



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Effective Dates

2016 Budget Bill – Effective March 29, 2016

(Article III, § 52(6) of the Maryland Constitution states, “... the Budget Bill ..., when and as passed by both Houses, shall be a law immediately without further action by the Governor.”)

SB 190 The President (By Request – Administration)
Chapter 143 BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2017)

Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

2016 Chapters – Emergency Bills

(Article XVI, § 2 of the Maryland Constitution provides that a law may take effect immediately on signature by the Governor if it contains provisions declaring it “an emergency law ... necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety ...” and if it has received a three-fifths vote for passage in each House of the General Assembly.)

HB 204 Montgomery County Delegation

Chapter 7

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ELECTIONS – EARLY VOTING CENTERS MC 14–16

Requiring Montgomery County to have 10 early voting centers; and providing the Act shall be applied to and interpreted to require that Montgomery County have 10 early voting centers for the 2016 election cycle and that the tenth early voting center be located at the Potomac Community Recreation Center, if available, or if not, at another facility that serves the Potomac area community.

SB 506 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

Chapter 8

ANNUAL CORRECTIVE BILL

Correcting specified errors or omissions in specified articles of the Annotated Code and in specified uncodified laws; clarifying language; correcting specified obsolete references; reorganizing specified sections of the Annotated Code; ratifying specified corrections made by the publishers of the Annotated Code; providing that the Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; etc.

SB 507 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

Chapter 9

ANNUAL CURATIVE BILL

Generally curing previous Acts of the General Assembly with possible title or other defects.

HB 1581 Harford County Delegation**Chapter 12****HARFORD COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFFS DAILEY AND LOGSDON BENEFITS MEMORIAL ACT**

Increasing from 18 years to 26 years the maximum age at which specified children of deceased members of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System who are killed in the line of duty are no longer eligible to receive a specified death benefit; requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to pay a specified death benefit under specified circumstances; applying the Act retroactively; etc.

SB 54 Senators Middleton and Ferguson**Chapter 16****PUBLIC UTILITIES – TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES AND FOR-HIRE TRANSPORTATION – CLARIFICATIONS**

Expanding the types of motor vehicle liability insurers that may exclude coverage to operators providing transportation network services; prohibiting a person from operating a transportation network company in the State without a permit issued by the Public Service Commission; providing that before December 15, 2016, the Commission may not require an applicant for a for-hire driver's license or transportation network operator's license to comply with a specified criminal history records check; etc.

SB 1159 Senator Conway, et al**Chapter 26****BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – MEMBERS – TERMS AND APPOINTMENT**

Requiring the Governor, when evaluating an applicant for membership on the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City, to consider the need for geographic, political, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity on the Board; requiring the Governor to make an appointment to fill a vacancy on the Board within 15 days after the vacancy occurs; repealing the requirement that the Governor appoint all of the members of the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City; etc.

- HB 3**
Chapter 28 **Delegate Davis**
PUBLIC UTILITIES – TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES
AND FOR-HIRE TRANSPORTATION – CLARIFICATIONS
- Expanding the types of motor vehicle liability insurers that may exclude coverage to operators providing transportation network services; prohibiting a person from operating a transportation network company in the State without a permit from the Public Service Commission; providing that before December 15, 2016, the Commission may not require an applicant for a for-hire driver's license or transportation network operator's license to comply with a specified criminal history records check; etc.
- HB 331**
Chapter 100 **Delegate Stein**
PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – FUNDING FOR CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENTS
- Altering the funds under Program Open Space that are authorized to be used for specified capital improvements under specified circumstances.
- HB 389**
Chapter 103 **Delegate O'Donnell, et al**
CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS CRITICAL AREA
PROTECTION PROGRAM – INTRAFAMILY TRANSFERS
- Altering the definition of "immediate family" as it relates to intrafamily transfers of specified property authorized in a local jurisdiction's Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area protection program.
- HB 752**
Chapter 116 **Delegate Cullison**
PHYSICIANS – PRESCRIPTIONS WRITTEN BY PHYSICIAN
ASSISTANTS OR NURSE PRACTITIONERS – PREPARING AND
DISPENSING
- Providing that specified provisions of law do not prohibit a licensed physician who complies with specified requirements from personally preparing and dispensing a prescription written by a physician assistant in accordance with a specified delegation agreement or a nurse practitioner who is authorized to practice under a specified provision of law and is working with the physician in the same office setting.

HB 1527 Delegate O'Donnell**Chapter 142 ENVIRONMENT – WATER APPROPRIATION PERMIT –
AQUACULTURE EXEMPTION**

Creating an exemption from the requirement to obtain a water appropriation permit under specified circumstances for specified use of tidal waters for oyster aquaculture purposes.

SB 120 Senator Simonaire**Chapter 160 HIGHER EDUCATION – SENATORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS –
AWARDS**

Authorizing the recipients of senatorial scholarships to hold an award for a fifth undergraduate academic year or for a semester subsequent to a fourth undergraduate academic year if the recipient makes a specified request, is a full-time student, continues to be a resident of the State, continues to be a student at the institution and takes courses leading to a degree, and has exhausted the funds available during the previous 4 years of study; etc.

