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Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 13, 2016
Twelve O'clock Noon

The Senate met at 12:00 P.M.

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

Prayer by Minister Nicholas Garrett, guest of Senator Miller.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

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	–	Allegany, Garrett and Washington George C. Edwards
District 2	–	Washington Andrew A. Serafini
District 3	–	Frederick and Washington Ron Young
District 4	–	Frederick and Carroll Michael Hough
District 5	–	Carroll Justin Ready
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 Delores G. Kelley
District 11	–	Baltimore County Robert A. Zirkin
District 12	–	Baltimore County and Howard

		Edward J. Kasemeyer
District 13	–	Howard Guy J. Guzzone
District 14	–	Montgomery Vacant
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, Charles and Calvert Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
District 28	–	Charles Thomas Mac Middleton
District 29	–	Calvert 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 Bob Cassilly
District 35	–	Harford and Cecil 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–six Senators having answered to their names, the Secretary announced that a quorum being present, the Senate of Maryland, 2016 Session is now ready for the transaction of business.

The Secretary called for nominations for the office of President Pro Tem.

The Honorable Bill Ferguson nominated the Honorable Nathaniel J. McFadden as President Pro Tem. The nomination was seconded by the Honorable Ulysses Currie. There being no further nominations, the roll was then called which resulted in the election of the Honorable Nathaniel J. McFadden as President Pro Tem.

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 6)

The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier and the Honorable Stephen S. Hershey, Jr. were appointed to escort the President Pro Tem to the Chair.

The oath of office was administered to the Honorable Senator Nathaniel J. 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 Victor R. Ramirez nominated the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. as President of the Senate. The nomination was seconded by the Honorable Susan C. Lee. There being no further nominations, the roll was then called which resulted in the election of the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. as President of the Senate.

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 7)

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 J. McFadden.

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

INTRODUCTIONS

Remarks by the Honorable Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. and the Honorable Lieutenant Governor Boyd K. Rutherford.

Introduction of Special Guests

ORDERS

ORDER

January 13, 2016

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

ORDERED, BY THE SENATE OF MARYLAND, That, for the Legislative Session of 2016, the Senate adopts the Rules, with the exception of Rule 116, as in effect at the end of the Regular Legislative Session of 2015.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted.

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

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

Senator Klausmeier moved to make Rule 116 a Special Order until January 20, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

ORDER

January 13, 2016

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

RESOLVED, that the following Desk Officers be, and are hereby elected to serve, during the Legislative Session of 2016:

- Secretary of the Senate – William B.C. Addison, Jr.
- Assistant 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

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 9)

ORDER

January 13, 2016

BY THE MAJORITY LEADER:

ORDERED, That the monies appropriated for the expense of this Legislative Session of 2016, 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.

By Order,

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 10)

ORDER

January 13, 2016

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 2016, 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 of the Senate

Read and adopted.

ANNOUNCEMENT

January 13, 2016

The President makes the following announcement:

Majority Leader –	Senator Catherine E. Pugh
Deputy Majority Leader –	Senator Katherine Klausmeier
Assistant Deputy Majority Leader –	Senator Nancy J. King

Majority Whips –

Senator Lisa A. Gladden
Senator Jamie Raskin

Deputy Majority Whip –

Senator James C. Rosapepe

Read and ordered journalized.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SENATE MINORITY CAUCUS

January 13, 2016

The Senate Minority Caucus met on December 2, 2015 for the purposes of electing the Minority floor leaders for the 2016 Legislative Session. The following members have been selected:

Minority Leader: Honorable J. B. Jennings – District 7
Minority Whip: Honorable Stephen S. Hershey, Jr. – District 36

Read and ordered journalized.

ANNOUNCEMENT

January 13, 2016

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 13, 2016.

BUDGET AND TAXATION

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

Senator Ulysses Currie
Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.
Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt
Senator George C. Edwards
Senator Bill Ferguson
Senator Guy J. Guzzone

Senator Nancy J. King
Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
Senator Roger P. Manno
Senator Douglas J.J. Peters
Senator Andrew A. Serafini

EDUCATION, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Senator Joan Carter Conway, Chairman

Senator Paul Pinsky, Vice–Chairman

Senator Gail H. Bates
 Senator Cheryl C. Kagan
 Senator Shirley Nathan–Pulliam
 Senator James C. Rosapepe
 Senator Johnny Ray Salling

Senator Bryan W. Simonaire
 Senator Steve Waugh
 Senator Ronald N. Young
 Vacancy

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 Justin Ready

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 Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.
 Senator J.B. Jennings

Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer
 Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
 Senator Thomas M. Middleton
 Senator Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The President makes the following appointments to continuing committee pursuant to Senate Rule 18(a)(2). The appointments are effective as of January 13, 2016.

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 Robert A. Zirkin

ANNOUNCEMENT

The President makes the following appointments to the statutory committees and joint committees; the appointments are effective as of January 13, 2016.

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 Stephen S. Hershey, Jr.
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 Robert A. Zirkin

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

Senator Roger P. Manno, Senate Chairman

Senator John C. Astle
Senator Robert Cassilly
Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt

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

Senator Lisa A. Gladden
Senator Guy J. Guzzone

Senator Steve Waugh

JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE

Senator Guy J. Guzzone, Senate Chairman

Senator Gail H. Bates
Senator George C. Edwards
Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt
Senator Cheryl C. Kagan
Senator James C. Rosapepe

Senator Richard S. Madaleno, Jr.
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 Shirley Nathan–Pulliam
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 J.B. Jennings
Senator Roger P. Manno
Senator Douglas J.J. Peters
Senator Victor R. Ramirez

Senator Jamie B. Raskin
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 Katherine A. Klausmeier

Senator J.B. Jennings
Senator Nancy J. King

Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden

JOINT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

Senator Douglas J.J. Peters, Chairman

Senator Adelaide C. Eckardt
Senator Bill Ferguson
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Senator Roger P. Manno
Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
Senator Andrew A. Serafini

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

Senator Ron Young, Senate Chairman

Senator George C. Edwards
Senator Cheryl C. Kagan

Senator James N. Mathias, Jr.
Senator Thomas M. Middleton

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

INTRODUCTIONS

Introduction of Honored Guests

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 13, 2016

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 13, 2016

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 13, 2016

By the Majority Leader,

His Excellency, the Governor of Maryland
Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.:

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

January 13, 2016

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 2015 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,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
 Governor

GUBERNATORIAL RECESS APPOINTMENTS TO STATEWIDE BOARDS
 REQUIRING SENATE CONFIRMATION
 2016 SESSION OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

AIRPORT ZONING APPEALS, BOARD OF	
Kathleen A. Smero 8285 Berryfield Drive Nottingham, Maryland 21236 Baltimore County/08	Appointment Baltimore County Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Jon Jeffrey Robinson 8652 Water Fall Drive Laurel, Maryland 20723 Howard/13	Appointment Howard County Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Christopher B. Yates 8307 Bing Cherry Court Laurel, Maryland 20723 Howard/13	Appointment Howard County Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Andrea M. Jones Horton 7715 East Classic Court Severn, Maryland 21061 Anne Arundel/32	Reappointment Anne Arundel County Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
AMUSEMENT RIDE SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD, STATE	
Nancy R. Brashear 108 Park Lane Thurmont, Maryland 21788 Frederick/04	Reappointment State or County Fair Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
APPALACHIAN STATES LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION	

Mary Beth Tung 6467 Galway Drive Clarksville, Maryland 21029 Howard/13	Appointment Member Term of 2 years from May 7, 2015
Edward C. Hammerberg 1477 Roland Heights Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21211 Baltimore City/40	Appointment Alternate Term of 2 years from May 7, 2015
APPEALS, MARYLAND COURT OF	
Hon. Michele D. Hotten 361 Rowe Boulevard Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Prince George's/25	Appointment Judge Term of 10 years from December 22, 2015
APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL	
Michelle L. Butt 11464 Old Frederick Road Marriottsville, Maryland 21104 Howard/09	Appointment Employer Representative Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
David J. Wilson, Sr. 8454 Pamela Way Laurel, Maryland 20723 Howard/13	Appointment Employee Organization Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Jennifer D. Runkles 64 W. Main Street New Market, Maryland 21774 Frederick/04	Appointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Norbert R. Klusmann, Sr. 13203 Ailesbury Court Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772 Prince George's/25	Appointment Employee Organization Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
ARTS COUNCIL, MARYLAND STATE	
Alejandro F. Castro 207 S. Cross Street, Suite 300 Chestertown, Maryland 21620 Kent/36	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Anthony A. Cornwell 31706 Old Adams Road, NE Little Orleans, Maryland 21766 Allegany/01	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Joan M.G. Lyon 3482 Bear Creek Road Accident, Maryland 21520 Garrett/01	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015

Carla Du Pree 10391 May Wind Court Columbia, Maryland 21044 Howard/12	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Carol Trawick 6600 Elgin Lane Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Montgomery/16	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Douglas Mann 347 Butternut Court Millersville, Maryland 21108 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY LOAN PROGRAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS	
Norma Theo Pinette 720 Bay Street Baltimore, Maryland 21211 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Finance Expertise Term of 4 years from October 1, 2015
Angela Fox, Esq. 1113 Broadwood Drive Rockville, Maryland 20851 Montgomery/17	Appointment Disability Community Term of 4 years from October 1, 2015
Sama Bellomo 6670 Washington Boulevard Elkridge, Maryland 21075 Howard/13	Appointment Disability Community Term of 4 years from October 1, 2015
Joel Steven Zimba 2824 St. Paul Street, Apt. 1 Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43	Reappointment Disability Community Term of 4 years from October 1, 2015
Linda Webb 725 S. Ann Street Baltimore, Maryland 21231 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Finance Expertise Term of 4 years from October 1, 2015
Sally S. Chan 3004 Cresmont Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21211 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Finance Expertise Term of 4 years from October 1, 2015
AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND	
Christopher Gude 8729 Chapel Hill Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21043 Howard/09	Appointment Recommended by MIAIA Board Term of 5 years from October 1, 2015
William Daniel Mayer 11275 Annabelle Drive Swan Point, Maryland 20645 Charles/28	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from October 1, 2015

AVIATION COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Enrique M. Melendez 2314 Annapolis Ridge Court Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from October 1, 2014
BOILER RULES, BOARD OF	
Carey M. Dove 1040 Old Woodbine Road Woodbine, Maryland 21797 Howard/09	Reappointment Owner/User of Pressure Vessels Term of 4 years from January 1, 2016
Ashwani Kumar 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/42	Reappointment Engineer with Experience Term of 4 years from January 1, 2016
CANAL PLACE PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	
Rebecca L. Ruppert 10105 Keatley Drive SW LaVale, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
J. Robert Smith 11708 Bayberry Avenue Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS, CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION FOR THE	
Bradley W. Frome 4407 Van Buren Street University Park, Maryland 20782 Prince George's/22	Appointment Prince George's Co. – Appt./Elected Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
CHESAPEAKE CONSERVATION CORPS PROGRAM BOARD	
Jennifer Funn 102 North Dundalk Avenue Dundalk, Maryland 21222 Baltimore County/06	Appointment Workforce Development Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Joseph T. Ports 1711 Redfield Road Bel Air, Maryland 21015 Harford/35	Appointment Not-for-Profit Sector – Education and Student Service Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
CHESAPEAKE EMPLOYERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, BOARD FOR THE	

Maria Harris Tildon, Esq. 5616 Cross Country Boulevard Baltimore, Maryland 21209 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from June 1, 2013
Vincent Rocky Gonzalez 2901 Whitefield Road Churchville, Maryland 21028 Harford/35	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from June 1, 2015
Suzanne C. Thompson 100 Gittings Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from June 1, 2015
CHILD CARE PROGRAM PROFESSIONALS, STATE BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENTIAL	
Nicole Smith 1620 Sandy Hollow Circle Baltimore, Maryland 21221 Baltimore County/06	Appointment Program Administrator Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
CONSUMER COUNCIL	
David J. Kim 2066 Mt. Hebron Court Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/09	Appointment Business Group Remainder of a term of 6 years from July 1, 2012
CONTRACT APPEALS, MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF	
Bethamy N. Beam 1 W. Church Street Frederick, Maryland 21701 Frederick/03	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from February 1, 2015
CORRECTIONAL STANDARDS, COMMISSION ON	
Brenda Shell 9444 Paragon Court Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 Baltimore County/11	Appointment State Correctional Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Wayne A. Webb 13260 Gearhart Road Greencastle, Pennsylvania 17225 Nonresident	Appointment State Correctional Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
CORRECTIONAL TRAINING COMMISSION	
LaMonte E. Cooke 24837 Langford Road Chestertown, Maryland 21620 Kent/36	Reappointment Correctional Official Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
DEAF, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE	

Debra Patkin, Esq. 2305 E. West Highway Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 Montgomery/18	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from October 1, 2015
Robert R. Davila, Ph.D. 405 Tailor Street New Market, Maryland 21774 Frederick/04	Appointment Deaf Term of 6 years from October 1, 2014
David Anthony Martin 504 Elm Street Frederick, Maryland 21701 Frederick/03	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from October 1, 2015
Dennis B. Galvan, Ph.D. 1593 Wise Court Point of Rocks, Maryland 21777 Frederick/03	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from October 1, 2015
Robert D. Padden 5347 Wye Creek Drive Frederick, Maryland 21703 Frederick/3	Appointment Deaf Term of 6 years from October 1, 2014
DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING, MARYLAND ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE	
Tanya D. Green 300 Fiddlers Hill Road P.O. Box 212 Edgewater, Maryland 21037 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment DHMH Term of 3 years from October 1, 2015
Henry C. Turner, Jr. 6003 Strathmore Way Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772 Prince George's/23	Appointment Citizen with Hearing Loss Remainder of a term of 3 years from October 1, 2014
DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING, OFFICE OF THE	
Kelby N. Brick, Esq. 2118 Stonewall Road Catonsville, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/44	Appointment Director Serves at the pleasure of the Governor
DIETETIC PRACTICE, STATE BOARD OF	
Betty R. Cooper 11203 Woodland Drive Lutherville, Maryland 21093 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Consumer Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 1 – BALTIMORE CITY	
Hon. William M. Dunn 5800 Wabash Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Judge Term of 10 years

Hon. Kent J. Boles, Jr. 5800 Wabash Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 Baltimore City/45	Appointment Judge Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 2 – DORCHESTER, SOMERSET, WICOMICO AND WORCESTER COUNTIES	
Hon. Leonard Bruce Wade 201 Baptist Street Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/37	Reappointment Judge – Wicomico County Term of 10 years
Hon. Daniel R. Mumford 6505 Coastal Highway Ocean City, Maryland 21842 Worcester/38	Reappointment Judge – Worcester County Term of 10 years
Hon. Gerald Vaughn Purnell 6505 Coastal Highway Ocean City, Maryland 21842 Worcester/38	Reappointment Judge – Worcester County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 4 – CALVERT, CHARLES AND ST. MARY'S COUNTIES	
Hon. Robert Bennett Riddle 200 Duke Street, Room 2200 Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678 Calvert/27	Reappointment Judge – Calvert County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 5 – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY	
Hon. John Patrick Morrissey 580 Taylor Avenue, Suite A-3 Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Prince George's/23	Reappointment Judge – Prince George's County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 7 – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY	
Hon. Thomas Joseph Pryal 251 Rowe Boulevard Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Judge – Anne Arundel County Term of 10 years
Hon. Danielle M. Mosley 251 Rowe Boulevard Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Judge – Anne Arundel County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 8 – BALTIMORE COUNTY	
Hon. Philip Nicholas Tirabassi 120 E. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21286 Baltimore County/07	Reappointment Judge – Baltimore County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 10 – CARROLL AND HOWARD COUNTIES	

Hon. Lisa L. Broten 3451 Court House Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21043 Howard/12	Appointment Judge – Howard County Term of 10 years
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND – DISTRICT 11 – FREDERICK AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES	
Hon. Oliver John Cejka, Jr. 100 West Patrick Street Frederick, Maryland 21701 Frederick/03	Reappointment Judge – Frederick County Term of 10 years
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Susan C. Schwab 4 Market Quay Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Anne Marie Dickerson 10948 Assateague Road Berlin, Maryland 21811 Worcester/38	Appointment Lower Eastern Shore Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Brenda A. Smith 716 Hill Top Drive Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Allegany and Garrett Counties Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Laura A. Neuman 405 Beards Dock Crossing Annapolis, Maryland 21403 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
J. Edward Coleman 91 Bay Drive Annapolis, Maryland 21403 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
EDUCATION, STATE BOARD OF	
Chester E. Finn, Jr. 5404 Surrey Street Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815 Montgomery/16	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Andrew R. Smarick 208 Columbia Lane Stevensville, Maryland 21666 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Michele Jenkins Guyton, Ph.D. 14110 Phoenix Road Phoenix, Maryland 21131 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015

Stephanie R. Iszard 615 Admiral Drive Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Laura E. Weeldreyer 3103 Guilford Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Quinn Wandalowski 23327 Angela Court Smithsburg, Maryland 21783 Washington/02	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2015
ELECTIONS, STATE BOARD OF	
Michael R. Cogan, Esq. 250 Concerto Avenue Centreville, Maryland 21617 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
ELEVATOR SAFETY REVIEW BOARD	
Steven A. Joss 5476 Windborne Court Columbia, Maryland 21045 Howard/12	Appointment Public Term of 3 years from October 1, 2013
ENGINEERS, STATE BOARD OF STATIONARY	
Gregory J. Denevan 4440 Locust Street Edgewater, Maryland 21037 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Stationary Engineer Term of 3 years from July 1, 2013
ETHICS COMMISSION, STATE	
Janet E. McHugh 1709 Circle Road Ruxton, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2013
Thomas B. Smyth, Jr., M.D. 5 Buchanan Road Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Paul Marion Vettori, Esq. 3435 Nanmark Court Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/09	Reappointment Member Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2011
FINANCIAL REGULATION, COMMISSIONER OF	
Gordon M. Cooley 5386 Beulah Drive Ijamsville, Maryland 21754 Frederick/04	Appointment by the Secretary of DLLR with approval of the Governor and advice and consent of Senate Serves at the pleasure of the Secretary
FIRE-RESCUE EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION	

Robert P. Cumberland, Jr. 222 Shipley Avenue Westminster, Maryland 21157 Carroll/05	Reappointment Volunteer Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
John D. Jerome 929 Gahle Road Westminster, Maryland 21157 Carroll/05	Reappointment Career Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Kathleen M. Hartley 11845 Peyton Court Bishopville, Maryland 21813 Worcester/38	Reappointment Career Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
HANDGUN PERMIT REVIEW BOARD	
Robert D.H. Wilson 400 Cove Road Queenstown, Maryland 21658 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from March 27, 2015
Richard L. Jurgena 15711 Pagano Lane Darnestown, Maryland 20874 Montgomery/15	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 3 years from March 27, 2014
Patricia S. West 623 Braeside Road Baltimore, Maryland 21229 Baltimore City/44	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from March 27, 2014
Jacques R. Cowan 924 Waterview Drive Crownsville, Maryland 21032 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 3 years from March 27, 2013 and a term of 3 years from March 27, 2016
HANDGUN ROSTER BOARD	
Michael A. Spaulding Chief of Police for Town of Sykesville 7547 Main Street Sykesville, Maryland 21784 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Association of Chiefs of Police Remainder of a term of 4 years from December 8, 2012
HEALTH CARE COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Michael J. O'Grady, Ph.D. 7509 Vale Street Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815 Montgomery/18	Appointment No Industry Connection Term of 4 years from October 1, 2015
HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, BOARD OF REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE	
Shirley Roach 13754 John Kline Road Smithsburg, Maryland 21783	Appointment Knowledge and Experience Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015

Frederick/04	
Ved K. Gupta 8625 Valleyfield Road Lutherville, Maryland 21093 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Knowledge and Experience Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS, STATE BOARD OF	
James C. Berndt 9731 Philadelphia Road Baltimore, Maryland 21237 Baltimore County/07	Appointment Master Plumber Term of 3 years from January 1, 2016
Charles E. Smith 1420 Brentland Road Knoxville, Maryland 21758 Frederick/4	Reappointment Master Contractor Term of 3 years from January 1, 2016
HERITAGE AREAS AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Janice Hayes-Williams 1180 Carinoso Circle Severn, Maryland 21144 Anne Arundel/32	Appointment Speaker's Nominee Term of 4 years from October 1, 2014
HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Mariyah S. Bryant 703 Haack Place Largo, Maryland 20774 Prince George's/25	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2015
James D. Fielder, Jr., Ph.D. 4602 Pulaski Highway Belcamp, Maryland 21017 Harford/34	Appointment Secretary Serves at the pleasure of the Commission
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Roger A. Waesche, Jr. 11742 Mayfair Field Drive Timonium, Maryland 21093 Baltimore County/11	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2012
INFANTS AND TODDLERS, INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR	
Nancy J. Egan 1004 Deer Ridge Drive Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment State Agency – MIA Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Abila Tazanu, M.D. 12303 Starling Lane Laurel, Maryland 20708 Prince George's/23	Reappointment Parent Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Brenda Hussey-Gardner, Ph.D. 12208 Linden Linthicum Lane Clarksville, Maryland 21029	Reappointment Provider – Chair Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015

Howard/13	
Cecilia Leger 8725 Carroll Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20903 Montgomery/20	Appointment Personnel Preparation Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Marcella Franczkowski 3005 Pebble Beach Drive Columbia, Maryland 21042 Howard/09	Reappointment State Agency – MSDE Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Elizabeth Kelley 7687 Anvil Drive Frederick, Maryland 21701 Frederick/04	Reappointment State Agency – MSDE/Child Care Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Mary L. LaCasse 2 Hampshire Woods Court Towson, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County/42	Appointment DHMH Mental Health Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
JUDICIAL DISABILITIES, COMMISSION ON	
Marisa A. Trasatti, Esq. 1457 Fallston Road Fallston, Maryland 21047 Harford/07	Appointment Attorney Remainder of a term of 4 years from January 1, 2013
Sally McLane Young Ridgely 314 West Wind Road Baltimore, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Public Remainder of a term of 4 years from January 1, 2012 and a term of 4 years from January 1, 2016
Hon. Susan Hower Hazlett 2 South Bond Street Bel Air, Maryland 21014 Harford/35	Reappointment Judge Term of 4 years from January 1, 2016
Richard M. Karceski, Esq. 9183 Furrow Avenue Ellicott City, Maryland 21042 Howard/09	Reappointment Attorney Term of 4 years from January 1, 2016
Susan J. Matlick 6896 Mink Hollow Road Highland, Maryland 20777 Howard/13	Reappointment Public Term to expire October 19, 2018
LABOR RELATIONS BOARD, PUBLIC SCHOOL	
John A. Hayden, III, Esq. 532 Anneslie Road Baltimore, Maryland 21212 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Maryland Assn. of Boards of Education Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2012
LAND RECLAMATION COMMITTEE	
Jeffrey S. Barclay	Appointment

14921 Lone Oak Road Cresaptown, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Allegany County Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY, STATE	
James J. Stakem 427 Crest View Drive Frostburg, Maryland 21532 Allegany/01	Reappointment Term of 5 years from October 1, 2015
Gordon Medenica 475 Monterey Avenue Pelham, New York 10803 Nonresident	Appointment Director Serves at the pleasure of the Governor
MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS	
Tracey Parker–Warren, Esq. 695 Reliance Drive Odenton, Maryland 21113 Anne Arundel/21	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Linda J. Gilliam, D.M.D. 220 W. Rittenhouse Square, Unit 21–AC Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103 Nonresident	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Shirley M. Malcom, Ph.D. 12901 Wexford Park Court Clarksville, Maryland 21029 Howard/13	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Winston A. Wilkinson 109 Stone Point Drive, #259 Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Marquis T. Walker, Ph.D. 234 Mallow Hill Road Baltimore, Maryland 21229 Baltimore City/44	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
Shelonda D. Stokes 4210 Wynfield Drive Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2013
Sarai Nwagbaraocha 103 North Bay Street Snow Hill, Maryland 21863 Worcester/38	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2015
OPEN MEETINGS LAW COMPLIANCE BOARD, STATE	
Rachel Shapiro 7347 Wisconsin Avenue, #202 Bethesda, Maryland 20814 Montgomery/18	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 3 years from July 1, 2013

Jonathan A. Hodgson, Esq. 5 Steffen Point Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Appointment Chair Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
April C. Ishak, Esq. 1708 Mount Pleasant Court Havre de Grace, Maryland 21078 Harford/34	Appointment Member – Attorney Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
OPTOMETRY, STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN	
Rona D. Pepper 12206 Faulkner Drive Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Consumer Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 1, 2012
PAROLE COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Sharon Trexler Begosh 18922 Clover Hill Lane Olney, Maryland 20832 Montgomery/14	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from January 1, 2013
John R. Greene, Jr. 3007 Clarkson Drive Abingdon, Maryland 21009 Harford/34	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from January 1, 2013
David R. Blumberg 5405 Falls Road Terrace Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Reappointment Chair Term of 6 years from January 1, 2016
PATUXENT RIVER COMMISSION	
Thomas J. Miller, Ph.D. 520 Swaggers Point Road Solomons, Maryland 20688 Calvert/29	Appointment Academic Term of 4 years from October 1, 2013
POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION	
Charles H. Hinnant 20 Bedford Street Cumberland, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Reappointment Police Official Term of 3 years from June 1, 2015
PORT COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Brenda A. Dandy 11115 Old Carriage Road Glen Arm, Maryland 21057 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Walter A. Tilley, Jr. 2707 Pleasantville Road Fallston, MD 21047 Harford/07	Appointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, STATE BOARD FOR	

Justin A. Williams, Esq. 1304 South Baylis Street Baltimore, Maryland 21224 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Consumer Term of 5 years from July 1, 2012
PSYCHOLOGISTS, STATE BOARD OF	
Rivka I. Olley, Ph.D. 108 Old Plantation Way Pikesville, Maryland 21208 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Psychologist – Services Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2012
PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT COMPLIANCE BOARD, STATE	
Christopher A. Eddings 906 Windsor Road Pikesville, Maryland 21208 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Nonprofit – Open Government and News Media Nominee Term to expire June 30, 2017
Deborah F. Moore–Carter 13 Hickory Ridge Court Baltimore, Maryland 21228 Baltimore County/44	Appointment Knowledge – MACO/MML Nominee Term to expire June 30, 2018
Hon. Rene C. Swafford, Esq. P.O. Box 392 Greensboro, Maryland 21639 Caroline/36	Appointment Attorney Term to expire June 30, 2018
John H. West, III, Esq. 9 Bellemore Road Baltimore, Maryland 21210 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Citizen – Chair Term to expire June 30, 2019
Darren Shay Wigfield 6920 Alex Court Frederick, Maryland 21703 Frederick/3	Appointment Citizen Term to expire June 30, 2019
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION	
Jeannette M. Mills 3714 Bold Ruler Court Glenelg, Maryland 21737 Howard/09	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Michael Richard 9701 Potomac Drive Fort Washington, Maryland 20774 Prince George's/26	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2015
REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS, APPRAISAL MANAGEMENT COMPANIES AND HOME INSPECTORS, STATE COMMISSION OF	
Terry R. Dunkin 801 Bacon Hall Road Sparks, Maryland 21152 Baltimore County/42	Appointment General Appraiser Remainder of a term of 3 years from January 1, 2014
Harold H. Huggins	Appointment

15112 Watergate Road Colesville, Maryland 20905 Montgomery/14	General Appraiser Term of 3 years from January 1, 2016
Michael A. Picarello 17213 Whiteley Road Monkton, Maryland 21111 Baltimore County/07	Appointment Home Inspector NAHI Term of 3 years from January 1, 2015
Joseph L. Berk 1021 Cowpens Avenue Towson, Maryland 21286 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Home Inspector ASHI Term of 3 years from January 1, 2016
Anatol L. Polillo 3706 Ednor Road Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43	Appointment Home Inspector Term of 3 years from January 1, 2015
Helen Won 7 Yellow Barn Court Pikesville, Maryland 21208 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Consumer Term of 3 years from January 1, 2014
REAL ESTATE COMMISSION, STATE	
James F. Wright, II 316 South Second Street P.O. Box 482 Denton, Maryland 21629 Caroline/36	Appointment Realtor – Eastern Shore Remainder of a term of 4 years from June 1, 2013
RESIDENTIAL BOARDING EDUCATION PROGRAMS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF	
Earl Adams, Jr., Esq. 12603 LaGrange Court Fort Washington, Maryland 20744 Prince George's/26	Reappointment Member Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEMS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE MARYLAND STATE	
Eric D. Brotman 6 Laurel Circle Baltimore, Maryland 21093 Baltimore County/11	Appointment General Public Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
James C. "Chip" DiPaula 1249 Algonquin Road Crownsville, Maryland 21032 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment General Public Term of 4 years from August 1, 2015
Charles W. Johnson 3801 N. Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/43	Appointment General Public Term of 4 years from August 1, 2015
SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS, STATE BOARD OF	
Capt. Gerard M. Farrell (Ret.)	Appointment

1728 Woodlore Road Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Consumer Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
Karen Lynn Richards 719 Cockeyes Mill Road Reisterstown, MD 21136 Baltimore County/10	Appointment LSW Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
STADIUM AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Joseph C. Bryce, Esq. 802 Vacation Drive Odenton, Maryland 21113 Anne Arundel/21	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
TEACHER EDUCATION BOARD, PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND	
Dawn T. Pipkin P.O. Box 476 Hollywood, Maryland 20636 St. Mary's/29	Reappointment Statewide Teachers Org. with Majority Party Rep. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Jennifer Berkley 3813 Longley Road Abingdon, Maryland 21009 Harford/34	Appointment Statewide Teachers Org. with Majority Party Rep. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Maleeta Kitchen 5639 Harpers Farms Road, Unit D Columbia, Maryland 21044 Howard/12	Reappointment Statewide Teachers Org. with Majority Party Rep. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Christopher W. Lloyd 12260 Weller Road Monrovia, Maryland 21770 Frederick/04	Reappointment Statewide Teachers Org. with Majority Party Rep. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Kathleen Kelbaugh 18917 Falls Road Hampstead, Maryland 21074 Baltimore County/42	Appointment Statewide Teachers Org. with Majority Party Rep. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Darren R. Hornbeck 5423 El Camino Columbia, Maryland 21044 Howard/12	Reappointment Statewide Teachers Org. with Majority Party Rep. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Mary Ellen Lewis 5016 Plymouth Road Baltimore, Maryland 21214 Baltimore City/43	Reappointment Association of Independent Schools Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Kandace M. Hoppin 3510 15th Street North, Apt. 1 Arlington, Virginia 22201 Nonresident	Appointment MD Teacher Ed. and College of Teacher Ed. Assns. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Barbara M. Palmer, Ph.D.	Reappointment

2823 Wildwood Court Frederick, Maryland 21793 Frederick/04	MD Teacher Ed. and College of Teacher Ed. Assns. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Debra Poese 13001 Margot Drive Rockville, Maryland 20853 Montgomery/19	Appointment MD Teacher Ed. and College of Teacher Ed. Assns. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Charles G. Hagan 612 Yankee Doodle Drive Bel Air, Maryland 21014 Harford/35	Appointment MD Association of Secondary Principals Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
Peter F. Baily 43 Kingwood Park Poughkeepsie, New York 21601 Nonresident	Appointment Association of Independent Schools Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Alyssia James, Ed.D. 9105 Wellington Place Lanham, Maryland 20706 Prince George's/22	Reappointment MD Teacher Ed. and College of Teacher Ed. Assns. Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
TOURISM DEVELOPMENT BOARD, MARYLAND	
Rick Howarth 1807 Chaney's Grant Court Crofton, Maryland 21114 Anne Arundel/33	Reappointment Attractions Term of 3 years from July 1, 2015
Ruth Umbel 1002 Mosser Road McHenry, Maryland 21541 Garrett/01	Appointment Lodging Term of 3 years from July 1, 2014
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, MARYLAND	
Michael G. Leahy, Esq. 712 Monmouth Avenue Severna Park, Maryland 21146 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
William C. Ensor, III 14210 Manor Road Phoenix, Maryland 21131 Baltimore County/07	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Peter J. Basso 514 Mannakee Street Rockville, Maryland 20850 Montgomery/17	Reappointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Randall Nixon, Esq. 2800 Nixon's Farm Lane West Friendship, Maryland 21794 Howard/09	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND BOARD OF REGENTS	

D'Ana E. Johnson, Esq. 2004 Huntwood Drive Gambrills, Maryland 21054 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
Linda R. Gooden 1915 Towne Centre Boulevard, Unit 1111 Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Anne Arundel/30	Reappointment Member Term of 5 years from July 1, 2014
VETERANS HOME COMMISSION, MARYLAND	
Rodney S. Azama 15101 Timberlake Drive Silver Spring, Maryland 20905 Montgomery/14	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 5 years from July 1, 2012
VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS, STATE BOARD OF	
Lynne E. Chaput 309 Blue Cedar Court Millersville, Maryland 21108 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Public Remainder of a term of 5 years from June 1, 2012
WASHINGTON SUBURBAN TRANSIT COMMISSION	
Keturah Denise Harley, Esq. 504 Crusher Court Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20774 Prince George's/24	Appointment Prince George's County Resident Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2013
WOMEN, MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR	
Doris Hillian Ligon 8761 Sage Brush Way Columbia, Maryland 21045 Howard/13	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Bonnie N. Luna 1210 Orchard Circle Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/38	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Marion C. Manski 7 Folly Farm Court Reisterstown, Maryland 21136 Baltimore County/10	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Tammy Bresnahan 278 Arundel Beach Road Severna Park, Maryland 21146 Anne Arundel/33	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Carole Jaar Sepe 4465 Lewis Mill Court Jefferson, Maryland 21755 Frederick/03	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Gloria Chang 21400 Manor View Circle	Appointment Member

Germantown, Maryland 20876 Montgomery/39	Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015
Marianne Hyang Nam Brackney 6309 Golden Star Place Columbia, Maryland 21044 Howard/13	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Corinna Yi–Yuan Kuo Shen 1616 Martha Terrace Rockville, Maryland 20852 Montgomery/17	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2014
Yun Jung Yang 16816 Harbour Town Drive Silver Spring, Maryland 20905 Montgomery/14	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from July 1, 2015

GUBERNATORIAL RECESS APPOINTMENTS TO LOCAL BOARDS
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2016 SESSION OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

ALLEGANY COLLEGE OF MARYLAND BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
James R. Pyles 47 LaVale Boulevard LaVale, Maryland 21502 Allegany/01	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2015
ANNE ARUNDEL COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Sandra E. Moore 7902 Whites Cove Road Pasadena, Maryland 21122 Anne Arundel/31	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from July 1, 2013
BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Benjamin A. Neil, Esq. 324 Imla Street Baltimore, Maryland 21224 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Chair Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Douglas Trotter 4332 N. Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21218 Baltimore City/41	Appointment Member Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Elizabeth A. Hafey, Esq. 1200 South Conkling Street, #246 Baltimore, Maryland 21224 Baltimore City/46	Appointment Member Term of 2 years from July 1, 2014
Harvey E. Jones 4310 Walther Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21214 Baltimore City/45	Appointment Alternate Term of 2 years from July 1, 2014

BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF	
Moses Wamalwa 1906 Rambling Ridge Lane Baltimore, Maryland 21209 Baltimore County/11	Appointment Student Term of 1 year from July 1, 2015
BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Gloria Mason 9109 Sunset Ridge Road Randallstown, Maryland 21133 Baltimore County/10	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
CALVERT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Jay W. Lounsbury 1900 Aberdeen Drive Dunkirk, Maryland 20754 Calvert/27	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Karen A. DePaulo 12038 Steven Lane Dunkirk, Maryland 20754 Calvert/27	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Delores Hill Brown 10231 Three Doctors Road Dunkirk, Maryland 20754 Calvert/27	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Ceferino A. Epps 12112 Catalina Drive Lusby, Maryland 20657 Calvert/29	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
Keith A. Lotridge 8431 Meadowview Circle Owings, Maryland 20736 Calvert/27	Appointment Majority Party Substitute Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
CALVERT COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Robert D. Arscott, Sr. 3920 Buckboard Court Dunkirk, Maryland 20754 Calvert/27	Appointment Republican – Chair Term to expire June 5, 2017
Beth Swoap 2118 Loblolly Lane St. Leonard, Maryland 20685 Calvert/29	Reappointment Democrat Term to expire June 5, 2017
Ruth N. Reid 3010 Ponds Wood Road Huntingtown, Maryland 20639 Calvert/27	Reappointment Republican Term to expire June 5, 2017
John Herman Smack 2641 Plum Point Road	Reappointment Alternate – Democrat

Huntingtown, Maryland 20639 Calvert/27	Term to expire June 5, 2017
CARROLL COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Sherri-Le W. Bream 746 Winchester Drive Westminster, Maryland 21157 Carroll/05	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
Kelly M. Frager 6170 Challedon Circle Mt. Airy, Maryland 21771 Carroll/04	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2015
CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Larry W. Shipley 46 Carroll Street Westminster, Maryland 21157 Carroll/05	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
CECIL COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Mark G. Mortenson 105 Deer Path North East, Maryland 21901 Cecil/36	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2015
HARFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Cynthia L. Allred 4864 Carea Road White Hall, Maryland 21161 Harford/07	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
MONTGOMERY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Gloria Aparicio Blackwell 51 Appleseed Lane Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878 Montgomery/17	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2014
Robert F. Levey 6820 Wisconsin Avenue, Apt. 7014 Bethesda, Maryland 20815 Montgomery/16	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2013
Leslie S. Levine, Ph.D. 7401 Helmsdale Road Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Montgomery/16	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2015
Robert J. Hydorn 9401 Chatteroy Place Montgomery Village, Maryland 20886 Montgomery/39	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2013
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Kenneth J. Miles 8703 Timothy Road	Appointment Democrat

Brandywine, Maryland 20613 Prince George's/27	Term of 3 years from June 1, 2015
Anuj Sud, Esq. 7005 Wells Parkway Hyattsville, Maryland 20782 Prince George's/22	Appointment Democrat Term of 3 years from June 1, 2014
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY COMMISSIONER	
Jack N. Wilson, Jr. 116 Taylor Road Centreville, Maryland 21617 Queen Anne's/36	Appointment Commissioner Remainder of a term of 4 years from the General Election of 2014
SOMERSET COUNTY LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD	
Cynthia Johnson-Knopp 10660 Stewart Neck Road Princess Anne, Maryland 21853 Somerset/38	Appointment Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Gary Clifford Royer 8537 Northbend Road Easton, Maryland 21601 Talbot/37	Reappointment Member Term of 6 years from the first Monday in May of 2011
John M. Gottschalk 12485 Mill Creek Lane Wye Mills, Maryland 21679 Talbot/37	Appointment Member Remainder of a term of 6 years from the first Monday in May of 2013
Gretchen W. Panuzio 708 Riverview Terrace St. Michaels, Maryland 21663 Talbot/37	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from the first Monday in May of 2015
WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS	
Martin A. Lumm 13542 Paradise Church Road Hagerstown, Maryland 21742 Washington/02	Appointment Majority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
William G. Blazes, Jr. 11901 Beavervale Road Smithsburg, Maryland 21783 Washington/02	Appointment Minority Party Member Term of 4 years from June 1, 2015
WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS	
Robert J. Buczkowski 1249 Frederick Street Hagerstown, Maryland 21740 Washington/02	Appointment Republican Term of 6 years from June 1, 2015
WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER	
Hon. Vincent C. Spong 18711 Fairfield Road	Appointment Commissioner

Hagerstown, Maryland 21742 Washington/02	Remainder of a term of 4 years from the General Election of 2014
WASHINGTON COUNTY ORPHANS' COURT	
Frank E. Novinger 18906 Rolling Road Hagerstown, Maryland 21742 Washington/02	Appointment Judge Remainder of a term of 4 years from the General Election of 2014
WICOMICO COUNTY LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD	
Robert E. Holloway 27616 Little Lane Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/37	Appointment Member Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Peter Richardson 1103 Woodland Road Salisbury, Maryland 21801 Wicomico/38	Appointment Member Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
Donald E. Ewalt, Jr. 203 Creekside Drive Salisbury, Maryland 21804 Wicomico/38	Reappointment Member Term of 2 years from July 1, 2015
WOR–WIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
Lorraine Purnell–Ayres 6850 Public Landing Road Snow Hill, Maryland 21863 Worcester/38	Appointment Member Term of 6 years from July 1, 2015

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

VE TOED SENATE BILLS – 2015

VE TOED SENATE BILLS AND MESSAGES – 2015 REGULAR SESSION

(See Exhibit B of Appendix III)

The Messages from the Governor were read and ordered journalized.

CONSENT CALENDAR VE TOED SENATE BILLS NO. 1 (Duplicative Bills)

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 1	Sen. Conway	Health Occupations – Pharmacists – Refills of Prescriptions During State of Emergency	EHE
SB 7	Sen. Middleton	Electronic Cigarettes – Sale to Minors – Components, Supplies, and Enforcement	FIN
SB 11	Sen. Astle	Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title	FIN
SB 14	Sen. Conway	Health Occupations – Board of Pharmacy – Pharmacist Rehabilitation Committee – Definition	EHE
SB 15	Sen. Conway	Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program	EHE
SB 20	Sen. Hershey	Kent County – Board of Elections – Membership	EHE
SB 21	Sen. Hershey	Cecil Co and Queen Anne’s Co – Intergovernmental Cooperation and Acceptance of Funds	EHE
SB 25 (Emerg)	Sen. Young	Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology	EHE
SB 48	Sen. Conway	St Bd of Physical Thrpy Exmrs – Failure to Pass Licnsr Exam – Prohib on Issnce of License	EHE
SB 49	Sen. Conway	St Bd of Prof Cnslrs and Thrpsts – Exam of Applicants, Licensees, Cert Holders, and Trainees	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 54	Sen. Middleton	Public Service Commission – Restrictions After Service	FIN
SB 59	The President	St Bd of Exmrs of Nursing Home Administrators – Sunset Ext and Program Evaluation	FIN
SB 62	Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee	Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Water and Sewer Lien Registers – Fees	JPR
SB 71	Sen. Edwards	Co Supts of Schs – Reappointment Exemp in Washington Co and Recruitment Recommendations	EHE
SB 87	Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee	Criminal Procedure – Transfer to Juvenile Court – Petition for Expungement	JPR
SB 89	Sen. Astle	City of Annapolis – Alcoholic Beverages – Election Days	EHE
SB 90	Sen. Kelley	Guardianship of Disabled Persons and Revocation of Advance Directives	JPR
SB 92	Sen. Middleton	Hlth Ins – Assignment of Benefits and Reimb of Nonpreferred Prvdrs – Rpl of Termin Date	FIN
SB 106	Sen. Astle	Chesapeake Bay Trust – Investment Options – Expansion	EHE
SB 116 (Emerg)	Sen. Pugh	Md Consoldtd Capital Bond Lns of 2013 and 2014 – Balt Cty – Skatepark of Balt at Roosevelt Pk	B&T
SB 124	Sen. Gladden	Vehicle Laws – Special Registr Plates and Parking Placards for Indivs With Dsblts – Lic'd PTs	JPR

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 139	Sen. Hershey	Kent County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class B Wine Shop and Lounge License	EHE
SB 160	Sen. Montgomery	St Bd of Morticians and Funeral Drctrs – Cease and Desist Orders and Injunctive Relief – Auth	EHE
SB 172	Sen. Gladden	Juveniles – Transfer Determinations – Confinement in Juvenile Facilities	JPR
SB 177	Sen. Kasemeyer	Estate Tax – Filing of Tax Returns	B&T
SB 186	Sen. McFadden	Baltimore City – Residential Retention Property Tax Credit – Modification	B&T
SB 189	Sen. Hough	State Correctional Facilities – Correctional Officers – Polygraph Examination	FIN
SB 193	Sen. Bates	Elec Law – Loc Petitsns – Adv Detrm of Suffency of Loc Law or Chrtr Amdt Summary	EHE
SB 198	Sen. Nathan–Pulliam	Hlth Care Disparities, Cultural and Linguistic Competency, and Hlth Literacy – Recmnded Courses	EHE
SB 203	Sen. Conway	Bsns Occups and Professions – Real Este Sprsns and Brkrs – Formatn of Bsns Entities and Pymt of Comms	EHE
SB 207	Sen. Klausmeier	Telephone Companies – Streamlined Regulatory Requirements	FIN
SB 220	The President	General Assembly – Mandated Reports by State Agencies	SRU

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 243	Sen. Feldman	State Personnel and Procurement – Service Contracts – Reporting and Audit Requirements	FIN
SB 251	Sen. Pugh	Prof Standards and Teacher Ed Bd – School Cnslrs – Certification Renewal Requirement (Lauryn’s Law)	EHE
SB 254	Sen. Edwards	Department of General Services – Deep Creek Lake Buy Down Area Program – Extension	JPR & B&T
SB 258	Sen. Pinsky	Maryland Commission on Climate Change	EHE
SB 262	Sen. Jennings	Maryland Building Performance Standards – Modifications – Energy Codes	FIN
SB 270	Sen. Lee	Protective Order and Peace Order Petitions – Maryland Residents	JPR
SB 286	Sen. Manno	Law Enforc Officers’ Pnsn Sys – Div of Parole and Prob – Warrant Apprehension Unit Empls – Mbrshp	B&T
SB 295	Sen. Ramirez	Prince George’s County – Education – Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program	EHE
SB 328	Sen. Klausmeier	Private Detective Agencies – License Terms	JPR
SB 334	Sen. Madaleno	The Hunger-Free Schools Act of 2015	B&T & EHE
SB 337	Sen. Conway	Public Health – Expedited Partner Therapy Program – Repeal of Termination Date	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 347	Sen. Pugh	Health Occupations – Prescriber–Pharmacist Agreements and Therapy Management Contracts	EHE
SB 354	Sen. Hershey	Alcoholic Beverages – Charles County and Queen Anne’s County	EHE
SB 355	Sen. McFadden	Baltimore City – Housing Authority of Baltimore City – Subsidiary Entities	EHE
SB 361	Calvert County Senators	Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Bottle Clubs	EHE
SB 368	Sen. Kelley	Workers’ Compensation Insurance – Cancellation and Nonrenewal – Notice	FIN
SB 403	Sen. Madaleno	Education – Maryland Council on Advancement of School–Based Health Centers	EHE
SB 408	Sen. Muse	Real Property – Residential Leases – Interest on Security Deposits	JPR
SB 417	Sen. Lee	Maryland Trust Act – Revocable Trusts – Creditors’ Claims – Limitations	JPR
SB 427	Sen. Lee	Criminal Procedure – Victims of Crime – Notification Regarding DNA Profile	JPR
SB 437 (Emerg)	Sen. Middleton	Nonprf Hlth Serv Plans – Hearing and Order – Impact of Law or Regulatory Actn by Another St	FIN
SB 439	Sen. McFadden	Baltimore City – Tax Sales	B&T
SB 451	Sen. Guzzone	Vehicle Laws – Title Fees – Rental Vehicles	B&T

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 453	Sen. Guzzone	Public–Private Partnership Agreements – Construction Contracts – Security Requirements	B&T
SB 461	Sen. Feldman	Insurance – Surplus Lines – Disability Insurance	FIN
SB 467	Sen. Klausmeier	Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Newborn Screening Program Fund – Establishment	FIN
SB 469	Sen. Madaleno	Public Health – Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System	FIN
SB 484	Sen. Simonaire	Anne Arundel County Public Schools Funding Accountability and Transparency Act	EHE
SB 497	Sen. Pinsky	Commission to Review Maryland’s Use of Assessments and Testing in Public Schools	EHE
SB 501 (Emerg)	Sen. Young	Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Permit – Hours of Sale	EHE
SB 503	Sen. Young	Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Notice for License Applications, Fees, and Inspectors	EHE
SB 510	Sen. Hough	Frederick County – Gaming Events	B&T
SB 513	Sen. Klausmeier	Hospitals – Rate–Setting – Participation in 340B Program Under the Fed Public Health Service Act	FIN
SB 515	Sen. Klausmeier	Financial Institutions – Depository Institutions – Savings Promotion Raffles	FIN

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 521	Sen. Lee	Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking	JPR
SB 523	Sen. Mathias	Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Limited Distillery License	EHE
SB 536	Sen. Conway	Certified Public Accountants – Definitions – Attest and Practice Certified Public Accountancy	EHE
SB 538	Sen. Conway	Blind or Visually Impaired Chldrn – Individualized Ed Programs – Orientation and Mobility Instrucn	EHE
SB 551	Sen. Rosapepe	Land Use – Plans – Development and Adoption	EHE
SB 561	Sen. Peters	Video Lottery Facility Payouts – Intercepts for Restitution Payments	B&T
SB 562	Sen. Peters	Tax Credits – Employment of Individuals With Disabilities	B&T
SB 576	Sen. Pugh	9–1–1 Emergency Telephone System – Multiple–Line Telephone Systems – Direct Dial (Kari’s Law)	FIN
SB 579	Sen. Pugh	Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority – Small Business Surety Bond Program	FIN
SB 607	Sen. Klausmeier	Joint Committee on Behavioral Health and Opioid Use Disorders	FIN
SB 610	Sen. Pinsky	Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons – Continuing Education – Requirements	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 613	Sen. Astle	Self-Service Storage Facilities – Enforcement of Lien – Procedures	FIN
SB 630	Washington County Senators	Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Population Ratio Quota	EHE
SB 632	Washington County Senators	Washington County – Board of License Commissioners – Expungement of Violations	EHE
SB 633	Washington County Senators	Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Refillable Container Permit	EHE
SB 636	Washington County Senators	Washington County – County Clerk	JPR
SB 644	Sen. Edwards	Alcoholic Beverages – Allegany County – Class B-MB (Micro-Brewery/Restaurant) License	EHE
SB 649	Sen. Muse	Real Property – Contract for Sale of New Home	JPR
SB 652	Sen. Muse	Criminal Procedure – Expungement of Records	JPR
SB 663	Carroll County Senators	Carroll County – Public Facilities Bonds	B&T
SB 671	Sen. Young	MVA – Commercial Driver's License – Program for Veterans and Service Mbrs (Troops to Trucks)	JPR
SB 705	Sen. Montgomery	Criminal Law – Assault – First Responders	JPR
SB 719	Sen. Ready	Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages – Hours of Sale on Sundays for Holders of Class A Licenses	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 723	Sen. Conway	Certified Nurse Practitioners – Authority to Practice	EHE
SB 750	Washington County Senators	Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Conversion of Class P Licenses	EHE
SB 798	Sen. Mathias	Wicomico County – Alcoholic Beverages – Micro-Breweries – Annual Production Limit	EHE
SB 808	Sen. Klausmeier	Natural Resources – Aquaculture – Liability for Trespass	EHE
SB 852	Sen. Young	Public Information Act – List of Contact Information for Governmental Unit Representatives	EHE
SB 865	Sen. Peters	Edward T. and Mary A. Conroy and Jean B. Cryor Memorial Scholarship Programs – Eligibility	EHE
SB 937	Sen. Madaleno	Alcoholic Beverages – Powdered Alcoholic Beverages – Ban on Sales	EHE

