provision of law prohibiting a person from knowingly, willfully, and with fraudulent intent, possessing, obtaining, or helping another to possess or obtain personal identifying information for certain purposes, a certain limitation that a certain benefit, credit, good, service, thing of value, health information, or health care be obtained or accessed in the name of an individual; and generally relating to identity fraud.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 8–301(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 550 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Child Custody – Legal Decision Making and Parenting Time

FOR the purpose of repealing references to the terms “child custody” and “visitation” in certain instances and substituting the terms “legal decision making” and “parenting time” in certain instances; requiring the court, in determining the appropriate allocation of legal decision making or parenting time between the parties to consider certain factors; authorizing the court to consider certain factors; specifying that certain factors are not relevant, except under certain circumstances; requiring the court to articulate certain findings of fact on the record; authorizing the court to award joint legal decision making to both parties under certain circumstances; prohibiting a party from changing certain circumstances of a child without agreement of the other party or order of the court under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to modify a child custody or visitation order or a legal decision making or parenting time order under certain circumstances; specifying that a party’s proposal to relocate the residence of the party or the child in a certain manner constitutes a material change in circumstances for purposes of a modification of an order; specifying the purposes of this Act; repealing certain provisions relating to a petition for visitation of a grandchild by a grandparent; authorizing a certain de facto parent and a certain individual who has established an ongoing personal relationship with a child to file a certain petition or motion in certain proceedings under certain circumstances; requiring a court to determine whether it is in the best interest of a child to grant legal decision making or parenting time to a de facto parent under certain circumstances, or visitation rights to a certain individual who has established an ongoing personal relationship with a child under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to consider certain factors in determining whether a certain decision of a legal parent is contrary to the best interest of the child and whether it is in the best interest of the child to grant certain relief to a certain individual; requiring the court to make certain findings of fact under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions relating to the relevancy of a disability of a party in a child custody or visitation proceeding; making certain clarifying and conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to child custody, visitation, legal decision making, and parenting time.

BY repealing

Article – Family Law

Section 5–203(d), 9–102, and 9–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 9–101, 9–102, and 9–106 to be under the amended title “Title 9. Custodial Arrangements for Children” and the amended subtitle “Subtitle 1. Definitions; General Provisions”; and 9–201 through 9–204 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 2. Legal Decision Making and Parental Responsibility – Judicial Determinations”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 9–101, 9–101.1, 9–101.2, 9–103, 9–104, 9–105, 9–106, and 9–108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 551 – Senators Rosapepe, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Kagan, King, Manno, Mathias, Montgomery, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Raskin, Ready, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Land Use – Plans – Development and Adoption

FOR the purpose of authorizing the legislative body of a local jurisdiction to adopt, modify, or disapprove a certain plan or part of a plan, a plan for one or more geographic sections or divisions of the local jurisdiction, or an amendment or extension of or addition to the plan; requiring the legislative body to hold a public hearing before taking certain actions; requiring a certain planning commission to hold a public hearing before submitting a new recommended plan under certain circumstances; providing that a certain recommendation of a planning commission shall be considered approved if the legislative body of a certain local jurisdiction fails to take action on the recommendation within a certain time period; authorizing the legislative body of a local jurisdiction, by resolution, to extend a certain deadline for a certain period of time if the legislative body makes a certain determination; and generally relating to the development and adoption of certain land use plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Land Use

Section 3–204 and 3–205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 552 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Life Insurance – Payment of Death Benefits Under Group Policies

FOR the purpose of requiring an insurer that issues a policy of group life insurance under certain provisions of law to pay, to the beneficiary designated by an individual insured under a certificate issued under the policy, the certificate death benefit, if the insurer accepts premiums for coverage of the insured after the insured's eligibility for coverage has terminated for certain reasons and the insured dies during a certain period of coverage; and generally relating to payment of death benefits under group life insurance policies.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 17–105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 553 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Motor Clubs – Scope of Law – Fees

FOR the purpose of providing that certain entities are not regulated as motor clubs in the State; requiring motor clubs to file the fees to be charged members with the Insurance Commissioner at the time of initial and renewal application for a motor club license; providing that the fees to be charged members are part of a motor club service contract; prohibiting an unlicensed person from representing to the public that the person is authorized to provide motor club service or engage in the business of a motor club in the State, with certain exceptions; and generally relating to motor clubs.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 26–101(a) and (f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 26–102, 26–203(c)(4), 26–206(c), and 26–402(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance
Section 26–501.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill 554 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –
Maryland Insurance Administration)**

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Reinsurers – Fees

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain fee that must be paid to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner for filing the annual statement by an unauthorized insurer applying for approval to become a certified reinsurer; correcting a certain obsolete reference; repealing a certain erroneous reference to an accepted insurer; making a conforming change; and generally relating to fees payable by unauthorized insurers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance
Section 2–112(a)(8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senate Bill 555 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –
Maryland Insurance Administration)**

AN ACT concerning

Life Insurance – Cash Surrender Values – Supplemental Benefits

FOR the purpose of providing that the effects on the basic cash value of supplemental life insurance, annuity benefits, or family coverage as described under certain provisions of law shall be the same as the effects on cash surrender values under those provisions; and generally relating to cash surrender values.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 16–312(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 16–312(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 556 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Conformity With Federal Law

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law relating to the provision of benefits for the diagnosis and treatment of a mental illness, an emotional disorder, a drug abuse disorder, or an alcohol abuse disorder to conform to the requirements of the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act; applying the provisions to health maintenance organizations and repealing certain duplicative provisions of law; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to have procedures in place for certain individuals to request an expedited review of a request for coverage of a nonformulary drug or device based on a certain exigent circumstance; requiring the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to notify certain individuals about the determination made about the request within a certain period of time and, under certain circumstances, to provide coverage of the nonformulary drug or device; altering the definitions of “full-time employee” and “health benefit plan” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing the small group health insurance market; altering the circumstances under which a triggering event occurs for an employee or a dependent of an employee covered under a small group health benefit plan; altering the definition of “health benefit plan” and defining the term “grandfathered health plan coverage” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing the individual health insurance market; establishing the circumstances under which a carrier may make a certain uniform modification of coverage for a certain product offered by the carrier in the small group, individual, and large group health insurance markets; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the certification of creditable coverage and the determination and establishment of a period of creditable coverage; repealing a certain provision of law relating to rating certain policy forms; altering the beginning and ending dates of the annual open enrollment period in the individual health insurance market for certain years;

establishing and altering certain effective dates of coverage for individuals who enroll in individual health benefit plans during certain open enrollment periods; altering the length of the special open enrollment period that a carrier in the individual health insurance market must provide for each individual who experiences a triggering event and the circumstances under which a triggering event occurs; providing that a carrier that offers certain student health plans in the individual health insurance market is not required to take certain actions relating to the plans; providing that a student health plan is not subject to the requirement of a certain risk pool; providing that a student administrative health fee is not considered a cost-sharing requirement with respect to certain services; altering the definition of “health benefit plan” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing the large group health insurance market; altering the definitions of “full-time employee” and “health benefit plan” and defining the term “minimum essential coverage” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange; repealing certain definitions; defining certain terms; making certain conforming changes; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to health insurance and conformity with federal law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15–802, 15–831, 15–1201(h) and (i), 15–1208.2, 15–1212, 15–1301, 15–1309, 15–1316, 15–1401, 15–1409, 27–210(h) and 31–101(e–1) and (g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Insurance

Section 15–1310, 15–1311, 15–1312, 15–1403, 15–1404, and 15–1405

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–1318 and 31–101(o–1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General

Section 19–703.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 557 – Senators Guzzone, Astle, Brochin, Ferguson, Jennings, Kagan, Lee, Manno, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Food Fish and Shellfish – Labeling and Identification Requirements
(Maryland Seafood Authenticity Act)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from selling or offering for sale within the State certain food fish or shellfish unless the person identifies the species of food fish or shellfish in a certain manner; prohibiting a person from knowingly misidentifying the species of certain food fish or shellfish on a label, sign, or menu; prohibiting a person from knowingly selling or offering for sale within the State certain crab products identified as “blue crab” except under certain conditions; prohibiting a person from knowingly selling or offering for sale within the State certain crab products or whole crabs, unless the person identifies certain information relating to the origin of the crab product or whole crab in a certain manner; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department to develop a Web site containing certain information relating to this Act; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to enforce certain provisions of this Act and regulations adopted under this Act at certain food service facilities in a certain manner; providing for the construction of this Act; providing that this Act may be cited as the Maryland Seafood Authenticity Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to labeling and identification requirements for food fish and shellfish.

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4–11F–01 through 4–11F–07 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11F.
Maryland Seafood Authenticity Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 558 – Senators Lee, Kagan, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Manufacturers, Distributors, and Factory Branches –
Relationship With Dealers**

FOR the purpose of requiring a manufacturer to make certain payments to dealers based on the average benefit, incentive, and rebate amounts paid to all dealers in the State; altering the application of a certain prohibition against a manufacturer coercing the purchase of goods by dealers to include the purchase of certain promotional materials; repealing the authority of a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch to offer certain goods or services to a dealer subject to a certain approval; prohibiting

a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from requiring or coercing a dealer to waive the dealer's right to a jury trial; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from retaliating against certain persons because of certain legislation that regulates the franchise relationship; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from sanctioning or denying benefits to a dealer because of certain speech used by the dealer; altering certain provisions relating to advertising to prohibit manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches from allowing their franchised dealers to use deceptive advertising; requiring a manufacturer to consent or object to a certain transfer of a franchise within a certain period of time; repealing a requirement that a certain claim be made in the manner and form reasonably prescribed by the manufacturer or distributor; repealing a requirement that certain claims by dealers be substantiated by evidence that the claims were handled according to manufacturer warranty guidelines; increasing the maximum fine for certain violations committed by manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches; providing for the recovery of reasonable court costs resulting from certain violations committed by manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches under certain circumstances; clarifying that certain costs and attorney's fees arising out of a certain administrative hearing are recoverable; and generally relating to the relationship between dealers and manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 15–207(h)(1) and (k), 15–210, 15–211(e), 15–212(c) and (d), and 15–213

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 15–207(l) and 15–207.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 15–211(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 559 – Senators Lee, Kagan, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Law – Dealers' Facilities – Internet Locations

FOR the purpose of defining “dealer’s facility” and “dealership facility” to include any Internet location where a dealer conducts the business authorized by its license, for purposes of certain provisions of law that prohibit the coercion of motor vehicle dealers by motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches; and generally relating to dealers’ facilities and the relationship between dealers and manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–207(d) and (h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 560 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

Employees’ Pension System – Elected and Appointed Officials – Optional Membership

FOR the purpose of providing that membership in the Employees’ Pension System is optional for certain officials who are elected or appointed for a fixed term; requiring certain individuals who elect to join the Employees’ Pension System to complete a certain form and file it with the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System within a certain period of time; providing that certain individuals who do not make an election to join the Employees’ Pension System within a certain period of time may not join the Employees’ Pension System; providing that certain individuals’ election or failure to elect to join the Employees’ Pension System is a one–time, irrevocable decision; simplifying and clarifying certain provisions of law regarding mandatory and optional membership of employees of participating governmental units in the Employees’ Pension System; requiring the Board of Trustees to adopt certain regulations; making conforming changes; and generally relating to optional membership in the Employees’ Pension System for certain elected and appointed officials.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–305.3(a)(3), 23–201(a) and (b), 23–204, 31–111.4(a), 31–111.8(a), and 31–113(b)(1)(iii) and (d)(1)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 561 – Senators Peters, Brochin, Hough, Jennings, and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Facility Payouts – Intercepts for Restitution Payments

FOR the purpose of requiring certain video lottery operation licensees to provide certain notices to certain obligors who win certain prizes and who owe restitution; requiring certain video lottery operation licensees to make certain payments, withhold certain amounts, honor certain requests in a certain manner, and transfer certain amounts under certain circumstances; authorizing certain obligors to appeal certain proposed transfers; requiring the Central Collection Unit to notify the video lottery operation licensee on the distribution of certain prizes; prohibiting a video lottery operation licensee from being held liable for certain acts or omissions; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to video lottery facility payouts and restitution payments.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–616(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–616(b) and 11–618
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 562 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

Tax Credits – Employment of Individuals With Disabilities

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of certain credits against the State income tax, insurance premium tax, financial institution franchise tax, and public service company franchise tax for certain wages paid and certain child care or transportation expenses incurred by certain business entities with respect to certain employees with disabilities; repealing a certain obsolete provision of law; providing for the

application of this Act; and generally relating to tax credits for wages paid and child care or transportation expenses incurred by a business entity with respect to the employment of individuals with disabilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 21–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 563 – Senators Peters, Astle, Cassilly, DeGrange, Klausmeier, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Developmental Disabilities Administration and Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Services – Military Families

FOR the purpose of providing that certain dependents who are determined eligible to receive services from the Developmental Disabilities Administration shall retain eligibility for the services under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to allow certain dependents to remain on a certain waiting list under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to resume certain services for certain dependents under certain circumstances; providing that certain dependents who are determined eligible to receive certain services from the Maryland Medical Assistance Program shall retain eligibility for the services under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to allow certain dependents to remain on a certain waiting list under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to resume certain services for certain dependents under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the eligibility for and receipt of Developmental Disabilities Administration and Maryland Medical Assistance Program services by dependents of military service members.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 7–404.1 and 15–134.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 564 – Senators Peters, Benson, Currie, Muse, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Maryland–Washington Regional District – Fairness in Zoning

FOR the purpose of providing that, in Prince George’s County, the planning board’s authority is not exclusive and may be subject to review by the district council under certain circumstances; providing that the district council is not authorized to review certain matters beyond its jurisdiction as provided in a certain article; authorizing the district council in Prince George’s County by local law to adopt and amend zoning law procedures for zoning decisions by the planning board and the district council; providing that within the regional district in Prince George’s County, certain zoning powers granted to a planning commission or board of appeals under certain provisions shall be construed as vested exclusively in and may be exercised only by the district council; requiring that, in Prince George’s County, the zoning hearing examiner shall issue a certain decision not less than a certain time after the date of a certain hearing; providing that, in Prince George’s County, a person may file a request for judicial review of a decision of a board of appeals to the circuit court only under certain circumstances; providing that, in Prince George’s County, when the district council is hearing a zoning matter that has been appealed from a zoning hearing examiner, the district council may remand the zoning matter back to the zoning hearing examiner only one time and is required to specify that the zoning hearing examiner take action within a certain time frame after the matter is remanded; and generally relating to zoning and planning powers in the Maryland–Washington Regional District in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 20–202, 22–104, 22–120, and 22–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Land Use
Section 25–212 and 25–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 565 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Redeemable Ground Rents

FOR the purpose of requiring a redeemable ground rent to be redeemed on the occurrence of certain events; requiring a certain default to be cured before a ground rent is

redeemed under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to redeemable ground rents.

BY renumbering

Article – Real Property

Section 8–110(c) through (f), respectively
to be Section 8–110(d) through (g), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 8–110(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 8–110(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Real Property

Section 8–110(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 566 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights – Alterations

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for making a certain complaint against a law enforcement officer for a reason that may lead to a certain action; altering the individuals who may conduct an investigation, interrogation, or hearing against a certain law enforcement officer under certain circumstances; requiring confidentiality of certain information under certain circumstances; providing for the suspension of a law enforcement officer’s police powers during a certain investigation; altering where a certain interrogation may occur; altering certain procedures for investigating, interrogating, disciplining, and conducting a hearing against a certain law enforcement officer under certain circumstances; establishing certain deadlines for certain procedures; altering certain terms; and generally relating to the Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–101(c) and (d), 3–104, 3–106, 3–107(a), (c), and (d)(1), 3–108, 3–110(a), and 3–112(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 567 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Department of Human Resources – State Child Welfare System – Report

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Human Resources, on or before a certain date each year, to report to the General Assembly certain information regarding children and foster youth in the State child welfare system; requiring the Department to maintain the confidentiality of certain information, ensure that no personally identifiable information is disclosed, and disaggregate certain information in a certain manner; requiring the Department to publish certain reports on the Department’s Web site; defining a certain term; and generally relating to children and foster youth in the State child welfare system.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–1301(a), (d), and (i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–1312

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Human Services

Section 5–304(a)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 568 – Senators Kelley, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Hershey, Jennings, Manno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Real Estate Appraisers – Appraisal Agreement – Required Copies

FOR the purpose of requiring a licensed real estate appraiser or a certified real estate appraiser to attach a copy of a certain appraisal agreement to certain appraisal reports; defining a certain term; and generally relating to required copies of appraisal agreements of licensed real estate appraisers or certified real estate appraisers.

BY adding to

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 16–403

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 569 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Feldman, Klausmeier, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Provider Malpractice Insurance – Scope of Coverage

FOR the purpose of repealing a prohibition on the inclusion, in a policy that insures a health care provider against damages due to medical injury arising from providing or failing to provide health care, of coverage for the defense of a health care provider in a certain disciplinary hearing; repealing a provision of law that authorizes a policy providing coverage for the defense of a health care provider in a certain disciplinary hearing to be offered and priced separately from a policy insuring a health care provider against damages due to medical injury; and generally relating to malpractice insurance coverage for health care providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 570 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Condominiums – Warranty Claims

FOR the purpose of establishing that, notwithstanding any provision in the declaration, bylaws, or rules and regulations of the condominium, a council of unit owners has the right to be involved in a certain manner in certain litigation or administrative proceedings affecting the condominium and to enforce implied warranties made to the council of unit owners by the developer; making unenforceable a provision of a declaration, a bylaw, a contract for the initial sale of a unit, or any other instrument made by a developer or vendor in accordance with certain provisions of law relating to certain claims that purports to shorten the statute of limitations applicable to the claim, purports to waive the application of a certain rule, or requires a unit owner or the council of unit owners to assert a certain claim within a certain period of time under certain circumstances; making unenforceable a provision of a declaration, a bylaw, a contract for the initial sale of a unit, or any other instrument made by a developer or vendor in accordance with certain provisions of law that requires a certain vote of unit owners as a precondition to the institution or maintenance of certain proceedings unless the council of unit owners adopts the provision under certain circumstances; and generally relating to warranty claims for condominiums.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 11–109(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Real Property
Section 11–134.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 571 – Senators Kelley, Benson, McFadden, Montgomery,
Nathan–Pulliam, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

Child Abuse and Neglect – Failure to Report – Penalties and Training

FOR the purpose of making it a civil offense, subject to certain penalties, for a certain person acting in a professional capacity to fail to report child abuse under certain circumstances; making it a misdemeanor, subject to certain penalties, for a certain person acting in a professional capacity to fail to report child abuse under certain circumstances; authorizing a police officer to issue a citation for a certain civil violation under this Act; establishing that adjudication of a certain first–time civil violation is not a criminal conviction and does not impose certain civil disabilities; requiring the Department of Human Resources, in consultation with

other stakeholders, to develop and make available to the public in a certain manner training on the identification and reporting of child abuse and neglect; requiring the Department to provide to certain organizations an opportunity to provide certain input regarding the development of the training; requiring the Department to make the training available to the public on or before a certain date; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to child abuse and neglect.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–601.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 572 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Hospitals – Designation of Caregivers

FOR the purpose of requiring a hospital to provide a certain patient or the legal guardian of a certain patient with a certain number of opportunities to designate a caregiver within a certain number of hours after the entrance of the patient to the hospital and before the patient is discharged from the hospital; requiring a hospital to provide a certain patient who is unconscious or otherwise incapacitated on entry into a hospital or the legal guardian of the patient with the opportunity to designate a caregiver within a certain number of hours after the patient regains consciousness or otherwise regains capacity; requiring a hospital to document in a certain patient's medical record certain information; requiring a hospital to request consent from a certain patient or the legal guardian of the patient to release certain medical information; providing that a hospital is not required to provide certain notice required under a certain provision of this Act or consult with or provide certain information under a certain provision of this Act to a caregiver under certain circumstances; authorizing a patient to change the designation of a caregiver; requiring a hospital to record a change in the designation of a caregiver in the patient's medical record within a certain number of hours after the change; providing that a designation as a caregiver does not obligate an individual to perform certain tasks; requiring a hospital to notify a caregiver of the discharge of a patient or transfer of a patient to a certain facility within a certain time period; requiring a hospital to consult with the caregiver and patient regarding certain issues and issue

a certain discharge plan within a certain time period; requiring a discharge plan to include certain information; requiring a hospital to provide in a certain manner and in accordance with certain requirements and laws a caregiver and patient with certain instructions, an opportunity for certain questions, and certain answers; requiring that certain discharge plans and instructions be documented in a patient's medical record; authorizing the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the designation of caregivers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–301(a) and (f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 19–380 through 19–385 to be under the new part “Part XI. Designation of Caregivers”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 573 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Standard Valuation Law and Reserve and Nonforfeiture Requirements

FOR the purpose of establishing certain requirements relating to the reserves and opinions relating to the reserves for certain life insurance policies, accident and health insurance contracts, and deposit-type contracts issued by certain companies on or after the operative date of a certain valuation manual; clarifying the scope of certain provisions of law relating to the reserve requirements and opinions relating to the reserve requirements for certain policies, contracts, and benefit agreements required before the operative date of the valuation manual; requiring certain companies to submit annually a certain opinion relating to the reserves and related actuarial items held in support of certain policies and contracts; requiring the valuation manual to prescribe the contents of the opinion and certain other items; requiring certain companies to include with the opinion an additional opinion of a certain actuary, except under certain circumstances; requiring the obligations of a company under certain policies and contracts to include certain benefits and expenses; requiring a certain actuary to consider certain investment earnings and other consideration in reviewing certain assets held by a certain company; requiring a certain memorandum to be prepared to support a certain opinion; authorizing the

Maryland Insurance Commissioner to engage a certain actuary at the expense of a certain company under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements for certain opinions; limiting the liability for damages of certain actuaries under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to adopt regulations to establish disciplinary action against a certain company or certain actuary that violates certain provisions of this Act; repealing certain provisions of law authorizing the Commissioner to certify the amount of certain reserves; altering the circumstances under which the Commissioner may accept a certain valuation; requiring the Commissioner to annually value or cause to be valued the reserves of certain policies and contracts issued by a company on or after the operative date of the valuation manual; establishing the minimum standard for valuation of the policies and contracts; specifying the manner in which the operative date of the valuation manual is determined; providing for the effective date of changes to the valuation manual; requiring the valuation manual to specify certain minimum valuation standards, the format for certain reports, certain other requirements, and certain data and the form of the data that must be submitted under a certain provision of this Act; authorizing a company, under certain circumstances, to comply with a minimum standard of valuation prescribed by the Commissioner by regulation; authorizing the Commissioner to rely on a certain opinion under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to require a company to change any assumption or method used by the company under certain circumstances; requiring a company to adjust the company's reserves as required by the Commissioner; requiring a company, for policies and contracts specified in the valuation manual, to establish reserves using a certain principle-based valuation; establishing certain requirements for a company that uses a principle-based valuation; requiring a company to submit certain information as prescribed in the valuation manual; providing that certain information of a company is confidential and privileged, is not subject to the Maryland Public Information Act, and is not subject to subpoena or discovery or admission in evidence in a certain civil action, subject to certain exceptions; authorizing the Commissioner to share and use certain confidential information under certain circumstances and to enter into agreements governing the sharing and use of the information; authorizing the Commissioner to receive certain documents, materials, data, and other information; providing that a certain privilege or claim of confidentiality in confidential information is not waived as a result of a certain disclosure or sharing of the confidential information; authorizing the Commissioner to exempt a specific product form or product line of a certain company under certain circumstances; specifying the mortality tables that may be substituted for certain other mortality tables to be used in determining the minimum nonforfeiture standard for certain policies issued on or after the operative date of the valuation manual; establishing the nonforfeiture interest rate for certain policies issued on or after the operative date of the valuation manual; altering the nonforfeiture interest rate for certain policies issued before the operative date of the valuation manual; making this Act subject to certain contingencies; requiring the Commissioner to give certain notice to the Department of Legislative Services; providing that this Act is null and void under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; making certain conforming and clarifying changes; and generally relating to the Maryland Standard

Valuation Law and reserve and nonforfeiture requirements for insurance policies and contracts issued in the State.

BY renumbering

Article – Insurance

Section 5–301

to be Section 5–301.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 5–201, 5–303, 5–304(b)(3), (c), (f), and (g), 5–305(c), (d), and (f),
5–306(f)(7), and 16–309

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 5–201.1, 5–301, and 5–313 through 5–317

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 5–301.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 574 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Bottled Water – Exemption

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for certain sales of bottled water; clarifying that the exemption does not apply to certain sales of bottled water; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the application of the sales and use tax to bottled water.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–206

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 575 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Alcohol and Drug Counselors – Qualifications and Practice Limitations

FOR the purpose of altering the qualifications individuals are required to meet to be licensed to practice clinical alcohol and drug counseling, to qualify to practice as a licensed graduate alcohol and drug counselor under supervision for a limited period of time, to qualify as a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug, or to qualify as a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug; requiring a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug to practice under the supervision of a Board–approved alcohol and drug supervisor who meets certain requirements; providing that a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug may only provide counseling as an employee of a certain agency or facility and under the supervision of a certain supervisor; prohibiting a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug from practicing independently; requiring a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug to practice under the supervision of a Board–approved alcohol and drug supervisor who meets certain requirements; providing that a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug may only provide counseling as an employee of a certain agency or facility and under the supervision of a certain supervisor; prohibiting a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug from providing supervision or practicing independently; making conforming and clarifying changes; and generally relating to qualifications for and practice of alcohol and drug counselors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 17–302, 17–309(a) and (c), 17–403, and 17–404
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 17–309(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 576 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**9–1–1 Emergency Telephone System – Multiple–Line Telephone Systems – Direct Dial
(Kari’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of requiring that, on or before a certain date, a person that installs or operates a multiple–line telephone system ensures that the system is connected to the public switched telephone network in such a way that an individual dialing 9–1–1 is connected to the public safety answering point without requiring the individual to dial any other number or set of numbers; defining a certain term; and generally relating to access to the 9–1–1 emergency telephone system and multiple–line telephone systems.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 1–314

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 577 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Telecommunications Law – Modernization

FOR the purpose of providing that a telephone company is not required to file with the Public Service Commission a certain tariff schedule for certain retail services except under certain circumstances; requiring a telephone company to post on a certain Web site certain rates and charges for certain retail intrastate wireline telephone services; limiting the types of services for which a telephone company may not establish a new rate or change in rate under certain circumstances to only rates for services that the telephone company files in a certain tariff schedule; allowing a telephone company to discontinue or abandon a certain regulated retail service under certain circumstances after providing certain notice; providing that prior authorization of the Commission is not required for certain transactions involving a certain franchise, capital stock, or obligations or liabilities between a certain telephone company and a certain entity under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Commission or any other State unit or local government from restricting in a certain manner a telephone company’s choices to use a certain technology or facility to provide services; allowing a telephone company to satisfy certain statutory and regulatory obligations through the use of certain technology or facility of its choosing; providing that the use of certain technology or facility by a telephone company to provide certain services may not confer a certain jurisdiction or authority; defining

certain terms; and generally relating to modernizing the telecommunications law for services provided by telephone companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 4–202, 4–203, 5–103, 5–202, 5–203, and 6–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 8–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 578 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Sexual Assaults – Mandatory Reporting

FOR the purpose of requiring the sexual assault policy of institutions of higher education in the State to include compliance with certain provisions of law relating to mandatory reporting of sexual assaults; requiring a faculty member, an administrator, or a full-time staff member of an institution of higher education who obtains certain information to report the information within a certain time frame to the appropriate law enforcement official; providing that a person who violates a certain provision of law is guilty of a misdemeanor; making certain exceptions to a certain reporting requirement; granting certain immunity for good faith actions taken related to a certain report under certain circumstances; providing that a person who is a victim of sexual assault may not be required to report the violation; and generally relating to mandatory reporting of sexual assaults.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 11–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 579 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority – Small Business Surety Bond Program

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum amount that the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority may guarantee a surety under the Small Business Surety Bond Program; increasing the maximum amount of certain bonds that the Financing Authority may execute and perform as a surety under its surety program; and generally relating to the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–568 and 5–569
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 580 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners and State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners – Dry Needling – Registration Requirements

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain licensed chiropractors and certain licensed physical therapists from performing dry needling except under certain circumstances; authorizing certain licensed chiropractors who have the right to practice physical therapy and certain physical therapists to perform dry needling if certain health occupations boards have registered the licenses in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring certain health occupations boards to register certain licensees who submit to the board a certain application, evidence of completion of certain education and clinical experience requirements, and a certain application fee; requiring that certain regulations be developed in collaboration with certain health occupations boards, be at least as stringent as certain provisions of law, and require successful completion of certain courses; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners, the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, and registration requirements for dry needling.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 3–101 and 13–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 3–3A–01 and 3–3A–02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3A.
Registration for Dry Needling”; and 13–3A–01 and 13–3A–02 to be under the
new subtitle “Subtitle 3A. Registration for Dry Needling”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 581 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Business and Economic Development – Maryland Design Excellence
Commission**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Design Excellence Commission for certain purposes; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to study, develop certain plans and programs, and establish certain events regarding design excellence initiatives; requiring the Commission to report its findings, recommendations, and actions taken to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; authorizing the Secretary of Business and Economic Development to make a certain recommendation; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Design Excellence Commission.

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development
Section 10–468 through 10–470 to be under the new part “Part VII. Maryland Design
Excellence Commission”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 582 – Senators Pugh, Currie, McFadden, Muse, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority, to establish the Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders for certain purposes by a certain date; providing for the termination of the Program; requiring the Department to develop a certain evaluation process for the Program; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, to select certain individuals to participate in the Program; providing that a person selected by the Department to participate in the Program shall receive certain training and mentoring; requiring the Department to partner the individual with a certain mentor for a certain purpose; requiring the Department to assist the individual in obtaining certain financing through the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 11–1201 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 583 – Senators Pugh, Conway, McFadden, and Muse

AN ACT concerning

DNA Evidence – Postconviction Review

FOR the purpose of expanding the group of persons who may file a certain petition for postconviction DNA testing or a database or log search; and generally relating to postconviction review of DNA evidence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 8–201(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 584 – Senators Pugh, Currie, Feldman, King, McFadden, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Angel Investor Tax Credit Program

FOR the purpose of allowing a credit against the State income tax for a certain percentage of an investment, not to exceed a certain amount, made in certain qualified innovation businesses; requiring qualified innovation businesses to meet certain certification requirements; requiring a qualified investor to meet certain requirements in order to be eligible for the credit; requiring the qualified investor to make a certain application, at least a certain number of days before making an investment, to the Department of Business and Economic Development; requiring the Department to certify, within a certain number of days of the application, the amount of the credit; requiring, under certain circumstances, the Secretary to issue initial and final tax credit certificates; requiring a qualified investor to make a certain investment and provide certain proof within a certain period of time; authorizing, under certain circumstances, the Department to rescind a tax credit; providing that the Secretary may not certify eligibility for tax credits for investments in a single qualified innovation business that in the aggregate exceed a certain percentage of the total appropriations to a certain Reserve Fund for that fiscal year; requiring the Secretary to certify a certain percentage of tax credits for investments in certain qualified innovation businesses; making the credit nonrefundable; establishing the Maryland Angel Investor Tax Credit Reserve Fund as a special continuing, nonlapsing fund; requiring the Department to administer the Reserve Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Reserve Fund; specifying the contents of the Reserve Fund; requiring the Governor to make an appropriation to the Reserve Fund each fiscal year; requiring, each quarter, that the Department notify the Comptroller of a certain amount and the Comptroller to transfer a certain amount from the Reserve Fund to the General Fund; providing for the recapture of the credit under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department, after a certain notification and opportunity for appeal, to revoke a credit; requiring a qualified innovation business that receives an investment to report certain information each year to the Department; requiring the Department to report certain information in a certain manner on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Comptroller, to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for certain qualified business investments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 2–123(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 585 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Maryland No-Fault Birth Injury Fund

FOR the purpose of declaring certain findings and the intent of the General Assembly; establishing a system for adjudication of a claim involving a birth-related neurological injury; excluding certain rights and remedies of a claimant and certain other persons; providing for certain procedures; providing for certain benefits and compensation of a claimant under this Act; establishing the Maryland No-Fault Birth Injury Fund; providing for the governance, administration, and purposes of the Fund; providing for certain premiums and insurance surcharges to be used to finance and administer the Fund; providing for certain credits for certain medical liability coverage for the obstetrical practice or services of certain physicians and hospitals; providing for certain patient safety initiatives; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to establishment of a system of adjudication and compensation of a claimant for a birth-related neurological injury through the Maryland No-Fault Birth Injury Fund.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-2D-01 through 3-2D-08 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2D.
Maryland No-Fault Birth Injury Fund Claims”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20-1601 through 20-1603 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 16. Birth
Injury Prevention”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 32-101 through 32-304 to be under the new title “Title 32. Maryland
No-Fault Birth Injury Fund”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings and the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 586 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Health Insurance – Federal and State Mental Health and Addiction Parity Laws
– Report on Compliance**

FOR the purpose of requiring health maintenance organizations, insurers, and nonprofit health service plans that offer certain contracts and health benefit plans to submit to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner a report certifying and outlining how certain contracts and health benefit plans comply with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act and certain State mental health and addiction parity laws; requiring the report to be submitted on certain dates by a certain person and to include certain information; providing that the report is a public record; establishing certain penalties for certain violations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to federal and State mental health and addiction parity laws under health insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 19–703.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–802.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 587 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Commercial Law – Consumer Protection – Motor Vehicle Manufacturers,
Distributors, and Factory Branches**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from committing certain acts relating to motor vehicle pricing; requiring a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch to ensure that any advertisement it directs to consumers relating to rebate and sales incentive claims meets certain requirements; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from

retaliating against certain persons because of the enactment of legislation that regulates the franchise relationship; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from sanctioning or denying benefits to a dealer because of certain speech used by the dealer; limiting the amount that a manufacturer may charge a dealer for a sales incentive the dealer gives to a consumer under certain circumstances; providing that a violation of this Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and is subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to consumer protection and motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–4101 through 14–4107 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 41. Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, Distributors, and Factory Branches”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings and the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 600 – Senators Astle, Klausmeier, Miller, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake Bay Trust and Chesapeake Conservation Corps – Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of money the Chesapeake Bay Trust is required to receive each fiscal year from the Environmental Trust Fund for funding certain energy conservation projects through the Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program; requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to report to the General Assembly on the feasibility of establishing a certain donation program for the benefit of the Chesapeake Bay Trust; authorizing the Authority, if a certain determination is made, to establish a certain donation program; and generally relating to the funding of the Chesapeake Bay Trust.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 3–302(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–302(d)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 4–312(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 601 – Senators McFadden, Miller, Astle, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

African American Heritage Preservation Program – Reestablishment and Revisions

FOR the purpose of reestablishing the African American Heritage Preservation Program in the Maryland Historical Trust; specifying the purpose of the Program; requiring the Trust to develop and administer the Program in partnership with the Commission on African American History and Culture; establishing the African American Heritage Preservation Grant Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Trust to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; requiring the Governor to provide a certain annual appropriation to the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; authorizing, on or before a date determined annually by the Trust and the Commission and subject to the availability of certain money, certain persons to submit a grant application for an African American Heritage Grant; requiring that a grant application contain certain information; providing that a grant to certain persons requires a certain matching fund; prohibiting a grant to certain persons from exceeding a certain percentage of the total cost of the project for which the grant is awarded; requiring the Trust and the Commission to review grant applications,

consider, except under certain circumstances, certain factors, and make certain recommendations to the Secretary of Planning; requiring the Trust and the Commission, in making certain recommendations, to consider certain criteria; authorizing the Secretary to reserve a certain percentage of money available in the Fund to award certain grants for certain projects; requiring that an application for an emergency grant include certain information; requiring the Secretary to take certain actions concerning grant applications and recommendations; providing that the Secretary may only award grants under the Program for certain projects; requiring the Trust and the Commission to report certain information to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring, except under certain circumstances, the Trust to require a grantee to enter into a certain agreement; authorizing the Director of the Trust to waive a certain agreement or easement requirement under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Commission, to adopt certain regulations to implement the Program; prohibiting a certain regulation from being adopted unless the regulation is approved by the Board of Public Works; requiring the Trust and the Commission, to the extent required by certain regulations, to submit certain grants to the Board of Public Works for approval; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the African American Heritage Preservation Program.

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 5A–331

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 602 – Senators Miller, Astle, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Lee, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council

FOR the purpose of establishing the Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council in the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Council; prohibiting a member of the Council from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; establishing the duties of the Council; requiring the Council to report its interim and final findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before certain dates; and generally relating to the Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 1–601 through 1–605 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 603 – Senators Raskin, Astle, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Serafini, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Aging Prisoners – Conditional Parole

FOR the purpose of establishing conditional parole as a form of release from incarceration for inmates over a certain age under certain circumstances; establishing a means of initiating consideration by the Maryland Parole Commission of the appropriateness of granting conditional parole; requiring the Commission to provide for a conditional parole hearing on receipt of a certain request; requiring the Commission to appoint a certain guardian to represent the best interests of a certain person under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to consider certain information before granting a conditional parole release; requiring the Commission to impose certain conditions in conjunction with conditional parole; authorizing the Commission to impose certain conditions on a parolee in conjunction with conditional parole; authorizing a certain person who is denied conditional parole by the Commission to request an additional conditional parole hearing at a certain time; providing for the applicability to conditional parole proceedings of provisions of law concerning victim notification and participation in parole proceedings; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Commission to provide a certain annual report to the General Assembly with certain information; providing for a finding of the General Assembly; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to conditional parole.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 7–309.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 604 – Senators King, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Salling, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Human Relations – Employment Discrimination – Protection for Interns

FOR the purpose of establishing certain protections for interns and applicants for internships from certain discriminatory acts; prohibiting an employer from printing or causing to be printed or published a certain notice or advertisement relating to an internship; authorizing a notice or an advertisement indicating a certain bona fide occupational qualification for an internship; providing that a certain intern shall have access to a certain complaint resolution procedure or, under certain circumstances, may file a complaint with the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights for certain administrative remedies; providing that this Act does not create an employment relationship between an employer and an intern for the purposes of certain remedies or certain other provisions of law; defining a certain term; and generally relating to protections for interns from certain discriminatory acts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 20–601(a), (c), and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 20–610
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 605 – Senators Raskin, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Montgomery, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Aggressive Drunk Driving – Punitive Damages

FOR the purpose of authorizing a finder of fact to determine that a person with a certain alcohol concentration in the blood or breath of the person who causes personal injury or wrongful death while driving or attempting to drive a motor vehicle was acting with malice and to award punitive damages under certain circumstances; requiring a party who seeks to recover punitive damages under this Act to plead certain facts with particularity; providing for a standard of proof of clear and convincing evidence for a claim of punitive damages under this Act; providing that punitive damages under this Act may not be awarded in the absence of an award of compensatory damages; providing that evidence of a defendant's financial means is not admissible until there has been a finding of liability and that punitive damages under this Act are supportable under the facts; authorizing a motor vehicle insurer to exclude coverage for an award of punitive damages under this Act; providing that an exclusion of certain coverage for punitive damages does not constitute a reduction in coverage by a motor vehicle liability insurer; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to authorizing a finder of fact to determine that a person who causes personal injury or wrongful death while driving or attempting to drive with a certain alcohol concentration in the blood or breath of the person was acting with malice and to award punitive damages under certain circumstances.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 10–913.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 606 – Senators Pugh, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Miller, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Ramirez, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Abuse–Deterrent Opioid Analgesic Drug Products – Coverage

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug products; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from imposing certain limits or cost–sharing requirements on coverage for abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug products that are less favorable to an insured or an enrollee than the limits or cost–sharing requirements that apply to coverage for any other opioid analgesic drug product; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from requiring an insured or an enrollee to first use a certain drug

product before providing coverage for an abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug product; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from increasing certain cost–sharing requirements or other out–of–pocket expenses to achieve certain compliance; authorizing the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to undertake utilization review for an abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug product under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to health insurance coverage for abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug products.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–848

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 607 – Senators Klausmeier, Astle, Bates, Benson, Cassilly, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Salling, Waugh, Young, Zirkin, Serafini, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Consortium; prohibiting a member of the Consortium from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Consortium to develop, monitor implementation of, and revise a certain plan through a certain process; requiring the Consortium to convene a certain Policy Academy to identify certain focus areas and draft certain recommendations; requiring the Consortium to hold certain roundtables; requiring the Consortium to convene a final Policy Academy for a certain purpose; requiring the Consortium to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24–1701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 608 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Property and Casualty Insurance – Notices, Policies, and Proof of Insurance – Electronic Format

FOR the purpose of altering the application of certain provisions of law requiring an insurer to provide certain proof of insurance under certain circumstances; authorizing certain proof of insurance to be delivered by electronic means in a certain manner under certain circumstances; authorizing certain required written notices of property and casualty insurers to be delivered by electronic means in a certain manner; authorizing property and casualty insurers to make available, on request of an insured, an electronic copy of the insured's policy and all endorsements to the policy by posting them on a Web site in a certain manner and in accordance with certain requirements; altering the application of certain provisions of law authorizing certain notices of property and casualty insurers to be delivered by electronic means; authorizing certain notices and certain proof of insurance to be delivered by electronic means to certain parties under certain circumstances; providing that delivery by electronic means of a notice or proof of insurance shall be considered equivalent to any delivery method required under certain provisions of law; altering the application of certain provisions of law authorizing certain notices requiring certain verification of receipt of the notice to be delivered by electronic means; defining a certain term; altering the definition of a certain term; making stylistic and conforming changes; and generally relating to the provision of notices, policies, and proof of insurance in an electronic format.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 1–101(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 1–101(l–1), 19–117, and 19–118

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 12–301(d) and 27–601.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 609 – Senators Brochin, Benson, Guzzone, Kelley, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Montgomery, Pinsky, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman in the Office of the Attorney General; providing for the purpose and staffing of the Office; providing for the appointment, qualifications, term, and salary of the Child Welfare Ombudsman; requiring the Ombudsman to be a full-time State employee; authorizing the Attorney General to remove the Ombudsman under certain circumstances; providing that the Office shall include certain staff; authorizing the Ombudsman to appoint and employ certain staff and hire or contract with certain experts; requiring the Ombudsman, under certain circumstances, to use the services and personnel of certain units; requiring certain units, under certain circumstances, to cooperate with the Ombudsman; requiring the Attorney General and the Secretary of Budget and Management to set minimum salaries, qualifications, and certain standards for positions in the Office; requiring that the budget for the Office be part of the budget of the Office of the Attorney General; providing that the salaries of certain staff and certain expenses must be provided for in the State budget; providing that certain personnel are subject to certain provisions of law; establishing certain procedures regarding certain salaries; establishing the duties and powers of the Office and the Ombudsman; establishing certain complaint policies and procedures; requiring the local departments of social services to include certain information relating to the complaint procedures in the records of certain children; requiring the Ombudsman to treat certain complaints as confidential, to protect the identities of certain persons involved in the complaint, and to establish certain response times and safety measures; requiring the Office to provide certain training to certain individuals and inform certain children of certain information; exempting from disclosure under the Maryland Public Information Act records related to certain complaints; requiring the Ombudsman to submit certain reports to the Governor, Secretary of Budget and Management, the Secretary of Human Resources, the Citizens Review Board for Children, the State Council on Child Abuse and Neglect, and the General Assembly; requiring the Ombudsman to remove certain information before submitting certain reports; prohibiting a person from certain willful interference and discriminatory and retaliatory acts relating to complaints filed with the Office; establishing certain penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 6–501 through 6–511 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 610 – Senators Pinsky, Bates, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons – Continuing Education – Requirements

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law that requires certain licensed real estate brokers, associate real estate brokers, and real estate salespersons to complete fewer overall clock hours of continuing education instruction than the number generally required during certain licensing periods; requiring that certain mandated subject matter for continuing education courses be taken by a licensee each licensing period; making conforming changes; and generally relating to continuing education requirements for real estate brokers and salespersons.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–301(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–315(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 611 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Maryland Uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an official publisher that publishes legal material in an electronic record to designate the electronic record as official, under certain circumstances, and authenticate the electronic record in a certain manner; providing that certain legal material in an electronic record is presumed to be an accurate copy of the legal material; providing that certain legal material of another state in an

electronic record is presumed to be an accurate copy of the legal material under certain circumstances; providing that a party contesting the authenticity of certain legal material in an electronic record has a certain burden of proof; requiring an official publisher of certain legal material in an electronic record to provide for the preservation and security of the record, take certain actions regarding an electronic record preserved under a certain provision of this Act, and ensure that the legal material is reasonably available for use by the public on a permanent basis; requiring an official publisher to consider certain factors in implementing this Act; requiring that certain factors be considered in applying and constructing this Act; providing that this Act modifies, limits, and supersedes a certain federal law except as provided in a certain provision of this Act; establishing a certain short title; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 10–1601 through 10–1611 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 16.
Maryland Uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 612 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Protective Headgear Requirement for Motorcycle Riders – Exception

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain prohibition against operating or riding on a motorcycle without certain protective headgear does not apply to an individual at least a certain age who carries at least a certain amount of health insurance coverage for certain injuries; and generally relating to the requirement that protective headgear be worn by operators or riders of motorcycles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 21–1306

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 613 – Senators Astle, Bates, Feldman, Guzzone, Hershey, Jennings, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Self-Service Storage Facilities – Enforcement of Lien – Advertisement of Sale

FOR the purpose of authorizing a sale to enforce a lien on personal property stored in a leased space at a self-service storage facility to be advertised in any commercially reasonable manner specified in the rental agreement or a written change to the rental agreement; establishing that the manner of advertisement shall be deemed commercially reasonable under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to self-service storage facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 18-504(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 18-504(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 614 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance – Enhanced Underinsured Motorist Coverage

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain insured to elect to obtain certain enhanced underinsured motorist coverage, instead of certain uninsured motorist coverage, under a private passenger motor vehicle liability insurance policy under certain circumstances; requiring certain insurers to offer certain enhanced underinsured motorist coverage under certain circumstances; providing for the characteristics of the enhanced underinsured motorist coverage, including the amounts of the coverage, what an insurer may exclude from the coverage, and the limits of liability under the coverage; providing for waivers of certain coverage in certain manners under certain circumstances; requiring an injured person and a certain insurer to take certain actions regarding a certain settlement offer under certain circumstances; establishing a certain exception to a certain limitation on duplicate or supplemental recover of certain benefits; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to private passenger motor vehicle liability insurance and enhanced underinsured motorist coverage.