SB 219 Senator Ready, et al**Chapter 180 CARROLL COUNTY – TURKEY HUNTING ON PRIVATE
PROPERTY – SUNDAYS**

Authorizing a person to hunt turkey on private property on Sundays during the spring turkey hunting season in Carroll County; and making the Act an emergency measure.

SB 1033 Senator Mathias**Chapter 237 MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2015 –
WORCESTER COUNTY – DELMARVA DISCOVERY CENTER
AND MUSEUM**

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2015 to add the Board of Directors of the Delmarva Discovery Center & Museum, Inc. as a grantee to a specified grant.

SB 1081 Senator Eckardt, et al**Chapter 241 MENTAL HEALTH – VOLUNTARY AND INVOLUNTARY
ADMISSIONS – CERTIFICATION BY PSYCHIATRIC NURSE
PRACTITIONERS**

Defining “psychiatric nurse practitioner” for purposes of specified provisions of law relating to the voluntary and involuntary admissions of individuals to specified facilities for the treatment of mental disorders; prohibiting a certificate signed by a psychiatric nurse practitioner for the involuntary admission of an individual to specified facilities for the treatment of a mental disorder from being used for an admission under specified circumstances; etc.

HB 1074 Montgomery County Delegation**Chapter 294 MONTGOMERY COUNTY – LAYTONSVILLE – ALCOHOLIC
BEVERAGES LICENSES MC 22–16**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Montgomery County to issue, renew, and transfer and otherwise provide a maximum of two alcoholic beverages licenses for use in the town of Laytonsville under specified conditions; and specifying that the licenses may be any combination of Class B (on-sale) beer, wine, and liquor licenses and Class H (on-sale) beer and light wine, hotel and restaurant licenses.

HB 1247 Delegate Hayes, et al**Chapter 305 INSURANCE – SELF-FUNDED STUDENT HEALTH PLANS**

Exempting from specified State insurance laws a self-funded student health plan operated by an independent institution of higher education that provides health care services to its students and their dependents if the institution files on July 1 each year, for the student health plan that will be offered to students for the upcoming school year, a specified report with the Commissioner; etc.

SB 1136 Senator Eckardt**Chapter 472 REGULATION OF RADIATION SOURCES – FEE – EXEMPTION
FOR PRO BONO TEMPORARY DENTAL CLINICS**

Exempting specified temporary dental clinics that hold permits under specified provisions of law, provide all services on a pro bono basis, and operate fewer than 100 hours a year the fee for monitoring and regulating sources of radiation after June 30, 2016.

SB 1104 Harford County Senators, et al**Chapter 525 TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAYS – HEROES HIGHWAY**

Requiring the State Highway Administration to dedicate the portion of Maryland Route 924 (Emmorton Road) between its intersections with Maryland Route 24 and Singer Road as Heroes Highway.

HB 1624 Delegate Reilly, et al**Chapter 526 TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAYS – HEROES HIGHWAY**

Requiring the State Highway Administration to dedicate the portion of Maryland Route 924 (Emmorton Road) between its intersections with Maryland Route 24 and Singer Road as Heroes Highway.

SB 552 Senator Pugh, et al**Chapter 558 PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – DISABLED OR FALLEN LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND RESCUE WORKERS AND
PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS**

Authorizing a specified property tax credit for specified residential real property in Harford County owned by specified surviving spouses or specified cohabitants; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to grant, by law, a specified property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on a specified dwelling in Baltimore City that is owned by a specified public safety officer under specified circumstances; providing that the credit may not exceed \$2,500 per dwelling; etc.

HB 146 **Delegate M. Washington (By Request – Baltimore City**
Chapter 559 **Administration), et al**

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SB 753 **Senator Klausmeier, et al**
Chapter 695

**HEALTH – SALE OF FOOD PRODUCTS CONTAINING ALCOHOL
– REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS**

Repealing a provision of law that provided that a confectionary food product is adulterated if it contains any alcohol in excess of a specified percent by volume or any alcohol derived from anything but flavoring extracts; prohibiting specified provisions of law from being construed to prohibit the addition of alcohol to a food product, including a confectionery and a frozen dessert; prohibiting the sale of a food product that contains more than one-half of one percent of alcohol per volume to an individual under 21 years of age; etc.

HB 558 **Delegate Glenn, et al**
Chapter 723

BALTIMORE CITY – PARTIALLY ELECTED SCHOOL BOARD

Increasing the number of members of the Baltimore City School Commissioners; requiring the two elected board members to be elected at large by the voters of Baltimore City; providing for the terms of the appointed and elected members of the Board; requiring the elected members of the Board to be elected at the general election in November 2022 and every 4 years thereafter in accordance with specified provisions of law; providing for the removal of the elected members of the Board; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

HB 1210
Chapter 736**Delegate Clippinger, et al****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSES**

Establishing in Baltimore City a Class D beer license to be issued to a holder of a Class 5 brewery license; specifying that the Class D beer license authorizes the license holder to sell at retail beer brewed on the premises for on-premises consumption; reducing the minimum amount of average daily food sale receipts from 65% to 51% for a restaurant for which a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license is issued; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to transfer a specified Class B–D–7 license to a specified location; etc.

Except Section 1