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

Senator Pugh moved to make the Veto Calendar a Special Order for January 20, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

VETOED SENATE BILLS NO. 2
(Policy Bills)

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 190	Sen. Madaleno	Sales and Use Tax – Taxable Price – Accommodations	B&T

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 340	Sen. Conway	Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex– Felons	EHE
SB 517	Sen. Zirkin	Criminal Law – Use and Possession of Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia	JPR
SB 528	Sen. Raskin	Criminal Procedure – Seizure and Forfeiture	JPR

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

Senator Pugh moved to make the Veto Calendar a Special Order for January 20, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 1 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – In Vitro Fertilization – Use of Spouse’s Sperm – Exception

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations must provide benefits for certain expenses arising from in vitro fertilization procedures; providing a certain exception to the required use of a spouse’s sperm to fertilize the oocytes of a patient whose spouse is of the opposite sex; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to health insurance coverage for in vitro fertilization procedures.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – Insurance
 Section 15–810
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 2 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Real-Time Transparency Act of 2016

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 3 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

**Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Board of License Commissioners
– Attorneys**

FOR the purpose of increasing by a certain amount the salary of an attorney employed by the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County; authorizing the Board to hire an attorney on a contractual basis to perform certain work under certain conditions; prohibiting the Board from spending more than a certain amount each year to hire a certain attorney; and generally relating to the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 15–112(c)(5)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 4 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Maryland Environmental Trust – Trustees

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that certain trustees of the Maryland Environmental Trust be elected in a certain manner; requiring the Governor to appoint certain trustees with the advice and consent of the Senate; specifying the terms of the appointed trustees; prohibiting a trustee from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; specifying the expiration of a term for an appointed trustee; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Maryland Environmental Trust.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 5 – Senator Young

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 6 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Law – Impersonating a Military Member – Penalties
(Stolen Valor Act of 2016)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from misrepresenting oneself as a certain military member or falsely holding oneself out to be a recipient of a certain military decoration or medal; establishing certain penalties; and generally relating to impersonating a military member.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 8–906

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 7 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

**Prevailing Wage Law – Applicability – Elementary and Secondary School
Construction**

FOR the purpose of altering the definitions of “public body” and “public work” for the purpose of applying the prevailing wage law to all elementary and secondary school construction, rather than only to elementary and secondary school construction that meets certain requirements; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the application of the prevailing wage law to elementary and secondary school construction.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 17–201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 8 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Property Tax Deferrals – Payment Due Date

FOR the purpose of altering the due date for certain payment of deferred county property taxes in Anne Arundel County under certain circumstances; making clarifying changes to provisions of law that require payment of certain deferred county property taxes under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the payment of deferred county property taxes in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 10–204.6
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 9 – Senator Reilly**EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Limited Distillery License

FOR the purpose of authorizing a Class 9 limited distillery license to be issued in Anne Arundel County; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to a Class 9 distillery license in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 2–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 10 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – Charitable Organizations – Audit and Review

FOR the purpose of increasing the minimum gross income amount at which the registration statement of a charitable organization must include a certain audit; altering the range of gross income amounts for which the registration statement of a charitable organization must include a certain review; making a conforming change; and

generally relating to the auditing and review requirements for charitable organizations.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 6–402(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 6–402(b)(7) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 11 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Universal Voter Registration Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration and certain social service agencies to provide electronic records of certain individuals to the State Board of Elections; requiring the electronic records to include certain information relating to each individual; requiring the State Board to determine whether each individual whose electronic record it receives is eligible to be registered to vote; requiring the State Board to provide the electronic record of each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote to the local board of elections for the county where the individual resides; requiring the local board to send a notice that contains certain information to each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote; requiring a local board to add to the statewide voter registration list the name of each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote and who does not decline to register within a specified period of time; requiring that an individual added to the statewide voter registration list be listed as not affiliated with any political party if the individual has not selected a political party affiliation; authorizing the State Board to adopt regulations to implement this Act; repealing certain requirements that the Administration and certain social service agencies conduct voter registration activities in a certain manner; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to universal voter registration.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–102 and 3–301(c)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–201, 3–202(a)(4), 3–204(a), 3–302, and 3–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Election Law
Section 3–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 3–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 12 – Senators Rosapepe and Hershey

SECOND PRINTING

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Facilities – Closures or Partial Closures of Hospitals – County Board of Health Approval

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person proposing to close or partially close a certain hospital from closing or partially closing the hospital except under certain circumstances; requiring the county board of health for the county in which the hospital is located to hold a certain public hearing within a certain period of time and consider certain factors in deciding whether to approve the closure or partial closure of a certain hospital; requiring the board of health to provide written notice of its decision to certain persons within a certain period of time; prohibiting the failure of the board of health to comply with certain provisions of this Act from being deemed an approval of the closure or partial closure of a certain hospital; providing that the requirements under certain provisions of this Act for the closure or partial closure of a certain hospital are in addition to certain other requirements; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to closures or partial closures of hospitals in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–120(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 13 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Public Safety – Department of State Police – Transfer of Surplus Military
Property**

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain representative of the Department of State Police to notify certain Senate and House delegation chairs within a certain period of time after a certain law enforcement agency submits a request for, and within a certain period of time after receiving notification that a certain law enforcement agency will be awarded, certain surplus military property; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the transfer of surplus military property.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 2–315
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 14 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Aircraft Parts and Equipment – Exemption

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for certain materials, parts, or equipment used to repair, maintain, or upgrade aircraft or certain aircraft systems; and generally relating to a sales and use tax exemption for certain aircraft equipment.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–232
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 15 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Child Placement – Prohibition on Human Trafficking, Restrictions on Advertising, and Reporting Requirements

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from knowingly committing certain acts related to rehoming a minor; providing that a person who violates certain prohibitions related to rehoming a minor is guilty of the felony of human trafficking; providing a certain affirmative defense to prosecution under certain provisions of law relating to rehoming a minor; prohibiting a person other than the Department of Human Resources or a child placement agency from advertising regarding the placement or acceptance of a child for adoption; requiring a certain advertisement to include a certain agency's license number; authorizing an individual to notify a certain local department or law enforcement agency if the individual has reason to believe that a child is living with someone other than the individual who has legal custody of the child or an individual related by blood or marriage to an individual who has legal custody of the child; requiring a certain individual to make a certain report, under certain circumstances; providing that a certain report may be oral or in writing; requiring an individual who makes a certain report to immediately notify and give information to the head of a certain institution or a designee of the head of a certain institution, under certain circumstances; specifying the contents of a certain report; defining certain terms; providing certain penalties for violations of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to child placement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 11–301 and 11–303

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–3A–46, 5–3B–33, and 5–704.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 16 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Talbot County – Board of Education – Student Members

FOR the purpose of increasing the number of student members of the Talbot County Board of Education; requiring that each student member be a student from a certain public high school in Talbot County; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to student members of the Talbot County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–12A–01(a) and (h) and 3–12A–06
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 17 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Open Meetings Act – Retention of Minutes and Tape Recordings – Revision

FOR the purpose of increasing the number of years after the date of an open session a public body is required to keep a copy of written minutes of the open session and any tape recording made under certain provisions of law; and generally relating to the retention of minutes and tape recordings under the Open Meetings Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 3–306(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 18 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Exemption – Energy for Homeowners Association

FOR the purpose of exempting from the sales and use tax sales of certain energy to a homeowners association for use in property owned or maintained by the homeowners association; requiring the Comptroller to provide certain information on the Comptroller’s Web site; and generally relating to the sales and use taxation of certain sales of energy.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 19 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Automatic Voter Registration

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration and certain social service agencies to provide electronic records of certain individuals to the State Board of Elections; requiring the electronic records to include certain information relating to each individual; requiring the State Board to determine whether each individual whose electronic record it receives is eligible to be registered to vote; requiring the State Board to provide the electronic record of each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote to the local board of elections for the county where the individual resides; requiring the local board to send a notice that contains certain information to each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote; requiring a local board to add to the statewide voter registration list the name of each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote and who does not decline to register within a specified period of time; requiring that an individual added to the statewide voter registration list be listed as not affiliated with any political party if the individual has not selected a political party affiliation; authorizing the State Board to adopt regulations to implement this Act; requiring a public institution of higher education to provide each student with the opportunity to register to vote through an automatic voter registration system; repealing certain requirements that the Administration, certain social service agencies, and public institutions of higher education conduct voter registration activities in a certain manner; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to universal voter registration.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–102 and 3–301(c)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–201, 3–202(a)(4), 3–204(a), 3–302, and 3–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Election Law
Section 3–203 and 3–204(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law
Section 3–203 and 3–204(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 20 – Senators Mathias, Edwards, Waugh, DeGrange, Klausmeier, Currie, Peters, and Astle

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
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 21 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Professional Service – Maryland School for the Deaf – Teachers

FOR the purpose of requiring that teachers employed by the Maryland School for the Deaf are in the professional service in the State Personnel Management System; and

generally relating to the State Personnel Management System and teachers employed by the Maryland School for the Deaf.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 8–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Human Services – Interagency Council on Homelessness – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the Interagency Council on Homelessness; increasing the number of representatives from diverse geographical regions of the State engaged in homeless advocacy; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to the Interagency Council on Homelessness.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 6–418
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 6–419
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 23 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Title Service Agents – Out-of-State Vehicle Registrations

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a title service agent or an agent or employee of a title service agent from performing services related to out-of-state vehicle registrations or registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 15–606
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 24 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Discrimination in Housing – Military Status

FOR the purpose of establishing that it is the policy of the State to provide for fair housing to all, regardless of military status; prohibiting certain discriminatory acts relating to the sale or rental of a dwelling because of a person’s military status; prohibiting a person from discriminating in certain residential real estate–related transactions because of a person’s military status; defining “military status”; and generally relating to discrimination in housing.

BY renumbering

Article – State Government
Section 20–701(i)
to be Section 20–701(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 20–701(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 20–702(a), 20–705, and 20–707
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 25 – 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 26 – 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 and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 27 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

State Designations – State Duck – Canvasback

FOR the purpose of designating the canvasback duck as the State duck; and generally relating to a State duck.

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–304.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 28 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Web Sites – Language Access

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 subject to certain exceptions; authorizing, under certain circumstances, a State department, agency, or program to post a certain disclaimer on its Web site; requiring the Department of Human Resources to consult with the Department of Information Technology on certain matters related to compliance with this Act; 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 for 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 and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 10–1103 through 10–1105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 29 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Protection of Information by Businesses – Definition of Personal Information

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition of “personal information” for purposes of provisions of law relating to the protection of information by businesses to include certain identification numbers issued by a unit of State or local government or the United States government; and generally relating to the protection of information by businesses.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–3501(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–3501(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 30 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Anesthesiologists Assistants Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Physicians to adopt regulations for the licensure of anesthesiologist assistants and the practice of anesthesia care as anesthesiologist assistants; providing that this Act does not limit the rights of certain individuals to practice certain occupations; authorizing the Board to set certain fees and requiring the Board to distribute certain fees in a certain manner; establishing the Anesthesiologist Assistants Advisory Committee within the Board; providing for the membership, powers, and duties of the Committee; establishing the terms and requirements for certain members of the Committee; providing for certain powers and duties of the Board regarding the Committee and anesthesiologist assistants; providing for the scope of practice for medical acts delegated to an anesthesiologist assistant under certain circumstances; establishing certain medical acts that may be performed or may not be performed by an anesthesiologist assistant; requiring anesthesiologist assistants to be licensed by the Board before practicing anesthesia care as anesthesiologist assistants; requiring anesthesiologist assistants to execute a certain delegation agreement; providing for the content and regulation of certain delegation agreements; requiring that an individual be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice anesthesia care as an anesthesiologist assistant; providing that certain licensing provisions do not apply to certain students and certain employees of the federal government; providing for the qualifications for an anesthesiologist assistant license; providing for the scope of an anesthesiologist assistant license; providing for the issuance, expiration, renewal, inactivation, and reinstatement of certain licenses; requiring certain licensees to present a certain license or delegation agreement under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to deny a license to an applicant, refuse to renew a license, reprimand a licensee, suspend or revoke a license, or impose certain penalties under certain circumstances; establishing certain hearing and appeal procedures for licensed anesthesiologist assistants; requiring certain hospitals, related institutions, certain alternative health systems, and certain employers to report certain information regarding anesthesiologist assistants to the Board under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain acts; providing for certain criminal and civil penalties; requiring that an

evaluation of the Committee be performed on or before a certain date; specifying the appointment and terms of the initial members of the Committee; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the licensure of anesthesiologist assistants.

BY renumbering

Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(3) through (57), respectively
to be Section 8–403(b)(4) through (58), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–5G–01 through 14–5G–27 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5G.
Anesthesiologist Assistants”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 31 – 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 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 32 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Veterans Affairs – Maryland Prisoner of War Medal

FOR the purpose of creating the Maryland Prisoner of War Medal; authorizing, except under certain circumstances, the Governor to award the Medal to any prisoners of war who meet certain residency requirements; providing that a prisoner of war may not be considered for the Medal under certain circumstances and may not receive more than one Medal; authorizing the presentation of the Medal to the recipient's surviving spouse or next of kin under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in consultation with the Adjutant General, to determine whether to grant prisoner of war status to certain individuals for a certain purpose, develop a certain design for the Medal and a certain ribbon bar, solicit and accept nominations for the Medal, submit a list of nominees to the Governor for consideration for the Medal, verify certain information, and consider certain comparable cases; authorizing the Secretary to require that a certain individual produce certain documents; establishing the Maryland Prisoner of War Medal Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Adjutant General, 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 the Fund; requiring that any interest earnings of the Fund be paid into the Fund; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law that requires interest on State money in special funds to accrue to the General Fund of the State; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Prisoner of War Medal.

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 9–905.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 33 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Licenses

FOR the purpose of allowing a license holder in Anne Arundel County to be issued a second or third alcoholic beverages license of a certain type for a restaurant if the restaurant is located in a shopping center that has a certain zoning classification; exempting certain alcoholic beverages licenses in the County from a prohibition against issuing multiple licenses to any one person; exempting a certain class of license from a prohibition against issuing an alcoholic beverages license for a location within a certain distance from a place of worship or school; authorizing a holder of a certain license to be issued a special music license, special entertainment license, special outdoor license, or special outdoor entertainment license; authorizing a holder of a certain license to be issued a special dancing license, except under certain conditions; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–202.1(a) and 9–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–202.1(j) and (k), 9–102(i), 9–203(c), and 12–202(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 34 – Senator Young

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 certain provisions 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 and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–203(b)(3)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–402.1 and 10–402.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–811
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 35 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers – Required
Records – Photograph of Precious Metal Object**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain records that a secondhand precious metal object dealer or pawnbroker is required to keep for certain purposes to include a photograph of each precious metal object acquired or pawned; providing that a secondhand precious metal object dealer or pawnbroker is not required to submit to certain law enforcement units a copy of a certain photograph except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to required records of secondhand precious metal object dealers and pawnbrokers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 12–101(a), (b)(1), and (g) and 12–301(a), (b), and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 12–302 and 12–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 36 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Cats and Dogs Left Unattended – Authorized Removal

FOR the purpose of altering a provision of law to authorize any person, instead of only certain persons, to use reasonable force to remove an unattended cat or dog from a motor vehicle under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the authorized removal of cats and dogs left unattended in motor vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–1004.1

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 37 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Security Freezes – Fees for Active Duty Military Service Members

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from charging certain military service members a fee for a placement, temporary lift, or removal of a security freeze; defining a certain term; and generally relating to consumer reporting agencies and security freezes on consumer reports.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–1212.1(a) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 38 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Community Colleges – Workforce Development Sequence Grants and Scholarships

FOR the purpose of establishing Workforce Development Sequence grants and scholarships; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the Maryland Higher Education Commission to make certain determinations and certain disbursements to certain institutions of higher education under certain circumstances; requiring certain institutions to provide Workforce Development Sequence scholarships to certain students with certain funds; requiring the Commission, in consultation with the Maryland Association of Community Colleges, to develop certain guidelines; requiring certain institutions to consider certain factors in making certain awards; requiring the Governor annually to include a certain appropriation in the State budget for the Workforce Development Sequence grants; authorizing certain students to use certain scholarships for certain purposes; requiring certain institutions to provide the Commission with certain information on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Commission to compile certain information and submit certain information to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; defining certain terms; and generally

relating to Workforce Development Sequence grants and scholarships for community college students.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–101(a) through (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 18–3101 through 18–3107 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 31.
Workforce Development Sequence Grants and Scholarships”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 39 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – State Designations – Great Seal and State Motto

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain statutory translation of the Calvert family motto depicted on the Great Seal of the State; establishing a certain meaning for the Calvert family motto; designating the Calvert family motto as the State motto; and generally relating to the Great Seal of the State and the State motto.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–102(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–316.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 40 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Environmental Education Center
Renovation and Expansion
Ho. Co. 2–16**

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 41 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Driving While License is Suspended – Prison Sentence Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the prison sentence for driving a motor vehicle while a person's license or privilege to drive is suspended under certain provisions of State law relating to the lapse of required security, noncompliance with traffic citations, and nonpayment of fines; repealing the prison sentence for driving a motor vehicle while a person's license or privilege to drive is suspended by another state for failure to comply with a certain notice to appear in court or to pay a certain fine; and generally relating to penalties for driving while a person's license or privilege to drive is suspended.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 27–101(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 27–101(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 42 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Dental Examiners – Appointment of Dentist and Dental Hygienist Members – Advice and Consent of the Senate

FOR the purpose of requiring the dentist and dental hygienist members of the State Board of Dental Examiners to be appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate; and generally relating to the appointment of the dentist and dental hygienist members of the State Board of Dental Examiners.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–201 and 4–202(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–202(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 43 – 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; requiring the Comptroller, in consultation with the Department of the Environment, to provide a certain annual report; 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 44 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Seat Belts – Operation of Motor Vehicle While Inmate or Person in Custody
Unrestrained – Prohibition**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a correctional officer from operating a motor vehicle in which an inmate is an occupant unless the inmate is restrained by a seat belt; prohibiting a law enforcement officer from operating a motor vehicle in which a person in custody is an occupant unless the person in custody is restrained by a seat belt; requiring a certain lap belt and shoulder harness to be used under certain circumstances; establishing certain civil penalties under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the use of seat belts to restrain inmates or persons in custody.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services
Section 1–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety
Section 1–701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Seat Belt Restraint of Person
in Custody”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 45 – 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 and the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 46 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Archery Hunting – Safety Zone

FOR the purpose of establishing for archery hunters in Anne Arundel County a safety zone of a certain size within which archery hunting may not take place except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to archery hunting in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 47 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 48 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 49 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland State Song – Replacement

FOR the purpose of changing the State song; and generally relating to the State song.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–318
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 50 – 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 \$90,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Belvoir–Scott’s Plantation, 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 51 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Aquaculture Coordinating Council – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Aquaculture Coordinating Council to include certain representatives of the nonprofit sector; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to the membership of the Aquaculture Coordinating Council.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–03.2(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–11A–03.2(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 52 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Immunity From Civil Liability – Forcible Entry Into Motor Vehicle

FOR the purpose of establishing that a certain person is not civilly liable for damages resulting from the person's forcible entry into a motor vehicle for the purpose of removing a child under a certain age under certain circumstances; providing that immunity from civil liability does not apply under certain circumstances; and generally relating to immunity from civil liability for forcible entry into a motor vehicle.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–643

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 53 – Senator Ramirez

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 54 – Senators Middleton and Ferguson

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Public Utilities – Transportation Network Services and For–Hire
Transportation – Clarifications**

FOR the purpose of clarifying certain provisions relating to transportation network services and for–hire transportation; expanding the types of insurers writing motor vehicle liability insurance that may exclude certain coverage under certain circumstances; altering the entities that may conduct a certain criminal history records check for sedan companies, limousine companies, taxicab companies, and transportation network companies; allowing the Public Service Commission to disclose certain records or information required by certain orders; allowing the Commission to disclose to the Comptroller certain records or information that relate to certain assessments or obligations; requiring the Commission to provide certain information to the Comptroller on request; clarifying that a certain license hearing officer may hold certain hearings involving certain violations by a transportation network operator, transportation network partner, or transportation network driver licensed or otherwise authorized to provide transportation network services; allowing a certain license hearing officer to hold certain hearings involving certain violations by a sedan company, limousine company, taxicab company, or transportation network company; clarifying that the For–Hire Driving Services Enforcement Fund may be used solely for certain activities related to for–hire driving services; prohibiting a transportation network company from operating in the State unless the transportation network company has been issued a certain permit; requiring the Commission to promptly notify a transportation network company of a certain order under certain circumstances; prohibiting an exempt jurisdiction from imposing more than one assessment or similar charge on a transportation network service; specifying that the sum of certain assessments may not exceed a certain amount; specifying whether a certain county or municipal corporation may impose an assessment; requiring a certain county to notify certain municipal corporations under certain circumstances; requiring a certain municipal corporation to notify a certain county under certain circumstances; specifying when a municipal corporation has certain priority over a county to impose an assessment; specifying when a county has certain priority over a certain municipal corporation; requiring a county and a municipal corporation that enter into a certain agreement to provide a copy of the agreement to the Comptroller; providing the time period and notification requirement before a certain assessment or change in assessment is to take effect; requiring, at the Comptroller’s discretion, the Comptroller to distribute assessments in a certain manner; prohibiting the Comptroller from disclosing certain records or information except under certain circumstances; authorizing the Comptroller to review or inspect certain information in a certain manner; requiring that certain provisions of law govern the administration, collection, enforcement, and appeals of certain revenues; clarifying that a person is prohibited from operating a vehicle that provides passenger–for–hire services in the State unless the person is licensed or otherwise authorized by the Commission as a transportation network operator,

transportation network partner, or transportation network driver; prohibiting a person from operating a transportation network company unless the person has been issued a certain permit by the Commission; altering a certain intent of the General Assembly; making stylistic changes; making technical corrections; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to transportation network services and for-hire transportation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–517(c)(1), (2), and (5) and (d)(2) and (3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–101(a), (d), (g), and (m), 10–104.1(a), and 10–404(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–101(l), 10–104.1(b), (e), and (h), 10–110(b), 10–112(e), 10–404(b), (e), and (h), 10–406, and 10–502

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–101(n)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 204 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–403.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 204 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015

Section 2

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

Senate Bill 55 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Child Witness – Facility and Therapy Dogs – Support

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court in a criminal proceeding to allow a certain dog to accompany a certain child witness during testimony on motion by a party; requiring certain information to be included in the motion; authorizing a court to grant a hearing on the motion; defining certain terms; and generally relating to child witnesses.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 11–305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 56 – Senators Mathias and Astle

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Chesapeake Bay Bridge Crossing – Environmental Impact Study – Cost Estimate and Payment

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain provision of law regarding the construction of a toll road, toll highway, or toll bridge does not apply to a crossing of the Chesapeake Bay; explicitly stating the power of the Maryland Transportation Authority to conduct or coordinate a study of the environmental impact of proposed transportation facilities; requiring the Authority, in collaboration with certain other agencies, to develop a cost estimate for an environmental impact study for a third crossing of the Chesapeake Bay; requiring the Authority to set aside a certain sum of money each year for the environmental impact study; requiring the Authority to conduct the environmental impact study; specifying that this Act may not be construed to preclude the Authority from taking certain action to conduct the environmental impact study during a certain time period; specifying that the environmental impact study center around a bridge span crossing the Chesapeake Bay at a certain location; and generally relating to an environmental impact study for a third bridge to span the Chesapeake Bay.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 4–205 and 4–407

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 57 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Community Cleanup and Greening Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a store from distributing plastic disposable carryout bags free of charge 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 each 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 free of charge 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

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 58 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Vessel Excise Tax Cap – Repeal of Termination

FOR the purpose of making permanent a limitation on the amount of the vessel excise tax that may be imposed on any vessel; and generally relating to a certain limitation on the amount of vessel excise tax that may be imposed on any vessel.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–716(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 180 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 6

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

Senate Bill 59 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Aggravated Cruelty to Animals in the Presence of a Minor

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from committing certain acts against an animal when the person knows or reasonably should know that a minor of a certain age is present; establishing certain circumstances under which a minor is present; establishing penalties for a violation of this Act; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to cruelty to animals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–606
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 60 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Historic Linthicum Walks

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$120,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Friends of Historic Linthicum Walks, 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 61 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Forest Lands and the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund – Miscellaneous Corrections

FOR the purpose of repealing references to the “Chesapeake 2000 Agreement” in certain provisions of law relating to forest lands and the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund and substituting references to the “2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement”; repealing references to the term “tributary strategies” in certain provisions of law relating to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund and substituting references to the term “watershed implementation plan”; defining a certain term; making conforming and clarifying changes; and generally relating to forest lands and the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 5–102(a)(10) and (b)(2), 8–2A–01(e), 8–2A–02(b) and (f)(1), and 8–2A–04(b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 8–2A–01(a), 8–2A–02(a), and 8–2A–04(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Natural Resources

Section 8–2A–01(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 8–2A–01(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 62 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Tax-Free Period – Emergency Preparedness Equipment

FOR the purpose of establishing a tax-free period each year during which a certain sales and use tax exemption for the sale of certain emergency preparedness items is provided; requiring the Comptroller of the Treasury to publish a certain list on or before a certain date; authorizing the Comptroller to amend a certain list under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to sales and use tax exemptions.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 11-228.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 63 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Investigational Drugs, Biological Products, and Devices – Right to Try Act

FOR the purpose of authorizing a manufacturer of an investigational drug, biological product, or device to provide the investigational drug, biological product, or device to certain patients; specifying the manner in which an investigational drug, biological product, or device may be provided to certain patients; establishing that the heirs of certain patients are not liable for certain debts under certain circumstances; prohibiting a health occupations board, under certain circumstances, from revoking, failing to renew, suspending, or taking certain action against a health care provider's license based solely on a certain recommendation of the health care provider; prohibiting the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene from taking action against a health care provider's Medicare certification based solely on a certain recommendation of the health care provider; prohibiting an official, employee, or agent of the State from blocking or attempting to block a certain patient's access to an investigational drug, biological product, or device; establishing that this Act does not create a certain cause of action; providing for the effect of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the provision of investigational drugs, biological products, and devices in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 21-2B-01 through 21-2B-07 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 2B. Right to Try Act"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 64 – Baltimore County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Orphans’ Court Judges – Compensation

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions of law that establish 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 2–108(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 65 – Senator Young

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 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 number 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 7–438

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 66 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Professional Corporations – Approval of Corporate Name by Licensing Unit and Professional Organization – Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting professional corporations in which a majority of the stockholders are individuals who are licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized to practice a health occupation under certain provisions of law from the requirement that, except under certain circumstances, the name of a professional corporation must be approved by the appropriate licensing unit and professional organization; repealing language made unnecessary by this Act that exempted from the requirement professional corporations in which the majority of stockholders are licensed physicians; and generally relating to name requirements for professional corporations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations

Section 5–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations

Section 5–108

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 67 – Senator Young

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 and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 68 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – New Horizons Disability Job Training and Recycling Center Phase II

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the New Horizons Supported 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 69 – Senator Young

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; providing for the application of this Act; 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 70 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Duties of Guardian of the Person and Visitation Between Adult Child and Parent

FOR the purpose of altering the duties of a guardian of the person of a disabled person to include the duty to enforce the disabled person's right to receive visitors and certain communications; requiring a guardian of the person of a disabled person to inform certain relatives of the disabled person if the disabled person dies or has been hospitalized for a certain period; requiring a guardian of the person of a deceased disabled person to inform certain relatives of the disabled person of any funeral arrangements and the location of the disabled person's final resting place; authorizing a certain adult child to file a petition to compel visitation with a certain parent; requiring the petition to be filed in a certain circuit court and to include certain information; requiring the petitioner to personally serve on and mail to certain individuals a copy of the petition; requiring the court to determine whether the proposed visatee has retained or plans to retain an attorney; authorizing the court to appoint an attorney for an unrepresented proposed visatee; requiring the court to appoint an independent investigator to conduct an investigation and report written findings to the court; establishing the duties of the independent investigator; establishing that the report of the independent investigator is confidential and shall be made available only to certain individuals; authorizing the court to order that an investigation is not necessary or that a more limited investigation may be performed under certain circumstances; requiring the court to mail notice of the hearing on the petition to certain individuals; requiring the court to determine whether the proposed visatee has sufficient capacity to make a knowing and intelligent visitation decision; requiring the court to determine whether the proposed visatee would want visitation under certain circumstances; requiring the court to grant or deny visitation under certain circumstances; establishing that a certain determination regarding capacity is not admissible as evidence in any other legal proceeding; requiring the court to order each petitioner to pay the reasonable fees and expenses of the independent investigator and any attorney appointed for the proposed visatee; authorizing the court to order another individual to pay the reasonable fees and expenses of the independent investigator and any attorney appointed for the proposed visatee under certain circumstances; establishing that the court has continuing jurisdiction to vacate or modify an order issued under this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to visitation and communications between certain family members.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 13–708(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 13–708(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 13–708.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 15–101 through 15–104 to be under the new title “Title 15. Visitation
Between Adult Child and Parent”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 71 – Senator Young

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 employees to become 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 of employees to become 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 7–438 and 7–439

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 72 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

**Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding
Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport – Membership**

FOR the purpose of altering the designation of a certain certified noise zone that is used in determining the membership of the Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport; and generally relating to the Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 5–414(a) and 5–806

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 5–414(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 73 – Senator Young

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 74 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – Effect of Retirement Payments on Eligibility for Benefits – Revision

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances used to determine the effect of a retirement payment on the eligibility of an individual for unemployment insurance benefits; altering the definition of “retirement payment”; and generally relating to the effect of retirement payments on eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 8–1008

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 75 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Public Adjusters – Licensing

FOR the purpose of repealing certain employment requirements for certain public adjusters; providing for certain initial licensing fees for public adjusters; authorizing renewal notification by e-mail for certain public adjuster licenses; altering the renewal date of certain public adjuster licenses; establishing certain continuing education requirements for renewal of certain public adjuster licenses; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to waive continuing education requirements under certain circumstances; providing for the satisfaction of certain continuing education requirements by nonresident license holders under certain circumstances; providing for submission by electronic application for renewal of certain public adjuster licenses; authorizing the Commissioner to adopt certain regulations; establishing reinstatement requirements for certain public adjusters; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to licensing of public adjusters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 10–404, 10–408, and 10–408.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 76 – Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)

AN ACT concerning

Enterprise Zones – Reimbursements to Local Governments – Schedule

FOR the purpose of altering the schedule for the State’s reimbursement of an amount equal to a certain portion of an enterprise zone property tax credit to a county or municipal corporation; establishing a certain date by which a county or municipal corporation shall submit a certain request for reimbursement to the Department of Assessments and Taxation; establishing a certain date by which the Department shall make a certain certification to the Comptroller; establishing a certain date by which the Comptroller shall reimburse a certain county or municipal corporation; requiring the Department to make a certain certification and the Comptroller to make a certain reimbursement as soon as practicable under certain circumstances; and generally relating to State reimbursements to a county or municipal corporation for enterprise zone property tax credits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–103(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–103(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 77 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Human Resources)**

AN ACT concerning

Human Resources – Transition Planning for Foster Youth

FOR the purpose of lowering the age at which the juvenile court must determine, during a permanency planning hearing, the services needed to assist a child in transitioning from foster care to successful adulthood; requiring the juvenile court to determine, during a guardianship review hearing, the services needed to assist certain children in transitioning from foster care to successful adulthood; correcting certain obsolete references; and generally relating to children in out-of-home placement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–823(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–326(a)(8) and 5–545(c)(7)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–545(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 78 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)**

AN ACT concerning

State Lottery and Video Lottery Facility Payouts – Remittance of Intercepted Prizes

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency or a video lottery operation licensee wait a certain period of time before transferring the prize of certain obligors to certain collection units of the State; making certain nonsubstantive and stylistic changes; and generally relating to a requirement that the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency or a video lottery operation licensee withhold the prizes of certain obligors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–618
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 10–113.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 79 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office for Children)

AN ACT concerning

State Citizens Review Board for Children – Penalties for Unauthorized Disclosure of Child Protection Case Information

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority of the Special Secretary for Children, Youth, and Families to impose a civil penalty on members of the State Citizens Review Board for Children and the Board's designees and staff for unauthorized disclosure of certain child protection case information; authorizing the Secretary of Human Resources to impose a civil penalty on members of the Board and the Board's designees and staff for unauthorized disclosure of certain child protection case information; and generally relating to the State Citizens Review Board for Children.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–535, 5–539, and 5–539.1(a) through (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–539.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 80 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Transportation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Commercial Drivers’ Licenses – Cancellations and Downgrades
(Driving Privilege Preservation Act of 2016)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to cancel the commercial driver’s license of a person who fails to submit to the Administration a certain certificate of physical examination; authorizing the Administration to issue a noncommercial driver’s license of an appropriate class to an individual whose commercial driver’s license is canceled, under certain circumstances; authorizing the Administration to immediately reinstate and, subject to certain conditions, issue a noncommercial driver’s license of an appropriate class to an individual whose commercial driver’s license is canceled as a result of the failure to submit a certain certificate of physical examination, under certain circumstances; and generally relating to commercial driver’s license cancellations and downgrades.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–812(k) and (o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 81 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Juvenile Services)**

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Law – Continuum of Care – Repeal of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law authorizing the Department of Juvenile Services to transfer a child committed to residential placement from a certain facility to another facility under certain circumstances; and generally relating to juvenile law.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–19(l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 198 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
135 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 3

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

**Senate Bill 82 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Office of Crime Control and Prevention)**

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Prohibition Against Testimony by Convicted Perjurer – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain prohibition on a person convicted of perjury from
testifying in a proceeding; and generally relating to testimony by a convicted
perjurer.

BY repealing
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 9–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 83 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Office of Crime Control and Prevention)**

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – School Safety Enforcement Fund

FOR the purpose of renaming the School Bus Safety Enforcement Fund to be the School
Safety Enforcement Fund; expanding the purposes of the Fund to include enhancing
school safety; expanding eligibility to receive grants from the Fund to county boards
of education; repealing a provision of law restricting the Executive Director of the
Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention from making a grant from the
Fund exceeding a certain amount of money in a fiscal year for use in a single county;

making conforming changes; and generally relating to the School Safety Enforcement Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 4–201 through 4–204 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 2. School Safety Enforcement Fund”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 17–106(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 84 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – Calculation and Application of Table of Rates – Revision

FOR the purpose of providing that, for any calendar year beginning on or after a certain date, the Table of Rates in effect for the immediately preceding calendar year continues to apply under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the calculation and application of the Table of Rates under the Maryland Unemployment Insurance Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–612(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–612(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 85 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce – Renaming

FOR the purpose of renaming the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce to be the Department of Commerce; providing that the Department of Commerce is the successor of the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce; 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 of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to correct cross–references and terminology in the Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act; and generally relating to renaming the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 1–101(a), 2–101(a), and 9–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 1–101(c) to be under the amended division “Division I. Secretary of Commerce and Department of Commerce”; 2–101(c)(2); 2.5–101(a) to be under the amended title “Title 2.5. Department of Commerce”; and 9–101(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–201(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–201(b)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 86 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Unemployment Insurance – Exemption From Actively Seeking Work
Requirement – Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing the prohibition on denying unemployment benefits to individuals who are at least 60 years old and who have been furloughed temporarily and are subject to recall for failing to actively seek work; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to exemptions from the actively seeking work requirement in unemployment insurance law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–907
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 87 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Mortgage Loan Originators – State Criminal History Records Check
Requirement – Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that, in connection with an initial application for a mortgage loan originator license, and at any other time the Commissioner of Financial Regulation requests, an applicant or a licensee provide fingerprints for use by the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Central Repository) for use in conducting a State criminal history records check; repealing related provisions of law requiring an applicant or a licensee to pay certain fees to the Central Repository, authorizing the Commissioner to request certain information from the Central Repository, and defining the term “Central Repository”; making conforming changes to repeal a requirement that the Commissioner waive the State criminal history records check under expedited mortgage loan originator licensing procedures for certain service members, veterans, and military spouses and certain applicants who were employed as registered mortgage loan originators; making conforming changes; and generally relating to licensing requirements for mortgage loan originators.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions

Section 11–604 and 11–612.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Financial Institutions
Section 11–612.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 88 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Commissioner of Financial Regulation – Consolidation of Nondepository
Special Funds**

FOR the purpose of consolidating the Mortgage Lender–Originator Fund, the Money Transmission Fund, and the Debt Management Services Fund into one fund; renaming the Mortgage Lender–Originator Fund to be the Nondepository Special Fund; requiring that certain money be transferred to a certain fund as of a certain date; and generally relating to financial regulation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Financial Institutions
Section 11–601(f), 11–610, 12–404, 12–901(j), and 12–905
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 89 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health
and Mental Hygiene)**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Provision of Substance Use Services to
Enrollees of Managed Care Organizations**

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law relating to the provision of benefits for certain substance abuse services by managed care organizations to certain enrollees in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; requiring a managed care organization to provide or arrange to provide substance–related disorder services for certain children; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to

establish a delivery system for substance–related disorder services; requiring the delivery system to provide certain substance–related disorder services needed by enrollees; requiring the Department to collaborate with managed care organizations to develop standards and guidelines for the provision of substance–related disorder services; authorizing the Department to contract with a managed care organization for the delivery of substance–related disorder services under certain circumstances; applying certain provisions of the insurance laws of the State to the delivery system for substance–related disorder services; and generally relating to the provision of substance–related disorder services under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(b)(2), (9), and (21)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 90 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – Recovery of Benefits and Penalties for Fraud

FOR the purpose of altering the means by which the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation is authorized to recover overpayments of benefits, monetary penalties, and interest; authorizing, under certain circumstances, the Secretary to adjust, compromise, or settle certain interest due; providing that a person who violates a certain provision of law is disqualified from receiving benefits for certain periods of time under certain circumstances; making a clarifying change; providing for the application of this Act; providing that only fraud determinations made on or after a certain date may count as a violation for certain purposes; and generally relating to the recovery of benefits and penalties for fraud under the Maryland Unemployment Insurance Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–809 and 8–1305
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–1301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 91 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – State–Identified HIV Priorities

FOR the purpose of requiring certain rebates received by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene from the Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program to be distributed to a certain fund and used only to fund certain HIV prevention, surveillance, and care services; and generally relating to State–identified priorities for HIV prevention, surveillance, and care services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 2–104(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 92 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Planned Apprenticeship Standards and On–the–Job Training Activities – Revisions

FOR the purpose of transferring the Apprenticeship and Training Council and the Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee to the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning; requiring the membership of the Council to include race and gender diversity, rather than representation by black and female persons; altering the duties of the Council; repealing the prohibition on persons offering, establishing, maintaining, or operating certain on–the–job training programs unless the programs were approved by certain persons; altering the duties of the Director of

Apprenticeship and Training; making conforming changes; and generally relating to planned apprenticeship standards and on-the-job training activities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 11–403, 11–405, 11–406, and 11–409 to be under the amended subtitle
“Subtitle 4. Planned Apprenticeship Standards and Activities”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 93 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Workforce Corporation and Health Care Personnel Training Fund –
Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing the Maryland Workforce Corporation and the Health Care Personnel Training Fund; repealing certain provisions of law related to the board of directors, officers, and employees of the Corporation; repealing certain provisions of law related to the authority and duties of the Corporation; requiring that all net assets of the Corporation revert to the State for a public purpose; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to receive and dispose of the assets on behalf of the State; and generally relating to the Maryland Workforce Corporation and the Health Care Personnel Training Fund.

BY repealing

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 11–1001 through 11–1015 and the subtitle “Subtitle 10. Maryland Workforce Corporation”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – State Government

Section 12–101(a)(2)(xii)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 12–101(a)(2)(xiii) and (xiv)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 94 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

Workforce Development – Revisions

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain provision of law requiring that certain displaced homemakers be exempt from payment of certain tuition and be counted in a certain computation of full-time equivalent enrollment; replacing obsolete references to the federal Workforce Investment Act with references to the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; renaming the Maryland Workforce Investment Act to be the Maryland Workforce Development Act; altering the individuals to whom the workforce development program is required to provide employment, training, supportive, and related services; renaming the Governor's Workforce Investment Board to be the Governor's Workforce Development Board; repealing the requirement that the Governor's Workforce Investment Board establish a certain advisory committee; repealing the requirement that the Governor's Workforce Investment Board submit a certain report to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly; altering the period of time for which a certain strategy outlined in a certain State plan is to cover; replacing obsolete references to certain provisions of federal law; altering certain defined terms and certain definitions; repealing a certain definition; making conforming changes; making stylistic changes; requiring the publishers of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with and subject to the approval of the Department of Legislative Services, to correct any references throughout the Annotated Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act and to describe any corrections in an editor's note following the section affected; and generally relating to workforce development.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 3–404(e)(2)(i), 3–409(a)(3), 3–410(a)(4) and (5), 10–104(c)(3), and
13–1203(b)(2)(v)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 16–106(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–708(e)(4)(iii), 18–1808(b)(9), and 24–801(c)(8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–2109(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 5–318(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–812(b)(4), 8–1001(b)(2)(iii)1., 8–1206(b), 11–103(a)(3), and 11–304(b);
11–501, 11–502(a), 11–503, 11–504(a) and (b)(1) and (2)(iii) and (iv), 11–505,
11–506, 11–507(a) and (b), and 11–508 to be under the amended subtitle
“Subtitle 5. Maryland Workforce Development Act”; 11–602(a)(2) and (c)(1),
11–701(f), 11–702(c), 11–803(b)(12), 11–901(b)(3)(vii), 11–1002(c)(3)(i),
11–1003(b)(1)(ix), 11–1012(b), and 11–1015(i)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–505.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–602(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–702(a)(4)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation

Section 8-508
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 95 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning – Adult Education and
Literacy Services – Revisions**

FOR the purpose of repealing the Workforce Creation and Adult Education Transition Council; repealing an obsolete reporting requirement; altering the responsibility of the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation as it relates to the development of a certain State plan; repealing a certain provision of law authorizing each county board of education to establish and maintain day and evening schools for adults; specifying the purpose of adult education and literacy services; altering the list of examples of adult education and literacy services for which certain grants may be used; altering the information required to be included on a certain list compiled by the Department; requiring the Department and the State Board of Education, rather than the State Board alone, to award diplomas to certain individuals; altering the circumstances under which an individual may obtain a high school diploma by examination under a certain provision of law; exempting a current member of the armed forces from a certain residency requirement; altering the method by which a member of the armed forces may earn a Maryland high school diploma; defining a certain term; altering a certain definition; making conforming changes; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to adult education and literacy services.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11-801 and 11-805
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11-801, 11-802, 11-804, 11-806, 11-807, and 11-808
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11-803 and 11-805
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 96 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation – State Collection Agency
Licensing Board – Authority of the Secretary**

FOR the purpose of establishing that the State Collection Agency Licensing Board exercises its powers, duties, and functions subject to the authority of the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; and generally relating to the State Collection Agency Licensing Board.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation

Section 7–207

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 97 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Opioid–Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Programs

FOR the purpose of repealing the Prince George’s County AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Program; authorizing the establishment of Opioid–Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Programs by certain entities; requiring a Program to provide for the exchange by participants of used hypodermic needles and syringes; requiring a Program to operate in accordance with procedures approved by certain local health officers and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, on the recommendation of a certain committee; requiring a Program to be designed and maintained to provide security of exchange locations and equipment, in accordance with certain regulations; requiring a Program to be operated to allow participants to exchange used hypodermic needles at any exchange location; requiring a Program to include appropriate levels of staff expertise and training; requiring a Program to provide for the dissemination of other preventive means of curtailing the spread of certain diseases; requiring a Program to provide linkage to drug counseling and treatment services; requiring a Program to educate individuals who inject drugs on the dangers of contracting certain diseases through

needle-sharing practices and unsafe sexual behaviors; requiring a Program to establish procedures for identifying Program participants that are consistent with certain confidentiality provisions; requiring a Program to develop a plan for data collection and Program evaluation in accordance with certain regulations; requiring a Program to develop certain operating procedures, a certain outreach plan, and a certain protocol with the advice of a certain committee; requiring a Program, on the recommendation by a certain committee, to submit certain operating procedures, a certain outreach plan, and a certain protocol to certain local health officers and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for approval or disapproval; establishing a certain committee; requiring a certain committee to provide certain advice and recommendations; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations and ensure the provision of certain technical assistance; requiring that a Program participant be issued a certain identification card; providing that certain information about a Program participant is confidential; providing that a Program staff member or Program participant may not be found guilty of violating certain laws under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to Opioid-Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Programs.

BY repealing

Article – Health – General

Section 24-901 through 24-909 and the subtitle “Subtitle 9. Prince George’s County
AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24-901 through 24-908 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9.
Opioid-Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Programs”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 98 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Aging)

AN ACT concerning

Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund – Distributions – Alteration

FOR the purpose of altering the qualification criteria for certain need-based distributions from the Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund to certain counties; and generally relating to the administration of the Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Human Services
Section 10–513 and 10–514
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 10–516
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 99 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Disabilities)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Disabilities – Assistive Technology Loan Program – Board of Directors

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a certain member of the Assistive Technology Loan Program Board of Directors be a member of the Maryland Commission on Disabilities; increasing the maximum number of terms that a Board member may serve; providing for the staggering of terms of Board members; and generally relating to the Board of Directors of the Assistive Technology Loan Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 7–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 7–605
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 100 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Farm Labor Contracting – State License Requirement – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that an individual, except under certain circumstances, be licensed by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry before performing a farm labor contracting service in the State for consideration; repealing certain provisions of law related to the licensure of farm labor contractors; repealing a certain provision of law authorizing the Commissioner to require a farm labor contractor to post a surety bond or other security; repealing a certain provision of law authorizing a certain person to take a certain appeal as allowed in certain provisions of law; altering a requirement regarding the performance of farm labor contracting service in the State for consideration; altering a requirement regarding the use of a farm labor contractor to perform a farm labor contracting service; altering a certain definition; repealing certain definitions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to farm labor contracting.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 7–101, 7–201, 7–203(b), 7–501, 7–502, 7–503, and 7–506

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 7–301 through 7–313 and the subtitle “Subtitle 3. Licensing”; and 7–505

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 101 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Transit Administration – Labor Relations – Resolution of Labor Disputes

FOR the purpose of authorizing, except under certain circumstances, either the Maryland Transit Administration or an accredited representative to request that a fact finder be employed to resolve a labor dispute; requiring that a fact finder be a neutral party appointed in a certain manner; authorizing the fact finder to take certain actions; requiring the fact finder to make written recommendations regarding certain issues; requiring that certain written recommendations be delivered to certain persons by the Secretary of Transportation or the Secretary’s designee; requiring that certain matters be recommended to the General Assembly for approval or the appropriation of funds; repealing the requirement that the Administration submit a certain labor dispute to an arbitration board; repealing certain provisions of law related to the

resolution of certain labor disputes by an arbitration board; requiring the Administration, under certain circumstances, to request the State Labor Relations Board to resolve a certain labor dispute in a certain manner; authorizing the Board to delegate the holding of a certain hearing to the Office of Administrative Hearings; providing that a final decision of the Board in a certain labor dispute may be appealed in a certain manner; altering a certain definition; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the resolution of Maryland Transit Administration labor disputes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 7–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 102 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Office for Children)**

AN ACT concerning

Governor’s Office for Children and Services to Children

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions of law establishing the Advisory Council to the Children’s Cabinet and the Council’s purpose; repealing provisions of law establishing the State Coordinating Council for Children and relating to the Council’s membership, chair, staff, and duties; repealing a requirement that a local school system seeking nonpublic tuition payment obtain funding approval from certain coordinating councils; repealing a requirement that the Governor’s Office for Children participate with the State Department of Education in the development and implementation of rates for programs licensed or approved by certain State units; altering the membership of the State Early Childhood Development Advisory Council; altering the membership of the Council for the Procurement of Health, Educational, and Social Services; repealing a requirement that the Juvenile Justice Monitoring Unit collaborate with the Governor’s Office for Children in certain matters relating to the licensing and monitoring of children’s residential facilities; repealing a requirement that the Juvenile Justice Monitoring Unit report annually to the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office for Children; repealing certain definitions; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Governor’s Office for Children and services to children.