BY renumbering

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509.1

to be Section 19–509.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509, 19–510, 19–511, and 19–513

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509.1, 19–510.1, and 19–511.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 17–103(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 615 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Preservation and Conservation Easements

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law concerning a credit against the State income tax for certain preservation and conservation easements to allow an individual or a member of a pass-through entity to claim the credit for an easement conveyed to the Maryland Environmental Trust, the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, or the Department of Natural Resources under certain circumstances; altering the amount of the credit allowed under certain provisions of law; authorizing a taxpayer to claim a certain credit against the Maryland estate tax

under certain circumstances; providing that a grantor of an easement may transfer a certain tax credit by obtaining a certain certificate; requiring the Maryland Environmental Trust to issue a certain tax credit certificate under certain circumstances; specifying the contents of the certificate; setting a limit on the number of approved tax credit certificates issued by the Maryland Environmental Trust each year; requiring the Maryland Environmental Trust to approve applications for tax credit certificates in a certain manner; authorizing a holder of a certain tax credit certificate to transfer the certificate under certain circumstances; authorizing the Comptroller to assess and distribute a certain fee on transferred credits; requiring the Comptroller and the Department to jointly, in consultation with the Maryland Environmental Trust, adopt certain regulations; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the issuance of tax credit certificates in accordance with this Act may not adversely impact the annual budgets of certain State agencies or programs; requiring the Maryland Environmental Trust to direct outreach to obtain donated easements in a certain manner; requiring the Maryland Environmental Trust to make a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; making certain stylistic changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for certain preservation and conservation easements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–723
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 616 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Board of Electricians – Licensing and Regulation of Electricians – Phase Out of Apprentice, Journeyman, and Master Level Local Licenses

FOR the purpose of altering the purpose, composition, powers, and duties of the State Board of Master Electricians; changing the name of the State Board of Master Electricians to the Board of Electricians; authorizing the Board to issue an apprentice license and a journeyman license under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to adopt a State electrical code; repealing certain powers of the Board in connection with a proceeding; repealing certain subpoena and injunction powers of the Board; requiring a county to enforce the State electrical code or a certain local electrical code; requiring the Board to enforce the State electrical code in a county under certain circumstances; requiring a local jurisdiction to submit modifications to the State electrical code to the Board; requiring the Board to set certain fees by regulation beginning on a certain date; requiring the fees to approximate the cost of maintaining the Board and be based on certain calculations performed by the

Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; requiring the Board to publish a certain fee schedule; requiring the Board to pay certain fees to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to distribute certain fees to a certain fund; requiring an individual to be licensed by the Board before providing or assisting in providing electrical services in the State under certain circumstances; establishing a certain licensing exception for a person that provides limited energy services or that is licensed or registered to provide security systems services; establishing certain licensing exceptions for a person who holds a certain license and who is acting within the scope of that license; phasing out certain local electricians' licenses over a certain period of time; providing that a certain local license is no longer valid on or after a certain date; authorizing a local jurisdiction to continue to renew certain local licenses on or after a certain date under certain circumstances; requiring a local jurisdiction to issue a certain permit under certain circumstances; authorizing a local jurisdiction to issue a certain permit under certain circumstances; altering certain licensing requirements; establishing a continuing education requirement as a condition of journeyman license renewal; prohibiting a local jurisdiction from issuing a certain reciprocal license based on a license issued by another local jurisdiction; establishing a staggered renewal period for licenses; altering the circumstances under which the Board may deny a license to an applicant, reprimand a licensee, or suspend or revoke a license; requiring an advertisement for electrical services to contain certain information; requiring a master electrician to display certain information in a certain manner; prohibiting a person from taking certain actions without a license; establishing certain penalties for certain violations; establishing the Board of Electricians Fund; requiring any unspent portion of the Fund in excess of a certain amount to revert to the General Fund at the end of every other fiscal year; crediting certain earnings to the General Fund; requiring the Secretary to make a certain calculation for certain purposes; establishing that certain fees in effect on a certain date remain in effect until certain other fees are adopted and made effective; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to work with representatives of the limited energy services industry to study issues relating to a State license for the provision of limited energy services; providing for the application of this Act; altering, adding, and repealing certain defined terms; making stylistic and conforming changes; providing for the delayed effective date of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the Board of Electricians and the licensing and regulation of electricians.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 6–101 through 6–103; 6–201 through 6–205 and 6–208 under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 2. Board of Electricians”; and 6–301 through 6–503, 6–505, 6–601, 6–602, 6–604, 6–606, and 6–701

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 6–206, 6–207, 6–603, and 6–605

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 6–206, 6–207, and 6–605 through 6–610
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 6–504, 6–506, and 6–702
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 12–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation
Section 2–106.9 and 2–106.10
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 6–320 through 6–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 2 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 6–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 617 – Senators Norman, Eckardt, Montgomery, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Law – Professional Counselors and Therapists – Misconduct
(Lynette’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a certain professional counselor or therapist from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a person who is receiving counseling from the professional counselor or therapist or who has received counseling from the professional counselor or therapist within a certain period of time; prohibiting a certain professional counselor or therapist from knowingly, and with intent to deceive, making a false statement concerning the person’s criminal record on an employment application; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the conduct of professional counselors and therapists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 9–509
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 618 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Retired Law Enforcement Officer Identification Card

FOR the purpose of requiring a law enforcement agency to provide a retiring law enforcement officer with a certain identification card under certain circumstances; requiring a law enforcement agency to provide a certain retired law enforcement officer with a certain identification card under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement agency to charge a certain fee for an identification card or a replacement card; requiring a law enforcement officer to meet certain requirements to qualify for an identification card under this Act; establishing the form and contents of an identification card issued under this Act; and generally relating to identification cards for retired law enforcement officers.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–510
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 619 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

**State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life – Membership
and Chair**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain member of the State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life to serve for a certain number of years as a member and the chair of the Advisory Council after the completion of a certain number of consecutive terms, notwithstanding certain provisions of law; and generally relating to the membership and chair of the State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1601, 13–1602, and 13–1603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 620 – Senators Montgomery and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Community Cleanup and Greening Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a store from distributing plastic disposable carryout bags to a customer at the point of sale; requiring a store to charge and collect a certain fee for each paper disposable carryout bag the store provides to a customer; authorizing a store to retain a certain amount of a certain fee under certain circumstances; prohibiting a store from advertising or stating certain information under certain circumstances; requiring a store to include certain information on certain receipts; providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to a certain amount of money retained by a store under certain circumstances; requiring the operator of a store to remit a certain amount of money to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to retain a certain amount of money for a certain purpose; requiring the Comptroller to distribute a certain amount of money to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation for a certain purpose and to distribute a certain remaining amount of money to the counties proportional to the county's population; requiring a county that receives a certain distribution of money to use the money only for certain purposes; establishing a certain maximum penalty for a violation of this Act;

providing that a distribution of one or more plastic disposable carryout bags at a single point of sale is a single violation; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to carryout bags and community cleanup and greening efforts.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation

Section 19–104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 621 – Senator Currie

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Mt. Calvary Softball Field

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Bishop McNamara High School, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 622 – Senators Currie, King, Montgomery, Ramirez, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Education – English Language Learner Liaison Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the English Language Learner Liaison Pilot Program in the State Department of Education; requiring the Department to implement the Program in certain local school systems in the State; specifying the purpose of the Program; requiring the Department to report annually to certain committees of the General Assembly; defining a certain term; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the English Language Learner Liaison Pilot Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–437

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 623 – Senators Currie, Benson, Peters, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Property Tax Deferrals – Elderly and Disabled Homeowners

FOR the purpose of requiring that, in Prince George’s County, a certain rate of interest shall be paid on certain county property tax payment deferrals; requiring the governing body of Prince George’s County to establish and promote a certain public awareness campaign related to certain property tax deferral programs; authorizing the governing body of Prince George’s County to provide, by law, a certain payment deferral of the county property tax for certain residential real property; requiring the governing body of Prince George’s County under certain circumstances to specify the duration and certain amounts, restrictions, and income eligibility requirements for the payment deferral; requiring the payment of certain deferred property taxes under certain circumstances; requiring the governing body of Prince George’s County under certain circumstances to provide certain information in a taxpayer’s annual property tax bill; requiring that a payment deferral be authorized by a certain written agreement to be recorded in certain land records; providing for a certain lien attachment under certain circumstances; prohibiting the changing of certain penalties during a certain period of time; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to property tax deferrals in Prince George’s County for certain residential real property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 10–204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 10–204.7

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 624 – Senators Currie, Bates, Ferguson, Guzzone, King, Madaleno, Montgomery, Rosapepe, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Expansion of Career and Technical Education in Maryland

FOR the purpose of creating a Task Force to Study the Expansion of Career and Technical Education in Maryland; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations concerning policies and practices concerning career and technical education; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Expansion of Career and Technical Education in Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 625 – Senators Currie, Edwards, Muse, Peters, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Department of Veterans Affairs – Employment Assistance for Veterans

FOR the purpose of expanding the responsibilities of service centers established by the Department of Veterans Affairs; requiring the Department to provide veterans with certain employment-related services for certain purposes; specifying the types of employment-related services provided to veterans; requiring the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop, in consultation with the Board of Trustees and the Veterans Commission, a certain program to reduce unemployment among veterans by assisting certain businesses to attract, hire, train, and retain certain veterans; requiring that a certain program promote certain strategies for certain purposes; specifying the contents of a certain program; authorizing certain employers to advertise as a “Veteran Certified Company”; specifying the duration of a certain certificate and authorizing the renewal of a certificate under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs and employment assistance services and programs for veterans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–904(a) and 9–905
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 626 – Senators Montgomery and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Registered Nurses – Local Health Departments – Requirements for Personally Preparing and Dispensing Drugs and Devices

FOR the purpose of requiring certain registered nurses who personally prepare and dispense certain drugs and devices in local health departments in accordance with certain provisions of law or to certain patients to comply with a certain formulary and certain requirements; establishing the Committee on Personally Preparing and Dispensing Drugs and Devices by Registered Nurses in Local Health Departments; providing for the composition, terms, chair, and staffing of the Committee; prohibiting a member of the Committee from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Committee to develop and approve a certain formulary and provide a certain review; requiring certain local health departments to be subject to inspection by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department to establish and administer a certain training program for certain registered nurses; requiring that a certain training program be jointly developed and reviewed on a certain basis by the Department, the State Board of Nursing, and the State Board of Pharmacy; authorizing a registered nurse to dispense naloxone to certain certificate holders if the registered nurse complies with a certain formulary and certain provisions of law; authorizing a registered nurse to dispense or otherwise provide certain antibiotic therapy in a certain public health clinic if the registered nurse complies with a certain formulary and certain provisions of law; authorizing a registered nurse to personally prepare and dispense certain drugs and devices in accordance with certain provisions of law or to certain patients if the registered nurse complies with certain requirements; establishing certain requirements that certain registered nurses must comply with to personally prepare and dispense certain drugs and devices; defining certain terms; and generally relating to registered nurses and requirements for personally preparing and dispensing drugs and devices in local health departments.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 3–401 through 3–405 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Registered Nurses Personally Preparing and Dispensing Drugs and Devices in Local Health Departments”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 13–3108 and 18–214.1(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–512
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 627 – Senators Eckardt, Ready, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maintenance of Effort Requirement – Alterations

FOR the purpose of removing the requirement that the maintenance of effort amount increase by a certain amount under certain circumstances; requiring county governing bodies to exclude the cost of a fixed term lease for a certain school facility from the maintenance of effort calculation under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain appropriations not excluded as certain nonrecurring costs from being included in calculating a county's highest local appropriation under certain circumstances; requiring a certain appropriation to be shifted from a county's school operating budget to the county's operating budget under certain circumstances; prohibiting the State Board of Education from denying a county's request to exclude certain appropriations from the maintenance of effort calculation as a qualifying nonrecurring cost; requiring the State Board, in collaboration with county governing bodies and county boards of education, to study certain issues relating to a certain application process; requiring the State Board to make a certain report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to maintenance of effort funding.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 5–202(d)(1), (3), (5), and (6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 628 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

**Wiretapping and Electronic Surveillance – Body–Worn Digital Recording Device
and Electronic Control Device – Exception**

FOR the purpose of establishing that it is lawful under a certain provision of law for a law enforcement officer to intercept a certain oral communication with a certain device under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the interception of oral communications.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 10–402(c)(11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 629 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Maintenance of Effort – Lease Payment Exclusion

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain county governing body to exclude certain lease payments made by the county board of education from the maintenance of effort calculation under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to maintenance of effort funding.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 5–202(d)(1) through (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 630 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Population Ratio Quota

FOR the purpose of altering the population ratio quota that applies to the issuance of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Washington County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–222(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 631 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Wine Tasting License for Class B License Holders – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority for a certain wine tasting license to be issued to a certain Class B (on–off sale) beer, wine and liquor license holder; and generally relating to a wine tasting license for Class B license holders in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 632 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Board of License Commissioners – Expungement of Violations

FOR the purpose of requiring, in Washington County, violations of the alcoholic beverages laws of the State to be expunged by the Washington County Board of License Commissioners after a certain period of time; and generally relating to the expungement of violations by the Washington County Board of License Commissioners.

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 16–508.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 633 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Refillable Container Permit

FOR the purpose of establishing a refillable container permit in Washington County; authorizing the Washington County Board of License Commissioners to issue a refillable container permit to the holders of certain licenses for certain fees and subject to certain requirements; specifying that the permit entitles the holders to sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a certain type of container; specifying certain standards that a refillable container must meet; specifying that the permit is the same as that of the underlying license; specifying certain permit fees; specifying certain advertising, posting of notice, and public hearing requirements; specifying the hours of sale for the permit; authorizing a permit holder to refill only a container that meets certain standards; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Washington County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–222.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 21–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 634 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Liquor Tasting License

FOR the purpose of authorizing a special liquor tasting license to be issued in Washington County; authorizing the license to be issued only to a holder of Class A (off-sale) beer, wine and liquor license; establishing the annual license fee; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Washington County to issue the license for certain purposes; prohibiting the holder of the license from charging for the liquor tasting or sampling; providing for the number of days in a licensing year that the license is effective; requiring the licensee to notify the Board in writing a certain number of days in advance of a scheduled tasting date; prohibiting a licensee from

holding more than one liquor, beer, or wine tasting event on the same day; limiting the number of bottles that may be open at any one time during the tasting event; prohibiting the contents of certain bottles from being mixed; requiring certain bottles to be destroyed; limiting the number of servings for each customer; requiring the Board to adopt regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to a special liquor tasting license in Washington County.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 8–9A–02

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 635 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Board of Education – Alternative Teacher Certification Program

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Washington County Board of Education to establish an alternative teacher certification program; authorizing the Board to declare a critical teacher shortage and certify certain candidates to fill certain teacher shortage vacancies in certain areas during a certain time period; specifying who may fill a certain vacant position during the school year; providing that a candidate hired to fill a critical shortage teacher vacancy is not eligible for a certain certificate except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to an alternative teacher certification program in Washington County.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 6–122

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 636 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – County Clerk

FOR the purpose of altering the duties of the County Clerk of Washington County; repealing a requirement that the County Clerk execute a certain bond before beginning the duties of the office; repealing a requirement that the bond of the County Clerk be recorded and be liable for a certain default or misappropriation of certain money or funds; repealing a requirement that each Washington County agency file with the County Clerk the names and addresses of all attorneys representing the agency; repealing a requirement that each Washington County agency file with the County Clerk the names and addresses of all members of the agency who are attorneys; repealing requirements that the County Clerk maintain certain lists of names filed by each Washington County agency; and generally relating to the County Clerk of Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Washington County
Section 1–202(a), 3–602, and 3–603
Article 22 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2007 Edition and October 2010 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 637 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Hotel Rental Tax Revenue Distribution – Annual Reports

FOR the purpose of altering the due date of certain annual reports to the Washington County Senate and House Delegations to the General Assembly on the county hotel rental tax revenue distribution; and generally relating to annual reports on the Washington County hotel rental tax revenue distribution.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 20–421
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 638 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Maryland Building Performance Standards – Modifications – Local Enforcement

FOR the purpose of requiring Washington County to implement and enforce certain modifications of the Maryland Building Performance Standards adopted by the State no later than a certain period of time for certain portions of the Standards starting with modifications that are effective on a certain date and at a certain frequency thereafter; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to Washington County and local implementation and enforcement of modifications to the Maryland Building Performance Standards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–505
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 639 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Teachers’ Retirement and Pension Systems – Reemployment of Retirees – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of exempting from a certain offset of a retirement allowance certain retirees of the Teachers’ Retirement System or the Teachers’ Pension System who are employed in certain positions in a local school system or the Maryland School for the Deaf; authorizing local school system superintendents and the superintendent of the Maryland School for the Deaf to employ a certain number of certain retirees who will not be subject to a certain offset of a retirement allowance; requiring local school system superintendents and the superintendent of the Maryland School for the Deaf to submit certain reports to the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System and the State Department of Education in a certain manner and by a certain date; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the reemployment of retirees of the teachers’ retirement and pension systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 22–406(c)(4), (9), and (10), (m), and (n) and 23–407(c)(4), (9), and (10), (m), and (n)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 22–406(c)(5), (6), and (8) and 23–407(c)(5), (6), and (8)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 22–406(c)(9) and (12) and 23–407(c)(9) and (12)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 640 – Senators Serafini, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hough, Salling, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Actuarial Stress Tests

FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to commission an actuarial consulting firm on or before a certain date to conduct certain stress tests of future financial positions of the several systems; requiring the actuarial consulting firm to be independent from a certain other firm designated to perform a certain actuarial valuation; requiring the stress tests to be conducted using certain criteria and assumptions; requiring the actuarial consulting firm to submit its findings to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to actuarial stress tests of the several systems in the State Retirement and Pension System.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 641 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “eligible populations” to allow funds from the Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund to be used for services provided to drug offenders under the supervision of certain courts; altering the information an applicant is required to include in a request for Partnership funding; repealing the requirement that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene consult with a certain task force in evaluating a request for and awarding Partnership funding; authorizing a participating county, under certain circumstances, to use Partnership funding to continue or expand funding for eligible functions; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; defining a certain term; altering a certain definition; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 8–6C–01 and 8–6C–04
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 642 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

**Video Lottery Terminals – Small, Minority, and Women–Owned Businesses
Account – Use of Proceeds**

FOR the purpose of altering a certain requirement that certain video lottery proceeds be used for grants for investment capital and loans to small, minority, and women–owned businesses in a certain area; and generally relating to the use of certain video lottery proceeds.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–35(a) and (b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–35(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 643 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Micro–Breweries – Additional License

FOR the purpose of authorizing the holder of a micro–brewery license to apply for and obtain an additional micro–brewery license for another premises; specifying certain limitations on the distribution and sale of beer brewed by a holder of an additional micro–brewery license; providing that certain provisions of law that prohibit a holder of a micro–brewery license from owning, operating, or being affiliated with certain other manufacturers of beer, or being granted a wholesaler alcoholic beverages

license, do not apply in Allegany County or Frederick County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages manufacturers in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–201(b) and 2–208(c)(1), (d)(1), and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 644 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

**Alcoholic Beverages – Allegany County – Class B–MB
(Micro–Brewery/Restaurant) License**

FOR the purpose of creating in Allegany County a Class B–MB (micro–brewery/restaurant) license; specifying that the Board of License Commissioners may issue a Class B–MB license to a holder of a Class 7 manufacturer’s license; providing that the Class B–MB license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer and light wine by the drink or by the bottle and liquor by the drink only for consumption on the licensed premises, including in certain areas; providing that the Class B–MB license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer and light wine by the bottle for off–premises consumption; specifying certain days and hours of sale for the Class B–MB license; specifying a certain annual fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Allegany County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(a)(1) and (b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 6–201(b–1)(9)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 645 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Financial Literacy Curriculum – Graduation Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George’s County Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a certain course in financial literacy as a part of the county board’s high school curriculum; requiring certain curriculum content to include certain instruction; requiring the county board to implement certain curriculum content in high schools in Prince George’s County beginning in a certain school year; requiring certain students to complete a certain course in order to graduate from high school in Prince George’s County beginning in a certain school year; repealing certain language that requires the county board of education to develop curriculum content for a certain course in financial literacy to be offered to all students in a certain grade; repealing certain language that authorizes the county board of education to implement certain curriculum content in middle schools in Prince George’s County beginning in a certain school year; and generally relating to the implementation of a course in financial literacy that is required for graduation from a public high school in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 3–1008

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 3–1008

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 646 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Office of the Public Defender – Caseload Standards

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain defendant or party may not be provided a certain representation by certain personnel of the Office of the Public Defender if the representation would violate certain caseload standards; providing that a certain defendant or party shall be represented by a certain panel attorney; and generally relating to the Office of the Public Defender.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 16–204(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 647 – Senators Madaleno, King, Lee, Manno, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Yeshiva Torah School of
Greater Washington**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$60,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Yeshiva of Greater Washington, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 648 – Senators Muse and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Effect of the Drug Ritalin on School Children

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Effect of the Drug Ritalin on School Children; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to conduct certain public hearings; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Effect of the Drug Ritalin on School Children.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 649 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Contract for Sale of New Home

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain exception to the requirement that a contract for the initial sale of a new home be contingent on the purchaser obtaining a written commitment for a loan secured by the property; making a conforming change; and generally relating to contracts for the sale of property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 14–117(j–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 650 – Senators Muse and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Rebuttable Presumption of Joint Custody

FOR the purpose of creating a rebuttable presumption in certain court proceedings that certain custodial arrangements are in the best interests of a child; authorizing the court to grant sole custody under certain circumstances; and generally relating to child custody determinations.

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 9–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 651 – Senators Muse, Ferguson, McFadden, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Conviction of a Crime That Is No Longer a Crime

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to file a certain petition for expungement if the person was convicted of a crime and the act on which the conviction was based is no longer a crime; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 652 – Senators Muse, Benson, Currie, McFadden, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement of Records

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law that provides that a person is not entitled to expungement of the person’s record if the petition for expungement is based on a certain case disposition and the person, since the disposition, has been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation or is a defendant in a pending criminal proceeding; and generally relating to expungement of records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 653 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Police–Involved Death – State Prosecutor

FOR the purpose of authorizing, under certain circumstances, the State Prosecutor to investigate a death of an individual that results directly from an action or an omission of a law enforcement officer of the State or of a political subdivision of the State while the officer is on duty or while the officer is off duty but performing activities that are within the scope of the officer’s duties; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the State Prosecutor.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 14–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 654 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Immunity – Alcohol– or Drug–Related Medical Emergencies

FOR the purpose of establishing that the act of seeking assistance by a person who experiences a medical emergency after ingesting or using alcohol or drugs may be used as a mitigating factor in a criminal prosecution of the person; altering a certain provision providing certain immunity to a person who seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of certain medical assistance by providing the immunity from a criminal arrest, charge, or prosecution and providing immunity when a person is reasonably believed to be experiencing a medical emergency rather than when the person is experiencing a medical emergency; altering a certain provision providing certain immunity to a person who seeks certain medical assistance by providing immunity from a criminal arrest, charge, or prosecution and providing immunity when the person reasonably believes that the person is experiencing a medical emergency rather than when the person is experiencing a medical emergency; extending the applicability of certain immunity provisions to certain drug paraphernalia offenses and certain persons who receive certain medical assistance; prohibiting a person who seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of certain medical assistance from being sanctioned for a violation of a condition of pretrial release, probation, or parole under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person who seeks, provides, or assists with the provision of certain medical assistance from being detained or prosecuted in connection with an outstanding warrant under certain circumstances; clarifying certain language; and generally relating to immunity and alcohol– or drug–related medical emergencies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 1–210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 655 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Susan D. Mona Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Catholic Charities of

the Archdiocese of Washington, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 656 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Entrance to State Highway – Permit Process

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to consider whether a proposed entrance to a State highway is consistent with the comprehensive plan when determining whether to grant or deny a permit for the entrance; requiring the Administration to determine whether to grant or deny a permit based on a preponderance of certain evidence; requiring the Administration to grant or deny a permit request on or before a certain time period; requiring the Administration to promptly provide written notice and an explanation of the reasons for granting or denying a permit request to certain persons; authorizing a land use authority for the jurisdiction in which a proposed entrance is to be located to appeal the denial of a permit before the Office of Administrative Hearings; clarifying that a permit for an entrance from a residential subdivision to a State highway is governed by certain provisions of law; defining certain terms; making a technical correction; and generally relating to the permit process for entrances to State highways.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Land Use
Section 1–101(r) and 1–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 8–625
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 657 – Senators Madaleno, Guzzone, and McFadden

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Programs to Improve Employee to Supervisor or Manager Ratios

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management and the Secretary of Transportation to establish goals and standards for the ratio of employees to supervisors or managers; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management, the Secretary of Transportation, and the governing boards of State institutions of higher education to establish a program to improve the ratio of certain State employees to supervisors or managers beginning on certain dates; specifying certain goals for establishing reasonable ratios of certain State employees to certain supervisors or managers; requiring the waiver of certain program requirements under certain circumstances; requiring certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; providing for the contents of the reports; and generally relating to programs to improve the ratio of State employees to supervisors or managers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 4–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 2–103.4(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 2–103.4(b)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 12–111(d), 14–104(h)(5), 14–408(d), and 16–510(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 658 – Senators Madaleno, King, and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Anne L. Bronfman Center and Misler Adult Day Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$95,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Council for the Aging of Greater Washington, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 659 – Senators Madaleno, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, Pinsky, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Wage and Hour Law – Tip Credit – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority of an employer to include as part of an employee's wage a certain amount to represent the tips of the employee; and generally relating to the tip credit authorized under the Maryland Wage and Hour Law.

BY repealing

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 3–419

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 660 – Senators Madaleno, Guzzone, and Manno

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

State Budget

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution authorizing the General Assembly to increase or add Executive Department items in the budget bill, subject to a certain limitation; providing for the veto of certain budget bill items; providing for the reversion to original appropriations of certain vetoed items in the budget bill; providing that certain vetoed items in the budget bill shall be void;

authorizing the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates to convene in extraordinary session to consider whether to override a vetoed item in the budget bill; authorizing the General Assembly to override budget bill item vetoes; establishing the manner in which and the time at which budget bill items become law; clarifying language; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article II – Executive Department
Section 17

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 14 and 52(6)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 661 – Senators Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Estate Tax – Unified Credit

FOR the purpose of altering a certain limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after a certain date; altering a certain limitation on the amount of the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after a certain date; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the Maryland estate tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–309(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 7–309(b)(1), (2), and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 662 – Senators Ready, Brochin, Eckardt, and Edwards

AN ACT concerning

State Finance and Procurement – One Maryland Blue Ribbon Commission

FOR the purpose of establishing the One Maryland Blue Ribbon Commission; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to review the current State procurement process and develop policy recommendations to ensure greater participation of businesses located in the State in State contracting; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the One Maryland Blue Ribbon Commission.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 663 – Carroll County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Public Facilities Bonds

FOR the purpose of authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$17,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Carroll County, including water and sewer projects, to finance loans for fire or emergency-related equipment, buildings, and other facilities of volunteer fire departments in the County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds in like par amount; empowering the County to fix and determine, by resolution, the form, tenor, interest rate or rates or method of determining the same, terms, conditions, maturities, and all other details incident to the issuance and sale of the bonds; empowering the County to issue refunding bonds for the purchase or redemption of bonds in advance of maturity; providing that such borrowing may be undertaken by the County in the form of installment purchase obligations executed and delivered by the County for the purpose of acquiring agricultural land and woodland preservation easements; empowering and directing the County to levy, impose, and collect, annually, ad valorem taxes in rate and amount sufficient to provide funds for the payment of the maturing principal of and interest on the bonds; exempting the bonds and refunding bonds and the interest thereon and any income derived therefrom from all State, County, municipal, and other taxation in the State of Maryland; providing that nothing in this Act shall prevent the County from authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds the interest on which is not excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes; and generally relating to the issuance and sale of such bonds.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 664 – Senators Ready, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Norman, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle–Miles–Traveled Tax and Associated Mandated Devices – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State or a local jurisdiction from imposing or levying a vehicle–miles–traveled tax or certain other similar fees, tolls, or taxes; prohibiting the State or a local jurisdiction from requiring the installation of a device in or on a privately owned vehicle to facilitate the reporting of vehicle–miles traveled; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to a prohibition against a vehicle–miles–traveled tax and associated mandated devices.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 9–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 9–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Vehicle–Miles–Traveled Tax – Prohibited”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 22–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 665 – Senators Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, King, Montgomery, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Tax–Free Periods – University and College Textbooks

FOR the purpose of designating certain periods each year to be tax–free periods during which an exemption from the sales and use tax is provided for the sale of certain textbooks purchased by certain individuals; defining a certain term; and generally

relating to sales and use tax-free periods for the sale of university and college textbooks.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 11-232

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 666 – Senators Bates and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Recreational Fishing Licenses – Duration and Expiration Date

FOR the purpose of altering the expiration date for and, under certain circumstances, the duration of certain recreational fishing licenses; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to determine the duration of and effective dates for a certain recreational fishing license; requiring the Department to proportionally prorate the annual license fees for certain recreational fishing licenses; repealing a certain obsolete provision of law; and generally relating to the expiration date for and duration of recreational fishing licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4-210.1(a), 4-216(a), 4-604(b), and 4-745(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4-210.1(e), 4-216(c), 4-604(h)(1), and 4-745(a)(3) and (d)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 667 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Real-Time Transparency Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of requiring a political committee to file a contribution report within a certain period of time after receiving a single contribution, transfer, or loan of a certain amount during the year of an election in which the political committee is participating; requiring contribution reports to include certain information; providing that contribution reports filed by a political committee are in addition to certain other reports filed by a political committee; requiring a political committee to include information reported in its contribution reports in certain other reports filed by the political committee; requiring the State Board of Elections to assess a late filing fee for failure to file a contribution report; providing for the amount, payment, use, and other matters concerning late filing fees; and generally relating to requiring rapid reporting of certain contributions, transfers, and loans to political committees.

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 13–309.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 668 – Senators Young, Benson, and Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Child Sexual Abuse – Statute of Limitations

FOR the purpose of altering the statute of limitations in certain civil actions relating to child sexual abuse; and generally relating to child sexual abuse.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–117

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 669 – Senators Young, Lee, Nathan–Pulliam, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients; establishing eligibility requirements for participation in the Program; providing for the amount, duration, renewal, and uses of certain awards; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–3101 through 18–3106 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 31. Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 670 – Senators Young, Montgomery, Pinsky, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Corporations and Business Entities – Filing Fees and Combined Reporting

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from imposing a certain fee for the filing of certain documents by certain corporations and business entities; requiring certain corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a certain method; authorizing certain corporations, subject to regulations adopted by the Comptroller, to determine certain income using a certain method; requiring, subject to regulations adopted by the Comptroller, certain groups of corporations to file a combined income tax return reflecting the aggregate income tax liability of all the members of the group; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; requiring certain regulations to be consistent with certain regulations adopted by the Multistate Tax Commission; requiring the Comptroller to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to fees collected by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation and the Maryland corporate income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations

Section 1–203(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–203(b)(3)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–402.1 and 10–402.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–811
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 671 – Senators Young, Montgomery, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Motor Vehicle Administration – Commercial Driver’s License – Program for
Veterans and Service Members
(Troops to Trucks)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to establish a program to assist veterans and members of the military transitioning out of military service to obtain a commercial driver’s license and find employment; requiring the Administration, as part of the program, to waive a certain skills test for certain program participants, coordinate with certain persons to provide certain education courses on military bases, and establish a certain process; requiring the Administration to adopt certain regulations; making a conforming change; and generally relating to commercial drivers’ licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–807(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 16–807.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 672 – Senators Young and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Public and Nonpublic Schools – Student Diabetes Management Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with certain other organizations, to establish certain guidelines for the training of trained diabetes care providers; providing for the content of the guidelines; requiring each county board of education to require certain public schools to establish a certain Student Diabetes Management Program in the school; providing that certain nonpublic schools may establish a Student Diabetes Management Program in the school; providing that a nonpublic school may conduct or contract for a course for training trained diabetes care providers that includes certain items; providing for the purpose and requirements of the Program; authorizing certain employees to volunteer for participation in a certain Program; prohibiting public and nonpublic schools from compelling certain employees to participate in a certain Program; requiring certain trained diabetes care providers in the Program to perform certain tasks; providing that certain services performed by certain trained diabetes care providers may not be construed as performing acts of nursing under certain circumstances; establishing immunity from liability for certain employees under certain circumstances; requiring certain parents or guardians of a certain student to submit a Diabetes Medical Management Plan to the school under certain circumstances; requiring a certain meeting of certain individuals be held within a certain period of time; authorizing a certain student to perform certain diabetes care tasks under certain circumstances in accordance with a certain Plan; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a Student Diabetes Management Program and public and nonpublic schools.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–437 and 7–438

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 673 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Brewing Company Off–Site Permit and Beer Festival Permit

FOR the purpose of requiring the Office of the Comptroller to collect a fee for a beer festival permit; authorizing the Comptroller to issue a brewing company off-site permit to certain persons who meet certain requirements; establishing a beer festival permit to be issued by the Comptroller; authorizing the Comptroller to issue a beer festival permit to certain persons who meet certain requirements, provided that the beer festival will occur over a certain period of time; authorizing a beer festival permit holder to purchase beer at wholesale to provide and sell beer for certain purposes under certain circumstances; requiring a beer festival permit holder to provide space at the beer festival for holders of brewing company off-site permits; authorizing a brewing company off-site permit holder to provide and sell beer in the same manner as a beer festival permit holder under certain circumstances; authorizing a beer festival permit holder to provide or sell at the beer festival only certain alcoholic beverages; requiring a beer festival permit holder to have certain agents present during a certain event; requiring an applicant for a beer festival permit to submit a certain application form provided by the Comptroller within a certain period of time before the proposed event and pay a certain fee to obtain a permit; specifying the contents of an application for a beer festival permit; requiring a beer festival permit holder to provide the Comptroller with a list of brewing company off-site permit holders that will attend a certain beer festival within a certain period of time before the event; making a technical change; and generally relating to the brewing company off-site permits and beer festival permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–101(b) and 2–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 674 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Brewery License – On-Premises Consumption

FOR the purpose of altering the total amount of beer that a brewery licensee may sell each year for on-premises consumption; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–206(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–206(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 675 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Biosafety Level 3 (BSL–3)
Laboratory Safety Program**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Biosafety Level 3 (BSL–3) Laboratory Safety Program; requiring the Program to identify certain BSL–3 laboratories in the State and their locations and collect certain other information regarding safety issues relevant to BSL–3 laboratories; requiring certain BSL–3 laboratories in the State to report certain information to the Program; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to report annually to the General Assembly and certain local jurisdictions in a certain manner certain aggregate information regarding BSL–3 laboratories in the State; providing that certain information prepared for and maintained by the Program shall be confidential and is not subject to the public information law; providing for certain penalties; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the establishment of the Biosafety Level 3 (BSL–3) Laboratory Safety Program.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 17–701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Biosafety Level 3
(BSL–3) Laboratory Safety Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 676 – Senators Young, Feldman, Kelley, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Pinsky, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Richard E. Israel and Roger “Pip” Moyer Death With Dignity Act

FOR the purpose of authorizing a qualified patient to request aid in dying by making certain requests; prohibiting an individual from requesting aid in dying on behalf of a patient; requiring a written request for aid in dying to meet certain requirements; establishing certain requirements for witnesses to a written request for aid in dying; requiring a written request for aid in dying to be in a certain form; requiring an attending physician who receives a written request for aid in dying to make a certain determination and to accept certain documents or certain knowledge as proof of certain residency; requiring an attending physician to provide certain information to a patient for a certain purpose and to refer a patient to a consulting physician, under certain circumstances; requiring a consulting physician to fulfill certain duties; requiring an attending physician or a consulting physician to refer a patient to a certain individual for a competency evaluation, under certain circumstances; prohibiting an attending physician from providing a patient with medication for aid in dying until a certain individual providing the competency evaluation makes a certain determination and communicates the determination to certain individuals in a certain manner; requiring an attending physician to take certain actions, under certain circumstances; requiring a pharmacist to dispense medication for aid in dying, under certain circumstances; authorizing an attending physician to sign a qualified patient’s death certificate, under certain circumstances; requiring the qualified patient’s death certificate to list a certain cause of death; requiring an attending physician to ensure that the medical record of a qualified patient documents or contains certain information; providing that certain records or information are not subject to subpoena or discovery and may not be introduced into evidence in certain proceedings, except for a certain purpose; requiring a certain individual to dispose of certain medication in a lawful manner; providing that the death of a patient by reason of self-administration of certain medication shall be deemed to be a death from certain natural causes, for certain purposes; making void a certain provision of certain legal instruments; prohibiting a certain provision of law enacted by this Act from being construed to prohibit a certain cause of action; providing that this Act does not authorize certain individuals to end a patient’s life by certain means; providing that actions taken in accordance with this Act do not constitute certain actions; making certain provisions in an insurance policy or certain other agreements issued on or after a certain date invalid; prohibiting certain obligations existing on a certain date or certain actions taken in relation to certain insurance policies from being conditioned on or affected by the making or rescinding of a request for aid in dying; prohibiting a qualified patient’s act of self-administering medication for aid in dying from having certain effects under

certain insurance policies; prohibiting a person from being subject to certain liability or certain action for participating in good faith compliance with this Act; prohibiting certain persons or entities from subjecting a person to certain actions for participating or refusing to participate in good faith compliance with this Act; providing that a patient's request for aid in dying or an attending physician's prescription of medication in good faith compliance with this Act does not constitute neglect or provide the sole basis for an appointment of a guardian or conservator; authorizing a health care provider to prohibit another health care provider from participating in aid in dying on certain premises, under certain circumstances; authorizing a health care provider to subject another health care provider to certain sanctions, under certain circumstances; providing that certain authorization does not prohibit a health care provider from participating in aid in dying, under certain circumstances, or prohibit a patient from contracting with a certain physician for a certain purpose; providing that participation by a health care provider in aid in dying is voluntary; prohibiting a health care facility from requiring certain physicians to participate in aid in dying; requiring an attending physician to provide certain information to a patient and transfer a copy of certain medical records, under certain circumstances; authorizing a health care facility to adopt certain policies; establishing certain penalties for certain violations; providing that certain provisions of this Act do not limit certain liability; providing that certain penalties do not preclude certain penalties applicable under other law for certain conduct; establishing that a licensed health care professional does not violate the statutory prohibition on assisted suicide by taking certain actions in accordance with this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to aid in dying.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 5–6A–01 through 5–6A–16 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6A. The
Richard E. Israel and Roger “Pip” Moyer Death With Dignity Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 677 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Education – Professional Development for Teachers and Providers of Early Childhood Education – Master Plan

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Maryland Higher Education Commission, to develop a certain master plan that focuses on certain issues relating to qualified providers of early childhood education services; providing for the contents of a certain master plan; requiring the Department and the Commission to make certain recommendations; requiring the Department and the Commission to submit a certain plan and certain recommendation on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to professional development in the early childhood education workforce.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 678 – Senators Raskin and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Debt Collection – Attachment and Execution – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of wages of a judgment debtor that are exempt from attachment; altering certain exemptions from execution on a certain judgment; establishing certain exemptions from execution on a certain judgment; authorizing a debtor to waive a certain exemption relating to certain residential real property under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to debt collection and exemptions from an attachment of wages or an execution of judgment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 15–601.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 11–504
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 679 – Senators Raskin, Kagan, and Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Election of Circuit Court Judges – Nonpartisan General Election

FOR the purpose of establishing a method for the election of judges to the circuit court on a nonpartisan basis at a general election; providing that a candidate for election as judge of a circuit court may be nominated at a primary election; establishing a deadline for the filing of a certificate of candidacy for a candidate for election as a judge of the circuit court; deeming the office of judge of a circuit court vacant under certain circumstances and requiring that the vacancy be filled in a certain manner; providing that a candidate for judge of a circuit court may not be nominated by petition; providing that the names of certain candidates be placed on the ballot in random order; and generally relating to the election of circuit court judges.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5–203, 5–301(a), and 5–703(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5–303, 5–703(a), and 9–210(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 8–901 through 8–904, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9.
Election of Circuit Court Judges”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 680 – Senators Raskin and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

**Blue Ribbon Commission on Voting, Openness, Transparency, and Equality
(VOTE) in Elections**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Blue Ribbon Commission on Voting, Openness, Transparency, and Equality (VOTE) in Elections; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from

receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Blue Ribbon Commission on Voting, Openness, Transparency, and Equality (VOTE) in Elections.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 681 – Senators Feldman and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Corporations – Maryland General Corporation Law – Miscellaneous Provisions

FOR the purpose of clarifying the rights of a subscriber for shares of stock of a corporation; providing that an individual, whether or not then a director, may assent to an action by a consent that will be effective at a future time under certain circumstances; providing that a person, whether or not then a stockholder, may assent to an action by a consent that will be effective at a future time under certain circumstances; providing that certain consents shall be deemed to have been given at the effective time under certain circumstances; providing that certain consents are revocable before the effective time unless otherwise provided in the consents; altering the circumstances under which certain mergers may be approved by the board of directors of a corporation, without a meeting of the stockholders; defining certain terms; making certain conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to the Maryland General Corporation Law.

BY adding to

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 2–202(d) and 2–408(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 2–408(d), 2–505(f), and 3–106.1(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 682 – Senators Feldman and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Electric Vehicles – Use of High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lanes – Reciprocity
With Virginia**

FOR the purpose of requiring, under certain circumstances, that electric vehicles registered in the Commonwealth of Virginia that qualify for the use of high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes in Virginia be allowed to use HOV lanes in Maryland; authorizing the State Highway Administration to limit the number of electric vehicles allowed to use HOV lanes under this Act under certain circumstances; requiring the State Highway Administration to adopt certain regulations; making this Act subject to a certain contingency; and generally relating to electric vehicles and HOV lanes.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 683 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Education – Next Generation Schools – Established

FOR the purpose of requiring certain Next Generation Schools to be operated under the supervision of the State Board of Education; requiring the State Board to submit a certain request for proposals (RFP) for a certain number of operators of Next Generation Schools on or before a certain date; requiring certain operators to meet certain qualifications; requiring a certain RFP to include certain information; authorizing certain operators to request certain waivers subject to certain limitations; requiring certain teachers and personnel to be paid a certain salary and authorizing them to form certain bargaining units for certain purposes; requiring the State Board to determine the funding of a Next Generation School; authorizing the State Board to include certain students in certain enrollment counts for certain purposes under certain circumstances; requiring certain county boards of education to pay certain amounts of money to the State Department of Education under certain circumstances; requiring certain county governing bodies to include certain students in certain calculations under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to disburse certain funds to Next Generation Schools under certain circumstances; establishing a certain fund for a certain purpose; requiring the Department to administer the fund; providing for the composition of the fund; specifying the uses of the fund; requiring the State Treasurer to invest the money of the fund in a certain manner; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of Next Generation Schools in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–1701 through 7–1707 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Next Generation Schools”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 684 – Senators Ferguson, Madaleno, Montgomery, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program; establishing the purpose of the Program; establishing the Maryland Beverage Recycling Organization; establishing the structure, purpose, and membership of the Organization; establishing a Board of Directors for the Organization; providing for the composition of the Board; providing for the election, terms, and staggering of terms of the Board; requiring the Board to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Organization; specifying the duties and responsibilities of the Organization; requiring that every redeemable beverage container sold in the State indicate a certain refund value in a certain manner on and after a certain date; prohibiting a certain container from being sold before a certain date; requiring that wholesale and certain retail prices of a certain container include a certain refund value on and after a certain date; authorizing certain on-premises sellers to apply to the Organization for a bulk refund rate; authorizing a redeemer to return an empty redeemable beverage container to a certain location for a certain refund on and after a certain date; requiring a certain retailer to accept an empty redeemable beverage container and pay a certain refund value on and after a certain date; authorizing any retailer to participate in the Program; requiring a redemption center to accept an empty redeemable beverage container and pay a certain refund value on and after a certain date; requiring the Organization to establish and collect an exemption fee that a certain retailer may pay in lieu of participating in the Program; specifying the manner in which the exemption fee will be determined; specifying the manner in which a retailer or redemption center will calculate a certain refund value; specifying the manner in which the money collected from an exemption fee will be allocated; requiring the Organization to establish and operate certain redemption centers throughout the State; authorizing a county, municipality, or person to apply to the Organization to operate a certain redemption center; requiring the repayment of a certain loan in a certain manner; specifying the contents of Program revenue; specifying the manner in which unredeemed deposits will be used; establishing a Redeemable Beverage Container Environmental Grant Program; establishing the amount of funding for the Grant; requiring the Chesapeake Bay Trust to administer the Grant; establishing the Reserve Recycling Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; establishing the Maryland Recycling Advisory Committee; providing for the membership of the Committee;

providing for the election and term of the chair; specifying the duties and responsibilities of the Committee; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide staff for the Committee; requiring the legislative auditor to audit the accounts and transactions of the Program; requiring the Organization to submit a certain report to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly beginning on a certain date and with a certain frequency; specifying the content of the report; authorizing the Legislative Policy Committee to initiate a certain review within a certain number of days after receipt of the report; requiring that certain investment earnings be credited to the Fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of the Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 9–1733 through 9–1743 to be under the new part “Part V. Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82.

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)83.

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 685 – Senators Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, King, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Ramirez, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Information and Services for Foster Children and Former Foster Children

FOR the purpose of requiring a juvenile court, in certain permanency planning and guardianship review hearings, to make a finding as to whether a local department of social services has made reasonable efforts to take certain actions for a child who is at least a certain age; requiring a local department to advise a child before emancipation of the right to reenter care and procedures for reentering care under certain provisions of law; requiring a local department to contact a certain former child in need of assistance under certain circumstances and advise the child of the right to reenter care and procedures for reentering care under certain provisions of law; requiring a local department to document certain efforts; requiring the Social Services Administration to adopt certain regulations to require that all children in foster care who are at least 18 years of age have certain documents, information, and records at emancipation; altering the information that the Administration is required to give certain children in out-of-home placement annually; requiring the Department of Human Resources to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date on certain plans of each local department of social services to provide and promote affordable housing and employment opportunities for former foster youth; requiring the plans to include certain information; and generally relating to information and services for foster youth and former foster youth.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–816.1(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–525(b)(3), (j), and (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 686 – Senators Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Gladden, Hough, McFadden, Middleton, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Maryland Uniform Collateral Consequences of Conviction Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Attorney General to take certain steps to identify, collect, and publish in a certain manner certain laws that impose a certain collateral

sanction on a person who is convicted of a certain offense; requiring a State's Attorney to provide certain information to a person charged with a certain offense; requiring a court to confirm that a certain notice has been received and is understood by a certain person; providing that a new collateral sanction may be imposed only by a certain procedure; requiring a certain decision maker to take certain steps in making a certain determination; providing for the construction of a case disposition from another jurisdiction; authorizing a certain petition for a certain order of limited relief; authorizing a certain petition for a certain order for a certain certificate of restoration of rights; providing that a certain order may not be issued for a certain purpose; requiring a certain sentencing court or the Maryland Parole Commission to make a certain notification, issue a certain order, or impose a certain condition; authorizing a sentencing court or the Commission to restrict or revoke a certain order under certain circumstances; authorizing the court and the Commission to issue a certain order under certain circumstances; authorizing the introduction of a certain certificate at a certain judicial or administrative hearing; providing for participation by a certain victim in a certain proceeding; providing for the construction of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the citation of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the collateral consequences of a conviction.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–301 through 10–317 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3. Maryland Uniform Collateral Consequences of Conviction Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 687 – Senators Benson, Madaleno, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Parental Leave

FOR the purpose of providing that certain State employees may be entitled to parental leave with pay under certain circumstances; establishing the maximum number of days of parental leave that certain employees may use for the care and nurturing of a child following the birth or adoption of the child; providing that an employee may use parental leave only after obtaining approval from the employee's appointing authority; prohibiting an employee who uses parental leave from receiving certain payment unless the employee takes a certain action; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to parental leave for State employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 9–1101

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 9–1108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 688 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Fair Scheduling Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an employer to provide employees with a certain work schedule within a certain time period, notify employees of certain changes, and provide employees with a new work schedule within a certain time period; requiring an employer to conspicuously post at each work site certain work schedules; requiring, except under certain circumstances, an employee's work schedule to begin on the same day of the week each workweek; prohibiting an employer from requiring an employee to work certain hours, except under certain circumstances, or find another employee to cover certain hours; authorizing an employee to make certain requests and provide input regarding the employee's work schedule; providing for the application and construction of certain provisions of this Act; prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, an employer from making changes to an employee's work schedule; requiring an employer to pay certain predictability pay under certain circumstances; requiring an employer to pay an employee for certain hours of work at a certain rate for certain shifts; requiring each employer to record certain wages and pay in a certain statement of earnings and specify in the statement certain hours; requiring employers to keep certain records for a certain minimum period of time, maintain the records at a certain location, and make the records available for inspection by certain individuals; providing that each day an employer violates a certain provision of this Act is a separate violation; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to enter a place of employment for certain purposes; providing that certain records and statements are confidential and may be shown only to certain persons; requiring the Commissioner to take certain action under certain circumstances; authorizing the Attorney General to bring a certain action for certain relief in a certain county; prohibiting an employer from taking certain action against an employee under certain circumstances; authorizing an employee to bring a certain action against an employer under certain circumstances; authorizing a court, under certain circumstances, to award an employee certain wages, damages, fees, and other costs; authorizing the Commissioner to adopt regulations necessary to carry out this Act; requiring the Commissioner to enforce this Act; authorizing the Commissioner to conduct a certain investigation under certain circumstances; providing for the

construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Fair Scheduling Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 2–106(b) and 3–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–103(k); and 3–1301 through 3–1311 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle
13. Fair Scheduling Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 689 – Senators Benson, Currie, and Peters

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Transfer Tax – Deputy Sheriffs

FOR the purpose of extending a certain tax rate reduction under the Prince George’s County transfer tax to the sale of certain property to a Prince George’s County deputy sheriff under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the Prince George’s County transfer tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Prince George’s County
Section 10–187(b)(4)
Article 17 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2011 Edition, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 690 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Removal of Dead Bodies – Police Presence

FOR the purpose of requiring, on request of a certain mortuary science practitioner and under certain circumstances, a police officer called to a residence where an individual has died to remain at the residence until the body has been removed from the residence by the mortuary science practitioner or medical examiner or for a certain

period of time; defining certain terms; and generally relating to police presence and the removal of dead bodies.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–510

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 691 – Senators Benson, Ferguson, Montgomery, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Maryland After–School and Summer Opportunity Fund Program – Funding Requirement

FOR the purpose of establishing the After–School and Summer Opportunity Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Governor’s Office for Children to administer the Fund as directed by a certain committee; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; providing for the investment of money in the Fund; requiring the Governor to provide a certain amount to the Fund in the annual State budget; and generally relating to the Maryland After–School and Summer Opportunity Program.

BY renumbering

Article – Human Services

Section 8–1105 through 8–1107, respectively

to be Section 8–1106 through 8–1108, respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Human Services

Section 8–1101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Human Services

Section 8–1102 and 8–1104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Human Services
Section 8–1105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 692 – Senators Benson, Currie, and Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – State Police – Statewide Database on Police Brutality

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of State Police to establish and maintain a statewide database capturing certain information on police conduct and liability; requiring the Secretary of State Police to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to collecting information on police misconduct.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety
Section 2–315
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 693 – Senators Benson, Ramirez, Currie, Guzzone, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Ambient Air Quality Control – Cumulative Air Impact Analysis

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a certain permit until certain requirements have been met; prohibiting the Department from recommending certain licensing conditions until certain requirements have been met; requiring the Department to conduct a Cumulative Air Impact Analysis under certain circumstances in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department to issue a certain report under certain circumstances in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to review a certain report and submit certain recommendations in accordance with certain requirements; requiring a certain final determination to address certain recommendations submitted by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide certain notice under certain circumstances in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department of the Environment to hold a certain informational meeting in accordance with

certain requirements; authorizing the Department of the Environment to require a certain applicant to provide additional notice and opportunities for public input under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of the Environment to ensure that a certain notice, meeting, or hearing is meaningfully accessible to certain individuals; requiring a certain applicant to bear certain costs; requiring the renewal of a certain permit to be subject to certain requirements; requiring the Department of the Environment to maintain certain information on its Web site; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to identify certain factors, review certain science, and review certain data, on or before a certain date; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, after a certain date, to update certain information every 5 years; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to collect other data under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department of the Environment to expand the geographic scope of a certain defined term by regulation in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department of the Environment to develop a certain list in accordance with certain requirements; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a Cumulative Air Impact Analysis.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 2–1301 through 2–1306 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13. Cumulative Air Impact Analysis”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 694 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Oyster Shell Recycling – Transfer of Credit

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual or a corporation to sell and transfer a certain verification required for a certain credit against the State income tax for each bushel of oyster shells recycled during the taxable year; requiring the Department of Natural Resources and the Comptroller to jointly adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a State income tax credit for oyster shell recycling.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–724.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 695 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Public Information Act – Enforcement, Fees, and Exemptions

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law regarding the maintenance of public records relating to certain agricultural operations and programs; establishing the State Public Information Act Compliance Board; requiring the Governor to publish on the Governor's Office Web site certain notice relating to applications for membership on the Board and the names and qualifications of certain applicants; authorizing the Governor to broadcast certain interviews on the Governor's Office Web site; requiring the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint the members of the Board from a certain pool of applicants; providing for the composition, chair, terms, and meetings of the Board; prohibiting a member of the Board from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to provide staff for the Board; providing for the powers and duties of the Board; authorizing any person to file a certain complaint with the Board; requiring that the complaint contain certain information, be signed by the complainant, and filed within a certain time period; requiring the Board to take certain action regarding a complaint; requiring a custodian who receives a complaint from the Board to file a certain response within a certain time period; requiring the Board to maintain the confidentiality of a certain public record; authorizing the Board, under certain circumstances, to hold a certain conference; providing that a certain conference held by the Board is not a contested case; requiring the Board to assess certain statutory damages and reimbursement of certain fees under certain circumstances; providing that compliance by a custodian with an order of the Board is not a certain admission and may not be used as evidence in a certain proceeding; providing that a complainant is not required to exhaust certain administrative remedies before seeking certain judicial review; repealing certain provisions of law related to the administrative review of a decision to deny inspection of a public record; requiring a person receiving benefits from the State to relinquish certain public records to a certain custodian; establishing that failure to comply with a certain provision of law constitutes a denial of a certain application and may not be considered the result of a bona fide dispute; altering a certain provision of law to require a custodian who denies an application to inspect public records to provide certain information to the applicant within certain periods of time; repealing a certain limitation on the requirement that a custodian allow inspection of any part of a record that is subject to disclosure; prohibiting a custodian from denying or ignoring an application to inspect public records on certain grounds; altering certain provisions of law that authorize a custodian to charge a reasonable fee for certain tasks relating to public records requests; authorizing a custodian to require a certain statement from an applicant under certain circumstances;

prohibiting an applicant from obtaining any part of a public record under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to establish a penalty for a certain violation of a certain provision of this Act; requiring a custodian within a certain period of time to provide certain evidence to the Board if the custodian refuses to waive a certain fee under certain circumstances; requiring a custodian to provide certain proof to the Board if an applicant challenges a certain denial to disclose certain public records; establishing that certain defendants are liable for certain statutory damages under certain circumstances; repealing certain burdens of proof that a complainant must show to recover certain damages in a certain court; defining certain terms; specifying the initial terms of the members of the Board; making conforming changes; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to the Public Information Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 8–801.1 and 8–1010
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–101, 4–201, 4–203, 4–206, 4–343; and 4–362 and the amended part
designation “Part VI. Judicial Review” immediately preceding Section
4–361
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–1A–01 through 4–1A–10 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 1A. State
Public Information Act Compliance Board”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

BY repealing
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–361
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 696 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Oyster Poaching – Administrative Penalties

FOR the purpose of altering the administrative penalties that apply to a person for knowingly committing certain offenses related to oyster poaching by authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to suspend the person's oyster license for a first offense; clarifying that any one of certain oyster poaching offenses qualifies as a second or subsequent offense for certain purposes under certain circumstances; and generally relating to administrative penalties for oyster poaching.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–1210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 697 – Senators Hershey, Eckardt, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Workgroup to Evaluate Mental Health Care Delivery on the Eastern Shore

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to convene a workgroup to evaluate and make findings and recommendations regarding the state of mental health care delivery on the Eastern Shore of Maryland; requiring the workgroup to include certain individuals; requiring the Department to report the findings and recommendations of the workgroup in a certain manner to certain legislative committees on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Workgroup to Evaluate Mental Health Care Delivery on the Eastern Shore.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 698 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax – Valuation of Real Property – Internet Database

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation maintain a database, available to the public on the Department's Web site, that relates to the valuation of certain real property in the State and includes certain information about each property; requiring the Department to maintain a database, available to the public on the Department's Web site, of assessment worksheets and cards that relate to the valuation of real property in the State;

providing that assessment worksheets and cards may not include certain statements; and generally relating to a database, accessible to the public, of information relating to the valuation of real property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 699 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Primary Education – State Standardized Assessments – Moratorium

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education to place a moratorium on State standardized assessments in prekindergarten through grade 2 during certain school years; providing that a public school may not be required to administer a certain assessment during a certain time; making a certain exception for the administration of a pilot State standardized assessment in conjunction with a certain report; requiring the State Board of Education, in consultation with certain stakeholders, to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a moratorium on State standardized assessments.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 700 – Senators Jennings and Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Consumer Protection – Ticket Transfers

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a ticket seller or an operator of a ticket seller’s Web site from prohibiting the transfer of a certain ticket, requiring an additional fee for the transfer of a certain ticket, or requiring a purchaser of a ticket to present certain identification or a certain credit card to gain entry to an entertainment event; and generally relating to the purchase and transfer of tickets.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–4001
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–4002.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 701 – Senators Jennings, Miller, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Harford County – Agricultural Research and
Exposition Foundation**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Agricultural Research & Exposition Foundation, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 702 – Senators Jennings, Klausmeier, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore County – Property Tax Credit – Homes Near a Refuse Disposal
System**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant a credit against the county property tax for certain owner–occupied residential real property within a certain proximity to a certain refuse disposal system under certain conditions; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for certain residential real property in proximity to a certain refuse disposal system in Baltimore County.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–305(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 703 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Medical Stop–Loss Insurance – Small Employers

FOR the purpose of altering, with a certain exception, certain attachment points above which a medical stop–loss insurer assumes certain liability for losses incurred by an insured; applying the altered attachment points to renewal of a policy or contract of medical stop–loss insurance; prohibiting a medical stop–loss insurer, for a certain policy or contract, from taking certain actions; requiring a medical stop–loss insurer, for a certain policy or contract, to guarantee certain rates, pay certain claims within a certain period, and disclose certain information to a small employer; requiring a medical stop–loss insurer, on or before a certain date each year, to file a certain actuarial certification with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; making a certain conforming change; and generally relating to medical stop–loss insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15–129

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 704 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Supermarkets – Class B and Class BLX Licenses

FOR the purpose of exempting the issuance of a certain Class B or Class BLX on–sale beer, wine and liquor license for a certain corporation from certain residency requirements; exempting the issuance of a Class B or Class BLX on–sale beer, wine and liquor license on behalf of a certain supermarket or supermarket chain store from a certain prohibition against the issuance of more than one license for the use of a corporation in Baltimore City or any county of the State; exempting the issuance of a Class B or Class BLX on–sale beer, wine and liquor license on behalf of a certain supermarket or supermarket chain store from a certain prohibition against the issuance of a Class B beer, wine and liquor license for use in conjunction with or on the premises of a supermarket or supermarket chain store; and generally relating to the issuance of licenses on behalf of supermarkets.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–101(a)(1) and 9–102(a) and (a–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–101(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 9–102(b–10)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 705 – Senators Montgomery, Cassilly, Klausmeier, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Assault – First Responders

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from intentionally causing physical injury to another if the person knows or has reason to know that the other is a firefighter, an emergency medical technician, a rescue squad member, or any other first responder engaged in providing emergency medical care or rescue services; applying certain penalties; and generally relating to assaults on first responders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 706 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Lutherville Volunteer Fire Company Station Expansion

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Lutherville Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 3 – Senators Lee, Bates, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, and Ready

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Honoring the Surviving Human Trafficking Victims of Asia and the Pacific Islands During World War II

FOR the purpose of extending the profound hope of the General Assembly of Maryland that the historical record of the crimes against the “ianfu” or “comfort women” of World War II will serve as a lasting reminder to the world that crimes against humanity will not be condoned or tolerated; providing that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Services to certain individuals; and generally relating to honoring the surviving victims of human trafficking in Asia and the Pacific Islands during World War II.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Joint Resolution 4 – Senator Pugh

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

State Government – Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage Flag

FOR the purpose of urging the Governor to recognize, by proclamation, the Freedom and Heritage flag as the official flag of the Vietnamese American community; urging the Governor to require that a certain flag, if displayed on the grounds of State buildings or institutions of higher education, be replaced by the Freedom and Heritage flag; providing that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Services to certain individuals; and generally relating to the Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage flag.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #2

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 7 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Electronic Cigarettes – Sale to Minors – Components, Supplies, and Enforcement

SB0007/707972/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 7 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Middleton” and substitute “Senators Middleton, Benson, Feldman, Kelley, Klausmeier, Montgomery, Pugh, Reilly, and Waugh”; strike beginning with “changing” in line 9 down through “infraction;” in line 10; strike beginning with the first “authorizing” in line 14 down through “costs;” in line 15; and in line 17, after “purpose;” insert “defining a certain term;”.

On page 2, in lines 12 and 13, in each instance, strike the bracket; and in line 13, before “CIVIL” insert “OR A”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 23, after “(1)” insert “IN THIS SUBSECTION, “DESIGNEE” MEANS A RETIRED SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER EMPLOYED BY A COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER OR AN EMPLOYEE OF A LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT TRAINED IN CIVIL ENFORCEMENT.”

(2)”;

and in line 26, strike “(2)” and substitute “(3)”.

On page 3, in lines 11, 14, and 28, strike “(3)”, “(4)”, and “(5)”, respectively, and substitute “(4)”, “(5)”, and “(6)”, respectively.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 3, inclusive; in lines 4 and 10, strike “(6)” and “(7)”, respectively, and substitute “(7)” and “(8)”, respectively; and strike beginning with “(I)” in line 4 down through “(II)” in line 7.

The preceding 3 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 59 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

LINCOLN DAY ADDRESS

Given by The Honorable Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt

Lincoln Day Address, February 9, 2015

Good evening President Miller, President Pro Tem McFadden, Senate Members, Distinguished Guests, Colleagues, Family, and friends.

I am honored to once again have the opportunity to deliver the 2015 Lincoln Day Address. Tonight’s presentation builds on my previous research and knowledge about our 16th President Abraham Lincoln who preserved the Union during the Civil War and brought about the Emancipation of Slaves. He is regarded as one of America’s greatest heroes who with his humble beginnings and subsequent rise to achievement in the highest office, combined with his personality and his tragic and unexpected death at a time when his country needed him most create a legacy that endures. His eloquent statements of

democracy and his success in preserving the Union embody the ideals of self-government that all nations strive to achieve.

When I presented..... to the House of Delegates, I did so through a role play as Mary Todd Lincoln. I was accompanied by a colleague portraying President Lincoln and we spoke to the group in the House as if it was during the last days prior to his assassination and the end of the War. Reflecting on that experience, I reviewed the information collected at that time as I considered the focus for this presentation. I could review Lincoln's life – those early humble beginnings in Kentucky, the family move to Indiana following a land dispute, the relocation then to Illinois and ultimately Lincoln's decision to leave the family to go out on his own. I could talk about the significant loves and losses in his life or his depressive tendencies, or the importance of books and reading, nurtured by his step mother, that became his educational foundation or the hard manual labor and task mastery necessary for survival in those early formative years, or what about an analysis of his life as reviewed through the tasks and challenges of his growth and development to see what lessons I could identify to offer others.

Many previous speakers have focused on the political environment of the time, Lincoln's personality and leadership style, his skill and ability in formulating political and military strategy and the complexity of the time in which he lived and led our country; others have discussed his writings and even performed his most famous speeches like the Gettysburg address. Others have interspersed their presentations with his most famous quotes.

Recognizing the important role that the Eastern Shore has in developing democracy and governance in our great country, I have chosen to share with you my learning about Lincoln through my understanding of Anna Ella Carroll, a woman who is buried in the Old Trinity Church Cemetery in Dorchester County. She was a shadow political and legal advisor to, and military strategist for Lincoln. As to the latter, Carroll was instrumental in developing the 1862 Tennessee River Military Campaign, carried out by Brigadier General Ulysses Grant and Flag Officer Andrew Hull Foote that resulted in the "first real victories" for the Union during the War.

I will be using a variety of resources both web based and print literature including excerpts from a recent author Kay Larson who has written extensively about Anna Ella Carroll. So let me begin.

Anna Ella Carroll was born in 1815 on the Eastern Shore of Maryland in Somerset County to a prominent upper class religiously mixed Catholic Protestant family. Her father, Thomas King Carroll, a planter who served as Maryland Governor 1830 owned a 2000 acre tobacco plantation in Somerset County. Anna Ella Carroll, the oldest of eight children was educated and trained by her father to be his aide and entered the male world of politics. Carroll entered the national political arena in the 1850s, following her father's appointment as Naval Officer for the District of Baltimore by Whig President Zachary Taylor. Shortly thereafter, Taylor died and Carroll's commission was signed by Millard Fillmore. In 1854, Carroll joined the American Party (the Know Nothing Party) following the demise of the Whigs. At the time much political realignment was going on nationwide. The same year the Republican Party was formed. The Southern pro-slavery Democrats took over control of

their party's leadership in Congress due to the defeat of many Northern Democrats. In 1857 Carroll was the chief publicist for Governor Thomas Hicks of Maryland; he credited his victory to her writings. In 1859, she took up the cause of former Congressman John Minor Botts, a Unionist from Virginia, in his presidential bid. She published a series of articles in the New York Evening Express newspaper on the 1860 candidates under the pseudonym "Hancock."

In 1861, as Lincoln was meeting with the War Congress which ex post facto approves his call of the militia and imposition of martial law and a naval blockade, Carroll writes her first "war powers" pamphlet supporting the president's actions. Due to this he asked her to continue to write for his administration and three more pamphlets were produced and paid for in part by the War Department.

Let's return to Lincoln as he began his Illinois political career as a Whig, being a follower of Senator Henry Clay of Kentucky, who recognized that the state's transportation systems were critical to economic development. Hence Clay's proposed financing of "internal improvements", (infrastructure) like navigable rivers, dams, canals, and railroads attracted Lincoln. As a westerner, he supported expansion to the Pacific Coast, but unlike the Democrats and some other Whigs he did not support the acquisition of foreign territory like Canada and Mexico south of the Rio Grande.

"Lincoln's vision was one to centralize power on the continent and support government efforts to develop the economy through internal improvements and a strong public school system. Like Clay, Lincoln supported republican values and political freedoms at home and abroad. Domestically the Republican mantra was: free labor, free land, free speech, free presses, free schools free churches."

Both Union Governor Thomas Hicks and Anna Ella Carroll of Dorchester County in my district played key roles in not only keeping Maryland loyal during the 1861 secession crisis, but in saving the Lincoln administration and the capital itself. Virginia had seceded on April 17, 1861. Obviously, had Maryland also gone out of the Union, the federal government would have been forced to evacuate the Capital. As a result the seat of the Confederate government would have been established in Washington and the European powers, most likely would have recognized it. Whether the U.S. government could have recovered from such a blow is anyone's guess. So both Governor Hicks and Carroll directly helped to save the Union.

During the crisis, Hicks maintained his Union stand despite threats to his life. He refused to call a meeting of the state legislature until after Washington was safely protected by Northern State militia units. These units had steamed south by ship, as all railroad and telegraph lines around Washington had been cut by Maryland Insurrectionists.

Throughout these events, Carroll flooded the national press and state legislature with articles and pamphlets that supported Hicks' actions and Lincoln's war powers. In November 1861, Governor Augustus Bradford, also a Unionist Governor, was elected to succeed Hicks. At that juncture Hicks wrote about Carroll "...your writings had had a powerful influence in Maryland...and...Your defense of the war and the admiration of Mr.

Lincoln did more of itself to elect a Union ... than all the rest of the campaign documents together.”

Although Carroll had freed her own slaves, she lobbied Lincoln against issuing the Emancipation Proclamation. She feared that this action would cost the support of Southern Unionists and resistance to the Union would be stiffened. But, she wrote that Lincoln did have the constitutional right to free the slaves as a temporary war measure under his power as commander-in-chief, since the proclamation would help cripple the organized forces of the rebellion. Yet the measure was not a transfer of title and would have to be suspended once the war emergency ended. To free the slaves required a constitutional amendment.

All were focused and keenly aware of the importance of the preservation of the union—again reflective of President’s deep and lasting regard for the early founders of our country. Hicks and Carroll helped in refusing the many resolutions and petitions that called for a session of the Maryland legislature to vote on secession. Tension mounted as the efforts for secession continued in the Southern states.

With the hopeful, but by no means conclusive Union victory at Antietam, President Lincoln felt confident enough to reshape the cause of the war from “union” to abolishing slavery. He issued the final Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, which stated that all individuals who were held as slaves “henceforward shall be free.”

So what then can we learn from this curious mix of men and women, slaves and free, those who fought for the union and those for the Confederates— I can only conclude that there is value in our diversity. All men are created equal and have value and worth. All have a unique contribution to make to the overall tapestry that is woven to shape our democracy and make our country and government one that despite our odds and differences and tensions is still to be emulated and desired by other countries.

As Carl Sandburg writes:

“Whatever judgment may have been formed by those who were opposed to him as to the caliber of our deceased Chief Magistrate...all men of undisturbed observation must have recognized in Mr. Lincoln a quaintness, originality, courage, honesty, magnanimity, and a popular force of character such as have never heretofore, in the annals of the human family, had the mixed advantage of so eminent a stage for their display. He was essentially a mixed product of the agricultural, forensic and frontier life of this continent.... He may not have been....our most perfect product in any one branch of mental or moral education; but... the very noblest impulses, peculiarities, and aspiration of our whole people...were more collectively and vividly reproduced in his genial and yet unswerving nature than in that of any other public man of whom our chronicles bear record...”

He was a new figure. All other nations...would study him (as a new type of nation builder) holding that the ‘best and strongest rule for every intelligent people is a government to be created by popular will, and choosing for itself the representative instrument who is to carry out its purposes...”

And as for Anna Ella Carroll –her legacy and role continue to evolve as more is known about her contribution to and preservation of those same principles embodied in the man of whom Sandburg writes. She was loyal and persistent and takes her place in history as one of Maryland’s and the Nation’s most significant women. Her story lives on as well.

Bibliography and historical timeline available on request.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 90)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:53 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 in honor of former State Senator John C. “Jack” Miller.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 10, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 10:13 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Jessica Hitchcock, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, guest of Senator King.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 6, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 93)

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 451 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Title Fees – Rental Vehicles

Reassigned to the Committee on Budget and Taxation under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

February 10, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

With your concurrence we propose a joint meeting of the General Assembly in the House Chamber on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of hearing the Honorable Mary Ellen Barbera, Chief Judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals, address such Joint Session on the State of the Judiciary.

We have appointed Delegates Bromwell and Atterbeary to escort your Honorable Body to the House Chamber for the joint meeting.

We further propose the appointment of a joint committee of five, three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to escort the Chief Judge to the House Chamber. In anticipation of your concurrence, we appoint from the House, Delegates Barron, B. Wilson and Dumais.

We have invited the Chief Executive to attend this session. In anticipation of his acceptance, we propose the appointment of a committee of five, three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, to escort the Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed on the part of the House, Delegates Smith, Hill and Saab.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

February 10, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We have received your message that the Honorable Mary Ellen Barbera, Chief Judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals, intends to address a joint meeting of the General Assembly in the House of Delegates Chamber on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 11 a.m. for the State of the Judiciary.

We respectfully concur in your message and have appointed on behalf of the Senate, Senators Raskin and Edwards, as members of the joint committee to escort the Chief Judge to the House Chamber.

We also have appointed on behalf of the Senate, Senators Pugh and Jennings, as members of the joint committee to escort the Governor to the House Chamber.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted.

**THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
AFFAIRS REPORT #2**

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 1 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Health Occupations – Pharmacists – Refills of Prescriptions During State of
Emergency**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 13 – Senators Conway and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Fully Online Distance Education – Definition

SB0013/764730/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 13

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 5, in line 9, strike “October” and substitute “June”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 14 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Health Occupations – Board of Pharmacy – Pharmacist Rehabilitation
Committee – Definition**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 80 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

**General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans
Day**

SB0080/264738/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 80
(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, at the top of the page, insert “EMERGENCY BILL”; in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Astle” and substitute “Senators Astle, Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young”; and in line 5, after “veterans;” insert “making this Act an emergency measure;”.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 28 and 29 and substitute:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.”

The preceding amendment was read only.

Senator Middleton moved, duly seconded, that the Bill and Amendment be laid over under the Rule.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 94)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:30 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, February 11, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 11, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:28 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Megan Foley, Sugarloaf Congregation of Unitarian Universalists, guest of Senator Raskin.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 10, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 96)

Recognition of Jane Armstrong Hudiburg, Page Coordinator and freelance writer

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 707 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverage Tax Returns – Manufacturers and Wholesalers – Due Date

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Comptroller to specify, by regulation, the date or dates on which certain alcoholic beverage manufacturers or wholesalers must file an alcoholic beverage tax return; and generally relating to the filing of certain alcoholic beverage tax returns.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 5–201(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 708 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Construction Contract Clauses – Change Orders
(State Procurement Change Order Fairness Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring each State procurement contract for construction to include a change order clause that prohibits a contractor from requiring a subcontractor to complete work under a change order except under certain circumstances, allows a prime contractor or subcontractor to stop work under certain circumstances, requires a prime contractor to include in its subcontracts a certain clause, and prohibits certain persons from taking certain action under certain circumstances; applying the change order clause requirement to certain procurements and units of State government that are generally excluded from State procurement law; requiring a contractor to pay a subcontractor an undisputed amount to which the subcontractor is entitled within a certain number of days of receiving a payment for a change order or additional work; providing that a certain catchline is not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as part of this Act; and generally relating to required contract clauses for State procurement contracts for construction.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203(a) and (e)(1) and (2) and 15–226(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203(b)(1), (c), (e)(5), and (h) and 15–226(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 13–219.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 709 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Aquaculture Leases – Consideration of User Conflicts

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to consider certain potential user conflicts in determining the location of submerged land aquaculture leases in the Chesapeake Bay and water column aquaculture leases in the waters of the State; requiring the Department to mitigate and minimize the effects of the proposed location of certain aquaculture leasing areas on other users if the Department determines that conflicts exist; making a certain stylistic change; making a certain technical correction; and generally relating to the consideration of user conflicts in determining the location of aquaculture leases.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–05(a) and 4–11A–07(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–05(b)(3), 4–11A–06, 4–11A–07(e), and 4–11A–08
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 710 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Partially Elected School Board

FOR the purpose of increasing the number of members of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners; requiring a certain number of members of the board to be elected at large by the voters of Baltimore City; requiring certain members of the board to be elected at a certain election and in accordance with certain provisions of law; providing for the staggering of the terms of certain members and for the termination of the term of certain members of the board; providing for the removal of, and hearings and appeal procedures for, the elected members of the board; providing for the application of this Act; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners and the selection of members.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–108.1 and 3–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 711 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting by Absentee Ballot – Prepaid Postage for the Return of Ballots

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain required envelopes used by certain voters voting by absentee ballot to return their ballots include prepaid postage; requiring the State Board of Elections to reimburse counties for the costs of prepaid postage for certain absentee ballot envelopes for certain voters; and generally relating to prepaid postage for the return of certain absentee ballots.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 9–310
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 712 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Natural Gas Severance Tax and Impact Account

FOR the purpose of imposing a tax on the production of natural gas from certain wells in the State; setting the rate of the tax; providing for the administration of the tax by the Comptroller; authorizing the Comptroller to require certain security for the tax; imposing certain penalties for certain violations; requiring persons subject to the tax to file returns and keep and make available certain records and information; providing for the distribution of revenue from the tax; establishing the Natural Gas Impact Account as a special, nonlapsing fund in the Oil and Gas Fund; requiring the Department of the Environment to administer the Account; specifying the contents of the Account; specifying the purposes for which the Account may be used; authorizing the Department to recover certain costs expended from the Account in a civil action and deposit the recovered funds in the Account; requiring the Department to include certain information in a certain annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly; stating the intent of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a tax on the production of natural gas from certain wells in the State.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General

Section 1–101(o–1); 2–104(c)(3); 2–11A–01 and 2–11A–02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11A. Natural Gas Severance Tax Revenue Distribution”; 10.5–101 through 10.5–301 to be under the new title “Title 10.5. Natural Gas Severance Tax”; and 13–825(f–1), 13–1001(d–1), 13–1003(b–1), 13–1008(b–1), and 13–1104(f–1)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 2–102, 13–201(3), 13–508(a) and (c), 13–509(a), and 13–1102

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 14–124.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 713 – Senators Edwards and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Legislation Impacting Local Government Land Use Decisions – Economic Impact Analyses

FOR the purpose of requiring certain Executive Branch agencies and the Department of Legislative Services to prepare economic impact analyses for certain bills that impact local government land use decisions; providing for the submission of certain economic impact analyses to the Department, certain committees, and certain individuals within certain time frames; specifying the minimum requirements for an economic impact analysis; requiring an Executive Branch agency or the Department of Legislative Services to consult as appropriate with certain persons on the preparation of an economic impact analysis; requiring a unit of State or local government to provide the Department with assistance or information under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to include an economic impact analysis of a bill as part of a fiscal note, comment on a certain economic impact analysis, and revise an economic impact analysis under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to maintain a copy of an economic impact analysis on the Web site of the General Assembly; providing that an economic impact analysis of a bill need not be published in the Senate journal or House journal; providing that the validity of the enactment of a bill is not affected by the presence, absence, or content of an economic impact analysis; defining certain terms; and generally relating to economic impact analyses of certain bills impacting local government land use decisions.

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 2–1505.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 714 – Senators Feldman and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council – Reporting and Sunset
Extension**

FOR the purpose of altering the deadlines for the reporting requirements for the Maryland Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council; extending the termination date for the Council; and generally relating to the Maryland Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Chapter 400 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapters 64 and 65 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 1(b)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 400 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapters 64 and 65 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 1(h) and 2

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Chapter 401 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapters 64 and 65 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 1(b)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 401 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapters 64 and 65 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 1(h) and 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 715 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Garrett County – Multiple Event License

FOR the purpose of requiring the holder of a certain special multiple event license in Garrett County to ensure that at least one individual who is certified by an approved alcohol awareness program is on the premises when alcoholic beverages are served; authorizing the license holder to store certain alcoholic beverages between certain events under certain circumstances and conditions; requiring the license holder to keep certain records in a certain manner; authorizing certain personnel of the Comptroller's Office and the Board of License Commissioners of Garrett County to inspect certain records in a certain manner; making a technical change; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Garrett County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 7–101(p)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 716 – Senators Raskin, Astle, Bates, Benson, Feldman, Klausmeier, Lee, Montgomery, Muse, Norman, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Checkpoints – Prohibition on Targeting Motorcycles

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a police officer at a motor vehicle checkpoint from targeting only motorcycles for inspection or evaluation; creating a certain exception to the prohibition for a police officer at a motor vehicle checkpoint established as part of a police search or investigation; providing for the construction of a certain provision of law governing obedience to a lawful order or direction of a police officer; defining a certain term; and generally relating to inspections or evaluations at motor vehicle checkpoints.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 25–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 717 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Athletic Trainers and Physician Assistants – Reports to the Board of Physicians

FOR the purpose of requiring certain hospitals, related institutions, alternative health systems, and employers to report certain employment actions and terminations of employment of athletic trainers and physician assistants to the State Board of Physicians, subject to certain exceptions; requiring certain athletic trainers and physician assistants to notify certain hospitals, related institutions, alternative health systems, or employers of a decision to enter a certain treatment program; providing certain procedures for reporting treatment of an athletic trainer or a physician assistant to the Board if the athletic trainer or physician assistant fails to provide certain notice; requiring a certain treatment program to report noncompliance with the treatment program's policies to hospitals, related institutions, alternative health systems, and employers under certain circumstances; requiring certain hospitals, related institutions, alternative health systems, and employers to report certain noncompliance of an athletic trainer or a physician assistant to the Board under certain circumstances within a certain time period; exempting a person from making certain reports that would be in violation of any federal or State law, rule, or regulation concerning the confidentiality of certain patient records; providing that certain reports are not subject to subpoena or discovery in any civil action subject to certain exceptions; authorizing the Board to impose a certain penalty under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to remit certain penalties into the General Fund of the State; and generally relating to reports of alcohol and drug treatment for athletic trainers and physician assistants to the State Board of Physicians.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–5D–14.1 and 15–314.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 718 – Senator Hough

AN ACT concerning

Statewide Information Technology Master Plan – Security Policy

FOR the purpose of requiring the statewide information technology master plan developed by the Secretary of Information Technology to include a certain policy requiring certain vendors to establish that an information technology product or piece of equipment is safe from embedded security threats; and generally relating to the statewide information technology master plan.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 3A–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 719 – Senators Ready, Hough, and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages – Hours of Sale on Sundays for Holders of Class A Licenses

FOR the purpose of altering the hours of sale on Sundays for holders of Class A licenses in Carroll County; clarifying language; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–507
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 720 – Senators Ready, Hough, and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Carroll County – Warrant Intercept Program

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Carroll County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Carroll County; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 721 – Senators Ready, Hough, and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights

FOR the purpose of making the Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights applicable to correctional officers in Carroll County; and generally relating to rights of a correctional officer in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 8–201(e), 11–1001(a) and (c), and 11–1004
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services

Section 11–1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 587 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Consumer Protection – Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, Distributors, and Factory Branches

Reassigned to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Judicial Proceedings under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 620 – Senators Montgomery and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Community Cleanup and Greening Act of 2015

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and the Committee on Finance under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

LAID OVER BILLS

The presiding officer submitted the following Laid Over Bills with amendments:

Senate Bill 80 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE AMENDMENT (1) AND THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

SB0080/264738/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 80

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, at the top of the page, insert “EMERGENCY BILL”; in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Astle” and substitute “Senators Astle, Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young”; and in line 5, after “veterans;” insert “making this Act an emergency measure;”.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 28 and 29 and substitute:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.”

The preceding amendment was read only.

Senator Conway moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill and Amendment a Special Order for February 12, 2015.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 97)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #4**Senate Bill 7 – ~~Senator Middleton~~ Senators Middleton, Benson, Feldman, Kelley, Klausmeier, Montgomery, Pugh, Reilly, and Waugh**

AN ACT concerning

Electronic Cigarettes – Sale to Minors – Components, Supplies, and Enforcement

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 98)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 59 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 99)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 100)

RECESS

At 10:47 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate recessed until 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 to the House Chamber for the State of the Judiciary Address.

AFTER RECESS
Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 11, 2015

At 11:02 A.M. the Senate resumed its session.

JOINT SESSION

Delegates Bromwell and Atterbeary escorted the Senate into the House Chamber.

President Miller called for the Senate roll.

SENATE QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Senate Roll Call No. 100A)

Speaker Busch called for the House roll.