BY repealing
Article – Human Services
Section 8–201 and 8–202 and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. Advisory Council to Children’s Cabinet”; and 8–401 through 8–404
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–1601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–1603(a) and 8–417(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Education
Section 8–406(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 8–101, 8–405, 8–406, 8–407, and 8–408
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 12–110(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 12–110(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 6–401, 6–404(8), and 6–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 6–402

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 103 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Office for Children)**

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Maryland Youth Advisory Council – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Maryland Youth Advisory Council; specifying that the members must be residents of the State; altering the factors that certain persons are required to consider in deciding which youths to nominate as members of the Council; altering the term and term limit of a member; requiring that a certain member represent the views of a certain public or private youth council or youth empowerment organization before the Council; requiring the members to elect a chair at a certain meeting; requiring the members of the Council to select a certain executive board at a certain meeting; repealing the requirement that certain individuals serve as cochairs; altering the duties that the Governor's Office for Children has in relation to the Council; altering the duties of the Council; requiring the Council to meet at certain times and hold a certain number of public hearings each Council year, rather than each year; specifying that the Council is required to conduct one educational meeting each Council year; requiring the Council to report its activities on or before the last day of the Council year, rather than the last day of the youth members' terms; specifying the terms of the members of the Council appointed in a certain year; defining a certain term; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Maryland Youth Advisory Council.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–2701
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 104 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)**

AN ACT concerning

**Housing and Community Development – Local Government Infrastructure
Projects – Financing**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a county to agree with the Community Development Administration in the Department of Housing and Community Development to pledge, on behalf of a municipal corporation located in the county, certain money for certain infrastructure projects; authorizing each issuance by a municipal corporation of a local obligation for certain infrastructure projects to be secured by a pledge from the county in which the municipal corporation is located under certain circumstances; authorizing a county to pledge, on behalf of a municipal corporation for certain infrastructure projects, the faith and credit of the county or specific revenue of the county; requiring a pledge by a county under this Act to be authorized by a certain ordinance or resolution of the county; imposing certain requirements and restrictions on a pledge by a county of the faith and credit of the county under certain circumstances; specifying certain provisions for a pledge by a county of certain revenue of the county under certain circumstances; and generally relating to financing for local government infrastructure projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–220 and 4–230
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–229
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–232.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 105 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – NE Maryland Waste Disposal Authority)**

AN ACT concerning

Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority – Name and Authority

FOR the purpose of changing the name of the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority to be the Maryland Regional Resource Management Authority; authorizing the Authority to acquire, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, improve,

maintain, equip, lease, repair, and operate a resource recovery park; requiring the publishers of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to replace references in the Code to the term “Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority” with the term “Maryland Regional Resource Management Authority”; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; altering a certain definition; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the name and authority of 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
 Section 3–901 and 3–903(a)(1) to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 9.
 Maryland Regional Resource Management Authority”
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources
 Section 3–904(f)(3) and (h)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 106 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
 (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation – State Board of Heating,
 Ventilation, Air–Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors – Authority of the
 Secretary**

FOR the purpose of establishing that the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air–Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors exercises its powers, duties, and functions subject to the authority of the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; and generally relating to the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air–Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation
Section 9A–205(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 107 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Military)**

AN ACT concerning

Military Department – Summary Courts–Martial – Penalties

FOR the purpose of authorizing a summary court–martial to impose a sentence of confinement for a certain period of time without regard to rank; authorizing a summary court–martial to discharge with a characterization of service no less favorable than under other than honorable conditions; and generally relating to summary courts–martial.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 13–812(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 13–812(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 108 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Higher Education Commission)**

AN ACT concerning

Nurse Support Program Assistance Fund – Revisions

FOR the purpose of altering the types of nursing positions that are eligible to receive grants from the Nurse Support Program Assistance Fund; and generally relating to the Nurse Support Program Assistance Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 109 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations Boards – Criminal History Records Checks – Required

FOR the purpose of requiring certain applicants and licensees of the Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech–Language Pathologists, the Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, the Board of Occupational Therapy Practice, and the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners to submit to a certain criminal history records check; 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 certain health occupations boards and to certain individuals certain information 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 certain information as provided in certain provisions of law; requiring certain health occupations boards, on receipt of a certain criminal history records check, to consider certain information in making certain determinations about certain applicants and licensees; prohibiting certain health occupations boards from issuing, renewing, or reinstating certain licenses if certain criminal history records check information has not been received; requiring certain unlicensed individuals and certain licensees of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators acting in a certain temporary capacity to submit to a certain criminal history records check; establishing certain exceptions to the requirement to submit to a criminal history records check; authorizing certain health occupations boards to take certain actions against certain applicants and licensees for failing to submit to a certain criminal history records check; and generally relating to criminal history records checks and licensing requirements for audiologists, speech–language pathologists, hearing aid dispensers, nursing home administrators, occupational therapists, and podiatrists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 2–302, 2–302.1, 2–302.2, 2–302.3, 2–303, 2–306, 2–308, 2–314(22) and (23),
9–301, 9–302(a), 9–303, 9–308, 9–311, 9–312.1, 9–314(b)(11) and (12), 10–302,

10–304, 10–308, 10–311, 10–315(12) and (13), 16–302, 16–303, 16–305, and
16–311(a)(26) and (27)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 2–303.1, 2–314(24), 9–302.1, 9–314(b)(13), 10–302.1, 10–315(14), 16–302.1,
and 16–311(a)(28)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 9–314(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 110 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Young Farmers Advisory Board – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Young Farmers Advisory Board;
making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the membership of the Young
Farmers Advisory Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Agriculture
Section 2–1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 111 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)**

AN ACT concerning

State Lottery – Licensed Agents – Prize Payments

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to establish by regulation the amount certain licensed agents may pay in cash game prizes; making technical corrections and stylistic changes; and generally relating to the authority of the State Lottery Director to establish the amount certain licensed agents may pay in cash game prizes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–122(c) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 112 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AN ACT concerning

Pest Control Compact – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the Pest Control Compact; repealing provisions of law relating to the findings of the parties to the compact; repealing provisions of law relating to the Pest Control Insurance Fund; repealing provisions of law relating to the administration of the compact and Insurance Fund; repealing provisions of law relating to the establishment of advisory and technical committees under the compact; repealing provisions of law relating to the entry into force, withdrawal, and construction of the compact; repealing certain definitions; and generally relating to the Interstate Pest Control Compact.

BY repealing
Article – Agriculture
Section 5–701 through 5–716 and the subtitle “Subtitle 7. Pest Control Compact”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 113 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Agriculture – Bees, Bee Colonies, and Used Bee Equipment –
Transportation and Shipment**

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a bee colony or used bee equipment shipped or transported into the State be accompanied by an entry permit issued by the Department of Agriculture; requiring a certain person to submit certain information to the Department before shipping or transporting a bee colony or used bee equipment into the State; authorizing the Department to restrict the movement of a bee or bee colony under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the shipment or transportation of a bee, bee colony, or used bee equipment into the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 5–505
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 114 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health
and Mental Hygiene)**

AN ACT concerning

**Health – Prohibition on Distribution of Tobacco Products and Electronic
Smoking Devices to Minors – Civil Enforcement**

FOR the purpose of reorganizing and expanding the scope of certain provisions of law that establish certain civil enforcement procedures and penalties for the sale, offer for sale, or distribution to minors of electronic smoking devices and related products; prohibiting a person from distributing to a minor a tobacco product, an electronic smoking device, cigarette rolling papers, or a coupon redeemable for a tobacco product, with certain exceptions; authorizing a county health officer or certain designees of a county health officer to issue a citation for a violation of this Act; establishing certain civil penalties for a violation of this Act; establishing a certain affirmative defense; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; providing for the construction and application of this Act; and generally relating to prohibitions on the distribution of tobacco products and electronic smoking devices to minors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 24–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 115 – Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax Assessments – Inspection of Property

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation or the supervisor of assessments for a county value all real property once in every 3–year cycle based on an exterior physical inspection of the real property; authorizing the Department to use aerial or ground level photography or similar technologies in performing its review of real property; requiring the Department’s review of each real property assessment to include a physical inspection under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the inspection of real property.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 2–203(a) and 8–103(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 2–203(b), 8–103(a)(4), and 8–104(b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 1 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Planning)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Patuxent River Watershed – Amendment of Patuxent River Policy Plan

FOR the purpose of approving a certain amendment to the Patuxent River Policy Plan; resolving that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Services to certain individuals; and generally relating to the amendment of the Patuxent River Policy Plan.

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

INTRODUCTIONS

Introduction of Honored Guests.

Introduction and Remarks by United States Senator the Honorable Barbara Mikulski.

Introduction and Remarks by United States Senator the Honorable Benjamin Cardin.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 11)

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:56 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 14, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 14, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:13 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Doctor Phebe McPherson, Epiphany Episcopal Church, guest of Senator Rosapepe.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 13, 2016 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 13)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 103 – Senator Susan C. Lee:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
The Korea Times and
The Korea Daily Washington
in recognition of
more than 80 years combined of disseminating vital information to Maryland's
Korean–American
community and the celebration of Korean–America Day.
The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 14th day of January 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 14)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**Senate Bill 116 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Office of Legislative Audits – Alterations in Audit Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering the time period during which the Office of Legislative Audits and the Legislative Auditor are required to audit certain State funds, programs, authorities, units, and a certain local liquor board; altering the statutory authority under which the Office of Legislative Audits and the Legislative Auditor are required to audit certain funds, programs, and units; repealing the requirement that the Office of Legislative Audits and the Legislative Auditor perform certain audits of certain licensees, funds, and agencies; repealing the requirement for the Office of Legislative Audits to approve certain independent auditors selected by certain corporations and centers; repealing the requirement for the Legislative Auditor to concur on certain audits of community colleges performed by certain auditors in order for the audits to meet a certain requirement; repealing the requirement for the Legislative Auditor to certify a certain form completed by a certain hospital; altering the time period during which a certain corporation is required to maintain possession and custody of certain documents related to a certain audit; authorizing, rather than requiring, the Legislative Auditor to conduct certain post audit examinations and fiscal/compliance audits of certain funds; repealing the requirement for the Office of Legislative Audits and the Legislative Auditor to evaluate, audit, and summarize certain information from certain offices and agencies; altering the time period during which the Office of Legislative Audits is required to conduct a fiscal/compliance audit of each unit of the State government, except for units in the Legislative Branch; repealing the requirement for the Legislative Auditor to evaluate the utilization of certain funds allocated to certain businesses; repealing the authorization for the Legislative Auditor to audit certain accounts of a certain system and certain administrations; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to alterations in audit requirements for the Office of Legislative Audits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 2–505(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 2–505(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 4.5–203(a)(1), 4.5–703(a), and 11–101(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 4.5–203(c) and 4.5–703(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing
Article – Business Regulation
Section 11–313(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing
Article – Correctional Services
Section 3–510
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 10–201(b), 10–401(c), 10–501(f), 10–806(a), and 10–901(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 10–227, 10–414, 10–526, 10–825, and 10–911
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–315(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–315(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1605(a)(1) and 9–1605.1(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1605(a)(6) and 9–1605.1(a)(6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1303(d)(2), 13–2206(c), and 19–216(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–201(b) and (c) and 19–216(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–402(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 11–101(c) and 11–408(a)(2) and (b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 11–408(b)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 30–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 30–106(d)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–302(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–302(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 1–309(f)(1) and 2–514
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–512.1(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–512.1(c)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 2–701
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 2–702(b) and 3A–506(g)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–1220, 9–1A–34, and 9–1A–35(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–101(b) and (c) and 9–1A–35(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – State Government
Section 9–121
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–127
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 5–101(b), 6–101(b), and 7–101(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Transportation
Section 5–215.1, 6–212.1, and 7–211.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 117 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 15)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:36 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 15, 2016.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 15, 2016
11:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 11:04 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Doctor Sue Shorb–Sterling, Salem United Methodist Church, guest of Senator Montgomery.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 14, 2016 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 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 17)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 47 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Towson University
in recognition of

Towson University celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the academic
institution, in Baltimore County, on
January 15, 1866.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 15th day of January 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 18)

ANNOUNCEMENT

State Legislator of the Year Award – Senator Catherine Pugh

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 118 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Checkoff – Maryland Hunger Relief Fund

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain income tax checkoff system for voluntary contributions to the Maryland Hunger Relief Fund; requiring the Comptroller to include a checkoff on the individual income tax return; providing that the income tax checkoff system include a certain statement; requiring the Comptroller to include certain information in each individual income tax return package; requiring the Comptroller to collect and account for contributions made through the checkoff system and to credit the proceeds to the Fund after deducting the amount necessary to administer the checkoff system; establishing the Maryland Hunger Relief Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Department of Human Resources 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; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax checkoff system for contributions to the Maryland Hunger Relief Fund.

BY adding to

Article – Human Services
Section 5–609
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 2–113.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 119 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Business Regulation – Business Discounts and Preferences for Veterans –
Identification**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain businesses that offer discounts or preferences on products or services to veterans to accept a valid driver's license or identification card with a certain notation as verification of veteran status for purposes of claiming the discount or preference; establishing a certain penalty; and generally relating to business-offered discounts and preferences for veterans.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation

Section 19–104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 120 – Senator Simonaire

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Senatorial Scholarships – Awards

FOR the purpose of authorizing the recipients of certain senatorial scholarships to hold a certain award for a certain undergraduate academic year or a certain semester under certain circumstances; requiring certain awards to be included in certain allocations; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the recipients of senatorial scholarships.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–404(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–404(b), 18–406(a), and 18–408

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 18–406.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 121 – Senator Simonaire

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Modification of Sentences

FOR the purpose of authorizing a motion for modification of sentence to be filed within a certain time after imposition of a sentence in certain courts; prohibiting a court from revising a sentence after a certain amount of time from the date of the original sentence; prohibiting a court from increasing a sentence on a motion for modification of sentence; prohibiting a court from reducing a certain sentence below a certain guideline recommendation; requiring that the State’s Attorney provide notice to certain victims regarding a motion for modification of sentence and certain hearings; authorizing a court to modify, reduce, correct, or vacate a sentence in open court after a hearing; authorizing a court to postpone a hearing due to the absence of certain victims under certain circumstances; authorizing a defendant to waive the right to be present at the hearing; requiring a court to consider certain factors before ruling on a motion for modification on the record; providing that a certain person who filed a certain motion for modification of sentence is eligible for a certain hearing; requiring a court to grant a certain hearing to a certain person who submits a certain application to the court on or before a certain date; authorizing a court to modify a certain sentence at a certain time; providing for the application of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to modification of sentences.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–234
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 122 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Reconsiderations of Sentences – Reporting

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain requirement that a certain report of the Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy review certain increases in certain sentences; requiring the Commission to annually report certain information about reconsiderations of sentences for certain crimes; requiring the Commission to review each judicial circuit's compliance with providing certain data; and generally relating to reconsiderations of sentences.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 123 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Interstate Boating Violator Compact

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Governor to enter into the Interstate Boating Violator Compact; providing for the purposes of the Compact; providing for procedures for states issuing citations for boating violations to certain persons residing in party states; providing for procedures for home states for certain persons receiving certain citations; providing for the reciprocal recognition of suspension of certain privileges or licenses under certain circumstances; providing for the application of other laws relating to certain watercraft operating privileges or licenses; providing for a Board of Boating Compact Administrators for certain purposes; providing for the entry into and withdrawal from the Compact; providing for amendments to the Compact; providing for the severability of provisions of the Compact; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to appoint a Boating Compact Administrator; requiring the Boating Compact Administrator to serve at the pleasure of the Secretary; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to take certain actions under certain circumstances in accordance with this Act; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to interstate enforcement of boating violations.

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–801 through 8–804 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. Interstate Boating Violator Compact”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 124 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Relief Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of altering over a certain period of years the State income tax rate on the Maryland taxable income of certain individuals; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the individual income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 125 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of creating an exception for qualified hybrid vehicles to the requirement that certain motor vehicles that are exempt from the vehicle emissions inspection program be driven not more than a certain number of miles annually; altering the information that owners of motor vehicles are required to certify to qualify for certain exemptions from the vehicle emissions inspection program; defining the term “qualified hybrid vehicle”; making a certain stylistic change; and generally relating to exemptions from the vehicle emissions inspection program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 23–202(a)(1) and (b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 23–206.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 126 – Senator Serafini

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

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 127 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Elimination of the Marriage Penalty

FOR the purpose of altering the State income tax rate brackets for certain income of certain married couples and individuals; altering the amount allowed as a deduction for certain exemptions for certain married couples and individuals under the Maryland income tax under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to altering the State income tax rates and amount allowed as a deduction for certain exemptions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10-105(a) and 10-211

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 128 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Higher Education Commission – Religious Educational Institutions – Authority to Operate

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain condition under which a religious educational institution may operate without a certificate of approval from the Maryland Higher Education Commission and may enroll certain students in a certain online distance education program without a certain registration; and generally relating to the authority of religious educational institutions to operate without certificates of approval from the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 129 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners – Submission of a Comprehensive Master Plan – Repeal of Duplicative Requirement

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain requirement for the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to submit a certain master plan to the State Board of Education; and generally relating to the duplicative requirement for submission of a comprehensive master plan by the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners.

BY repealing
Article – Education
Section 4–309
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 130 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Container Permit for Draft Beer

FOR the purpose of establishing a refillable container permit for draft beer in Worcester County; authorizing the Worcester County Board of License Commissioners to issue a refillable container permit for draft beer to certain holders of certain licenses under certain circumstances and conditions; specifying that a refillable container permit authorizes a holder to sell draft beer for off-premises consumption in a certain refillable container under certain circumstances and conditions; specifying the term, hours for sale, and advertising, posting of notice, and public hearing requirements associated with a refillable container permit; requiring an applicant for a refillable container permit to take certain actions before the Board may issue a refillable container permit to an applicant; requiring that certain receipts collected be included in certain calculations of average daily receipts; defining a certain term; and generally relating to refillable container permits for draft beer in Worcester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 8–224.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 21–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 131 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County – Recycling at Special Events – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of exempting Worcester County from a requirement to revise its recycling plan by a certain date to address recycling at special events; exempting Worcester

County from certain requirements regarding recycling at special events; and generally relating to recycling at special events in Worcester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1703(a) and (b)(14)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1703(g) and 9–1712
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Environment
Section 9–1703(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 132 – Senator Mathias (Chair, Joint Committee on the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Areas)

AN ACT concerning

**Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays
– Membership From Ocean City**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor of Ocean City to appoint a designee of the Mayor as a member of the Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1803(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–1804(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 133 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County – Tax Exemption for Manufacturing Property – Duration

FOR the purpose of repealing the limitation on the maximum duration that certain tax exemptions for certain manufacturing property in Somerset County may be granted; and generally relating to a tax exemption for certain manufacturing property in Somerset County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Somerset County
Section 11–101
Article 20 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2015 Edition)

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

Senate Bill 134 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County – Sheriff – Salary

FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the Sheriff of Somerset County; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the salary of the Sheriff of Somerset County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–309(u)(1)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 135 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County – Commissioners – Salary and Expense Reimbursements

FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the County Commissioners of Somerset County; altering the limit on reimbursements that each Commissioner may receive for certain expenses; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the salary and expense reimbursement for the County Commissioners of Somerset County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Somerset County
Section 2–101
Article 20 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2015 Edition)

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

Senate Bill 136 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County – State’s Attorney – Salary

FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the State’s Attorney of Somerset County; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the salary of the State’s Attorney of Somerset County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 15–420
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 137 – 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; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 138 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Dorchester County – Dorchester County Family
YMCA**

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 Dorchester County Family YMCA, 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 139 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Talbot County – Phillips Wharf Aquaculture Jobs
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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 140 – 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 141 – Anne Arundel County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Special Taxing Districts – Water or Wastewater Services

FOR the purpose of authorizing Anne Arundel County to establish, modify, or abolish special taxing districts for the purpose of providing or expanding water or wastewater services; and generally relating to special taxing districts in Anne Arundel County.

BY adding to

Article – Local Government
Section 21–803.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 142 – Anne Arundel County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Tax Sale Advertising

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that a certain notice of tax sale of property in Anne Arundel County be published in two newspapers published in the county; requiring a certain notice of tax sale of property in Anne Arundel County to be published on the county's Web site; and generally relating to notices of tax sale of property in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property

Section 14–813(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–813(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 143 – Anne Arundel County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax – Interest on Refunds

FOR the purpose of altering the rate of interest at which certain money is required to be refunded to a certain taxpayer on a final determination of a certain appeal; and generally relating to the rate of interest for certain property tax refunds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–611
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 144 – Anne Arundel County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – School Board Nominating Commission – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the School Board Nominating Commission of Anne Arundel County to provide that, beginning on a certain date and every certain number of years thereafter, one member shall be appointed by certain chambers of commerce on a rotating basis in a specified order; altering the term of the member appointed by a chamber of commerce; providing for the termination of the term of a certain member of the Commission; and generally relating to the membership of the School Board Nominating Commission of Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–110(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 145 – Senators Mathias and Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County Board of Education – Election and Appointment of Members

FOR the purpose of requiring that, beginning with a certain election, certain members of the Wicomico County Board of Education be elected by districts and certain members be elected at large; providing that, alternatively, beginning with a certain election, certain members of the Wicomico County Board of Education be elected by districts and certain members be appointed; establishing the composition of the county board; providing for the qualifications, terms of office, and filling of a vacancy of certain members of the county board; establishing certain removal, hearing, and appeal procedures for certain members of the county board; establishing a Wicomico County School Board Nominating Commission to select nominees to be recommended to the Wicomico County Council to fill certain appointments or vacancies on the county board; providing for the membership and duties of the Commission; repealing certain provisions concerning the appointment by the Governor of the members of the Wicomico County Board of Education; providing for the termination of the terms of certain members of the county board; submitting this Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of Wicomico County for their adoption or rejection of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the election and appointment of the members of 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 3–13A–01 through 3–13A–06 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 13A.
Wicomico County”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 146 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – State’s Attorney – Salary

FOR the purpose of altering the annual salary of the State’s Attorney of Harford County to be equal to the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland; repealing a certain salary adjustment method; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the State’s Attorney of Harford County while serving in a certain term of office; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the salary of the State’s Attorney of Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 15–413(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 15–413(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 147 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 148 – 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 and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 149 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Law – Citations for Violations

FOR the purpose of adding certain offenses to the list of offenses for which a law enforcement officer authorized to make arrests is required to issue a citation to a child under certain circumstances; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to juvenile law.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–01(f), 3–8A–10(k), and 3–8A–19(e)(1)(i) and (2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–01(dd) and 3–8A–33
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 150 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Gladden, Kasemeyer, King, Madaleno, Manno, Pugh, Ramirez, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Prohibition Against Testimony by Convicted Perjurer – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain prohibition on a person convicted of perjury from testifying in a proceeding; and generally relating to testimony by a convicted perjurer.

BY repealing
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 9–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 151 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Elections for Judges of the Orphans’ Court – Procedures

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law govern the nomination and election of judges of the orphans’ court in Baltimore County; authorizing a candidate for judge of the orphans’ court in Baltimore County to file and appear on certain

primary election ballots; requiring that certain candidates appear on the general election ballot; prohibiting the political affiliation of certain candidates from being included on the general election ballot; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the procedures for the election of judges of the orphans' court in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5–301(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 8–901 through 8–903 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9. Election of Judges of the Orphans’ Court in Baltimore County”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 152 – Senator Salling

AN ACT concerning

Driving Records – Expungement – Refusal to Submit to Chemical Test for Intoxication

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to expunge a certain driving record solely with respect to a licensee’s refusal to submit to a chemical test for intoxication under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the expungement of driving records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–117.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 153 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 154 – 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 155 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Public Bodies – Use and Retention of E-Mail – Requirements

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an employee of a public body from creating or maintaining government e-mail by using a personal e-mail account; requiring an employee of a public body, under certain circumstances, to forward government e-mail to the official e-mail account of the employee within a certain time period; requiring each public body to retain government e-mail for a certain minimum number of years or, under certain circumstances, permanently; requiring the State Archivist to adopt certain regulations; providing for the construction of a certain provision of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the use and retention of e-mail by public bodies.

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions

Section 4.5–101 through 4.5–103 to be under the new title “Title 4.5. E-Mail Use and Retention”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 156 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Participation in Court Proceedings – Retaliation

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from retaliating against a juror or an officer of the court for the performance of official duties in a court of the State or the United States; prohibiting a person from soliciting another to retaliate against a juror or an officer of the court for the performance of official duties in a court of the State or the United States; applying certain penalties for an offense under this Act; and generally relating to retaliation for participation in court proceedings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 9–303

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 157 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Life Without Parole – Repeal of Sentencing Proceeding

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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–304 and 2–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 158 – 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law
Section 6–101(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 159 – Senator Cassilly

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 160 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 161 – Senators Hough, Raskin, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Seizure and Forfeiture

FOR the purpose of authorizing the forfeiture of certain property under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain law enforcement agency or prosecuting authority from directly or indirectly transferring or referring seized property to a federal government agency or law enforcement authority for forfeiture under federal law unless certain conditions are met; authorizing a certain defendant or third party to file a motion for replevin in a certain criminal case at a certain time if the defendant or third party claims that he or she has the right to possession of certain property; requiring a motion for replevin under this Act to be in writing and state in detail the grounds on which it is based; requiring a claimant to notify the State's Attorney in writing of the filing of a motion for replevin under this Act; authorizing the State's Attorney to file a response to a motion for replevin at a certain time; requiring the court to hold a hearing on a motion for replevin at a certain time under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to dismiss a motion for replevin without a hearing under certain circumstances; requiring the court to grant a motion for replevin under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to order the return of funds or property sufficient to obtain legal counsel but less than the total amount seized; authorizing the court to take certain actions in lieu of ordering issuance of the writ of replevin; 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 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; making a conforming change; defining certain terms; and generally relating to seizure and forfeiture.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 12–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 12–103 and 12–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 12–203.1; and 13–601 and 13–602 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6.
Reporting”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 162 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Gas Companies – Infrastructure Replacement Projects – Amendment to a Plan

FOR the purpose of altering the number of days during which the Public Service Commission is required to take a certain final action after a gas company files an amendment to an approved plan to invest in eligible infrastructure replacement projects; and generally relating to infrastructure replacement projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 4–210(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

January 14, 2016

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 the following appointment made during the 2015 Recess of the General Assembly:

Handgun Permit Review Board
Courtney M. White
3303 Bateman Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21216
Baltimore City, Legislative District 41
For a term of 3 years from March 27, 2014

I am confident you will find this individual to be well qualified for her respective office and deserving of your support for appointment confirmation.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

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

PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

623725/1

BY: Senator Simonaire

AMENDMENT TO SENATE RULE 17

ORDERED by the Senate of Maryland, that Senate Rule 17, as adopted by the Senate for the 2016 Session be, and it is hereby readopted to add subsection (f), to read as follows:

“17.

(F) THE PRESIDENT MAY NOT PROHIBIT A MEMBER FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE COMMITTEE VOTE ON ANY BILL OR RESOLUTION BEING CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE TO WHICH THE MEMBER WAS APPOINTED UNDER THIS RULE, UNLESS THE DECISION IS SUPPORTED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF AT LEAST TWO–THIRDS OF THE MEMBERS ELECTED TO THE SENATE.”

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

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BY: Senator Simonaire

AMENDMENT TO SENATE RULE 96

ORDERED by the Senate of Maryland, that Senate Rule 96(h), as adopted by the Senate for the 2016 Session be, and it is hereby, repealed and readopted, with amendments, to read as follows:

“96.

(h) A Member may not operate the voting mechanism belonging to any other member, **UNLESS SPECIFICALLY DIRECTED BY THE OTHER MEMBER IF THE OTHER MEMBER IS PRESENT ON THE SENATE FLOOR AT THE TIME THE VOTE IS TAKEN.** The Senate may punish any Member for operating the voting mechanism belonging to any other Member **IN A MANNER NOT AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS RULE.”**

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

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 19)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:36 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, January 18, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, January 18, 2016
8:00 P.M. Session

The Senate met at 8:01 P.M.

Prayer by Pastor M. Moses Andrade, Silver Spring Seventh Day Adventist, guest of Senator Raskin and Senator Rosapepe.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 15, 2016 was read and approved.

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

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 30)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 163 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, and Salling

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 164 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Motorcycles – Restrictions on Child Passengers

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person under a certain age from riding on a motorcycle; prohibiting a person who is a certain age from riding on a motorcycle unless the person's feet reach and rest on the footrests on the motorcycle; and generally relating to child passengers on motorcycles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 21–1302

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 21–1305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 165 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Berean Child Care Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$160,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Berean Baptist Church of Baltimore City, 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 166 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Land Use Actions – Legislative Bodies – Judicial Review

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain persons to file a request for judicial review of a land use action of a legislative body by a circuit court; specifying certain persons that have standing to bring and maintain a certain action in a circuit court to allow judicial review of a land use action of a legislative body; applying a certain provision of law to a charter county and to Baltimore City; and generally relating to judicial review of land use actions of legislative bodies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 1–401, 4–406, and 10–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 167 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Notaries Public – Online Application System

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual to apply for an original appointment as a notary public and to renew an existing notary public commission through an online notary public application system; authorizing the Secretary of State to establish and operate an online notary public application system that allows an individual to apply for an original appointment as a notary public and to renew an existing notary public commission; requiring that certain information be included on an online notary public application; requiring an individual who applies for an original appointment or to renew an existing commission through the online notary public application system to provide certain information and make a certain affirmation; requiring the Secretary to verify that certain information provided by an applicant is consistent with information on the individual's driver's license or identification card and to take certain additional measures; authorizing the Secretary to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to online notary public applications.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 18–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 18–103.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 168 – 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
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 169 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Local Vote-by-Mail Special Elections – Start of Canvassing

FOR the purpose of authorizing a local board of elections, under certain circumstances, to commence the canvass of vote-by-mail ballots at a certain time; and generally relating to the canvassing of vote-by-mail ballots.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law
Section 9–501(b) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law
Section 11–302(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 170 – Senators Kagan and Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Voter Registration – Affiliation With Political Party and Participation in Primary Election, Caucus, or Convention

FOR the purpose of requiring certain voter registration applications used in the State to include a certain statement concerning registration with a political party and the effect of the failure of the voter to affiliate with a political party on the voter's right to participate in primary elections, caucuses, or conventions for a political party;

providing that certain voter registration applications may continue to be used after the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to voter registration applications.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–203 and 3–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 171 – Senators Kelley, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Jennings, Kasemeyer, Manno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, Salling, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Guardianship of a Minor or Disabled Person – Criminal History Records Check

FOR the purpose of requiring a court to apply to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for a State and national criminal history records check for a certain prospective guardian before appointing a guardian of the person of a minor or disabled person; requiring a court to submit certain materials and fees to the Central Repository as part of an application for a criminal history records check; requiring the Central Repository to forward a printed statement of a prospective guardian’s criminal history record information to the prospective guardian and the court, in accordance with certain laws; authorizing the subject of a criminal history records check to contest certain information in a certain manner; providing that information obtained from the Central Repository under this Act is confidential, may not be disseminated, and may be used only for certain purposes; providing that a criminal history records check is not required under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the guardianship of a minor or disabled person.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 11–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 172 – Senators Miller and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – St. Mary’s County – Historic St. Mary’s City
Commission – Dove Pier**

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 Executive Committee of the Historic St. Mary’s City Commission 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 173 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

**Local Government – Clean Energy Loan Programs – Commercial Property
Owners – Renewable Energy Projects**

FOR the purpose of removing the limitation that renewable energy projects by commercial property owners financed through a certain clean energy loan program have an electric generating capacity of not more than a certain number of kilowatts; and generally relating to financing renewable energy projects on commercial property through clean energy loan programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Local Government
Section 1–1101 and 1–1102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government
Section 1–1103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 174 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation Commission – Location of Hearings – Claims Filed by Employees of Governmental Agencies

FOR the purpose of requiring the Workers' Compensation Commission, under certain circumstances, to conduct a hearing on a claim filed by an employee of a governmental agency be held at a certain regional hearing location; authorizing the Commission to conduct the hearing at an alternative hearing location listed in a certain provision of law under certain circumstances; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the location of hearings on workers' compensation claims filed by employees of governmental agencies.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–724(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–724(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 175 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Disposition of Fees

FOR the purpose of requiring the Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners to remit a certain administrative fee to the Office of the Comptroller instead of using the fee to cover certain expenses; requiring the Board to remit to the Office of the Comptroller, rather than to Anne Arundel County, all fees that the Board collects; requiring the Office of the Comptroller, rather than the county, to pay from certain receipts certain salaries and expenses and to remit the balance to the county for certain purposes; and generally relating to the disposition of fees related to alcoholic beverages licenses in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 10–104(c)(1) and 10–204(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 10–204(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 176 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Firearms – License Fees

FOR the purpose of altering the application fee for a certain handgun qualification license; altering the application fee for the renewal of a certain handgun qualification license; and generally relating to firearms.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1(g) and (j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 177 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, and Klausmeier

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 178 – Senators Lee, Benson, King, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Extortion – Immigration Status

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from committing a certain act of extortion by wrongful use of actual or threatened notification of law enforcement officials about another person’s undocumented or illegal immigration status; and generally relating to extortion.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–701

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 179 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Middleton, Miller, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Salling, 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 180 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Arundel Volunteer Fire Department 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 the Arundel Volunteer Fire Department, 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 181 – Senators Manno, Astle, Bates, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Muse, Nathan-Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

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 Economic Competitiveness and Commerce 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 Economic Competitiveness and Commerce 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 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–103.2 and 9–110
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(cc) and 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 182 – Senators Mathias, Benson, Conway, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Rental Dwelling Units – Carbon Monoxide Alarms

FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements relating to carbon monoxide alarms as the requirements apply to certain rental dwelling units; requiring certain rental dwelling units, on or after a certain date, to have a certain carbon monoxide alarm installed in a certain manner, subject to a certain exception; defining a certain term; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to carbon monoxide alarms.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 6–801(a) and (t)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 183 – Senators Brochin, Muse, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

School Vehicles – Seat Belts – Requirements

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain persons from allowing pupils to stand in a school vehicle while the school vehicle is in motion; requiring certain school vehicles in the State to be equipped with certain seat belts; prohibiting a person from operating a certain school vehicle unless the person and each occupant under a certain age are restrained by a seat belt; providing for the application of certain requirements relating to seat belts on school vehicles; altering certain definitions; making certain stylistic and conforming changes; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the use of seat belts in school vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 11–153, 11–154, 11–173, and 11–174
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–113(d–1), 21–1118, 22–412, 22–412.1, and 22–412.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Martin Luther King Speech Given by Senator Lisa Gladden

Today I want to talk a little bit about Martin Luther King. I want to talk about what he means to me and perhaps what he means to you. I was born in 1964 and Dr. King was clearly alive and well, changing the world making it better, not just for me not just for my family but also for yours. And so today I want to talk about one thing. That is if you talk about how the world has changed. Is it 1865 or 1965 to 2015 or 16 what difference has it

made? I'll ask it again.... from 1965 to 2015/16 what difference does it make? I know that our world has changed so much in the time that Dr. Martin Luther King was around. I kept thinking, what do you say to someone about Dr. King? I was asking people for the last couple of days, "What does Dr. King mean to you?" Now if you ask the young people they have one answer. You ask the older people they have a different answer.

But I know that the changes of Dr. King's work have not only affected our lives today but our lives in the future. So when you talk to the young people they give you the future answer and you talk to the old people you get past answers. I'm going to ask to at least think about what it is that Martin Luther King did for you. Dr. King made our lives not just better but richer. He made our lives richer so I start with my own birth year of 1964 and I ask the question "Well what happened then?" I was born in '64 so I ask the question, "What happened in '64 to black people? There were no bad signs. There were no Klan members. There was nothing that said to me (my parents protected us) you are not any better than the person next to you. You are not worse than the person next to you. I could not have done that if it were not for Martin Luther King. I am equal and I am even because of Dr. King.

So, in 1964, when the question was asked, "Well could you eat at a restaurant?" Could you do this? Could you do that? Well I don't know because they (parents) protected us. I know that for me and for mine it mattered little because Dr. Martin Luther King stepped up and spoke out for us. So I'm going to ask you this question. What has Dr. King done for you? And what will you do for him? What is it that we can do to encourage the legacy of Dr. King today? I ask the question. As I look at it, in 1964, how many black people sat on the Senate floor? How many women sat on the Senate floor? None.

Although women and perhaps minority groups couldn't do a whole lot in '64 the real question is "What can we do now in 2016?" There is a whole lot that we can do and we should do. That's why I'm asking you today to remember Dr. King with at least one simple statement. I will continue the dream. I will continue the dream because I look at the Senate members today. I see Senator McFadden from Baltimore City. He is the President Pro Tem. Pro Tem is the Latin word for pro tempore. That is President "at that time". That is Senator McFadden. When you look across the front of the Senate chamber you see four seats and those are the four chairmen of the Standing Committees. Of course one seat is occupied by not just a black woman but a black woman from Baltimore. I look at the Senate and I say to myself we have come a long way because of Martin Luther King. I am so proud to be part of the experience that is the Senate of Maryland. Dr. King made the Senate of Maryland not just better for me but he made the Senate of Maryland better for you and for everyone else. I look at all of the people who are here. Could you have been here in '64: keeping in mind that Senators had to own property in '64 in order to come here. This is the upper chamber. Does it mean that you couldn't have been here? Perhaps you couldn't.

And so today I think about Martin Luther King and I say to myself, he made our lives better. He made our lives better for our children and our grandchildren. I say thank you to Dr. King because he changed our lives and he changed the lives of all of those who come after us. So with that I say thank you and I say goodnight.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 31)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:28 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 19, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, January 19, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:23 A.M.

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

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 18, 2016 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 33)

In Recognition of Senator Karen Montgomery's Retirement
Remarks by President Miller and Senator Montgomery

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #1

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

**Senate Bill 75 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –
Maryland Insurance Administration)**

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Public Adjusters – Licensing

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

**Senate Bill 87 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Mortgage Loan Originators – State Criminal History Records Check
Requirement – Repeal**

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. 34)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:46 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 in honor of Senator Karen Montgomery.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 20, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:10 A.M.

Prayer by Father Jerry Francik, St. Mark's Church, guest of Senator Jennings.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 19, 2016 was read and approved.

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

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 36)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 184 – Senators Norman, Klausmeier, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Permit to Carry, Wear, or Transport a Handgun – Qualifications

FOR the purpose of clarifying that personal protection 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety

Section 5–306(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 185 – Senators Kelley, Kasemeyer, Madaleno, McFadden, Rosapepe,
and Waugh**

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Filing of Withholding Statements and Payment of Refund Claims

FOR the purpose of altering the date by which certain payors of amounts subject to income tax withholding are required to provide the Comptroller a copy of a certain statement; prohibiting the Comptroller from paying a certain claim for refund of income tax before a certain date except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the filing of certain statements of withholding and the payment of certain income tax refund claims.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–911(b) and 13–905
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 186 – Senators Klausmeier, Feldman, King, Lee, Manno, Norman, and
Ramirez**

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 187 – Senators Lee, Benson, Kelley, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Victim’s Right to Restitution – Appeal

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain victim to file an application for leave to appeal to the Court of Special Appeals from an interlocutory order or appeal to the Court of Special Appeals from a final order that denies or fails to consider the victim’s right to restitution after the filing of a certain motion requesting relief under a certain provision of law; and generally relating to victims’ rights.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 188 – Anne Arundel County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Oyster Shell Recycling – Credit Amount

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum amount of the credit that an individual or corporation may claim against the State income tax for the recycling of oyster shells; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for the recycling of oyster shells.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–724.1(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–724.1(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 189 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Conway, Currie, Guzzone, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Juveniles – Restraint and Searches – Limitations

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the use of mechanical restraints by the Department of Juvenile Services on a child in the Department’s custody except under certain circumstances; prohibiting the use of physical restraint by the Department on certain pregnant children and during labor, delivery, or postpartum recovery except under certain circumstances; prohibiting the strip search of a child under certain circumstances; limiting certain instrumental searches of a child except under certain circumstances; authorizing a facility superintendent or the superintendent’s superior to allow the use of mechanical restraints on a child under certain circumstances; authorizing a facility superintendent or the superintendent’s superior to allow the use of physical restraint on certain pregnant children and during labor, delivery, or postpartum recovery under certain circumstances; allowing certain mechanical restraints to be used on a child; limiting the length of time the Department may use certain mechanical restraints on a child; and generally relating to the restraint and searches of a juvenile.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 9–227 and 9–237(c)(9) and (10)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 9–237(a), (b), and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Human Services
Section 9–237(c)(11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 190 – The President and the Speaker (By Request – Administration)**Budget Bill****(Fiscal Year 2017)**

AN ACT for the purpose of 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; 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 191 – The President (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2016,
and the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011,
2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of One Billion, Two Million, Three Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,002,385,000), 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; authorizing the creation of State Debt in certain years to be used for certain purposes; imposing a certain tax on all assessable property in the State; requiring that certain grantees convey certain easements under certain circumstances to the Maryland Historical Trust; providing that the proceeds of certain loans must be expended or encumbered by a certain date; authorizing the Board of Public Works, under certain circumstances, to approve certain appropriations, notwithstanding certain technical differences; 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 488 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007
Section 1(3) Item DB01(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 488 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, as amended by 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, 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 488 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, as amended by Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009 and Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011
Section 1(3) Item RM00(B)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008
Section 1(3) Item RM00(C), RQ00(C), ZA01(AH) and (BL), ZA02(AW), and ZA03(I)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008, as amended by Chapter 707 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009
Section 1(3) Item ZA01(BQ)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 336 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008, as amended by Chapter 372 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2010
Section 1(3) Item ZA01(AF) and ZA02(AC)

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 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, Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014, and Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(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, Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014, and Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015

Section 1(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 and Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015

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 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

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

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 485 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015

Section 1(3) Item ML01(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, Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014, and Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015

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 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, and Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014

Section 12(3) Item RB23(B)

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, Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, and Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015

Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 396 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter
495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(3) Item RB31(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012
Section 1(3) Item DE02.01(B) and RB31(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, 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 MM06(D)

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 and Chapter 495 of the Acts
of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(1) and (3) Item DE02.01(D)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 444 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012, as amended by Chapter
495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(3) Item PA13.01(A)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 1(3) Item DE02.01(B)

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 and Chapter 495 of the Acts
of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(1)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 424 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, as amended by Chapter
495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(3) Item RM00(B)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 1(3) Item DE02.01(C) and ZA01(E)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 463 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014, as amended by Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(1) and (3) Item VE01(C)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(1) and (3) Item SA25(A) and (D) and ZA00(H) and (P)

BY repealing
Chapter 495 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 12, 13, and 14

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

Senate Bill 192 – Senators Waugh and Peters

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Military Compensation

FOR the purpose of altering a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain military compensation to repeal a requirement that the compensation be attributable to military service of the individual outside the United States; repealing a certain limitation on the amount of the subtraction modification; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the taxation of certain military compensation.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(p)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 193 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Victim Demographics – Reporting

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Victim Services to include in its annual written report to the Governor demographics for crime victims in the State; requiring the Board to collect certain information about crime victims from each county; and generally relating to reporting of crime victim demographics.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–914
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 194 – Senator Ready

AN ACT concerning

Ethics Commission, Commission on Judicial Disabilities, Judicial Ethics Committee, and Joint Ethics Committee – Duties

FOR the purpose of providing that the Judicial Ethics Committee as an alternative to the Commission on Judicial Disabilities or another body designated by a certain court, 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, the Commission on Judicial Disabilities, the Judicial Ethics Committee, and the Joint Ethics Committee.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–104 and 5–819
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 195 – Senators Ready and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – State’s Attorney’s Office and Child Support Enforcement Administration – Transfer of Personnel

FOR the purpose of transferring the functions, powers, and duties of the Child Support Unit of the Office of the State’s Attorney for Carroll County to the Child Support Enforcement Administration of the Department of Human Resources; requiring that certain employees be transferred in accordance with certain provisions of law that

provide for inclusion in the State Personnel Management System, seniority, compensation, annual leave accrual, transfer of certain pension contributions, and other personnel matters for employees transferring to the Child Support Enforcement Administration; requiring Carroll County to pay certain personnel certain compensation as of a certain date; requiring the creation of certain Position Identification Numbers for certain transferred employees; providing for the determination of salary grade and seniority for transferred employees; prohibiting the assignment of a transferred employee to a certain office for a certain period of time unless the employee agrees to the assignment; and generally relating to the transfer of certain personnel to the Child Support Enforcement Administration of the Department of Human Resources.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 10–117
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 196 – Senators Ready, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Norman, Salling, Serafini, 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 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 22–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 197 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Conway, Ferguson, Kelley, McFadden, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Community Empowerment and Wellness Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Bethel Outreach 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; 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 198 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Lee, McFadden, Muse, Pugh, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Neonicotinoid Pesticides – Labeling, Signage, and Restrictions on Sales and Use (Pollinator Protection Act of 2016)

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from selling at retail 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, or are in close proximity to a sign that displays in a certain manner, a certain statement; prohibiting a person from selling at retail 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; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to neonicotinoid pesticides.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 5–201(a), (c), and (r)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 5–2A–01 and 5–2A–02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2A.
Neonicotinoid Pesticides”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 199 – Senators Brochin, Muse, Pinsky, Pugh, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Transit and Transportation Service – 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 or by a county or municipality to provide transportation service to comply with certain requirements and to be activated only under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration and a county or municipality 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 or transportation service; requiring the Administration and a county or municipality to keep a certain log; requiring the Administration, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, to adopt certain regulations; requiring a county or municipality, in consultation with the Administration and 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 or by a county or municipality to provide transportation service.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 7–101(a), (l), and (n)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 7–705.1 and 7–802

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 200 – Senator Conway (Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee)

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Environmental Health Specialists – Regulation

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions of law that establish the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists, specify the membership, powers, and duties of the Board, and provide for the officers, meetings, compensation, and staff for the Board; repealing the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists Fund; repealing the requirement that an individual be licensed by the Board to practice as an environmental health specialist in the State; repealing provisions of law relating to the licensure of environmental health specialists; repealing certain prohibited acts and penalties; repealing a certain short title; repealing a certain termination provision; requiring an individual to obtain and maintain a certain credential and submit certain documentation to the individual's employer to practice as an environmental health specialist in the State; requiring the employer of an individual practicing as an environmental health specialist to verify the individual's compliance with certain provisions of this Act on a certain basis; providing exemptions from the application of certain provisions of this Act; authorizing certain individuals to practice as an environmental health specialist in the State under certain circumstances and for a certain period of time; repealing the requirement that the Department of Legislative Services conduct a certain evaluation of the Board; providing that an individual who is licensed by the Board on a certain date is considered to be licensed and deemed eligible to practice as an environmental health specialist for the duration of the term of the license; requiring that any balance in the Fund on a certain date be transferred to the General Fund; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, on or before a certain date, to work with the National Environmental Health Association to secure a certain agreement; requiring the agreement to specify certain matters; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to notify certain legislative committees and the Department of Legislative Services about the details of the agreement at a certain time; requiring the publishers of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to make certain corrections in a certain manner; repealing certain definitions; defining certain terms; altering a certain definition; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the regulation of environmental health specialists.

BY repealing
Article – Health Occupations

Section 21–102 and the subtitle “Subtitle 1. General Provisions”; 21–201 through 21–207 and the subtitle “Subtitle 2. State Board of Environmental Health Specialists”; 21–301 through 21–315 and the subtitle “Subtitle 3. Licensing”; 21–401 and 21–402 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4. Prohibited Acts; Penalties”; and 21–501 and 21–502 and the subtitle “Subtitle 5. Short Title; Termination of Title”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 21–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 21–102 through 21–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
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BY repealing
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(20)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY renumbering
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(21) through (57), respectively
to be Section 8–403(b)(20) through (56), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 201 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Paint Stewardship Program

FOR the purpose of requiring certain producers of architectural paint sold at retail in the State or a certain representative organization to submit a plan for the establishment of a Paint Stewardship Program to the Department of the Environment for approval, on or before a certain date, and in accordance with certain requirements; requiring

a certain plan to establish a certain assessment; prohibiting a certain assessment from exceeding certain costs; requiring certain assessments to be used for a certain purpose; requiring the Office of Recycling within the Department to review and approve certain plans, including a certain assessment, submitted in accordance with the Paint Stewardship Program; requiring a producer or representative organization to pay a plan review fee, as determined by the Department; requiring certain fees to be deposited in the State Recycling Trust Fund; authorizing the State Recycling Trust Fund to be used to cover certain costs; requiring the Department to approve a certain plan under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to list certain producers and brands on its Web site under certain circumstances; requiring certain producers and retailers or distributors to add a certain assessment to the cost of all architectural paint sold in the State beginning on a certain date; requiring a certain producer or representative organization to implement a certain program on or before a certain date; prohibiting a producer or retailer from selling or offering for sale certain architectural paint under certain circumstances beginning on a certain date; requiring a certain producer or representative organization to provide consumers with certain educational materials in accordance with certain requirements; providing that certain retailers are in compliance with certain requirements under certain circumstances; providing that a certain producer or representative organization is immune from certain liability under certain circumstances; requiring a certain producer or representative organization to submit a certain report to the Department in accordance with certain requirements, on or before a certain date, and with a certain frequency thereafter; requiring the Department to keep certain data confidential; authorizing the Department to release certain summary data under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Paint Stewardship Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1701, 9–1702, and 9–1707(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Environment
Section 9–1733 to be under the new part “Part V. Paint Stewardship Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 202 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Highway Work Permittees – Notice of Sidewalk Closure

FOR the purpose of requiring a person that obtains a certain permit from the State Highway Administration that authorizes a sidewalk to be closed or that does the work under the permit to post a notice at the work site providing certain information under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the closure of sidewalks due to highway-related construction or maintenance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–646
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 203 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Limekilns and Log House Stabilization Project at Cromwell Valley 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 Board of Directors of the Cromwell Valley Park Council, 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 204 – Senators Middleton, Benson, Feldman, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Electronic Smoking Devices – E-Liquid Containers – Child-Resistant Packaging

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a retailer from distributing to a consumer certain e-liquid containers unless the container is distributed in child-resistant packaging; establishing certain civil penalties for a violation of this Act; providing that a sworn law enforcement officer, county health officer, or designee of a county health officer may issue a certain civil citation for a violation of this Act; establishing requirements

for processing a certain citation; providing for a certain election to stand trial; requiring the District Court to take certain actions after receiving a certain citation and notice; requiring the District Court to remit certain collected penalties in a certain manner; defining certain terms; and generally relating to electronic smoking devices and child-resistant packaging for e-liquid containers.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24-305.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 205 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Good Shepherd School

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 Good Shepherd Services 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 206 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

Security Systems Technicians and Agencies – Fees and Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the application fee for a license to engage in the business of providing security systems services; requiring a certain applicant to pay certain fees relating to a criminal history records check; altering the amount of a certain processing fee for a certain applicant for a certain license; altering the amount of a certain license renewal fee and a certain processing fee for a certain applicant for renewal; altering the amount of a certain registration application fee; altering the amount of a certain processing fee for a certain applicant for a certain registration; altering the amount of a certain registration renewal fee and a certain registration renewal processing fee; continuing the authority of the Secretary of

State Police to license and regulate security systems agencies in the State and register security systems technicians and certain other individuals in accordance with the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (Sunset Law) by extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulation authority of the Secretary; requiring that a preliminary evaluation of the program to license and regulate security systems technicians and agencies and the statutes and regulations that relate to the program be conducted in a certain year; and generally relating to security systems technicians and agencies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 18–303, 18–307, 18–3A–03, 18–3A–07, and 18–701
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(52)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 207 – Senator Miller

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Community Support Systems Food Pantry

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$10,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Support Systems, 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 208 – Senators Hough, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings,
Norman, Ready, Reilly, Serafini, and Waugh**

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Renewal of Handgun Permits – Fingerprinting

FOR the purpose of specifying that a person who applies for the renewal of a handgun permit is not required to be fingerprinted except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to handgun permits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–301(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–309(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–309(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 193 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Victim Demographics – Reporting

Reassigned to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

SPECIAL ORDERS NO. 1

RULE 116 CHANGE IN RULES 01/13/16 Made a Special Order for 01/20/16.

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.

QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF RULE 116.

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

Senator Klausmeier moved to make Rule 116 a Special Order until January 25, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 37)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:25 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 9:30 A.M. on Thursday, January 21, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 21, 2016
9:30 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 9:39 A.M.