HOUSE QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 136 Members present.

(See House Roll Call No. 55)

A majority of both the House and the Senate being present, Speaker Busch declared both bodies in Joint Session.

Senators Pugh and Jennings and Delegates Smith, Hill and Saab escorted the Chief Executive to the Rostrum.

Senators Raskin and Edwards and Delegates Barron, B. Wilson and Dumais escorted the Honorable Mary Ellen Barbera, Chief Judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals, to the Speaker's Rostrum.

Speaker Busch presented the Chief Judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals, the Honorable Mary Ellen Barbera.

The Chief Judge addressed the General Assembly.

STATE OF THE JUDICIARY
CHIEF JUDGE MARY ELLEN BARBERA

Governor Hogan, President Miller, Speaker Busch, Senators, Delegates and distinguished guests, today marks the 21st occasion that a Chief Judge of Maryland has addressed this august body and the first since 2005. It is an honor to stand before you in what is my first State of the Judiciary address. I am pleased to see so many old friends here today. Equally exciting is the number of new faces.

At the outset, I wish to recognize my colleagues on the Court of Appeals. In descending seniority are Judge Glenn Harrell, Judge Lynne Battaglia, Judge Clayton Greene, Judge Sally Adkins, Judge Robert McDonald, and Judge Shirley Watts.

I am also pleased to introduce the other men and women in the Judiciary's leadership: Judge Peter Krauser, Chief Judge of the Court of Special Appeals, Judge John Debelius, Chair of the Conference of Circuit Court Judges, Judge John Morrissey, Chief Judge of the District Court, and State Court Administrator Pam Harris.

I am privileged to speak today not just for those present in this historic chamber but also for those who serve daily as the true lifeblood of our Judiciary – our three hundred trial and appellate judges and the more than four thousand women and men who staff our courthouses throughout the state.

How does one measure the “state” of the Judiciary? It must be by reference not only to the quality of the justice we dispense but also to the vigor with which we pursue the ideal of achieving justice, for all. That is our charge from those we serve, the people of Maryland. To paraphrase Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, providing mere access to the courthouse door is not enough. It is far more than that: it is what happens beyond the entrance, in the hallways, the clerk's offices, and the courtrooms.

Much has changed in our state in the ten years since the last Chief Judge addressed this body. Our population has grown by roughly ten percent, we are more culturally diverse, and we have become technologically savvy. At the same time, the income gap among the people of Maryland has widened.

The Judiciary's obligation, therefore, is to identify and respond to the many and varied needs of all those who access our courts. We cannot afford to rely on old systems and approaches. We must be prepared for today, and we must be prepared for tomorrow.

President Abraham Lincoln said that progress is only possible with a willingness to “think anew and to act anew.” Your Judiciary is doing just that. Today I will update you on the progress we have made and will be making beyond the courthouse doors. Whether that is holding ourselves accountable for timely decisions, adapting to the new world of technology, thinking outside the box to increase the public's access to justice, or addressing the needs of the most vulnerable among us, we *are* and *will* be thinking anew.

The Maryland Constitution confers upon me an array of responsibilities as Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and the administrative head of the judicial branch. I have not only the opportunity to engage in the legal matters before Maryland's state supreme court, but also to consider what advances we might make to improve the delivery of justice. My duties have positioned me to lead the Judiciary into a new era.

Marylanders want and deserve a court system they can trust: one that treats them fairly and with respect in their dealings with the courts.

Studies show, and by now it is well understood, that people will accept judicial outcomes, even if adverse to their side of the case, if they believe they have been treated fairly and with respect. Put simply, process counts.

Therefore, we are taking steps to ensure, as best we can, that all who enter our courthouses are given the courtesy and respect to which they are entitled. We continually educate ourselves about best practices in all interactions with the public – customer service if you will. We are also on the lookout for ways to make our public spaces more accessible and easily negotiated.

Problem-Solving Innovations

Also essential to maintaining the public's trust and confidence in the courts is adaptability. Over time, as our society changes, so too does our approach to the cases before the courts. Not all case types are best handled in the traditional courtroom hearing or trial setting. Programs such as problem-solving courts seek to redress — with an eye toward reducing recidivism — the root causes that lead some people to repeatedly violate the law. We have recognized that the way we handle these cases must conform to modern sensibilities.

It has paid off. During the past few decades, we have come to realize the savings — in dollars certainly, but more important, in lives saved — by utilizing a more targeted and holistic approach to addressing the particular causes and challenges faced by repeat offenders.

Drug courts provide just one example of a number of innovative approaches to addressing, more effectively, matters that come before the courts. According to the National Association of Drug Court Professionals, taxpayers save \$3.36 for every dollar invested in drug courts nationwide. The benefits do not end there. Parents who participate in drug courts are more than twice as likely to complete treatment as ones who do not. Their children spend less time in out-of-home placements and, perhaps most important, nationally, 75 percent of drug court participants remain arrest-free two years after graduation.

Allow me to share one graduate's story, that of a young man I shall call JD. Ten years ago, JD dealt drugs and he stole to feed his heroin addiction. Not surprisingly, JD bounced in and out of jail numerous times and was close to losing his life at the age of 29.

With judges, prosecutors, the public defender, probation officers, and social workers all coordinating efforts, JD worked his way through the program and dedicated himself to completing it.

JD is one of many great success stories. I am proud to announce that he is still sober, seven years later, and he is paying it forward. JD is gainfully employed, he is interning with the Frederick County Drug Court program, and he is on course to graduate from Frederick County Community College later this year.

Our first drug court opened its doors in Baltimore City in 1994. We now have 36 operational drug courts statewide. We are realizing the benefits, by reducing costs associated with arrest, court, and imprisonment. More important, we are helping families remain intact and, in time, heal.

Our problem-solving courts go well beyond helping those addicted to drugs. We have expanded to add three mental health courts, two re-entry courts, a veteran's court pilot, and nine truancy reduction courts. Those programs have produced and, I have no doubt, will continue to produce individual success stories like JD's.

Maryland also has been in the forefront in the way our courts interact with the business and high-tech communities. We became one of a handful of states to create a "Business and Technology Case Management Program." The program provides timelier, more predictable, and reliable dispositions of cases. That, in turn, helps the business community make more informed decisions.

Timeliness, efficiency and reliability must be, however, an aspiration of all case types and, by those measures, a barometer of accountability for the Judiciary.

Many of you have heard the phrase, justice delayed is justice denied. With those words in mind, fifteen years ago the court system embarked upon a mission – a mission to establish and implement standards by which to gauge performance and garner the public's trust that their cases will be decided timely.

And, not long after I became chief judge, the Court of Appeals demonstrated its commitment to delivering its decisions in a timely fashion, without sacrificing the quality of decision-making. Last year the Court decided every case during the same term in which the case was heard, and the Court will continue that practice in this and future terms.

The Court of Appeals is not alone in the timely delivery of justice. Thanks to the efforts of many, there are now standards by which the entire court experience can be measured at every level of our courts – from the District Court to the Court of Appeals.

Maryland Electronic Courts

I cannot leave the subject of improving court operations without mentioning our new Maryland Electronic Courts System – MDEC. We are thinking anew.

Businesses and individuals alike are constantly using computers, smart phones, and the Internet to perform the most routine daily tasks. Our justice system, however, still operates through traditional, often cumbersome, paper-based processes. Our courthouses are quickly running out of storage space. We are, in effect, bursting at the seams with case files.

Equally troubling, the Judiciary operates eleven different computer systems across the state. In some cases, these systems are more than 25 years old, and supporting them is increasingly more difficult. That is why, the Judiciary, with critical support from the General Assembly, has made a great investment, with MDEC, to transform the way we conduct business.

You recognized, as we did, that Maryland must use technology, not simply to improve efficiencies, but for the betterment of those who we and our justice partners serve.

We are just a few months into what ultimately will be our statewide deployment of MDEC. I would like to pause here, to thank Anne Arundel County. The courts there have accepted the challenge to, shall I say, “boldly go where no court has gone before.” The Anne Arundel County courts are serving as our proving ground. There have been some kinks along the way, yet our judges and staff continue to answer the call with extraordinary patience, flexibility and resilience, as we advance in implementing MDEC. The rest of the courts throughout Maryland will be the beneficiaries of their good work. Thank you my friends from Anne Arundel County.

MDEC will improve efficiency to be sure; yet not simply for its own sake, but rather to deliver better and more cost-effective service to the many individuals and businesses who access our courts every day. I hope that during this session, and in the future, you will continue to help us realize our vision.

Access to Justice and Self-Help Centers

Modern technology can especially benefit those who need it most, the people who seek redress in our courts but cannot afford a lawyer. We are all proud Marylanders and we are fortunate to live in a wonderfully diverse state. The rich diversity of our population enhances our communities, and, likewise, presents some unique challenges. With so many of us living very different lives, under very different sets of circumstances, we must think in a new way about how we support our varied population as efficiently and effectively as possible.

This is especially true at a time when more people are coming to court without a lawyer. To ease some of the common burdens they face, we created the Access to Justice Department within the Judiciary.

This new department will break down barriers that inhibit full access to the courts. Those barriers may relate to physical challenges, cultural differences, or the lack of affordable legal representation. We have developed tools for the public to overcome those obstacles. This involves everything from self-help videos, to brochures, the translation of forms, or increasing the number of readily available interpreters.

In addition, we are fortunate to have the resources of the District Court Self–Help Center in Glen Burnie, as well as 24 Family Law self–help centers around the state. These centers are places where anyone can go to access not only walk–in assistance, but phone and live web chat services.

In 2014 alone, the District Court Self–Help Center in Glen Burnie served 23,000 people, of which more than 18,000 were assisted remotely from across the state. Meanwhile our Family Law Centers assisted more than 49,000 people statewide.

Numbers like these demonstrate why we must provide tools to members of the public who cannot afford a lawyer. But we need to do more. Estimates show that, in Maryland alone, only about 22 percent of civil legal needs are being met. In an effort to meet those needs, the Judiciary is seeking ways to expand the scope and services of the 24 Family Law self–help centers at the Circuit Court level, and add regional District Court centers. I am proud to announce that on February 23rd we are holding an event to celebrate the opening of a new District Court Self–Help Resource Center in Prince George’s County. I hope you will join us there.

Improving Justice for Our Most Vulnerable Populations

These new initiatives are exciting and certainly meet the Justice Marshall test of going beyond the courthouse door. However, I recognize that building on the public’s trust and confidence in our legal system is more than just expanding and improving access to our courts.

In the coming years, I intend to focus particular attention on the most vulnerable among us: our children and our seniors. Young children are vulnerable, of course, simply because they cannot fend for themselves. Many of the oldest among us are rendered vulnerable by physical or mental infirmities that lead them, directly or indirectly, into our courts.

Before becoming a lawyer, I taught young children in the Baltimore City Public Schools. In working with those children and their families, I witnessed the challenges confronting some of them. As a lawyer and now, a judge, I see many of the same – and worse – challenges that undermine far too many of our children’s potential to lead healthy and productive lives.

Every day, in Maryland, young children – some no more than a few days old — enter the court system. As the result of abuse or neglect at the hands of an adult, these children may well have to spend time, often years, in a foster care placement. In later years, those same children are at a higher risk of truancy, drug or alcohol addiction, and mental health issues. Juvenile delinquency and adult criminal behavior are more likely to follow for these children than for others more fortunate. Consider the possible effects: the terrible costs to the children themselves, to the community that loses the participation of a law–abiding and productive adult, to the system that must process and house some of them in secure juvenile facilities, and ultimately, for far too many of them, prisons.

We simply cannot afford to ignore the damage done to these young people, and by extension, to all of us. Action must be taken and with your help, I know it can and will be done. I am pleased to announce that in May, in conjunction with the National Center for State Courts, I will be hosting the Mid-Atlantic Conference on Juvenile Justice Reform for Chief Justices and their staff. This conference is part of the MacArthur Foundation's *Models for Change* initiative, which was launched nationally to stimulate a new wave of comprehensive juvenile justice reform.

I expect that this event will help us to improve our understanding of the science associated with adolescent development, to better rehabilitate juveniles, and to reduce recidivism in this population. Reform is only possible if we work together. I look forward to those possibilities working with the Legislature, Governor Hogan, President Miller, Speaker Busch and you.

Helping Our Aging Marylanders

At the other end of the generational spectrum is the increase the courts will see in elderly litigants. Millions of people in Maryland are on the verge of entering their golden years and we must be cognizant of challenges this presents. It is projected that, in the near future, there will be a four-fold increase in the number of people who are eighty years old or older.

Sadly, what is sure to rise is the number of incidents where our vulnerable adults fall victim to financial or even physical abuse, sometimes at the hand of a caregiver or even a family member. Consider, too, that this population is reluctant to access the courts for a variety of reasons, including family loyalty, fear, or the shame associated with the transition from independence to dependence. I look forward to the progress we can make together. I know that you believe, as I do, that we each have the responsibility to work shoulder to shoulder in service of every Marylander.

Conclusion

This year we celebrate the 800th anniversary of the Magna Carta. The rights declared in that document became part of our Constitution and Bill of Rights. So it is that our country is founded on the rule of law. It forms the basis of much of what each of us in this chamber is sworn to do. Our legislative branch of government enacts the law, our executive branch enforces the law and our judicial branch interprets the law.

As we devote ourselves to our work each day and approach challenges from our unique vantage points, allow me to make a humble proposal: that we remain ever cognizant of the panoramic view. A great judge once said of the myopic man or woman: "such a person would be like the man who thinks he is just pushing a wheelbarrow, when in fact, he is building a cathedral." The great cathedrals have endured for hundreds of years and will last for hundreds more. Little did each worker know that the true measure of his contribution would be looked upon for centuries later, not as a single act, but as the product of a collective effort. As each of us pushes along his or her own wheelbarrow, we cannot forget that, together, we are building something greater. We are working in concert to build a cathedral. A great cathedral.

My colleagues and I within the Judiciary will continue to push our wheelbarrow as I know you will push yours. Along the way, I hope that we pause and take a moment to build on our commonalities and complement each other, even where and when we differ. That is how enduring works are built.

The Judiciary is doing well and it is making strides in becoming smarter, more efficient and increasingly accessible to the public. The future presents challenges and opportunities alike, and the time is ripe for reasoned and thoughtful reforms.

I look forward to working with all of you on behalf of the people of Maryland. Thank you for your time and attention. I wish you a most productive session.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:33 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 12, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, February 12, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:04 A.M.

Prayer by Rabbi Ben Biber, American University, guest of Senator Raskin.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 11, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 102)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 216 – Senator Nancy J. King:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Ambassador Olexander Motsyk
in recognition of
your ongoing efforts to foster cultural and
economic ties between the people of
Maryland and the Ukraine.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 12th day of February 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 103)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 722 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Allegany County – Frostburg Museum Relocation Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Frostburg Museum Association for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 723 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Nurse Practitioner Full Practice Authority Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain prohibition against a certified nurse practitioner practicing in the State unless the nurse practitioner has an approved attestation that the nurse practitioner has an agreement for collaboration and consulting with a certain physician and will practice in accordance with certain standards; requiring a nurse practitioner to practice in accordance with certain standards; repealing a requirement that the State Board of Nursing maintain a certain attestation and make the attestation available to the State Board of Physicians; requiring the State Board of Nursing, in consultation with the State Board of Physicians, to develop a certain plan; and generally relating to the practice of nurse practitioners in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–302(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–302(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 724 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Bladensburg Road
Economic Development Project**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Colmar Manor for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 725 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore County Board of Education – Procurement for Construction–Related
Projects for Schools**

FOR the purpose of making certain provisions of law concerning the advertising for bids for certain procurements costing more than a certain amount apply to construction–related projects for schools in Baltimore County; making provisions of law concerning the award of certain procurement contracts apply to construction–related projects for schools in Baltimore County; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to procurement for construction–related projects for schools in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–112(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 5–112.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

MOTION

Senator Raskin moved, duly seconded, that the Senate receive in Open Session the following Report from the Committee on Executive Nominations.

The motion was adopted.

SENATE EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT #2

The Senate Executive Nominations Committee reports favorably on the attached gubernatorial appointments and recommends that the Senate of Maryland advise and consent to these appointments.

Jamie Raskin
Chair

Senate Executive Nominations Committee
Report #2
February 12, 2015

District Court, Howard County (District 10)

1. Wayne Alan Brooks, Esq. District 9

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 10, Howard County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 13, 2014

Adjutant General

2. Linda L. Singh District 24

Adjutant General; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Agriculture, Department of

3. Joseph Bartenfelder District 37

Secretary of Department of Agriculture; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

General Services, Department of

4. C. Gail Bassette District 26

Secretary of Department of General Services; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Human Resources, Department of

5. Sam Malhotra District 16

Secretary of Department of Human Resources; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Insurance Administration, Maryland

6. Al Redmer, Jr. District 8

Commissioner of Maryland Insurance Administration; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from June 1, 2011 and a term of four years from June 1, 2015

Public Safety and Correctional Services, Department of

7. Stephen T. Moyer District 35

Secretary of Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

State, Secretary of

8. John C. Wobensmith District 30

Secretary of State; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

African American History and Culture, Commission on

9. Kelsey Roderick Moffatt Bush District 29

Member of the Commission on African American History and Culture; reappointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

10. Janet Sims-Wood, Ph.D. District 25

Member of the Commission on African American History and Culture; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

11. Shelley Stokes–Hammond District 18
Member of the Commission on African American History and Culture; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board, State

12. Curtis G. Collins, Sr. District 10
Chair of the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board; reappointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

Archaeology, Advisory Committee on

13. C. Jane Cox District 33
Member of the Advisory Committee on Archaeology; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority

14. Leanne D. Mazer District 99
Member of the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from June 1, 2010 and a term of four years from June 1, 2014
15. Frederick A. Thayer, IV District 1
Member of the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority; reappointed to serve a term of four years from June 1, 2014

Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners, State Board of

16. Gregory C. Lewis, D.C. District 4
Member of the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from July 1, 2011

Correctional Training Commission

17. Patricia Phelps Schupple District 9
Member of the Correctional Training Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2011

Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Maryland Advisory Council for the

18. Jason Corning District 32
Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; appointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2014
19. Lance J. Fischer District 14
Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; appointed to serve remainder of a term of three years from October 1, 2011 and a term of three years from October 1, 2014
20. Donnice M. Turner, Esq. District 26
Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; appointed to serve remainder of a term of three years from October 1, 2011 and a term of three years from October 1, 2014

Historic St. Mary's City Commission

21. Kelsey Roderick Moffatt Bush District 29
Member of the Historic St. Mary's City Commission; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013
22. Danielle E. Troyan District 99
Member of the Historic St. Mary's City Commission; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

Indian Affairs, Commission on

23. Rebecca S. Stone District 13
Member of the Commission on Indian Affairs; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2013

School for the Deaf, Board of Trustees of the Maryland

24. Benjamin J. Bahan, Ph.D. District 3
Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; reappointed to serve remainder of a term of six years from October 1, 2010

25. Debra Patkin, Esq. District 18

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve remainder of a term of six years from October 1, 2009

26. Jennifer L. Smart, Ph.D. District 42

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve remainder of a term of six years from October 1, 2010

Statewide Nominees

Please Note: Statewide nominees who, in accordance with the policies adopted by the Senate Executive Nominations Committee, are not required to appear before the committee.

African American History and Culture, Commission on

- S-1. Barbara Jane Mobarak District 13

Member of the Commission on African American History and Culture; reappointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

Archaeology, Advisory Committee on

- S-2. Joy Beasley District 41

Member of the Advisory Committee on Archaeology; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Maryland Advisory Council for the

- S-3. Ann C. Black District 17

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; reappointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2013

- S-4. Dakota Burgess District 41

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; reappointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2014

- S-5. Nancy G. Jenkins District 30

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; reappointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2012

School for the Deaf, Board of Trustees of the Maryland

S-6. Denise Y. Gagnon Perdue

District 36

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve remainder of a term of six years from October 1, 2010

Senator Conway moved, duly seconded, to make the Report a Special Order for February 13, 2015.

The motion was adopted.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

Senate Bill 80 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE AMENDMENT (1) AND THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

SB0080/264738/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 80

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, at the top of the page, insert “EMERGENCY BILL”; in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Astle” and substitute “Senators Astle, Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young”; and in line 5, after “veterans,” insert “making this Act an emergency measure”.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 28 and 29 and substitute:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to

each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

SB0080/853529/1

BY: Senator Conway

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 80, AS AMENDED

In the Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee Amendment (SB0080/264738/1), in lines 3 and 4, strike “and Young” and substitute “Young, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Muse, Norman, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Reilly, Serafini, and Zirkin”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 104)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #5

Senate Bill 1 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Health Occupations – Pharmacists – Refills of Prescriptions During State of
Emergency**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 105)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 13 – Senators Conway and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Fully Online Distance Education – Definition

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 42 Negative – 5 (See Roll Call No. 106)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 14 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Health Occupations – Board of Pharmacy – Pharmacist Rehabilitation
Committee – Definition**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 107)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 108)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:49 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, February 13, 2015 in honor of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln.

Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, February 13, 2015
11:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 11:15 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Jill McCrory, Twinbrook Baptist Church, guest of Senator Madaleno.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 12, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Astle be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 110)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 726 – Senators Bates and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Employees' Pension System – Town of Sykesville – Service Credit

FOR the purpose of repealing a limitation on the amount of service credit an employee of the Town of Sykesville may receive for employment with the Town of Sykesville before the Town of Sykesville's effective date of participation in the Employees' Pension System as a participating governmental unit; repealing a provision made obsolete by this Act that prohibits an entitlement to service credit for certain employment under a certain circumstance; making a conforming change; and generally relating to participating governmental units in the Employees' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 31-111(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 31–111.5

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 727 – Senators Norman, Cassilly, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Motorcycle Profiling – Training

FOR the purpose of requiring the Police Training Commission to require a certain statement condemning motorcycle profiling to be included in certain written policies; requiring the Commission to include in certain curriculum and courses of study training on motorcycle profiling; defining a certain term; and generally relating to requiring certain training on motorcycle profiling.

BY renumbering

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–201(e) and (f), respectively

to be Section 3–201(f) and (g), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–201(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–201(e) and 3–207(18)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–207(17) and (18)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 728 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Blessed Sacrament Supportive Housing

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Marian House, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 729 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Dorchester County – Chesapeake Grove Senior Housing and Intergenerational Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Delmarva Community Services, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 730 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County – Board of Education

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain members of the Wicomico County Board of Education be elected; requiring that certain members of the county board be appointed; providing for a student member of the county board; establishing the composition of the county board; providing for the qualifications, terms of office, and

the filling of a vacancy of certain members of the county board; establishing a procedure for the election and appointment of members of the county board; establishing certain removal, hearing, and appeal procedures for certain members of the county board; providing for the termination of the terms of certain members of the county board; submitting this Act to a referendum of the legally qualified voters of Wicomico County for their adoption or rejection; and generally relating to the Wicomico County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–105 and 3–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 3–13A–01 through 3–13A–03 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13A.
Wicomico County”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 731 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Talbot County – Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Governors of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 732 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Peale Center for Baltimore
Architecture and History**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Peale Center for Baltimore History and Architecture, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 733 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Banner Neighborhoods Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Banner Neighborhoods Community Corporation, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 734 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Gilead House Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$65,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The Vestry of St. Mark's-on-the-Hill for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 735 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Office of the Public Defender – Eligibility – Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring the Office of the Public Defender to investigate the financial status of each applicant; requiring the Office to require a certain applicant to execute and deliver certain requests or authorizations that are needed in order to evaluate eligibility for services of the Office; requiring the Office to submit certain requests to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and the Comptroller for certain information; authorizing the exchange of certain information by electronic format approved by a certain agency; and generally relating to the Office of the Public Defender.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 16–210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 736 – Senators Reilly, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Identification Requirements – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law requiring certain firearms manufacturers and dealers and the Department of State Police to take certain actions relating to identification of handguns; and generally relating to handgun identification requirements.

BY repealing
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–131
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 737 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County – Board of Education and Nominating Commission –
County Executive Appointment Authority**

FOR the purpose of requiring the County Executive of Anne Arundel County to appoint the members of the county board of education from a certain list submitted by the School Board Nominating Commission of Anne Arundel County; requiring the County Executive to appoint certain members from certain districts to the Nominating Commission; requiring the Governor to appoint a certain member from the county at large to the Nominating Commission; requiring the County Executive to designate the chair of the Nominating Commission from certain appointed members; authorizing the County Executive to reappoint the chair of the Nominating Commission; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to the appointment authority of the County Executive for the Anne Arundel County Board of Education and the School Board Nominating Commission of Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–110(a), (b), and (c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 738 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Professional Engineers – Responsible Charge – Review and Approval of Engineering Documents

FOR the purpose of requiring certain engineering documents prepared in connection with certain projects conducted by, jointly with, or under contract with the State or a political subdivision of the State, where certain skills are required, to be signed, sealed, and dated by a certain professional engineer; requiring any review or approval by a unit of State or local government of a certain engineering document to be undertaken by a certain professional engineer with responsible charge for the governmental unit's oversight of a certain project for which a certain engineering document was prepared; and generally relating to the review and approval of engineering documents by a professional engineer with responsible charge.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 14–101(a), (j), (k), and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 14-103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 739 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Damascus Volunteer Fire Department

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Damascus Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 740 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Brooke Grove Rehabilitation and Nursing Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Brooke Grove Foundation, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 741 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Olney Manor Dog Park

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 742 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Lee, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Restaurants – Meals for Children

FOR the purpose of limiting the types of beverages that a restaurant may include in the price of certain menu options or meals; authorizing a restaurant to offer certain beverages to minors for a charge; and generally relating to restaurants and meals for children.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 21–304.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 743 – Senators Lee, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Vital Records – New Certificates of Birth – Sex Change or Diagnosis of an Intersex Condition

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, under certain circumstances, to make a new certificate of birth for an individual whose sex has been changed or who has been diagnosed with an intersex condition; requiring that a certain sex designation and, under certain circumstances, a certain name be on the new certificate of birth; prohibiting a new certificate of birth from having certain markings or showing on its face certain changes; altering the circumstances under which a seal on an original certificate of birth and certain records may be broken; altering the circumstances under which a copy of an original certificate of birth may be issued to an individual for whom a new certificate of birth was made under a certain provision of this Act; repealing language rendered obsolete by this Act;

making conforming and clarifying changes; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the issuance of new certificates of birth.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–201, 4–211, and 4–214
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 744 – Senators Kagan and King

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 – Montgomery County –
Water Park at Bohrer Park**

FOR the purpose of amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 to provide that certain grants for the Water Park at Bohrer Park may not terminate before June 1, 2016; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 1(3) Item ZA02(BG) and Item ZA03(AT)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 745 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Landlord and Tenant – Security Deposit – Use for Unpaid Water and Sewer Bills

FOR the purpose of authorizing a landlord to withhold all or part of a security deposit under a residential lease for unpaid water and sewer bills if water and sewer bills are required to be paid by the tenant under the lease; making conforming changes to provisions relating to purchasing a surety bond instead of paying all or part of a security deposit; altering the definition of “security deposit”; and generally relating to security deposits under residential leases.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8–203(a), (f)(1)(i), and (i)(2)(i), (4), and (6)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 746 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Washington County – Cushwa Basin Area

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 747 – Senators Feldman and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Electric Companies – Vegetation Management

FOR the purpose of requiring the Public Service Commission, in adopting certain vegetation management regulations, to require that an electric company's vegetation management program comply with certain standards and to prohibit an electric company from removing a tree on private property unless certain criteria are met; defining a certain term; and generally relating to vegetation management by electric companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–213(a) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–213(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 748 – Senators Middleton, Mathias, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Deer Hunting – Crop Damage Permit – Wild Venison

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law related to the sale of livestock apply to certain deer; providing that the Maryland Wholesome Meat Act applies to certain deer; requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to adopt regulations, on or before a certain date, to establish requirements for the processing, inspection, labeling, and sale of wild venison in the State; providing that certain provisions of law relating to inhumane methods of livestock slaughter apply to certain deer; authorizing a person to import, sell, offer for sale, purchase, barter, or exchange certain venison; authorizing a person to hunt deer outside deer hunting season under certain circumstances; providing that certain prohibitions do not apply to the meat or carcass of certain deer; authorizing a person who holds a crop damage permit to hunt deer under certain circumstances and sell or offer for sale the meat or carcass of the deer in accordance with certain regulations; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to deer hunting.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 3–301, 4–103, 4–107, and 4–123.1(a)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 4–123.1(a)(1) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–404 and 10–415
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senator Pugh moved to suspend the rules to allow **Senate Bill 749** to be referred immediately.

The motion was adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 111)

Senate Bill 749 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Motor Vehicle Insurance – Discrimination in Underwriting and Rating –
Prohibitions**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an insurer, with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance, from refusing to underwrite, canceling, refusing to renew, rating a risk, or increasing a renewal premium based, in whole or in part, on the marital status or employment or occupation of or education level attained by the insured or applicant; repealing certain provisions of law authorizing an insurer, under certain circumstances, to use the credit history of an applicant to rate a new policy of private passenger motor vehicle insurance; defining a certain term; making conforming changes; and generally relating to private passenger motor vehicle insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 27–501(e–2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

YEAS AND NAYS

SENATE BILLS PASSED IN THE HOUSE

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Madaleno

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Earned Income Tax Credit – Tax Year 2014 – Technical Correction

FOR the purpose of clarifying, for a certain taxable year, the percentage of the federal earned income credit used for determining the amount that an individual may claim as a refund under the Maryland earned income credit under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the earned income tax credit allowed under the State income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(a) and (b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Endorsed as having been read the third time and passed by yeas and nays in the House of Delegates.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

House Bill 10 – ~~Delegate Jones~~ Delegates Jones and McIntosh

AN ACT concerning

Institutions of Higher Education – Fully Online Distance Education – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “fully online distance education program” as it relates to the registration of institutions of higher education that offer certain online distance education programs in the State; and generally relating to institutions of higher education and fully online distance education in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–202.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

House Bill 35 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title

FOR the purpose of changing the job title of “hearing examiners” of the Public Service Commission to “public utility law judges”; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Public Service Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 2–105(c)(1), 2–108(d)(5) and (8)(ii)6. and (e)(5), 2–303(a), 2–306(b), 2–307(a), 2–308(a), 3–104(a), (b), and (d), 3–108, and 3–113(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

House Bill 37 – ~~Delegate Schulz~~ Frederick County Delegation

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology

FOR the purpose of establishing the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology; altering the name of the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology (CREST); altering the name of the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology Governing Board; altering the powers and duties of the Board to require the Board to operate and exercise general control over the Frederick CREST; authorizing the Board to fix the salaries and terms of employment of the Director and other employees of Frederick CREST; authorizing the Board to purchase, lease, sell, or otherwise acquire or dispose of certain property; authorizing the Director of Frederick CREST or the chair of the Board to execute certain legal documents under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to submit an adopted mission statement to the Maryland Higher Education ~~Committee~~ Commission subject to certain Commission policies and guidelines; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 24–1001, 24–1002, 24–1003(a), and 24–1004

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

House Bill 115 – Carroll County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights

FOR the purpose of making the Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights applicable to correctional officers in Carroll County; and generally relating to rights of a correctional officer in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 8–201(e), 11–1001(a) and (c), and 11–1004
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 11–1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

SENATE EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT #1

The Senate Executive Nominations Committee reports favorably on the attached gubernatorial appointments and recommends that the Senate of Maryland advise and consent to these appointments.

Jamie Raskin
Chair

Senate Executive Nominations Committee
Report #1
February 5, 2015

District Court, Anne Arundel County (District 7)

1. Laura Marie Robinson, Esq. District 31

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 7, Anne Arundel County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 21, 2015

District Court, Baltimore City (District 1)

2. Askew Gatewood, Jr. District 40

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from November 20, 2014

3. Jack I. Lesser District 41

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from October 25, 2014

District Court, Baltimore County (District 8)

4. Sally C. Chester District 11

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from June 15, 2014

5. Kevin Yvonne Thomas Wiggins, Esq. District 10

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 20, 2015

6. Alexandra N. Williams District 42

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from July 23, 2014

District Court, Dorchester County (District 2)

7. Melvin J. Jews, Esq. District 37

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Dorchester County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 20, 2014

District Court, Garrett County (District 12)

8. Stephan Martin Moylan, Esq. District 1

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 12, Garrett County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 16, 2014

District Court, Montgomery County (District 6)

9. Holly David Reed, III District 14

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 6, Montgomery County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 6, 2015

10. Zuberi Bakari Williams District 18

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 6, Montgomery County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 6, 2015

District Court, Prince George's County (District 5)

11. Clayton Anthony Aarons, Esq. District 24

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 15, 2014

12. Brian C. Denton, Esq. District 27

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 23, 2014

13. Katina Self Steuart District 27

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 15, 2015

14. Ann L. Wagner-Stewart District 22

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 16, 2014

Special Appeals, Court of

15. Dan Friedman, Esq. District 11

Judge of the Court of Special Appeals of Maryland; appointed to serve a term of ten years from September 23, 2014

Budget and Management, Department of

16. David R. Brinkley District 4

Secretary of Department of Budget and Management; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of

17. Van T. Mitchell District 28

Secretary of Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, Department of

18. Kelly Schulz District 4

Secretary of Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Planning, Department of

19. David Craig District 34

Secretary of Department of Planning; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Veterans Affairs, Department of

20. George W. Owings District 27

Secretary of Department of Veterans Affairs; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

STATUS: QUESTION IS WILL THE SENATE ADVISE AND CONSENT TO THE NOMINATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE?

The President of the Senate put the following question: “Will the Senate advise and consent to the above nominations of the Executive?”

The above nominations of the Executive, with the exception of nominee number 7 (Melvin J. Jews Esq.) were all confirmed by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 112)

District Court, Dorchester County (District 2)

7. Melvin J. Jews, Esq. District 37

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Dorchester County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 20, 2014

The President of the Senate put the following question: “Will the Senate advise and consent to the above nomination of the Executive?”

The above nomination of the Executive was confirmed by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 113)

SENATE EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT #2

The Senate Executive Nominations Committee reports favorably on the attached gubernatorial appointments and recommends that the Senate of Maryland advise and consent to these appointments.

Jamie Raskin
Chair

Senate Executive Nominations Committee
Report #2
February 12, 2015

District Court, Howard County (District 10)

1. Wayne Alan Brooks, Esq. District 9

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 10, Howard County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from June 13, 2014

Adjutant General

2. Linda L. Singh District 24

Adjutant General; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Agriculture, Department of

3. Joseph Bartenfelder District 37

Secretary of Department of Agriculture; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

General Services, Department of

4. C. Gail Bassette District 26

Secretary of Department of General Services; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Human Resources, Department of

5. Sam Malhotra District 16

Secretary of Department of Human Resources; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Insurance Administration, Maryland

6. Al Redmer, Jr. District 8

Commissioner of Maryland Insurance Administration; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from June 1, 2011 and a term of four years from June 1, 2015

Public Safety and Correctional Services, Department of

7. Stephen T. Moyer District 35

Secretary of Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

State, Secretary of

8. John C. Wobensmith District 30

Secretary of State; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

African American History and Culture, Commission on

9. Kelsey Roderick Moffatt Bush District 29
22585 Joan Drive
California, MD 20619

Member of the Commission on African American History and Culture; reappointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

10. Janet Sims–Wood, Ph.D. District 25
2102 Keating Street
Temple Hills, MD 20748

Member of the Commission on African American History and Culture; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

11. Shelley Stokes–Hammond District 18
2420 Seminary Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Member of the Commission on African American History and Culture; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board, State

12. Curtis G. Collins, Sr. District 10
9221 Old Court Road
Windsor Mill, MD 21244

Chair of the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board; reappointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

Archaeology, Advisory Committee on

13. C. Jane Cox District 33
1621 Defense Highway
Gambrills, MD 21054

Member of the Advisory Committee on Archaeology; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority

14. Leanne D. Mazer District 99
151 Old Route 219
Salisbury, PA 15558

Member of the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from June 1, 2010 and a term of four years from June 1, 2014

15. Frederick A. Thayer, IV District 1
216 N. Mechanic Street, Apt. 4
Cumberland, MD 21502

Member of the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority; reappointed to serve a term of four years from June 1, 2014

Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners, State Board of

16. Gregory C. Lewis, D.C. District 4
2855 Sommersby Road
Mt. Airy, MD 21771

Member of the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from July 1, 2011

Correctional Training Commission

17. Patricia Phelps Schupple District 9
4354 Stonecrest Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

Member of the Correctional Training Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2011

Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Maryland Advisory Council for the

18. Jason Corning District 32
1415 Duckens Street
Odenton, MD 21113

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; appointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2014

19. Lance J. Fischer District 14
3006 Memory Lane
Silver Spring, MD 20904

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; appointed to serve remainder of a term of three years from October 1, 2011 and a term of three years from October 1, 2014

20. Donnice M. Turner, Esq. District 26
5636 Hartfield Avenue
Camp Springs, MD 20746

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; appointed to serve remainder of a term of three years from October 1, 2011 and a term of three years from October 1, 2014

Historic St. Mary's City Commission

21. Kelsey Roderick Moffatt Bush District 29
22585 Joan Drive
California, MD 20619

Member of the Historic St. Mary's City Commission; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

22. Danielle E. Troyan District 99
146 Ingle Place
Alexandria, VA 22304

Member of the Historic St. Mary's City Commission; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

Indian Affairs, Commission on

23. Rebecca S. Stone District 13
9461 Kilimanjaro Road
Columbia, MD 21045

Member of the Commission on Indian Affairs; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2013

School for the Deaf, Board of Trustees of the Maryland

24. Benjamin J. Bahan, Ph.D. District 3
309 W. 2nd Street
Frederick, MD 21701

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; reappointed to serve remainder of a term of six years from October 1, 2010

25. Debra Patkin, Esq. District 18
2305 East West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve remainder of a term of six years from October 1, 2009

26. Jennifer L. Smart, Ph.D. District 42
702 Sawyer Court
Towson, MD 21286

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve remainder of a term of six years from October 1, 2010

Statewide Nominees

Please Note: Statewide nominees who, in accordance with the policies adopted by the Senate Executive Nominations Committee, are not required to appear before the committee.

African American History and Culture, Commission on

- S-1. Barbara Jane Mobarak District 13
7570 Monarch Mills Way, Apt. 109
Columbia, MD 21046

Member of the Commission on African American History and Culture; reappointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2013

Archaeology, Advisory Committee on

- S-2. Joy Beasley District 41
5312 Brabant Road
Baltimore, MD 21229

Member of the Advisory Committee on Archaeology; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Maryland Advisory Council for the

- S-3. Ann C. Black District 17
16 Clemson Court
Rockville, MD 20850

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; reappointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2013

- S-4. Dakota Burgess District 41
3605 W. Saratoga Street
Baltimore, MD 21229

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; reappointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2014

- S-5. Nancy G. Jenkins District 30
1226 Pine Avenue
Shady Side, MD 20764

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; reappointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2012

School for the Deaf, Board of Trustees of the Maryland

- S-6. Denise Y. Gagnon Perdue District 36
5112 Main Street
Grasonville, MD 21638

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve remainder of a term of six years from October 1, 2010

STATUS: QUESTION IS WILL THE SENATE ADVISE AND CONSENT TO THE NOMINATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE?

The President of the Senate put the following question: "Will the Senate advise and consent to the above nominations of the Executive?"

The above nominations of the Executive were all confirmed by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 114)

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #3

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 92 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Assignment of Benefits and Reimbursement of Nonpreferred Providers – Repeal of Termination Date

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 110 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Developmental Disabilities Administration – Low Intensity Support Services – Definition

SB0110/537676/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 110

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Middleton” and substitute “Senators Middleton, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Hershey, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Pugh, and Reilly”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 31, strike “October” and substitute “July”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 142 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Feldman, King, Madaleno, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Property and Casualty Insurance – Premium Finance Companies – Assignment of Rights and Obligations – Repeal of Termination Date

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON RULES REPORT #1

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules reported favorably:

Senate Bill 222 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Annual Curative Bill

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules reported favorably:

Senate Bill 223 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Annual Corrective Bill

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 115)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:49 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, February 16, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, February 16, 2015
8:00 P.M. Session

The Senate met at 7:57 P.M.