Prayer by Monsignor Mike Wilson, Our Lady of the Sea Catholic Church, guest of Senator Waugh.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

The Journal of January 20, 2016 was read and approved.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 40)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 209 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Jennings, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Law – Adjudication of Delinquency – Collateral Consequences

FOR the purpose of requiring that, before a child admits to the commission of a delinquent act, the child’s counsel inform the child in a certain manner of certain collateral consequences that may result from an adjudication of delinquency; and generally relating to juvenile law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–18
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 210 – Senators King, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Intercounty Connector – Public School Bus – Exemption From Toll

FOR the purpose of exempting a school bus used to transport public school students from any toll, fee, or other charge for the use of the Intercounty Connector; defining certain terms; and generally relating to an exemption from tolls for public school buses using the Intercounty Connector.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 1–101(k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 4–312(a)(2) and 4–321(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 4–312(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 11–153, 11–154, and 11–173
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 211 – Senators King, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Madaleno, Manno, Middleton, Peters, and Young

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 Economic Competitiveness and Commerce 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–721(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 212 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Large Employers – Disclosure of Aggregate Incurred Claims

FOR the purpose of requiring a health insurance carrier to disclose certain aggregate incurred claims to a large employer under certain circumstances; requiring the disclosure to be made at certain times and in a certain format; defining certain terms; and generally relating to disclosure of aggregate incurred claims to a large employer by a carrier.

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 15–1411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 213 – Senators DeGrange, Edwards, Guzzone, Klausmeier, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

State Police – Speed Camera Revenue – Enforcement Activities

FOR the purpose of altering a requirement that the Department of State Police use the balance of money in a certain special fund containing revenue from civil fines collected through use of a work zone speed control system for certain purposes to require that the balance be used to fund enforcement activities rather than roadside enforcement activities; and generally relating to the use of a certain special fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 12–118(c)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 12–118(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 214 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–306(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 215 – Senators Norman, Hough, Klausmeier, Muse, Ramirez, Ready, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement – Nolle Prosequi

FOR the purpose of repealing the prohibition on the filing of a petition for expungement based on a nolle prosequi within a certain time period after the disposition unless the petitioner files with the petition a certain waiver and release; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 216 – Senators Lee, Cassilly, and Norman

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Solicitation to Commit Murder or Arson – Statute of Limitations

FOR the purpose of providing that the statute of limitations for the crime of solicitation to commit murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, arson in the first degree, or arson in the second degree 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 217 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physicians – Distribution of Fees by Comptroller – Loan Assistance Repayment for Physicians and Physician Assistants

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which the Comptroller is required to distribute fees received from the State Board of Physicians to the Office of Student Financial Assistance to be used to make grants under the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Physicians and Physician Assistants; repealing certain provisions of law that require the Comptroller to distribute certain fees to the Health Personnel Shortage Incentive Grant Program under certain circumstances; repealing an obsolete provision of law; and generally relating to the distribution of fees received from the State Board of Physicians by the Comptroller.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–207 and 15–206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 218 – Senators Conway, McFadden, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education – University System of Maryland and Morgan State
University – Prohibition Against Inclusion**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the inclusion of Morgan State University within the University System of Maryland; and generally relating to the University System of Maryland and Morgan State University.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 12–101.1 and 14–101.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 219 – Senators Ready, Bates, and Hough

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Turkey Hunting on Private Property – Sundays

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to hunt turkey on private property on certain Sundays in Carroll County; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to turkey hunting on Sundays in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 220 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Alcoholic Beverages – Rate Reduction

FOR the purpose of altering the rate of the sales and use tax applied to certain sales of alcoholic beverages; and generally relating to the Maryland sales and use tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–104(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 221 – Senators Kagan and King

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Olde Towne Park Plaza

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 Mayor and City Council of the City of Gaithersburg 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 – Senators Kagan, Feldman, Kelley, Lee, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Maryland State Song – Repeal and Replace – State Song Selection Panel

FOR the purpose of repealing the State song; establishing the State Song Selection Panel; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Panel; prohibiting a member of the Panel from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Panel to develop a plan for and conduct a certain State song competition, including an online voting platform, and to carry out certain tasks relating to the competition; authorizing the Panel to solicit certain private contributions for a certain prize fund; requiring the Panel to report the winner of the State song competition to the Governor and the General Assembly and to recommend certain legislation on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the State song.

BY repealing

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–318
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 223 – Senators Lee, Benson, Feldman, Kagan, Kelley, King, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Ramirez, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Human Relations – Discrimination by a Place of Public Accommodation – Enforcement and Remedies

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain persons or the Commission on Civil Rights to elect to have the claims asserted in a certain complaint alleging discrimination by a place of public accommodation determined in a civil action brought by the Commission under certain circumstances; requiring a civil action brought by the Commission to be filed within a certain time period after an election; expanding the remedies available for discrimination by a place of public accommodation; clarifying the remedies available for an unlawful employment practice; repealing a prohibition

against issuing certain orders affecting the cost, level, or type of any transportation services; authorizing a complainant alleging discrimination by a place of public accommodation to bring a civil action under certain circumstances; providing for the venue of and remedies in a certain civil action; repealing the authority of the Commission to seek an order assessing a civil penalty for discrimination by a place of public accommodation; defining a certain term; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to enforcement and remedies for certain discriminatory acts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 20–1001, 20–1006(b), 20–1007(a) and (b), 20–1009, 20–1012(a) and (b),
20–1013, and 20–1016(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 224 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Education – Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification within the State Department of Education beginning in a certain school year; providing for the purpose of the Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification; establishing the requirements for a local school system to receive an Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification; requiring the State Board of Education to establish certain criteria on or before a certain date and provide certain information to certain local school systems on or before a certain date; requiring an Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification to be renewed each year under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–121

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 225 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Hunting and Fishing Licenses – Former Prisoners of War, Recipients of the Purple Heart Award, and Disabled Veterans

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to issue certain complimentary hunting and fishing licenses to an out-of-state person who certifies that the person is a former prisoner of war or a 100% service connected disabled American veteran if the person's state of residence extends similar privileges to former prisoners of war or 100% service connected disabled American veterans of this State; repealing a certain limit on the number of complimentary angler's licenses for each state other than Maryland that may be outstanding at any time; making a certain complimentary hunting license subject to certain provisions of law; making conforming changes; requiring the Department to implement a program to provide certain discounted licenses to recipients of the Purple Heart Award; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to hunting and fishing licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–607, 4–614(a)(2), 4–745(e), and 10–303(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 226 – Senators Simonaire, Salling, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Professional Engineers – Engineering Documents Prepared at the Request of the State or Political Subdivision of the State – Signing and Sealing

FOR the purpose of requiring certain engineering documents prepared at the request of 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; and generally relating to the signing and sealing of engineering documents by a professional engineer.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 14–101(a), (j), and (k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 14–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 227 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Property Tax Credit – Disabled Veterans

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Washington County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on certain residential property owned by certain disabled veterans of active military, naval, or air service; providing for the amount of the property tax credit; requiring certain disabled veterans or surviving spouses of disabled veterans to provide certain documents when applying for the property tax credit under this Act; prohibiting the inspection of a certain certificate of disability by certain individuals; authorizing the governing body of Washington County to provide, by law, for the duration of the credit and regulations, procedures, and any other provision necessary to carry out 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 Washington County.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–323(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 228 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Dental Examiners – Ownership, Management, and Operation of a Dental Practice

FOR the purpose of requiring a dental practice to be owned, managed, and operated by a licensed dentist, subject to certain exceptions; authorizing an unlicensed person to take certain actions; repealing a certain exemption from the requirements of the Maryland Dentistry Act; authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to issue a cease and desist order for certain violations; prohibiting certain persons from aiding or abetting the unauthorized practice of dentistry; establishing certain

penalties for aiding or abetting the unauthorized practice of dentistry; altering certain penalties; exempting certain persons from certain penalty provisions; repealing certain references to certain places of imprisonment; establishing certain civil penalties; requiring the Office of Oral Health in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to include the exception provided for in a certain provision of this Act in a certain report; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; altering a certain definition; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the ownership, management, and operation of a dental practice.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–101(l), 4–102, 4–601, and 4–606
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–103 and 4–320.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–301 and 4–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–2504
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 229 – Senators Cassilly, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Firearms – Handgun Qualification License – Live–Fire Component

FOR the purpose of providing that the firearms orientation component of a certain firearms safety training course required to be taken by a person to be issued a certain

handgun qualification license need not include a practice component requiring the person to fire rounds of live ammunition; and generally relating to firearms.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

January 20, 2016

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 the following appointment made during the 2015 Recess of the General Assembly:

Secretary of Commerce
R. Michael Gill
12 Brierleigh Court
Lutherville, MD 21093
Baltimore County, Legislative District 11
Serves at the pleasure of the Governor

I am confident you will find this individual to be well qualified for his respective office and deserving of your support for appointment confirmation.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

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

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #2

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 88 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Commissioner of Financial Regulation – Consolidation of Nondepository Special Funds

SB0088/757573/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 88
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after “Fund;” insert “establishing the purpose of the Nondepository Special Fund; requiring certain revenues, fees, and examination assessments to be credited to the Nondepository Special Fund to be used for a certain purpose;”; in line 8, after “date;” insert “repealing certain definitions; altering a certain definition; making conforming and stylistic changes;”; after line 8, insert:

“BY adding to

Article – Financial Institutions

Section 11–503.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)”;

in line 11, strike “12–901(j)” and substitute “12–901(k) through (o)”; and after line 13, insert:

“BY repealing

Article – Financial Institutions

Section 12–901(j)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 16, insert:

“11-503.2.

(A) ALL REVENUE RECEIVED FOR THE LICENSING OF PERSONS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AND ANY OTHER FEE, EXAMINATION ASSESSMENT, OR REVENUE RECEIVED BY THE COMMISSIONER UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE:

(1) CREDITED TO THE NONDEPOSITORY SPECIAL FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 11-610 OF THIS TITLE; AND

(2) USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 11-610(C) OF THIS TITLE.

(B) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PAY ALL FINES AND PENALTIES COLLECTED BY THE COMMISSIONER UNDER THIS SUBTITLE INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.”.

On page 2, after line 9, insert:

“(5) REVENUE RECEIVED FOR THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS UNDER TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 10 OF THIS ARTICLE;”;

in lines 10 and 12, strike “(5)” and “(6)”, respectively, and substitute “(6)” and “(7)”, respectively; in line 14, strike the second “AND” and substitute a comma; in the same line, after “9” insert “,AND 10”; in line 17, strike the second “AND” and substitute a comma; in the same line, after “9” insert “,AND 10”; strike beginning with “pay” in line 19 down through “including” in line 21 and substitute “COVER THE DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF FULFILLING THE STATUTORY AND REGULATORY DUTIES OF THE COMMISSIONER RELATED TO”; in line 22, strike “Expenditures authorized under THIS” and substitute “THIS”; in the same line, strike “OR” and substitute “;

(2)”;

in lines 24, 26, and 28, strike “(2)”, “(3)”, and “(4)”, respectively, and substitute “(3)”, “(4)”, and “(6)”, respectively; in lines 24 and 26, in each instance, strike “EXPENDITURES AUTHORIZED UNDER”; in line 27, after “ARTICLE;” insert:

“(5) TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 10 OF THIS ARTICLE;”;

in line 31, strike “AND”; and in the same line, after “SERVICES” insert “, AND DEBT SETTLEMENT SERVICES”.

On page 3, in line 11, strike “AND”; in line 12, after “ARTICLE” insert “; AND DEBT SETTLEMENT SERVICES UNDER TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 10 OF THIS ARTICLE”; and strike beginning with “who” in line 28 down through “transmission” in line 29.

On page 4, in line 2, after “BE” insert “:

(1)”;

in the same line, strike “CREDITED” and substitute “CREDITED”; and in line 3, after “ARTICLE” insert “; AND

(2) USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 11-610(C) OF THIS ARTICLE”.

On page 5, strike lines 4 and 5 in their entirety; after line 5, insert:

[(k)](J) “Licensee” means a person licensed under this subtitle to provide debt management services.

[(l)](K) “Maintenance fee” means a fee paid by a consumer to a debt management services provider for the maintenance or servicing of the consumer’s accounts with the consumer’s creditors in accordance with a debt management services agreement.

[(m)](L) “Relative” means any of the following who are related to an individual by blood, marriage, or adoption:

(1) A spouse;

(2) A child;

(3) A sibling;

(4) A parent;

- (5) A grandparent;
- (6) A grandchild;
- (7) A stepparent;
- (8) A stepchild;
- (9) A stepsibling;
- (10) An aunt; or
- (11) An uncle.

~~[(n)](M)~~ “Resident agent” means an individual residing in the State or a Maryland corporation whose name, address, and designation as a resident agent are filed or recorded with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation in accordance with the provisions of the Corporations and Associations Article.

~~[(o)](N)~~ “Trust account” means an account that is:

- (1) Established in a financial institution that is federally insured;
- (2) Separate from the debt management services provider’s operating account;
- (3) Designated as a “trust account” or by another appropriate designation indicating that the funds in the account are not the funds of the licensee or its officers, employees, or agents;
- (4) Unavailable to creditors of the debt management services provider; and
- (5) Used to hold funds paid by consumers to a debt management services provider for disbursement to creditors of the consumers.”;

strike beginning with “that” in line 8 down through “services” in line 9; strike beginning with “AND” in line 10 down through “title” in line 11; in line 14, after “fee” insert “,

EXAMINATION ASSESSMENT,”; strike beginning with the second “or” in line 14 down through “title” in line 15; in line 15, after “BE” insert “;

(1)”;

in the same line, strike “CREDITED” and substitute “CREDITED”; and in line 16, after “ARTICLE” insert “;AND

(2) USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 11-610(C) OF THIS ARTICLE”.

On page 6, in line 26, after “to” insert “the Mortgage Lender–Originator Fund,”; in the same line, after the first “Fund” insert a comma; in line 28, after “transferring” insert “of”; and in the same line, strike “terminated” and substitute “completed”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, 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:

VETOED SENATE BILLS – 2015

VETOED SENATE BILLS AND MESSAGES – 2015 REGULAR SESSION

(See Exhibit B of Appendix III)

CONSENT CALENDAR

VETOED SENATE BILLS NO. 1

Duplicative Bills

The Following Bills were vetoed as Duplicative

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 1	Sen. Conway	Health Occupations – Pharmacists – Refills of Prescriptions During State of Emergency	EHE
SB 7	Sen. Middleton	Electronic Cigarettes – Sale to Minors – Components, Supplies, and Enforcement	FIN
SB 11	Sen. Astle	Public Service Commission – Hearing Examiners – Change of Job Title	FIN
SB 14	Sen. Conway	Health Occupations – Board of Pharmacy – Pharmacist Rehabilitation Committee – Definition	EHE
SB 15	Sen. Conway	Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program	EHE
SB 20	Sen. Hershey	Kent County – Board of Elections – Membership	EHE
SB 21	Sen. Hershey	Cecil Co and Queen Anne’s Co – Intergovernmental Cooperation and Acceptance of Funds	EHE
SB 25 (Emerg)	Sen. Young	Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology	EHE
SB 48	Sen. Conway	St Bd of Physical Thrpy Exmrs – Failure to Pass Licnsr Exam – Prohib on Issnce of License	EHE
SB 49	Sen. Conway	St Bd of Prof Cnslrs and Thrpsts – Exam of Applicants, Licensees, Cert Holders, and Trainees	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 54	Sen. Middleton	Public Service Commission – Restrictions After Service	FIN
SB 59	The President	St Bd of Exmrs of Nursing Home Administrators – Sunset Ext and Program Evaluation	FIN
SB 62	Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee	Clerks of the Circuit Courts – Water and Sewer Lien Registers – Fees	JPR
SB 71	Sen. Edwards	Co Supts of Schs – Reappointment Exemp in Washington Co and Recruitment Recommendations	EHE
SB 87	Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee	Criminal Procedure – Transfer to Juvenile Court – Petition for Expungement	JPR
SB 89	Sen. Astle	City of Annapolis – Alcoholic Beverages – Election Days	EHE
SB 90	Sen. Kelley	Guardianship of Disabled Persons and Revocation of Advance Directives	JPR
SB 92	Sen. Middleton	Hlth Ins – Assignment of Benefits and Reimb of Nonpreferred Prvdrs – Rpl of Termin Date	FIN
SB 106	Sen. Astle	Chesapeake Bay Trust – Investment Options – Expansion	EHE
SB 116 (Emerg)	Sen. Pugh	Md Consoldtd Capital Bond Lns of 2013 and 2014 – Balt Cty – Skatepark of Balt at Roosevelt Pk	B&T

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 124	Sen. Gladden	Vehicle Laws – Special Registr Plates and Parking Placards for Indivs With Dsblts – Lic'd PTs	JPR
SB 139	Sen. Hershey	Kent County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class B Wine Shop and Lounge License	EHE
SB 160	Sen. Montgomery	St Bd of Morticians and Funeral Drctrs – Cease and Desist Orders and Injunctive Relief – Auth	EHE
SB 172	Sen. Gladden	Juveniles – Transfer Determinations – Confinement in Juvenile Facilities	JPR
SB 177	Sen. Kasemeyer	Estate Tax – Filing of Tax Returns	B&T
SB 186	Sen. McFadden	Baltimore City – Residential Retention Property Tax Credit – Modification	B&T
SB 189	Sen. Hough	State Correctional Facilities – Correctional Officers – Polygraph Examination	FIN
SB 193	Sen. Bates	Elec Law – Loc Petitns – Adv Detrm of Suffcncy of Loc Law or Chrtr Amdt Summary	EHE
SB 198	Sen. Nathan–Pulliam	Hlth Care Disparities, Cultural and Linguistic Competency, and Hlth Literacy – Recmnded Courses	EHE
SB 203	Sen. Conway	Bsns Occups and Professions – Real Este Sprsns and Brkrs – Formatn of Bsns Entities and Pymt of Comms	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 207	Sen. Klausmeier	Telephone Companies – Streamlined Regulatory Requirements	FIN
SB 220	The President	General Assembly – Mandated Reports by State Agencies	SRU
SB 243	Sen. Feldman	State Personnel and Procurement – Service Contracts – Reporting and Audit Requirements	FIN
SB 251	Sen. Pugh	Prof Standards and Teacher Ed Bd – School Cnslrs – Certification Renewal Requirement (Lauryn’s Law)	EHE
SB 254	Sen. Edwards	Department of General Services – Deep Creek Lake Buy Down Area Program – Extension	JPR & B&T
SB 258	Sen. Pinsky	Maryland Commission on Climate Change	EHE
SB 262	Sen. Jennings	Maryland Building Performance Standards – Modifications – Energy Codes	FIN
SB 270	Sen. Lee	Protective Order and Peace Order Petitions – Maryland Residents	JPR
SB 286	Sen. Manno	Law Enforc Officers’ Pnsn Sys – Div of Parole and Prob – Warrant Apprehension Unit Empls – Mbrshp	B&T
SB 295	Sen. Ramirez	Prince George’s County – Education – Youth Wellness Leadership Pilot Program	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 328	Sen. Klausmeier	Private Detective Agencies – License Terms	JPR
SB 334	Sen. Madaleno	The Hunger-Free Schools Act of 2015	B&T & EHE
SB 337	Sen. Conway	Public Health – Expedited Partner Therapy Program – Repeal of Termination Date	EHE
SB 347	Sen. Pugh	Health Occupations – Prescriber-Pharmacist Agreements and Therapy Management Contracts	EHE
SB 354	Sen. Hershey	Alcoholic Beverages – Charles County and Queen Anne’s County	EHE
SB 355	Sen. McFadden	Baltimore City – Housing Authority of Baltimore City – Subsidiary Entities	EHE
SB 361	Calvert County Senators	Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Bottle Clubs	EHE
SB 368	Sen. Kelley	Workers’ Compensation Insurance – Cancellation and Nonrenewal – Notice	FIN
SB 403	Sen. Madaleno	Education – Maryland Council on Advancement of School-Based Health Centers	EHE
SB 408	Sen. Muse	Real Property – Residential Leases – Interest on Security Deposits	JPR
SB 417	Sen. Lee	Maryland Trust Act – Revocable Trusts – Creditors’ Claims – Limitations	JPR

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 427	Sen. Lee	Criminal Procedure – Victims of Crime – Notification Regarding DNA Profile	JPR
SB 437 (Emerg)	Sen. Middleton	Nonprf Hlth Serv Plans – Hearing and Order – Impact of Law or Regulatory Actn by Another St	FIN
SB 439	Sen. McFadden	Baltimore City – Tax Sales	B&T
SB 451	Sen. Guzzone	Vehicle Laws – Title Fees – Rental Vehicles	B&T
SB 453	Sen. Guzzone	Public–Private Partnership Agreements – Construction Contracts – Security Requirements	B&T
SB 461	Sen. Feldman	Insurance – Surplus Lines – Disability Insurance	FIN
SB 467	Sen. Klausmeier	Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Newborn Screening Program Fund – Establishment	FIN
SB 469	Sen. Madaleno	Public Health – Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System	FIN
SB 484	Sen. Simonaire	Anne Arundel County Public Schools Funding Accountability and Transparency Act	EHE
SB 497	Sen. Pinsky	Commission to Review Maryland’s Use of Assessments and Testing in Public Schools	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 501 (Emerg)	Sen. Young	Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Permit – Hours of Sale	EHE
SB 503	Sen. Young	Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Notice for License Applications, Fees, and Inspectors	EHE
SB 510	Sen. Hough	Frederick County – Gaming Events	B&T
SB 513	Sen. Klausmeier	Hospitals – Rate-Setting – Participation in 340B Program Under the Fed Public Health Service Act	FIN
SB 515	Sen. Klausmeier	Financial Institutions – Depository Institutions – Savings Promotion Raffles	FIN
SB 521	Sen. Lee	Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking	JPR
SB 523	Sen. Mathias	Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Limited Distillery License	EHE
SB 536	Sen. Conway	Certified Public Accountants – Definitions – Attest and Practice Certified Public Accountancy	EHE
SB 538	Sen. Conway	Blind or Visually Impaired Chldrn – Individualized Ed Programs – Orientation and Mobility Instrucn	EHE
SB 551	Sen. Rosapepe	Land Use – Plans – Development and Adoption	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 561	Sen. Peters	Video Lottery Facility Payouts – Intercepts for Restitution Payments	B&T
SB 562	Sen. Peters	Tax Credits – Employment of Individuals With Disabilities	B&T
SB 576	Sen. Pugh	9–1–1 Emergency Telephone System – Multiple–Line Telephone Systems – Direct Dial (Kari’s Law)	FIN
SB 579	Sen. Pugh	Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority – Small Business Surety Bond Program	FIN
SB 607	Sen. Klausmeier	Joint Committee on Behavioral Health and Opioid Use Disorders	FIN
SB 610	Sen. Pinsky	Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons – Continuing Education – Requirements	EHE
SB 613	Sen. Astle	Self–Service Storage Facilities – Enforcement of Lien – Procedures	FIN
SB 630	Washington County Senators	Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Population Ratio Quota	EHE
SB 632	Washington County Senators	Washington County – Board of License Commissioners – Expungement of Violations	EHE
SB 633	Washington County Senators	Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Refillable Container Permit	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 636	Washington County Senators	Washington County – County Clerk	JPR
SB 644	Sen. Edwards	Alcoholic Beverages – Allegany County – Class B–MB (Micro– Brewery/Restaurant) License	EHE
SB 649	Sen. Muse	Real Property – Contract for Sale of New Home	JPR
SB 652	Sen. Muse	Criminal Procedure – Expungement of Records	JPR
SB 663	Carroll County Senators	Carroll County – Public Facilities Bonds	B&T
SB 671	Sen. Young	MVA – Commercial Driver’s License – Program for Veterans and Service Mbrs (Troops to Trucks)	JPR
SB 705	Sen. Montgomery	Criminal Law – Assault – First Responders	JPR
SB 719	Sen. Ready	Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages – Hours of Sale on Sundays for Holders of Class A Licenses	EHE
SB 723	Sen. Conway	Certified Nurse Practitioners – Authority to Practice	EHE
SB 750	Washington County Senators	Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Conversion of Class P Licenses	EHE
SB 798	Sen. Mathias	Wicomico County – Alcoholic Beverages – Micro–Breweries – Annual Production Limit	EHE

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	CONTENT	COMMITTEE
SB 808	Sen. Klausmeier	Natural Resources – Aquaculture – Liability for Trespass	EHE
SB 852	Sen. Young	Public Information Act – List of Contact Information for Governmental Unit Representatives	EHE
SB 865	Sen. Peters	Edward T. and Mary A. Conroy and Jean B. Cryor Memorial Scholarship Programs – Eligibility	EHE
SB 937	Sen. Madaleno	Alcoholic Beverages – Powdered Alcoholic Beverages – Ban on Sales	EHE

The President put the question: “Shall the Bills pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 0 Negative – 46 (See Roll Call No. 41)

The President announced the vetoes were sustained.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

2015 Bill Vetoed by the Governor – Policy Veto

Senate Bill 190 (2015) – Senators Madaleno, Eckardt, Guzzone, King, Manno, and McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Taxable Price – Accommodations

The President put the question: “Shall the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 30 Negative – 16 (See Roll Call No. 42)

The President announced the veto was overridden.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 21, 2016

By the Majority Leader

Ladies and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

The Senate today, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, voted to override the Veto on Senate Bill 190. Said bill is sent to you for your consideration.

By Order

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

2015 Bill Vetoed by the Governor – Policy Veto

Senate Bill 340 (2015) – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex-Felons

Senator Conway moved to make the Bill a Special Order for February 5, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

Senate Bill 517 (2015) – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Use and Possession of Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia

The President put the question: “Shall the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 29 Negative – 17 (See Roll Call No. 43)

The President announced the veto was overridden.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 21, 2016

By the Majority Leader

Ladies and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

The Senate today, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, voted to override the Veto on Senate Bill SB 517. Said bill is sent to you for your consideration.

By Order

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

2015 Bill Vetoed by the Governor – Policy Veto

Senate Bill 528 (2015) – Senators Raskin, Brochin, Currie, Feldman, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Muse, Pinsky, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Seizure and Forfeiture

Senator Jennings moved to make the Bill a Special Order for February 15, 2016.

The motion was rejected by roll call vote as follow:

Affirmative – 15 Negative – 31 (See Roll Call No. 44)

The President put the question: “Shall the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 32 Negative – 14 (See Roll Call No. 45)

The President announced the veto was overridden.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 21, 2016

By the Majority Leader

Ladies and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

The Senate today, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, voted to override the Veto on Senate Bill SB 528. Said bill is sent to you for your consideration.

By Order

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted.

VETOED HOUSE BILLS – 2015

VETOED HOUSE BILLS AND MESSAGES – 2015 REGULAR SESSION

(See Exhibit C of Appendix III)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 20, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

The House of Delegates has voted to override the Governor’s veto of House Bill 980 (2015). Said Bill is sent to you for your consideration.

By Order,
Sylvia Siegert, Chief Clerk

Read and ordered journalized.

House Bill 980 (2015) – Delegates McCray, Moon, Anderson, Angel, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Campos, Carr, Carter, Conaway, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Frick, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hixson, Holmes, C. Howard, Jalisi, Jones, Kelly, Korman, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Morales, Oaks, Patterson, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex–Felons

Senator Conway moved to make the Bill a Special Order for February 5, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 20, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

The House of Delegates has voted to override the Governor’s veto of House Bill 209 (2015). Said Bill is sent to you for your consideration.

By Order,
Sylvia Siegert, Chief Clerk

Read and ordered journalized.

House Bill 209 (2015) – ~~Delegate Turner~~ Howard County Delegation

AN ACT concerning

Howard County – Room Rental Tax – Room Rental Fee

Ho. Co. 12–15

Senator Hershey moved to make the Bill a Special Order for January 25, 2016.

The motion was rejected by roll call vote as follow:

Affirmative – 13 Negative – 33 (See Roll Call No. 46)

The President put the question: “Shall the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 32 Negative – 14 (See Roll Call No. 47)

The President announced the veto was overridden.

Said bill was then returned to the House.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 20, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

The House of Delegates has voted to override the Governor’s Line Item Veto ZA00(I) of House Bill 71 (2015). Said Bill is sent to you for your consideration.

By Order,
Sylvia Siegert, Chief Clerk

Read and ordered journalized.

House Bill 71 (2015) – The Speaker (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, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014

The President put the question: “Shall Item ZA00(I) of the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 32 Negative – 14 (See Roll Call No. 48)

The President announced the line item veto was overridden.

Said bill was then returned to the House.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 49)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #1

Senate Bill 75 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Public Adjusters – Licensing

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

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 50)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 87 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Mortgage Loan Originators – State Criminal History Records Check Requirement – Repeal

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

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 51)

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. 52)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:21 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Friday, January 22, 2016.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 22, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 10:10 A.M.

Senator Raskin read the prayer by Rabbi Lauren Holtzblatt due to severe weather conditions.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 54)

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

The Journal of January 21, 2016 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 230 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Maryland SoccerPlex Fields

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$750,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Maryland Soccer 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 231 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Judgments – Appeals – Supersedeas Bond

FOR the purpose of reducing the amount of a supersedeas bond required from certain appellants to stay the enforcement of a judgment in a civil action; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to supersedeas bonds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 12–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 232 – Senators Norman, Eckardt, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Lamps and Lights – Use When Windshield Wipers Operating

FOR the purpose of requiring that a driver of a vehicle on a highway use the vehicle's tail lamps when the driver continuously operates the vehicle's windshield wipers under certain circumstances; repealing the authority of a driver to use a vehicle's fog lights instead of the vehicle's headlamps during the continuous operation of the vehicle's windshield wipers under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the use of vehicle lamps and lights when the windshield wipers are operating.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 22–201.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 233 – Senators Norman, Brochin, Edwards, Klausmeier, Raskin, and Ready

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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–201(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–201(e) and 3–207(18)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–207(17) and (18)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 234 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 235 – Senators Brochin, Cassilly, Raskin, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Evidence of Prior Sexual Offense – Admissibility

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, in a prosecution for certain sexual offenses, the court from barring the introduction of certain evidence that the defendant committed a certain prior sexual offense on the ground that the admission is unfairly prejudicial unless the court makes a certain finding; prohibiting a court from finding that certain evidence is unduly prejudicial solely because it involves a prior sexual offense; prohibiting a State's Attorney from introducing certain evidence under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain evidence from being disclosed to a jury or introduced at trial unless the court has held a certain hearing and made certain determinations; requiring a court to state the reasons for a certain decision in a certain manner; providing that this Act does not limit the admission or consideration of certain evidence; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the admissibility of evidence.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 10–923

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 236 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Notary Public – Appointment and Removal

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that a notary public applicant receive certain approval from a certain State Senator; requiring a notary public applicant to receive certain approval from the Secretary of State; repealing a requirement that a certain individual appointed as a notary public be a resident of the senatorial district from which the individual is appointed; authorizing the removal or suspension of a notary public from office based on a request made to the Governor from the Secretary of State instead of from a certain State Senator; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to the appointment and removal of a notary public.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 18–101, 18–102, 18–103(a), and 18–104(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 237 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

**Civil Actions – Damage or Loss Related to Property Occurring After Completion
of Improvement to Real Property**

FOR the purpose of replacing references to “injury” to real or personal property with “damage or loss” to real or personal property in certain provisions of law related to causes of action for certain injuries occurring after completion of certain improvements to real property; making conforming changes; and generally relating to causes of action for injuries or damage or loss resulting from certain improvements to real property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 238 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Law Enforcement Dogs – Protective Equipment

FOR the purpose of requiring a law enforcement agency that uses a certain licensed dog to make available certain protective equipment for use on the dog under certain circumstances; providing that the determination whether to have a certain dog use certain equipment under certain circumstances shall be made by the law enforcement agency or the dog’s handler; authorizing the Department of State Police to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department to monitor compliance under this Act and, on or before a certain date each year, make a certain report to the General Assembly; providing the intent of the General Assembly for compliance with this Act on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to law enforcement dogs.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety

Section 3-514
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 239 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act; authorizing a certain user to direct a certain custodian of certain digital assets to disclose or not to disclose those assets under certain circumstances and in a certain manner; providing that this Act does not change, impair, or expand certain rights with respect to the digital assets of a user; authorizing a custodian to grant a certain fiduciary or designated recipient certain access to a user's account or a copy of certain records under certain circumstances; authorizing a custodian to charge a reasonable administrative charge for the cost of disclosing digital assets under this Act; providing that a custodian need not disclose certain digital assets under certain circumstances; authorizing a custodian to seek a court order directing disclosure under certain circumstances; requiring a custodian to disclose the content of certain electronic communications under certain circumstances; requiring a custodian to disclose a catalogue of certain electronic communications and certain digital assets under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to grant a certain guardian access to the digital assets of a certain protected person; authorizing a guardian to request the custodian to suspend or terminate a certain account under certain circumstances; providing that the legal duties imposed on a fiduciary charged with managing certain tangible property apply to the management of digital assets; establishing certain limitations with respect to a certain fiduciary's authority; 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; authorizing a custodian to disclose certain information to a certain fiduciary under certain circumstances; authorizing a fiduciary of a user to request a custodian to terminate the user's account under certain circumstances; requiring a custodian to comply with certain requests by a fiduciary or designated recipient within a certain time period; authorizing a fiduciary or designated recipient to apply for a certain court order under certain circumstances; providing that this Act does not limit a custodian's ability to obtain or require a fiduciary or designated recipient to obtain a certain court order; authorizing a custodian to notify the user of a certain request; authorizing a custodian to deny a certain request 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 in applying and construing this Act; providing that this Act modifies, limits, or supersedes certain federal law in a certain manner; providing for the scope and application of this Act; making the

provisions of this Act severable; 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 15–620 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Maryland
Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 240 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Insurance Commissioner – Responsibility for Holding Hearings – Delegation

FOR the purpose of altering the authority of the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to delegate to certain persons the responsibility for holding a hearing under certain provisions of law; and generally relating to the authority of the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to hold hearings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 2–210

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 241 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Conway, Currie, Madaleno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Real Property – Senior Apartment Facilities – Conversion

FOR the purpose of requiring a landlord to provide written notice to a certain tenant at least a certain number of days before converting a senior apartment facility into an apartment facility for the general population; specifying the contents of the written notice; requiring a landlord to allow a certain tenant to terminate the tenant's lease after giving at least 1 month's written notice to the landlord, notwithstanding the terms of the lease; prohibiting a landlord from withholding any portion of a certain tenant's security deposit for a certain purpose; requiring a landlord to reimburse the moving expenses of a certain tenant, up to a certain amount and under certain circumstances; authorizing the Secretary of Housing and Community Development to adopt regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act; authorizing the Secretary to impose a certain civil penalty for violations of this Act, beginning on a certain date; providing for the enforcement of certain provisions of this Act by the Division of Consumer Protection of the Office of the Attorney General; providing for the enforcement of this Act by each unit of the State; defining certain terms; and generally relating to senior apartment facilities.

BY adding to

Article – Real Property

Section 8–217

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 242 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Conway, Feldman, Jennings, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Mathias, Pugh, Raskin, Reilly, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Telemedicine – Modifications

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, under certain circumstances, to include primary care providers in the types of health care providers eligible to receive reimbursement for health care services that are delivered through telemedicine and provided to Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients; prohibiting the Department from requiring a health care provider to comply with administrative requirements for reimbursement for health care services that are delivered through telemedicine that are not required for reimbursement for health care services that are delivered in person; requiring the Department to provide an opportunity for stakeholders to participate in the development of certain regulations; requiring the Department to submit a draft of the regulations to certain legislative committees and provide a certain period of time for review and comment; and generally relating to Maryland Medical Assistance Program reimbursement for health care services that are delivered through telemedicine.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 15–105.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 243 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Conway, Currie, Ferguson, Gladden, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Ramirez, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Court – Jurisdiction

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law that exclude from the jurisdiction of the juvenile court a child of a certain age alleged to have committed any of certain offenses; repealing certain provisions of law governing the transfer of certain criminal cases to the juvenile court and governing certain criminal court procedures involving a child whose case is eligible for transfer to the juvenile court or whose charges were excluded from the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; altering certain requirements relating to events that must be reported to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository; altering certain requirements relating to the fingerprinting of a child adjudicated delinquent; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to juvenile law and the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–03(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 4–202, 4–202.1, and 4–202.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–215(a)(20) and 10–216(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 244 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County Code of Public Local Laws – 2016 Edition – Legalization

FOR the purpose of legalizing the 2016 Edition of the Somerset 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 2016 Edition of the Somerset County Code of Public Local Laws.

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

Senate Bill 245 – Senators Manno and Peters

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Hiring and Promotion Preferences – Veterans and Spouses

FOR the purpose of authorizing employers to grant a preference in hiring and promotion to certain veterans, spouses of certain veterans, and surviving spouses of certain veterans; providing that granting a preference under this Act does not violate State or local equal employment opportunity laws; defining a certain term; and generally relating to hiring and promotion preferences for veterans and spouses.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 3–714

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 246 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Security Clearances – Employer Costs – Extension

FOR the purpose of extending the number of taxable years for which an individual or corporation may claim a credit against the State income tax for certain costs incurred to obtain federal security clearances, to rent certain spaces, and to construct or renovate certain sensitive compartmented information facilities in the State; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to a credit against the State income tax for costs related to federal security clearances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–732
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 247 – Senators Norman, Bates, Cassilly, Currie, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Mathias, Nathan–Pulliam, Ready, Serafini, Waugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Certificate of Candidacy as Delegate to a Presidential National Convention – Place of Filing

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a candidate for an office of elected delegate to a presidential national convention file the certificate of candidacy for the office with the State Board of Elections; and generally relating to the filing of a certificate of candidacy as delegate to a presidential national convention.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5–304(a) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 248 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Municipalities – Vacant or Blighted Buildings – Registration and Remediation

FOR the purpose of authorizing a municipality to establish and maintain a registry of vacant or blighted buildings and a special remediation fund to administer registration, inspection, and remediation programs for vacant or blighted buildings;

and generally relating to municipal authority to regulate vacant or blighted buildings.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 5–203, 6–101, and 6–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Local Government
Section 5–219
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 249 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 250 – 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, requires a unit owner or the council of unit owners to assert a certain claim within a certain period of time under certain circumstances, or operates to prevent a unit owner or the council of unit owners from asserting a certain claim within a certain period of time; 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; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; 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

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Real Property
Section 11–134.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 251 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Arbutus Volunteer Fire
Department**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$130,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Arbutus Volunteer Fire Department of Baltimore County, 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 252 – Senators Pugh, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Kagan, Kelley,
Madaleno, Manno, and Middleton**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Former Foster Care
Adolescents – Dental Care**

FOR the purpose of requiring 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
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 15–103(a)(2)(x)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 253 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Glenarden Apartments
Redevelopment Project**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$1,100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the board of Directors of the Redevelopment Authority of Prince George’s 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 254 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Net Zero Energy District
Fairmount Heights 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 Redevelopment Authority of Prince George’s 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 255 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – The Arc of Prince George’s
County**

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 Prince George's 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.

Senate Bill 256 – Senators Currie, Benson, Peters, Ramirez, 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 and restrictions 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 charging of certain penalties during a certain period of time; defining a certain term; 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 10–204.7

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 257 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation – Temporary Total Disability Benefits – Credit

FOR the purpose of providing a credit for an employer or insurer for certain payments to a covered employee for temporary total disability benefits under certain circumstances and during a certain period; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to payment of temporary total disability benefits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–618
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–621
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 258 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation – Medical Benefits – Payment of Medical Services and Treatment

FOR the purpose of requiring a provider to submit to an employer or an employer's insurer, within a certain period of time, a certain bill and documentation for certain medical services or treatment provided to a covered employee under a certain provision of law; prohibiting the employer or the employer's insurer from being required to pay a certain bill except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the payment for medical services and treatment provided under the workers' compensation law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–660
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 259 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Life Without Parole – Imposition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a court from imposing a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole on an individual who was under a certain age at the time the offense was committed; and generally relating to the imposition of a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 1–402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 260 – Senators Kelley, DeGrange, Edwards, Guzzone, King, Madaleno, Manno, Norman, Peters, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – General Assembly Candidate Residency Form – Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring an individual seeking to become a candidate for the General Assembly of Maryland to file a candidate residency form with the individual's certificate of candidacy; requiring the individual to state certain information on the form and explain certain discrepancies; altering the circumstances under which an individual may become a candidate for public or party office; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the General Assembly candidate residency form.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 5–202, 5–301(a), and 5–304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 261 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Write-in Candidates

FOR the purpose of providing that a candidate who is defeated for the nomination for a public office in a primary election is not eligible to file a certificate of candidacy as a write-in candidate for that office at the next succeeding general election; providing that a candidate who is defeated for the nomination for a public office at a primary election may not be a write-in candidate for that office at the next succeeding general election; and generally relating to write-in candidates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 5-704 and 5-706
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 262 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Brochin, Currie, Guzzone, Hough, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Muse, Ramirez, Ready, Rosapepe, Salling, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Protecting the Resources of Children in State Custody

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Human Resources, when applying for certain benefits for a child in the Department's custody, to identify a representative payee or fiduciary in consultation with the child's attorney; establishing certain duties of the Department when the Department serves as the representative payee or fiduciary 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 application and construction 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 263 – Senators Edwards, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Muse, Norman, Ready, Salling, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Payment in Lieu of Taxes – State Forests, State Parks, and Wildlife Management Areas

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a county from receiving certain revenues derived from a State forest or State park reserve within a county if the county receives a certain payment in a fiscal year; prohibiting a county from receiving certain revenues derived from concession operations within a State forest or State park if the county receives a certain payment in a fiscal year; requiring certain payments to counties for State forests, State parks, and wildlife management areas that are exempt from the property tax; providing for the amount of the payments; establishing eligibility criteria for a county to receive certain payments for State forests, State parks, and wildlife management areas that are exempt from the property tax; providing for a triennial adjustment to the amount of the payments beginning in a certain fiscal year; 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, State 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 each year; 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 percent 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; defining certain terms; and generally relating to payments to counties for State forests, State parks, and wildlife management areas within a county.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 5–101(a) and (e) and 10–801

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 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 2015 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 2015 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 264 – Senators Salling, Bates, Eckardt, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier,
Madaleno, and Waugh**

AN ACT concerning

Service Animals – Aggravated Cruelty and False Representation

FOR the purpose of providing that a person who, except in self–defense, intentionally inflicts bodily harm, permanent disability, or death on a service animal is guilty of the felony of aggravated cruelty to animals; prohibiting a person from making a false statement that an animal is a service animal for certain purposes; providing certain penalties; defining a certain term; and generally relating to service animals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–606
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 7–701(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Human Services
Section 7–705.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 265 – Senators Salling, Bates, Jennings, Kelley, Manno, Norman, Pugh, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Gaming – Video Lottery Operation Licensees – Confiscation of Fake Identification

FOR the purpose of authorizing a video lottery operation licensee to confiscate the identification proffered by an individual to gain admittance to a video lottery facility that the licensee determines is fictitious or fraudulently altered; and generally relating to video lottery operations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–24(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 266 – Senators Salling, Astle, Jennings, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Poaching Restitution Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of requiring a person convicted of poaching deer on privately owned land to pay the State restitution in accordance with certain requirements; authorizing a person convicted of poaching deer on privately owned land to pay a certain amount of restitution instead of performing community service under certain circumstances; requiring certain restitution collected to be credited to the State Wildlife Management and Protection Fund; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to adopt certain regulations; encouraging the Department and the Office of Administrative Hearings to develop a certain database; requiring the Department and the Office of Administrative Hearings to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; encouraging the Department to work with local law enforcement agencies in developing certain protocols and strategies; defining a certain term; and generally relating to penalties for poaching deer on privately owned land.

BY renumbering
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–101(q) through (cc), respectively

to be Section 10–101(r) through (dd), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–101(q) and 10–1101.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–212(a) and 10–1102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 267 – Senators Salling, Bates, Currie, Eckardt, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Schools – Voluntary Nonsectarian Prayer at School–Sponsored Student Events

FOR the purpose of requiring certain county boards of education to allow certain nonsectarian student–initiated voluntary prayer during certain school–sponsored student events; providing that this Act does not diminish certain rights of certain individuals relating to free speech and the free exercise of religion; providing that the exercise of certain rights may not be construed as a certain support, approval, or sanction of the contents of a certain prayer, as the promotion or establishment of a certain religion, or as an unconstitutional use of property by certain entities; providing for the purpose of this Act; defining certain terms; making the provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to nonsectarian student–initiated voluntary prayer at school–sponsored events.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 7–104.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 268 – Senators Salling, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Qualification of Voters – Proof of Identity

FOR the purpose of requiring an election judge to establish certain information with regard to certain voters; requiring an election judge to qualify a voter by requesting the voter to present a certain form of identification; requiring an election judge to authorize an individual to vote a regular ballot under certain circumstances; allowing a voter who is unable to present a certain form of identification to vote by provisional ballot under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from voting or attempting to vote under a false form of identification; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue an identification card to certain voters at no charge; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to proof of identity of voters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 10–310 and 16–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 12–301(a) and (h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 12–301(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 269 – Senators Salling, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Education – Public School Holidays – Veterans’ Day

FOR the purpose of requiring Veterans' Day to be a public school holiday; and generally relating to Veterans' Day as a public school holiday.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 270 – Senators Salling, Bates, and Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Forcible Entry Into Vehicle to Assist Trapped Animal – Immunity

FOR the purpose of establishing that a person is not criminally or civilly liable for damage resulting from the forcible entry into a motor vehicle for the purpose of removing an animal from the vehicle under certain circumstances; and generally relating to immunity from criminal and civil liability.

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–643
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 271 – Senators King, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Peters, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms – Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of money, beginning in a certain fiscal year, the Governor is required to provide in the State budget for the Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms each fiscal year; and generally relating to funding for the Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 5–313
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 272 – Senators King, Currie, Edwards, Guzzone, Manno, Peters, Serafini, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Financial Aid – Deaf and Hearing Impaired Students – Out-of-State Institutions of Higher Education

FOR the purpose of altering an exception to a certain provision of law that authorizes the use of certain student financial assistance only at a certain institution of higher education in the State; authorizing the use of a Howard P. Rawlings Educational Excellence Award at an institution of higher education that is not in the State if the applicant is a deaf or hearing impaired student attending an institution of higher education that makes certain provisions for deaf and hearing impaired students and comparable provisions are not available to the student at an institution of higher education in the State; altering a certain provision of law that prohibits the Office of Student Financial Assistance from awarding more than a certain percent of funds available for certain types of grants for use by students attending certain out-of-state schools; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to State financial aid for deaf and hearing impaired students attending out-of-state institutions of higher education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 18–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 277 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 18–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 273 – Senators King, Currie, Edwards, Ferguson, Guzzone, Manno, Peters, Serafini, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Apprenticeship and Training – Work-Based Learning Program

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual or a corporation that employs certain apprentices to claim a credit against the State income tax; providing that the amount of the credit may not exceed a certain amount; providing that the credit may not be claimed for certain apprentices for more than a certain number of taxable years; providing that the credit may not exceed State tax liability for any taxable year; providing that the unused amount of any credit may not be carried over to any other taxable year; requiring an individual or corporation that intends to claim the credit to apply to the Apprenticeship and Training Council for a certain tax credit certificate; requiring the application to contain certain information; requiring the Council to approve applications on a first-come, first-served basis; providing that each tax credit certificate may not exceed a certain amount; prohibiting the Council from approving tax credit certificate applications that in the aggregate total more than a certain annual amount; requiring that each individual or corporation that claims a credit provide the Council with certain evidence by a certain date; requiring the Council, in consultation with the Comptroller, to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for individuals or corporations that hire certain apprentices.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10-737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 274 – Senators King, Currie, Edwards, Guzzone, Manno, Peters, Serafini, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Special Registration Plates – Retired Law Enforcement Officers

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to develop and make available for certain vehicles a special registration plate honoring retired law enforcement officers; specifying who may apply for and the classes of vehicles eligible for the special registration plate; specifying eligibility requirements for an applicant for a special registration plate issued under this Act; requiring certain owners of vehicles assigned a special registration plate under this Act to pay certain fees; requiring a special registration plate issued under this Act to contain certain words

or graphics; requiring the Administration to adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act; and generally relating to a special registration plate honoring retired law enforcement officers.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 13–619.4

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 275 – Senators Feldman, Astle, Kelley, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Railroad Company – Movement of Freight – Required Crew

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight from being operated in the State unless it has a certain number of crew members; providing for the application of this Act; establishing certain penalties; and generally relating to the crew for a train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 9–404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 276 – Senators Klausmeier, Bates, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Hough, Norman, Reilly, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Handgun Permits – Expiration

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of State Police to establish an alternative expiration date for a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun if the holder of the permit has been issued a certain license, registration, certification, or commission; 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 277 – Senators Middleton and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Motor Fuel Suppliers and Retail Service Station Dealers – Promotion – Sales

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain supplier of motor fuel to a retail service station to sponsor, promote, advertise, or otherwise perform or participate in games of chance at the retail service station if the retail service station agrees to participate; prohibiting a supplier of motor fuel authorized to conduct a game of chance from requiring a retail service station dealer to participate in the game of chance; repealing the prohibition on a supplier of motor fuel requiring a retail service station dealer to pay certain costs related to a game of chance; and generally relating to participation in games of chance by motor fuel suppliers and retail service station dealers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 10–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 278 – Senators Lee, Feldman, King, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, Raskin, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Stalking and Harassment

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that certain conduct be malicious in order to be prohibited conduct applicable to crimes related to stalking, harassment, and misuse of electronic communications or interactive computer services; prohibiting a person from engaging in a course of conduct where the person intends to cause or knows or reasonably should have known that the conduct would cause serious emotional distress to another; and generally relating to stalking, harassment, and misuse of electronic communications or interactive computer services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–802, 3–803, and 3–805

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 279 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Dr. Christina Phillips 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 Community Initiatives 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 280 – 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 certain projects.

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

Senate Bill 281 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Military)

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Members of the National Guard – Active Duty – Employment Protection

FOR the purpose of altering and clarifying certain provisions of law governing employment and reemployment rights for certain members of the National Guard; repealing the application of certain employment protection provisions relating to members of the Maryland Defense Force; and generally relating to employment protection for certain militia members.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 13–101(d) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 13–704
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 282 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Education)**

AN ACT concerning

Early Childhood Development – Transfer of Provisions

FOR the purpose of transferring certain provisions of law relating to early childhood development from the Family Law Article to the Education Article; establishing the Division of Early Childhood Development within the State Department of Education; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt certain regulations regarding certain family child care homes; renaming the Early Childhood Development Advisory Council to be the Office of Child Care Advisory Council; altering the membership of a certain council; making technical corrections; repealing certain unnecessary definitions; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to correct cross-references and terminology in the Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the transfer of provisions of law regarding early childhood development.