Prayer by the Most Reverend William E. Lori 16th Archbishop of Baltimore, guest of Senator Miller. Prayer was read by Senator McFadden due to severe weather conditions.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 13, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Raskin be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 118)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 750 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Conversion of Class P Licenses

FOR the purpose of establishing in Washington County a Class B beer (on-sale) license, a Class B beer and light wine (on-sale) license, and a Class B beer, wine and liquor (on-sale) license; specifying certain license fees; repealing provisions of law concerning a Class P pouring license; authorizing the Washington County Board of License Commissioners to issue a sidewalk cafe license to a holder of certain Class B licenses under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to issue certain Class B (on-sale) licenses only if an applicant is a restaurant that meets certain requirements; specifying that certain Class B (on-sale) licenses are not subject to certain population ratio quota requirements; specifying that the Class B (on-sale) licenses authorize the holder to sell certain alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption; specifying the term of Class B (on-sale) licenses; requiring a license holder to comply with a request from the Board to submit certain information for a

certain report under certain circumstances; specifying standards for the information contained in a certain report submitted to the Board; providing for the conversion of certain Class P licenses to Class B (on-sale) licenses or Class D (on-sale) licenses on a certain date; requiring a license holder, as a condition of having a Class P license converted, to submit a certain report under certain circumstances; requiring a certain applicant to attest that the applicant will comply with a certain requirement under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 3–201(a), 5–201(a), and 6–201(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 3–201(w), 5–201(w), 6–201(w), 6–709, 8–222, and 9–222
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–222.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 751 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Board of Education – Financing Authority

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Washington County Board of Education to seek private financing, not to exceed a certain amount, to finance certain projects or capital leases; requiring certain financing to be authorized by a certain resolution and secured by a certain document between certain parties; requiring a resolution to contain certain information; authorizing the resolution to contain certain information; authorizing certain provisions under which private financing may be issued; requiring the Board to establish trust funds for a certain purpose; authorizing the Board to maintain certain accounts and retain certain income; requiring certain financing to make a certain statement on its face; providing that certain financing does not constitute a certain debt; establishing the security of the financing; allowing certain expenses to be considered as the cost of operations of the Board; providing that the certain cost of a project includes certain expenses; defining certain terms;

and generally relating to the financing authority of the Washington County Board of Education.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 4–501 and 4–502 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Washington County”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 752 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Charles County Sheriff – Arbitration of Collective Bargaining Disputes

FOR the purpose of establishing procedures for arbitration of collective bargaining disputes involving the exclusive representative of sworn law enforcement officers in the Charles County Sheriff’s Office; authorizing any party to a certain collective bargaining agreement to declare a bargaining impasse under certain circumstances; establishing a certain method for selecting an arbitrator; requiring the parties to submit certain memoranda to the arbitrator on or before a certain date; requiring the arbitrator to hold a closed hearing; establishing certain authority and duties of the arbitrator; requiring the arbitrator to issue a certain report on or before a certain date; requiring the arbitrator to consider only certain criteria when making a certain determination; prohibiting the arbitrator from taking certain actions; requiring the parties to execute a collective bargaining agreement incorporating the last final offer selected by the arbitrator; establishing a certain method of distributing the costs of the arbitration; authorizing the parties to reach a voluntary settlement on unresolved issues at any time; authorizing any party to file a certain complaint in the Circuit Court for Charles County within a certain period of time; prohibiting the filing of a certain complaint from staying the implementation of a certain report or part of the report; requiring certain collective bargaining agreements to be made with the County Commissioners of Charles County, in addition to the Sheriff; authorizing sworn law enforcement officers in Charles County to collectively bargain with respect to certain matters; authorizing a certain sworn law enforcement officer or correctional officer in Charles County to discuss certain matters with the employer without the intervention of the exclusive representative only under certain circumstances; requiring the county or the Office of the Sheriff to give certain notice to the exclusive representative under certain circumstances; altering the time period during which an exclusive bargaining agreement for law enforcement officers may be valid; and generally relating to the arbitration of collective bargaining disputes and the Charles County Sheriff’s Office.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–309(j)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 753 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – White Marsh Volunteer Fire Company

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the White Marsh Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 754 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Campaign Finance Reports – Filing Deadlines

FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of law to require that certain campaign finance entities file a certain campaign finance report on or before a certain day in a gubernatorial election year, rather than in every year; and generally relating to filing deadlines for campaign finance reports.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 13–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 755 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Campaign Finance – Central Committee Candidates

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain provision of law relating to campaign finance entities does not apply to certain candidates for election to the central committee of a political party; requiring certain candidates for election to the central committee of a political party to keep a certain account book, preserve the account book for certain purposes and for a certain period of time, and file a certain affidavit with the certificate of candidacy; requiring a candidate for election to the central committee of a political party to pay a certain civil penalty under certain circumstances; specifying that a certain civil penalty is a civil offense; requiring certain individuals to issue a certain civil citation; requiring that the citation be served in a certain manner; requiring the District Court, on receipt of a certain citation, to schedule a certain trial and notify a certain candidate of certain information; requiring the District Court to conduct a certain trial in a certain manner and remit certain fees to the State Board of Elections; providing that an adjudication of a certain violation is not a criminal conviction; providing that a certain candidate is liable for certain costs; authorizing the District Court, under certain circumstances, to dismiss a certain citation or enter a certain civil judgment; and generally relating to campaign finance requirements related to candidates for election to the central committee of a political party.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 13–202 and 13–221
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 13–305.1 and 13–604.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 756 – Senator Muse

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County – Foreclosure Relief Act of 2015

FOR the purpose of requiring the court to send the mortgagor or grantor a certain checklist when a certain foreclosure action is filed in Prince George’s County; prohibiting a lender from maintaining an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential real property in Prince George’s County for a certain period of time;

requiring the Office of the Attorney General to study certain matters and report its findings to the General Assembly on or before a specified date; providing for the application of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to foreclosure actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 7–105.1(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Real Property
Section 7–105.1(e–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 757 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Drug Overdose Prevention

FOR the purpose of authorizing an advanced nurse practitioner, instead of a certain nurse practitioner, and a pharmacist to conduct certain overdose prevention educational training programs; altering the circumstances under which certain employees or volunteers may conduct the training programs; authorizing certain individuals to prescribe and dispense naloxone to certain certificate holders by issuing a certain standing order under certain circumstances; authorizing certain individuals to prescribe and dispense naloxone to certain individuals, under certain circumstances, even if the individuals have not completed a certain training program; providing that an advanced practice nurse who prescribes or dispenses naloxone to a certificate holder in a certain manner may not be subject to certain disciplinary action under certain circumstances; exempting certain persons who are authorized to dispense naloxone from certain prescription drug dispensing permit requirements; authorizing the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with certain health occupations boards, to adopt certain regulations; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the renewal period for registration with the Department to manufacture, distribute, or dispense controlled dangerous substances; requiring the Department to adopt regulations establishing the initial term and any renewal term for a registration; requiring the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program to disclose certain data to certain entities; defining certain terms; making conforming, clarifying, and stylistic changes; and generally relating to drug overdose prevention.

BY repealing

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–302

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–302

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 13–3101, 13–3104(d)(2), 13–3107(1), 13–3108, 13–3109, and 21–2A–06(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 13–3110; and 13–31A–01 through 13–31A–03 to be under the new subtitle
“Subtitle 31A. Additional Third Party Naloxone Prescriptions in Overdose
Response Prevention”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 758 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Equal Access to Public Services for Individuals With Limited English Proficiency – Web Sites

FOR the purpose of providing that, beginning on a certain date, the reasonable steps certain departments, agencies, and programs are required to take under a certain provision of law include the operation and maintenance of equal access versions of certain Web sites in certain languages; requiring the Department of Information Technology to establish certain standards; making conforming changes; stating the intent of the General Assembly; and generally relating to equal access to public services of individuals with limited English proficiency.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 10–1102(a) through (c) and (e)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 10–1103 through 10–1105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 759 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Woods Community Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$325,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Woods Community Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 760 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Combustion Source

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an electricity supplier from receiving renewable energy credits from a combustion source in an amount greater than a certain renewable energy credit amount on and after a certain date; stating that energy from a combustion source is eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard if it is generated at a certain system or facility; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to the renewable energy portfolio standard.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–701(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–701(b–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–703(d) and 7–704(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 761 – Senators Feldman, Brochin, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Middleton, Montgomery, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Disabled Individuals – Maryland ABLE Program – Established

FOR the purpose of requiring the College Savings Plans of Maryland Board to establish the Maryland ABLE Program for certain purposes subject to certain provisions; requiring the Board to oversee the administration of the Maryland ABLE Program; altering the membership of the Board; requiring the Board to maintain the Maryland ABLE Program in compliance with certain standards; requiring the Board to adopt certain procedures; requiring the Board to issue certain statements to account holders at least once each year; authorizing the Board to issue certain requests for proposals; requiring the Board to consider proposals that meet certain criteria; authorizing the Board to require certain fees; establishing certain limitations and requirements for contributions to and administration of the Maryland ABLE Program; establishing participation and distribution requirements; providing that neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State is pledged to the payment of debts, contracts, and obligations of the Maryland ABLE Program; providing that certain entities are not liable for certain losses; prohibiting certain money from being considered or commingled with certain money or deposited in the State Treasury; exempting certain entities and accounts from the Insurance Article; providing that the assets and the income of the Maryland ABLE Program are exempt from State and local taxation; prohibiting a person from seizing a certain benefit or asset; requiring certain audits; altering a certain power of attorney form; allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for certain contributions to an account under the Maryland ABLE Program; allowing certain amounts disallowed under the subtraction modification as a result of a certain limitation to be carried over and subtracted for succeeding taxable years; requiring an addition modification for certain distributions made under certain accounts; making conforming changes; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms;

and generally relating to the College Savings Plans of Maryland and Maryland ABLE Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–1901, 18–1902.1, 18–1904(b) and (c), 18–1905(d)(3), (e), and (f),
18–19A–05, and 18–19B–05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–19C–01 through 18–19C–08 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 19C.
Maryland ABLE Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 17–203

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–205(a), 10–207(a), and 10–208(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–205(l), 10–207(cc), and 10–208(v)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 762 – Senators Feldman and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Installation and Use of Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of a recorded covenant or restriction, a declaration, or the bylaws or rules of a condominium or homeowners association are void and unenforceable; establishing certain requirements and procedures relating to an application to the governing body of a condominium or homeowners

association to install or use electric vehicle recharging equipment; requiring certain owners of electric vehicle recharging equipment to be responsible for certain costs and disclosures; requiring a unit or lot owner to obtain certain permits or approval required for electric vehicle recharging equipment; requiring the governing body of a condominium or homeowners association to authorize the installation of electric vehicle recharging equipment for the exclusive use of a unit or lot owner in certain areas under certain circumstances; authorizing the governing body of a condominium or homeowners association to install electric vehicle recharging equipment in certain areas and to develop reasonable rules for use of the equipment; authorizing the governing body of a condominium or homeowners association to create new parking spaces under certain circumstances; requiring certain landlords to approve a certain request of a tenant to install electric vehicle recharging equipment under certain circumstances; providing that a landlord is not required to provide an additional parking space to a tenant to accommodate electric vehicle recharging equipment and may charge a reasonable rent for a parking space under certain circumstances; requiring electric vehicle recharging equipment and certain modifications and improvements to property to comply with certain laws and requirements; establishing certain requirements for a tenant's request to install and use electric vehicle recharging equipment; requiring certain tenants to be responsible for certain costs; requiring certain tenants to maintain certain insurance under certain circumstances; requiring certain tenants to obtain certain permits or approval required for electric vehicle recharging equipment; establishing a certain State policy; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the installation and use of electric vehicle recharging equipment in certain rental property, condominiums, and developments.

BY adding to

Article – Real Property

Section 8–119, 8–120, 11–111.4, and 11B–111.7

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 763 – Senators Peters, DeGrange, Kasemeyer, King, and Miller

AN ACT concerning

Tax Amnesty Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the Comptroller to waive certain penalties and interest imposed for the nonpayment, nonreporting, or underreporting of certain taxes under certain circumstances; establishing a period during which the Comptroller shall grant amnesty; authorizing the Comptroller to enter into certain agreements to provide a certain waiver under certain circumstances with respect to certain taxes that a taxpayer agrees to pay in accordance with certain terms and a certain

schedule; requiring the Comptroller to submit a certain report on the tax amnesty program; and generally relating to a tax amnesty program for certain taxes.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 764 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Terminals – Changes Affecting Proceeds – Legislative Approval

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission from taking any action on or after a certain date that would affect the amount of proceeds from video lottery terminals paid to the State unless the General Assembly approves the action through legislation enacted into law; and generally relating to video lottery terminals and the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–04(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 765 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Facilities – Table Games – Distribution of Proceeds

FOR the purpose of altering the percentage that a video lottery operation licensee shall retain of the table game proceeds at a video lottery facility; altering the percentage that the Comptroller shall pay to the Education Trust Fund of the table game proceeds at a video lottery facility; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the distribution of the proceeds of table games at video lottery facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)
(As enacted by Section 3 of Chapter 1 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the
Second Special Session of 2012)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 766 – Senator Ready

AN ACT concerning

Agricultural Land Transfer Tax – Application

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the agricultural land transfer tax does not apply to the amount of agricultural land transferred that is exempt from the tax in accordance with certain provisions of law; and generally relating to the application of the agricultural land transfer tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 767 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Ethics Law – Statement by Person Providing Lobbyist Compensation and
Making Campaign Contributions**

FOR the purpose of clarifying and conforming certain provisions of the State ethics law with certain provisions of the State election law relating to a statement required by persons providing lobbyist compensation and making campaign contributions; authorizing the State Board of Elections to impose fines for the late filing of a certain statement; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the statement required by persons providing lobbyist compensation and making campaign contributions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–716
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 768 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Taylor Avenue Improvements

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$2,050,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Annapolis for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 769 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Annapolis City Dock Flood Mitigation Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,000,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Annapolis for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 770 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Motor Vehicle Rental Companies – Limited Lines License to Sell Insurance

FOR the purpose of applying certain provisions of law relating to employees of a motor vehicle rental company that holds a certain limited lines license to authorized representatives of the motor vehicle rental company; requiring a motor vehicle rental company to hold a certain limited lines license to sell certain insurance before authorized representatives of the company may sell or offer to sell any policies of insurance to renters of motor vehicles; providing that a certain limited lines license

authorizes any authorized representative of the motor vehicle rental company holding the license to act on behalf of the company with respect to certain kinds of insurance, under certain circumstances; altering the types of employees of a motor vehicle rental company who are authorized to act on behalf of the company with respect to certain kinds of insurance; providing that certain acts of an authorized representative of a motor vehicle rental company shall be deemed to be the acts of the company for certain purposes; authorizing an employee or an authorized representative of a motor vehicle rental company to be compensated for offering or selling certain insurance coverage; prohibiting the employee or authorized representative from being compensated for certain activities in a certain manner; providing for the construction of certain provisions of law; altering the circumstances under which a motor vehicle rental company is authorized to offer or sell certain insurance under a limited lines license; altering the circumstances under which certain disciplinary action may be taken by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner; prohibiting an authorized representative of a motor vehicle rental company from advertising, representing, or otherwise holding itself out as a certain insurer or certain insurance producer; exempting certain compensation from the prohibition against paying, directly or indirectly, to certain persons certain consideration for selling, soliciting, or negotiating insurance; defining a certain term; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to motor vehicle rental companies and limited lines licenses to sell insurance to renters of motor vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 10–130(a), 10–601, 10–602, 10–604(a), 10–606, and 10–607

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 771 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Broadneck High School Field House

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Bruin Athletic Boosters Club, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senator Klausmeier moved to suspend Rule 32 to allow **Senate Bill 772 through Senate Bill 776** to be referred to the appropriate committee.

The motion was adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 119)

Senate Bill 772 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Senators Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Apprenticeship Pilot Program – Apprenticeship Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing an apprenticeship pilot program called Apprenticeship Maryland and identifying the purpose of the Program; providing for the duration of the Program; requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, to develop certain criteria for the selection of certain school systems for participation in the Program; requiring the State Department of Education to collaborate with certain entities to develop criteria for eligible employers; requiring the State Department of Education to select certain local school systems to participate in the Program; authorizing certain county superintendents to select a certain number of students to participate in the Program; specifying when an eligible student may start the Program; requiring a student selected to participate in the Program to complete certain work-based training, receive certain classroom instruction, and complete the Program before a certain date; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to issue a certain certificate; requiring each eligible employer to pay an eligible student a certain wage; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and the State Department of Education to submit jointly a certain report including certain information on or before certain dates; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to Apprenticeship Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11-405(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 773 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Senators Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Guzzone, Hershey, Jennings, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Peters, Pugh, Rosapepe, Serafini, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Exemptions From Higher Education Ethics Requirements and Procurement Rules to Facilitate Technology Transfer

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Exemptions from Higher Education Ethics Requirements and Procurement Rules to Facilitate Technology Transfer; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to review, study, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Exemptions from Higher Education Ethics Requirements and Procurement Rules to Facilitate Technology Transfer.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 774 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Senators Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Ready, Rosapepe, Serafini, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Office of the Business Ombudsman – State Customer Service and Business Development Efforts Training Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the State Customer Service and Business Development Efforts Training Program; requiring the Office of the Business Ombudsman to administer and oversee the program; specifying the purpose of the program; requiring certain agencies to participate in the program; requiring the Office to develop certain customer service standards; requiring agencies participating in the program to create a certain customer service plan, develop and conduct certain customer service trainings, establish a certain employee recognition program, and report certain information each year; requiring the Office to evaluate and make certain recommendations regarding the program; requiring the Office to include certain information in a certain annual report; and generally relating to the State Customer Service and Business Development Efforts Training Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 14–203 and 14–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development
Section 14–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 775 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Senators Astle, Benson, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Ready, Rosapepe, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Proposed Regulations – Determination of Impact on Small Businesses

FOR the purpose of establishing the Advisory Council on the Impact of Regulations on Small Businesses in the Department of Business and Economic Development; providing for the purpose, composition, chair, staffing, and meetings of the Advisory Council; prohibiting a member of the Advisory Council from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Advisory Council to take certain actions and make certain determinations about proposed regulations; requiring the Advisory Council to submit a certain statement of its findings to the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review and the Department of Legislative Services within a certain period of time under certain circumstances; establishing certain duties of the staff of the Advisory

Council; authorizing the Advisory Council to adopt certain guidelines; requiring the Advisory Council to submit a certain report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring promulgating units to submit to the Advisory Council during a certain preliminary review period each proposed regulation and the estimated impact of the regulation on small businesses; requiring promulgating units to take certain actions if the promulgating unit estimates that a proposed regulation will have a certain significant small business impact; requiring the AELR Committee and the Department of Legislative Services to review certain findings; authorizing a member of the AELR Committee to request a hearing under certain circumstances; requiring the AELR Committee to hold a hearing under certain circumstances; authorizing the AELR Committee to request that a promulgating unit delay the adoption of a proposed regulation under certain circumstances; encouraging promulgating units to take certain actions during a certain period of time; defining certain terms; making certain conforming and stylistic changes; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Advisory Council; and generally relating to the determination of the impact of proposed regulations on small businesses.

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 3–501 through 3–508 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Advisory Council on the Impact of Regulations on Small Businesses”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 10–101 and 10–110

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 776 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission) and Senators Astle, Benson, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Economic Competitiveness and Commerce – Restructuring

FOR the purpose of renaming the Department of Business and Economic Development to be the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce; renaming the Secretary of Business and Economic Development to be the Secretary of Commerce; establishing an Office of the Secretary of Commerce in the Office of the Governor;

specifying that the Secretary is the head of economic development policy and implementation efforts in the State, a certain unit, and oversees certain units and certain corporations; requiring the Governor to appoint the Secretary; specifying the authority and duties of the Secretary; requiring the Secretary to appoint an Executive Director; specifying the qualifications and duties of the Executive Director; specifying the duties of the Department; providing that the Maryland Economic Development Commission oversees the operations of the Department and its units; expanding the members of the Commission; expanding the duties of the Commission; transferring the Maryland Life Sciences Advisory Board from the Department of Business and Economic Development to the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; altering the membership of the Life Sciences Advisory Board; requiring the Life Sciences Advisory Board to assist the Maryland Technology Development Corporation in certain matters; transferring the Invest Maryland Program and the Maryland Venture Fund Authority from the Department of Business and Economic Development to the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; requiring the Authority to provide advice to and consult with the Maryland Technology Development Corporation concerning certain matters; requiring the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to allocate certain designated capital and perform other duties for the Program; altering the purpose of the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; increasing the membership of the Board of Directors of the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; establishing the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation and the Board of Directors of the Corporation; providing that the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation is a body politic and corporate and is an instrumentality of the State; specifying the purposes of the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; specifying the duties, membership, qualifications, terms, appointments, and removal of the members of the Board of the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; specifying the manner in electing the chair of the Board of the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; requiring the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation to employ an Executive Director; specifying the duties of the Executive Director; providing that the Attorney General is the legal advisor to the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; authorizing the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation to employ certain staff; specifying the laws from which the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation is exempt and to which the Corporation is subject; specifying the authority of the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation; requiring the Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation to report on certain matters to certain persons on or before a certain date each year; providing that the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce is the successor of the Department of Business and Economic Development and that the Executive Director of the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce is the successor of the Secretary of Business and Economic Development; providing that certain names and titles of a certain unit and officials in laws and other documents mean the names and titles of the successor unit and officials; providing for the continuity of certain matters and persons; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code, in consultation with, and subject to the approval of, the Department of Legislative Services, to make certain corrections; altering certain definitions; defining certain terms; and generally

relating to economic development and competitiveness and the restructuring and renaming of the Department of Business and Economic Development.

BY renumbering

Article – Economic Development

Section 2–117 through 2–123, respectively; and 2–201 through 2–207, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. Maryland Economic Development Commission” to be Section 2.5–104 through 2.5–110, respectively; and 2.5–201 through 2.5–207, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. Maryland Economic Development Commission”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 1–101(a) and 2–104 through 2–107, 2–109 through 2–111, 2–113, 2–115, 2–116, 3–205, 6–505 through 6–507, 6–520, 6–523, 9–101(a), 10–401, and 10–404 through 10–415

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 1–101(c) and (f) to be under the amended division “Division I. Secretary of Commerce and Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce”; 2–102, 2–103, 2–108, 2–112, and 2–114 to be under the amended title “Title 2. Secretary of Commerce” and the amended subtitle “Subtitle 1. Office of the Secretary”; 3–201 through 3–204, 6–501, 6–504, 6–508, 6–511 through 6–514, 6–517 through 6–519, 6–521, 6–522, 6–526 through 6–529, 9–101(c) and (e), 10–402, and 10–403

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Economic Development

Section 2–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 2–101; and 10–901 through 10–911 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9. Public–Private Partnership Marketing Corporation”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 2.5–101, 2.5–102, and 2.5–103 to be under the new title “Title 2.5.
Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 2.5–105, 2.5–107, 2.5–108, 2.5–109, 2.5–201, 2.5–205, and 2.5–207

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 2.5–104, 2.5–106, 2.5–110, 2.5–202, 2.5–203, 2.5–204, and 2.5–206

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 8–201(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 8–201(b)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

House Bill 46 – Delegates Jones and A. Miller

AN ACT concerning

Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering and clarifying the duties of the Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight; and generally relating to the Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–10A–08
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
AFFAIRS REPORT #3**

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 25 – Senators Young and Hough

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology

SB0025/444237/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 25

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Hough” and substitute “, Hough, and Montgomery”; in line 3, after “of” insert “establishing the Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology”; and in line 13, strike “Committee” and substitute “Commission”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 9, strike “the Center” and substitute “**FREDERICK CREST**”; and in line 12, after “**TECHNOLOGY**” insert “**THAT IS GOVERNED BY THE FREDERICK CENTER FOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**”.

On page 3, in line 23, strike “the Center” and substitute “**FREDERICK CREST**”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 48 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners – Failure to Pass Licensure Examination – Prohibition on Issuance of License

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 49 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists – Examination of Applicants, Licensees, Certificate Holders, and Trainees

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 69 – Senator Conway

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Pharmacy – Sterile Compounding – Compliance by Nonresident Pharmacies and Repeal of Permit Requirement

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 120)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #6

Senate Bill 80 – ~~Senator Astle~~ Senators Astle, Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan-Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, and Young ~~Young~~, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Muse, Norman, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Reilly, Serafini, and Zirkin

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 121)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 122)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:21 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 17, 2015.

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The Maryland General Assembly convenes in the State House to celebrate George Washington's birthday and the unveiling of Washington's resignation speech.

Prayer by the Most Reverend William E. Lori 16th Archbishop of Baltimore, guest of Senator Miller. Prayer was read by Senator McFadden due to severe weather conditions.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND THE UNVEILING OF THE WASHINGTON'S RESIGNATION SPEECH PROGRAM

(See Exhibit D of Appendix III)

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S ANNAPOLIS SPEECH

by Alan Taylor (Thomas Jefferson Foundation Chair, Corcoran Department of History,
University of Virginia)
Feb. 16, 2015, Maryland State House.

Many of you have visited the "Charters of Freedom" shrine in the rotunda at the National Archives and have seen the three most celebrated documents of our founding: the Declaration of Independence; the Federal Constitution; and the Bill of Rights. No one could debate the primacy of those three, but what would the fourth most important document be? I would nominate the document that you have acquired, preserved, and presented here in this statehouse: the speech which George Washington gave upon resigning his command of the Continental Army to the Continental Army. It is a precious document for a precious rare event. For how many military commanders of revolution in history have voluntarily given up power? To understand the importance of that moment in late 1783 let me explore Washington's life-long project to reshape his character and to perform for the American public.

With great pains and much internal struggle, Washington developed a public persona that proved essential to winning the revolutionary war and constructing a union of the new states. He began as an adolescent, when he copied a detailed list of 110 rules of civility. Two of them are: "Let thy carriage be such as becomes a Man Grave, Settled, and attentive to that which is spoken." "Labour to keep alive in your Breast that Little Spark

of Celestial Fire called Conscience.” For the ensuing fifty years, Washington mastered himself into an almost perfect presentation of gravity, dignity, and integrity. But it was never easy, for by nature he was a very emotional, passionate man with a thin-skin. And he sometimes battled privately with despair at his own limitations and frustrations. No American of his century created a greater public reputation or labored more to bear up under its accumulating weight.

In the spring of 1775, war erupted between the thirteen colonies and the British Empire. Washington’s patriotic sentiments, his political weight as a leading Virginian (from the largest and wealthiest colony), his military experience, and his prodigious public dignity combined to secure his appointment by the Continental Congress to command its new army. Given the might of the British Empire, the appointment was a potential death sentence for Washington as a traitor in the event of defeat. But Washington dared not turn down the appointment because he so cherished his standing with the public. He characteristically explained, “It was utterly out of my power to refuse this appointment without exposing my Character to such censures as would have reflected dishonour upon myself.”

Washington made his share of battlefield mistakes, but he mastered the strategic and political essence of his difficult command. And at times, he privately despaired. In September 1776, after several defeats, he poured out his soul to a relative:

In short, such is my situation that if I were to wish the bitterest curse to an enemy on this side of the grave, I should put him in my stead with my feelings; and yet I do not know what plan of conduct to pursue. I see the impossibility of serving with reputation, or doing any essential service to the cause by continuing in command, and yet I am told that if I quit the command, inevitable ruin will follow from the distraction that will ensue. In confidence I tell you that I never was in such an unhappy, divided state since I was born.

But he knew that he had to keep this despair private. By doing so, Washington preserved, almost miraculously, an unruffled public demeanor that commanded the respect and sustained the hopes of his people. Washington’s greatest service and greatest sacrifice was to endure the psychological and emotional toll of this rigid detachment of his public resolve from his private agony.

He knew that he had to secure respect for himself and the American cause by consistently presenting, in orders, letters, speech, and posture, a persona of utter dignity and self-assurance – no easy task given his ramshackle army, divided country, and powerful enemy. Washington exhorted his soldiers that “The Eyes of all our Countrymen are now upon us, and we shall have their blessings, and praises, if happily we are the instruments of saving them from the Tyranny meditated against them. Let us therefore animate and encourage each other, and shew the whole world, that a Freeman contending for Liberty on his own ground is superior to any slavish mercenary on earth.”

By almost sheer force of will and by an extraordinary mastery of appearances, he kept alive a suffering army that sustained the revolution until the fall of 1781, when French military assistance secured the critical victory at Yorktown. But the war’s end did not end

the troubles of the weak union of new states. Indeed, peace compounded some of those difficulties by eliminating their common bond: the shared military struggle against the British Empire.

Perhaps you have heard the legend that Washington turned down a king's crown and thereby saved republican government. This story is not literally true, but it has a germ of truth that leads to the importance of his resignation speech at this statehouse. In March 1783, Congress was beginning to decline into irrelevance because under our original federal constitution, known as the Articles of Confederation, Congress lacked the power to tax. Instead, it had to rely on payments "requisitioned" from the states, and with the war winding down, the states were defaulting on those payments. Consequently, Congress lacked the money to pay the arrears in pay owed to the soldiers. And Congress could not afford to fund pensions which had been promised to the officers of the Continental Congress. And nationalists in Congress feared that once the British evacuated their last garrisons in America, and the Continental Army demobilized, they would lose their last leverage to secure tax revenues for Congress.

Some congressmen hoped to pressure their colleagues and the state governments by playing a dangerous game with the army. They send a secret emissary to meet with angry officers of the Continental Army, which lay encamped around New York City waiting for the British to withdraw. The emissary encouraged the officers to organize an effort to intimidate Congress and the states. By refusing to demobilize and threatening to march in arms on Philadelphia, the army could pressure Congress and the states to pay the soldiers and pension the officers. A former army officer in Congress, Alexander Hamilton, slyly explained that "the necessity and discontents of the army presented themselves as a powerful engine" to pressure wavering politicians. If necessary, Gouverneur Morris favored staging a military coup: "When a few Men of sense and spirit get together and declare that they are the Authority, such few as are of a different opinion may easily be convinced of their Mistake by that powerful Argument, the Halter."

Hamilton wrote to urge Washington to lead the army's forceful demand for the nationalist program, but the general balked. Dreading "to open the flood Gates of Civil discord" that would "deluge our rising Empire in Blood," Washington preferred to wait and trust the states and nation eventually to do right by the soldiers and officers. In mid-March at Newburgh, New York, he dramatically intervened in a meeting of angry officers, persuading them to stand down. As the nationalists feared, Congress had Washington discharge 80 percent of his army in June 1783.

The soldiers did not all go home quietly. In June, one group of disgusted and unpaid soldiers passed through Philadelphia, where they surrounded the State House loudly to denounce and threaten the Congressmen. Feeling insulted and helpless, the congressmen adjourned and hastily moved away to Princeton, New Jersey. Too fearful to return to Philadelphia, Congress moved on again to Annapolis, Maryland in November. One delegate described Congress as "hated by the public creditors, insulted by the Soldiery, and unsupported by the citizens." Benjamin Rush agreed, "The Congress is abused, laughed at and cursed in every company." So it is not true that today's Congress has reached the lowest ebb in public opinion.

With the British evacuation completed in late November, Washington dismissed the last of his troops and rode south to Annapolis to resign his commission to Congress on December 23. Only twenty Congressmen attended because a mere seven states had bothered to send delegations to the increasingly ineffectual and irrelevant Congress. But a throng of spectators filled the hall and gallery of the Maryland statehouse to watch Washington resign. He aptly described his performance as theatrical: “Nothing now remains, but for the actors of this mighty Scene to preserve a perfect, unvarying, consistency of character throughout the last act; to close the Drama with applause; and to retire from the Military Theatre.” In the actual speech, he also used a theatrical metaphor: “I retire from the great theater of action.” Throughout the war, he had played a consummate and utterly demanding role as the face of the revolution and of its commitment to a republic, where the military served the civil authority of the people.

An impressed congressman praised the “solemn and affecting spectacle.” Washington had become the consummate performer of dignified and selfless devotion to the republican cause. By surrendering power, Washington refuted Loyalist critics who had predicted that he would become a dictator as had Julius Caesar and Oliver Cromwell, previous rebel commanders in history. In London, the American-born artist Benjamin West had predicted Washington’s retirement. A skeptical George III allegedly replied, “If he does that, he will be the greatest man in the world.” Expressing a relief felt by most Americans, Thomas Jefferson declared that Washington’s virtuous act had “prevented this revolution from being closed, as most others have been by a subversion of that liberty it was intended to establish.”

Later, another general in a different revolution, Napoleon Bonaparte in France cynically claimed that God favored the general with the biggest battalions in battle. But the biggest and best army had not won the War of the American Revolution. Washington understood the importance of a reputation for moral courage and self-sacrifice. He also knew that no reputation could stand without substance and consistency.

By resigning command of a dissolving army, he paradoxically gained real power in a republic governed by public opinion. He became the most popular and the most revered man throughout the states, for everyone was relieved and impressed by his dignified resignation of command. Thereafter, he became the essential man to the movement to seek constitutional reform of the inadequate Articles of Confederation. No reform was possible without his engagement. Because of his support, the Constitutional Convention succeeded at Philadelphia in 1787, for his gravitas helped to keep the often squabbling delegates together to the end of their labors in September. Then his support for the constitution proved critical to winning the long, hard ratification struggle in the states in 1787–1788. Then Washington won unanimous election by the electoral college to the presidency, something that will never again happen. Finally, Washington helped to hold the fragile new government together through the bitter conflicts of the members of his cabinet. I believe the constitution would not have held without Washington as the first president.

Of course, Washington developed his public persona through many years of struggle with his emotions and many occasions of public performance. But I would single out the

December 23, 1783 speech that he made here as the most important moment in his political career, for here Washington consolidated his standing as first in the hearts and minds of his countrymen.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 17, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:17 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Tom Wenger, Trinity Presbyterian Church, guest of Senator Reilly. Due to inclement weather the prayer was read by Senator Reilly.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 16, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 124)

**THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
AFFAIRS REPORT #4**

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 5 – Senator Getty

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Canvass of Votes – Public Observation

SB0005/804531/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 5

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Getty” and substitute “Senator Bates”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 20 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Board of Elections – Membership

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 30 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

**Procurement – Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprise Participation –
Award of Contracts**

SB0030/394837/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 30

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “contract” in line 4 down through “goals” in line 7 and substitute “contract with a certain goal of veteran–owned small business participation to comply with certain requirements depending on the type of procurement being conducted”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 12 through 19, inclusive, and substitute:

“14-603.

(A) [A] FOR PROCUREMENTS CONDUCTED BY COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDDING, A unit shall award the contract to the responsible bidder that submits the [lowest] responsive bid[, or responsible offeror proposing the most advantageous offer.] that:

(1) HAS THE LOWEST BID PRICE;

(2) HAS THE LOWEST EVALUATED BID PRICE; OR

(3) FOR PROCUREMENTS SUBJECT TO § 11-202(3) OF THIS ARTICLE, IS THE BID MOST FAVORABLE TO THE STATE; AND

(4) meets or makes a good faith effort to meet any applicable goal established under this subtitle.

(B) FOR PROCUREMENTS CONDUCTED BY COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS, A UNIT SHALL AWARD THE CONTRACT TO THE RESPONSIBLE OFFEROR:

(1) PROPOSING THE MOST ADVANTAGEOUS OFFER; AND

(2) THAT MEETS OR MAKES A GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO MEET ANY APPLICABLE GOAL ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 38 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Veterans’ License – Fee

SB0038/704838/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 38

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Veterans’ License – Fee” and substitute “Class C Licenses – Clubs”; in line 3, strike beginning with “altering” through “veterans” and substitute “repealing a certain requirement relating to the daily average receipts from the sale of food needed for a club to qualify for a certain seven–day”; and in line 12, strike “6–301(y)(2) and (4)” and substitute “6–301(y)(9)(i)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 20 on page 1 through line 13 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

“(9) (i) For the purpose of qualifying for a seven–day license, clubs defined in this subsection shall:

1. Have an enclosed dining area that has a seating capacity for 60 or more persons; AND

2. Serve full–course meals from menus at least twice daily];
and

3. During the effective period of the license have daily average receipts from the sale of food in excess of those for the sale of alcoholic beverages].”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 51 – Senators Shank, Benson, and Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Commission on African American History and Culture – Duties

SB0051/304837/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 51

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senators Shank, Benson, and Edwards” and substitute “Senators Serafini, Edwards, and Benson”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 83 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Department of Natural Resources – Vibrio Notice Regulations

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 106 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake Bay Trust – Investment Options – Expansion

SB0106/144234/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 106

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 2, in line 6, strike “DEBT SECURITIES”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 108 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**State Finance and Procurement – Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals –
Membership**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 133 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Bay Restoration Fund – Use of Funds

SB0133/244136/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 133

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after “systems;” insert “adding certain funding to an order of priority for certain projects funded by the Bay Restoration Fund in certain fiscal years:”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 23, after “projects” insert “, AS APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT,”.

On page 2, after line 16, insert:

“C. FOR COSTS IDENTIFIED UNDER ITEM 1. OF THIS ITEM;”;

and in lines 17 and 19, respectively, strike “C.” and “D.” respectively, and substitute “D.” and “E.”, respectively.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS REPORT #2

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 12 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

**Family Law – Child Abuse and Neglect – Expungement of Reports and Records –
Time Period**

SB0012/278875/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 12

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, strike “for a certain purpose”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike beginning with “FOR” in line 7 down through “EXISTS” in line 8; in line 9, strike “10” and substitute “5”; in line 11, strike the brackets; in the same line, strike “10”; and in line 18, strike “FOR DETERMINING A PATTERN”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 44 – Senators Edwards, Astle, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Getty, Hershey, Jennings, Klausmeier, Manno, Mathias, Middleton, Norman, Peters, Reilly, Salling, Shank, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Maximum Speed Limits on Highways

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 60 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Collection of Appearance Fees

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 61 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Active Armed Forces Member – Exemption From Payment of Fees for Certain Court Records

SB0061/358371/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 61

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, after “Conference)” insert “and Senators Zirkin, Brochin, Cassilly, Gladden, Hough, Lee, Muse, Norman, Ramirez, Raskin, and Ready”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 62 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Water and Sewer Lien Registers – Fees

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 67 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Crime of Violence – Home Invasion

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 87 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Transfer to Juvenile Court – Petition for Expungement

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 124 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Special Registration Plates and Parking Placards for Individuals With Disabilities – Licensed Physical Therapists

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND TAXATION REPORT #3

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 76 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Noncontributory Pension Benefit – Definition

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 116 – Senator Pugh

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2013 and 2014 – Baltimore City –
Skatepark of Baltimore at Roosevelt Park**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 177 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Filing of Tax Returns

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 178 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Alternative Payment Schedule – Penalty Prohibition

SB0178/859938/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 178

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Kasemeyer” and substitute “Senators Kasemeyer and Waugh”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 186 – Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Residential Retention Property Tax Credit – Modification

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #4

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 122 – Senators Eckardt, Bates, Cassilly, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, King, Middleton, Montgomery, Salling, and Waugh

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Regulation of Milk Products – Revisions

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 148 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Office of Cemetery Oversight – Preneed Burial Contracts – Report Submission Requirement

SB0148/867570/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 148
(First Reading File Bill)

On page 2, in line 9, strike “180” and substitute “150”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 157 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Klausmeier, Montgomery, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Consultation, Diagnosis, and Treatment of Mental and Emotional Disorders –
Consent by Minors**

SB0157/677472/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 157
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, strike “list of”; and in line 11, after “Act;” insert “defining a certain term;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 22, insert:

“(A) IN THIS SECTION, “HEALTH CARE PROVIDER” MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS:

- (1) LICENSED UNDER THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE; AND**

(2) PRACTICING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE INDIVIDUAL’S LICENSE.;

and in line 23, strike “(a)” and substitute “**(B)**”.

On pages 1 and 2, strike beginning with “physician,” in line 25 on page 1 down through “**THERAPIST,**” in line 2 on page 2 and substitute “**HEALTH CARE PROVIDER**”.

On page 2, strike beginning with “physician,” in line 4 down through “**THERAPIST,**” in line 6 and substitute “**HEALTH CARE PROVIDER**”; in lines 10 and 26, strike “(b)” and “(c)”, respectively, and substitute “**(C)**” and “**(D)**”, respectively; strike beginning with “attending” in line 11 down through “**THERAPIST,**” in line 14 and substitute “**HEALTH CARE PROVIDER**”; strike beginning with “attending” in line 14 down through “**THERAPIST**” in line 16 and substitute “**HEALTH CARE PROVIDER**”; and strike beginning with “psychologist” in line 20 down through “**THERAPIST,**” in line 22 and substitute “**HEALTH CARE PROVIDER**”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 125)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #7

Senate Bill 92 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Assignment of Benefits and Reimbursement of Nonpreferred Providers – Repeal of Termination Date

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 126)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 110 – ~~Senator Middleton~~ Senators Middleton, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Hershey, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Pugh, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Developmental Disabilities Administration – Low Intensity Support Services – Definition

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 127)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 142 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Feldman, King, Madaleno, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Property and Casualty Insurance – Premium Finance Companies – Assignment of Rights and Obligations – Repeal of Termination Date

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 128)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 222 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Annual Curative Bill

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 129)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 223 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Annual Corrective Bill

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 130)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 131)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:57 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, February 18, 2015 in honor of Frank Conaway, Sr.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 18, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 10:08 A.M.

Prayer by Chaplain Angel L. Berrios, Captain U. S. Army guest of Senator Currie.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 17, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Middleton be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 133)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 248 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Maryland Library Community
in recognition of
the 2015 Maryland Library Day, which acknowledges the innovative services provided by
all Maryland libraries and the broad-based community support they enjoy.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 18th day of February 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 134)

Senate Resolution No. 247 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Jordan Michele Mister
in recognition of
being crowned Miss Maryland Agriculture 2014–2015. We commend your leadership and
efforts to promote Maryland’s agricultural industry. Congratulations!
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 18th day of February 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 135)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 777 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Prevailing Wage – Payment for Apprenticeship Programs

FOR the purpose of requiring contractors and subcontractors under public work contracts subject to the prevailing wage rate law to pay the full cost of certain apprenticeship programs; requiring certain contractors to keep a list of each apprentice and the apprenticeship program in which the apprentice takes part; requiring contractors and subcontractors subject to a certain investigation to allow the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to take certain action to determine whether the contractor or subcontractor has violated a certain provision of this Act; requiring, on certain notification, a public body to withhold from a certain payment an amount sufficient to pay the full cost of certain apprenticeship programs; requiring, under certain circumstances, a public body to reimburse an apprentice for any amount the apprentice paid to an apprenticeship program and pay the apprenticeship program any balance still owed to the apprenticeship program; and generally relating to the payment for apprenticeship programs by contractors and subcontractors under the prevailing wage rate law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–205, 17–220, and 17–221
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 778 – Senators Serafini and Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Issues Related to the Use of Self-Driving Vehicles

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Issues Related to the Use of Self-Driving Vehicles; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to make certain determinations, review certain information, consider certain issues, and make certain recommendations related to the use of self-driving vehicles; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Issues Related to the Use of Self-Driving Vehicles.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 2-404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 779 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

State Correctional Officers' Bill of Rights – Investigatory File and Record of Proceeding

FOR the purpose of establishing that a certain investigatory file and record of a proceeding are personnel records for purposes of the Public Information Act; and generally relating to the State Correctional Officers' Bill of Rights.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Correctional Services

Section 10-903

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 780 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Elizabeth Seton High School Library Renovation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Elizabeth Seton High School, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 781 – Senators Norman and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Permit – Temporary Training Waiver

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of State Police, on making a determination that an applicant has demonstrated evidence of imminent danger to the applicant, to temporarily waive a certain requirement to complete a certain firearms training course; requiring a certain permit to require completion of a certain course within a certain time period from the issuance of the permit; and generally relating to firearms.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–306(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–306(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 782 – Senators Norman and Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Historic Motor Vehicles – Minimum Age

FOR the purpose of increasing the age that a motor vehicle must attain in order to be eligible for registration as a historic motor vehicle; and generally relating to historic motor vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 783 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Foreclosure Sales of Residential Property – Motion for Deficiency Judgment

FOR the purpose of altering the time period within which a certain motion for a deficiency judgment must be filed; providing for the application of this Act; providing that any motion for a deficiency judgment on a certain deed of trust, mortgage, or promissory note for which an auditor's report has final ratification must be filed within a certain time period under certain circumstances; and generally relating to deficiency judgments with regard to foreclosure sales of residential property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 7–105.13
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS REPORT #3

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill 457 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Liability Insurance – Reservation of Rights for Failure to Cooperate –
Prohibition**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

THE COMMITTEE ON RULES REPORT #2

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 707 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverage Tax Returns – Manufacturers and Wholesalers – Due Date

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 708 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Construction Contract Clauses – Change Orders (State Procurement Change Order Fairness Act)

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 709 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Aquaculture Leases – Consideration of User Conflicts

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 710 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Partially Elected School Board

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 711 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting by Absentee Ballot – Prepaid Postage for the Return of Ballots

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 712 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Natural Gas Severance Tax and Impact Account

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill 714 – Senators Feldman and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council – Reporting and Sunset Extension

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 715 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Garrett County – Multiple Event License

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings:

Senate Bill 716 – Senators Raskin, Astle, Bates, Benson, Feldman, Klausmeier, Lee, Montgomery, Muse, Norman, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Checkpoints – Prohibition on Targeting Motorcycles

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 717 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Athletic Trainers and Physician Assistants – Reports to the Board of Physicians

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 718 – Senator Hough

AN ACT concerning

Statewide Information Technology Master Plan – Security Policy

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 719 – Senators Ready, Hough, and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages – Hours of Sale on Sundays for Holders of Class A Licenses

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill 720 – Senators Ready, Hough, and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Carroll County – Warrant Intercept Program

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings:

Senate Bill 721 – Senators Ready, Hough, and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Correctional Officers’ Bill of Rights

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 722 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Allegany County – Frostburg Museum Relocation Project

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 723 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Nurse Practitioner Full Practice Authority Act of 2015

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 724 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Bladensburg Road
Economic Development Project**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 725 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore County Board of Education – Procurement for
Construction-Related Projects for Schools**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 726 – Senators Bates and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Employees’ Pension System – Town of Sykesville – Service Credit

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings:

Senate Bill 727 – Senators Norman, Cassilly, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Motorcycle Profiling – Training

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 728 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Blessed Sacrament Supportive Housing

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 729 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Dorchester County – Chesapeake Grove Senior Housing and Intergenerational Center

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 730 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County – Board of Education

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 731 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Talbot County – Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 732 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Peale Center for Baltimore
Architecture and History**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 733 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Banner Neighborhoods Community
Center**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 734 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Gilead House Renovation

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings:

Senate Bill 735 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Office of the Public Defender – Eligibility – Requirements

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings:

Senate Bill 736 – Senators Reilly, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Identification Requirements – Repeal

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 737 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County – Board of Education and Nominating Commission –
County Executive Appointment Authority**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 738 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Professional Engineers – Responsible Charge – Review and Approval of
Engineering Documents**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 739 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Damascus Volunteer Fire Department

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 740 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Brooke Grove Rehabilitation and Nursing Center

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 741 – Senator Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Olney Manor Dog Park

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill 742 – Senators Nathan-Pulliam, Lee, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Restaurants – Meals for Children

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill 743 – Senators Lee, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Nathan-Pulliam, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Vital Records – New Certificates of Birth – Sex Change or Diagnosis of an Intersex Condition

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 744 – Senators Kagan and King

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 – Montgomery County – Water Park at Bohrer Park

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings:

Senate Bill 745 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Landlord and Tenant – Security Deposit – Use for Unpaid Water and Sewer Bills

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 746 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Washington County – Cushwa Basin Area

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill 747 – Senators Feldman and Lee

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Electric Companies – Vegetation Management

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs:

Senate Bill 748 – Senators Middleton, Mathias, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Deer Hunting – Crop Damage Permit – Wild Venison

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

The Secretary of State appeared and delivered a Message from the Executive.

February 6, 2015

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. President:

It is a pleasure to submit to the Maryland State Senate, the following nominations for appointment as Department Secretaries:

Department of Disabilities
Carol A. Beatty
Secretary of Disabilities

Serves at the pleasure of the Governor

Maryland Higher Education Commission
Jennie C. Hunter–Cevera, Ph.D.
Secretary of Higher Education Commission
Serves at the pleasure of the Commission

Department of Information Technology
David Garcia
Secretary of Information Technology
Serves at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of Natural Resources
Rear Adm. Mark Jay Belton (Ret.)
Secretary of Natural Resources
Serves at the pleasure of the Governor

Department of State Police
Lt. Col. William M. Pallozzi
Secretary of State Police
Serves at the pleasure of the Governor

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to your favorable approval of these nominations.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

The Message from the Executive, being of an Executive nature, was referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 136)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #8**Senate Bill 25 – Senators Young ~~and Hough~~, Hough, and Montgomery****EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 137)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 48 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners – Failure to Pass Licensure Examination – Prohibition on Issuance of License

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 138)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 49 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists – Examination of Applicants, Licensees, Certificate Holders, and Trainees

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 139)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 69 – Senator Conway**EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Pharmacy – Sterile Compounding – Compliance by Nonresident Pharmacies and Repeal of Permit Requirement

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 140)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 141)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:30 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 19, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, February 19, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:06 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Todd Gaddy, Lead Pastor of the Life Church, guest of Senator Brochin.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 18, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Muse be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 143)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 254 – Senator Jamie Raskin:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Cannon Road Elementary School
in recognition of
students' hard work and dedication to
promote respect and anti-bullying through the
"Together We're Better" contest.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 19th day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 253 – Senator Justin Ready:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to

Cranberry Station Elementary School
in recognition of
the students' hard work and dedication to
promote respect and anti-bullying through the
"Together We're Better" contest.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 19th day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 242 – Senator Karen S. Montgomery:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Westover Elementary School
in recognition of
the students' hard work and dedication to
promote respect and anti-bullying through the
"Together We're Better" contest.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 19th day of February 2015.

The preceding resolutions were read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 144)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 784 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Labor and Employment – Discrimination Based on Engagement in Lawful
Activities – Prohibition**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, under certain circumstances, an employer from failing or refusing to hire, discharging, or otherwise discriminating against an applicant or employee based on the applicant's or employee's engagement in a certain lawful activity off the employer's premises during nonworking hours; providing that a certain provision of this Act does not apply to a certain restriction against engaging in a lawful activity under certain circumstances; authorizing an applicant or employee aggrieved by a violation of this Act to file a certain action against the employer to obtain certain relief; providing for a certain period of limitations for filing an action under this Act; authorizing a court to award certain reasonable costs to the prevailing party in an action under this Act; defining a certain term; making

a conforming change; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a prohibition against employer discrimination based on engagement in lawful activities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–1301 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13. Discrimination Based on
Engagement in Lawful Activities”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 785 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – St. Elizabeth School Indoor
Playground**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the St. Elizabeth School, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 786 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – League for People With Disabilities
Building Expansion**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$145,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The League for People with Disabilities, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing

for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 787 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

**Drivers' Licenses, Identification Cards, and Moped Operators' Permits –
Enhanced Identification Documents**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to make available to an applicant for a driver's license, an identification card, or a moped operator's permit the opportunity to upgrade the document to be an enhanced identification document; establishing that the Administration may issue an enhanced identification document only to certain individuals who provide certain documentation; requiring an individual who applies for an enhanced identification document to provide to the Administration a certain biometric identifier at a certain time and in a certain manner; requiring the Administration to select for use for an enhanced identification document only a biometric identifier that meets certain federal standards and requirements; authorizing the Administration to establish a certain fee for the issuance and renewal of an enhanced identification document; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the upgrade of drivers' licenses, identification cards, and moped operators' permits to be enhanced identification documents.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 12–305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 788 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Caroline County – Mt. Calvary United Methodist
Church**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Mt. Calvary United Methodist Church, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or

matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 789 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Exemption – Nonprofit Organizations Authorized to Perform Auxiliary Library Services

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption under the sales and use tax for certain nonprofit organizations authorized to perform certain services for certain libraries; and generally relating to an exemption under the sales and use tax for certain nonprofit organizations authorized to perform certain services for certain libraries.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–204(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 790 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Right-of-Way Violations – Death or Serious Bodily Injury – Penalties

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain mandatory fine for a violation of certain right-of-way provisions that contributes to an accident that results in death or serious bodily injury of another; authorizing the issuance of a certain citation by a law enforcement officer; requiring the District Court to establish a uniform citation form; requiring that the citation contain certain information; requiring that a law enforcement agency provide a copy of a citation to a District Court with venue; requiring that the District Court issue a summons to appear for trial to a person charged; prohibiting the District Court from establishing a schedule for the prepayment of the fine specified on a citation issued under this Act; requiring certain notice to a person charged; and generally relating to penalties for violating certain right-of-way provisions under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation

Section 27–113(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 27–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 791 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Great Blacks in Wax Museum
Expansion**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The National Great Blacks in Wax Museum, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 792 – Senator Astle

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Public Health – Nondiscrimination in Access to Anatomical Gifts and Organ
Transplantation**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain entities from taking certain actions regarding organ transplantation and anatomical gifts solely on the basis of an individual's disability; authorizing, under certain circumstances, certain entities to take an individual's disability into account when making certain recommendations or decisions; requiring, except under certain circumstances, certain entities to make certain modifications to policies, practices, and procedures to make certain services available to an individual with a disability; requiring, except under certain circumstances, certain entities to take certain steps to ensure that an individual with a disability is not denied certain services; authorizing, under certain circumstances, a certain

individual to bring a certain action in a certain court for certain relief; requiring a circuit court in a certain action to schedule a hearing as soon as possible and apply certain standards in rendering a judgment; declaring the findings of the General Assembly; providing for the construction and application of this Act; defining certain terms; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to nondiscrimination in access to anatomical gifts and organ transplantation.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–1601 through 20–1606 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 16.

Nondiscrimination in Access to Anatomical Gifts and Organ Transplantation”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 793 – Senator Middleton

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Automatic Step Increases – Standard Pay Plan

FOR the purpose of requiring that regulations adopted by the Secretary of Budget and Management provide for automatic increases from minimum to maximum steps in a certain pay grade of certain pay rates in the Standard Pay Plan for certain employees under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to automatic step increases in the Standard Pay Plan.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 8–104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 8–106

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 794 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Washington County – The Maryland Theatre

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$260,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Maryland Theatre Association, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 795 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Facilities – Cost of Residents’ Care – Determination and Payment of Funds

FOR the purpose of authorizing a comprehensive care facility or an extended care facility, under certain circumstances, to petition a certain circuit court for an order permitting the facility to request a certain determination of the funds available to pay for the cost of a resident’s care from the medical assistance program and to obtain certain information; requiring the circuit court to issue a certain order under certain circumstances; requiring the medical assistance program to make a certain determination of the funds available to pay for the cost of a resident’s care within a certain number of days after receipt of the request; providing that if a certain determination is not made within a certain number of days, the medical assistance program shall be deemed to have concluded that there are no funds available to pay for the cost of a resident’s care; authorizing a comprehensive care facility or an extended care facility to petition a certain circuit court for an order directing that certain payments be paid to the facility directly from the funds determined by the medical assistance program to be available; and generally relating to the payment of funds for the cost of care of residents of a comprehensive care facility or an extended care facility.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–343(a) and 19–344(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–344(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 796 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Ferguson, Kelley, Montgomery, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program – Expansion of Eligibility and Services – Pharmaceutical Rebate Coverage

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain rebates received by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene from the Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program to be used to provide certain services to eligible individuals as allowable under Part B of the federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program; and generally relating to the Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 2–104(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 797 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Champ House

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Champ House Recovery, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 798 – Senators Mathias and Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County – Alcoholic Beverages – Annual Production Limit for Micro–Breweries

FOR the purpose of raising in Wicomico County the limit on the number of barrels of malt beverages that a micro-brewery may collectively brew, bottle, or contract for in a calendar year; and generally relating to micro-breweries in Wicomico County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–208(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 799 – Senators Mathias and Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Wicomico County – Tri-County Council
Multi-Purpose Center**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Tri-County Council for the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 800 – Senators Brochin, Muse, Pugh, Raskin, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Transit Administration – Audio Recordings – Requirements and
Limitations**

FOR the purpose of requiring an audio recording device on a vehicle used by the Maryland Transit Administration to provide certain transit service to comply with certain requirements and to be activated only under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to post a certain notice on each vehicle equipped with an audio recording device; limiting, to certain persons and only for certain purposes, access to any audio recording that is made on a vehicle used to provide transit service; requiring the Administration to keep a certain log; requiring the Administration, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to audio recording devices on vehicles used by the Maryland Transit Administration to provide transit service.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 7–101(a), (l), and (n)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 7–705.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 801 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Black Fly Management and Control – Washington County

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish a program to control the spread of black flies in the State; requiring that the program be implemented initially on certain property in Washington County; authorizing the Department, in conjunction with the Department of Entomology in the University of Maryland, to conduct the program in a certain manner; authorizing the Department to accept, use, or expend certain funding to implement this Act; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; stating a certain finding and the intent of the General Assembly; and generally relating to the management and control of black flies in the State.

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–2201 through 8–2205 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 22. Black Fly Management and Control”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 802 – Senators Cassilly, Astle, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Muse, Peters, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Dedication of Structures – Gold Star Families (Hero’s Highway Act)

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to establish a process by which a member of the General Assembly may request, on behalf of a United States Department of Defense Gold Star recipient, that the Administration dedicate a bridge or other appropriate structure to the recipient's spouse, child, or other relative whose life was lost in combat; and generally relating to State highways.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 8–656

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 803 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Nonpreferred Providers – Assignment of Benefits, Reimbursement, and Fraudulent Insurance Acts

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum difference between the coinsurance percentage applicable to certain nonpreferred providers and the coinsurance percentage applicable to certain preferred providers; altering the reimbursement amount payable by certain insurers to certain on-call physicians or hospital-based physicians who are nonpreferred providers; providing that it is a fraudulent insurance act for a nonpreferred provider to knowingly or willfully waive, forgive, or fail to collect certain deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or other cost sharing amounts; providing certain penalties for a violation of certain provisions of this Act; repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law relating to the assignment of benefits and reimbursement of nonpreferred providers; and generally relating to health insurance and nonpreferred providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 14–201(a) and (k)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 14–205 and 14–205.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance
Section 27–407.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 27–408
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 35 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 537 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 7

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 804 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Port Discovery Children’s Museum
Renovation Project**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Baltimore Children’s Museum, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 805 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Cherry Hill Early Head Start

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Maryland Family Network, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or

expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 806 – Senators Simonaire, Bates, Cassilly, Hough, Kagan, Montgomery, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Salling, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Education – High School Assessment – Government

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education to include in the graduation requirements for public high schools a requirement that each student take a standardized government high school assessment; requiring, beginning with a certain school year, the government high school assessment to include a certain number of questions used for the civics portion of a certain naturalization test; and generally relating to graduation requirements for public high schools and the high school assessment for government.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–205.1(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–205.1(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 5 – Senators Eckardt, Astle, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Norman, Ready, and Salling

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Natural Resources – Goose and Duck Hunting Seasons – Extension

FOR the purpose of urging the members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation to work with Congress and the United States Department of the Interior to extend goose

hunting and duck hunting seasons on the Eastern Shore to run through February of each year.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

THE COMMITTEE ON RULES REPORT #3

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 220 – The President

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Mandated Reports by State Agencies

SB0220/333121/1

BY: Senate Rules Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 220

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, in line 29, after “7–317(h),” insert “14–505,”; and in line 39, strike “6–406(b),”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 13, in lines 22, 23, and 24, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 25, strike “on or before August 1 of each year” and substitute “**ON REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT**”; in line 26, strike “the Governor,”; strike beginning with the second comma in line 26 down through the bracket in line 28; in line 29, strike “October 1” and substitute “**DECEMBER 1**”; and in the same line, strike “2012” and substitute “2015”.

On page 14, strike beginning with “The” in line 18 down through “unnecessary” in line 19 and substitute “Subsection (c)(3)(ii) of this section is revised to eliminate duplicative and unnecessary reports”; after line 19, insert:

“Subsection (d)(1) of this section is revised to alter the reporting date from October 1 to December 1 of each year to correspond with the availability of information necessary to complete the report.”;

and in line 20, after “(d)” insert “(2)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 49, after line 31, insert:

“14-505.

[(a) Within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, each designated procurement unit shall submit a report on the operation and effectiveness of the Small Business Reserve Program that complies with subsection (d)(2) of this section to the Board of Public Works.

[(b) Within 60 days after receipt of all reports required under subsection (a) of this section, the Board of Public Works shall compile the information and report on the operation and effectiveness of the entire Small Business Reserve Program to the Legislative Policy Committee, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.]

[(c)(A) Within 60 days after the enactment of the budget bill by the General Assembly, each designated procurement unit shall submit a report to the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs that complies with the reporting requirements set forth in COMAR 21.11.01.06.

[(d)(B) (1) Within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, each unit shall submit a report to the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs that complies with the requirements of paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(2) For the preceding fiscal year, the report shall:

(i) state the total number and the dollar value of payments the unit made to small businesses under designated small business reserve contracts;

(ii) state the total number and the dollar value of payments the unit made to small businesses under nondesignated small business reserve contracts, including purchase card procurements;

(iii) state the total dollar value of payments the unit made under procurement contracts; and

(iv) contain other such information as required by the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs.

[(e)(C) On or before December 31 of each year, the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs shall submit to the Board of Public Works and, subject to § 2-1246 of the

State Government Article, to the Legislative Policy Committee a report summarizing the information the Office receives under subsection (b) of this section.

DRAFTER’S NOTE:

The reports on the Small Business Reserve Program required to be submitted to the Board of Public Works and the Legislative Policy Committee under former subsections (a) and (b) of this section are repealed as duplicative of the reports required to be submitted to the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs, the Board of Public Works, and the Legislative Policy Committee under former subsections (d) and (e) of this section.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On pages 53 and 54, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 26 on page 53 through line 9 on page 54, inclusive.

The preceding 4 amendments were read only.

Senator Simonaire moved, duly seconded, that the Bill and Amendments be laid over under the Rule.

The motion was adopted.

THE COMMITTEE ON RULES REPORT #4

Senator Klausmeier, Chair, for the Committee on Rules moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 763 – Senators Peters, DeGrange, Kasemeyer, King, and Miller

AN ACT concerning

Tax Amnesty Program

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 145)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #9

Senate Bill 5 – ~~Senator Getty~~ Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Canvass of Votes – Public Observation

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 146)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 20 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Board of Elections – Membership

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 147)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 30 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

**Procurement – Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise Participation –
Award of Contracts**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 148)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 38 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

**Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – ~~Veterans' License – Fee Class C~~
Licenses – Clubs**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 149)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 51 – ~~Senators Shank, Benson, and Edwards~~ Senators Serafini,
Edwards, and Benson**

AN ACT concerning

Commission on African American History and Culture – Duties

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 150)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 83 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Department of Natural Resources – Vibrio Notice Regulations

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 151)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 106 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Chesapeake Bay Trust – Investment Options – Expansion

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 152)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 108 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**State Finance and Procurement – Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals –
Membership**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 153)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 133 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Bay Restoration Fund – Use of Funds

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 154)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #10

Senate Bill 12 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

**Family Law – Child Abuse and Neglect – Expungement of Reports and Records –
Time Period**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 155)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 44 – Senators Edwards, Astle, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Getty,
Hershey, Jennings, Klausmeier, Manno, Mathias, Middleton, Norman,
Peters, Reilly, Salling, Shank, and Waugh**

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Maximum Speed Limits on Highways

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 39 Negative – 7 (See Roll Call No. 156)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 60 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Collection of Appearance Fees

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 157)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 61 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference) and Senators Zirkin, Brochin, Cassilly, Gladden, Hough, Lee, Muse, Norman, Ramirez, Raskin, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Active Armed Forces Member – Exemption From Payment of Fees for Certain Court Records

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 158)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 62 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Water and Sewer Lien Registers – Fees

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 159)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 67 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Crime of Violence – Home Invasion

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 160)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 87 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland
Judicial Conference)**

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Transfer to Juvenile Court – Petition for Expungement

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 161)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 124 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Special Registration Plates and Parking Placards for
Individuals With Disabilities – Licensed Physical Therapists**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 162)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #11

Senate Bill 76 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Noncontributory Pension Benefit –
Definition**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 163)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 116 – Senator Pugh

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2013 and 2014 – Baltimore City –
Skatepark of Baltimore at Roosevelt Park**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 164)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 122 – Senators Eckardt, Bates, Cassilly, Edwards, Hershey, Hough,
Jennings, King, Middleton, Montgomery, Salling, and Waugh**

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Regulation of Milk Products – Revisions

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 165)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 148 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

**Office of Cemetery Oversight – Preneed Burial Contracts – Report Submission
Requirement**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 166)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 157 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Klausmeier, Montgomery, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Consultation, Diagnosis, and Treatment of Mental and Emotional Disorders –
Consent by Minors**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 167)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 177 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Filing of Tax Returns

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 168)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 178 – ~~Senator Kasemeyer~~ Senators Kasemeyer and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Alternative Payment Schedule – Penalty Prohibition

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 169)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 186 – Senator McFadden (By Request – Baltimore City
Administration)**

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Residential Retention Property Tax Credit – Modification

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 170)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 171)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:44 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, February 20, 2015.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, February 20, 2015
11:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 11:04 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Peter W. Mayer, St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, guest of Senator Reilly.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 19, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senators Kagan and Pinsky be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 174)

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

The Secretary of State appeared and delivered a Message from the Executive.

February 20, 2015

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President
Maryland State Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, § 13 of the Constitution of Maryland, I am pleased to submit the following appointment nominations for confirmation by the Maryland State Senate. These individuals bring exceptional knowledge and ability to the offices for which they have been nominated. I am confident they will provide the strength of experience and leadership to instill confidence among our citizens and ensure we succeed in our goals for Marylanders.

I look forward to your favorable approval of these nominees. Thank you for your assistance and support.

Sincerely,
Governor

AGRICULTURAL AND RESOURCE-BASED INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (MARBIDCO), BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MARYLAND	
Megan E. Keyes 3712 Aldino Road Aberdeen, Maryland 21001 Harford/35	Reappointment Ag Producer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Charles M. Wright, IV 8910 Old Railroad Road Hebron, Maryland 21830 Wicomico/37	Appointment Ag Producer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Aden A. King 605 Burnside Drive Annapolis, Maryland 21403 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Seafood Processing Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Mary Shank Creek 18811 Wagaman Road Hagerstown, Maryland 21740 Washington/02	Appointment Food/Fiber Processing Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Faith Elliott Rossing, D.B.A. 731 Eli Downes Road Henderson, Maryland 21640 Queen Anne's/36	Reappointment Rural Economic Development Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
ARCHAEOLOGY, ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON	
Bruce G. Terrell 5240 N 11th Street Arlington, Virginia 22205 Nonresident	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Thomas F. Forhan 7001 Westmoreland Avenue Takoma Park, Maryland 20912 Montgomery/20	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Richard J. Dent, Ph.D. P.O. Box 415 Great Cacapon, West Virginia 25422 Nonresident	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
ARCHITECTS, STATE BOARD OF	

Magda Westerhout Mobley 10 Longwood Road Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Architect Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
ARTS COUNCIL, MARYLAND STATE	
Julia Spangler Madden 11524 Crows Nest Road Clarksville, Maryland 21029 Howard/13	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
John A. Rasmussen, Ph.D. 6400 West Halbert Road Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Montgomery/16	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING AID DISPENSERS AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS, STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR	
Ellen Stein 2302 Farringdon Road Baltimore, Maryland 21209 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
AVIATION COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Philip A. Parenti 10307 Colevas Turn Cheltenham, Maryland 20623 Prince George's/27	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from October 1, 2015
BLIND INDUSTRIES AND SERVICES OF MARYLAND, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF	
Donald J. Morris 16547 Old Emmitsburg Road Emmitsburg, Maryland 21727 Frederick/04	Reappointment Blind Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
William E. Hadlock, Ed.D. 3454 Arcadia Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/09	Reappointment Blind Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Michael L. Gosse, Ph.D. 4408 Roland Springs Drive Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Blind Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Peter Gehlbach, M.D. 13 Chesterfield Court Monkton, Maryland 21111 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015

Martha E. Seabrooks 1016 E. Lake Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore City/43	Reappointment Blind Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Gerald L. Moschel 1707 Saunders Way Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061 Anne Arundel/32	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Sarah Goldstein 1033 Rustling Oaks Drive Millersville, Maryland 21108 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
BOILER RULES, BOARD OF	
Ashwani K. Gupta, Ph.D. 9019 51st Avenue College Park, Maryland 20740 Prince George's/21	Reappointment Mechanical Engineer Term of 4 years from January 1, 2016
Leonard Billian 10807 Falls Road, P.O. Box 1387 Brooklandville, Maryland 21022 Baltimore County/11	Reappointment Engineer with Experience Term of 4 years from January 1, 2016
CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS, CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION FOR THE	
Charles C. Deegan 4316 Knott Street Beltsville, Maryland 20705 Prince George's/21	Appointment Chair Serves at the pleasure of the Governor
Theo Ngongang 4100 Westview Road Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43	Appointment City – Appointed/Elected Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Hon. David S. Marks 49 Chesthill Court Baltimore, Maryland 21236 Baltimore County/08	Appointment Baltimore County – Appointed/Elected Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Hon. Curtis L. Beulah 3218 Trellis Lane Abingdon, Maryland 21009 Harford/34	Appointment Cecil/Harford – Appointed/Elected Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014

Worrall Reed "Nick" Carter, III 14272 Draper's Mill Road Greensboro, Maryland 21639 Caroline/36	Reappointment Caroline – Appointed/Elected Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Hon. Michael Hewitt 26074 Sotterley Heights Road Hollywood, Maryland 20636 St. Mary's/29	Appointment St. Mary's – Appointed/Elected Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Dr. James Gesl 11230 Keokee Court Issue, Maryland 20645 Charles/28	Reappointment Charles – Citizen Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Jennifer Rafter 913 Market Street Pocomoke City, Maryland 21851 Worcester/38	Appointment Worcester/Chesapeake Bay – Appointed/Elected Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Hon. Patrick H. Nutter 7110 Bluegrass Way Owings, Maryland 20736 Calvert/27	Appointment Calvert – Appointed/Elected Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Steven C. Parker 74 Center Road Earleville, Maryland 21919 Cecil/36	Appointment Cecil/Harford – Citizen Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Mark M. Konapelsky 19 Wynfall Avenue Crisfield, Maryland 21817 Somerset/38	Reappointment Somerset – Citizen Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Carolyn Cummins 9628 Oceanview Lane Ocean City, Maryland 21842 Worcester/38	Reappointment Worcester/Atlantic Bay – Citizen Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Suzanne Pittenger-Slear 100 Mill Street Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Appointment At Large Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
CHILD CARE PROGRAM PROFESSIONALS, STATE BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENTIAL	
Dorenzer Thomas 5103 Oaklawn Road Baltimore, Maryland 21207 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Program Administrator Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014

Brady Graves Daniels 10045 Cottonmill Lane Columbia, Maryland 21046 Howard/13	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Ada P. Thomas 5320 Dorsey Hall Drive, Unit #117 Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/12	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Mark Jews 9007 Waltham Woods Road Parkville, Maryland 21234 Baltimore County/08	Appointment Residential Child/Youth Care Practitioner Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
CHIROPRACTIC AND MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS, STATE BOARD OF	
Kindra J. Ingram, D.C. 17013 Oak Hill Road Spencerville, Maryland 20868 Montgomery/14	Appointment Chiropractor Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Michael Fedorczyk, D.C. 4004 Lakeview Turn Dunkirk, Maryland 20754 Calvert/27	Reappointment Chiropractor Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Gregory C. Lewis, D.C. 2855 Sommersby Road Mount Airy, Maryland 21771 Carroll/04	Reappointment Chiropractor Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
David Allen Cox 12502 Park Plaza Rockville, Maryland 20853 Montgomery/19	Reappointment Massage Therapist Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Ernestine Jones Jolivet 9802 Mendoza Road Randallstown, Maryland 21333 Baltimore County/10	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
COLLECTION AGENCY LICENSING BOARD	
Susan K. Hayes 1156 Ramblewood Drive Annapolis, Maryland 21409 Anne Arundel/33	Reappointment Debt Collection Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Joanne L. Grant Young 611 N. Pinehurst Avenue Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/38	Reappointment Debt Collection Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014

Eric S. Friedman 8604 Maryland Avenue Bethesda, Maryland 20814 Montgomery/16	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Stephen D. Hannan, Esq. 10349 Sixpence Circle Columbia, Maryland 21044 Howard/12	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
DEAF, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE	
Sheryl B. Cooper, Ph.D. 2002 Myrtlewood Road Baltimore, Maryland 21209 Baltimore County/11	Reappointment Deaf Member Term of 6 years from October 1, 2014
DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING, MARYLAND ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE	
Erin Buck Skees 7912 Mount Pleasant Court, East Walkersville, Maryland 21793 Frederick/04	Appointment Maryland School for the Deaf Term of 3 years from October 1, 2012 and a term of 3 years from October 1, 2015
DIETETIC PRACTICE, STATE BOARD OF	
Erin Braunscheidel Duru 7879 Butterfield Drive Elkridge, Maryland 21075 Howard/13	Appointment Dietitian or Nutritionist – Clinical Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Margo Gladding 46 Holmehurst Avenue Catonsville, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/44	Reappointment Nutritionist Only Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Phylcia Porter 300 N. Charles Street, Apt. 506 Baltimore, Maryland 21201 Baltimore City/40	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 1 – BALTIMORE CITY	
Hon. Joan Bossmann Gordon 5800 Wabash Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Judge Term of 10 years from January 25, 2015
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 4 – CALVERT, CHARLES AND ST. MARY'S COUNTIES	

Hon. W. Louis Hennessy P.O. Box 3870 La Plata, Maryland 20646 Charles/28	Reappointment Judge – Charles County Term of 10 years from January 31, 2015
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Julian Blacklock Wills, Jr. 8450 Potobac Shores Road Port Tobacco, Maryland 20677 Charles/28	Appointment Southern Maryland Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Edward M. Dunn 5 Parsons Island View Grasonville, Maryland 21638 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Upper Eastern Shore Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Howard B. Bowen 9651 Old National Pike Hagerstown, Maryland 21740 Washington/02	Appointment Carroll, Frederick and Washington Counties Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
James T. Brady 5625 Broadmoor Terrace North Ijamsville, Maryland 21754 Frederick/04	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Raymond J. Briscuso, Jr. 7709 Barnum Road Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Montgomery/16	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Martin P. Brunk 2008 Cranbourne Road Lutherville, Maryland 21093 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Anirban Basu 1 Devon Hill Road Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Chair Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Robert L. Wallace 6360 Guilford Road Clarksville, Maryland 21029 Howard/13	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Aristides Melissaratos 13224 Longnecker Road Glyndon, Maryland 21136 Baltimore County/10	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015

Susan C. Schwab 4 Market Quay Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Brian C. Rogers 1708 Ruxton Road Towson, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (MEDCO) BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MARYLAND	
Hon. Barry Glassman 220 South Main Street Bel Air, Maryland 21014 Harford/35	Appointment Local Government Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Robert E. Warfield, Sr. 10481 Golf Course Road Ocean City, Maryland 21842 Worcester/38	Appointment Real Estate Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Warren C. Williams, Jr. 4440 Willard Avenue, Apt. 1313 Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815 Montgomery/16	Appointment Commercial Financing Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Thomas H. Kingston 14306 Carroll Ridge Court Baldwin, Maryland 21013 Baltimore County/07	Appointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
ELECTIONS, STATE BOARD OF	
Michael E. Malone, Esq. 1500 Defense Highway Gambrills, Maryland 21054 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Majority Party Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
David J. McManus, Jr., Esq. 6730 Charles Street Towson, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Majority Party Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Kelley Howells 340 Farmington Road, West Accokeek, Maryland 20607 Prince George's/26	Appointment Majority Party Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
ELECTRICIANS, STATE BOARD OF MASTER	

Jack N. Wilson, Jr. 116 Taylor Road Centreville, Maryland 21617 Queen Anne's/36	Reappointment Electrician – Eastern Shore Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Brett H. Warner 37 Browns Cove Lane Glen Burnie, Maryland 21060 Anne Arundel/31	Reappointment Electrician – Southern Maryland Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Robert D. Welborne 13100 Tobacco Trail Lane Brandywine, Maryland 20613 Prince George's/27	Reappointment Electrician – Metro Washington Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
ENGINEERS, STATE BOARD OF STATIONARY	
Harold E. Norris 21 Stuart Mills Place Baltimore, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/44	Reappointment Consumer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS, STATE BOARD OF	
Linda Rudie 309 Sheridan Drive Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061 Anne Arundel/32	Reappointment Health Specialist – DHMH Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Robert W. Sheesley 11170 Chambers Court Unit P Woodstock, Maryland 21163 Howard/09	Appointment Health Specialist – At Large Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Veronica Dingle–Moore 774 Yale Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21229 Baltimore City/44	Reappointment Health Specialist – At Large Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Karen Louise Brandt 1064 Norfolk Drive La Plata, Maryland 20646 Charles/28	Reappointment Consumer Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
ETHICS COMMISSION, STATE	
Richard J. Douglas, Esq. 9804 Cable Drive Kensington, Maryland 20895 Montgomery/18	Appointment Republican Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
FIRE–RESCUE EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION	

John E. Dulina 1258 Sugarwood Circle, Unit 301 Baltimore, Maryland 21221 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment Volunteer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
FOOD CENTER AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
LTC Mark W. Hill (Ret.) 103 Persimmon Circle Reisterstown, Maryland 21136 Baltimore County/10	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
John C. Guerriero 233 S. Exeter Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202 Baltimore City/46	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Afra Vance 2643 Chesterfield Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21213 Baltimore City/43	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Joseph A. Rosier, Jr. 33 Bishops Lane Catonsville, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/44	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
HART-MILLER PLEASURE ISLAND CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE	
Frederick H. Habicht, Jr. 2517 Barrison Point Road Essex, Maryland 21221 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment Grantee in Interest Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Francis H. Taylor 7603 Iroquois Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21219 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment North Point Peninsula Comm. Coord. Council Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Samuel L. Lee, Sr. 11313 Beach Road White Marsh, Maryland 21162 Baltimore County/07	Reappointment Essex Middle River Civic Council Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Paul D. Brylske 822 Frog Mortar Road Baltimore, Maryland 21220 Baltimore County/07	Reappointment 7th Legislative District Citizen Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Harry Wujek, Jr. 9005 Chesapeake Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21219 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment Baltimore County Waterman's Assn. Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015

Craig E. Doyle 7827 North Cove Road Baltimore, Maryland 21219 Baltimore County/06	Reappointment Pleasure Boating Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
George T. Hetterick 8905 Carlisle Avenue Nottingham, Maryland 21236 Baltimore County/08	Reappointment Sport Fishing/Crabbing Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Thomas G. Kroen 435 Hopkins Landing Drive Baltimore, Maryland 21221 Baltimore County/07	Reappointment Greater Dundalk Community Council Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE BOARD, MARYLAND	
Michelle A. Gourdine, M.D. 9 Nearock Court Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Expertise Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 1, 2014
S. Anthony McCann 211 Indian Spring Drive Silver Spring, Maryland 20901 Montgomery/20	Appointment Employer/Individual Consumer Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
HEALTH CARE COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Robert E. Moffit 660 Creek Road Severna Park, Maryland 21146 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment No Industry Connection Term of 4 years from October 1, 2014
Frances B. Phillips 2611 Ogleton Road Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Health Care Provider Term of 4 years from October 1, 2014
Andrew N. Pollak, M.D. 1692 Bullock Circle Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Physician Remainder of a term of 4 years from October 1, 2012
Maureen Carr York 105 Sandgate Court Millersville, Maryland 21108 Anne Arundel/31	Appointment No Industry Connection Term of 4 years from October 1, 2014
HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, BOARD OF REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF	

Janelle J. Jordan, Esq. 6104 Kilmer Street Cheverly, Maryland 20785 Prince George's/47	Reappointment General Public Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION, MARYLAND COMMUNITY	
Maritha Gay 7179 Moorland Drive Clarksville, Maryland 21029 Howard/13	Appointment Nonprofit HMO Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS, STATE BOARD OF	
Ezio S. Rebecchi, Jr. 6736 Hunter Road Elkridge, Maryland 21075 Howard/13	Appointment Master Contractor Remainder of a term of 3 years from January 1, 2013
HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
John W. Holaday, Ph.D. 6502 Hillmead Road Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Montgomery/16	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Anwer J. Hasan 6548 Ballymore Lane Clarksville, Maryland 21029 Howard/13	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
HISTORICAL TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MARYLAND	
Albert L. Feldstein 21 Richard Way LaVale, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Samuel J. Parker, Jr. 5601 57th Avenue Riverdale, Maryland 20737 Prince George's/22	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Alvin H. Luckenbach, Ph.D. 16 Eastern Avenue Annapolis, Maryland 21403 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Sarah Kunkel Filkins 126 W. Gordon Street Bel Air, Maryland 21014 Harford/34	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014

Margo G. Bailey 116 Washington Avenue Chestertown, Maryland 21620 Kent/36	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Charles L. Edson, Esq. 5802 Surrey Street Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815 Montgomery/16	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Brien J. Poffenberger 66 Franklin Street, #419 Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
INDIAN AFFAIRS, COMMISSION ON	
Robert P. Gajdys 2940 Honey Cove Court Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678 Calvert/27	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
Chief Donna “Wolf Mother” Abbott 212 East Appleby Avenue Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Lisa A. Savoy 6850 Arbor Lane Bryans Road, Maryland 20616 Charles/28	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Leonora E. Winters 9260 Sam Owings Place Owings, Maryland 20736 Calvert/27	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Robert F. Killen 10709 Graeloch Road Laurel, Maryland 20723 Howard/13	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
INTERIOR DESIGNERS, STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED	
Carla K. Viar Pullen 138 S. Mulberry Street Hagerstown, Maryland 21740 Washington/02	Reappointment Interior Designer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Barbara Portnoy Levine 1805 By Woods Lane Stevenson, Maryland 21153 Baltimore County/11	Reappointment Interior Designer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF	
Charles B. Adams P.O. Box 93 Butler, Maryland 21023 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment Landscape Architect Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
David E. Locke 113 Deepdene Road Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Landscape Architect Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
LAND SURVEYORS, STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL	
Thomas M. Orisich 26 Cedar Knoll Road Cockeysville, Maryland 21030 Baltimore County/42	Reappointment Land Surveyor Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
John Vernon Mettee, III 1818 Morning Brook Drive Forest Hill, Maryland 21050 Harford/07	Reappointment Land Surveyor – Chair Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Donald J. Ocker P.O. Box 209 Park Hall, Maryland 20667 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment Property Line Surveyor Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
NURSING, STATE BOARD OF	
Charles A. Neustadt 100 Harborview Drive, #2210 Baltimore, Maryland 21230 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PRACTICE, STATE BOARD OF	
Marylin Pierre, Esq. 2 Treworthy Road North Potomac, Maryland 20878 Montgomery/17	Appointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
PAROLE COMMISSION	
Kevin Kelly 12605 Bedford Road, NE Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from January 1, 2015
PHARMACY, STATE BOARD OF	

Zeno W. St. Cyr, II 601 River Bend Road Fort Washington, Maryland 20744 Prince George's/26	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS, STATE BOARD OF	
Meredith J. Levert 24113 Pecan Grove Lane Gaithersburg, Maryland 20882 Montgomery/14	Appointment Consumer Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
PORT COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
David M. Richardson 204 Wagner Road Bel Air, Maryland 21015 Harford/35	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, STATE BOARD FOR	
Pastor Farinas 5550 Muncaster Mill Road Rockville, Maryland 20855 Montgomery/19	Reappointment Electrical Engineer Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Sandra Murphy 6007 Park Heights Avenue, Apt. C-1 Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Consumer Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
PSYCHOLOGISTS, STATE BOARD OF	
Lydia McCargo-Redd 10217 Harvest Fields Drive Baltimore, Maryland 21163 Baltimore County/10	Reappointment Consumer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Cyndie M. Buckson, Psy.D. 5200 Roberts Prospect Drive Bowie, Maryland 20720 Prince George's/24	Reappointment Psychologist – ETR Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Linda Berg-Cross, Ph.D. 13 Atwell Court Potomac, Maryland 20854 Montgomery/15	Reappointment Psychologist – ETR Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION	
Michael L. Higgs, Jr. 1028 Brice Road Rockville, Maryland 20852 Montgomery/17	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015

Jeannette M. Mills 3714 Bold Ruler Court Glenelg, Maryland 21737 Howard/09	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
RACING COMMISSION, STATE	
Bruce F. Quade 1445 Ocean Parkway Ocean Pines, Maryland 21811 Worcester/38	Reappointment Harness Racing Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Thomas W. Winebrener P.O. Box 362 Union Bridge, Maryland 21791 Frederick/04	Appointment Thoroughbred Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
David Hayden 16123 Dark Hollow Road, P.O. Box 68 Upperco, Maryland 21155 Baltimore County/05	Reappointment Thoroughbred Racing Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
R. Thomas Bowman, D.V.M. 10395 Rileys Mill Road Chestertown, Maryland 21620 Kent/36	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS, APPRAISAL MANAGEMENT COMPANIES AND HOME INSPECTORS, STATE COMMISSION OF	
Steven P. O'Farrell 18825 Crofton Road Hagerstown, Maryland 21742 Washington/02	Reappointment Appraiser Term of 3 years from January 1, 2016
Thomas B. McLister 4211 Hogan Drive Middletown, Maryland 21769 Frederick/03	Appointment Financial Institution Term of 3 years from January 1, 2014
David E. McDaniels 4017 Deepwood Road Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43	Reappointment Consumer Term of 3 years from January 1, 2016
Christopher Daniell 919 Wells Avenue Annapolis, Maryland 21403 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Consumer Term of 3 years from January 1, 2015
REAL ESTATE COMMISSION, STATE	

Anne S. Cooke 9821 Gwynn Park Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/09	Reappointment Realtor – Central Maryland Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Georgiana Tyler 205 Gittings Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore City/43	Reappointment Realtor – Baltimore City Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
James W. Reeder 14800 4th Street, Apt. 94C Laurel, Maryland 20707 Prince George's/21	Appointment Consumer Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 1, 2011 and a term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
ST. MARY'S CITY COMMISSION, HISTORIC	
Michael S. Loughran P.O. Box 275 Piney Point, Maryland 20674 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Michael J. Whitson 28264 Old Village Road Mechanicsville, Maryland 20659 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment MD Business Community – St. Mary's Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Todd B. Morgan 46536 Millstone Landing Road Lexington Park, Maryland 20653 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment MD Business Community Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Jean B. Russo, Ph.D. 1915 Towne Centre Boulevard, Unit 410 Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Distinguished Scholar – Historian Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Father William L. George, S.J. 316 Washington Avenue Wheeling, West Virginia 26003 Nonresident	Reappointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
James M. Desmond 5234 Duvall Drive Bethesda, Maryland 20816 Montgomery/16	Appointment General Public Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2011 and a term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF	

Peter J. Bruns, Ph.D. 21512 Wharf Road, P.O. Box 365 Tilghman, Maryland 21671 Talbot/37	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from June 1, 2011
Donald R. Bryan 6412 Enchanted Solitude Place Columbia, Maryland 21044 Howard/13	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from June 1, 2015
Arthur A. (Lex) Birney, Jr. 848 Coach Way Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/33	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from June 1, 2015
John J. McAllister, Jr. P.O. Box 2506 Leonardtown, Maryland 20650 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from June 1, 2015
Elizabeth Braden Graves 666 Greenwich Street, Apt. 622 New York, New York 10014 Nonresident	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from June 1, 2015
SEAFOOD MARKETING ADVISORY COMMISSION	
Nicholas Crook 108 Rock Lane Stevensville, Maryland 21666 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Waterman Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS, STATE BOARD OF	
Aimee E. Williams 410 Colonial Ridge Lane Arnold, Maryland 21012 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment LCSW – Clinical Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Joyce A. Bell 10740 Jones Creek Circle Princess Anne, Maryland 21853 Somerset/38	Reappointment LCSW – Clinical Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Denise A. Capaci 2306 Watertrumpet Court Waldorf, Maryland 20603 Charles/28	Reappointment LCSW – Clinical Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
STADIUM AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	

Thomas E. Kelso 4204 Greenway Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Member and Chair Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Gary Mangum 200 Bridgeview Lane Stevensville, Maryland 21666 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
SUBSEQUENT INJURY FUND BOARD	
Margareta A. Crampton 1222 N. Lincoln Street Arlington, Virginia 22201 Nonresident	Reappointment Labor Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
R. Dennis German 6-A Cross Keys Road Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Management Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Valerie E. Fraling 9800 Mendoza Road Randallstown, Maryland 21133 Baltimore County/10	Reappointment Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (TEDCO) BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MARYLAND	
Claire M. Fraser, Ph.D. 6560 Mink Hollow Road Highland, Maryland 20777 Howard/09	Reappointment Nonprofit Research Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
C. Warren Mullins 205 Bodington Court Bel Air, Maryland 21014 Harford/35	Reappointment Nonprofit Research Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Paul D. Ausley P.O. Box 269 Piney Point, Maryland 20674 St. Mary's/29	Appointment Tech-based Business Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
John C. Brandenburg 3713 Meadowhill Court Phoenix, Maryland 21131 Baltimore County/07	Appointment Tech-based Business Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012