BY renumbering
Article – Education
Section 7–1601 through 7–1608, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 16. State
Early Childhood Advisory Council”
to be Section 9.5–201 through 9.5–208, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 2.
State Early Childhood Advisory Council”
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY transferring

Article – Family Law

Section 5–550, 5–550.1, 5–551 through 5–554.1, 5–555, 5–556, 5–556.1, 5–557, 5–557.1, 5–558, and 5–559.1 through 5–559.8, respectively, and the part “Part V. Family Child Care Homes and Large Family Child Care Homes”; 5–570 through 5–580.3, 5–581 through 5–583.1, 5–584, and 5–585, respectively, and the part “Part VII. Child Care Centers”; 5–586 through 5–589.1, respectively, and the part “Part VIII. Child Care Centers in State–Occupied Buildings”; 5–594 and 5–594.1 through 5–594.8, respectively, and the part “Part X. Child Care Quality Incentive Grant Program”; 5–595 and 5–595.1 through 5–595.6, respectively, and the part “Part XI. Collective Negotiations by Family Child Care Providers”; and 5–590 through 5–593, respectively, and the part “Part IX. Early Childhood Development Advisory Council”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

to be

Article – Education

Section 9.5–301 through 9.5–321, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 3. Family Child Care Homes and Large Family Child Care Homes”; 9.5–401 through 9.5–420, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 4. Child Care Centers”; 9.5–501 through 9.5–505, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 5. Child Care Centers in State–Occupied Buildings”; 9.5–601 through 9.5–609, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 6. Child Care Quality Incentive Grant Program”; 9.5–701 through 9.5–707, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 7. Collective Negotiations by Family Child Care Providers”; and 9.5–801 through 9.5–804, respectively, and the subtitle “Subtitle 8. Early Childhood Development Advisory Council”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY renumbering

Article – Family Law

Section 5–560 through 5–569, respectively, and the part “Part VI. Criminal Background Investigations for Employees of Facilities and Other Individuals That Care for or Supervise Children”

to be Section 5–550 through 5–559, respectively, and the part “Part V. Criminal Background Investigations for Employees of Facilities and Other Individuals That Care for or Supervise Children”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 9.5–101 through 9.5–110 to be under the new title “Title 9.5. Division of Early Childhood Development”; and 9.5–801

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 9.5–301, 9.5–303(a), (c), and (d), 9.5–304(c), 9.5–305(a) and (b), 9.5–306, 9.5–307(c)(4), 9.5–309, 9.5–311, 9.5–312(a) and (b)(1), 9.5–313, 9.5–321, 9.5–401, 9.5–403(a), 9.5–404(a) and (b)(6) and (11), 9.5–405(a), 9.5–407, 9.5–410, 9.5–411(a), (b), and (e), 9.5–412(c)(4), 9.5–414, 9.5–417, 9.5–418(a), 9.5–419, 9.5–501, 9.5–502(b), 9.5–503, 9.5–504(e), 9.5–505, 9.5–601, 9.5–602, 9.5–603, 9.5–604(b) and (d), 9.5–605, 9.5–606, 9.5–607, 9.5–608, 9.5–609, 9.5–701(a) and (b), 9.5–702, 9.5–703(b), 9.5–704(a) through (c) and (e)(2), 9.5–705, 9.5–706(b), and 9.5–707; and 9.5–802 and 9.5–803(b)(3) to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 8. Office of Child Care Advisory Council”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 2 of this Act)

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 9.5–801

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 2 of this Act)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–501

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Family Law

Section 5–508

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–550(a), (d), and (e), 5–551(b), (c) through (g), and (h)(1), 5–552(a)(2) and (4) and (b), 5–553, 5–554(a), (b)(1)(ii), (c)(1)(iii) and (4), and (d) through (f), 5–554.1, 5–556, 5–557, 5–558(3), and 5–559(b)(1) and (4) and (e)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 3 of this Act)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–705.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 55)

RECESS

At 10:23 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate recessed until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, January 25, 2016.

AFTER RECESS
Annapolis, Maryland
Legislative Day: January 22, 2016
Calendar Day: Monday, January 25, 2016

At 8:01 P.M. the Senate resumed its session.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 58)

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

The Journal of January 21, 2016 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 283 – Senators Lee, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Madaleno, Manno, Raskin, Ready, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Cruelty to Animals – Implement of Dogfighting

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from possessing, with the intent to unlawfully use, a certain implement of dogfighting; establishing certain factors that a court may consider to determine whether an object is an implement of dogfighting; establishing penalties for a violation of this Act; authorizing a court to order a certain defendant to participate in and pay for psychological counseling as a condition of sentencing; providing that each implement of dogfighting possessed in violation of this Act is a separate offense; defining a certain term; and generally relating to cruelty to animals.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 10–607.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 284 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Complimentary Hunting and Fishing Licenses

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to submit an annual report to the General Assembly and the Department of Veterans Affairs on complimentary hunting and fishing licenses issued by the Department of Natural Resources; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to include in the report certain information on applications for and the issuance of the complimentary licenses and the number of certain complimentary licenses outstanding at certain times; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to aggregate and report certain information related to complimentary licenses in certain manners; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources annually to issue a complimentary Chesapeake Bay and coastal sport fishing license to certain individuals; requiring the Department of Veterans Affairs, in consultation with the Department of Natural Resources, to make available to certain persons certain information about certain complimentary hunting and fishing licenses; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to complimentary hunting and fishing licenses.

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources
Section 1–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–607 and 10–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–745(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 9–907.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 285 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Home Improvement Commission – Subcontractor Licensing
Requirement – Repeal**

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a person must have a subcontractor license or a contractor license issued by the Maryland Home Improvement Commission whenever the person acts as a home improvement subcontractor in the State; repealing the application fee, renewal fee, and examination requirement for a subcontractor license; altering the contents of the license application form that must be submitted to the Commission; repealing the authority of the Commission to take disciplinary action against a home improvement subcontractor; altering the circumstances under which payment or compensation may be made for performing or selling a home improvement; repealing the prohibition on a person acting or offering to act as a home improvement subcontractor unless the person has a certain license; altering the contents of a certain notice that must be included in a home improvement contract; making stylistic and conforming changes; altering and repealing defined terms; and generally relating to licensing of subcontractors by the Maryland Home Improvement Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 8–101(i), 8–301, 8–302(a), 8–303(a)(2) and (b), 8–306(c) and (d), 8–307, 8–308(d)(2), 8–308.1(b) and (e)(3), 8–311(a) and (b), 8–315(a), 8–317, 8–501(c)(1), 8–601, and 8–614

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Business Regulation

Section 8–101(p)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 286 – Senators Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Guzzone, Hershey, Jennings, Kasemeyer, Middleton, Norman, Ready, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Tax Overpayment – Interest on Refunds

FOR the purpose of altering the day on which interest begins to accrue on certain taxpayer refunds of certain tax payments; requiring a tax collector to pay interest on certain taxpayer refunds beginning on a certain date if the overpayment is attributable to an error or a mistake of a certain entity; repealing a prohibition on a tax collector paying interest on certain refunds; and generally relating to interest on certain tax refunds.

BY repealing

Article – Tax – General

Section 13–603

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 13–603

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 287 – Senators Hough, Cassilly, Mathias, Muse, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – False Statement Concerning Destructive Device or Toxic Material – Venue

FOR the purpose of adding an additional venue in which a person may be prosecuted for a false statement concerning a destructive device or toxic material; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to false statements concerning a destructive device or toxic material.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 9–504(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 9–504(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 288 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Corporation Returns – Filing Date

FOR the purpose of altering the date by which certain corporations must complete and file with the Comptroller an income tax return; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain income tax returns filed by certain corporations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–821(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 289 – Senators Feldman, Kelley, King, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Preventive Medical Care – Consent by Minors

FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of law to provide that treatment to which a minor may consent includes medical care related to prevention of or advice about sexually transmitted infection and disease; and generally relating to consent to medical care by minors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 20–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 290 – Senators Bates, Kelley, and Waugh

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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 13–604.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 291 – Senators Bates, Guzzone, Norman, Ready, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Mobile Food Service Facilities – Licensing and Inspection by Counties

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, under certain circumstances, a county from requiring a mobile food service facility to obtain a license from the county in order to operate in the county; authorizing a county to inspect a mobile food service facility that is operating in the county; requiring, under certain circumstances, a county to forward the result of a certain inspection to the county that licenses a certain mobile food service facility; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the licensing and inspection of mobile food service facilities by counties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 292 – Senators Bates, Eckardt, Kelley, Ready, Salling, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Tax Assessments – Appeals Procedures – Application for Revision or Claim for Refund

FOR the purpose of altering the time period after a certain notice of assessment is mailed within which a certain person or governmental unit may apply for a revision of the assessment or claim a refund; and generally relating to appeals procedures for tax assessments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 13–508(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 293 – Senators Peters, Astle, Benson, Cassilly, Currie, DeGrange, Edwards, Feldman, Guzzone, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Ramirez, Raskin, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, and Zirkin

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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–207(q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 294 – Senators Madaleno, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Earned Income Tax Credit – Expansion

FOR the purpose of altering the percentage of the federal earned income credit used for determining the amount that certain individuals may claim as a refund under the Maryland earned income credit under certain circumstances; altering the calculation of the Maryland earned income tax credit to increase the amount of credit that certain individuals without qualifying children may claim; expanding eligibility of the credit to allow certain individuals without certain qualifying children to claim the credit; allowing certain individuals to claim a refund of the credit; allowing an individual to claim the credit without regard to a certain age limitation; providing that the amount of the credit is adjusted for inflation each year; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland earned income tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 295 – Senators Madaleno, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Earned Income Credit – Refundability

FOR the purpose of altering the percentage of the federal earned income credit used for determining the amount that certain individuals may claim as a refund under the Maryland earned income credit under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the earned income 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 296 – 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 \$31,000,000 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 paramount; 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 297 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Habilitative Services – Period of Time for Coverage

FOR the purpose of extending until the end of a certain month the period of time during which certain health insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations are required to provide coverage of certain habilitative services for insureds and enrollees who are children; repealing a provision of law stating that a certain determination by a certain entity is considered an adverse decision for certain purposes; altering a certain definition; repealing a certain definition; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to health insurance coverage for habilitative services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–835
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 298 – 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 \$100,000, 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.

Senate Bill 299 – Senators Eckardt, Bates, Hershey, and Mathias

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 300 – Senators Eckardt and Bates

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Standard Deduction – Inflation Adjustment

FOR the purpose of altering the minimum and maximum limitation amounts of certain standard deductions allowed under the State income tax for certain taxable years by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; and generally relating to a cost-of-living adjustment for certain standard deductions allowed under the State income tax.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–217(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 301 – Senators Eckardt, Bates, Hershey, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Personal Exemptions – Inflation Adjustment

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of certain exemptions allowed under the State income tax for certain taxable years by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; and generally relating to a cost-of-living adjustment for certain exemptions allowed under the State income tax.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–211(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 302 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Manno, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Aggressive Drunk Driving – Punitive Damages

FOR the purpose of providing that a person with a certain alcohol concentration in the blood or breath who causes personal injury or wrongful death while operating or attempting to operate a motor vehicle is liable for 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 court to review an award of punitive damages under certain circumstances; requiring a court to review an award of punitive damages under certain circumstances; requiring a court to remit an award for punitive damages under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to liability for punitive damages under certain circumstances when a person who causes personal injury or wrongful death while driving or attempting to drive a motor vehicle with a certain alcohol concentration in the blood or breath.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 10-913.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 303 – Senators Brochin and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Counties – Transportation Adequate Public Facility Law – State Highway Intersection

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a county from amending or repealing a transportation adequate public facility law in effect on a certain date; requiring that the level of traffic congestion at a State highway intersection be determined by the State

Highway Administration for the purpose of determining whether development is allowed under a county transportation adequate public facility law; defining certain terms; and generally relating to determining the level of traffic congestion at State highway intersections under county transportation adequate public facility laws.

BY adding to

Article – Land Use

Section 7–105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 304 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kelley, Lee, Manno, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Commission on Health in All Policies

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Commission on Health in All Policies; providing for the purpose, composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring, to the extent practicable, the Commission to reflect a certain diversity; providing for the terms of certain members of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; specifying the duties of the Commission; requiring certain health impact assessments to be performed in a certain manner; requiring the Commission to study a certain matter and make certain findings and recommendations on or before a certain date; requiring the Commission to submit 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 Maryland Commission on Health in All Policies.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 13–3401 through 13–3406 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 34. Maryland Commission on Health in All Policies”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 305 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Conway, Currie, Ferguson, Kagan, Kelley, King, Lee, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Family Child Care Providers – High School Diploma or GED Test

FOR the purpose of requiring the regulations of the State Department of Education to provide for a requirement that a registered family child care provider has obtained a high school diploma or a passing score on the GED test; making a stylistic change; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to requirements for registered family child care providers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–551
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 306 – Senators Madaleno and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Agricultural Land Transfer Tax – Calculation

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “agricultural land transfer tax” and defining “total rate of tax” to provide that, for purposes of certain provisions of law concerning the calculation of the agricultural land transfer tax, the tax does not include a certain surcharge; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the agricultural land transfer tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–301, 13–303, and 13–407
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 307 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Bonding Authority

FOR the purpose of authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Calvert County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$9,410,000 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 paramount; 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.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT**ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT**

Senate Bill 305 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Conway, Currie, Ferguson, Kagan, Kelley, King, Lee, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Family Child Care Providers – High School Diploma or GED Test

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:13 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:13 P.M. on Monday, January 25, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, January 25, 2016
8:13 P.M. Session

The Senate met at 8:13 P.M.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 59)

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

The Journal of January 22, 2016 was read and approved.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

RULE 116 CHANGE IN RULES 01/13/16 Made a Special Order for 01/20/16.
01/20/16 Made a Special Order for 01/25/16

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.

QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF RULE 116.

Senator Klausmeier moved to make Rule 116 a Special Order until January 27, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 60)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #2

Senate Bill 88 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Commissioner of Financial Regulation – Consolidation of Nondepository Special Funds

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

Affirmative – 43 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 61)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 62)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:35 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 in honor of Joan Hammonds and Carmen Pete Pompey.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, January 26, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 10:17 A.M.

Prayer by Reverend Tracy Davenport, Harundale Presbyterian Church, guest of Senator DeGrange.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 66)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 158 – Senator James N. Mathias, Jr.:

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

the 19th Field Hockey State Title with the 2015 Title dedicated to the late Coach Susan Pusey and under the current coaching guidance of Coach Brandi Cataneda.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 25th day of January 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 67)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 308 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Lead Risk Reduction Standards – Maintenance of Exemptions

FOR the purpose of altering the time period when an owner of certain residential rental property is required to submit a certain certification to the Department of the Environment in order to maintain a certain exemption from certain lead-based paint risk reduction standards; requiring an owner of certain residential rental property to submit a certain certification to the Department within a certain time period after receiving a written notice of chipping, peeling, or flaking paint on the exterior of the property in order to maintain a certain exemption; requiring an owner of a certain residential rental property to submit a certain affidavit on or before a certain date and annually thereafter in order to maintain a certain exemption; requiring an owner of a certain residential rental property to maintain a copy of each affidavit for a certain time period, and, on request, to submit a copy of an affidavit to the Department; requiring that a certain written notice of chipping, peeling, or flaking paint be sent in a certain manner; providing that a certain exemption for a multifamily rental dwelling expires on a certain date unless a certain inspection for the presence of lead-based paint was conducted in accordance with certain regulations adopted by the Department; and generally relating to exempting lead-free residential rental property from certain lead-based paint risk reduction standards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 6–804
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 309 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Registration – Exception for Golf Carts – City of Crisfield

FOR the purpose of creating an exception from motor vehicle registration requirements under certain circumstances for golf carts in the City of Crisfield; providing that a person who operates a golf cart on a highway in the City of Crisfield may operate the golf cart only on certain roads at certain times and only if the golf cart is equipped with certain lighting devices; requiring a person who operates a golf cart on a highway in the City of Crisfield to keep as far to the right of the roadway as feasible; and generally relating to an exception to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts in the City of Crisfield.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation

Section 13–402(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–402(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 21–104.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 310 – Senators Raskin, Cassilly, Hough, Lee, 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 substantial grounds to believe that a person has knowingly 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 311 – Senators King, Guzzone, Kagan, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Gaming – Home Games

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual who is at least a certain age to conduct a home game involving wagering if the home game is conducted in certain manner; and generally relating to gaming.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 12–115

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 312 – Senators King, Bates, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, Kelley, Madaleno, Middleton, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Pugh, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Children – Family Child Care Homes and Child Care Centers – Advertising and Penalties

FOR the purpose of requiring advertisements for certain child care services to include certain information; authorizing certain employees of the State Department of Education or a law enforcement officer to visit and serve a certain civil citation to certain child care homes and child care centers if the child care home or child care center is advertised and is not registered or licensed with the Department; authorizing certain law enforcement officers to serve a certain civil citation to certain child care homes and child care centers in certain circumstances; authorizing the State Fire Marshal, a deputy State fire marshal, or a special assistant State fire marshal to inspect certain child care homes or child care centers under certain circumstances; altering the penalties for providing certain child care services without being registered or licensed; stating the intent of the General Assembly that the Department expand its efforts to educate certain parents and certain child care providers about certain issues relating to child care services; requiring the Department to make a certain report on or before a certain date; defining a certain term; and generally relating to child care services in the State.

BY renumbering

Article – Family Law

Section 5–501(c) through (r), respectively

to be Section 5–501(d) through (s), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–501(a), 5–550(a) and (b), 5–551(a), 5–570(a), (c), (d), and (f), and 5–574(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law
Section 5–501(c) and 5–574(e) through (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Family Law
Section 5–551(c)(10)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law
Section 5–551(c)(11) and (12), 5–552, 5–557, 5–557.1, 5–582, 5–583, and 5–583.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 313 – Senators Klausmeier, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Manno, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Raskin, Ready, Salling, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Public Institutions of Higher Education – Financial Aid – Reduction Prohibited

FOR the purpose of prohibiting financial aid that is awarded to a student by a public institution of higher education from being reduced by any other form of financial aid awarded to the student beginning in a certain academic year; prohibiting a public institution of higher education from considering certain scholarships when assembling certain financial aid packages; authorizing financial aid awarded by a public institution of higher education to be reduced in a certain order under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to financial aid at public institutions of higher education.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 15–119
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 314 – Senators Klausmeier, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Guzzone, Kagan, Rosapepe, Salling, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**State Government – Financial Education and Capability Commission –
Composition**

FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the Financial Education and Capability Commission; and generally relating to the Financial Education and Capability Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–802
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–803
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 315 – Senators Hough, Brochin, Cassilly, Norman, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Homicide, Kidnapping, and Drug Offenses – Penalties

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum penalties for murder in the second degree, manslaughter, and kidnapping; prohibiting a person from distributing heroin mixed with fentanyl; establishing penalties; requiring that a sentence for the distribution of heroin mixed with fentanyl be consecutive to any other sentence imposed; and generally relating to criminal penalties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–204, 2–207, and 3–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–602 and 5–608(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–608.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
AFFAIRS REPORT #1**

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 4 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Maryland Environmental Trust – Trustees

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 16 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Talbot County – Board of Education – Student Members

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 120 – Senator Delores G. Kelley:

Be it hereby known to all that
 The Senate of Maryland
 offers its sincerest congratulations to
 Timothy Hyman
 in recognition of

your retirement from the State Highway Administration as the state’s longest-serving employee, having dedicated 66 years to the citizens of Maryland.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 26th day of January 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 68)

**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 73 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care
 Recipients**

SB0073/464330/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 73

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Young” and substitute “Senators Young, Benson, Kelley, Lee, Muse, Madaleno, Nathan–Pulliam, Conway, Rosapepe, and Peters”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 6, after the second “the” insert “funding”; and in line 8, after “regulations;” insert “requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to submit a certain report on or before a certain date”.

On page 3, in line 10, strike “**THE**” and substitute “**(A) SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE**”; after line 12, insert:

“(B) THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL INCLUDE AN APPROPRIATION OF \$100,000 IN THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE COMMISSION TO DISBURSE ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.”;

after line 28, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before September 1, 2020, the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, regarding:

(1) how many individuals receive assistance annually under Title 18, Subtitle 31 of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act;

(2) the amount of each award; and

(3) how many individuals, if any, are placed on a waiting list or denied assistance under Title 18, Subtitle 31 of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.”;

and in line 29, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.

On page 4, in line 3, strike “3.” and substitute “4.”

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 102 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Office for Children)**

AN ACT concerning

Governor’s Office for Children and Services to Children

Senator Conway moved, duly seconded, to re–refer **Senate Bill 102** to the Committee on Finance.

The motion was adopted.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Joint Resolution 1 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Planning)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Patuxent River Watershed – Amendment of Patuxent River Policy Plan

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #3

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 72 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport – Membership

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 85 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce – Renaming

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 91 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – State-Identified HIV Priorities

SB0091/877471/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 91

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after “services;” insert “requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 14, insert:

“(4) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING, AS APPROPRIATE, INCOME AND OTHER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE RECEIPT OF HIV PREVENTION AND CARE SERVICES FUNDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION.”

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 92 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Planned Apprenticeship Standards and On-the-Job Training Activities –
Revisions**

SB0092/847470/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 92

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “to” in line 6 down through “diversity” in line 7 and substitute “and consultants to the Council to reflect the geographic, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity of the State”; and in line 11, after the first semicolon, insert “adding members to the Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee; stating the intent of the General Assembly that certain regulations and guidelines promulgated by the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation give adequate attention to certain training for certain individuals under a certain circumstance;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike beginning with “include” in line 9 down through “DIVERSITY” in line 10 and substitute “, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, REFLECT THE GEOGRAPHIC, RACIAL, ETHNIC, CULTURAL, AND GENDER DIVERSITY OF THE STATE”; in line 10, after “AND” insert “SHALL INCLUDE”; in line 11, after the second “AND” insert “SHALL INCLUDE”; and in the same line, strike “include RACE AND GENDER DIVERSITY” and substitute “, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, REFLECT THE GEOGRAPHIC, RACIAL, ETHNIC, CULTURAL, AND GENDER DIVERSITY OF THE STATE”.

On page 7, in line 2, strike the second “and”; and in line 3, after “Commerce” insert “; AND”

(VIII) TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM REGIONAL BUSINESS COUNCILS THAT SERVE DIFFERENT REGIONS OF THE STATE”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 7, after line 19, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that regulations and guidelines promulgated by the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation give adequate attention to training individuals in the State agencies involved with the transition from the federal Workforce Investment Act to the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.”;

and in line 20, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.

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 93 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Workforce Corporation and Health Care Personnel Training Fund – Repeal

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 94 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Workforce Development – Revisions

SB0094/327170/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 94
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 17, after “law;” insert “stating the intent of the General Assembly that certain regulations and guidelines promulgated by the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation give adequate attention to certain training for certain individuals under a certain circumstance;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 19, after line 6, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that regulations and guidelines promulgated by the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation give adequate attention to training individuals in the State agencies involved with the transition from the federal Workforce Investment Act to the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.”;

and in lines 7 and 13, strike “2.” and “3.”, respectively, and substitute “3.” and “4.”, respectively.

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 95 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning – Adult Education and Literacy Services – Revisions

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS REPORT #1

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 53 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Obstruction Hanging From Rearview Mirror – Enforcement

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 80 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Transportation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Commercial Drivers’ Licenses – Cancellations and Downgrades
(Driving Privilege Preservation Act of 2016)**

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. 69)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:05 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 27, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, January 27, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:13 A.M.

Prayer by Father Thomas Patrick O’Flanagan, US Naval Academy, guest of Senator Astle.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 72)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 316 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Ulman Cancer Fund Home for Young
Adult Cancer Patients and Caregivers**

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 Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults, 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 317 – Senators Kelley, Bates, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Ferguson, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Raskin, Rosapepe, Salling, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Coordinating Council for Juvenile Services Educational Programs –
Membership**

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Coordinating Council for Juvenile Services Educational Programs; providing for the terms of office of the appointed members of the Coordinating Council; providing for the termination of the term of a certain member of the Coordinating Council; providing that the terms of certain members of the Coordinating Council begin on a certain date; providing for the construction of this Act; and generally relating to the membership of the Coordinating Council for Juvenile Services Educational Programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 22–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 318 – Senators Ferguson, Astle, Benson, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Department of Transportation – Heads of Modal Administrations – Senate Confirmation

FOR the purpose of requiring the appointments of the Executive Director of the Maryland Aviation Administration, the Executive Director of the Maryland Port Administration, the Maryland Transit Administrator, the State Highway Administrator, and the Motor Vehicle Administrator to be subject to the advice and consent of the Senate; providing for the appointment of the Executive Director of the Maryland Transportation Authority; and generally relating to the appointment of certain persons to certain positions in the Department of Transportation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 4–203, 5–201.1(c), 6–201.1(b), 7–202(a), and 8–202(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 12–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 319 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

State Lottery – Licensed Agents – Commissions

FOR the purpose of altering certain commissions that certain licensed agents receive from certain lottery ticket sales; and generally relating to licensed agent commissions from lottery ticket sales.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–117(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 320 – Senators Astle and DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

Tobacco Tax – Premium Cigars – Rate

FOR the purpose of altering the tobacco tax rate on premium cigars; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the tobacco tax rate for premium cigars.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 16.5–101(p)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–105(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 321 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Board of Trustees – Designee
Appointments and Fiduciary Duties**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Secretary of Budget and Management, the State Comptroller, and the State Treasurer to appoint certain individuals to serve as designees on the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System; altering a certain defined term to provide for certain fiduciary duties of members of certain committees established by the Board; and generally relating to the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–104(a) and 21–201(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

**Senate Bill 322 – Senators Pinsky, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, Ferguson,
Guzzone, Kasemeyer, King, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Miller,
Ramirez, Rosapepe, Young, and Zirkin**

AN ACT concerning

Homeowners' Property Tax Credit Program – Eligibility Awareness Campaign

FOR the purpose of requiring, on or before a certain date, the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to provide the Comptroller information identifying certain residential property owners who failed to claim a certain homeowners' property tax credit; requiring the Comptroller to review certain information, identify certain individuals who may be eligible for but failed to claim the credit, and provide the Department the contact information of those individuals; requiring, on or before a certain date, the Department to contact certain individuals identified under this Act by mail for certain purposes; and generally relating to the homeowners' property tax credit program.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–104(w)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 323 – Senators Pinsky, Raskin, Benson, Brochin, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Act – Reauthorization

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date for a certain provision of law requiring the State to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions by a certain amount by a certain date; requiring the State to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions by a certain amount by a certain date; requiring the Department of the Environment to submit a proposed plan in accordance with certain requirements to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Department to adopt a final plan in accordance with certain requirements on or before a certain date; requiring an institution of higher education in the State to conduct a certain study in accordance with certain requirements and submit the study to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; authorizing the General Assembly to maintain, revise, or eliminate certain statewide greenhouse gas emissions reduction requirements under certain circumstances; requiring the General Assembly to consider whether to continue certain manufacturing provisions under certain circumstances; altering the date by which the Department must monitor the implementation of certain plans and submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; requiring the Department to include certain agencies and entities in certain discussions regarding certain matters; making the provisions of this Act severable; providing for the termination of a certain provision of this Act; and generally relating to the reduction of statewide greenhouse gas emissions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 171 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009
Section 7

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 172 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009
Section 7

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 2–1204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Environment
Section 2–1204.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 2–1205, 2–1206, 2–1207, 2–1210, and 2–1211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 324 – Senators Miller, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Prince George’s County Regional Medical Center Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of requiring that in certain fiscal years certain amounts be provided in a certain manner as an operating grant to the Board of Directors of the University of Maryland Medical System for certain purposes; requiring the Governor to include certain appropriations in the budget bill for certain fiscal years for certain purposes; requiring Prince George’s County to provide certain funds and other financial assistance to the Board of Directors of the University of Maryland Medical System; requiring that certain State and Prince George’s County funds be used for certain purposes, including the construction of the Prince George’s County Regional Medical Center; requiring the Governor to include certain amounts in the capital or operating budget bill for certain fiscal years; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; making this Act subject to a certain contingency; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to funding for certain purposes in connection with the construction of the Prince George’s County Regional Medical Center.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 19–2401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 24. Prince George’s County Regional Medical Center”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 325 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Brochin, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Ferguson, Gladden, Klausmeier, Lee, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Services Education – Modifications

FOR the purpose of requiring county boards of education and the State to provide a certain amount to the State Department of Education for certain individuals receiving education services at certain facilities; requiring that teachers and other professional personnel providing certain services at certain facilities be paid a certain salary; requiring the Governor to make a certain supplemental grant under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to collaborate with certain entities to ensure certain comparable opportunities to all individuals in certain facilities; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to the State Board; requiring certain departments to work cooperatively to facilitate certain actions; requiring the State Board to adopt certain recommendations; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the provision and funding of education and other services at certain facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 6–302, 22–301, 22–303, 22–306.1, 22–307, 22–309, and 22–310

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 22–302

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 22–306.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 326 – Senators Currie, Astle, Benson, Kelley, King, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Municipal Elections – Certificates of Candidacy – Proof of Filing

FOR the purpose of requiring a municipality to provide an individual who is filing a certificate of candidacy to become a candidate in a municipal election with proof of the time and date the certificate was filed; and generally relating to certificates of candidacy for municipal elections.

BY adding to

Article – Local Government
Section 4–108.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 327 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources Police – Conditions of Sentencing, Probation, Parole, or Mandatory Release Supervision – Database

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Judiciary to notify the Department of Natural Resources of any person who is subject to a condition of sentencing or probation that specifically prohibits the person from engaging in any identified activity on the waters of the State or any recreational or commercial hunting or fishing activity; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to notify the Department of Natural Resources of any person who is subject to any terms and conditions of parole or mandatory release supervision that specifically prohibit the person from engaging in any identified activity on the waters of the State or any recreational or commercial hunting or fishing activity; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish and maintain a certain database of the persons reported by the Maryland Judiciary and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services as subject to certain conditions of sentencing, probation, parole, or mandatory release supervision and to ensure that the database is immediately available to Natural Resources police officers; and generally relating to the establishment and maintenance of a Natural Resources police database of persons subject to certain conditions of sentencing, probation, parole, or mandatory release supervision.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 1–201.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources
Section 1–211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 328 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Partial Expungement

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to file a petition for a partial expungement of certain criminal records under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to authorize a certain person to maintain certain records and limit inspection of certain records under certain circumstances; requiring a court to order that certain records may not be included on a certain Web site or within certain records; repealing a provision of law establishing that if a person is not entitled to expungement of one charge or conviction in a certain unit the person is not entitled to expungement of any other charge or conviction in the unit; 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 329 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Nonviolent Felonies – Stet, Shielding, and Expungement

FOR the purpose of requiring a court to dispose of a charge for a certain nonviolent felony by stet under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to reschedule a certain charge that was steted for certain reasons within certain time periods; authorizing a person to file a petition to shield a conviction for a certain nonviolent felony in accordance with certain provisions of law at a certain time under certain circumstances; authorizing a person to file a petition to expunge a shielded conviction for a certain nonviolent felony in accordance with certain provisions of law at a certain time; defining certain terms; and generally relating to nonviolent felonies.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–401 through 10–404 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Nonviolent Felonies”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 330 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Residential Property – Foreclosure Sale – Recordation of Instrument of Writing

FOR the purpose of requiring a secured party to record an instrument of writing transferring residential property within a certain period of time after the entry of a court order ratifying a foreclosure sale of the residential property under certain circumstances; providing that no transfer tax may be assessed on a secured party that records an instrument of writing transferring residential property within a certain period of time after the entry of the court order ratifying the foreclosure sale of the residential property; requiring the court to send to certain persons notice of the failure to timely record an instrument of writing transferring residential property under certain circumstances; authorizing certain persons to enforce this Act; authorizing a mortgagor or grantor to bring an action for certain damages incurred as a result of a violation of this Act; altering the time period within which a purchaser of residential property must provide a copy of a court order ratifying a foreclosure sale of residential property to a local supervisor of assessments under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the recordation of an instrument of writing after a foreclosure sale of residential property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 7–105.12

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 331 – Senator Conway

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Early Voting – Registered Voter Updating the Voter’s Address on an Existing Registration

FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of the election law concerning a registered voter updating the voter’s address during early voting to conform to other provisions of the election law applicable to a registered voter updating the voter’s address and voting; repealing the requirement that a registered voter updating the voter’s address on an existing registration during early voting must provide proof of residency; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to a registered voter updating the voter’s address on an existing registration during early voting.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 332 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 333 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Kelley, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Pugh, Rosapepe, and Young

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

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 334 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Guzzone, Hershey, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Middleton, Pugh, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Access to Accurate Provider Directories

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a carrier from issuing or delivering a health benefit plan in the State before a provider directory for the health benefit plan is submitted to and approved by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner; requiring a carrier to submit a certain provider directory on a certain basis for review and reapproval by the Commissioner; establishing certain requirements for a certain provider directory; requiring a carrier to establish for each health benefit plan issued or delivered by the carrier in the State a certain map that displays certain information; establishing that a violation of this Act is an unfair trade practice in the business of insurance under certain provisions of law; requiring the Commissioner to take certain enforcement actions if the Commissioner finds that a carrier has violated this Act or any regulation adopted under this Act; authorizing certain persons to bring a certain action against a carrier in a certain court; requiring that certain persons who prevail in a certain action be entitled to certain remedies and certain attorney's fees and costs; requiring the Commissioner to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to health benefit plans and provider directories.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–2001 through 15–2006 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 20. Access to Accurate Provider Directories”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 335 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Currie, Madaleno, Pugh, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Assignment of Benefits and Reimbursement of Nonpreferred Providers – Modifications

FOR the purpose of making certain provisions of law relating to the assignment of benefits and the reimbursement of nonpreferred providers who are physicians applicable to certain other health care practitioners; altering the circumstances under which a certain provision for an insured to pay a balance bill may not apply; altering the scope of certain provisions of law relating to the reimbursement of nonpreferred providers; requiring a certain nonpreferred provider who seeks an assignment of benefits from an insured to provide certain information to the insured within a certain period of time before a health care service is performed; prohibiting a certain nonpreferred provider from billing an insured more than a certain amount under certain circumstances; altering certain definitions; defining certain terms; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the assignment of benefits and reimbursement of nonpreferred providers under preferred provider insurance policies.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 14–201, 14–205, 14–205.2, and 14–205.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 336 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Klausmeier, Middleton, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Hospitals – Designation of Lay Caregivers

FOR the purpose of requiring a hospital to provide a patient or the legal guardian of the patient with an opportunity to designate a certain lay caregiver before the patient is discharged from the hospital; requiring a hospital to document a certain decision by a certain patient or the legal guardian of the patient in the patient's medical record; providing that a hospital shall be deemed to be in compliance with this Act under certain circumstances; requiring a hospital to record certain information in a patient's medical record; requiring a hospital to request the written consent of a patient or the legal guardian of the patient to release certain medical information; providing that a hospital, under certain circumstances, is not required to provide certain notice required under a certain provision of this Act or to consult with or provide certain information to a certain lay caregiver; authorizing a patient to change the designation of a certain lay caregiver under certain circumstances; providing that a designation of a certain lay caregiver does not obligate an individual to perform certain aftercare; providing that certain provisions of this Act may not be construed to require a patient or the legal guardian of the patient to designate a certain lay caregiver; requiring a hospital to notify a certain lay caregiver of the discharge of a patient or the transfer of a patient to another hospital or a certain facility as soon as practicable; requiring a hospital, as soon as practicable before discharge, to consult with a certain lay caregiver and issue a certain discharge plan; providing that the inability of a hospital to consult with a certain lay caregiver may not interfere with, delay, or otherwise affect certain medical care or a patient's discharge; authorizing a hospital's discharge process to incorporate certain standards of accreditation and certain Conditions of Participation; prohibiting the use of certain federal or State funds for a certain purpose; providing that no federal or State program funding may be impacted by this Act; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to hospitals and the designation of lay caregivers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 19–301(a) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 19–380 through 19–385 to be under the new part “Part XI. Designation of Lay Caregivers”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 337 – Senators King, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Peters, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Libraries – Regional, State, and County – Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of certain funding for each participating regional resource center, the State Library Resource Center, and each county public library system for certain fiscal years; and generally relating to funding for regional, State, and county libraries.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 23–205 and 23–503
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 338 – Senators King, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Peters, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Placement of Library Services Within the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Placement of Library Services Within the Education Article of 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 Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

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

Senate Bill 339 – Senators King, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Kagan, Kelley, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Community Colleges – Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of the required funding amount for community colleges including the Baltimore City Community College in certain fiscal years; and generally relating to the funding of community colleges.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–305(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–305(c)(1)(i) and 16–512(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

RULE 116 CHANGE IN RULES 01/13/16 Made a Special Order for 01/20/16.
01/20/16 Made a Special Order for 01/25/16.
01/25/16 Made a Special Order for 01/27/16

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.

QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF RULE 116.

Senator Klausmeier moved to make Rule 116 a Special Order until January 29, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 73)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:35 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, January 28, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, January 28, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:13 A.M.

Prayer by Pastor Clark Carr Nicols–Bethel United Methodist Church, guest of Senator Rosapepe.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 76)

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

The Journal of January 27, 2016 was read and approved.

Introduction of Women's International Group

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 340 – Senators Ready, Bates, and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Property Tax Credit – The Bucs Club

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Carroll County to grant a property tax credit for certain real property owned by The Bucs 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 341 – Senators Ready, Bates, Eckardt, Salling, and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Limitation Based on Federal Income Tax Liability

FOR the purpose of limiting the State income tax liability imposed on certain individuals by providing a limitation based on the individual's federal income tax liability; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a certain limitation on the State income tax imposed on certain individuals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 342 – Senators Feldman, Benson, Guzzone, Kelley, Klausmeier, Madaleno, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**State Finance and Procurement – Public Senior Higher Education Institutions
– Policies Concerning Procurement Contracts**

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain policies of public senior higher education institutions promote certain purposes and be similar to certain provisions concerning required clauses for procurement contracts; and generally relating to public senior higher education institutions and the application of certain policies concerning procurement contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 343 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

Employees' and Teachers' Pension Systems – Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit – Eligibility Service Clarifications

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a member of the Employees' Pension System or the Teachers' Pension System is eligible to receive certain prorated eligibility service credit if the member is subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit and works less than a certain number of hours in a fiscal year; clarifying that certain eligibility service rules relating to a member's break in service do not apply to a member who is subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit; clarifying that eligibility service for a member who is subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit and has transferred between the Employees' Pension System and the Teachers' Pension System includes certain eligibility service under the previous system; and generally relating to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit of the Employees' Pension System and the Teachers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 23–302(d), 23–303(b), and 23–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 344 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Local Fire and Police System –
Commingling of Assets**

FOR the purpose of repealing obsolete language authorizing the commingling of Local Fire and Police System assets with other State Retirement and Pension System assets; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Local Fire and Police System in the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–123(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 345 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Optional Retirement Allowances – Designated Beneficiaries

FOR the purpose of repealing as redundant certain language relating to members of the Judges' Retirement System designating multiple beneficiaries under a certain optional retirement allowance in the State Retirement and Pension System; clarifying that certain members of the State Retirement and Pension System may designate multiple beneficiaries under certain optional retirement allowances; and generally relating to optional retirement allowances for members of the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–403(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 346 – Senators Ramirez, Cassilly, Lee, Madaleno, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Peace Orders – Grounds for Relief

FOR the purpose of adding certain offenses to the list of offenses alleged to have been committed by a certain respondent against a certain victim for which a peace order request or a peace order petition may be filed under certain circumstances; and generally relating to peace orders.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–19.1 and 3–1503(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 347 – 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 348 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Liquid Waste Hauler – Vehicle License and Inspection

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from engaging in business as a liquid waste hauler in the State unless the vehicle used by the person to haul liquid waste is licensed annually by the Department of the Environment; establishing certain requirements for applying for a certain vehicle license; prohibiting the Department from issuing a certain vehicle license unless the vehicle is annually inspected and approved by the Department; requiring the Department to set certain fees for the licensing and inspection of certain vehicles in a certain manner; authorizing the Department to delegate to a local health department certain vehicle inspection authority; authorizing a local health department to set certain inspection fees under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; providing for certain criminal penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the licensing and inspection of vehicles used to haul liquid waste.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 9–11A–01 through 9–11A–07 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11A.
Liquid Waste Haulers”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 349 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Allegany and Garrett 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 Allegany and Garrett counties or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Allegany and Garrett counties; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

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

Senate Bill 350 – Senators Manno, Ramirez, Raskin, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, King, Lee, Madaleno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Universal Voter Registration Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration and certain social service agencies to provide electronic records of certain individuals to the State Board of Elections; requiring the electronic records to include certain information relating to each individual; requiring the State Board to determine whether each individual whose electronic record it receives is eligible to be registered to vote; requiring the State Board to provide the electronic record of each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote to the local board of elections for the county where the individual resides; requiring the local board to send a notice that contains certain information to each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote; requiring a local board to add to the statewide voter registration list the name of each individual who is eligible to be registered to vote and who does not decline to register within a specified period of time; requiring that an individual added to the statewide voter registration list be listed as not affiliated with any political party if the individual has not selected a political party affiliation; authorizing the State Board to adopt regulations to implement this Act; repealing certain requirements that the Administration and certain social service agencies conduct voter registration activities in a certain manner; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; and generally relating to universal voter registration.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–102 and 3–301(c)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 3–201, 3–202(a)(4), 3–204(a), 3–302, and 3–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Election Law
Section 3–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 3–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 351 – Senators Jennings, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Norman, Ready, Salling, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Exemption – Firearm Safety Devices

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption under the sales and use tax for the sale of certain firearm safety devices; defining a certain term; and generally relating to a sales and use tax exemption for the sales of certain firearm safety devices.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–232

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 352 – Senators Hershey and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Health Care Commission – Certificate of Need Review – Interested Party

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “interested party”, for the purpose of certificate of need review of certain health care facility projects, to include a jurisdiction that does not contain a certain health care facility project; and generally relating to interested parties in certificate of need reviews by the Maryland Health Care Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–126(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 353 – Senators Lee, Feldman, King, Manno, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Days – Fred Korematsu Day

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain day as Fred Korematsu Day; requiring the proclamation to urge certain organizations to observe Fred Korematsu Day properly with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities; and generally relating to Fred Korematsu Day.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–402 through 7–416, respectively
to be Section 7–403 through 7–417, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 354 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Petitions for Emergency Evaluation – Minors – Sealing of Court Records

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain individual to file a motion with the court requesting that any court records relating to a certain petition for emergency evaluation be sealed; requiring the court to have a copy of the motion served on a certain petitioner at a certain address; authorizing the court to order that certain court records be sealed under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain petitioner to file an objection to the motion; authorizing the court to grant the motion without a hearing under certain circumstances; requiring the court to hold a hearing if the petitioner files an objection to the motion within a certain time period after a copy of the motion is served on the petitioner; authorizing the court to hold a hearing on its own initiative; prohibiting certain court records, if sealed, from being opened for any purpose except by order of the court under certain circumstances; and generally relating to petitions for emergency evaluation and court records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 10–630
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 355 – Senators Feldman, Raskin, Astle, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Jennings, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Ready, Rosapepe, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Program – Establishment

FOR the purpose of requiring the College Savings Plans of Maryland Board to establish the Maryland Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Program for certain purposes subject to certain provisions; renaming the College Savings Plans of Maryland Board to be the Maryland 529 Board; requiring the Board to oversee the establishment and 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; declaring that the goal of the State is that the Maryland ABLE Program be fully operational by a certain date; requiring the Board to work in consultation with the Department of Disabilities regarding the Maryland ABLE Program; authorizing the Board to collaborate and participate with other states or entities regarding the Maryland ABLE Program; 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; prohibiting money and assets in an ABLE account in any state from being considered for a certain determination of eligibility for, or the amount of, certain assistance or benefits from certain local or State means–tested programs; authorizing the Maryland ABLE Program to receive money from certain sources; 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; requiring the Board to issue certain refunds under certain circumstances; authorizing any state to file a certain claim on the death of a designated beneficiary of an ABLE account; 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; defining certain terms; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to correct cross-references and terminology in the Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the College Savings Plans of Maryland and the Maryland ABLE Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–1901, 18–1902.1, 18–1904(a) through (d), 18–1905(d)(3), (e), and (f),
18–19A–05, and 18–19B–05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–1905(d)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–19C–01 through 18–19C–10 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 19C.
Maryland ABLE Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 17–203

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 11–203(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 9–803(a)(11)(ii)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 356 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Local Government Tort Claims Act and Maryland Tort Claims Act – Statute of
Limitations and 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 that when a certain cause of action accrues in favor of a minor or mental incompetent, the claimant shall file an action within a certain number of years after the disability is removed; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 12–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 357 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Jemicy School Lower and Middle School Campus Gymnasium

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 Trustees of The Jemicy 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; 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 358 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Divorce on Grounds of Mutual Consent – Parties With Minor Children

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to decree an absolute divorce on the grounds of mutual consent if the parties have minor children, under certain circumstances; requiring a certain settlement agreement to provide for the care, custody, access, and support of minor or dependent children; requiring certain parties to attach a completed child support guidelines worksheet to a certain settlement agreement; providing that a court may decree an absolute divorce on the grounds of mutual consent only if, after reviewing a certain settlement agreement, the court is satisfied that any terms of the agreement relating to minor or dependent children are in the best interests of those children; and generally relating to the grounds for an absolute divorce.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 7–103(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 7–103(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 359 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Divorce – Corroboration of Testimony and Filing Procedures

FOR the purpose of repealing the prohibition on a court entering a decree of divorce on the uncorroborated testimony of the party seeking the divorce; requiring parties to jointly file a certain complaint in order to initiate proceedings for an absolute divorce on the grounds of mutual consent; requiring the Court of Appeals to establish a certain joint complaint form and procedures for filing certain joint complaints; and generally relating to divorce.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 7–101 and 7–103(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 7–103(a)(8)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 7–103(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 360 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Causes – Permanency Plans – Age Restrictions on Use of Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement

FOR the purpose of providing that another planned permanent living arrangement may be a child's permanency plan only if the child is at least a certain age; and generally relating to permanency plans for the out-of-home placement of children.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–823(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–326(a) and 5–525(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 361 – Senators Raskin and Zirkin

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; 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; authorizing a court to award punitive damages 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 3–2106 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 21. Hydraulic Fracturing Liability Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 362 – Senators Muse, Kelley, Lee, and Ramirez

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 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 12–109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 363 – Senators Pugh, Raskin, Benson, Brochin, Currie, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Ramirez, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Education – Community Colleges – Collective Bargaining

FOR the purpose of establishing collective bargaining rights for certain community college employees; requiring certain community colleges to determine whether certain employees are public employees for purposes of collective bargaining, subject to certain rights of appeal; establishing procedures for the election or recognition of an exclusive bargaining representative; providing procedures by which the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board may designate a bargaining unit; establishing the maximum number of bargaining units within each community college; providing for

the composition of certain bargaining units; requiring certain collective bargaining agreements to include certain provisions; providing for a certain exemption from paying dues and fees under certain circumstances; establishing the matters subject to collective bargaining negotiations; providing for certain rights and responsibilities in connection with the collective bargaining process; authorizing certain parties to engage in mediation and fact-finding under certain circumstances and providing for fact-finding procedures; providing for the settlement of certain grievances; prohibiting certain public employees and exclusive bargaining representatives from engaging in a strike and providing sanctions for engaging in a strike; requiring the parties to collective bargaining negotiations to make certain efforts to conclude negotiations by a certain time; authorizing a collective bargaining agreement to include a provision for the arbitration of certain grievances; requiring that the terms of a collective bargaining agreement supersede certain regulations and policies; providing that a collective bargaining agreement may be reopened under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions of law relating to collective bargaining rights that apply to individual community colleges; altering the scope of duty of the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board to include administering and enforcing provisions of this Act; providing for the disclosure of certain employee information; providing that certain community colleges may continue to operate under certain agreements and contracts under certain circumstances for a certain period of time; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to collective bargaining rights for community college employees.

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 16–403, 16–412, and 16–414.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 16–701 through 16–710 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Collective Bargaining”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 3–2A–01

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 3–2A–05, 3–2A–07, and 3–2A–08(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 364 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Radebaugh 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 365 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Towson Manor Park

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$80,000, 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 366 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Land Use – Department of Planning – Permit for Development Projects

FOR the purpose of requiring a person that undertakes a certain development project to apply to the Department of Planning for a permit; requiring the Department to provide an opportunity for public comment on the permit application; requiring the Department to take certain factors into consideration when reviewing the permit application; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to development projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 1–401 and 10–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Land Use
Section 1–601 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Miscellaneous”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–725(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 367 – Senators Ferguson, Benson, Guzzone, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container Recycling Refund and Litter Reduction Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container Recycling Refund and Litter Reduction Program; stating the intent of the General Assembly; requiring the Maryland Environmental Service to develop, implement, and administer the Program; specifying the responsibilities associated with developing, implementing, and administering the Program; 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 a distributor to remit a certain refund to the Service within a certain amount of time; requiring that a certain refund value be added to the retail price of a certain container at the time of purchase on and after a certain date; authorizing certain on–premises sellers to apply to the Service 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; requiring a redemption center to accept an empty redeemable beverage container and pay a certain refund value on and after a certain date; requiring a certain retailer or redemption center to use certain technology

when redeeming a redeemable beverage container; specifying the contents of the Program revenue; specifying the manner in which unredeemed deposits will be used; establishing the Reserve Redeemable Beverage Container 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; prohibiting the transfer of money in the Fund to the General Fund or a special fund of the State; requiring that money in the Fund be released at least a certain number of times each year; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; requiring a legislative auditor to audit the accounts and transactions of the Program; authorizing the Service to request an audit of the Program at any time; requiring the Service to publish a certain report on its Web site with a certain frequency; requiring the Service 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; prohibiting a person from knowingly selling or attempting to redeem a beverage container in the State that does not comply with this Act; making a person who violates the prohibition against knowingly selling or attempting to redeem a certain beverage container in the State guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a certain penalty; 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 Recycling Refund and Litter Reduction Program.