<p>Luke T. Cooper 207 Chancery Road Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43</p>	<p>Appointment Tech-based Business Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2011 and a term of 4 years from July 1, 2015</p>
<p>Martin Roesch 4853 Castlebridge Road Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/09</p>	<p>Appointment Tech-based Business Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012</p>
<p>John L. Shetrone, Jr. 341 Eagle Hill Road Pasadena, Maryland 21122 Anne Arundel/31</p>	<p>Appointment Tech-based Business Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013</p>
<p>Amita Shukla 7111 Woodmont Avenue, #503 Bethesda, Maryland 20815 Montgomery/16</p>	<p>Reappointment Venture Capital Financing Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013</p>
<p>Charles E. Knudsen, III 11740 Mayfair Field Drive Timonium, Maryland 21093 Baltimore County/11</p>	<p>Appointment Venture Capital Financing Term of 4 years from July 1, 2012</p>
<p>Omar S. Muhammad 2601 Larchmont Drive Baltimore, Maryland 21207 Baltimore City/44</p>	<p>Appointment College/University Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014</p>
<p>Murray K. Hoy, Ed.D. 3589 Union Church Road Salisbury, Maryland 21804 Wicomico/37</p>	<p>Appointment College/University Term of 4 years from July 1, 2013</p>
<p>Newton B. Fowler, III 329 Tunbridge Road Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore City/43</p>	<p>Reappointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014</p>
<p>Francis X. Smyth 12218 Cleghorn Road Cockeysville, Maryland 21030 Baltimore County/11</p>	<p>Appointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014</p>
<p>Matthew Lee 732B Main Street Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878 Montgomery/17</p>	<p>Appointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015</p>
<p>TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, MARYLAND</p>	

W. Lee Gaines, Jr. 6 Bowen Mill Road Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND BOARD OF REGENTS	
James T. Brady 5625 Broadmoor Terrace North Ijamsville, Maryland 21754 Frederick/04	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2012
Robert R. Neall 829 West Central Avenue Davidsonville, Maryland 21035 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Robert Pevenstein 14 Chilhowie Court Hunt Valley, Maryland 21030 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Robert D. Rauch 28466 Waterview Drive Easton, Maryland 21601 Talbot/37	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Sydney Comitz 111 Park Avenue, Apt. 1508 Baltimore, Maryland 21201 Baltimore City/40	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2015
VETERANS HOME COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Lt. Col. Glynn Ellsworth Parker 1520 Birchwood Drive Oxon Hill, Maryland 20745 Prince George's/26	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Kathryn S. Gleeson 19415 Caravan Drive Germantown, Maryland 20874 Montgomery/15	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Gordon B. Browning, Ed.D. 414 Bill Avenue Chestertown, Maryland 21620 Kent/36	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Gloria J. Larman 8037 Forest Ridge Drive Chesapeake Beach, Maryland 20732 Calvert/27	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2013

VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS, STATE BOARD OF	
Heather M. Hendler, V.M.D. 29 Briarwood Road Catonsville, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/44	Reappointment Veterinarian Term of 5 years from June 1, 2015
WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, STATE	
Kathleen A. Evans, Esq. 3506 Victoria Lane Davidsonville, Maryland 21035 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Term of 12 years from February 1, 2015
YOUTH CAMP SAFETY, ADVISORY COUNCIL ON	
Patricia L. Blankinship 5305 Beauvoir Court West River, Maryland 20778 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Camp Leader Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
William H. Morgan 20 S. Potomac Street Baltimore, Maryland 21224 Baltimore City/46	Reappointment Camp Owner/Manager ACA Accredited Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Gabriel Houghton 309 Chesterfield Avenue Centreville, Maryland 21617 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Local Health Department Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Amanda M. Wahle 603 Warbler Walk Glen Burnie, Maryland 21060 Anne Arundel/31	Reappointment National Camping Organization Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
ALLEGANY COLLEGE OF MARYLAND BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Joyce K. Lapp 11800 Knob Road Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
ALLEGANY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
JoAnn Spiker 14401 New Georges Creek Road, SW Frostburg, Maryland 21532 Allegany/01	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Richard Lee DeVore, Jr. 10325 Mason Dixon View Ellerslie, Maryland 21529 Allegany/01	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

Ronald J. Levasseur 1044 Weires Avenue LaVale, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Georgia M. Martin 148 N. Mechanic Street Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
John T. Stakem 167 W. Main Street Frostburg, Maryland 21532 Allegany/01	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
ALLEGANY COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
James S. Stafford, Jr. 312 Prince George Street Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Democrat Term to expire May 3, 2021
ANNE ARUNDEL COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Sandra E. Moore 7902 Whites Cove Road Pasadena, Maryland 21122 Anne Arundel/31	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
Kimberly McCoy Burns, Esq. 201 Homewood Road Linthicum, Maryland Anne Arundel/32	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2015
Matthew F. Hortopan 1811 Crosspointe Drive Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2015
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
William G. Voelp 21 Nicholson Drive Pasadena, Maryland 21122 Anne Arundel/31	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Brenda J. Yarema 102 Charlinay Circle Pasadena, Maryland 21122 Anne Arundel/31	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
P. Tyson Bennett, Esq. 907 Sextant Way Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

John Ensor 1133 Nichols Court Millersville, Maryland 21108 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Tryphenia A. Ellis–Johnson 7704 West Evanston Court Severn, Maryland 21144 Anne Arundel/32	Appointment Minority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Melvin Hyatt 805 Coxswain Way, Unit 203 Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Democrat – Chair Term to expire May 1, 2017
James C. Thomas 46 Glendale Avenue Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061 Anne Arundel/32	Reappointment Democrat Term to expire May 1, 2017
John G. Warner 2027 Poplar Ridge Road Pasadena, Maryland 21122 Anne Arundel/31	Reappointment Republican Term to expire May 1, 2017
BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Eleanor K. Wang 5405 Falls Road Terrace Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Sidney P. Shelton 1429 Riverside Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21230 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Frankie L. Powell 2506 Queen Anne Road Baltimore, Maryland 21216 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Lawrence C. Cager, Jr. 3001 Granada Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21207 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Deitra Redmond 1420 North Potomac Street Baltimore, Maryland 21213 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	

Paul D. Lubell 2305 Rockwell Avenue Catonsville, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/44	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Bruce L. Robinson 215 Leslie Avenue Nottingham, Maryland 21236 Baltimore County/08	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Beverly Goldstein 810 Kennsington Road Reisterstown, Maryland 21136 Baltimore County/10	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
CAROLINE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Ronald M. Pippin 25880 Dogwood Road Greensboro, Maryland 21639 Caroline/36	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Greta H. Scanlan 24561 Mill Creek Lane Denton, Maryland 21629 Caroline/36	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
James M. Bilbrough, II 707 South Second Street Denton, Maryland 21629 Caroline/36	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Jack M. Keats 15169 Day Road Goldsboro, Maryland 21636 Caroline/36	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Margaret A. Thompson 8250 Harmony Road Denton, Maryland 21629 Caroline/36	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Griffith B. Manahan 1694 Stone Chapel Road New Windsor, Maryland 21776 Carroll/05	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
April Rose 1100 Algernon Drive Westminster, Maryland 21157 Carroll/05	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Harvey I. Tegeler 6175 Taneytown Pike Taneytown, Maryland 21787 Carroll/05	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

Laura M. O'Callaghan 2704 Appleaseed Road Finksburg, Maryland 21048 Carroll/05	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Samuel L. Foster 116 Clubside Drive Taneytown, Maryland 21787 Carroll/05	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
CECIL COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
S. Dell Foxx 19 Hammer Drive North East, Maryland 21901 Cecil/34	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
CECIL COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Brenda K. Ross 214 E. Main Street, P.O. Box 331 Cecilton, Maryland 21913 Cecil/36	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Margaret McMahon Gagnon 42 Carpenter's Point Loop Perryville, Maryland 21903 Cecil/35	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Robert W. Laird 23 Windmill Court Elkton, Maryland 21921 Cecil/36	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
James G. Crouse 451 North Street Elkton, Maryland 21921 Cecil/36	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Nancy Rothwell Simperts 584 Kirk Road Elkton, Maryland 21921 Cecil/35	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
CHARLES COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
James R. Anderson 5420 Well Spring Road La Plata, Maryland 20646 Charles/28	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Katherine O'Malley-Simpson 8305 Clamber Hill Place, P.O. Box 163 Port Tobacco, Maryland 20677 Charles/28	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

Craig Renner 6442 Leopard Court St. Charles, MD 20603 Charles/28	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
DORCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Terry B. Robbins 5253 Ragged Point Road Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Janet M. Livingston 4403 Pine Top Road, P.O. Box 236 Taylors Island, Maryland 21669 Dorchester/37	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Michael W. Detmer 5602 Bayberry Way Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dorchester/37	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Thomas M. Corkran 3409 Choptank Drive East New Market, Maryland 21631 Dorchester/37	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
William E. Batson 5525 Finchville Reliance Road Hurlock, Maryland 21643 Dorchester/37	Appointment Minority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
FREDERICK COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Debra Borden 6726 Meadowlawn Circle New Market, Maryland 21774 Frederick/03	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Timothy J. Wesolek 130 West Third Street Frederick, Maryland 21701 Frederick/04	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
FREDERICK COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Mary Lou Green 3602 Petersville Road Knoxville, Maryland 21758 Frederick/04	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Lawrence C. Hill 3624 Lander Road Jefferson, Maryland 21755 Frederick/03	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

William L. Woodcock 9236 Oak Tree Circle Frederick, Maryland 21701 Frederick/04	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Earlene H. Thornton, Ed.D. 1001 Carroll Parkway Frederick, Maryland 21701 Frederick/03	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Mark P. Jeffers, Jr. 4908 Ed McClain Road Monrovia, Maryland 21770 Frederick/04	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
GARRETT COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Vianne Bell 2159 Mayhew Inn Road Oakland, Maryland 21550 Garrett/01	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2015
Madeleine Collins P.O. Box 720 McHenry, Maryland 21541 Garrett/01	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Lois A. Martin 9605 Garrett Highway Oakland, Maryland 21550 Garrett/01	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Paul L. Kolb 242 Sale Barn Road Accident, Maryland 21520 Garrett/01	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Connie D. Meyers 721 Smouse Road Oakland, Maryland 21550 Garrett/01	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Charles P. Nolan 18 Hillcrest Drive Deer Park, Maryland 21550 Garrett/01	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Randall R. Glotfelty 187 Englewood Lane Grantsville, Maryland 21536 Garrett/01	Appointment Minority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
GARRETT COUNTY LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD	

DeCorsey E. Bolden 120 W. Pennington Street Oakland, Maryland 21550 Garrett/01	Appointment Majority Garrett County Party – Rep. Remainder of a term of 6 years from June 1, 2012
HAGERSTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Austin S. Abraham 11800 Indian Lane Hagerstown, Maryland 21742 Washington/02	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
HARFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Joseph T. Fleckenstein 104 E. Waldon Road, Apt. E Abingdon, Maryland 21009 Harford/34	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Allison W. McCord 1204 Basil Court Bel Air, Maryland 21014 Harford/35	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Victoria L. Seitzinger 2604 W. Rhododendron Drive Abingdon, Maryland 21009 Harford/34	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Maureen O. Neal 2517 Putnam Road Forest Hill, Maryland 21050 Harford/07	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Benjamin Daniel Riley 2120 Old Edgewood Road Edgewood, Maryland 21040 Harford/34	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Donna K. Thewes 9535 Cissel Avenue Laurel, Maryland 20723 Howard/13	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Patrick R. Mullinix 16525 AE Mullinix Road Woodbine, Maryland 21229 Howard/09	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Diane Butler 4056 St. Johns Lane Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/12	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
KENT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	

Paul M. Showalter 126 N. Queen Street Chestertown, Maryland 21620 Kent/36	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Lisa Thompson 11030 Kristin Way Worton, Maryland 21678 Kent/36	Appointment Minority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
James F. Shalleck, Esq. 9408 Bethany Place Montgomery Village, Maryland 20886 Montgomery/39	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Nahid Khozeimeh 7005 Millwood Road Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Montgomery/16	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Alexander C. Vincent 6407 Earlham Drive Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Montgomery/16	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Jacqueline L. Phillips 7900 Glendale Road Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815 Montgomery/18	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
David A. Naimon, Esq. 7017 Wolfree Lane Rockville, Maryland 20852 Montgomery/16	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Mary Ann Keeffe 5801 Nicholson Lane, Apt. 834 N. Bethesda, Maryland 20852 Montgomery/16	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Graciela Rivera–Oven 21210 Blunt Road Germantown, Maryland 20876 Montgomery/39	Appointment Minority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
John E. Rowe 403 Careybrook Lane Oxon Hill, Maryland 20745 Prince George's/26	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Thomas J. Slezak 3433 Stanford Street Hyattsville, Maryland 20783 Prince George's/22	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

Roberta B. Deegan 4316 Knott Street Beltsville, Maryland 20705 Prince George's/21	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Jaime J. Vazquez–Saldana 7301 Radcliffe Drive College Park, Maryland 20740 Prince George's/21	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Olivia Vaughns 1200 Fiji Avenue Highland Park, Maryland 20785 Prince George's/24	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Clement A. Gaynor, Jr. 707 Kings Lane Fort Washington, Maryland 20744 Prince George's/26	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Beatrice P. Tignor, Ed.D. 14201 Waterfowl Way Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20744 Prince George's/25	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Lester W. Jones 11605 Hickory Drive Fort Washington, Maryland 20744 Prince George's/26	Appointment Minority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Charles Wickliffe Caldwell, III 16112 Parklawn Place Bowie, Maryland 20716 Prince George's/23	Reappointment Republican – Chair Term of 3 years from June 1, 2014
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
David W. Stevens 218 Holly Lane Grasonville, Maryland 21638 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Mary Jane G. Sparks 1731 Harbor Drive Chester, Maryland 21619 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
William E. Stoops 725 Church Hill Road Centreville, Maryland 21617 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
William A. Seth 99 Glendale Centreville, Maryland 21617 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

Juanita L. Carter 304 Walnut Street Church Hill, Maryland 21623 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
ST. MARY'S COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Noel Temple (Tim) Wood 44478 Whitestone Place Tall Timbers, Maryland 20690 St. Mary's/29	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Kenneth F. Boothe 46138 Boothe Farm Lane, P.O. Box 62 Great Mills, Maryland 20634 St. Mary's/29	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Adelaide T. McBride 18030 Orchard Way, P.O. Box 72 St. Inigoes, Maryland 20684 St. Mary's/29	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Rebecca Jo Wathen 14681 Point Lookout Road, P.O. Box 67 St. Inigoes, Maryland 20684 St. Mary's/29	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Rose V. Frederick P.O. Box 22 Loveville, Maryland 20656 St. Mary's/29	Appointment Minority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
SOMERSET COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Jackie L. Mills 5099 Annemessex Road Crisfield, Maryland 21817 Somerset/38	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Cindy C. Todd 26368 Mariners Road Crisfield, Maryland 21817 Somerset/38	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
James W. Riley, Sr. 26701 Old State Road Crisfield, Maryland 21817 Somerset/38	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Richard Barnhart 24350 Hideaway Lane Deal Island, Maryland 21821 Somerset/38	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Mary L.T. Handy 28152 Holland Crossing Road Marion Station, Maryland 21838 Somerset/38	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Joseph H. Secrist, Jr. 9017 Treesdale Drive Easton, Maryland 21601 Talbot/37	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Richard B. Bulman 28471 Waterview Drive Easton, Maryland 21601 Talbot/37	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
John F. Hall 513 S. Washington Street Easton, Maryland 21601 Talbot/37	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Susan J. MacKinnon 105 Willows Avenue Oxford, Maryland 21654 Talbot/37	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Walter W. Black, Jr. 8672 Misty Brook Way Easton, Maryland 21601 Talbot/37	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Bruce F. Field 11101 Dolores Court Hagerstown, Maryland 21742 Washington/02	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
James P. Schultheis 20107 Scenic View Court Boonsboro, Maryland 21713 Washington/02	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Wayne K. Keefer 209 Baptist Road Hancock, Maryland 21750 Washington/01	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Tammy E. Downin 20103 Daniels Circle Hagerstown, Maryland 21742 Washington/02	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Eileen W. Wiggins 18534 Kent Avenue Hagerstown, Maryland 21740 Washington/02	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
WICOMICO COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	

Bradley A. Bellacicco 27003 McLeyland Terrace Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/37	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Joseph L. Collins 23550 Taylors Trail Mardela Springs, Maryland 21837 Wicomico/37	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Catherine R. Keim 627 Ridge Road Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/38	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Phillip J. Doyle 513 South Pinehurst Avenue Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/38	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Katrina Purnell 406 Moss Hill Lane, Apt. H Salisbury, Maryland 21804 Wicomico/37	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
WICOMICO COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Aline K. Kenney 8121 Esham Road Parsonsborg, Maryland 21849 Wicomico/38	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
James Allen 5644 Scottish Highland Circle Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/37	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Christopher D. Eccleston 7805 Broadleaf Drive Parsonsborg, Maryland 21849 Wicomico/38	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
WORCESTER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Lucretia A. Trummel 1 Annapolis Court Ocean Pines, Maryland 21811 Worcester/38	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Edward A. Rodier, Jr. 13344 Cove Landing Road Bishopville, Maryland 21813 Worcester/38	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Gwen L. Cordner 8704 Caribbean Drive, P.O. Box 4344 Ocean City, Maryland 21843 Worcester/38	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015

Hinson F. Finney 2317 Oak Hill Road Pocomoke City, Maryland 21851 Worcester/38	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Kay Ann Hickman 82 Windjammer Road Ocean Pines, Maryland 21811 Worcester/38	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
WORCESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
R. Charles Nichols, Jr. 10527 Calvin Lane Berlin, Maryland 21811 Worcester/38	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
WOR–WIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Morgan Hazel 27135 E. Lillian Street Hebron, Maryland 21837 Wicomico/37	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014

The Message from the Executive, being of an Executive nature, was referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 807 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Demonstration Program – Grant Application

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to apply to the federal Department of Health and Human Services for a planning grant for a certain purpose; and generally relating to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the federal demonstration program for the establishment of certified community behavioral health clinics.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 808 – Senators Klausmeier, Bates, Brochin, Montgomery, Pinsky, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Aquaculture – Liability for Trespass

FOR the purpose of establishing certain damages for which certain persons are liable for entering an area leased to another person for aquaculture purposes to harvest, damage, or transfer shellfish or to alter, damage, or remove any markings or equipment; requiring a person who enters an area leased to another person for aquaculture purposes and engages in certain acts to display certain documentation on the request of a law enforcement officer; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to liability for trespass on areas leased for aquaculture purposes.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–16
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–16.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 809 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 810 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Programs in Dental Hygiene and Medical Laboratory Technology – Transfer of Students and Senatorial and Delegate Scholarships

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to develop and implement a certain transfer agreement for students who earn an associate of science degree in certain programs at certain institutions of higher education by which a certain number of credits earned are transferable to certain institutions of higher education in the State for credit towards a bachelor's degree; authorizing certain scholarships to be used at certain institutions of higher education that award certain degrees in certain programs; and generally relating to the transfer of students and the award of scholarships for students in programs of dental hygiene and medical laboratory technology.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 11–207.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–405(b) and 18–501(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 811 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance and Discount Medical Plans – Vision Care Services and Materials

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain organizations from using in their advertisements, marketing material, brochures, and discount cards a certain term in a certain context; prohibiting certain organizations from selling, marketing, or soliciting a certain plan under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain provider contracts from containing a certain provision; prohibiting certain carriers from including in certain contracts a certain provision; defining certain terms; altering certain defined terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the provision of discounts on vision care services and vision care materials by health insurance carriers and discount medical plan organizations.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 14–601(a) and (e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 14–601(g), 14–606, and 15–112.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 812 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Craft Distillery License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class 9 craft distillery license in Anne Arundel County; setting a license fee; providing that the State Comptroller issue the Class 9 license only to a holder of a Class D beer, wine and liquor license in the county for use on the premises for which the Class D license was issued; authorizing a holder of a Class 9 license to establish and operate a plant for distilling and bottling brandy, rum, whiskey, alcohol, and neutral spirits under certain circumstances; authorizing a holder of a Class 9 license to acquire bulk alcoholic beverages, to store, sell, and deliver product, to conduct guided tours, and to serve a certain number of samples to certain persons; prohibiting a holder of a Class 9 license from taking certain actions; requiring a holder of a Class 9 license to abide by all trade practice restrictions applicable to distilleries; requiring a holder of a Class 9 license to take certain actions to distill more than a certain amount of gallonage; and generally relating to Class 9 distillery licenses in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–201(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 813 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Niarchos Parkway Film Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$2,000,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Producer's Club of Maryland, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 814 – Senator Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Congressional Districting Process

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Legislative Services to obtain certain census data, adjust the census data for certain purposes, and provide the adjusted census data to a temporary redistricting commission within a certain time period; creating a temporary redistricting commission; providing for the membership of the commission and the qualifications of its members; providing that individuals cease to be members of the commission under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to staff and provide certain support for the commission; requiring the commission to use certain census data to prepare and adopt a districting plan for congressional districting within a certain time period; specifying that a certain districting plan is the plan for the State; requiring that a certain districting plan be filed with the Secretary of State within a certain time period; providing for the effectiveness of a certain districting plan; making this Act subject to a certain contingency; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of districts in Maryland for the election of members of Congress.

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 8–6A–01 through 8–6A–04 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6A.
Congressional Districting Process”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 815 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County – Sale or Distribution of Tobacco and Related Products –
Civil Penalties**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person in Anne Arundel County from distributing a tobacco product to a minor except under certain circumstances, distributing cigarette rolling papers to a minor, or distributing to a minor a coupon redeemable for a tobacco product except under certain circumstances; providing that a person has not violated a certain provision if the person took certain actions under certain circumstances; providing for civil penalties for violations of certain prohibitions; and generally relating to the sale or distribution in Anne Arundel County of tobacco and related products to minors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 1–1203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 816 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education – Low–Income Student Outreach and College Access Act of
2015**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Low–Income Student Outreach and College Access Pilot Program targeting low–income Maryland high school graduates; establishing certain purposes of the Program; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to administer the Program and perform certain duties; establishing certain eligibility requirements for participation in the Program; requiring certain actions from nonprofit organizations that receive Program funding; requiring the Commission to submit a summary report on the Program on or before certain dates; requiring the Governor to make an appropriation in the State budget for the Commission for a certain purpose; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Low–Income Student Outreach and College Access Pilot Program.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 11–1101 through 11–1107 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11.
Low–Income Student Outreach and College Access Pilot Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 817 – Senators Madaleno, Eckardt, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, Pinsky, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Sexual Assault Policies – Reporting

FOR the purpose of requiring the governing boards of certain institutions of higher education to update and submit to the Maryland Higher Education Commission a certain written policy on sexual assault; requiring the sexual assault policy to include certain procedures; requiring a certain institution of higher education to include a certain notation on a certain student's academic transcript regarding a certain violation in certain circumstances; requiring the institution to adopt certain procedures; requiring the policy to require an institution of higher education to enter into and update certain memoranda of understanding; requiring the Commission to provide the General Assembly with a certain report annually on or before a certain date; and generally relating to institutions of higher education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 818 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Baltimore City – Class BWLT License

FOR the purpose of applying certain provisions of law relating to the issuance of a Class BWLT beer, wine, and liquor (on–premises) tasting license to a holder of a Class A beer, wine and liquor license in a certain location in Baltimore City; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–403.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 819 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – North Avenue Gateway II

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the North Avenue Gateway II Limited Partnership for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 820 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Mary Harvin Transformation Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$450,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Mary Harvin Transformation Center Community Development Corporation for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 821 – Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – University System of Maryland)

AN ACT concerning

Academic Facilities Bonding Authority

FOR the purpose of approving certain projects for the acquisition, development, and improvement of certain academic facilities for the University System of Maryland; approving the issuance of bonds by the University System of Maryland in a certain total principal amount for financing the projects; providing that the bonds issued under the authority of this Act are not a debt or an obligation of the State or any of its subdivisions; and generally relating to academic facilities bonding authority of the University System of Maryland and specified projects.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

LAI D OVER BILLS

The presiding officer submitted the following Laid Over Bills with amendments:

Senate Bill 220 – The President

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Mandated Reports by State Agencies

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS (3) AND THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

SB0220/333121/1

BY: Senate Rules Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 220

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, in line 29, after “7–317(h),” insert “14–505,”; and in line 39, strike “6–406(b),”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 13, in lines 22, 23, and 24, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 25, strike “on or before August 1 of each year” and substitute “ON REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT”; in line 26, strike “the Governor,”; strike beginning with the second comma in line 26 down through the bracket in line 28; in line 29, strike “October 1” and substitute “DECEMBER 1”; and in the same line, strike “2012” and substitute “2015”.

On page 14, strike beginning with “The” in line 18 down through “unnecessary” in line 19 and substitute “Subsection (c)(3)(ii) of this section is revised to eliminate duplicative and unnecessary reports”; after line 19, insert:

“Subsection (d)(1) of this section is revised to alter the reporting date from October 1 to December 1 of each year to correspond with the availability of information necessary to complete the report.”;

and in line 20, after “(d)” insert “(2)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 49, after line 31, insert:

“14-505.

[(a) Within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, each designated procurement unit shall submit a report on the operation and effectiveness of the Small Business Reserve Program that complies with subsection (d)(2) of this section to the Board of Public Works.

(b) Within 60 days after receipt of all reports required under subsection (a) of this section, the Board of Public Works shall compile the information and report on the operation and effectiveness of the entire Small Business Reserve Program to the Legislative Policy Committee, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.]

[(c)](A) Within 60 days after the enactment of the budget bill by the General Assembly, each designated procurement unit shall submit a report to the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs that complies with the reporting requirements set forth in COMAR 21.11.01.06.

[(d)](B) (1) Within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, each unit shall submit a report to the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs that complies with the requirements of paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(2) For the preceding fiscal year, the report shall:

(i) state the total number and the dollar value of payments the unit made to small businesses under designated small business reserve contracts;

(ii) state the total number and the dollar value of payments the unit made to small businesses under nondesignated small business reserve contracts, including purchase card procurements;

(iii) state the total dollar value of payments the unit made under procurement contracts; and

(iv) contain other such information as required by the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs.

[(e)](C) On or before December 31 of each year, the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs shall submit to the Board of Public Works and, subject to § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the Legislative Policy Committee a report summarizing the information the Office receives under subsection (b) of this section.

DRAFTER’S NOTE:

The reports on the Small Business Reserve Program required to be submitted to the Board of Public Works and the Legislative Policy Committee under former subsections (a) and (b) of this section are repealed as duplicative of the reports required to be submitted to the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs, the Board of Public Works, and the Legislative Policy Committee under former subsections (d) and (e) of this section.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On pages 53 and 54, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 26 on page 53 through line 9 on page 54, inclusive.

The preceding 4 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

SB0220/683826/1

BY: Senator Simonaire

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 220
(First Reading File Bill)

On page 3, in line 28, strike “6–708” and substitute “6–701 through 6–708 and the subtitle “Subtitle 7. Citizenship Promotion Program.””.

On page 32, after line 14, insert:

“[Subtitle 7. Citizenship Promotion Program.]

[6–701.

In this subtitle, “Program” means the Citizenship Promotion Program.]

[6-702.

There is a Citizenship Promotion Program in the Department.]

[6-703.

The purposes of the Program are:

(1) to encourage and assist eligible foreign-born residents to become naturalized citizens of the United States and active participants in the civic life of Maryland;

(2) to increase the number and proportion of eligible foreign-born residents who become citizens of the United States; and

(3) to encourage foreign-born residents who become citizens to be involved in our democratic institutions.]

[6-704.

In accordance with the State budget, the Program shall:

(1) encourage eligible residents to learn English;

(2) encourage eligible residents to become naturalized citizens of the United States;

(3) inform eligible residents about the rights and responsibilities of citizens, the process of naturalization, and the availability of citizenship services;

(4) make available or increase the availability of instruction in:

(i) English as a second language;

(ii) United States history; and

(iii) citizenship preparation;

(5) make available or increase the availability of assistance in completing applications for naturalization;

(6) establish an effective connection to nonpartisan voter registration efforts;

(7) encourage the involvement of new citizens in democratic institutions;
and

(8) work with federal, State, and local units of government and organizations to respond to the need for citizenship services in the State.]

[6-705.

Funding for the Program shall be as provided in the State budget, not exceeding \$100,000 each year.]

[6-706.

The Department shall adopt regulations and policies to carry out the Program.]

[6-707.

All executive units of the State shall cooperate with the Department to implement the regulations and policies of the Program.]”;

and in line 20, strike “section” and substitute “subtitle”.

The preceding amendment was read only.

Senator Klausmeier moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill and Amendment a Special Order for February 23, 2015.

The motion was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

House Bill 14 – ~~Delegate O'Donnell~~ Delegates O'Donnell and S. Howard

AN ACT concerning

Hunting Licenses – Exemption for Retired Members of the Armed Forces

FOR the purpose of creating an exemption from the requirement to obtain a hunting license under certain circumstances for a person who is a former member of the armed forces of the United States; providing that the exemption applies only to hunting on certain farmland that is under certain ownership; requiring a person who hunts under the exemption to possess certain identification, written permission, and, under certain circumstances, hunting stamps; and generally relating to exemptions from the requirement to obtain a hunting license.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 10–301(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 10–301(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

House Bill 48 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Collection of Appearance Fees

FOR the purpose of clarifying that if more than one stockholder, partner, member, or employee of a certain entity engaged in practicing law enters an appearance in an action or a case, the clerk of the circuit court may collect only one appearance fee per entity; clarifying that, if more than one employee of a certain governmental entity enters an appearance in an action or a case, the clerk of the circuit court may collect only one appearance fee per governmental entity; and generally relating to the collection of appearance fees.

BY renumbering

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 7–204(b) through (w), respectively to be Section 7–204(c) through (x),
respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–204(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

House Bill 49 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Water and Sewer Lien Registers – Fees

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain water and sewer authorities pay a certain fee to the clerk of a certain circuit court to record a lien in a certain lien register; and generally relating to real estate lien registers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–949(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

House Bill 50 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Active Armed Forces Member – Exemption From Payment of Fees for Certain Court Records

FOR the purpose of requiring a clerk of a court to provide without charge a copy of certain papers or records requested by an active armed forces member or the United States government; requiring a clerk of a court to provide without charge a copy of certain marriage records that are requested under certain circumstances; and generally relating to certain court papers and records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

House Bill 53 – Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Manufactured Homes – Recording of Affidavits of Affixation and Severance – Fees

FOR the purpose of ~~clarifying that certain fees~~ providing that the clerk of a circuit court may charge a reasonable fee not exceeding a certain amount set by the State Court Administrator for recording an affidavit of affixation or an affidavit of severance for a manufactured home ~~shall be set by the State Court Administrator~~; and generally relating to recording fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8B–202(e) and 8B–302(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

House Bill 77 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

Judges’ Retirement System – Membership, Accrual of Interest, and Reemployment

FOR the purpose of clarifying that regular interest may not be paid on member contributions of certain members of the Judges’ Retirement System under certain circumstances; providing that membership in the Judges’ Retirement System ~~for certain members~~ ends under certain circumstances; repealing a limitation on when

a member may withdraw accumulated contributions from the Judges' Retirement System; repealing a duplicative provision pertaining to the withdrawal of accumulated contributions from the Judges' Retirement System; clarifying that certain retirees of the Judges' Retirement System are required to have a certain break in service before obtaining certain employment; repealing obsolete language pertaining to the reemployment of retired former members of the Judges' Retirement System; making certain provisions of law relating to the return of accumulated contributions applicable to the Judges' Retirement System; providing that an individual who was a member of the Judges' Retirement System on or before a certain date, is separated from employment for a certain period of time, and returns to employment in a position that requires membership in the Judges' Retirement System, is subject to certain requirements; making conforming changes; and generally relating to membership, accrual of interest, and reemployment in the Judges' Retirement System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – State Personnel and Pensions
 Section 27–203, 27–204, 27–405, ~~and~~ 27–406, and 29–502
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 29–501
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

House Bill 78 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Noncontributory Pension Benefit –
 Definition**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the definition of “noncontributory pension benefit”, as it relates to the State Retirement and Pension System, does not include the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit; and generally relating to the definition of “noncontributory pension benefit” for the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – State Personnel and Pensions
 Section 20–101(aa–1)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

House Bill 106 – Montgomery County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Illegal Dumping and Litter Control Law – Adoption of
Local Ordinance
MC 11–15**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Montgomery County to adopt a certain ordinance to prohibit littering and to impose certain criminal and civil penalties; and generally relating to the Illegal Dumping and Litter Control Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–110(f)(1), (2), and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–110(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

House Bill 217 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Credit for Unused Sick Leave –
Clarification**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a member of the State Retirement and Pension System may not receive creditable service for unused sick leave at retirement unless the leave was available to the member to be used as sick leave during employment; clarifying the definition of “unused sick leave” to specify that the leave must have been available to be used as sick leave during employment; and generally relating to the clarification of unused sick leave that may be used to provide additional creditable service at retirement for members of the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 20–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
AFFAIRS REPORT #5**

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 50 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**State Acupuncture Board – Disciplinary Procedures – Judicial Appeals and
Prohibition on Stays**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 71 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Reappointment of Washington County Superintendent of Schools – Exemption

SB0071/164931/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 71

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Edwards” and substitute “Senators Edwards, Montgomery, and Serafini”.

The preceding amendment was read only.

Senator Simonaire moved, duly seconded, that the Bill and Amendment be laid over under the Rule.

The motion was adopted.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 89 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

City of Annapolis – Alcoholic Beverages – Election Days

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 94 – Senators Ferguson, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Automated Mapping–Geographic Information Systems – System Services Costs

SB0094/514039/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 94

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Young” and substitute “Young, and Waugh”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 97 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Death of Voter Before Canvass – Counting of Ballot

SB0097/734738/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 97

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Death of Voter Before Canvas –”; in the same line, strike “Ballot” and substitute “Properly Cast Ballots”; in line 3, after the first “ballot” insert “properly”; and in line 6, after “ballot” insert “properly”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 15, after the first “BALLOT” insert “PROPERLY”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

**THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
AFFAIRS REPORT #6**

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 707 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverage Tax Returns – Manufacturers and Wholesalers – Due Date

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

**LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT
ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT**

Senate Bill 720 – Senators Ready, Hough, and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Carroll County – Warrant Intercept Program

Reassigned to the Committee on Budget and Taxation under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 175)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:46 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, February 23, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, February 23, 2015
8:00 P.M. Session

The Senate met at 8:06 P.M.

Prayer by Reverend George W. Raduano, Trinity Assembly of God, guest of Senator Brochin.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 20, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Conway be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 177)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 272 – Senator Ronald N. Young:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Dr. Ron Volpe
in recognition of
serving as the 10th President of Hood College and being an exceptional leader for 14
years during a period of tremendous challenge.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 178)

Senate Resolution No. 130 – Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Morgan State University
in recognition of
winning the 2014 Mid–Eastern Conference
Football Championship.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 179)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**Senate Bill 822 – Senators Jennings and Klausmeier**

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Angel Park

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Baltimore County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 823 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

Election Laws – Loans to a Campaign Finance Entity

FOR the purpose of prohibiting money received by a campaign finance entity from certain persons from being considered a loan; altering the time period by which a campaign finance entity must repay a loan; providing that the terms of a loan to a campaign finance entity require that the loan be repaid by a certain date; specifying that certain penalties assessed for a certain violation of campaign contribution limits may

be assessed against a lender, the candidate whose campaign finance entity received the loan, or both; specifying that any statute of limitations associated with the assessment of certain penalties begins on expiration of the repayment deadline for a certain loan; and generally relating to loans to a campaign finance entity.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 13–230
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 13–604.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 824 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Allegany County – Warrant Intercept Program

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Allegany County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Allegany County; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 825 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County – Video Lottery Facilities – Distribution of Proceeds

FOR the purpose of altering, for a certain fiscal year, the payment of the proceeds of video lottery terminals at a video lottery facility in Allegany County; and generally relating to the payment of the proceeds of video lottery terminals at a video lottery facility in Allegany County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 826 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Energy Efficiency Programs – Transferring Development to the Maryland Energy Administration

FOR the purpose of transferring the development of energy efficiency and conservation programs and services from certain utilities to the Maryland Energy Administration; requiring the Administration to oversee energy efficiency and conservation programs and services; requiring certain utilities to implement certain programs developed by the Administration; requiring the Public Service Commission to establish a certain customer charge; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations or orders on

or before a certain date; repealing provisions of law relating to heating, ventilation, air conditioning, or refrigeration services; requiring certain utilities to submit a certain customer charge to the Administration with a certain frequency; defining a certain term; making conforming changes; and generally relating to energy efficiency programs in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 9–2010
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 827 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Camp Woodlands Restoration Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 828 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – The New Beginnings Community Development Computer Lab Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$15,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The New Beginnings Community Development and Empowerment Corporation for certain development

or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 829 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Audiologists and Speech–Language Pathologists – Licensure Exemption –
Clinical Training**

FOR the purpose of exempting certain individuals licensed to practice audiology or speech–language pathology in another state or a foreign country from a certain licensure requirement while individuals are providing a clinical demonstration or receiving clinical training at a training or an educational event in the State; and generally relating to a licensure exemption for audiologists and speech–language pathologists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 2–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 830 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Health Occupations – Professional Counselors and Therapists – Provisional
Licenses**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists to issue a certain provisional license to an individual to practice clinical alcohol and drug counseling, clinical marriage and family therapy, clinical professional art therapy, or clinical professional counseling under certain circumstances; establishing certain qualifications and application requirements for the provisional license; requiring the Board to issue a certain provisional license under certain circumstances; providing that a certain provisional license authorizes the holder to practice certain counseling or therapy; providing for the term of the provisional license; providing that a provisional license may not be renewed; and generally relating to provisional licenses and professional counselors and therapists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 17–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 17–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 831 – Baltimore County Senators (By Request – Baltimore County Orphans’ Court)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Orphans’ Court Judges – Compensation

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions of law establishing the annual compensation of the judges of the Orphans’ Court for Baltimore County; requiring the annual compensation of the judges of the Orphans’ Court for Baltimore County to be as set by the County Executive and the County Council in accordance with certain provisions of the Baltimore County Code; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the compensation of the judges of the Orphans’ Court for Baltimore County.

BY repealing
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 2–108(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 2–108(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 832 – Senators Madaleno, Feldman, Klausmeier, Manno, Middleton, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Commission on the Long-Term Care Medical Assistance Program Eligibility
Determination Process**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on the Long-Term Care Medical Assistance Program Eligibility Determination Process; providing for the composition, chair, duties, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide certain data to the Commission on the request of the Commission; requiring the Commission, on or before a certain date, to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission on the Long-Term Care Medical Assistance Program Eligibility Determination Process.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 833 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Prevailing Wage Rate Law – Penalties and Liquidated Damages

FOR the purpose of altering the penalty for certain violations of the prevailing wage rate law related to the posting of certain statements of prevailing wage rates; altering the amount of certain liquidated damages for which a certain contractor is liable for certain violations of the prevailing wage rate law related to payroll records; altering the amount of certain liquidated damages for which a certain contractor is liable when certain laborers or certain other employees are paid less than certain prevailing wage rates; and generally relating to the enforcement of the prevailing wage rate law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–219, 17–220, and 17–222
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 834 – Senators Pugh and Benson

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Health Benefit Exchange – Qualified Health Plans – Standards

FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements for certification as a qualified health plan in the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange; prohibiting a qualified health plan from using a benefit design or implementing a benefit design in a manner that discriminates in a certain manner; prohibiting a qualified health plan from utilizing a certain management technique except under certain circumstances; requiring certain carriers to submit to the Exchange certain information at a certain time and in a certain manner; requiring the Exchange to perform a certain evaluation on or before a certain date; prohibiting certain carriers from making certain formulary changes during a certain period with a certain exception; authorizing certain carriers to make a certain formulary change under a certain circumstance; requiring a qualified health plan formulary to be reviewed by a certain pharmacy and therapeutics committee; establishing certain membership requirements for the committee; requiring the committee to perform a certain review in a certain manner and to make recommendations regarding certain matters; authorizing the committee to perform a certain review and make certain recommendations on certain prescription drugs in a certain manner under certain circumstances; requiring meetings of the committee to occur at a certain frequency; requiring certain carriers to make certain information available to the public in a certain manner; establishing certain provider network requirements for qualified health plans; requiring the Exchange and the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to establish certain standards; requiring certain carriers to submit to the Exchange and the Commissioner certain information at a certain time and in a certain manner; requiring the Exchange and the Commissioner to review certain information to make a certain determination; requiring certain carriers to authorize the receipt of certain services from certain providers under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain carriers from requiring an enrollee to pay a certain deductible, copayment, or coinsurance amount for certain services under a certain circumstance; requiring certain essential health benefits to include a certain benefit that consists of prescription drugs that are offered in a certain manner; prohibiting a carrier from assigning a certain drug to a certain tier except under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements for certain qualified health plan deductibles; requiring the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; requiring the Exchange to make available to certain enrollees and the public certain information; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange and standards for qualified health plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 31–115(b) and (k)(2), 31–116(a), and 31–119(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 31–115(k)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 31–115.1 through 31–115.3 and 31–119(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 835 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

**Real Property – Foreclosure Moratorium and Study
(Foreclosure Relief Act of 2015)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a lender from maintaining an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential property in the State for a certain period of time; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to study, evaluate, and make recommendations regarding certain foreclosure alternatives and report its findings to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to foreclosures.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 836 – Senator Simonaire

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

**General Assembly – Name Submitted by Central Committee to Fill Vacancy –
Required Appointment by Governor**

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to provide that the Governor shall appoint, subject to a certain condition, the person whose name is submitted by the designated central committee to fill the vacancy; prohibiting the Governor from requiring a central committee to submit the name of more than one person to fill a vacancy; deleting certain obsolete language; making stylistic changes; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution

Article III – Legislative Department

Section 13

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 837 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Actions to Quiet Title

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain action to be brought to establish title against adverse claims to property; establishing that certain remedies are cumulative and not exclusive of certain other remedies, form or right of action, or proceedings; authorizing a court in certain actions or proceedings to require that certain issues be resolved in accordance with certain provisions of law; providing for jurisdiction, venue, and the application of certain statutes and rules in an action under this Act; establishing that an action under this Act is commenced by filing a complaint; providing for the manner of establishing notice of the pendency of a certain action; establishing requirements for a complaint, an answer to a complaint, a cross-complaint, naming of defendants, joinder of parties, and service of process in an action under this Act; requiring the court to take certain actions in an action under this Act; providing for the recording of a certain judgment; providing for the admissibility and effect of certain evidence; providing that certain provisions of this Act do not deprive a party of a right to a jury trial; providing for the effect of a judgment in an action under this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to actions to quiet title.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 14–108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Real Property

Section 14–601 through 14–628, to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Actions to Quiet Title”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 838 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Animal Regulations

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions authorizing the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to pass rules, regulations, or resolutions relating to dog licenses, the prohibition of dogs running at large off the property of the owner, the seizure and disposal of dogs found running at large, and the confinement of female dogs in heat; repealing provisions authorizing the county commissioners to delegate, by written contract, the enforcement of certain rules, regulations, or resolutions; authorizing the county commissioners to enact a local law to provide a comprehensive system for the regulation, humane treatment, and keeping of domestic animals and wild animals kept in captivity; authorizing a certain local law to include a schedule of fines for designated violations; providing that a violation of a certain local law is a civil infraction; and generally relating to the regulation of certain animals in St. Mary's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 13–129
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 839 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County – Violations of Ordinances, Rules, and Regulations – Penalties

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions relating to the civil and criminal penalties for violations of certain ordinances, rules, and regulations adopted by St. Mary's County; authorizing the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to provide that a violation of certain ordinances is punishable as a misdemeanor and enforced in a certain manner and to a certain extent and is a civil infraction and shall be prosecuted in a certain manner and to a certain extent; providing that every day that a violation of certain ordinances continues is a separate civil infraction; authorizing St. Mary's County to bring an action for an injunction against a person who violates an ordinance, rule, or regulation to require the correction or elimination of the violation; and generally relating to penalties for violations of ordinances, rules, and regulations adopted by St. Mary's County.

BY repealing
Article – Land Use
Section 9–1607 and 9–1608
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government

Section 12–538, 12–618, 12–804, and 13–703
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 840 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Property Maintenance – Voluntary Agreements

FOR the purpose of authorizing an ordinance enacted by St. Mary’s County regarding property maintenance to provide for a voluntary agreement between the county and an owner of real property for remediation by the county of certain conditions constituting a certain nuisance, including demolition of certain improvements; authorizing a certain voluntary agreement to provide for repayment by the property owner to the county of the costs of certain remediation or demolition in a certain manner; providing that certain unpaid costs may be enforced by the filing of a lien against the property until repaid; providing that the lien has a certain priority and may be collected in the same manner as county real property taxes; and generally relating to voluntary agreements entered for property maintenance in St. Mary’s County.

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary’s County
Section 93–5
Article 19 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2007 Edition and March 2014 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 841 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Personal Property Tax – Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting from the Calvert County property tax certain personal property purchased by businesses during a certain period; exempting certain personal property from the Calvert County property tax beginning on a certain date; providing that certain personal property remains subject to the Calvert County property tax; providing that certain personal property that is subject to a payment in lieu of taxes agreement shall be subject to the Calvert County property tax on the termination of the agreement; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an exemption from the Calvert County personal property tax.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 7–402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 842 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Personal Property Tax – Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting from the St. Mary’s County property tax certain personal property purchased by businesses during a certain period; exempting certain personal property from the St. Mary’s County property tax beginning on a certain date; providing that certain personal property remains subject to the St. Mary’s County property tax; providing that a person is not required to submit a certain report to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation for personal property that is not subject to the St. Mary’s County property tax; and generally relating to an exemption from the St. Mary’s County personal property tax.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 7–402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 843 – Senators Waugh, Astle, Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Manno, Mathias, Montgomery, Norman, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Military Dependents – In-State Tuition

FOR the purpose of exempting certain dependents of certain members of the United States armed forces from paying nonresident tuition at a public institution of higher education in the State under certain circumstances; and generally relating to tuition charges for certain dependents of certain members of the armed forces.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 15–106.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 844 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Deer Management Permit – Use of Rifles

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual in Frederick County who holds a Deer Management Permit to use a certain rifle to harvest deer throughout the year, including all deer hunting seasons; authorizing an agent of a permittee in Frederick County to use a rifle to harvest deer throughout the year with a certain exception and to harvest deer in a deer firearms season only by using the weapon approved for that season; defining a certain term; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; making a technical correction; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to Deer Management Permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–415(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–415(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 574 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 845 – Senator Edwards

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Sprinkler System Requirements – Tents – Exemption

FOR the purpose of providing that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, a certain structure is not required to have a sprinkler system under certain circumstances;

defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to sprinkler system requirements.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 9–204.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 846 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Worcester County – Delmarva Discovery Center and Museum

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Pocomoke for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 847 – Senators Miller and Jennings

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Judges – Mandatory Retirement Age

FOR the purpose of proposing amendments to the Maryland Constitution altering the mandatory retirement age for judges under certain circumstances; making certain technical corrections; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution

Article IV – Judiciary Department

Section 3, 3A, 5A(f), 18B, and 41D

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 848 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Interagency Disabilities Board – Membership and Duties – Community
Inclusion Training Oversight**

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Interagency Disabilities Board; requiring the Board to review the content and monitor the implementation of the training objectives and curriculum adopted by the Police Training Commission for a community inclusion training program at least once in a certain time period or more frequently if requested by the Commission; and generally relating to the membership and duties of the Interagency Disabilities Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 7–128 and 7–131
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 849 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Life Without Parole – Jury Sentencing Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law that provide a separate jury proceeding to determine whether a person convicted of first degree murder is sentenced to imprisonment for life without the possibility of parole or imprisonment for life; establishing that a court may sentence a person convicted of first degree murder to imprisonment for life without the possibility of parole without the requirement of a separate jury sentencing procedure under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to sentencing for first degree murder.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–201(b) and 2–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–304 and 2–305
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 850 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Glen Burnie Masonic Lodge
213**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the 213 Masonic Temple Holding Corp. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

LAID OVER BILLS

The presiding officer submitted the following Laid Over Bills with amendments:

Senate Bill 71 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Reappointment of Washington County Superintendent of Schools – Exemption

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE AMENDMENT (1) AND THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

SB0071/164931/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 71

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Edwards” and substitute “Senators Edwards, Montgomery, and Serafini”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

SB0071/703720/1

BY: Senator Madaleno

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 71

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Reappointment of Washington”; in the same line, strike “Superintendent” and substitute “Superintendents”; in the same line, after “Schools –” insert “Reappointment”; in the same line, after “Exemption” insert “in Washington County and Recruitment Recommendations”; in line 5, after “Schools;” insert “requiring the State Superintendent of Schools, on or before a certain date, to submit certain recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly;”; and in lines 5 and 6, strike “the Washington County Superintendent of Schools” and substitute “county superintendents of schools”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 15, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before November 1, 2015, the State Superintendent of Schools shall submit recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on ways to improve the recruitment and retention of county superintendents of schools in the State.”;

in line 16, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”; and in line 17, strike “October” and substitute “July”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #5

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 174 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Behavioral Health Administration – Behavioral Health Advisory Council

SB0174/457275/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 174

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, in line 14, strike “GOVERNOR” and substitute “SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE”.

On page 6, in line 8, strike “(A)(1)(XX) AND (XXI)” and substitute “(A)(1)(XXI)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, in line 4, strike “AND”; and after line 5, insert:

“13. MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF BOARDS OF EDUCATION; AND”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 241 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Coverage for Ostomy Equipment and Supplies – Required

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

Senate Bill 220 – The President

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Mandated Reports by State Agencies

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT (1) OFFERED FROM THE FLOOR BY SENATOR SIMONAIRE.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

SB0220/683826/1

BY: Senator Simonaire

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 220

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 3, in line 28, strike “6–708” and substitute “6–701 through 6–708 and the subtitle “Subtitle 7. Citizenship Promotion Program.””.

On page 32, after line 14, insert:

“[Subtitle 7. Citizenship Promotion Program.]”

[6–701.

In this subtitle, “Program” means the Citizenship Promotion Program.]

[6–702.

There is a Citizenship Promotion Program in the Department.]

[6–703.

The purposes of the Program are:

(1) to encourage and assist eligible foreign-born residents to become naturalized citizens of the United States and active participants in the civic life of Maryland;

(2) to increase the number and proportion of eligible foreign-born residents who become citizens of the United States; and

(3) to encourage foreign-born residents who become citizens to be involved in our democratic institutions.]

[6-704.

In accordance with the State budget, the Program shall:

(1) encourage eligible residents to learn English;

(2) encourage eligible residents to become naturalized citizens of the United States;

(3) inform eligible residents about the rights and responsibilities of citizens, the process of naturalization, and the availability of citizenship services;

(4) make available or increase the availability of instruction in:

(i) English as a second language;

(ii) United States history; and

(iii) citizenship preparation;

(5) make available or increase the availability of assistance in completing applications for naturalization;

(6) establish an effective connection to nonpartisan voter registration efforts;

(7) encourage the involvement of new citizens in democratic institutions; and

(8) work with federal, State, and local units of government and organizations to respond to the need for citizenship services in the State.]

[6-705.

Funding for the Program shall be as provided in the State budget, not exceeding \$100,000 each year.]

[6-706.

The Department shall adopt regulations and policies to carry out the Program.]

[6-707.

All executive units of the State shall cooperate with the Department to implement the regulations and policies of the Program.]”;

and in line 20, strike “section” and substitute “subtitle”.

The preceding amendment was withdrawn.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 129 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
 The Senate of Maryland
 offers its sincerest congratulations to
 Leah Renzi
 in recognition of
 being named Maryland’s 2014 Patricia Behring Middle School History Day Teacher of the
 Year.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
 this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
 be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 128 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
 The Senate of Maryland

offers its sincerest congratulations to
Mark Howell
in recognition of
being named Maryland's 2014 Patricia Behring
High School History Day Teacher of the Year.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

The preceding resolutions were read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 180)

Senate Resolution No. 113 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
William Bury
in recognition of
being a finalist at the 2014
National History Day competition for your exhibit on the Tuskegee syphilis study.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 114 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Demetri Cendo
in recognition of
earning a Gold Medal and the History Channel Award at the 2014 National History Day
Competition for your documentary on the Nuremberg Trials.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 116 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Ethan Greist
in recognition of

earning a Gold Medal and the History Channel Award at the 2014 National History Day Competition for your documentary on the Nuremberg Trials.

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 115 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Josef Dolde
in recognition of

displaying his exhibit on Vietnam War Protests in Maryland at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History during National History Day 2014.

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 117 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Brian Holt
in recognition of

receiving the Outstanding State Entry Award at the 2014 National History Day competition and winning the National Park Service Special Prize for Asian American History for his website on the Japanese internment.

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 118 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Maria Hoppel
in recognition of

winning a scholarship to Chaminade University in Honolulu, Hawaii at the 2014 National History Day competition for her documentary on the SS Meredith victory.

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 119 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Henry Knopes
in recognition of
being a finalist at the 2014 National History Day competition for his website on the
Indian Removal Act.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 120 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Alexandra Knudson
in recognition of
being a finalist at the 2014 National History Day Competition for her performance on
Children of the Industrial Revolution.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 121 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Nick Lowenthal
in recognition of
being a finalist at the 2014 National History Day competition for his website on the
Indian Removal Act.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 122 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Emma Markus
in recognition of
being a finalist at the 2014 National History Day competition for her documentary on the
Soweto Youth Uprising.

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 123 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Carrie Pritt
in recognition of
receiving the Outstanding State Entry award at the 2014 National History Day
competition for her performance on the Denial of Rights in Communist East Germany.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 127 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Alayna Stepp
in recognition of
receiving the Outstanding State Entry award at the 2014 National History Day
competition for her performance on the Denial of Rights in Communist East Germany.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 124 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Seiam Salehi
in recognition of
being a finalist at the 2014 National History Day competition for his website on the
Criminalization of Cannabis.
The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 125 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland

offers its sincerest congratulations to
Matthew Sciamanna
in recognition of
displaying his exhibit on Vietnam War Protests in Maryland at the Smithsonian National
Museum of American History during National History Day 2014.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

Senate Resolution No. 126 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Megha Sharma
in recognition of

being a finalist at the 2014 National History Day competition and being selected to
present her performance on Children in Baltimore's Industrial Revolution at a National
Endowment for the Humanities event on Capitol Hill.

The entire membership extends best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 23rd day of February 2015.

The preceding fifteen resolutions were read and adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 181)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:42 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M.
on Tuesday, February 24, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 24, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:06 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Moses Andrade, Silver Spring Seventh-day Adventist Church, guest of Senator Raskin.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 23, 2015 was read and approved.

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Madaleno be excused from today's session.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 183)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 274 – Senator James Brochin, Senator Katherine Klausmeier and Senator Karen Montgomery:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Towson University
in recognition of

your 16th successful Tiger Pride Advocacy Day. We applaud the efforts of Towson University's students and gratefully acknowledge your spirit, enthusiasm, and dedication to your school.

The entire membership extends best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 24th day of February 2015.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 184)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 851 – Senators Gladden and Raskin

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Ground Rents

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition for purposes of certain provisions of law prohibiting nonjudicial actions to take possession of property; repealing certain provisions of law providing that the establishment of a lien is the remedy for nonpayment of a ground rent on certain residential property; prohibiting a certain landlord from receiving reimbursement for additional costs and expenses related to collection of back rent under certain circumstances; altering the application of certain provisions of law requiring a certain landlord to give certain notice to certain persons when a certain ground rent is in arrears; altering the manner of giving a certain notice; authorizing the holder of a certain ground rent in arrears to be reimbursed for certain expenses under certain circumstances; altering the application of certain provisions of law authorizing a certain person to bring an action for possession of certain property; requiring service of process in a certain action for nonpayment of ground rent to be made in a certain manner; repealing certain provisions of law authorizing service in a certain action for nonpayment of ground rent to be made in a certain manner; providing that certain provisions of law authorizing a default judgment in rem for possession of certain property do not apply to certain actions for nonpayment of certain ground rent; requiring that each lienholder of record be made a party to a certain action for possession of property; altering the contents of certain notices required to be included in certain ground rent bills and contracts for the sale of certain residential property subject to a ground lease; altering the period of time after which a certain rent is conclusively presumed to be extinguished if no demand or payment is made for the rent during that period; clarifying that certain prior provisions of law are repealed; making this Act an emergency measure; providing for a delayed effective date for a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to ground rents.

BY repealing

Article – Real Property

Section 8–402.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 7–113(a)(1) and 8–111.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 7–113(a)(2), 8–107, 8–111.1, 8–402.2, 14–108.1, 14–116.1, and 14–117(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Real Property
Section 8–402.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 852 – Senators Young, Kagan, Klausmeier, Montgomery, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

**Public Information Act – List of Contact Information for Governmental Unit
Representatives**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain governmental entities to identify a representative who a member of the public should contact to request a public record, maintain certain contact information, post the information on the unit’s Web site or keep the information in a certain place, and annually update the information and submit it to the Office of the Attorney General; requiring the Office to post certain information on the Office’s Web site and include certain information in a certain manual; and generally relating to a list of contact information for representatives of governmental units that maintain public records.

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–503
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 853 – Senators Young and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

Ethan Saylor Center for Self-Advocates as Educators

FOR the purpose of establishing the Ethan Saylor Center for Self-Advocates as Educators as an independent unit of State government; establishing the purpose of the Center; providing for the location and staffing of the Center; requiring the Center to develop and update a certain plan to establish community inclusion training priorities and goals; specifying other functions and duties of the Center; establishing the Governing Board of the Center; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Governing Board; providing for the appointment and terms of certain members of the Governing Board; prohibiting a member of the Governing Board from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; providing for the duties of the Governing Board; providing for the funding of the Center; requiring the Governing Board to make a certain report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of the Ethan Saylor Center for Self-Advocates as Educators.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 7-101(k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 7-202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Human Services
Section 7-501 through 7-505 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Ethan Saylor
Center for Self-Advocates as Educators”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 854 – Senators Young, Mathias, and Montgomery

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Administrative Procedure Act – Effective Date of Adopted Regulations

FOR the purpose of altering the effective date of certain regulations adopted under the Administrative Procedure Act; and generally relating to regulations adopted under the Administrative Procedure Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 10–117
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

February 24, 2015

By the Majority Leader:
Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

We propose with your concurrence a joint session of the General Assembly at 10:30 a.m. on February, 25, 2015 for the election and qualifying of the Treasurer of the State of Maryland by joint ballot in accordance with Article 6, Section 1 and 5 of the Constitution.

We have appointed Delegates Rosenberg and Frick to escort your Honorable Body to the House Chamber for this Joint Session.

We further propose a joint committee of four, two on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate to escort the Treasurer–Elect. We have appointed on the part of the House, Delegates McIntosh and Jones.

We propose a Joint Committee of four, two on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate to escort the Lieutenant Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed on the part of the House, Delegates Gaines and Kipke.

We further propose the appointment of a Joint Committee of four, two on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate to escort the Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed Delegates Hixson and Aumann.

By Order, Sylvia Siegert, Chief Clerk

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

February 24, 2015

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

We have received your message proposing a joint session of the General Assembly in the House Chamber at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 25, 2015, for the purpose of the election and qualifying of the Treasurer of the State of Maryland, by joint ballot in accordance with Article 6, Sections 1 and 5, of the Constitution.

We respectfully concur in your message and have appointed on behalf of the Senate, Senators Rosapepe and Hershey as members of the joint committee to escort the Treasurer–Elect.

We have also appointed as members of the joint committee, Senators Edwards and Klausmeier to escort the Lt. Governor to the House Chamber.

We have further appointed Senators Pugh and Jennings as members of the joint committee to escort the Governor to the Chamber of the House of Delegates.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary

Read and adopted.

THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS REPORT #4

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 121 – Senators Norman, Cassilly, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Salling, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Discovery – Examination in Aid of Enforcement of Money Judgment

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 145 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Disclosure of Information – Repeal of Certification Requirement

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 150 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Child Abuse and Neglect – Waiver of Reunification Efforts

SB0150/428973/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 150

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Hough and Young” and substitute “Hough, Young, Zirkin, Brochin, Cassilly, Gladden, Lee, Muse, Norman, Ramirez, Raskin, and Ready”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 2, insert:

“(Anayah’s Law)”;

in line 5, strike “reunification efforts are not required” and substitute “efforts to reunify the child with the child’s parent or guardian are not required; defining a certain term; making a stylistic change”; and strike in their entirety lines 7 through 11, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On pages 1 through 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 20 on page 1 through line 26 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

“3-812.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated, unless the context of their use indicates otherwise.

(2) “ABANDON” MEANS TO LEAVE A CHILD WITHOUT ANY PROVISION FOR SUPPORT AND WITHOUT ANY PERSON WHO HAS ACCEPTED LONG-TERM RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN CARE AND HAVE CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE CHILD WHEN:

(I) THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN ARE UNKNOWN; AND

(II) THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT HAS MADE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO LOCATE THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OVER A PERIOD OF AT LEAST 6 MONTHS AND HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL.

(3) “Crime of violence”:

(i) Has the meaning stated in § 14–101 of the Criminal Law Article;
or

(ii) As to a crime committed in another state, means a crime that, if committed in this State, would be a crime of violence as defined in § 14–101 of the Criminal Law Article.

[(3)](4) “Torture” means to cause intense pain to body or mind for purposes of punishment or extraction of information or for sadistic purposes.

(b) In a petition under this subtitle, a local department may ask the court to find that reasonable efforts to reunify a child with the child’s parent or guardian are not required if the local department concludes that a parent or guardian [has]:

[(1) Subjected the child to:

(i) Chronic abuse;

(ii) Chronic and life-threatening neglect;

(iii) Sexual abuse; or

(iv) Torture;]

(1) HAS SUBJECTED THE CHILD TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AGGRAVATED CIRCUMSTANCES:

(i) THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN HAS ENGAGED IN OR FACILITATED:

1. CHRONIC OR SEVERE PHYSICAL ABUSE OF THE CHILD, A SIBLING OF THE CHILD, OR ANOTHER CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD;

2. CHRONIC AND LIFE-THREATENING NEGLECT OF THE CHILD, A SIBLING OF THE CHILD, OR ANOTHER CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD;

3. SEXUAL ABUSE OF THE CHILD, A SIBLING OF THE CHILD, OR ANOTHER CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD; OR

4. TORTURE OF THE CHILD, A SIBLING OF THE CHILD, OR ANOTHER CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD;

(ii) THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN KNOWINGLY FAILED TO TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO PROTECT THE CHILD AFTER A PERSON IN THE HOUSEHOLD INFLICTED SEXUAL ABUSE, SEVERE PHYSICAL ABUSE, LIFE-THREATENING NEGLECT, OR TORTURE ON THE CHILD OR ANOTHER CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD;

(iii) THE CHILD, A SIBLING OF THE CHILD, OR ANOTHER CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD HAS SUFFERED SEVERE PHYSICAL ABUSE OR DEATH RESULTING FROM ABUSE BY THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OR ANOTHER ADULT IN THE HOUSEHOLD AND ALL PERSONS WHO COULD HAVE INFLICTED THE ABUSE OR CAUSED THE DEATH REMAIN IN THE HOUSEHOLD; OR

(iv) THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN HAS ABANDONED THE CHILD;

(2) [Been] HAS BEEN convicted, in any state or any court of the United States, of:

(i) A crime of violence against:

1. A minor offspring of the parent or guardian;
2. The child; or
3. Another parent or guardian of the child; or

(ii) Aiding or abetting, conspiring, or soliciting to commit a crime described in item (i) of this item; or

(3) [Involuntarily] HAS INVOLUNTARILY lost parental rights of a sibling of [a] THE child.”.

The preceding 3 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND TAXATION REPORT #4

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 66 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund – Funding

SB0066/659937/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 66

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in line 3, strike “altering the amount of the” and substitute “extending the termination date of a certain increase in the”; in line 16, strike the opening bracket; in the same line, strike “[THE”]; in line 17, strike the opening bracket; in the same line, strike “[\$40”]; in line 19, strike the opening bracket; in line 20, strike “2015” and substitute “2020”; and in line 22, strike the closing bracket.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 102 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Accumulated Contributions of
Nonvested Former Members**

SB0102/629332/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 102

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after “fund;” insert “providing that certain accumulated contributions shall be paid to certain former members under certain circumstances; requiring certain transferred accumulated contributions to be paid to certain nonvested former members from a certain fund under certain circumstances;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in lines 9, 11, and 12, in each instance, after “member” insert “OR FORMER MEMBER”; and in line 12, after “member’s” insert “OR FORMER MEMBER’S”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 18, after “(D)” insert “(1)”; and after line 23, insert:

“(2) IF ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS OF A FORMER MEMBER ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE ACCUMULATION FUND UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AT THE REQUEST OF THE FORMER MEMBER, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHALL RETURN THE ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FORMER MEMBER FROM THE ACCUMULATION FUND.”

The preceding 3 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 103 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

Judges' Retirement System – Membership, Accrual of Interest, and Reemployment

SB0103/159732/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 103

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Accrual of Interest” and substitute “Benefits”; in lines 6 and 7, strike “for certain members”; in line 7, after “circumstances,” insert “clarifying the eligibility for a retirement allowance for certain members of the Judges’ Retirement System who are retired by order of the Court of Appeals; establishing the eligibility for a retirement allowance for certain members of the Judges’ Retirement System who are retired by order of the Court of Appeals; providing for the method of calculating a retirement allowance for certain members of the Judges’ Retirement System who are retired by order of the Court of Appeals and have less than a certain amount of service credit;”; in line 14, after “System;” insert “making certain provisions of law relating to the return of accumulated contributions applicable to the Judges’ Retirement System; providing that an individual who was a member of the Judges’ Retirement System on or before a certain date, is separated from employment for a certain period of time, and returns to employment in a position that requires membership in the Judges’ Retirement System, is subject to certain requirements;”; in lines 14 and 15, strike “accrual of interest” and substitute “benefits”; in line 18, after “27–204,” insert “27–401, 27–402(c)(2),”; in the same line, strike “and”; in the same line, after “27–406” insert “, and 29–502”; and after line 20, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 27–402(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 29–501
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, before line 4, insert:

“(B) (1) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO BECOMES A MEMBER OF THE JUDGES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2012.”;

in line 4, strike “(B)” and substitute “(2)”; strike beginning with the colon in line 5 down through “(2)” in line 8; strike in their entirety lines 11 through 13, inclusive; in line 14, strike “(2)” and substitute “(A)”; and in lines 15, 17, 19, and 20, strike “(I)”, “(II)”, “(III)”, and “(IV)”, respectively, and substitute “(1)”, “(2)”, “(3)”, and “(4)”, respectively.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 22, insert:

“27–401.

(a) (1) This subsection applies only to an individual who is a member of the Judges’ Retirement System on or before June 30, 2012.

(2) A member or former member is entitled to a retirement allowance:

(i) on termination of service, if the member is at least 60 years old;

(ii) on the recommendation of the medical board, if the member or former member resigns because of disability;

(iii) when retired by order of the Court of Appeals; or

(iv) at the age of 60 years, if the former member's termination of service occurred earlier.

(b) (1) This subsection applies only to an individual who becomes a member of the Judges' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2012.

(2) A member or former member is entitled to a retirement allowance:

(i) on termination of service, if the member is at least 60 years old and has at least 5 years of eligibility service;

(ii) on the recommendation of the medical board, if the member or former member resigns because of disability;

(iii) when retired by order of the Court of Appeals, **IF THE MEMBER HAS AT LEAST 5 YEARS OF ELIGIBILITY SERVICE;**

(IV) WHEN RETIRED BY ORDER OF THE COURT OF APPEALS WITH LESS THAN 5 YEARS OF ELIGIBILITY SERVICE, IF THE MEMBER HAS ELIGIBILITY SERVICE EQUAL TO 70 YEARS MINUS THE MEMBER'S AGE WHEN THE MEMBER FIRST BECOMES A MEMBER; or

[(iv)] (v) at the age of 60 years, if the former member's termination of service occurred earlier and the former member had at least 5 years of eligibility service when the former member terminated service.

27-402.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section and subject to subsections (c) and (d) of this section, on retirement under this subtitle, a retiree is entitled to receive a retirement allowance that equals two-thirds of the salary payable in that fiscal year to a member holding the same level judicial position as that held by the retiree on termination of service.

(c) (2) (i) This paragraph applies only to an individual who becomes a member of the Judges' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2012.

(ii) On retirement under this subtitle by a retiree who has at least 5 years but less than 16 years of service credit as a member, the retiree is entitled to a reduced retirement allowance that equals the retirement allowance computed under subsection (a) or (b) of this section multiplied by a fraction that has:

1. for its numerator, the number of years of service credit as a member; and
2. for its denominator, 16.

(III) ON RETIREMENT UNDER THIS SUBTITLE BY A RETIREE WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO RETIRE UNDER § 27–401(B)(2)(IV) OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE RETIREE IS ENTITLED TO A REDUCED RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE THAT EQUALS THE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE COMPUTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OR (B) OF THIS SECTION MULTIPLIED BY A FRACTION THAT HAS:

1. FOR ITS NUMERATOR, THE NUMBER OF YEARS OF SERVICE CREDIT AS A MEMBER; AND
2. FOR ITS DENOMINATOR, 16.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, after line 19, insert:

“[29–501.

This subtitle does not apply to the Judges’ Retirement System.]

[29–502.] 29–501.

The Board of Trustees shall pay a member or former member the amount of the member’s or former member’s accumulated contributions if:

- (1) the member or former member separated from employment for a reason other than death or retirement; and
- (2) the member or former member requests the payment.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, before line 20, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That an individual who was a member of the Judges’ Retirement System on or before June 30, 2012, is separated from employment for more than 4 years, and returns to employment in a position that requires membership in the Judges’ Retirement System, is subject to the same requirements to which an individual is subject who was a member of the Judges’ Retirement System on or before June 30, 2012.”;

and in line 20, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.

The preceding 5 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 182 – Senators King, Astle, Benson, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Jennings, Klausmeier, Manno, McFadden, Peters, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Terminal Revenues – Purse Dedication Account – Standardbred Racetrack Operating Assistance

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 274 – Harford County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Harford County – Warrant Intercept Program

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 362 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Public Facilities Bonds

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #6

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 54 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Restrictions After Service

SB0054/297278/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 54

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, after “receiving” insert “a certain”; and in line 6, after “commissioner;” insert “providing for the application of this Act;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 28, after “BENEFIT” insert “**THAT IS NOT OTHERWISE GENERALLY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AS A CUSTOMER OF A PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY**”.

On page 3, after line 6, insert:

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to an individual who serves as a commissioner of the Public Service Commission on or after January 1, 2015.”;

in line 7, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”; and in line 8, strike “October” and substitute “June”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 135 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Workers’ Compensation – Heart Disease and Hypertension Presumption – Anne Arundel County Correctional Officers

SB0135/307374/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 135

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike “Correctional” and substitute “Detention”; and in lines 6, 7, 11, and 14, in each instance, strike “correctional” and substitute “detention”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in lines 5, 15, 21, 25, 30, and 37, in each instance, strike “CORRECTIONAL” and substitute “DETENTION”.

On page 3, in line 12, strike “CORRECTIONAL” and substitute “DETENTION”.

On page 4, in line 17, strike “CORRECTIONAL” and substitute “DETENTION”; in lines 24 and 29, in each instance, strike “correctional” and substitute “detention”; and in line 27, strike “Sheriff” and substitute “Superintendent of Detention Facilities”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 243 – Senators Feldman, Benson, Currie, Guzzone, King, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Ramirez, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Service Contracts – Reporting and Audit Requirements

SB0243/577477/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 243

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after “Personnel” insert “and Procurement”; strike beginning with “altering” in line 3 down through “circumstances;” in line 6; in line 9, strike “an” and substitute “a legislative”; after line 15, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 13–218.1(b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)”;

in line 16, strike “with” and substitute “without”; in line 18, strike “and 13–405”; and after line 20, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 13–405

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 22, insert:

“Article – State Finance and Procurement13–218.1.

(b) (1) At least 60 days before the issuance of a solicitation for a service contract that is not exempt under § 13–403(c) or § 13–404(b) of the State Personnel and Pensions Article, the unit shall provide the exclusive representative of the employees who may be affected by the service contract with:

(I) written notice of:

[(i)] 1. work that is being proposed for contracting; and

[(ii)] 2. contracting procedures, requirements, timetables, and employee rights as provided in Title 13, Subtitle 4 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article; AND

(II) A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND DISCUSS ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED SERVICE CONTRACT.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 3, strike “**STATE-OWNED OR**”; in line 15, strike the brackets; strike beginning with “**AT**” in line 15 down through “**THE**” in line 16; in line 16, strike the colon; in line 17, strike “**(1)**”; strike beginning with “**TO**” in line 17 down through “**CONTRACT**” in line 18; and strike beginning with the semicolon in line 20 down through “**CONTRACT**” in line 23.

On page 3, in line 21, after “**CONTRACT**” insert “**THAT IS NOT EXEMPT UNDER § 13–403(C) OR § 13–404(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE**”; in the same line, strike “**AN**” and substitute “**A LEGISLATIVE**”; strike beginning with “**OF**” in line 21 down through “**RECORDS**” in line 22; and in line 24, after “**THE**” insert “**LEGISLATIVE**”.

The preceding 3 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 262 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Building Performance Standards – Energy Codes – Local Authority

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 353 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

**Electric Companies – Installation of Solar Electric Generating Facility – New
Interconnection Agreement**

SB0353/597479/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 353

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, strike “customer to contact the customer’s” and substitute “certain customer–generator to submit to the customer–generator’s”; strike beginning with “to” in line 6 down through “executed” in line 8 and substitute “a certain application; allowing a certain person to accept a certain payment before receiving a certain approval; prohibiting a certain person to begin a certain installation under certain circumstances; requiring a certain person to notify a certain customer–generator of a certain decision; requiring a certain person to refund a certain payment under certain circumstances”; strike beginning with “provide” in line 9 down through “interconnection” in line 10 and substitute “process a certain application and notify the person of a certain decision in accordance with a certain process and time frame specified in certain regulations”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 22, strike “A CUSTOMER” and substitute “AN ELIGIBLE CUSTOMER-GENERATOR”; in line 23, strike “AND OPERATE”; in line 24, strike “CUSTOMER’S” and substitute “CUSTOMER-GENERATOR’S”; in the same line, strike “FOR” and substitute “THAT THE CUSTOMER-GENERATOR OWNS AND OPERATES, LEASES AND OPERATES, OR CONTRACTS WITH A THIRD PARTY THAT OWNS AND OPERATES AND THAT REQUIRES”; in line 25, strike “TRANSMISSION AND”; in the same line, strike “SHALL”.

On page 2, strike beginning with “CONTACT” in line 1 down through “AND” in line 3 and substitute “SHALL SUBMIT TO THE CUSTOMER-GENERATOR’S ELECTRIC COMPANY A COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR INTERCONNECTION OF THE SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY WITH THE ELECTRIC COMPANY’S DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES”; after line 3, insert:

“(2) BEFORE RECEIVING THE ELECTRIC COMPANY’S APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION:

(I) MAY ACCEPT PAYMENT FROM THE CUSTOMER-GENERATOR IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONTRACT; BUT

(II) MAY NOT BEGIN INSTALLATION OF THE SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY ON THE CUSTOMER-GENERATOR’S PROPERTY;”;

in line 4, strike “(2)” and substitute “(3) SHALL”; in the same line, strike “CUSTOMER” and substitute “CUSTOMER-GENERATOR”; strike beginning with “ABILITY” in line 4 down through “EXECUTED” in line 6 and substitute “APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION; AND

(4) IF THE ELECTRIC COMPANY DISAPPROVES THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, SHALL FULLY REFUND ANY PAYMENT FROM THE CUSTOMER-GENERATOR UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION”;

strike beginning with “PROVIDE” in line 8 down through “INTERCONNECTION” in line 10 and substitute “PROCESS AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(1) OF

THIS SECTION AND NOTIFY THE PERSON WHETHER THE APPLICATION IS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PROCESS AND TIME FRAME SPECIFIED IN REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 185)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #12

Senate Bill 50 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Acupuncture Board – Disciplinary Procedures – Judicial Appeals and Prohibition on Stays

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 186)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 89 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

City of Annapolis – Alcoholic Beverages – Election Days

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 187)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 94 – Senators Ferguson, Madaleno, Manno, Montgomery, Raskin, ~~and Young~~ Young, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**State Government – Automated Mapping–Geographic Information Systems –
System Services Costs**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 188)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 97 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey,
Jennings, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh**

AN ACT concerning

**Election Law – ~~Death of Voter Before Canvass~~ – Counting of ~~Ballet~~ Properly
Cast Ballots**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 189)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 190)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:53 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, February 25, 2015.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 25, 2015
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:09 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Heather Janules, Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church, guest of Senator Madaleno.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of February 24, 2015 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 192)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 855 – Eastern Shore Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Eastern Shore Counties – Warrant Intercept
Program**

FOR the purpose of altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of certain individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of the Eastern Shore counties or individuals who have outstanding warrants from an Eastern Shore county; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to withholding income tax refunds of individuals with outstanding warrants.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–935 and 13–937 through 13–940
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 451 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 856 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Juvenile Causes – Informal Adjustment

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain court to refer a certain matter to the Department of Juvenile Services for a certain informal adjustment under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain court from referring a certain matter if there is an objection by a party; requiring a certain petition to be dismissed under certain circumstances; and generally relating to juvenile causes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–10(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 857 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Charles County – Lions Camp Merrick Septic System

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Lions Camp Merrick, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 858 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Talbot County – Phillips Wharf Aquaculture Job Training Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Phillips Wharf Environmental Center, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 859 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Lead – Risk Reduction Standard – Exemption for Affected Properties

FOR the purpose of exempting an affected property from a certain risk reduction standard if the owner of the affected property has maintained a certain exemption certification for a certain period of time and submits proof of the exemption certification to the Department of the Environment; requiring the owner of an affected property, in order to maintain a certain exemption from the risk reduction standard, to have the windows and certain surfaces in the affected property tested for lead-contaminated dust with a certain frequency and submit a certification stating that the affected property passed the test for lead-contaminated dust to the Department; and generally relating to the risk reduction standard for affected properties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment

Section 6–803 and 6–804
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 860 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Commercial Fertilizer

FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland individual and corporate income tax for certain taxable years for certain expenses related to the application of certain commercial fertilizer; requiring the State Department of Agriculture to certify the amount allowed as a subtraction; requiring a taxpayer to file a certain certification with the taxpayer's income tax return; providing for the carryforward of any unused portion of the subtraction; providing that a taxpayer may not be allowed the subtraction for more than a certain number of consecutive years; defining certain terms; providing for a delayed effective date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification for certain expenses related to commercial fertilizer under the Maryland individual and corporate income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–308(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 861 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Birth Registrations – Notice of Placement of Security Freezes

FOR the purpose of requiring the administrative head of a certain institution or a designee of the administrative head or the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide a certain notice to the mother, father, or legal guardian of a child relating to security freezes under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide a certain notice relating to security freezes on a certain form provided by the Secretary; requiring the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General to prepare a notice that explains how to request a consumer reporting agency to place a security freeze on a file relating to an individual under a certain age and the benefits of having a freeze on a certain credit file; and generally relating to security freeze information provided to the mother, father, or legal guardian of a child at the time of registration of the birth of the child.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–208
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 862 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Park Service – Operations Revenue – Mandated Appropriation

FOR the purpose of ratifying a certain provision of law that requires the Governor to include in the State budget an appropriation for the Maryland Park Service equal to a certain percentage of revenues attributable to Maryland Park Service operations; stating the intent of the General Assembly; and generally relating to funding of the Maryland Park Service.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–212(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 863 – Senators Miller, Astle, Bates, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Mathias, Middleton, Montgomery,

**Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Raskin, Ready, Salling, Serafini, Waugh,
and Zirkin**

AN ACT concerning

Watershed Protection and Restoration Programs – Revisions

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a certain county or municipality adopt and implement local laws or ordinances necessary to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; authorizing a certain county or municipality to adopt and implement local laws or ordinances necessary to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; repealing the requirement that a certain program include a certain fee and a certain fund; authorizing a certain program to include a certain fee and a certain fund; repealing the requirement that a certain county or municipality maintain or administer a certain fund in accordance with certain requirements; authorizing a certain county or municipality to maintain or administer a certain fund in accordance with certain requirements; repealing the requirement that a certain county or municipality establish and annually collect a certain fee; authorizing a certain county or municipality to establish and annually collect a certain fee; exempting certain veterans' organizations from being charged a stormwater remediation fee by a county or municipality; authorizing the State or a unit of State government to be charged a stormwater remediation fee by a county under certain circumstances; repealing the requirement that a certain county or municipality set a certain fee in a certain manner; authorizing a certain county or municipality to set a certain fee in a certain manner; establishing a maximum stormwater remediation fee for certain nonprofit groups or organizations; requiring a county or municipality to include a certain statement on a bill to collect a stormwater remediation fee; authorizing local watershed protection and restoration funds to receive certain funds; requiring certain funds disbursed from local watershed protection and restoration funds to be in addition to existing State or local expenditures for stormwater management; prohibiting certain funds from being used for certain programs, services, or staff that were in existence on or before a certain date; altering a certain reporting requirement; requiring a county or municipality to file a certain annual financial assurance plan with the Department of the Environment in accordance with certain requirements beginning on a certain date; requiring the Department to submit a certain annual report to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly in accordance with certain requirements beginning on a certain date; requiring a county or municipality to authorize certain nonprofit groups or organizations to implement a certain plan in lieu of paying a stormwater remediation fee under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to adopt regulations to establish a certain plan; authorizing funds in the Bay Restoration Fund to be used for costs associated with the implementation of certain alternate compliance plans; making stylistic changes; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to watershed protection and restoration programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1605.2(i)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1605.2(i)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)
(As enacted by Chapter 150 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

House Bill 76 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Accumulated Contributions of Nonvested Former Members

FOR the purpose of requiring certain accumulated contributions of certain nonvested former members to be transferred into a certain fund; clarifying that certain accumulated contributions shall be paid to certain former members under certain circumstances; requiring certain transferred accumulated contributions to be paid to certain nonvested former members from a certain fund under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; and generally relating to accumulated contributions of nonvested former members of the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–303(a) and 21–311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

February 25, 2015

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. President:

It is a pleasure to submit to the Maryland State Senate, the following nomination for appointment:

Howard Community College Board of Trustees
M. Courtney Watson
11436 Butterfruit Way
Ellicott City, Maryland 21042
Howard County/09
Appointment as Member

Remainder of a term of 6 years from July 1, 2009 and a term of 6 years from July 1, 2015

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to your favorable approval of this nomination.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

The Message from the Executive, being of an Executive nature, was referred to the Committee on Executive Nominations.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 193)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #13**Senate Bill 71 – ~~Senator Edwards~~ Senators Edwards, Montgomery, and Serafini**

AN ACT concerning

Reappointment of Washington County Superintendent Superintendents of Schools – Reappointment Exemption in Washington County and Recruitment Recommendations

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 194)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 174 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Behavioral Health Administration – Behavioral Health Advisory Council

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 195)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 220 – The President

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Mandated Reports by State Agencies

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 196)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 241 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Coverage for Ostomy Equipment and Supplies – Required

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 197)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 198)

RECESS

At 10:26 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate recessed until 10:30 A.M. on Wednesday, February 25, 2015 to the House Chamber for the election of the State Treasurer.

**AFTER RECESS
Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 25, 2015**

At 10:35 A.M. the Senate resumed its session.

JOINT SESSION TO ELECT THE STATE TREASURER

President Miller called for the Senate roll.

SENATE QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Senate Roll Call No. 198A)

Speaker Busch called for the House roll.

HOUSE QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 135 Members present.

(See House Roll Call No. 97)

A majority of both, the House and the Senate being present, Speaker Busch declared both bodies in Joint Session.

The House Reading Clerk read the Report of the Committee on the Selection of the Treasurer:

**REPORT OF
THE SPECIAL JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
TO SELECT THE STATE TREASURER**

FEBRUARY 25, 2015

The Special Joint Legislative Committee to Select the State Treasurer met on Wednesday, February 18, 2015, pursuant to the Article on State Government, § 5–101(c), to interview and report on the qualifications of the candidates for the Office of State Treasurer and to recommend one candidate. Two qualified candidates, William H.

Campbell and Treasurer Nancy K. Kopp, were interviewed. At the conclusion of its hearing, the Committee voted to recommend the current State Treasurer Nancy K. Kopp to serve as the State Treasurer for the 2015–2018 term. Additionally, the Committee agreed to place these two names on the ballot.

James Rosapepe
Senate Chairman

Adrienne A. Jones
House Chairman

Read and ordered journalized.

Staff members of the Secretary of the Senate's Office and the Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates' Office distributed the following ballots to the Members of the Senate and House of Delegates present on the Floor and returned any extra ballots to the Desk.

SELECTION OF THE STATE TREASURER
BALLOT

February 25, 2015

VOTE FOR ONLY ONE APPLICANT

APPLICANT

	William H. Campbell
	Nancy K. Kopp
	Write in Candidate

A total of 182 ballots were distributed.

Said ballots were then collected by the same staff members and placed in the Ballot Box on the Clerk's Desk at the Lower Rostrum.

The Majority and Minority Leaders of both Houses came to the Rostrum to observe the opening of the Ballots.

The Secretary of the Senate removed and opened each ballot individually and handed it to the Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates who announced openly the name selected.

The Assistant Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Journal Clerk of the House of Delegates recorded a tally of each vote announced.

When the Clerk announced the 93rd vote cast for Nancy K. Kopp, a majority of members present, the Clerk declared a result had been established.

The Results were as follows:

Candidates

William H. Campbell – 43

Nancy K. Kopp – 130

Write-In Candidates

D. Davis – 2

Alex Hughes – 1

A. Jones – 1

Timothy Mantegna – 1

Metallica – 1

Dan Morhaim – 1

Meagan Simonaire – 1

FINAL TALLY 181

The Speaker announced the State Treasurer–Elect to be Nancy K. Kopp.

Senators Edwards and Klausmeier and Delegates Gaines and Kipke escorted the Lieutenant Governor Boyd K. Rutherford to the Speaker’s Rostrum.

Senators Pugh and Jennings and Delegates Hixson and Aumann escorted the Chief Executive to the Speaker’s Rostrum to witness the administering of the Oaths of Office to the Treasurer–Elect.

Senators Rosapepe and Hershey and Delegates McIntosh and Jones escorted the Treasurer–Elect Nancy K. Kopp to the Speaker’s Rostrum.

Speaker Busch and President Miller administered both Oaths of Office to the Treasurer–Elect.

Treasurer Nancy K. Kopp addressed the General Assembly.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:15 A.M. on motion of Senator McFadden, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 26, 2015.