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 9–1733 through 9–1742 to be under the new part “Part V. Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container Recycling Refund and Litter Reduction Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 3–105(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 3–105(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 368 – Senators Ferguson, McFadden, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Police Commissioner – Length of Term

FOR the purpose of repealing a provision requiring that the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City be appointed for a term of a certain number of years; providing that the Police Commissioner shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor of Baltimore City; and generally relating to the appointment and term of office for the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 16–5(a)
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

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

Senate Bill 369 – Senators Ferguson, King, Benson, Currie, Guzzone, Kelley, Klausmeier, Madaleno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Education – Prekindergarten Programs – Notification of Eligibility by Local Departments of Social Services

FOR the purpose of requiring certain local departments of social services, under certain circumstances, to provide to certain parents or guardians with certain family income levels a certain notice that their children may be eligible for certain publicly funded prekindergarten programs; and generally relating to notification of eligibility for publicly funded prekindergarten programs in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–101.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 370 – Senators Madaleno, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kelley, Lee, Peters, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Board of Public Works Transparency Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to provide certain public notice within a certain period of time before the Board of Public Works may approve a reduction of appropriations; requiring the Secretary to provide certain notice within a certain period of time to the Board of Public Works and certain committees of the General Assembly; and generally relating to the State budget and the Department of Budget and Management.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 371 – Senators Peters, Middleton, and Miller

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Perpetual Conservation Easements

FOR the purpose of providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain proceeds from the sale of a perpetual conservation easement on real property in the State; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating

to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain proceeds from the sale of a perpetual conservation easement on real property in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(cc)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 372 – Senators Peters, Currie, and McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Horse Racing – Track Winnings – Intercepts for Restitution and Child Support Payments

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Central Collection Unit and Child Support Enforcement Administration to certify to the State Racing Commission or a licensee of the Commission that an obligor is in arrears on certain restitution or child support payments; requiring the certification to contain certain information; requiring a licensee to provide an obligor who wins a certain prize with a certain notice; requiring the Commission or a licensee to withhold and make certain transfers of a certain amount of the prize of an obligor; authorizing an obligor to appeal a transfer; requiring the Commission or a licensee to honor interception requests in a certain order; authorizing the Secretary of Budget and Management, the Secretary of Human Resources, and the Commission to adopt certain regulations; providing that a licensee may not be held liable for certain acts; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the interception of certain prizes at horse racing tracks.

BY adding to
Article – Business Regulation
Section 11–215
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 11–616(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 373 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

Teachers’ Retirement and Pension Systems – Reemployment of Retirees – Clarification

FOR the purpose of clarifying the number of retirees of the Teachers’ Retirement System or the Teachers’ Pension System that are exempt from a certain offset of a retirement allowance if they are reemployed in certain positions in a local school system or the Maryland School for the Deaf; and generally relating to the reemployment of retirees of the teachers’ retirement and pension systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 22–406(c)(4)(iv), (v), (vi), and (xi), (5), and (6) and 23–407(c)(4)(iv), (v), and (ix), (5), and (6)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 22–406(c)(8) and 23–407(c)(8)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 374 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Subtraction Modification – College Savings Plans – Contributions

FOR the purpose of providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for contributions made by certain individuals to certain college savings accounts subject to certain limitations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for contributions made to certain college savings accounts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(n) and (o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

MOTION

Senator Klausmeier moved to suspend Rule 32 to allow **Senate Bill 375** through **Senate Bill 389** to be referred to the appropriate committee.

The motion was adopted by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 77)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 375 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Relief From Budget Mandates

FOR the purpose of providing that, beginning with a certain fiscal year, the Governor, under certain circumstances, is not required to include an appropriation in the budget for any program or item in an amount that exceeds the appropriation for the program or item in a certain fiscal year; providing for certain exceptions; providing that the General Assembly may not enact certain legislation that creates a certain mandated level of funding except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to mandated funding for certain programs or items in the State budget.

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

Senate Bill 376 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Mathias, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**Pathways in Technology Early College High (P-TECH)
Schools Act of 2016**

FOR the purpose of establishing a certain number of State-funded Pathways in Technology Early College High (P-TECH) schools in the State; requiring the State to provide a certain grant to P-TECH schools beginning in a certain fiscal year for certain costs; providing that the grant may not exceed a certain amount in certain fiscal years; requiring a county board to pay for dual enrollment costs for certain P-TECH students; prohibiting a county board from charging certain P-TECH students for certain costs; prohibiting a community college from charging certain P-TECH students dual enrollment costs; requiring the State Department of Education to reimburse the county board for a certain amount of dual enrollment costs; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; authorizing a county board to enter into or amend certain agreements with a community college; defining certain terms; requiring a certain report by a certain date; subjecting certain schools to a certain certification process under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of this Act; and generally relating to P-TECH schools.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 8-801 and 18-14A-07
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 18-14A-04
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 377 – The President (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

**Admissions and Amusement Tax – Revenue Distribution – Maryland State Arts
Council**

FOR the purpose of altering a certain distribution of revenue from the State admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars; repealing a certain special fund; providing that the Maryland State Arts Council is entitled to certain revenue distributed from the State admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars; and generally relating to the distribution of revenue

from the State admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars.

BY repealing

Article – Economic Development

Section 4–801 and the subtitle “Subtitle 8. Special Fund for Preservation of Cultural Arts in Maryland”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 4–501(a) and (c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 4–512(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 2–202(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 378 – The President (By Request – Administration)

AN ACT concerning

State Employees – Merit Increases in Salary

FOR the purpose of excluding certain State employees from a certain prohibition against certain merit increases in salary; and generally relating to merit increases in salary for certain State employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 489 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015

Section 7(a)

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

Senate Bill 379 – 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 \$4,680,000, 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.

Senate Bill 380 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly and Congressional Legislative Redistricting and Apportionment Commission

FOR the purpose of creating the General Assembly and Congressional Legislative Redistricting and Apportionment Commission; requiring the Commission to divide the State to create certain General Assembly legislative districts and congressional districts; providing for the membership, qualifications, and duties of the Commission; specifying certain requirements for the adoption of redistricting plans by the Commission; specifying that the redistricting plans meet certain standards and requirements; prohibiting the Commission from considering certain factors in adopting redistricting plans; requiring the Secretary of State to submit the Commission's final certified map and plan for General Assembly legislative districts and congressional districts to the presiding officers of the General Assembly; requiring the presiding officers to introduce separate bills for the General Assembly legislative districts and congressional districts; specifying that the maps and plans become law only on adoption by two-thirds of the members of each house of the General Assembly; providing that the Commission shall submit an alternative map and plan if the General Assembly fails to adopt a previously submitted map and plan; requiring the Legislative Auditor to establish and administer an application process for individuals seeking appointment to the Commission; prohibiting certain

individuals from serving as a member of the Commission; authorizing the Legislative Auditor to disqualify certain applicants seeking membership on the Commission; requiring the Legislative Auditor to establish an Applicant Review Panel to identify and establish certain applicant pools from which certain members of the Commission are to be selected; requiring the Legislative Auditor to select at random a certain number of names from the applicant pools for membership on the Commission; requiring the Commission to elect a chair and establish certain rules and procedures; making Commission meetings and records subject to State laws governing open meetings and public records; providing that the maps and plans drawn by the Commission are final and subject to review by the Court of Appeals; authorizing certain persons to petition the Court of Appeals to challenge or to establish General Assembly legislative districts or congressional districts under certain circumstances; requiring the Court of Appeals to establish the boundaries of General Assembly legislative districts or congressional districts or grant other relief under certain circumstances; specifying that the Commission shall have certain staff and other resources; requiring the Governor to include certain funds for the Commission in the State budget; defining certain terms; providing for the effective date of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; and generally relating to the General Assembly and Congressional Legislative Redistricting and Apportionment Commission.

BY proposing a repeal of the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 5

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article III – Legislative Department
Section 5

BY adding to
Article – Election Law
Section 8–7A–01 through 8–7A–14 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7A. General Assembly and Congressional Legislative Redistricting and Apportionment Commission”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 381 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Mathias, Muse, Norman, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**Housing and Community Development – Community Development
Administration – Student and Residential Mortgage Loans**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Community Development Administration in the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide financial assistance to homeowners under certain circumstances; authorizing the Administration to provide financial assistance to purchase a home and pay off student loan debts under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Housing and Community Development to determine the terms and qualifications of certain financial assistance to homeowners; authorizing the Administration to purchase from a mortgage lender a note or mortgage that evidences a residential mortgage loan for the purchase of a homeowner's primary residence and pay off student loan debt of the homeowner under certain circumstances; authorizing the Secretary to waive the requirements for a certain mortgage lender's certificate under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the Community Development Administration and residential mortgage loans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–235(b), 4–237(a), 4–238(a)(1), and 4–240
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 382 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kelley, Madaleno, Mathias, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Prescription Drug Monitoring Program – Revisions

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain authorized providers and prescribers be registered with the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program before obtaining a certain new or renewal registration or by a certain date, whichever is sooner; requiring that certain pharmacists be registered with the Program by a certain date; altering the mission of the Program; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to identify and publish a list of certain monitored prescription drugs; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Maryland Health Care Commission and the Advisory Board on Prescription Drug Monitoring, to educate pharmacists, prescriber delegates, and pharmacist delegates about the purpose and operation of the Program; repealing a requirement that certain regulations adopted by the Secretary specify that a prescriber or dispenser is not required or obligated to access or use certain prescription monitoring data; authorizing certain licensing entities to adopt

regulations that establish standards of practice for the review of prescription monitoring data; requiring certain prescribers and pharmacists to request and assess certain prescription monitoring data under certain circumstances; requiring a certain prescriber to document certain information in a patient's medical records under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain prescriber or pharmacist to authorize a prescriber delegate or pharmacist delegate to request prescription monitoring data on behalf of the prescriber or pharmacist under certain circumstances; specifying the circumstances under which certain prescribers and pharmacists are not required to request prescription monitoring data from the Program or comply with certain provisions of this Act; requiring certain prescribers and pharmacists who do not access prescription monitoring data to take certain actions; altering the information that the Advisory Board on Prescription Drug Monitoring must report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly; repealing a provision of law stating that prescription monitoring data may not be used as the basis for imposing clinical practice standards; altering a certain immunity from liability or disciplinary action arising solely from certain actions; providing that prescribers, prescriber delegates, pharmacists, and pharmacist delegates shall be subject to disciplinary action by the appropriate licensing entity for certain violations; providing that a release of prescription monitoring data by a prescriber delegate, pharmacist, or pharmacist delegate under certain circumstances is not a violation of certain provisions of law; altering certain definitions; defining certain terms; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–01(a), (e), and (f), 21–2A–02(c), and 21–2A–03(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–01(d), (g), (h), (i), (j), and (k), 21–2A–02(b), 21–2A–03(b) and (e),
21–2A–04, 21–2A–05(f)(3)(i) and (ii), 21–2A–06(d), 21–2A–07(b), 21–2A–08(b),
and 21–2A–09
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–01(h), (i), (k), (o), and (p), 21–2A–04.1, and 21–2A–04.2

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–06(k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 383 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

State Transfer Tax – Distribution of Revenue

FOR the purpose of reducing certain transfers from a certain special fund to the General Fund of the State for certain fiscal years; requiring in certain fiscal years the distribution of certain amounts from a certain special fund for certain purposes; providing that certain distributions may not be utilized or considered for certain purposes; and generally relating to the distribution of State transfer tax revenue.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–209(f) and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–209(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 384 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Mathias, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Earned Income Credit – Refundability

FOR the purpose of altering the percentage of the federal earned income credit used for determining the amount that certain individuals may claim as a refund under the Maryland earned income credit under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the earned income 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 385 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Mathias, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Corporations and Associations – Filing Fees – Reductions

FOR the purpose of reducing on a certain timetable certain filing fees paid by corporations and other business entities to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; and generally relating to business entity filing fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–203(b)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 386 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Mathias, Norman, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Tax Credits – Manufacturing Empowerment Zones

FOR the purpose of establishing the Manufacturing Empowerment Zone Program to encourage business entities engaged in manufacturing outside the State to invest in manufacturing facilities in certain areas of the State; authorizing the Secretary of Commerce to designate certain areas of the State as manufacturing empowerment zones; 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 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 tax incentives and financial assistance; providing that certain business entities are not eligible for certain incentives; providing for the length of availability of certain incentives; requiring the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce and the Comptroller to jointly assess the effectiveness of certain tax credits; requiring the Department and Comptroller to submit a certain report; authorizing 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; authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a property tax credit for 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 Empowerment Zone Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–102(10) and (11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–102(11); and 5–1501 through 5–1506 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle
15. Manufacturing Empowerment Zone Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–257 and 9–258

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(cc) and 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 387 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Muse, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Exemption Amount – Elderly Individuals

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of a certain exemption allowed under the State income tax for certain individuals for certain taxable years; and generally relating to a certain exception under the State income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–211(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 388 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Mathias, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Criminal Gangs – Prohibitions and Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the penalties for certain offenses relating to criminal gangs; prohibiting a criminal gang or an individual belonging to a criminal gang from receiving or investing certain proceeds in a certain manner; prohibiting criminal gangs and persons involved with criminal gangs from obtaining certain property under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from conspiring to commit certain violations relating to criminal gangs; allowing a court to order a divestiture of certain property and to take certain other actions relating to criminal gangs and persons involved with criminal gangs; altering certain penalties; authorizing the Governor to request the Attorney General to aid in certain investigations or prosecutions; prohibiting a person from promoting or sponsoring a criminal gang; establishing certain venue provisions for certain offenses; establishing the Addiction Treatment Divestiture Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; specifying the purposes of the Fund; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene 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 the Fund; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law that requires interest on State money in special funds to accrue to the General Fund; defining a certain term; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to criminal gangs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 9–801 through 9–805
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 9–807
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 8–6D–01 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6D. Addiction Treatment
Divestiture Fund”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 389 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Fee, Surcharge, and Tax Reduction Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the Public Service Commission impose a certain environmental surcharge; altering certain application and renewal fees for certain licenses issued by the Maryland Home Improvement Commission; altering the fee that the State Court Administrator is required to charge for the special admission of an out-of-state attorney; repealing a requirement that the State Court Administrator pay a certain portion of a certain fee to a certain program; altering certain fees for certified copies of certain certificates; altering the portion of certain fees collected by local health departments required to be transferred to the General Fund; altering the distribution of certain proceeds from the sale of certain allowances; repealing the requirement that the Public Service Commission establish the amount of a certain surcharge; repealing a requirement that the Secretary of Natural Resources take certain actions in consultation with the Director of the Maryland Energy Administration; repealing a requirement that the Maryland Energy Administration receive certain administrative and fiscal support from a certain fund; providing the sales and use tax does not apply to certain sales in the form of a certain demurrage charge; altering a certain fee that certain vehicle owners are required to pay for the original and renewal application of certain special registrations; repealing the application and renewal fee for a certain handgun qualification license; altering certain fees for registering certain weight and measures used for certain commercial purposes; altering a certain fee related to certain wetlands and waterways authorizations; altering the annual license fees for certain fishing licenses; making conforming changes; providing for the delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to altering certain fees, surcharges, and taxes and distribution of certain revenue.

BY repealing

Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 8–303(a) and 8–308(d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–202(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–1504(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–217(c)(1)(ii) and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 2–1002(g) and 5–203.1(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–302, 4–604(f)(1) and (2), and 4–745(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–604(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–20B–05(a) through (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–20B–05(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–613
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1(g) and (j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 11–204.7
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #4

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 1 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – In Vitro Fertilization – Use of Spouse’s Sperm – Exception**SB0001/867479/1**

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1On page 2, in line 33, after “DELIVER” insert “FUNCTIONAL”.On page 3, in line 1, after “DELIVER” insert “FUNCTIONAL”.AMENDMENT NO. 2On page 4, in line 16, after “delivered,” insert “or”; in the same line, strike “, or in force”; and in line 17, strike “July 1, 2016” and substitute “January 1, 2017”.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 54 – Senators Middleton and Ferguson

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Public Utilities – Transportation Network Services and For-Hire
Transportation – Clarifications****SB0054/257678/1**

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 54

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after “companies;” insert “delaying the date by which the Public Service Commission may not require a certain applicant for a for-hire driver’s license or transportation network operator’s license to comply with a certain criminal history records check; authorizing certain taxicabs to be equipped with a certain device approved by the Commission;”; and in the same line, strike “Public Service”.

On page 2, in line 11, after “revenues;” insert “requiring the Comptroller to enforce certain provisions of law;”; in line 16, after “Commission;” insert “altering a certain definition;”; in line 22, after “(3)” insert “and 19-517.1”; in line 27, after “10-104.1(a),” insert “10-210(a).”; in line 32, after “10-104.1(b),” insert “(d).”; in the same line, after “10-112(e),” insert “10-210(b).”; and in the same line, after “10-404(b),” insert “(d).”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 12, strike the brackets; and in line 13, after “State” insert “**AND THE MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND**”.

On page 4, after line 5, insert:

“19-517.1.

(a) Beginning July 1, 2017, and annually thereafter through July 1, 2021, the Commissioner shall make a determination whether, with regard to the required coverages under § 10-405(a) of the Public Utilities Article, there is a viable, affordable, and adequate market of [admitted carriers] **AUTHORIZED INSURERS** in the State, **INCLUDING THE MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND**, available to provide the required coverages to the transportation network services industry.

(b) To the extent that the Commissioner makes an affirmative finding of availability, and in accordance with the provisions of Title 3, Subtitle 3 of this article, it is the intent of the General Assembly that required coverages be obtained from [admitted] **AUTHORIZED** insurers **AND THE MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND**.”.

On page 17, in line 22, strike “insurance carriers admitted in the State” and substitute “**AUTHORIZED INSURERS AND THE MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND**”; in line 24, strike the brackets; and in the same line, after “insurers” insert “**AND THE MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, in line 13, after “include” insert “:

(I);

and in line 14, after the third “services” insert “;**OR**

(II) ANY SHARED EXPENSE CARPOOL ARRANGEMENT OR SERVICE OR OTHER TYPE OF ARRANGEMENT OR SERVICE IN WHICH A DRIVER RECEIVES A FEE THAT DOES NOT EXCEED THE DRIVER’S COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PROVIDING A RIDE”.

On page 6, after line 6, insert:

“(d) Before [April 1, 2016] **DECEMBER 15, 2016**, the Commission may not require an applicant for a for–hire driver’s license to comply with subsection (c) of this section if a sedan company or limousine company for which the applicant will provide services, at the time it applies for a permit, provides to the Commission details of the process the sedan company or limousine company uses to collect, review, and submit the information specified in subsection (b)(2) of this section.”;

in line 22, strike the brackets; strike beginning with “**EXCEPT**” in line 22 down through “**RECORDS**” in line 23; in line 28, strike “subpoena”; in the same line, strike the first comma; in the same line, strike the second comma; and strike beginning with “If” in line 29 down through “section” in line 31 and substitute “**ON NOTICE THAT A PERSON IS SEEKING RECORDS OR INFORMATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION**”.

On page 8, after line 13, insert:

“(d) Before [April 1, 2016] **DECEMBER 15, 2016**, the Commission may not require an applicant for a permanent transportation network operator’s license to comply with subsection (c) of this section if a transportation network company for which the applicant will provide services, at the time it applies for a permit, provides to the Commission details of the process the transportation network company uses to collect, review, and submit the information specified in subsection (b)(2) of this section.”;

in line 29, strike the brackets; and strike beginning with “**EXCEPT**” in line 29 down through “**RECORDS**” in line 30.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 9, in line 3, strike “subpoena”; in the same line, strike the first comma; in the same line, strike the second comma; strike beginning with “If” in line 7 down through “section” in line 9 and substitute “ON NOTICE THAT A PERSON IS SEEKING RECORDS OR INFORMATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION”; and in line 27, strike “municipality” and substitute “MUNICIPAL CORPORATION”.

On page 10, in line 23, strike “IMPOSED” and substitute “AUTHORIZED”.

On page 11, in line 7, strike “imposed” and substitute “AUTHORIZED”; in line 23, strike “IMPOSED” and substitute “AUTHORIZED”.

On page 12, in line 3, strike “IMPOSED” and substitute “AUTHORIZED”.

On page 14, in line 12, strike “(2)” and substitute “(3)”.

On page 15, in line 1, strike “A SUBPOENA, A”; in line 2, strike the comma; in the same line, strike “AN”; in line 11, strike the brackets; strike beginning with “EXCEPT” in line 11 down through “RECORDS” in line 12; in line 15, strike “Subject to subparagraph (iv) of this paragraph, the” and substitute “THE”; in line 17, strike “subpoena”; in the same line, strike the first comma; in the same line, strike the second comma; and strike beginning with “1.” in line 19 down through “company” in line 21 and substitute “ON NOTICE THAT A PERSON IS SEEKING RECORDS OR INFORMATION UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH”.

On page 16, in lines 3, 13, and 16, in each instance, strike “AND” and substitute “OR”; strike beginning with “EXCEPT” in line 11 down through “RECORDS” in line 12 and substitute “RECORDS”; after line 18 insert:

“3. ON NOTICE THAT A THIRD PARTY IS SEEKING RECORDS OR INFORMATION UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (IV)2 OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE PERSON THAT RECEIVES RECORDS OR INFORMATION UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (V)2 OR 3 OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY BEFORE DISCLOSING THE INFORMATION.”;

in line 18, strike “SUBPOENA,”; in the same line, strike the second comma; in line 20, strike “SUBSECTION” and substitute “SECTION”; in the same line, strike “TITLES 11 AND” and substitute “TITLE”; and after line 29, insert:

“(H) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ENFORCE THIS SECTION AND § 10-407 OF THIS SUBTITLE.”

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 7, after line 14, insert:

“10-210.

(a) (1) A taxicab permit holder shall post in each of its taxicabs a schedule of its fares on a rate card.

(2) The rate card shall be printed and arranged in a way that allows a passenger to determine readily the exact fare payable by the passenger.

(3) A person may not collect a fare other than a fare appearing on or determinable from the rate card posted in the taxicab.

(b) (1) This subsection does not apply to a taxicab operating in the City of Hagerstown.

(2) [(i)] Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, while in service, each taxicab for which a permit is required shall be equipped with:

(I) an accurate taximeter that is properly installed and connected[.];

OR

(ii) [The taximeter shall be the exclusive means of] ANOTHER DEVICE THE COMMISSION APPROVES FOR measuring the charges for service [and is subject to inspection and testing by the Commission.]”

The preceding 5 amendments were read and adopted.

Senator Rosapepe moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill and Report a Special Order for February 2, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 99 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Disabilities)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Disabilities – Assistive Technology Loan Program – Board of Directors

SB0099/997876/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 99
(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, strike beginning with “increasing” in line 6 down through “serve;” in line 7.

On page 3, in line 5, strike the brackets; and in line 6, strike “THREE”.

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 162 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Gas Companies – Infrastructure Replacement Projects – Amendment to a Plan

SB0162/127376/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 162

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Astle” and substitute “Senators Astle and Middleton”.

The preceding amendment was 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 43 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 78)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #3

Senate Bill 4 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Maryland Environmental Trust – Trustees

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

Affirmative – 43 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 79)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 16 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Talbot County – Board of Education – Student Members

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 80)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 53 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Obstruction Hanging From Rearview Mirror – Enforcement

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

Affirmative – 42 Negative – 1 (See Roll Call No. 81)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 72 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

**Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding
Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport – Membership**

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 82)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 73 – ~~Senator Young~~ Senators Young, Benson, Kelley, Lee, Muse,
Madaleno, Nathan–Pulliam, Conway, Rosapepe, and Peters**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care
Recipients**

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 83)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 80 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Transportation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Commercial Drivers' Licenses – Cancellations and Downgrades
(Driving Privilege Preservation Act of 2016)**

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 84)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 85 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –
Commerce)**

AN ACT concerning

Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce – Renaming

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 85)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 91 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health
and Mental Hygiene)**

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – State-Identified HIV Priorities

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 86)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 92 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Planned Apprenticeship Standards and On-the-Job Training Activities –
Revisions**

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 87)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 93 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Workforce Corporation and Health Care Personnel Training Fund – Repeal

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 88)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 94 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Workforce Development – Revisions

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 89)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 95 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning – Adult Education and Literacy Services – Revisions

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 90)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Joint Resolution 1 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Planning)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Patuxent River Watershed – Amendment of Patuxent River Policy Plan

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 91)

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. 92)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:54 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, January 29, 2016 in honor of Christa McAuliffe.

Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, January 29, 2016
11:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 11:11 A.M.

Prayer by Father Peter Daly, St. John Vianney Catholic Church, guest of Senator Miller.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 42 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 96)

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

The Journal of January 28, 2016 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 121 – Montgomery County Senate Delegation:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Alan Gross
in recognition of
for his extraordinary acts of heroism and triumph of spirit during 5 years of
imprisonment in Cuba.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 29th day of January 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 42 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 97)

Senate Resolution No. 187 – Senator Andrew A. Serafini:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Boonsboro High School
“We the People Team”
in recognition of
winning First Place in the State Championship of the 2016 “We the People” Competition.
Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 29th day of January 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 42 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 98)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 390 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Charles County Sheriff – Salaries and Collective Bargaining

FOR the purpose of requiring that the salary schedule for deputy sheriffs of Charles County correspond to the Department of State Police salary schedule; requiring that the salary schedule for the deputy sheriffs of Charles County be revised to reflect any revision made to the Department of State Police salary schedule; requiring the County Commissioners of Charles County to appropriate certain funds to provide certain salaries of the deputy sheriffs except under certain circumstances; providing that the County Commissioners are not required to grant certain step increases to the deputy sheriffs; providing that certain step increases are subject to appropriations by the Board; authorizing certain sworn law enforcement officers and correctional officers in Charles County to collectively bargain with the County Commissioners of Charles County, in addition to the Sheriff, with respect to certain matters; prohibiting the resolution or adjustment of a certain dispute from being inconsistent with the terms of a certain collective bargaining agreement; prohibiting the County Commissioners from recognizing an exclusive representative except under certain circumstances; providing for the decertification of a certain exclusive representative under certain circumstances; altering the maximum number of individuals that the Sheriff and the exclusive representative may designate to represent the Sheriff or the exclusive representative in collective bargaining; authorizing the County Commissioners to designate a certain number of individuals to represent the County Commissioners in collective bargaining under certain circumstances; altering the date by which negotiations for the collective bargaining agreement shall begin; altering the time period during which an exclusive

bargaining agreement may be valid; requiring an agreement involving the County Commissioners as a party, or a modification to that agreement, to be signed and ratified by the County Commissioners in order to be effective or valid; requiring that the terms of a collective bargaining agreement prevail in a certain conflict except under certain circumstances; authorizing any party to collective bargaining to seek mediation under certain circumstances; requiring the party seeking mediation to provide certain notice to certain persons; authorizing any party to a certain collective bargaining agreement to declare a bargaining impasse under certain circumstances; establishing procedures and timelines for the mediation and arbitration of collective bargaining disputes involving the exclusive representative of certain sworn law enforcement officers or correctional officers in the Charles County Sheriff's Office; providing that certain recommendations of the arbitrator are not binding; authorizing the Sheriff or the County Commissioners to adopt or reject certain recommendations under certain circumstances; requiring the parties to accept or reject the recommendations within a certain period of time; establishing a certain method of distributing the costs of the mediation and arbitration; authorizing the parties to reach a voluntary settlement on unresolved issues at any time; providing that the terms and conditions of a certain collective bargaining agreement shall remain in effect under certain circumstances until a certain time; making a conforming change; and generally relating to the salaries and collective bargaining rights of sworn law enforcement officers and correctional officers of the Charles County Sheriff's Office.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–309(a) and (a–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–309(j)(3) and (5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 391 – 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 \$500,000, 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 392 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Dorchester County – Recycling at Special Events – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of exempting Dorchester County from a requirement to revise its recycling plan by a certain date to address recycling at special events; exempting Dorchester County from certain requirements regarding recycling at special events; and generally relating to recycling at special events in Dorchester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 9–1703(a) and (b)(14)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 9–1703(g) and 9–1712

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Environment

Section 9–1703(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 393 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Eckardt, Klausmeier, Manno, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Nurse Practice Act – Peer Review and Advisory Committees and Penalties

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that the State Board of Nursing appoint certain peer review committees to oversee the use of certain insurance and certain benefits; authorizing the Board to appoint peer advisory committees to provide the Board with certain advice; altering the maximum amount of a certain civil fine the Board may impose for certain violations; altering the application of certain criminal penalties; altering the maximum amount of a certain fine and the maximum term of imprisonment to which a certain person is subject for certain violations; repealing the exemption from certain penalties for certain persons who are licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized to provide health care services under certain provisions of law; repealing certain definitions; and generally relating to the Maryland Nurse Practice Act.

BY repealing

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–503
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–503
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–707 and 8–710
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 394 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Scottish Rite Temple Preservation and Restoration

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 Maryland Scottish Rite Charitable 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 395 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Ethics – Local Government – Conflict of Interest and Financial Disclosure

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain authorized modifications of local conflict of interest and financial disclosure laws and regulations be made in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Ethics Commission and consistent with certain intent; authorizing rather than requiring a county or municipal corporation to modify certain local financial disclosure laws under certain circumstances; and generally relating to local conflict of interest and financial disclosure laws and regulations.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 5–807

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 5–808, 5–809, 5–816, and 5–817

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 396 – Senators Norman and Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Harford County – Historical Society of Harford County Building 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 Trustees of The Historical Society of Harford 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.

Senate Bill 397 – Senators Norman and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions and Procedures – Garnishments – Spousal Property

FOR the purpose of establishing a presumption that a garnishment against certain property held jointly by spouses in certain financial institutions is valid unless, within a certain time period, either spouse files a motion objecting to the garnishment and serves a copy of the motion on certain persons; making a technical correction; and generally relating to garnishments against property held jointly by spouses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 11–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 398 – Senators Ramirez, Benson, Guzzone, Nathan–Pulliam, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**Reducing Environmental Degradation for the Underserved Through
Community Engagement
(The REDUCE Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of the Environment to require an applicant for a certain permit to construct or modify a certain source to report to the Department certain information regarding the diesel vehicles that are needed during the construction and operation of a certain source and to solicit input on certain issues from the affected community and certain organizations; requiring the Department, before issuing a certain permit, to solicit certain information from certain local health departments under certain circumstances, to coordinate with the applicant to disseminate certain information to certain interested parties, and to publish certain information on the Department's Web site; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a permit to construct or modify certain sources of air pollution.

BY renumbering
Article – Environment
Section 2–404.1

to be Section 2–404.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Environment
Section 2–404.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 23–401(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 399 – Senators Brochin, Jennings, Klausmeier, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom Memorial

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 Baltimore County Monument Commission, Inc. and 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 400 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Corporate Income Tax – Federal Repatriation Holiday

FOR the purpose of providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland corporate income tax for certain dividends included in federal taxable income as a result of a certain repatriation holiday enacted by certain federal legislation; requiring the Comptroller to provide for the administration of this Act if certain federal legislation

is enacted; stating the intent of the General Assembly; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax subtraction modification for certain dividends.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–307(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–307(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 401 – Senators Waugh and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Charles County and St. Mary’s County – Deer Management Permit – Firearms

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual who holds a Deer Management Permit in Charles County and St. Mary’s County to use certain firearms to hunt deer throughout the year, including all deer hunting seasons, in the locations and under the conditions set forth in the permit; and generally relating to the use of certain firearms under a Deer Management Permit in Charles County and St. Mary’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–415(d)(1) and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–415(d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 402 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Law – First Degree Murder – Sentencing
(Geraldine’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the court to impose lifetime supervision for a certain person convicted of first degree murder; requiring lifetime supervision to include certain terms; prohibiting a person subject to lifetime supervision from knowingly or willfully violating the conditions of lifetime supervision; providing a certain penalty for certain violations of lifetime supervision; establishing that a certain violation does not discharge an offender from lifetime supervision; authorizing a court to take certain actions during lifetime supervision; requiring a sentencing court to hear and adjudicate a petition for discharge from lifetime supervision; authorizing a person to file a petition for discharge at a certain time; prohibiting a person from renewing a petition for discharge for a certain period of time under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain court from denying a petition for discharge without a hearing; prohibiting a court from discharging a person from lifetime supervision unless the court makes a certain finding on the record; requiring a certain judge to act on a petition for discharge; and generally relating to sentencing for murder.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 2–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 403 – Senators Waugh, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Klausmeier, Norman, Ready, Salling, Serafini, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Handgun Permits – Universal Recognition

FOR the purpose of specifying that a permit issued in certain other jurisdictions to an individual to carry a 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–303.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 404 – Senators Pinsky, Conway, King, and Madaleno

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Education – State Superintendent of Schools – Appointment

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education to appoint or reappoint the State Superintendent of Schools with the advice and consent of the Senate on or before a certain date; requiring the State Superintendent to notify the State Board whether the State Superintendent is a candidate for reappointment on or before a certain date; requiring the State Board to appoint an interim State Superintendent under certain circumstances; authorizing a State Superintendent to serve for a certain period of time; making this Act an emergency measure; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to the appointment of the State Superintendent of Schools.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 2–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 405 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Service Signs – Business or Attraction Located in Shopping Center

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration, when taking a certain measurement to determine whether a business or an attraction that is located in a shopping center may be advertised on a service sign, to take the measurement in a certain manner; defining a certain term; and generally relating to service signs on State controlled access highways.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–605(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 406 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Maryland Freestate ChalleNGe Academy – Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to appropriate general funds to the Maryland Freestate ChalleNGe Academy in an amount equal to 25% of a certain target per pupil foundation amount for certain cadets beginning in a certain fiscal year; requiring a county board of education to reimburse a certain fund a certain amount for certain cadets; requiring the Comptroller, in consultation with the Military Department and the State Department of Education, to establish a certain process; providing that certain funds are supplemental and may not supplant any other certain funds; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the funding of the Maryland Freestate ChalleNGe Academy.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 13–410
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 407 – Senators Manno, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Mathias, Peters, Ramirez, Raskin, Salling, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Education – Education Accountability Program – Limits on Testing

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education to adopt certain regulations limiting the amount of time that may be spent on certain tests; prohibiting certain types of tests and activities from being counted toward certain testing time limits; providing for the construction of this Act; and generally relating to limits on testing in public schools.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–203(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–203(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 408 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

**Election Law – State Elected Officials – Campaign Fund–Raising During
General Assembly Session – Civil Penalty**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Elections to impose a civil penalty for a violation by a campaign finance entity of the prohibition on fund–raising during the General Assembly session; authorizing the State Board to impose a lesser civil penalty than prescribed by law for certain violations under certain circumstances; repealing provisions of law that authorized the State Board, represented by the State Prosecutor, to institute a civil action in a circuit court against a campaign finance entity for a violation of the prohibition on fund–raising during the General Assembly session; and generally relating to campaign fund–raising during the General Assembly session and civil penalties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 13–235 and 13–604.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 409 – Senators Manno, Conway, Gladden, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Aviation Administration – Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport – Management of Food Service and Retail Concessions

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Aviation Administration to enter into a certain type of lease with a concessions developer to provide certain food service and retail operations at the Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport; requiring the Administration to enter into certain leases if the Administration terminates a lease with a concessions developer before the end of the lease; providing that a sublessee in a certain type of tenancy is entitled to a certain period of continued tenancy; providing that a landlord and sublessee may agree to certain lease periods that are longer than the minimum required; requiring that on or before a certain date the Administration issue a certain request for proposals with certain provisions; requiring that on or before a certain date the Administration exercise a certain option to terminate a certain lease; making the provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to food service and retail concessions services at the Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 5–413(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 410 – Senators Ferguson, Brochin, Guzzone, Hough, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Distillery License Holders – Sale of Product to Participants in Guided Tours

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain provision of law that limits a distillery license holder to selling product and related merchandise to an individual on a guided tour of the distillery only if the license holder manufactures not more than a certain gallonage annually; and generally relating to sales of alcoholic beverages by holders of distillery licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 2–202

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ___ (S.B. ___)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 411 – Senators Eckardt, Hershey, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Credit for Physician Preceptors in Areas With Health Care Workforce Shortages

FOR the purpose of authorizing a credit against the State income tax for certain individuals who, under certain circumstances, serve as physician preceptors in certain preceptorship programs and work in certain areas of the State with health care workforce shortages; providing that the credit may not exceed the State income tax for that taxable year and that any unused credit may not be carried over to any other taxable year; providing for the calculation of the credit; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, on application of a taxpayer, to issue a tax credit certificate under certain circumstances; requiring the application to contain certain information; providing for the maximum amount of a tax credit certificate that may be issued; requiring the Department to approve applications on a first-come, first-served basis and notify applicants of approval or denial of an application within a certain number of days of receipt of the application; providing that the total number of tax credit certificates issued by the Department may not exceed a certain amount for each taxable year; providing that tax credit certificate amounts not issued during a taxable year may be carried over and issued during the next taxable year; requiring the Department to report certain information to the Comptroller and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Governor's Workforce Investment Board, to adopt certain regulations; authorizing a certain amount of the unspent portion of money transferred to the Office of Student Financial Assistance for use under the Health Personnel Shortage Incentive Grant Program to be transferred or revert to the General Fund only for a certain purpose; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a credit against the State income tax for certain physician preceptors in certain areas with health care workforce shortages.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–803(b)(1) and (2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 18–803(e)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 18–803(e)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 412 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Rosapepe

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
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 413 – Senators Guzzone, Middleton, Raskin, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Reilly, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Developmental Disabilities Administration – Crisis Resolution Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain report on the Waiting List Equity Fund to include certain information regarding individuals in the crisis resolution category of the waiting list for developmental disabilities services; establishing mandated appropriations for developmental disabilities community services; requiring the mandated appropriations to be used to provide services to individuals in the crisis resolution category on the waiting list for developmental disabilities services; authorizing unspent funds to be used to provide services to individuals in the crisis prevention category on the waiting list for developmental disabilities services; declaring the intent of the General Assembly regarding certain individuals who are removed from a certain waiting list under certain circumstances; and generally relating to funding for developmental disabilities services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 7–205(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 7–205.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 414 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Mechanical Repair Contracts

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “mechanical repair contract”; authorizing a designated agent of an obligor under a mechanical repair contract to offer, sell, or negotiate a mechanical repair contract; and generally relating to mechanical repair contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–311.2(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 415 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

**Economic Development – Municipal Corporations – Community Revitalization
and Improvement Zones**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of certain municipal corporations to establish, by local law, a certain contracting authority for the purpose of designating a community revitalization and improvement zone; establishing an application process within the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce to designate a zone; requiring the application to contain certain information; requiring, within a certain period of time, the application to be approved by the Department and the municipal corporation in which the zone is located or disapproved by either; authorizing a certain contracting authority, on approval of an application, to designate a zone and apply to a certain municipal corporation to issue certain bonds for certain purposes; authorizing the governing body of certain municipal corporations to issue certain bonds under certain circumstances; requiring the governing body of certain municipal corporations to create a certain special fund; prohibiting a member of a certain contracting authority from receiving money from the special fund; requiring a certain contracting authority to file with the Department a certain list by a certain date each year; requiring certain qualified businesses within a zone to file a certain report with the Department each year; requiring the Department, each year, to verify a certain baseline tax amount; requiring the Department to make certain calculations and certify certain amounts to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller, within a certain number of days after receiving a certification, to transfer a certain amount from the General Fund of the State to a certain special fund of a municipal corporation to be used for certain purposes; providing, under certain circumstances, for a recapture of the amount transferred; requiring that the money transferred and used for certain purposes be matched by a certain amount of private investment; requiring a certain contracting authority to file a certain report with the Department; authorizing the contracting authority, with the approval of the Department, to transfer a certain portion of a zone out of the zone and certain additional acreage into the zone; requiring a zone to be in existence for a certain period of time; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of community revitalization and improvement zones in municipal corporations.

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 12–601 through 12–612 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Community
Revitalization and Improvement Zones”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 416 – Senators Salling, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Manno, Norman, Rosapepe, Serafini, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Toll Transportation Facilities Project – Annual Pass

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to establish for each toll transportation facilities project an option that offers motorists the opportunity to pay a flat fee for an annual pass to use the toll transportation facilities project; providing that the amount of the fee for an annual pass shall be determined by the Authority; and generally relating to an annual pass for a toll transportation facilities project.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 4–101(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 4–312(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 380 – The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly and Congressional Legislative Redistricting and Apportionment Commission

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT**Senate Bill 406 – Senator Guzzone**

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Maryland Freestate Challenge Academy – Funding

Reassigned to the Committee on Budget and Taxation under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT**Senate Bill 407 – Senators Manno, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Mathias, Peters, Ramirez, Raskin, Salling, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

Education – Education Accountability Program – Limits on Testing

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

MOTION

Senator Simonaire motioned to amend Senate Rule 17.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

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BY: Senator Simonaire

AMENDMENT TO SENATE RULE 17

ORDERED by the Senate of Maryland, that Senate Rule 17, as adopted by the Senate for the 2016 Session be, and it is hereby readopted to add subsection (f), to read as follows:

“17.

(f) The President may not prohibit a Member from participating in the committee vote on any bill or resolution being considered by the committee to which the Member was appointed under this rule, unless the decision is supported by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the Members elected to the Senate.”.

Preceding motion was rejected by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 11 Negative – 31 (See Roll Call No. 99)

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

RULE 116 CHANGE IN RULES 01/13/16 Made a Special Order for 01/20/16.
01/20/16 Made a Special Order for 01/25/16.
01/25/16 Made a Special Order for 01/27/16.
01/28/16 Made a Special Order for 01/29/16.

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.

QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF RULE 116.

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

Senate Rule 116 was adopted by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 42 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 100)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 42 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 101)

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:21 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, February 1, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Monday, February 1, 2016
8:00 P.M. Session

The Senate met at 7:59 P.M.

Prayer by Rabbi Charles Feinberg, Interfaith Action for Human Rights, guest of Senator Gladden.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 106)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

**Senate Bill 417 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Guzzone, Jennings, Klausmeier,
Peters, Pugh, Reilly, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

**Labor and Employment – Minimum Wage – Individuals With Disabilities
(Ken Capone Equal Employment Act)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, except under certain circumstances, from authorizing certain work activities centers and certain sheltered workshops to pay employees with disabilities less than a certain minimum wage; requiring that a certain State certificate issued by the Commissioner under a certain provision of law expires no later than a certain date; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in partnership with certain State agencies, to develop and implement a certain plan to phase out certain authorizations under a certain provision of law; providing for the scope of the plan; requiring the Department to engage with certain organizations representing those impacted by the phase-out to implement a certain plan; requiring the Department to report certain benchmarks, outcomes, and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; prohibiting a certain work activities center or other sheltered workshop from receiving State funds on or after a certain date under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions of law relating to the authorization of certain work activities centers and certain sheltered

workshops to pay certain employees with disabilities less than a certain minimum wage; repealing certain provisions of law requiring the Department to develop and implement a certain plan and make certain reports; altering certain terminology; providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the payment of wages under the Maryland Wage and Hour Law and individuals with disabilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–414
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–414.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 2–801 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. Miscellaneous”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–414 and 3–414.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

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

Senate Bill 418 – Senators Young, Raskin, Guzzone, Kagan, Astle, Currie, Feldman, Gladden, Kelley, King, Madaleno, Manno, and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Richard E. Israel and Roger “Pip” Moyer End-of-Life Option Act

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual to request aid in dying by making certain requests; prohibiting another individual from requesting aid in dying on behalf of an individual; 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 an individual for a certain purpose and to refer an individual 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 an individual to a certain individual for a mental health professional assessment, under certain circumstances; prohibiting an attending physician from providing an individual with medication for aid in dying until a certain individual providing the mental health professional assessment 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; authorizing a pharmacist to dispense medication for aid in dying only to certain individuals, under certain circumstances; authorizing an attending physician to sign a qualified individual's death certificate, under certain circumstances; requiring an attending physician to ensure that the medical record of a qualified individual documents or contains certain information; requiring an attending physician to submit certain information to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department to adopt regulations to facilitate the collection of certain information and to produce and make available to the public a certain report of the information collected; 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 qualified individual 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 another individual'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 from being conditioned on or affected by the making or rescinding of a request for aid in dying; prohibiting a qualified individual'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 an individual'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 an individual 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 an individual 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; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to enforce certain provisions of this Act; 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, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 End-of-Life Option Act”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 27–208.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 419 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Downs Park Amphitheater

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 County Executive and County Council of Anne Arundel 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 420 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Ballot Issues – Contributions or Donations by Foreign Nationals

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a foreign national or a business entity owned by a foreign national from making a contribution to a ballot issue committee or making a donation to a person that makes independent expenditures or electioneering communications relating to a ballot issue; defining a certain term; and generally relating to campaign activity concerning ballot issues and contributions and donations by foreign nationals.

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 13–236.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 421 – Senators Ramirez, Raskin, Cassilly, 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 under certain circumstances; 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 422 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Education – Maryland School for the Blind – Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring teachers and professional personnel at the Maryland School for the Blind to be paid an annual salary at least equal to a certain amount paid in Baltimore County to certain personnel; requiring the Governor to appropriate a certain amount for certain services; adding to a certain calculation one-half of the average number of children served by the School for the Blind for a certain program; requiring the School for the Blind to submit certain information in a certain form; reorganizing and recodifying without substantive change provisions of law relating to the Maryland School for the Deaf; making stylistic changes; repealing obsolete provisions of law; making conforming changes; and generally relating to funding for the Maryland School for the Blind and reorganizing and recodifying provisions of law for the Maryland School for the Deaf.

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 8–304, 8–305, 8–310.1 through 8–310.3, 8–312, and 8–313

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 7–101(b)(4); and 8–301 through 8–303, 8–306, 8–307, 8–307.1, and 8–308 through 8–310, 8–311, and 8–314 through 8–319 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 3. Education of Blind Children”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 8–3A–01 through 8–3A–11 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 3A. Education of Deaf Children”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 423 – Senators Norman, Brochin, Cassilly, Gladden, Hough, Lee, Muse, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Driver Education Program Curriculum – Police Traffic Stop Procedures

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt regulations requiring that classroom instruction for the driver education program include instruction on what to do when stopped by a police officer; and generally relating to the driver education program curriculum.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–505
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 424 – Senators Kagan and Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Emergency Number Systems Board – 9–1–1 Trust Fund – Planning Costs

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Emergency Number Systems Board to use the 9–1–1 Trust Fund to pay for planning costs for an enhanced 9–1–1 system; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the authorized use of funds in the 9–1–1 Trust Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 1–308
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 425 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Warrant Intercept Program – Statewide

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain counties to participate in a certain income tax refund withholding program related to individuals with outstanding warrants if the sheriff of the county notifies the Comptroller of the county's intention to participate on or before a certain date; making nonsubstantive changes to certain termination provisions; making conforming changes; providing for the effective dates of this Act; 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

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

Senate Bill 426 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Emergency Management Assistance Compact – City of Annapolis

FOR the purpose of authorizing the City of Annapolis to participate in the Maryland Emergency Management Assistance Compact; and generally relating to the Maryland Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 14–801(a) and 14–803(1) and (2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 14–801(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 427 – Senators Pinsky, Conway, Ferguson, Guzzone, Middleton, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Institutions of Postsecondary Education – Consumer Protection Provisions

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain private career schools from enrolling certain students in certain programs under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to create certain guaranty funds; specifying the uses of certain guaranty funds; including a certain occurrence as grounds for reimbursement of certain students from certain guaranty funds; requiring certain students to follow certain complaint procedures of certain institutions before making a claim to certain guaranty funds; authorizing certain students to make a certain claim to certain guaranty funds under certain circumstances; requiring a certain report to include certain information; requiring certain institutions of postsecondary education to ensure that a net price calculator is posted on its Web site in a certain location; requiring certain institutions to provide certain information to certain students under certain circumstances; and generally relating to consumer protection provisions that impact institutions of postsecondary education.

BY adding to
Article – Commercial Law
Section 13–320
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 10–101(i) and (j)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–203(d) and (e) and 15–118
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 428 – Senators Pinsky and Raskin

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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 13–235 and 15–103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 429 – Senators Pugh, Feldman, Lee, Middleton, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Economic Competitiveness and Commerce – Maryland Design Excellence Commission

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Design Excellence Commission for certain purposes; establishing that the Commission is in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; 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 Commerce 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 10–4A–01 through 10–4A–03 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4A. Maryland Design Excellence Commission”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 430 – Senators Bates and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Guardianship of a Disabled Person – Communication and Notification Rights

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a guardian of the person of a disabled person from prohibiting or restricting communication between the disabled person and a member of the disabled person's family, except as authorized by a certain court order; authorizing a guardian to petition a certain court for an order authorizing the guardian to prohibit or restrict communication between a disabled person and a certain member of the disabled person's family; authorizing an individual other than a member of a disabled person's family to file a petition for an order to compel visitation with the disabled person under certain circumstances; specifying the contents of certain petitions; requiring copies of certain petitions to be served on certain individuals; requiring the court to hold a hearing on a certain petition; authorizing a disabled person to express certain preferences regarding communication with a certain member of the disabled person's family to the court in a certain manner; authorizing the court to issue a certain order only if the court makes a certain determination by a certain standard of evidence; specifying the factors the court may consider in making a certain determination; providing that a certain order may authorize a guardian to take certain actions the court considers necessary to protect the physical and emotional health of a disabled person; requiring the court to require a guardian and a certain member of the disabled person's family to negotiate in good faith on the development of a certain visitation schedule, under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain member of the disabled person's family to bring an action to compel a guardian to allow communication between a disabled person and the member of the disabled person's family or to terminate the guardian's appointment, under certain circumstances; requiring the court, in ruling on a certain petition, to consider certain evidence and to issue a certain order only under certain circumstances; requiring the court to order a certain guardian to pay certain court costs and attorney's fees, under certain circumstances; providing that this Act may not be construed to prohibit a guardian from placing certain reasonable restrictions on the hours when a disabled person may receive telephone calls or visitors; requiring a guardian to notify certain individuals within a certain time period after certain events; specifying how certain notifications should be completed; defining certain terms; and generally relating to guardianships of disabled persons.

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 13–708.1 through 13–708.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 431 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County and Garrett County – Annual Financial Reports – Filing Date

FOR the purpose of altering the date by which Allegany County and Garrett County are required to file certain financial reports with the Department of Legislative Services; and generally relating to the date by which Allegany County and Garrett County are required to file financial reports.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 16–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 432 – Senators Pinsky, Benson, Conway, Currie, Gladden, Kelley, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Business Relief and Tax Fairness Act of 2016

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 and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Corporations and Associations
Section 1–203(b)(3)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–402.1 and 10–402.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–811
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 433 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone,
Kelley, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Pinsky, Pugh, Raskin, and Young**

AN ACT concerning

**Correctional Services – Special Requirements for Elderly, Chronically Ill, and
Terminally Ill Inmates**

FOR the purpose of requiring each State and local correctional facility to accommodate the special needs of elderly, chronically ill, and terminally ill inmates and detainees in accordance with standards, guidelines, and recommendations issued or endorsed by the National Institute of Corrections; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to designate certain sites for the housing of inmates who are over a certain age, chronically ill, and terminally ill; requiring certain sites to be staffed by certain specially trained individuals and to be fully equipped with certain safety and comfort features; 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, chronically ill, and terminally ill inmates.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services
Section 7–309.1, 9–614, and 10–802
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 434 – Senators Raskin, Klausmeier, Astle, Benson, Conway, Feldman, Guzzone, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Peters, Pugh, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Food Service Facilities – Automated External Defibrillator Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the owner and operator of a certain food service facility to develop and implement an automated external defibrillator program that meets certain requirements; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems jointly to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to an automated external defibrillator program for food service facilities.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 21–330.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 435 – Senators Norman, Cassilly, and Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – State and Harford County Juke Box Licenses – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law relating to licenses for keeping juke boxes for public entertainment in the State and in Harford County; and generally relating to licenses for keeping juke boxes.

BY repealing

Article – Business Regulation

Section 17–1301 through 17–1318 and the subtitle “Subtitle 13. Juke Boxes”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 436 – Senators Feldman and Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Surplus Lines – Short–Term Medical Insurance

FOR the purpose of altering the scope of certain provisions of law governing surplus lines insurance to authorize the use of surplus lines insurance for certain short–term medical insurance coverage; authorizing the procurement of short–term medical insurance from a nonadmitted insurer under certain circumstances; specifying the conditions under which short–term medical insurance may be procured from a nonadmitted insurer; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to surplus lines insurance and short–term medical insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 3–301(a), (c), and (g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 3–302 and 3–306.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 437 – Senators Lee, Benson, Feldman, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Law – Committing a Crime of Violence in the Presence of a Minor –
Repeal of Residence Requirement**

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that the crime be committed in a residence to convict a person of violating the prohibition against committing a crime of violence when the person knows or reasonably should know that a minor who is at least a certain age is present; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to crimes committed in the presence of a minor.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–601.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 438 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Jewish Community Center of
Greater Washington Children’s 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 Directors of the Jewish Community Center 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 439 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

**Correctional Training Commission – Department of Juvenile Services
Employees – Revocation of Certification and Reinstatement**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Correctional Training Commission to revoke the certification of a Department of Juvenile Services employee in conjunction with certain disciplinary actions; authorizing the court to reinstate the certification of a

correctional officer under certain circumstances; authorizing the Office of Administrative Hearings to reinstate the certification of a Department of Juvenile Services employee with no further examination or condition under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the Correctional Training Commission and the revocation of certification and reinstatement of Department of Juvenile Services employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 8–209.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 440 – Senator Ready

AN ACT concerning

Prevailing Wage – Application to Career and Technology Centers or STEM and STEAM Classrooms

FOR the purpose of providing that the provisions of the prevailing wage law do not apply to a public work contract or part of a public work contract for the construction or renovation of a career and technology center or for school classroom space to be used for science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM) or science, technology, engineering, art, mathematics (STEAM) education; and generally relating to the application of the prevailing wage law to a public work contract.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–202(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 441 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physicians – Admissibility of Board Records – Workers’ Compensation Commission

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain provision of law relating to the admissibility of State Board of Physicians proceedings, records, files, and orders in civil and criminal actions does not apply to any proceeding before the Workers’ Compensation

Commission or any proceeding related to an appeal of a decision of the Commission to a circuit court; and generally relating to the admissibility of State Board of Physicians records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–410
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 442 – Senators Manno, Guzzone, Lee, Madaleno, 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 7–405 through 7–416, respectively
to be Section 7–406 through 7–417, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 443 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Homecrest House

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$120,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the National Capital B'nai

B'rith Housing 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 444 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Melvin J. Berman Hebrew Academy

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 Melvin J. Berman Hebrew Academy 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.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 2 – Senators Pinsky, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

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 individual right to vote, reserves inalienable political rights to natural persons, and authorizes regulation of contributions and expenditures intended to influence elections; 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.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to Article XI, Section 7 of the Maryland Constitution the following Baltimore City Bond Resolutions have been adopted by the Baltimore City Senators.

BALTIMORE CITY BOND BILL RESOLUTIONS

(See Exhibit D of Appendix III)

Read and ordered journalized.

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 35 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers – Required Records – Photograph of Precious Metal Object

Senator Jennings moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill and Report a Special Order for February 2, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably:

Senate Bill 108 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Higher Education Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Nurse Support Program Assistance Fund – Revisions

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 129 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners – Submission of a Comprehensive Master Plan – Repeal of Duplicative 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. 107)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #4

Senate Bill 1 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – In Vitro Fertilization – Use of Spouse’s Sperm – Exception

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

Affirmative – 36 Negative – 10 (See Roll Call No. 108)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 99 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Disabilities)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Disabilities – Assistive Technology Loan Program – Board of Directors

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

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 109)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 162 – ~~Senator Astle~~ Senators Astle and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Gas Companies – Infrastructure Replacement Projects – Amendment to a Plan

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

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 110)

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. 111)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:37 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 2, 2016.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 2, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 10:26 A.M.

Prayer by Father James Kiesel, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, guest of Senator Reilly.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 114)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 204 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Our Daily Bread Employment Center
in recognition of
celebrating its 35th Anniversary of serving more than 7,000,000 meals on 12,785
consecutive days
to the hungry in Baltimore City.
The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 2nd day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 115)

Senate Resolution No. 203 – 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 2016 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 its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 2nd day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 116)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 445 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Gaming – Penny–Ante Games

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to conduct a certain penny–ante game in which
the winnings of any player in a single round, hand, or game do not exceed a certain
value under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to
gaming.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 12–115

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 446 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Kelley, Middleton, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, and Young

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 and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 447 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Guzzone, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Environmental Service – Collective Bargaining

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Environmental Service, consistent with certain provisions of law, to recognize and deal with certain employee organizations, collectively bargain, and enter into certain types of agreements applicable to certain State employees; providing for an exception to an exemption from certain provisions of State personnel law; and generally relating to certain requirements for the Maryland Environmental Service in connection with collective bargaining for its employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–103.1 and 3–103.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 448 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Currie, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Guardianship and Child in Need of Assistance Proceedings – Jurisdiction and Authority of Juvenile Court

FOR the purpose of authorizing the juvenile court to direct the provision of certain services or the taking of certain actions with respect to a certain child's education, health, and welfare during a certain disposition hearing; requiring the juvenile court to direct the provision of certain services or the taking of certain actions with respect to a certain child's education, health, and welfare during a certain permanency planning hearing or guardianship hearing; providing that, if the juvenile court enters an order directing the provision of certain services to a certain child, the juvenile court shall retain jurisdiction over the child for a certain time period and for a certain purpose, notwithstanding certain provisions of law; providing that a certain order shall remain effective for a certain period of time; and generally relating to the jurisdiction and authority of the juvenile court.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–801(a) and (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–804, 3–819(c), and 3–823(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–819(m) and 3–823(k)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–324(b) and 5–328
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Family Law
Section 5–324(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 449 – Senators Kelley, Benson, Feldman, Jennings, Klausmeier, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Guardianship Fees – Income Deduction

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to deduct as a remedial service certain guardianship fees when determining the portion of income certain recipients of Maryland Medical Assistance Program benefits are required to contribute to the cost of their care under the Program; specifying the amount of deductions for certain guardianship fees; establishing that certain guardians are not entitled to receive more than a certain amount in compensation unless a certain finding is made by a certain court; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and compensation for guardianship services provided to Program recipients.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 13–218
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 15–122.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 450 – Senators Kelley and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Provider Malpractice Insurance – Scope of Coverage

FOR the purpose of authorizing 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 if the cost of the included coverage is itemized in a certain document and reported to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner in a certain manner; 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 451 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Trust Act – Revocable Trust – 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; providing for the application of this Act; 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 452 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

**Health Insurance – Group Health Benefit Plans – Renewal Premium Rate
Calculation Statement**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain health insurance carriers to provide to the policyholder or plan sponsor of a group health benefit plan a renewal premium rate calculation statement a certain number of days before the date of renewal of the group health benefit plan; requiring the statement to include certain information; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to renewals of group health benefit plans and premium rates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–1408
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 453 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Optional Retirement Program –
Eligibility for Retiree Health Benefits Subsidy**

FOR the purpose of altering the eligibility requirements for a certain State subsidy under the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program for certain surviving spouses or dependent children of certain retirees of the Optional Retirement Program; and generally relating to eligibility for a certain State subsidy under the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program for certain spouses or dependents of certain retirees of the Optional Retirement Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 2–508(b)(1) and (4)(i) and (ii) and (c)(1) and (4)(i) and (ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 2–509
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 454 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Manufacturing Businesses – Exemption for Energy Costs

FOR the purpose of exempting from the sales and use tax certain sales of certain fuels to a business entity that is primarily engaged in a certain activity; and generally relating to an exemption for certain sales from the sales and use tax.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–207(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 455 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

State Education Aid – Real Property Valuation – Tax Increment Financing

FOR the purpose of requiring the assessed valuation of certain real property used in calculating the wealth of a jurisdiction for purposes of education aid to remain at a certain assessment for a certain period of time under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the calculation of education aid for primary and secondary education.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 5–202(a)(1), (4), (9) through (11), and (14) and (b) and 16–305(a) and (b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 5–202(a)(3) and 16–305(b)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 456 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Tax Sales – Reimbursement for Expenses

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain notice sent by the holder of a tax sale certificate to the owner of the property to include certain information; clarifying that certain costs incurred by the holder of a tax sale certificate shall be reimbursed on redemption of the property; providing that the holder of a tax sale certificate shall be reimbursed a certain amount for attorney's fees if an action to foreclose the right of redemption has not been filed and establishing that amount as reasonable; altering the amount of attorney's fees that the holder of a tax sale certificate shall be reimbursed if an action to foreclose the right of redemption has been filed; providing that the holder of a tax sale certificate shall be reimbursed for certain fees incurred for obtaining certain judgment reports; and generally relating to tax sales of property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 14–833(a–1)(3)(v) and 14–843(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 14–833(a–1)(3)(vi)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 457 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Capital Budget – Construction Projects – Apprenticeship Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring a contractor or subcontractor that performs work on a construction project that receives a certain amount of funding from the State capital budget to be affiliated with, and to use apprentices from, an apprenticeship program that is registered with and approved by the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation or the United States Department of Labor, or requiring the contractor or subcontractor to make certain payments to the State Apprenticeship Training Fund or to certain apprenticeship programs under certain circumstances; providing that, under certain circumstances, certain contractors and subcontractors are not subject to the requirement; requiring certain contractors and subcontractors to make certain payments in a certain manner under certain circumstances; authorizing a contractor or subcontractor to make a certain request; requiring the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to make a good-faith effort to accommodate a certain

request; requiring registered apprenticeship programs that receive certain funds to certify to the Secretary that the funds are used solely for the purpose of improving or expanding apprenticeship training; authorizing the State Apprenticeship Training Fund to include certain payments made in accordance with this Act; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a requirement that certain contractors and subcontractors performing work on certain capital construction projects be affiliated with certain apprenticeship programs and use certain registered apprentices or make certain payments to the State Apprenticeship Training Fund or to certain apprenticeship programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–6A–01 through 17–6A–05 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6A.
Apprenticeship Requirements for Capital Construction Projects”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

February 2, 2016

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 3, 2016 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 D. Barnes and B. Wilson to escort your Honorable Body to the House Chamber.

We further propose the appointment of a joint committee of four, two on the part of the Senate and two on the part of the House, to escort the Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed Delegates Kipke and Kaiser.

We further propose the appointment of a joint committee of four, two on the part of the Senate and two on the part of the House to escort the Lieutenant Governor to the House Chamber. We have appointed Delegates Branch and Szeliga.

BY ORDER, SYLVIA SIEGERT, CHIEF CLERK

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

February 2, 2016

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 3, 2016 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 and Jennings 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 and Hershey to escort the Lt. 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 #3

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 61 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Forest Lands and the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal
Bays 2010 Trust Fund – Miscellaneous Corrections

SB0061/464532/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 61
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, after “Corrections” insert “and Clarifications”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 11, strike “COMPLY WITH” and substitute “:

(I) SUPPORT”;

in line 12, strike “and to improve” and substitute “BY TARGETING LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES ON THE MOST EFFECTIVE NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL PROJECTS; AND

(II) IMPROVE”;

in line 18, strike “COMPLY WITH” and substitute “:

(I) SUPPORT”;

in line 19, after “PLANS” insert “BY TARGETING LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES ON THE MOST EFFECTIVE NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL PROJECTS;”; in the same line, strike “TO IMPROVE” and substitute:

“(II) IMPROVE”;

in line 22, strike “Chesapeake and”; and in line 23, after “Bays” insert “AND THEIR TRIBUTARIES”.

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 105 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – NE Maryland Waste Disposal Authority)**

AN ACT concerning

Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority – Name and Authority

SB0105/764830/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 105

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after “park;” insert “requiring the Authority to utilize a certain zero waste hierarchy, to the maximum extent practicable, under certain circumstances;”; in line 11, strike “a”; and in the same line, strike “term” and substitute “terms”.

On page 2, in line 1, strike “and” and substitute a comma; and in the same line, after “(h)” insert “, and (l) and 3-905(c)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, after line 16, insert:

“(L) “ZERO WASTE HIERARCHY” MEANS A PROGRESSION OF METHODS, POLICIES, AND STRATEGIES OF MATERIALS MANAGEMENT RANKED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF PRIORITY:

(1) PRODUCT REDESIGN;

(2) SOURCE REDUCTION;

(3) REUSE;

- (4) RECYCLING;
- (5) COMPOSTING;
- (6) WASTE COMPOSITION RESEARCH;
- (7) MATERIALS RECOVERY;
- (8) BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT; AND
- (9) STABILIZED LANDFILLING.

3-905.

(C) THE AUTHORITY SHALL UTILIZE THE ZERO WASTE HIERARCHY, DEFINED IN § 3-904 OF THIS SUBTITLE, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PRACTICABLE, WHEN ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, REHABILITATING, IMPROVING, MAINTAINING, EQUIPPING, LEASING (AS LESSOR OR AS LESSEE), REPAIRING, AND OPERATING A PROJECT THAT INCLUDES A RESOURCE RECOVERY PARK.”.

The preceding 2 amendments were read only.

Senator Conway moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill and Amendments a Special Order for February 3, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

**Senate Bill 110 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Young Farmers Advisory Board – Membership

SB0110/554732/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 110
(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, after “Agriculture)” insert “and Senator Middleton”.

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 112 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AN ACT concerning

Pest Control Compact – Repeal

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 113 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Agriculture – Bees, Bee Colonies, and Used Bee Equipment –
Transportation and Shipment**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

**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 42 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Dental Examiners – Appointment of Dentist and Dental Hygienist Members – Advice and Consent of the Senate**SB0042/924539/1**

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 42
(First Reading File Bill)**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 1, in line 5, after “Senate” insert “. subject to a certain condition; requiring a certain balloting process to be verified by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 9, after “Board” insert “**THAT REFLECTS THE RESULTS OF THE BALLOTING PROCESS CONDUCTED UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(1)(II) OF THIS SECTION**”; and in line 16, after “Board” insert “**THAT REFLECTS THE RESULTS OF THE BALLOTING PROCESS CONDUCTED UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(2)(II) OF THIS SECTION**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 12, insert:

“(4) THE BALLOTING PROCESS CONDUCTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE VERIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT.”

The preceding 3 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 67 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Administrative Procedure Act – Effective Date of Adopted Regulations

SB0067/614139/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 67
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Young” and substitute “Senators Young, Mathias, and Ferguson”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 29, strike “OR”; after line 29, insert:

“8. THE REGULATION IS ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT; OR”;

and in line 30, strike “8.” and substitute “9.”.

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 #5

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 96 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation – State Collection Agency
Licensing Board – Authority of the Secretary**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 98 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Aging)

AN ACT concerning

Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund – Distributions – Alteration

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 173 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Local Government – Clean Energy Loan Programs – Commercial Property Owners – Renewable Energy Projects

SB0173/807075/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 173

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Feldman” and substitute “Senators Feldman, Middleton, Klausmeier, Mathias, and Pugh”.

The preceding amendment was 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 10 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – Charitable Organizations – Audit and Review

SB0010/388274/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 10

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 2, in line 8, strike “\$200,000” and substitute “**\$300,000**”.

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 77 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Human Resources)**

AN ACT concerning

Human Resources – Transition Planning for Foster Youth

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 79 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Office for Children)**

AN ACT concerning

**State Citizens Review Board for Children – Penalties for Unauthorized
Disclosure of Child Protection Case Information**

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill 147 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Interagency Disabilities Board – Membership and Duties – Community
Inclusion Training Oversight**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

Senate Bill 54 – Senators Middleton and Ferguson

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

**Public Utilities – Transportation Network Services and For-Hire
Transportation – Clarifications**

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

Senator Middleton moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill and Report a Special Order for February 4, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

Senate Bill 35 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers – Required
Records – Photograph of Precious Metal Object**

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

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. 117)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:07 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 A.M. on Wednesday, February 3, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 3, 2016
11:30 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 11:38 A.M.

Prayer by Pastor Tom Wenger, Trinity Presbyterian Church, guest of Senator Reilly.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 119)

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Nathan–Pulliam be excused from today’s session.

The Journal of February 2, 2016 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 458 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Maryland State Boychoir ADA
Improvements**

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 Maryland State Boychoir, 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 459 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Campaign Finance – Ballot Issue Committees – Prospective Questions

FOR the purpose of altering certain campaign finance law definitions to include campaign finance activity relating to prospective questions to be placed on the ballot; prohibiting a chief election official from certifying a petition if the petition sponsor fails to provide proof of filing a certain campaign finance report; repealing certain requirements that a statement of contributions and expenditures for a petition be filed at the time the petition is filed; prohibiting a circulator from collecting signatures for certain petitions until the sponsor of the petition establishes a ballot issue committee; requiring a petition sponsor's ballot issue committee to file a campaign finance report at the time the petition is filed; requiring a ballot issue committee opposing a prospective question to file a campaign finance report within a certain number of days after the petition to place the question on the ballot is filed; and generally relating to campaign finance activity relating to prospective questions to be placed on the ballot.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 1–101(f), (k), (o), (aa), and (gg), 6–208, 7–104(c), and 13–202

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 13–309(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 460 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Dental Hygienists – Local Anesthesia

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a dental hygienist may administer local anesthesia by infiltration or inferior nerve block; and generally relating to the administration of local anesthesia by dental hygienists.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 4–101(a), (k), and (l)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–206.1 and 4–206.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 461 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Education – Prekindergarten Students – Funding

FOR the purpose of establishing certain funding for prekindergarten students by altering the definition of full-time equivalent enrollment to include prekindergarten students in the number of students enrolled for purposes of calculating certain State aid formulas for education; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to funding for prekindergarten students.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(a)(1) and (5) and 7–101.1(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–202(a)(6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 462 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Copies of Medical Records – Fees

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain hospitals and other health care providers to charge a certain fee and certain costs for electronic copies of medical records that are in an electronic format requested by certain persons; repealing a certain provision of law that allowed for fees charged for copies of medical records to be adjusted annually

for inflation in accordance with the Consumer Price Index; making conforming changes; and generally relating to fees for copies of medical records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–304(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 463 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Landlord and Tenant – Expedited Eviction Proceedings – Notice and Appeals

FOR the purpose of reducing the number of days' notice that a landlord must give to evict a tenant for a breach of the lease that involves certain dangerous behavior; reducing the amount of time after entry of a certain judgment during which a certain party may appeal to the circuit court in an eviction proceeding based on a breach of the lease that involves certain dangerous behavior; making technical and stylistic changes; and generally relating to expedited eviction proceedings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8–402.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 464 – Senators Madaleno, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Middleton, Pinsky, Rosapepe, 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, collaborate with a certain nonprofit entity to identify certain students and to make certain students' contact information

available to certain institutions of higher education, develop and implement a certain system to provide certain institutions of higher education with access to a certain student contact list, and establish a certain grant program; requiring the Commission and the Department to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the College Admissions Outreach Program for High–Achieving Students.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–303.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 465 – Senators Madaleno, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Manno, Pinsky, Rosapepe, and Young

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 466 – Senator Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Hotel Rental Tax – Rate

FOR the purpose of altering the hotel rental tax rate in Frederick County; and generally relating to the Frederick County hotel rental tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government
Section 20–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 467 – Senators Hough, Eckardt, Ready, Salling, and Young

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly – Live and Archived Video Streaming of Meetings

FOR the purpose of requiring the General Assembly to make available to the public certain video streaming of certain meetings of the Senate of Maryland and the House of Delegates of Maryland; and generally relating to the General Assembly and live and archived video streaming of meetings.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–101(b) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 2–1805
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 468 – Senators Hough, Muse, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Speed Monitoring, Work Zone Speed Control, and Traffic Control Signal Monitoring Systems – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority of counties and municipalities in the State to use speed monitoring systems to enforce certain highway speed laws; repealing the authority to use work zone speed control systems to enforce certain highway speed laws within work zones; repealing the authority to use traffic control signal monitoring systems to enforce certain traffic control signal laws; requiring the publishers of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with and subject to the approval of the Department of Legislative Services, to correct any references

throughout the Annotated Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act and to describe any corrections in an editor's note following the section affected; and generally relating to the repeal of provisions of law authorizing the use of speed monitoring and work zone speed control systems.

BY repealing

Article – Transportation

Section 21–202.1, 21–809, and 21–810

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 469 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Pharmacy – Licensure Requirements for Pharmacists – Proof of Proficiency in English

FOR the purpose of providing that, for applicants for a license to practice pharmacy, graduation from certain schools is acceptable proof of proficiency in the oral communication of the English language under a certain provision of law; and generally relating to licensure requirements for pharmacists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 12–302(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 470 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Surety Insurance – Application for Bonds

FOR the purpose of altering the prohibition against a surety insurer inquiring about certain information in connection with an application for certain types of bond; and generally relating to surety insurance and bonds.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 27–502(a) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 27–502(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 471 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Debt Settlement Services – Fund and Sunset Repeal

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law relating to the collection, deposit, and purpose of certain fees related to debt settlement services; requiring all revenue received for the registration of certain persons and, with a certain exception, any other fee, examination assessment, or revenue received by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation under certain provisions of law to be credited to a certain fund and used in accordance with a certain provision of law; repealing the termination date of the Maryland Debt Settlement Services Act; making certain provisions of this Act contingent on the taking effect of another Act; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Debt Settlement Services Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 12–1007
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 280 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapters
276 and 277 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 4

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 281 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapters
276 and 277 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014
Section 4

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

**Senate Bill 472 – Senators Pugh, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman,
Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno,**

**McFadden, 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; prohibiting an employer from being required to pay out on the termination of employment certain earned sick and safe leave; requiring an employer to allow an employee to use earned sick and safe leave for certain purposes; requiring an employee, under certain circumstances, to provide certain notice to the employer; prohibiting an employer from requiring that a certain employee search for or find an individual to work in the employee's stead during a certain period of time; authorizing an employer, under certain circumstances, to require an employee to provide certain documentation; 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; requiring an employer to keep certain records for a certain time period; authorizing the Commissioner to inspect certain records; establishing a presumption that an employer has violated certain provisions of this Act under certain circumstances; 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; authorizing a court to award certain damages, fees, and injunctive relief under certain circumstances; establishing certain prohibited acts; providing for certain criminal penalties; providing that certain protections apply to certain employees; 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 2015 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. Healthy Working Families Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 473 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**Correctional Officers’ Retirement System – Clifton T. Perkins Maximum
Security Guards – Vested Allowances**

FOR the purpose of altering the age at which a normal service retirement allowance begins for a member of the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System who is a maximum security attendant at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center and begins membership after a certain date; altering the age at which a vested allowance begins for a member of the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System who is a maximum security attendant at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center and begins membership after a certain date; and generally relating to allowances for members of the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 25–401(a) and 29–302(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 474 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 475 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – School Crossing Guards – Authority to Direct Traffic

FOR the purpose of expanding the authority of school crossing guards to direct traffic by authorizing a school crossing guard who meets certain qualifications to direct vehicles and pedestrians on a highway or on school grounds in order to assist nonschool vehicles in entering and leaving school grounds; and generally relating to the authority of school crossing guards to direct traffic.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 21–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 476 – Senators Lee, Benson, King, Manno, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Providing Electronic Device Location Information – Historical Data

FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition of “location information” to include historical information concerning the geographic location of an electronic device that

is or was generated by or derived from the operation of that device; providing that certain evidence is not admissible in a certain proceeding; and generally relating to providing electronic device location information.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 1–203.1(a)(1) and (b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 1–203.1(a)(5) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 477 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Reemployment of Ordinary Disability Retirees – Earnings Limitation

FOR the purpose of exempting from a certain reemployment earnings limitation certain retirees whose average final compensation was less than a certain amount and who are reemployed while receiving an ordinary disability retirement allowance from the State Retirement and Pension System; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the reemployment earnings limitation for ordinary disability retirees in the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 29–116
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 478 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – 206 West Social Enterprise 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 Light 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 479 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – William Brown House at
Historic London Town**

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 Board of Trustees of the London Town 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 480 – Senators Astle, Bates, Klausmeier, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Public Utilities – Maryland Underground Facilities Damage Prevention
Authority – Funding**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Authority to collect an assessment or a charge not exceeding a certain amount per ticket under certain circumstances; specifying the circumstances under which the Authority may collect an assessment or a charge; providing for an exception to a certain limitation regarding sources of operational funding for the Authority; and generally relating to the Maryland Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 12–101(a), (b), (i), (j), (k), and (m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 12–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 481 – Senators Lee, Raskin, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Kasemeyer, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Young, and Zirkin

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 workplaces in the same county of the State; 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 for injunctive relief and to recover the difference paid between employees of one sex or gender identity and employees of another sex or gender identity who do work of a comparable nature or the same type of work; 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 the Attorney General, on a certain written request, to bring an action on behalf of an employee and consolidate certain claims against an

employer; authorizing a court to award certain prejudgment interest under certain circumstances; authorizing the Attorney General to bring an action for injunctive relief and damages against a person who violates certain provisions of this Act; 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, 3–307, and 3–308
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–304.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 482 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physicians – License Renewal – Grace Periods

FOR the purpose of clarifying the license renewal process for licensed physicians; providing that certain licensed physicians and allied health professionals regulated by the State Board of Physicians have a certain grace period, under certain circumstances, to renew a license retroactively; providing that, after a certain grace period has ended, certain licenses lapse into a nonrenewal status; authorizing the Board to require certain former licensees to meet certain requirements to be reinstated after a certain grace period has ended; and generally relating to license renewal by the State Board of Physicians.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–316, 14–5A–13, 14–5B–12, 14–5C–14, 14–5D–12, 14–5E–13, 14–5F–15,
and 15–307
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 483 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County – Alcoholic Beverages – Minimum Age to Serve Liquor

FOR the purpose of altering in Allegany County the minimum age for an individual to serve liquor; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Allegany County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–1902

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 484 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Filing Fee – Candidates for President and Vice President

FOR the purpose of establishing a filing fee for candidates for President and Vice President of the United States; and generally relating to candidate filing fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 5–401

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 485 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Muse, Peters, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program; prohibiting an employee from disclosing certain information; authorizing a

self-employed individual to elect to participate in the Program by filing a certain notice with the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; providing that a certain election becomes effective on the date a certain notice is filed; requiring a certain individual to participate in the Program for a certain initial period; authorizing a certain individual to renew participation in the Program for a certain period; requiring a certain individual to notify the Secretary in writing of the individual's withdrawal from the Program within a certain time period; requiring a certain individual to pay a certain contribution rate during a certain period; providing that an employee's right to benefits under this Act may not be diminished by a collective bargaining agreement entered into or renewed or an employer policy adopted or retained after a certain date; providing that a certain agreement is void as against public policy; stating the purpose of the Program; providing for the manner in which the Program is to be administered; providing for the powers and duties of the Secretary under the Program; establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund as a special fund; providing for the administration of the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purposes for which the Fund may be used; requiring, beginning on a certain date, certain employees to pay the Secretary certain contributions; requiring the Secretary to establish in regulation the rate of contribution; requiring the rate of contribution to be sufficient to fund the benefits payable under this Act; requiring, beginning on a certain date, an individual to meet certain conditions to be eligible for benefits; authorizing a covered employee to take certain leave on an intermittent leave schedule; requiring a covered employee who is taking certain leave on an intermittent leave schedule to take certain action; prohibiting an employer from taking certain action if leave is taken on an intermittent leave schedule; providing for the manner in which benefits are to be calculated and paid; requiring the Division of Unemployment Insurance, under certain circumstances, to notify certain individuals of certain information regarding the federal income tax; requiring the Division, under certain circumstances, to deduct and withhold a certain amount from benefits paid; providing for the manner in which certain employees who receive benefits are to be treated by employers; establishing certain prohibited acts; authorizing the Division to seek repayment of benefits under certain circumstances; authorizing the Secretary to waive the repayment of benefits under certain circumstances; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law; providing for the construction and application of this Act; providing that this Act preempts the authority of a local jurisdiction to adopt certain laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; stating the intent of the General Assembly; and generally relating to the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 8.3–101 through 8.3–901 to be under the new title “Title 8.3. Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(1) and (2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 486 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – A Penn–North Initiative Youth Violence Prevention 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 Unified Efforts, 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 487 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Garrett–Jacobs Mansion Access and Safety Project

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 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 488 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Sarah’s Hope

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 St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore, 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 489 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Orchard Street Church

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 Baltimore Urban League, 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 490 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Druid Hill Park at Auchentoroly Terrace

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 Parks & People 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 491 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Kappa Alpha Psi Youth and Community 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 Kappa Alpha Psi Foundation of Metropolitan Baltimore, 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 492 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Itineris Foundation

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 Itineris, 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 493 – Senators Pinsky, Conway, King, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Teacher Induction, Retention, and Advancement Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum amount of a certain State stipend awarded to certain teachers or other school-based employees who hold certain certificates and who teach in certain public schools; requiring certain public schools to utilize certain teachers in certain leadership roles; establishing the Teacher Induction, Retention, and Advancement Program; requiring certain teachers to be afforded a certain amount of time to be spent on mentoring, peer observation, assistance with planning, or other preparation activities under the Program; prohibiting a certain amount of time from including student supervision or administrative responsibilities; authorizing a certain amount of time to include support from certain teachers under certain circumstances; requiring certain county boards of education to provide certain information regarding the availability of certain resources to be provided to certain teachers; providing for the sharing of certain costs incurred under a certain program; requiring the Governor to include annually a certain appropriation in the State budget; providing for the use of certain funds under a certain program; requiring the State Department of Education to develop certain criteria; requiring the Department to disburse certain funds subject to certain provisions of law; specifying the intent of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; requiring the Department to convene a certain workgroup and submit certain reports on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the induction, retention, and advancement of public school teachers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 6–306(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 6–306(b)(2) and (5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 6–117.1 and 6–306(b)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 494 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kelley, Lee, McFadden, Muse, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**State Department of Education – Community–Partnered School Behavioral Health Services Programs – Reporting System and Report
(School Behavioral Health Accountability Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, county boards of education, and certain other stakeholders, to develop and implement a certain reporting system to determine the effectiveness of community–partnered school behavioral health services programs; requiring a certain reporting system to use certain measures designed for a certain purpose; requiring the Department to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; defining certain terms; and generally relating to community–partnered school behavioral health services programs.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–438

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 495 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Benson, Currie, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kelley, Klausmeier, Lee, McFadden, Muse, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Statewide Steering Committee on Services for Adults With Sickle Cell Disease – Infusion Center – Study

FOR the purpose of requiring the Statewide Steering Committee on Services for Adults with Sickle Cell Disease to study adult sickle cell disease infusion center models, complete a certain cost–benefit analysis, and make certain recommendations regarding the establishment of an adult sickle cell disease infusion center; requiring that a certain cost–benefit analysis include a certain determination regarding cost savings; requiring the Committee to submit an interim and a final report to the Governor, the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, and certain

committees of the General Assembly on or before certain dates; and generally relating to a study regarding the establishment of an adult sickle cell disease infusion center.

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

Senate Bill 496 – Senators Madaleno, Conway, Benson, Feldman, Guzzone, Kelley, King, Lee, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Poultry Litter Management Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an integrator to place poultry only at a contract operation that maintains a certain nutrient management plan; requiring an integrator to be responsible for confirming that a contract grower is in possession of a certain nutrient management plan before placing poultry at any contract operation; requiring an integrator to be responsible for the removal and delivery of all excess manure in accordance with certain requirements; requiring an integrator to remove excess manure in a certain manner and in accordance with a certain schedule; requiring a contract grower to store excess manure in accordance with certain regulations; authorizing a contract grower to voluntarily elect to retain all or part of the manure produced by an integrator's poultry; prohibiting an integrator from charging a fee under certain circumstances; providing that the amount of manure retained by a contract grower may not exceed the amount of manure that may be annually land applied at the contract operation under a nutrient management plan except under certain circumstances; requiring certain integrators and manure brokers or manure transporters to maintain certain records in accordance with certain requirements; requiring certain records to be submitted to the Department of Agriculture and made publicly available in a certain manner; prohibiting public funds from being used to pay for the transportation of manure under this Act; requiring integrators, or certain manure brokers or manure transporters, to deliver excess manure only to certain facilities; requiring certain integrators to comply with certain regulations and requirements; establishing certain penalties for certain violations; prohibiting the Secretary from settling a certain claim without the concurrence of the Attorney General; requiring a certain settlement to include a certain agreement; authorizing a contract grower to bring a certain action under certain circumstances; prohibiting a contract grower from having to post a bond, prove the absence of an adequate remedy at law, or show the existence of special circumstances in order to obtain injunctive relief; requiring a court to award reasonable attorney's fees and other expenses to a contract grower under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to poultry litter management.

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture

Section 8–1101 through 8–1104 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11. Poultry Litter Management”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 497 – Senators Guzzone, Astle, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Behavioral Health Community Providers – Keep the Door Open Act

FOR the purpose of requiring, except under certain circumstances, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adjust the rate of reimbursement for certain community providers each fiscal year by the rate adjustment included in a certain State budget; requiring that the Governor’s proposed budget for a certain fiscal year, and for each fiscal year thereafter, include rate adjustments for certain community providers based on the funding provided in certain legislative appropriations; requiring that a certain rate of adjustment equal the average annual percentage change in a certain Consumer Price Index for a certain period; requiring, under certain circumstances, managed care organizations to pay a certain rate for a certain time period for services provided by community providers and to adjust the rate of reimbursement for community providers each fiscal year by at least a certain amount; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the rate of reimbursement for behavioral health community providers.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 16–201.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 498 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Court – Jurisdiction

FOR the purpose of repealing the jurisdiction of the juvenile court over a child at least 14 years old alleged to have done certain acts and over a child at least 16 years old alleged to have committed certain crimes; and generally relating to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–8A–03(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 499 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Admissions and Amusement Tax – Baltimore City – Amateur Sports League Fees

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to exempt from the admissions and amusement tax certain gross receipts from any charge or fee to participate in an amateur recreational sports event or league; prohibiting in Baltimore City the imposition of the admissions and amusement tax for certain gross receipts from a charge or fee to participate in an amateur recreational sports event or league collected on or before a certain date; and generally relating to certain exemptions from the admissions and amusement tax.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 4–104(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 500 – 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 issued by the Authority; 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 establishment 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
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 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
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 501 – Senators Raskin, Feldman, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Ramirez, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Shareholders United Act

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 or send the notice to the State Board of Elections within a certain period of time after making a political expenditure; requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt certain regulations; 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 and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 502 – Senators Miller, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Guzzone, Jennings, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, Middleton, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Salling, Serafini, Waugh, and Zirkin

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 certain judges under certain circumstances; repealing certain obsolete provisions; making certain technical corrections; making certain stylistic changes; proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution to provide for the application of certain amendments to the Maryland Constitution; 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(c) through (g), and 41D

BY proposing a repeal of the Maryland Constitution

Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 18B

BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution
Article IV – Judiciary Department
Section 18B

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

Senate Bill 503 – Senators Klausmeier, Astle, Bates, Benson, Brochin, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Education – Online Instructional Program for Financial Literacy

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Financial Literacy Education Advisory Council, to develop and implement an online instructional program that provides a certain financial literacy curriculum for certain high school students; requiring the program to teach certain information and skills to certain students; requiring students to demonstrate competency in certain concepts for successful completion of the program; requiring the program to be available beginning in a certain school year for certain high school students to participate in on a voluntary basis; requiring the program to provide a certification in financial literacy to certain students who demonstrate competency in certain required concepts; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to an online instructional program for financial literacy.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–121
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 504 – Senators Pugh, Astle, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Waugh, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Sexual Offenses – Threatening to Withhold Governmental Services

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a State official, a local official, or a person employed by or under contract with the State or a local government unit from inducing, or attempting to induce, another person to engage in certain sexual acts by threatening to withhold governmental services to which the other person is entitled; establishing penalties for a violation of this Act; altering a certain definition to establish that a certain offense is subject to certain penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to sexual offenses.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3–307.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 11–701(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 11–701(o)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 505 – Senators Klausmeier, Astle, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, King, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Serafini, and Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation Insurance – Premium Discount – Alcohol– and Drug–Free Workplace Program

FOR the purpose of requiring a workers' compensation insurer to provide a certain premium discount to an insured for certain alcohol– and drug–free workplace programs instituted and maintained by the insured under certain circumstances; requiring a workers' compensation insurer to provide a certain premium discount to a certain insured that institutes and maintains a policy requiring certain alcohol or

drug testing under certain circumstances; and generally relating to workers' compensation insurance and alcohol- and drug-free workplace programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 11-329(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 11-329(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 506 – 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 – Agriculture
Section 2-513(b)(2)(vi), 5-210.5(b)(3), and 9-403
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 4-306(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 262 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 2–105(c)(1), 5–710(b)(4)(i)1., and 12–306(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–408, 3–8A–15(f), 4–401(10)(xii) and (xiii), 5–522(a)(5), and 5–603(b)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 4–401(10)(xi)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 7–103(e)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 1–210(b) and (c), 10–305, and 11–601(d)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 10–458(b) and 10–499(a)(1) and (2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 4–306.2(f)(4)(iii), (n)(5), (o), and (v), 11–207(b) and (c), and 18–601(g)(3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 5–119(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 459 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 7–4A–03(a)(7)(ii)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 417 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 5–1002(b)(2)(ii), 5–1003(b)(4)(ii), 5–1004(c)(5)(ii), 13–210(b), and 13–247

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 3–401(c)(5)(ii), 4–202.1(e)(2)(ii)2., 9–345(a), and 9–349(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–545(d), 5–564(f), and 10–301(aa)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 8–104(b)(6)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 5–804(g), 5–806, 7–903(b)(2), 7–909(e)(3), 7.5–303(a)(1)(iii), 10–608, 10–613, 10–614, 10–615, 10–616(a)(1), 10–617(a), 10–618(b) and (c), 10–619, 10–903(a)(1) and (c), 10–904(b), 10–920, 10–922(1), 10–923(d), 10–1101, 15–102.1(b)(10), 15–701(h)(2)(iii) and (4), 15–901(b)(1)(ii) and (iv), 15–904(e)(1)(iii)2. and 4., 18–218, 18–220, 19–1B–01(g), 19–361(a), 21–259(1), 21–260(a), and 21–2A–06(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 13–3003(h)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)
(As enacted by Chapters 498 and 499 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General
Section 15–701(h)(3), 15–901(b)(1)(iii), and 15–904(e)(1)(iii)3.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–07(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)
(As enacted by Chapter 651 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–6C–02(b)(12), 8–6C–10(b), (c), (d), and (g), and 8–6C–11(e)(3)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 393 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–403(c)(22)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–1207(a)(2)(i), 6–305(b)(1), and 6–308(a)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Human Services
Section 5–304(a)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance
Section 3–302(a)(9)(ii) and (iii), 5–306(e)(1)(ii)1.B. and (iii)1.B., 15–1408(4),
20–201(d)(3)(i), and 31–101(c–1) and (c–2)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–415(b)(2) and 11–405(a)(2), (5), and (10)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 5–301(a)(1) and 25–212
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–713(i)(2)(iii), 4–715(e)(2)(ii), 4–11A–07(e)(1), 5–212.1(g)(2)(ii),
5–421(a)(1)(i), 8–2103(b), and 10–412(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–201(d)(2)(ii) and (iii) and (e)(3)(iii)2. and 3.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 10–406(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 7–106(e), 8–402(b)(3)(i), 10–506(b)(4), 10–507(a)(2), 11–122, 11–135(g),
12–105(a), and 14–127(a)(4), (c)(2), and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 3A–506(c)(3), 5A–330(h)(2), 11–203(a)(1)(vi)3., 14–103(a)(1), and
14–302(a)(4)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 14–603(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)
(As enacted by Chapter 3 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 20–702(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 11–113(a), 12–201(a)(2)(i), and 21–309(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(q)(1)(ii) and 10–702(a)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(q)(1)(ii) and 10–702(a)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(q)(1)(iii) and 10–702(a)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 7–211.3(a)(2), 9–304(f)(7), and 14–833(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–122(d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 507 – 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 or other defects; establishing in Charles County an annual fee for providing live entertainment or outdoor table service by a holder of a Class D beer license, Class H beer and light wine license, Class D beer and light wine license, Class C beer, wine and liquor license, or Class D beer, wine and liquor license; authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners by majority vote to approve an application for a Class B beer, wine and liquor license for a restaurant located in the City of Gaithersburg in Montgomery County that meets certain requirements, including a requirement concerning the distance of the restaurant from any church or other place of worship; providing that a certain prohibition on carrying or possessing a certain weapon on public school property does not apply in certain circumstances to a certain off-duty law enforcement officer who is authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State; altering the circumstances under which a person is not entitled to a certain expungement of the person's records; authorizing the Prince George's County Board of Education and the Chief Executive Officer of the Prince George's County public school system to include minimum goals and incentives for maximizing certified county-based minority business participation in the goals and requirements established for a certain Certified County-Based Business Participation Program; altering certain provisions of law relating to the requirement that a certain county or municipality adopt and implement local laws or ordinances necessary to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; establishing the scope of practice of direct-entry midwifery; requiring a licensed direct-entry midwife to be assisted by a certain individual at the time of delivery; prohibiting the State Board of Nursing from renewing the license of certain direct-entry midwives until certain information is reported to the Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee; requiring a certain company, under certain circumstances, to comply with the minimum valuation standard prescribed by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner by regulation; altering the circumstances under which a certain loan secured by a first mortgage or deed of trust on certain real estate must provide for the amortization of principal over a certain maximum period with payments to be made at least annually in order to be included in the reserve investments of a life insurer; providing for the effect and construction of certain provisions of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally repealing and reenacting with or without amendments certain Acts of the General

Assembly that may be subject to possible title or other defects in order to validate those Acts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 3–401(j)(2), 5–202(f)(2), 5–401(j)(2), 6–301(j)(2)(ii), 6–401(j)(3), and
9–216(g)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 4–102(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–125.1(d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 8–6C–02, 8–6C–05, and 8–6C–10(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 5–313(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 367 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 5–511(g)(1) and (2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–701(j)(1)(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 7–303(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 1–101(pp) and (qq)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 14–108.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 141 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1

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

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 3 – Senator Conway

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

**United States Congress – Call to Congress and the President to Act on
Redistricting Reform**

FOR the purpose of requesting that the United States Congress pass, and the President of the United States sign, legislation that establishes uniform standards and procedures applicable to each state for the creation of the districts for the election of the members of the United States Congress; requiring that the resolution be forwarded to the President and Vice President of the United States and to certain members and officials of the United States Congress; and generally relating to redistricting reform for the United States Congress.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

House Bill 3 – Delegate Davis

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Transportation Network Services and For–Hire Transportation – Clarifications

FOR the purpose of clarifying certain provisions relating to transportation network services and for–hire transportation; expanding the types of insurers writing motor vehicle liability insurance that may exclude certain coverage under certain circumstances; altering the entities that may conduct a certain criminal history records check for sedan companies, limousine companies, taxicab companies, and transportation network companies; delaying the date by which the Public Service Commission may not require a certain applicant for a for–hire driver’s license or transportation network operator’s license to comply with a certain criminal history records check; authorizing certain taxicabs to be equipped with a certain device approved by the Commission; allowing the ~~Public Service~~ Commission to disclose certain records or information required by certain orders; allowing the Commission to disclose to the Comptroller certain records or information that relate to certain assessments or obligations; requiring the Commission to provide certain information to the Comptroller on request; clarifying that a certain license hearing officer may hold certain hearings involving certain violations by a transportation network operator, transportation network partner, or transportation network driver licensed or otherwise authorized to provide transportation network services; allowing a certain license hearing officer to hold certain hearings involving certain violations by a sedan company, limousine company, taxicab company, or transportation network company; clarifying that the For–Hire Driving Services Enforcement Fund may be used solely for certain activities related to for–hire driving services; prohibiting a transportation network company from operating in the State unless the transportation network

company has been issued a certain permit; requiring the Commission to promptly notify a transportation network company of a certain order under certain circumstances; prohibiting an exempt jurisdiction from imposing more than one assessment or similar charge on a transportation network service; specifying that the sum of certain assessments may not exceed a certain amount; specifying whether a certain county or municipal corporation may impose an assessment; requiring a certain county to notify certain municipal corporations under certain circumstances; requiring a certain municipal corporation to notify a certain county under certain circumstances; specifying when a municipal corporation has certain priority over a county to impose an assessment; specifying when a county has certain priority over a certain municipal corporation; requiring a county and a municipal corporation that enter into a certain agreement to provide a copy of the agreement to the Comptroller; providing the time period and notification requirement before a certain assessment or change in assessment is to take effect; requiring, at the Comptroller's discretion, the Comptroller to distribute assessments in a certain manner; prohibiting the Comptroller from disclosing certain records or information except under certain circumstances; authorizing the Comptroller to review or inspect certain information in a certain manner; requiring that certain provisions of law govern the administration, collection, enforcement, and appeals of certain revenues; requiring the Comptroller to enforce certain provisions of law; clarifying that a person is prohibited from operating a vehicle that provides passenger-for-hire services in the State unless the person is licensed or otherwise authorized by the Commission as a transportation network operator, transportation network partner, or transportation network driver; prohibiting a person from operating a transportation network company unless the person has been issued a certain permit by the Commission; altering a certain definition; altering a certain intent of the General Assembly; making stylistic changes; making technical corrections; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to transportation network services and for-hire transportation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–517(c)(1), (2), and (5) and (d)(2) and (3) and 19–517.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–101(a), (d), (g), and (m), 10–104.1(a), 10–210(a), and 10–404(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–101(l), 10–104.1(b), (d), (e), and (h), 10–110(b), 10–112(e), 10–210(b),
10–404(b), (d), (e), and (h), 10–406, and 10–502

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–101(n)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 204 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 10–403.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 204 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015

Section 2

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

House Bill 75 – Delegate Barkley

AN ACT concerning

Gas Companies – Infrastructure Replacement Projects – Amendment to a Plan

FOR the purpose of altering the number of days during which the Public Service Commission is required to take a certain final action after a gas company files an amendment to an approved plan to invest in eligible infrastructure replacement projects; and generally relating to infrastructure replacement projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 4–210(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

**Senate Bill 105 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – NE Maryland Waste Disposal Authority)**

AN ACT concerning

Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority – Name and Authority

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS (2) AND THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

SB0105/764830/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 105

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after “park;” insert “requiring the Authority to utilize a certain zero waste hierarchy, to the maximum extent practicable, under certain circumstances;”; in line 11, strike “a”; and in the same line, strike “term” and substitute “terms”.

On page 2, in line 1, strike “and” and substitute a comma; and in the same line, after “(h)” insert “, and (l) and 3–905(c)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, after line 16, insert:

“(L) “ZERO WASTE HIERARCHY” MEANS A PROGRESSION OF METHODS, POLICIES, AND STRATEGIES OF MATERIALS MANAGEMENT RANKED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF PRIORITY:

(1) PRODUCT REDESIGN;

(2) SOURCE REDUCTION;

(3) REUSE;

(4) RECYCLING;

(5) COMPOSTING;

- (6) WASTE COMPOSITION RESEARCH;
- (7) MATERIALS RECOVERY;
- (8) BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT; AND
- (9) STABILIZED LANDFILLING.

3-905.

(C) THE AUTHORITY SHALL UTILIZE THE ZERO WASTE HIERARCHY, DEFINED IN § 3-904 OF THIS SUBTITLE, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PRACTICABLE, WHEN ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, REHABILITATING, IMPROVING, MAINTAINING, EQUIPPING, LEASING (AS LESSOR OR AS LESSEE), REPAIRING, AND OPERATING A PROJECT THAT INCLUDES A RESOURCE RECOVERY PARK.”

The preceding 2 amendments were withdrawn.

SB0105/764830/3

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 105

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

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On page 2, in line 1, strike “and” and substitute a comma; and in the same line, after “(h)” insert “, and (l) and 3-905(c)”.

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- (1) SOURCE REDUCTION;**
- (2) REUSE;**
- (3) RECYCLING;**
- (4) COMPOSTING;**
- (5) ENERGY RECOVERY; AND**
- (6) DISPOSAL.**

3-905.

(C) THE AUTHORITY SHALL UTILIZE THE ZERO WASTE HIERARCHY, DEFINED IN § 3-904 OF THIS SUBTITLE, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE AS DETERMINED BY THE AUTHORITY BOARD OR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE RESOURCE RECOVERY PARK IS LOCATED, WHEN ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, REHABILITATING, IMPROVING, MAINTAINING, EQUIPPING, LEASING (AS LESSOR OR AS LESSEE), REPAIRING, AND OPERATING A RESOURCE RECOVERY PARK.”

The preceding 2 substitute committee amendments were read and adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 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) #5

**Senate Bill 108 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Higher Education Commission)**

AN ACT concerning

Nurse Support Program Assistance Fund – Revisions

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 121)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 129 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners – Submission of a
Comprehensive Master Plan – Repeal of Duplicative Requirement**

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 122)

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. 123)

RECESS

At 11:56 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate recessed until Noon on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, to the House Chamber for the State of the State Address, in honor of Edward Attmon, Milton Taylor, Lloyd Austin, Neshante Davis and Chloe Nichole Davis–Green.

AFTER RECESS
Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 3, 2016

At 12:00 P.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 45 Members present.

(See Senate Roll Call No. 123A)

Speaker Busch called for the House roll.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 137 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 and Hershey and Delegates Branch and Szeliga escorted the Lieutenant Governor Boyd K. Rutherford to the Rostrum.

Senators Pugh and Jennings and Delegates Kipke and Kaiser 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.

February 3, 2016

Speaker Busch, President Miller, members of the General Assembly, distinguished guests, fellow Marylanders:

A year ago I stood before you, confident in our collective ability to usher in a new era of cooperation and prosperity for Maryland, while mindful of the challenges facing us and the uncertainties that we shared.

In spite of political mindsets that might drive us apart, could we find middle ground?

Could the growing discord between our citizens and their government be repaired?

Would we as elected leaders choose serving the people over serving government?

Yet none of us could have foreseen just how much we would be asked to overcome:

The riots and lawlessness that threatened to tear Baltimore City apart;

For me personally, a life-altering diagnosis requiring me to publicly wage what is normally a very private battle;

And last week a historic winter storm that left a season's worth of snowfall in just two days.

Together, we have been tested.

But in the face of adversity, we were not Democrats or Republicans looking backward. We were Marylanders with our eyes fixed forward, working together for a better tomorrow.

By working together we have put Maryland on a new path, and we are changing Maryland for the better.

I want to extend my sincere thanks to your presiding officers, who have risen up to help us meet the challenges of the past year.

Speaker Busch, our state's longest serving Speaker, is a man who strongly believes in sound policy to achieve good government.

President Miller, the longest serving presiding officer in the nation, has spent a lifetime tirelessly working on behalf of all Marylanders.

Though there are sometimes points of disagreement, at the heart of each of us is a man fiercely proud of this state that we all love. Time and time again over the past year, we have chosen compromise over conflict, and for that I say thank you. Thanks to every person in this chamber who knows the great potential and promise of this state.

Together we have spent the past year working toward that potential, and because of that I am pleased to report that the state of our state is now strong, and getting stronger every day.

Last year I challenged each of us to put aside partisanship and to work together on behalf of all Marylanders, and together we answered that call.

Because of it, we have made incredible progress, and we have the will and the support of the people solidly behind us.

Our first and most important task was to correct our state's fiscal course, and to get our economy back on track.

For the first time in nine years, working together we adopted a budget that did not include a single tax hike.

Not only did we not raise taxes, together we actually cut them.

In an unprecedented show of bipartisan cooperation, every single legislator in both houses who had previously voted for the Rain Tax mandate, changed their position and voted with us to repeal it – and the people of Maryland thank you.

In this year ahead, let's continue to make progress, and continue to move our state forward.

Marylanders are demanding relief from years of crippling tax and fee hikes. We are already delivering \$600 million back into the pockets of Maryland's taxpayers.

This year, let's work together to help even more struggling Marylanders throughout our state.

Let's find those areas where modest and reasonable tax cuts will have the biggest positive impact on our economy, and which will improve the lives of those who need it most: working families, retirees, and small business owners.

Last year, we introduced tax relief on retirement income for veterans, and with the support of this Assembly, we passed it.

This year, we ask all of you to work with us again, to extend this exact same tax relief to all Maryland's retirees.

For working families, let's deliver on a popular bipartisan issue and accelerate the Earned Income Tax Credit. Most of the tax increases in recent years are regressive taxes that hit working families and retirees on fixed incomes the hardest.

They deserve and desperately need our help. Let's work together and finally give them that much-needed tax relief.

We have already reduced or eliminated 100 fees all across state government, saving taxpayers \$51 million.

Now, we ask you to join our efforts by reducing or eliminating another dozen fees that are set in statute, to save hardworking Marylanders another \$71 million.

Essential taxes and fees serve a purpose, but they have simply gone too far in recent years – overburdening our hardworking citizens and dampening our prospects for real economic growth.

Thanks to your help, Maryland is now open for business.

Businesses are returning to and expanding in our state once again.

Over the past 12 months, Maryland businesses had their best year in eight years, with some of our most important brands and employers – like Under Armour, McCormick, Northrup Grumman, FedEx, and Amazon – increasing their investment and growing jobs in our state.

Let's build on that progress, and continue to make Maryland a more competitive, and a more business-friendly state.

Let's begin by reducing taxes and making it easier for the smallest of Maryland businesses who have been struggling the most.

And let's renew Maryland's proud history in manufacturing and address chronic unemployment in the hardest-hit parts of our state by instituting the Manufacturing Jobs Initiative – enabling us to eliminate the corporate tax and to waive all state taxes on certain companies who commit to bringing jobs where unemployment is highest – places like Western Maryland, the lower Eastern Shore, and Baltimore City.

This is an innovative, bipartisan concept with a proven track record of success for attracting more businesses and more jobs to the places that desperately need them, and it will benefit the everyday lives of Maryland's working families.

Let's also continue to eliminate needless, burdensome regulations.

Our Regulatory Reform Commission has already been hard at work, conducting a top-to-bottom review of every single regulation in the state.

Let's reach across the aisle, and continue to do everything we can to help our state compete in the region and throughout the nation. Maryland's business community can and will be strong again.

Together, let's usher in a new era of ingenuity and entrepreneurial spirit in Maryland.

We have had several consecutive, robust quarters and an improving state economy over the past year.

In just 12 months, we have added more than 55,000 new jobs – the largest gain in the mid-Atlantic region – and we're adding jobs at one of the fastest rates in the entire country.

By improving our economy, creating jobs, standing up to special interest groups, holding the line on new spending, and belt-tightening all across state government, we have made tremendous progress toward solving our state's fiscal problems.

We have seen a jump in tax revenues, not because we raised taxes, but because we are growing our economy.

Revenues are now \$150 million higher, and we have already eliminated nearly 90% of the \$5.1 billion structural deficit that we were faced with at this time last year.

Fiscal discipline, combined with our improving business climate, means that this year we will achieve \$1.1 billion in the Rainy Day Fund and maintain a \$450 million cash balance.

This is incredible progress, and all of us can be proud of these results. It's easy to see why so many Marylanders are so optimistic about the direction of our state.

But as we look ahead, now is certainly not the time to abandon the fiscally responsible principles, which together we have instituted.

In addition to reining in spending, taxes, tolls and fees, let's rein in how much the state borrows.

Let's work together to reduce mandated spending increases in years when revenues don't keep pace.

This will ensure that future budgets continue to prioritize key expenditures – like education and health care – while also making sure that we have the flexibility to trim excessive cost increases in tough times.

Thanks to your collaboration – we have begun to clean up the problems of yesterday.

Now, let's come together once again to take care of today's challenges, and to provide for a brighter tomorrow.

In this new era of prosperity in Maryland, our economy can and will be strong. Let's continue to work together to make it even stronger.

At the heart of our state is an incredibly hardworking, resolute, and resilient people.

Our most sacred duty as elected leaders is to work tirelessly to improve the quality of life for those we serve.

This past year, we set aside our differences and delivered real results.

On education, we increased spending to historic, record-high levels, adding a total increased investment of \$830 million more in K–12 education.

Last year, I became the first Maryland governor ever to add any money into GCEI in his first year.

This year, we will break our historic record-high investment in public education from last year, and thanks to your help, I have become the first governor in Maryland history to ever fully fund GCEI in his second year.

Most importantly, per-pupil spending is increased in every single jurisdiction across the state.

These investments are important – but as we look to the year ahead, it's clear that more money alone will not close the performance gap we see impacting Maryland's children.

We owe it to them to think more creatively and to find new solutions.

We need to encourage innovative ideas that give parents better alternatives to prepare children for higher education and for the jobs of the future.

Let's set aside political gamesmanship, and work together for the sake of our children.

And as we strive to ensure a brighter future for our children, let us safeguard the natural beauty of our great state for the next generation.

Let 2016 be a year in which we continue to work together to protect our environment.

The Chesapeake Bay is our greatest and most important natural asset, and a national treasure.

Good people in this General Assembly, from both chambers and from both sides of the aisle, had worked for years to try and come up with solutions to the serious problem of phosphorous in the Bay.

Last year, we tackled the problem head-on.

We brought all the stakeholders together – farmers, community leaders, the poultry industry, and environmental groups – and we hammered out a compromise phosphorus management solution that everyone could live with.

It has been called the greatest environmental achievement to clean up the Bay in a generation, and it would not have happened without your help and cooperation.

This year, we are investing \$53 million for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Trust Fund – the highest level of funding ever, since it was established.

This marks the first time in state history that funding dedicated specifically for restoration of the Chesapeake Bay is not being diverted to the General Fund.

Maryland should be leading the charge in protecting our environment.

Maryland's environment can and should be cleaner and healthier.

Let's continue to work together to make that happen.

And let's also come together in a spirit of bipartisanship, to protect that most fundamental right of every American citizen: the right to free and fair elections.

In Maryland, we have the unfortunate distinction of being the most gerrymandered state in the entire nation.

We created the Redistricting Reform Commission to fight for the nonpartisan drawing of district lines – something nearly all Marylanders are strongly in favor of.

We ask you today to join with us in that fight.

Help us defend that very foundation of American democracy, and set an example for the entire nation by finally making Maryland elections fair elections.

In the past year, we have taken important steps to address another problem that has impaired the quality of life of Marylanders all across our state: heroin and opioid addiction.

Please join me in thanking Lt. Governor Rutherford and the members of the Maryland Heroin and Opioid Emergency Task Force for their countless months of hard work.

Thanks to their efforts, we remain relentlessly focused on finding the best ideas and working toward solutions.

We also look forward to working closely with the General Assembly on the recommendations from the Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council.

These reforms can help us break the cycle of incarceration, and create an environment of economic opportunity for every Marylander.

We cannot afford to leave anyone behind. Instead, we must commit to recognizing the fundamental human potential of all of our citizens.

As we partner this year to improve the lives of all Marylanders, transportation must also be a top priority.

We are investing an unprecedented \$2 billion into “shovel ready” infrastructure projects to fix every single structurally deficient bridge in the state, and to move us forward on the top-priority road projects in every single jurisdiction in the state.

We are moving forward with a more cost-effective version of the Purple Line, as well as a transformation of the transit system in Baltimore – long-term investments that will be important economic drivers for Maryland.

Moving forward, it should also be a priority to get funding for local roads back to their previous levels. This year, we have allocated an additional \$231 million in Highway User Revenues to local governments.

Our transportation infrastructure can and should be stronger. Working together, let’s make this goal a reality.

Finally, our efforts on behalf of the people of this great state must address the challenges facing the city that is at the very heart of Maryland.

The entire country was witness to the events that shook Baltimore last April.

But when those dark days ended, and peace was restored, we knew that the work of healing and revitalizing Baltimore was just beginning.

Over the past few months, we launched school-to-career opportunities for Baltimore youth; improved educational options for college-bound students; invested an additional \$135 million to improve the City’s transit system; finally closed down the notorious Baltimore City Jail; began the process of stopping urban blight with a plan to demolish abandoned, decaying buildings throughout the City; and we have been fostering improved economic development strategies, more redevelopment opportunities, and a pro-jobs economic climate.

We understand that some of you in this Chamber also have ideas to help us change Baltimore for the better.

While we do not have an unlimited amount of taxpayer money, we will always have an unlimited capacity to listen to worthwhile ideas and creative solutions that know no party bounds.

As we continue to tackle these problems, government will play an important role. But often the best answers come from those private citizens who take pride in their community.

The renewal of Baltimore City, and the continued growth of our entire state, will require 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 philosophical debate they come from.

As you may know by now, I'm a man who speaks candidly. It's the only way I know how.

Last year when I stood before you, I was very direct about the challenges that were facing us.

It's because I care so much about this state, its people, and our future – just like each and every person in this Chamber does.

This past year has been one of many milestones.

For me, none more extraordinary than when I had the honor of being blessed by Pope Francis on behalf of cancer patients around the world.

He is a holy man, who sets an example of truly selfless service to others.

Pope Francis challenged us to act “without prejudice, without superiority, and without condescension” – traits that can sometimes drag down even the most well-intentioned of us.

But that has not been our path.

This past year, we ushered in a new era of bipartisanship in Maryland.

One filled with hope and optimism.

We did not let the bitter and rancorous politics that divide our nation divide our state – and we put the people we serve first.

Now, our path is set and our eyes are clear.

Let us continue to blaze that new path for Maryland, with the full knowledge that the people of our great state stand strongly behind us.

Let's work together and come up with real, bipartisan, common-sense solutions.

And let's continue to embrace that middle temperament, which truly defines this great state of ours.

There is so much more that unites us, than that which divides us.

There is so much we can find agreement on.

In the days ahead, I extend my hand to you – in cooperation and in devotion to our duty – and I ask each of you, and all Marylanders, to seek that middle ground where we can all stand together.

Because together, we are stronger.

Together, we can continue on this bold new path.

And together, we can and we will change Maryland for the better.

Thank you, God bless you, and may God bless the great state of Maryland.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:44 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 4, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, February 4, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:06 A.M.

Prayer by Pastor Todd Gaddy, The Life Church, guest of Senator Brochin.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 126)

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

The Journal of February 3, 2016 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 189 – Senator Susan C. Lee:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Vinton Cerf
in recognition of
a Father of the Internet, Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient and digital
revolutionary.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 4th day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 127)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**Senate Bill 508 – Senators Ramirez and Ferguson**

AN ACT concerning

Civil Penalties for Shoplifting and Employee Theft – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions establishing liability to a merchant for civil penalties for shoplifting and employee theft; and generally relating to civil penalties for shoplifting and employee theft.

BY repealing

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–1301 through 3–1308 and the subtitle “Subtitle 13. Civil Penalties for Shoplifting and Employee Theft”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 509 – 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 the court is deemed to have possession and control for the purpose of an action under this Act; providing for the venue and the application of certain rules in an action under this Act; establishing requirements for a complaint, an answer to a complaint, naming of defendants, joinder of parties, and service of process in an action under this Act; authorizing the court to take certain actions in an action under this Act; authorizing the recording of a certain judgment; providing for the effect of a judgment in an action under this Act; providing for the construction of this Act; making stylistic changes; 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

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Real Property

Section 14–601 through 14–621 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Actions to Quiet Title”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 510 – Senators Astle and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Electric and Gas Companies – Rate Regulation – Infrastructure Investments

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum amount of a certain monthly natural gas surcharge for certain retail natural gas customers; authorizing an electric company to recover certain costs associated with certain electric system infrastructure investments through a certain electric system infrastructure investment surcharge on customer bills; requiring electric system infrastructure investment cost calculations to include certain elements; specifying when costs shall be collectible; specifying how the pretax rate of return shall be calculated and adjusted and what it shall include; prohibiting a certain monthly surcharge from exceeding a certain amount for certain customers; providing for the allocation of certain costs among customer classes; requiring the Public Service Commission to consider certain factors when establishing revenue requirements; providing that certain adjustments for return on equity shall only be considered and determined in a certain base rate case; authorizing the Commission to hold a public hearing on a plan within a certain period of time; requiring the Commission to take final action on a plan within a certain period of time; requiring the Commission to take final action on an amendment to an approved plan within a certain period of time; authorizing the Commission to approve a plan under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to approve a cost–recovery schedule under certain circumstances; authorizing an electric company to implement a plan under certain circumstances; requiring an electric company implementing a plan to make certain refunds under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commission to review certain plans and take certain actions based on the review; prohibiting the Commission from considering certain factors when reviewing a plan except under certain circumstances; requiring that a surcharge be in effect for a certain period of time; requiring an electric company to file base rate case applications within a certain period of time; specifying costs to be included in a surcharge when base rate applications are filed; requiring the Commission to authorize the electric company to increase a surcharge under certain circumstances; requiring an electric company to file certain plan amendments each year with the Commission; requiring an electric company to file a revised base rate schedule with the Commission to subtract certain costs from a surcharge under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commission to take certain actions if it determines that an electric system infrastructure investment no longer meets certain requirements; stating the intent of the General Assembly with regard

to the surcharge; defining certain terms; and generally relating to rate regulation and infrastructure investments.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 4–210(d)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 4–210(d)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 4–211
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 511 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Taxes – Sales and Use Tax – Repeal

FOR the purpose of providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to the sale of certain electricity, fuel, and other utilities used to operate a restaurant; and generally relating to a sales and use tax exemption for certain energy consumption at restaurants.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–232
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 512 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Recruitment, Retention, and Promotion of Teachers in Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Recruitment, Retention, and Promotion of Teachers in Maryland; providing for the membership, chair, and staff for the Task Force; providing that members of the Task Force may not receive certain compensation, but are entitled to certain reimbursement for certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make certain recommendations relating to the recruitment, retention, and promotion of teachers at all education levels in the State using the principles of human capital strategy; requiring the Task Force to submit a certain report 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 Recruitment, Retention, and Promotion of Teachers in Maryland.

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

Senate Bill 513 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Bates, DeGrange, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hough, Klausmeier, Manno, McFadden, Serafini, and Young

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; requiring the Maryland Patient Safety Center to convene a certain Perinatal Clinical Advisory Committee; establishing the Maryland No–Fault Birth Injury Fund; providing for the governance, administration, and purposes of the Fund; providing for certain premiums 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 health care practitioners 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–1701 and 20–1702 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Birth Injury Prevention”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 514 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Tobacco Taxes – Healthy Maryland Initiative

FOR the purpose of 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; establishing the tobacco tax rates on cigarillos; 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; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to the taxation of cigarettes and other tobacco products.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 16.5–101(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation

Section 16.5–101(a–1)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation
Section 16.5–101(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1015
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–101(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–101(b–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 12–101(d) and 12–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 515 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

County Boards of Education – Procurements for Construction or Repair of School Projects

FOR the purpose of making certain provisions of law concerning the advertising for bids for procurements costing more than a certain amount applicable to construction or repair for certain school projects in the State; including construction and repair services under certain provisions of law concerning the award of certain procurement contracts to certain bidders; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to procurement for construction and repair services for schools.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 1–101 and 5–112
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 516 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Service – Local Authority

FOR the purpose of providing that the County Commissioners of Washington County are the ultimate authority having jurisdiction over the provision of fire, rescue, and ambulance services in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Washington County
Section 10–402
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 Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 517 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Contributions to Nonprofit Organizations – Process

FOR the purpose of altering the process by which the County Commissioners of Washington County make contributions to certain nonprofit organizations in Washington County; altering the deadline for submission of applications for contributions; requiring the County Commissioners to hold a public hearing on the applications; authorizing the County Commissioners to remove certain organizations from a certain list and, on request by the organization, to revise or amend the name of an organization; and generally relating to contributions made to nonprofit organizations by the County Commissioners of Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Washington County
Section 1–108
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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 518 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Collection of Fees, Charges, Penalties, and Assessments

FOR the purpose of authorizing Washington County to include, for the purpose of collection, certain unpaid fees, charges, penalties, and assessments on annual tax bills; requiring that certain unpaid fees, charges, penalties, and assessments be collected in the same manner as ordinary taxes, subject to the same interest and penalty for nonpayment as provided by law for the nonpayment of county taxes; and generally relating to the collection of certain fees, charges, penalties, and assessments in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Washington County
Section 6–309
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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 519 – 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 520 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Board of Education – Motor Fuel Tax Refund

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Washington County Board of Education to claim a refund of motor fuel tax paid on motor fuel purchased for use in vehicles owned by the Washington County Board of Education; and generally relating to a refund of motor fuel tax for the Washington County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–901(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 521 – Anne Arundel County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Charitable Gaming

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations in Anne Arundel 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 Inspections and Permits 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 volunteers as an operator of 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; authorizing the serving or sale of alcoholic beverages under certain circumstances; prohibiting a permit holder from exchanging tokens under

certain circumstances; requiring a permit holder to submit a financial report and certain information about winners of certain prizes to the County Department of Inspections and Permits under certain circumstances; authorizing the County Executive and County Council to adopt certain regulations; providing a certain penalty; defining certain terms; and generally relating to gaming in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–404 and 13–408
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 13–404.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 522 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Exemptions – Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts

FOR the purpose of exempting from the sales and use tax a sale by a chartered organization or a scout unit chartered by a local council of the Boy Scouts of America established in the State; exempting from the sales and use tax a sale by a troop of the Girl Scouts of the USA established in the State; and generally relating to the sales and use tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–204(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 523 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Washington County – Local Penalties

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of Washington County to impose a certain fine on an employee of a holder of an alcoholic beverages license in the County under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the imposition of fines by the Board of License Commissioners of Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 31–2702

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 524 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County and Garrett County – Black Bears – Baiting

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from taking or attempting to take black bears in Allegany County and Garrett County by the aid of baiting or within a certain distance of a baited area if the person knows or reasonably should know that the area is a baited area; providing that this Act does not prohibit the taking of black bears on certain crops, grains, or lands; defining certain terms; and generally relating to taking or attempting to take black bears in Allegany County and Garrett County.

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 10–427

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 525 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Dormant Minerals Interests Act – Use of Mineral Interest –
Clarification**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that when an owner of a mineral interest takes a certain action for a mineral that is part of a mineral interest, the action constitutes use of the entire mineral interest owned by that owner; and generally relating to the use of a mineral interest under the Maryland Dormant Mineral Interests Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 15–1203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 526 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Donation of Commercial Feed

FOR the purpose of altering the defined term “distribute” and defining “donation” as used in the Maryland Commercial Feed Law; and generally relating to the Maryland Commercial Feed Law.

BY renumbering
Article – Agriculture
Section 6–101(i) through (o), respectively
to be Section 6–101(j) through (p), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 6–101(a), (d), (e), and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 6–101(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Agriculture
Section 6–101(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 527 – Senators Bates and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Human Trafficking – Adult Victim – Penalty

FOR the purpose of making the crime of human trafficking in a case in which the victim of the crime is an adult a felony, rather than a misdemeanor; making a conforming change; and generally relating to human trafficking.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 11–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 528 – Senators Bates, Salling, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Open Meetings Act – Required Training and Certificate of Compliance

FOR the purpose of expanding the scope of the training requirements under the Open Meetings Act to include all employees, officials, and members of a public body; requiring that certain individuals complete certain training within a certain time period; requiring each new and returning member of the General Assembly to take certain training; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to provide certain training on or before a certain day of a certain session; requiring certain persons to issue certain certificates of compliance within a certain period of time to certain individuals who complete certain training; requiring certain individuals to submit certificates of compliance to a public body or the General Assembly within a certain period of time; requiring each public body and the General Assembly to maintain and make available to the public certain certificates of compliance, post on their Web sites a certain list, and update a certain list on their Web sites on or before a certain date; and generally relating to required training under the Open Meetings Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 3–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 529 – Senators Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Kelley, Ready, Salling, Serafini, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Open Meetings Act – Requirements for Providing Agendas

FOR the purpose of requiring a public body to provide an agenda containing certain information within a certain time before a certain meeting is held by a public body except under certain circumstances; requiring a public body to provide an agenda of a certain meeting within a certain time after the meeting occurs under certain circumstances; providing that certain information does not need to be included in a certain agenda; authorizing methods by which a public body may provide a certain agenda; and generally relating to requirements for agendas and the Open Meetings Act.

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 3–302.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 530 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Dorchester County – Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor License – Minimum Seating Requirement

FOR the purpose of altering the minimum seating requirement for facilities for which a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license may be issued in Dorchester County; and generally relating to Class B beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Dorchester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 19–902

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 531 – Senators McFadden, 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; repealing certain provisions that require certain parole decisions to be transmitted to the Governor under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions that authorize the Governor to disapprove certain parole decisions in a certain manner; repealing certain provisions that provide 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 532 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Officers’ Retirement System – Membership – Correctional Case Management Specialist

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System to include correctional case management specialists; authorizing certain individuals to transfer membership to the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System; clarifying that certain individuals who do not elect to transfer are not members of the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System; requiring certain individuals to deposit certain amounts in the annuity savings fund of the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System; requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and

Pension System to transfer certain funds to the annuity savings fund of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; providing that certain accumulated contributions shall reduce the amount of a required deposit to the annuity savings fund of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; prohibiting an individual who transfers membership to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System under this Act from receiving certain benefits if the individual retires within a certain number of years after transferring to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; 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, 25–202, and 25–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 25–203.1 and 29–302(c) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 25–203.2 and 29–302(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 533 – Senator Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Education – Administration of Assessments – Provision of Information

FOR the purpose of requiring certain county boards of education to provide certain information relating to certain assessments administered in a local school system; requiring certain information relating to certain assessments to be updated, posted online, and included in a certain master plan on or before a certain date each year; and generally relating to the provision of information regarding the administration of assessments.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–203.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 534 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Workers' Compensation – Permanent Partial Disability – Compensation

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the maximum weekly benefit for a permanent partial disability claim arising from events occurring on or after a certain date that is awarded to a covered employee for less than a certain number of weeks; making conforming changes; and generally relating to compensation for a permanent partial disability under the workers' compensation law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 9–628
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 535 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Office of Cemetery Oversight – Cemetery Financial Statement – Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain financial statement required to be submitted by a certain cemetery that sells burial goods to the Director of the Office of Cemetery Oversight to contain a certain balance sheet; repealing the requirement that a certain financial statement contain a certain statement by a certified public accountant and a review of the financial stability of the cemetery by a certified public accountant; and generally relating to requirements for a cemetery financial statement and the Office of Cemetery Oversight.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 536 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

**Office of Cemetery Oversight – Perpetual Care Trust Funds – Report
Submission Requirement**

FOR the purpose of altering the time period within which a sole proprietor registered cemeterian, certain permit holders, or certain other persons subject to certain perpetual care trust requirements are required to submit a certain report regarding a certain perpetual care trust fund to the Director of the Office of Cemetery Oversight; and generally relating to perpetual care trust funds and the Office of Cemetery Oversight.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–603(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–606
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 537 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Prescription Drug Monitoring
Program – Modifications**

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain authorized providers and prescribers be registered with the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program before obtaining a certain new or renewal registration or by a certain date, whichever is sooner; requiring that certain pharmacists be registered with the Program by a certain date; requiring a prescriber and a pharmacist to complete a certain course of instruction before registering with the Program; altering the mission of the Program; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to identify and publish a list of certain monitored prescription drugs; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Maryland Health Care Commission and the Advisory Board on Prescription Drug Monitoring, to educate pharmacists, prescriber delegates, and pharmacist delegates about the purpose and operation of the Program; altering a requirement that certain regulations adopted by the Secretary specify that a prescriber or dispenser is not required or obligated to access or use certain prescription monitoring data to instead

require the regulations to specify the circumstances under which a prescriber or a pharmacist is required to request prescription monitoring data from the Program; requiring that certain regulations adopted by the Secretary specify a process for the Program's review of prescription monitoring data and reporting of a possible violation of law or breach of professional standards; requiring certain prescribers and pharmacists to request and assess certain prescription monitoring data under certain circumstances; requiring a certain prescriber to document certain information in a patient's medical records under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain prescriber or pharmacist to authorize a prescriber delegate or pharmacist delegate to request prescription monitoring data on behalf of the prescriber or pharmacist under certain circumstances; specifying the circumstances under which certain prescribers and pharmacists are not required to request prescription monitoring data from the Program or to comply with certain provisions of this Act; requiring certain prescribers and pharmacists who do not access prescription monitoring data to take certain actions; requiring, instead of authorizing, the Program to review prescription monitoring data for signs of certain misuse or abuse and requiring, instead of authorizing, the Program to report the possible misuse or abuse to a certain prescriber or pharmacist; requiring the Program to review prescription monitoring data for indications of a possible violation of law or a breach of professional standards by a prescriber or a pharmacist; requiring the Program to provide certain notification and information under certain circumstances; altering the information that the Advisory Board on Prescription Drug Monitoring must report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly; altering a certain immunity from liability or disciplinary action arising solely from certain actions; providing that prescribers, prescriber delegates, pharmacists, and pharmacist delegates shall be subject to disciplinary action by the appropriate licensing entity for certain violations; providing that a release of prescription monitoring data by a prescriber delegate, pharmacist, or pharmacist delegate under certain circumstances is not a violation of certain provisions of law; altering certain definitions; defining certain terms; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 21–2A–01(a), (e), and (f), 21–2A–02(c), and 21–2A–03(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General

Section 21-2A-01(d), (g), (h), (i), (j), and (k), 21-2A-02(b), 21-2A-03(b) and (e), 21-2A-04, 21-2A-05(f)(3)(i) and (ii), 21-2A-06, 21-2A-07(b), 21-2A-08(b), and 21-2A-09

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 21-2A-01(h), (i), (k), (o), and (p), 21-2A-04.1, and 21-2A-04.2

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 538 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Dental Hygienists – Scope of Practice – Authority to Practice Under General Supervision of Licensed Dentists

FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of law to provide that a general license to practice dental hygiene authorizes the licensee to practice dental hygiene under the general supervision of a licensed dentist in a certain facility with a population that lacks direct access to dental care, rather than only in a long-term care facility; altering the requirements that a dental hygienist is required to meet before being authorized to practice dental hygiene under the general supervision of a licensed dentist in a certain facility; altering the requirements that must be met by a dental hygienist who is practicing under the general supervision of a licensed dentist in a certain facility and performing a certain dental hygiene service; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the authority of dental hygienists to practice under the general supervision of licensed dentists.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 4-308(m)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 539 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Real Estate Brokers – Licensure Requirement – Exemption for Lawyers

FOR the purpose of altering an exemption from the real estate broker licensure requirement for certain lawyers under certain circumstances; and generally relating to real estate brokerage services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 540 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Morgan State University – Student Housing

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Board of Regents of Morgan State University from entering into any contract for student housing that is located in a certain block of Havenwood Road in Baltimore City unless a certain improvement association approves; and generally relating to student housing and Morgan State University.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 14–104(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 541 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Portable Electronics Insurance – Required Notices – Method of Mailing

FOR the purpose of altering the method of mailing that an insurer or vendor is required to use when the insurer or vendor sends to a policyholder or covered customer certain notices about a termination or any other change in the terms and conditions of a policy of portable electronics insurance; and generally relating to required notices about portable electronics insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance
Section 19–903(a) and (h)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–903(h)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 542 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Forfeiture of Benefits

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain assignment of benefits; establishing that certain public employees who are certain State officers may be subject to forfeiture of benefits from the State Retirement and Pension System; prohibiting the payment of certain benefits to a public employee who is found guilty of, pleads guilty to, or enters a plea of nolo contendere to a qualifying crime; prohibiting the forfeiture of benefits if the forfeiture negatively affects or invalidates the tax qualified status of a plan within the State Retirement and Pension System; requiring the forfeiture of benefits, in whole or in part, for a public employee who is convicted of a qualifying crime; requiring the Attorney General or State's Attorney to file a certain complaint in circuit court; requiring notice of the complaint to be sent to certain persons; establishing certain findings that shall be made when entering an order requiring the forfeiture of benefits; requiring the forfeiture order to indicate the amount of benefits forfeit; requiring a court to consider certain factors when determining the amount of benefits subject to forfeiture; clarifying that only certain service is subject to forfeiture; authorizing a court to order some or all of the forfeited benefits to be paid to certain individuals subject to certain limitations; prohibiting a forfeiture order from impairing or altering a domestic relations order; clarifying that a public employee may receive benefits as a beneficiary; clarifying that a public employee's interest in benefits of a former spouse is not subject to forfeiture; authorizing the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to recover certain payments made to a public employee subject to a forfeiture order; limiting the amount that may be recovered; authorizing certain public employees to submit an application for retirement; prohibiting the State Retirement Agency from processing a certain application for retirement until certain conditions are met; requiring a forfeiture order to be rescinded under certain circumstances; requiring certain payments to be made when a conviction is overturned; providing that a public employee subject to a forfeiture order is entitled to a return of employee contributions on request; authorizing certain employee contributions to be reduced under certain

circumstances; requiring the Board of Trustees to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the forfeiture of certain retirement benefits by certain constitutional officers with a criminal conviction.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–701 through 21–709 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Forfeiture of Benefits”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 543 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Facilities – Charles County – Expansion and Use of Proceeds

FOR the purpose of authorizing the awarding of an additional video lottery operation license and a certain number of additional video lottery terminals for a video lottery facility in Charles County in a vessel moored to a pier on the Potomac River; specifying that certain proceeds from the video lottery terminals and table games be paid to the Governor Harry W. Nice Memorial Bridge Fund; repealing a certain prohibition against an individual or a business entity owning an interest in more than one video lottery facility; repealing certain prohibitions against a video lottery operation licensee providing food or alcoholic beverages to individuals at no cost; altering the amount the Comptroller pays to certain video lottery operation licensees from the proceeds of video lottery terminals; repealing a certain prohibition against a holder of a video lottery operation license at the Ocean Downs racetrack from building or operating certain structures within a certain geographic area; providing for the reconstitution of the Video Lottery Facility Location Commission under certain circumstances; establishing the Governor Harry W. Nice Memorial Bridge Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying that the purpose of the Fund is to help defray the costs of replacing the Governor Harry W. Nice Memorial Bridge; requiring the Department of Transportation 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; defining a certain term; submitting this Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of the

State; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act; making certain provisions of this Act subject to a certain contingency; and generally relating to gaming in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–05(a) and (d), 9–1A–24, and 9–1A–36(f), (h), (i)(1), (r)(1), and (t)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 1 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2012 2nd Special Session)

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–30.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 544 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Insurance – Insurance Identification Card – Carrying Proof of Coverage – Uninsured Motorist Education and Enforcement Fund

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain insurer to provide a certain insurance identification card to certain insureds at certain times; providing that an insurance identification card may be produced in a certain electronic format; providing that the insurance identification card shall be valid for only a certain period except under certain circumstances; requiring a certain operator to be in possession of or carry in the motor vehicle at certain times certain evidence of required security; providing that a certain identification insurance card is a form of evidence of a certain required security; allowing a certain evidence of required security to be produced in a certain electronic format; providing for a certain fine; establishing the Uninsured Motorist Education and Enforcement Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; providing that a certain fine may not be waived and shall be deposited into the Fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to administer the Fund; providing that the Fund consists of certain revenues, interest, and other money; specifying the uses of the Fund; authorizing the Administration to delay the

imposition of a certain fine for a certain period of time for a certain purpose; authorizing the Administration to adopt regulations; authorizing the Administration to accept funding or another form of support from the Uninsured Claim and Judgment Fund of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund for a certain purpose; defining certain terms; and generally relating to carrying proof of coverage, educating operators of motor vehicles about and enforcing the Maryland Vehicle Law, and motor vehicle insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance
Section 19–503.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation
Section 17–104.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 545 – Senators Pugh, Ferguson, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Labor and Employment – Apprenticeship Career Training in Our
Neighborhoods (ACTION) Program – Establishment**

FOR the purpose of altering and renaming the Construction Apprenticeship Assistance Program to establish the Apprenticeship Career Training in Our Neighborhoods (ACTION) Program; altering the purpose and method for administering the Program; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to administer the Program; establishing certain standards under which certain employers may be eligible to receive certain grants; requiring the Department, rather than the Secretary, to adopt certain regulations; altering a specification regarding the method for awarding certain grants to certain eligible employers and determining the amount of the grant for each eligible employer; repealing specifications regarding a certain maximum grant amount and the process for distributing certain grants; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the Program receive certain funding on an annual basis; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Apprenticeship Career Training in Our Neighborhoods (ACTION) Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–601

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 546 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Ferguson, Lee, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Transitional Supports for Ex–Offenders – Repeal of Restrictions

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law subjecting certain individuals convicted of certain felonies involving a controlled dangerous substance who apply for or receive temporary cash assistance or food stamps to certain testing and treatment requirements and sanctions; repealing a certain provision of law making a certain individual ineligible for temporary cash assistance or food stamps for a certain period of time after a certain date; repealing a certain provision of law requiring the Secretary of Human Resources to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to participation in the temporary cash assistance and food stamp programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 5–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 547 – Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Ferguson, Lee, Nathan–Pulliam, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Ex–Offenders Recidivism Reduction Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an authority, to the maximum extent practicable, to provide access to public housing for ex–offenders; requiring an authority to avoid denying the eligibility of an individual based on a misdemeanor conviction or other certain offenses under certain circumstances; requiring an authority to develop certain guidance regarding eligibility for tenants with a criminal history; and generally relating to access to public housing.

BY adding to
Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 12–406

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 548 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Barbers and Cosmetologists – Criminal Penalties for Practicing Barbering or Cosmetology Without License – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain criminal penalties for violations of the barbering law and for violations of the cosmetology law; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to practicing barbering or cosmetology.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 4–601 and 5–601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 4–607 and 5–609
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 549 – Senators Pugh, Bates, Conway, Eckardt, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hershey, Jennings, Kagan, Klausmeier, Lee, Mathias, Middleton, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Reilly, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council – Membership and Extension of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council; extending the termination date of certain provisions of law that establish and govern the Council; and generally relating to the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 13–3201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–3203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 305 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 2

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 306 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 2

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

Senate Bill 550 – Senators Pugh, Kagan, Middleton, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Access to Dental Care in the State

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Access to Dental Care in the State; 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 Access to Dental Care in the State.

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

Senate Bill 551 – Senators Pugh, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Kelley, Klausmeier, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Clinical Crisis Walk–In Services
and Mobile Crisis Teams – Strategic Plan**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with certain agencies and certain health providers, to develop a strategic plan for ensuring that certain crisis services and certain teams are available statewide and operating in a certain manner; requiring the strategic plan to include certain elements; requiring the Department to submit the plan to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and a strategic plan for clinical crisis walk-in services and mobile crisis teams.

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

Senate Bill 552 – Senators Pugh, Conway, Ferguson, McFadden, and Nathan-Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Property Tax Credit – Public Safety Officers

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on a certain dwelling in Baltimore City that is owned by a certain public safety officer under certain circumstances; providing that the credit may not exceed a certain amount and may not be granted to more than one public safety officer per dwelling; prohibiting a certain recipient of the property tax credit from receiving certain other property tax credits; authorizing the receipt of certain additional property tax credits subject to a certain limitation; 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 property tax credit for certain public safety officers in Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–304(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 553 – Senators Astle, Benson, Feldman, Klausmeier, Manno, and Ramirez

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 recovery 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 2015 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 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 19–509.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 554 – Senator Pinsky

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

United States Senator, Attorney General, and Comptroller – Appointments to Fill a Vacancy

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to appoint an individual to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator, Attorney General, or Comptroller from a list of names submitted by the State Central Committee of the political party of the vacating officeholder; requiring individuals whose names are submitted to the Governor to have been affiliated with the political party of the vacating officeholder before the vacancy occurred; providing for the appointment of an individual to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator, Attorney General, or Comptroller in circumstances where the political party of the vacating officeholder fails to submit names to the Governor within a certain period of time or the vacating officeholder was not affiliated with a political party; providing for the effective dates of this Act; submitting the constitutional amendment proposed by this Act to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection; and generally relating to appointments to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator, Attorney General, or Comptroller.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 8–602
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article V – Attorney–General and State’s Attorneys
Section 5

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article VI – Treasury Department
Section 1

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

Senate Bill 555 – Senator Pinsky

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Attorney General and Comptroller – Special Elections to Fill a Vacancy

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to require an individual appointed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the offices of either the Attorney General or the Comptroller to serve until a successor is elected to fill the remainder of the term, except in certain circumstances; requiring an individual appointed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the offices of either the Attorney General or the Comptroller to serve for the remainder of the term if the vacancy occurs after a certain date; requiring that a special election be held at the same time as a certain regular statewide election to fill a vacancy in the offices of either the Attorney General or the Comptroller if the vacancy occurs on or before a certain date; generally relating to filling vacancies in the offices of either the Attorney General or the Comptroller by special election; 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 V – Attorney-General and State’s Attorneys
Section 5

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article VI – Treasury Department
Section 1

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

Senate Bill 556 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

**Personal Automobile Insurance – Rescission of Policy or Binder –
Misrepresentations by Applicant**

FOR the purpose of authorizing an insurer to rescind a policy or binder of personal automobile insurance if an applicant makes certain misrepresentations; requiring the insurer to provide certain notice to an applicant that certain insurance coverage may be rescinded under certain circumstances; requiring an insurer to take certain actions before rescinding certain insurance coverage; requiring an insurer to send certain notice to an applicant in a certain manner under certain circumstances; providing that no coverage is in effect under a policy or binder of personal automobile insurance as of its proposed effective date under certain circumstances, with certain exceptions; requiring an insurer to send certain notice to a certain secured creditor in a certain manner under certain circumstances; requiring an insurer to provide certain coverage under a certain rescinded policy or binder to a certain secured creditor for a certain period of time; requiring an insurer to provide certain coverage

under a certain rescinded policy or binder to a certain person under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to rescission of a policy or binder of personal automobile insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 12–106(k)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 557 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Members of the National Guard and Maryland Defense Force – Employment and Reemployment Rights – Enforcement

FOR the purpose of authorizing members of the National Guard and Maryland Defense Force whose employment and reemployment rights under a certain provision of law have been violated to bring a civil action for certain economic damages; authorizing a court to award certain damages, fees, costs, and other relief to members of the National Guard and Maryland Defense Force under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the enforcement of the employment and reemployment rights of members of the National Guard and Maryland Defense Force.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 13–704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 558 – Senators Ferguson, Currie, Guzzone, Klausmeier, Madaleno, McFadden, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program – Codified

FOR the purpose of establishing the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program; providing for the administration and purpose of the Program; establishing the type of community enhancement projects eligible to receive Program funds; authorizing

certain community development organizations to apply to receive Program funds; requiring a community development organization's application to contain certain information; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to establish a certain quantitative system to evaluate each application; providing for the review of each application; requiring certain approval from certain political subdivisions before an application may be approved; requiring the Department and the recipient of Program funds to enter into a certain agreement; authorizing the Department to exercise certain powers necessary to implement the Program and determine certain terms and conditions of the financial assistance; requiring the recipient of financial assistance from the Program to submit a certain quarterly progress report; establishing the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Secretary of Housing and Community Development 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; requiring the Governor to include a certain appropriation in the annual budget bill to the Fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to establishing the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program.

BY adding to

Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 6–501 through 6–510 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Baltimore
Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 559 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Housing and Community Development – Strategic Demolition
and Smart Growth Impact Fund – Establishment**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development 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; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; beginning in a certain fiscal year, requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of a certain amount to 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; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund in the Department of Housing and Community Development.

BY adding to

Article – Housing and Community Development
Section 4–508
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 560 – Senators Ferguson, Benson, Currie, Edwards, Guzzone, Jennings, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Peters, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credits – Business Incubators and Regional Institution Strategic Enterprise Zones

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 located in certain areas that, for 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 Commerce; 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 certain credits 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) and 6-403(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 6-401(b), 6-402, 6-403(a), (e), and (f), 6-404, and 6-405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – Property
Section 9-247(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 561 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Class C Beer, Wine, and Liquor Licenses

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue Class C beer, wine, and liquor licenses in certain locations in Baltimore City; altering the areas for which the Board may waive certain distance restrictions between a building for which a license is transferred and a place of worship or school; and generally relating to Class C beer, wine, and liquor licenses in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 12–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter __ (S.B.____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 12–1603 and 12–1605(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter __ (S.B.____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 562 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Creative Alliance Project

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$600,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Fells Point Creative Alliance, 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 563 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Port Discovery Children’s Museum

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$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; 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 564 – Senators Feldman, Kagan, King, Lee, Manno, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Providing Alcohol to Underage Drinkers – Penalties

FOR the purpose of increasing penalties for certain violations of prohibitions relating to obtaining or furnishing alcoholic beverages for individuals under a certain age or allowing an individual under a certain age to possess or consume alcoholic beverages under certain circumstances; and generally relating to underage consumption of alcohol.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–116 and 10–117
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–121
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 565 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Civil Actions – Offers of Judgment

FOR the purpose of making certain provisions of law relating to an offer of judgment in an action for a medical injury applicable to all civil actions; altering a certain definition; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to offers of judgment in civil actions.

BY renumbering

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–08A
to be Section 11–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 11–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

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

Senate Bill 566 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Medical Malpractice – Notice of Intent to File Claim

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a claim against a health care provider for damage due to a medical injury from being filed with the Director of the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office unless, at least a certain time before filing the claim, the claimant has given a notice of intent to file a claim to the health care provider; authorizing the Director to excuse the failure to give notice within the required time period under certain circumstances; requiring the notice to include certain information; providing for the construction of a certain provision of this Act; requiring the notice to be served on the health care provider at a certain address; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to notice of intent to file a claim with the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–04(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–04(a–1)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 567 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Harford County – Center for the Visual and Performing Arts Amphitheater

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 Center for the Visual and Performing Arts, 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; requiring the grantee to submit a certain report; providing that the Harford County Senate and House Delegations have a certain period of time to review and comment on the report; 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 568 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Maryland State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Headquarters

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 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 569 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Methadone Treatment Facilities – Location – Limitations

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a methadone treatment facility from being established or operated within a certain distance of certain schools, child care centers, or agencies unless the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene receives a certain letter from certain schools, child care centers, and agencies; requiring the Department to determine whether a certain letter is satisfactory for a certain purpose; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the location of methadone treatment facilities in the State.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 8–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 570 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Trust Act – Representation

FOR the purpose of providing that, if a minor, an incapacitated, unborn, or unknown individual, or an individual whose location is unknown and not reasonably ascertainable is not otherwise represented under a certain provision of law relating to certain trusts, a grandparent or more remote ancestor may represent and bind that individual in certain circumstances; authorizing a minor, an incapacitated or unborn individual, or an individual whose identity or location is unknown and not reasonably ascertainable to be represented by and bound by another having a substantially identical interest with respect to a particular question or dispute that arises under a certain provision of law relating to certain trusts in certain circumstances; and generally relating to trusts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 14.5–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 571 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Trust Act – Nonjudicial Settlement Agreements

FOR the purpose of authorizing, on or after a certain date, certain interested persons to enter into a certain nonjudicial settlement agreement with respect to a matter involving a trust; providing that the nonjudicial settlement agreement is valid only to a certain extent; authorizing an interested person to request a court to make certain determinations with respect to the agreement; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Maryland Trust Act and certain nonjudicial settlement agreements.

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 14.5–111

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.**Senate Bill 572 – Senators Kelley, Kasemeyer, Nathan–Pulliam, and Zirkin**

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County Board of Education – Appointments by Governor – Advice and Consent of the Senate

FOR the purpose of providing that the members of the Baltimore County Board of Education appointed by the Governor are subject to the advice and consent of the Senate of Maryland; and generally relating to the appointment of members of the Baltimore County Board of Education by the Governor and the advice and consent of the Senate.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 3–2A–01

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.**Senate Bill 573 – Senators Mathias, Eckardt, Guzzone, and Norman**

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Gross Weight and Axle Load – Poultry

FOR the purpose of exempting a certain combination of vehicles with a trailer or semitrailer from certain gross weight limits under certain circumstances; establishing the gross weight limit for a certain combination of vehicles with a trailer or semitrailer that are carrying poultry under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain combination of vehicles with a trailer or semitrailer to have a certain axle load limit tolerance and gross weight limit tolerance under certain circumstances; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to gross weight and axle load for certain poultry carriers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 24–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 574 – Senator Ramirez

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 575 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

County Boards of Education – Limit on Liability

FOR the purpose of increasing the limit on liability of a county board of education; increasing the minimum amount of liability coverage that a county board must maintain and for which the State Board of Education must establish standards; making stylistic and conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the limit on liability of a county board of education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–518(b) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 4–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 576 – Senator Ramirez

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 and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 577 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Child Protection – Reporting – Threat of Harm

FOR the purpose authorizing an individual to notify the local department of social services or the appropriate law enforcement agency if the individual has reason to believe that a verbal threat of imminent severe bodily harm or death to a child has been made by a certain individual and that the child is at substantial risk of child abuse; specifying certain procedures and requirements for a report concerning a certain verbal threat of harm to a child; authorizing the local department or law enforcement agency to receive a report concerning a certain verbal threat of harm to a child; requiring the law enforcement agency to immediately refer the report to the local department under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Human Resources to adopt certain regulations; requiring the local department to make a thorough investigation to protect the health, safety, and welfare of any child who may be at substantial risk of abuse under certain circumstances; requiring the local department to conduct a certain investigation jointly with the appropriate law enforcement agency; authorizing the local department to decline to make an investigation of a certain subsequent report under certain circumstances; requiring the local department and the appropriate law enforcement agency to take certain actions; and generally relating to child protection.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–704.1 and 5–706.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 578 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Domestic Violence – Person Eligible for Relief

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “person eligible for relief” for purposes of certain provisions relating to domestic violence; 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 579 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Application – Park Model Recreational Vehicles – Definition

FOR the purpose of establishing that a park model recreational vehicle is considered to be a travel trailer for the purposes of the Maryland Vehicle Law; defining the term “park model recreational vehicle”; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to the application of the Maryland Vehicle Law to park model recreational vehicles.

BY renumbering

Article – Transportation

Section 11–144.1

to be Section 11–144.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Commercial Law

Section 12–1003(c)(2)(i)3. and 14–2301(f)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 11–104(c)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 11–144.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 11–170

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 580 – Senators King, Feldman, Lee, Madaleno, and Manno

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Constitution – Local Government – Legal Notices

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution allowing a charter county to publish certain notices of county legislation in a manner specified by the General Assembly; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; and generally relating to publication of legal notices by counties and municipalities.

BY proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution
Article XI–A – Local Legislation
Section 3

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

Senate Bill 581 – Senators King, Feldman, Lee, Madaleno, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Local Governments – Legal Notice Requirements

FOR the purpose of authorizing a county or municipality to satisfy a requirement to publish legal notices in a newspaper of general circulation by posting the notices on its Web site; requiring notices posted on a county or municipality Web site to be displayed conspicuously and be easily accessible; requiring a county or municipality that chooses to post notices on the Internet to publish certain advance notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or municipality; requiring a county or municipality to maintain paper copies of notices posted on its Web site and to make the copies available to the public; requiring a county or municipality to maintain an affidavit stating certain information about the posting of a notice on its Web site; providing that the affidavit is not required to be notarized; and generally relating to publication of legal notices by counties and municipalities.

BY adding to
Article – Local Government
Section 1–1312
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 582 – Senator King

AN ACT concerning

Education – Robotics Grant Program – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Robotics Grant Program; providing for the purpose of the Program; establishing eligibility requirements for the Program; requiring the State Department of Education to implement and administer the Program; requiring the Governor to include a certain appropriation to the Program in the State budget; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the Robotics Grant Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–121

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 583 – Senators King, Currie, DeGrange, Ferguson, Guzzone, Manno, McFadden, and Peters

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – University System of Maryland – Quasi-Endowment Funds

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland to transfer up to a certain amount of funds from the State-supported fund balance to a quasi-endowment fund; limiting the use of certain proceeds to certain purposes; and generally relating to quasi-endowment funds of the University System of Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 12–104(e)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 584 – Senators King, Raskin, Ferguson, Feldman, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Mathias, McFadden, Nathan-Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Young, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Preschool Development Grants – Expansion Grants – Required State Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to include in the State budget certain funding in a certain amount for each fiscal year in which the State Department of Education receives a certain expansion grant through the federal Preschool Development Grants Program; and generally relating to required State funding for certain expansion grants through the federal Preschool Development Grants Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–101.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 585 – Senators King, Peters, Astle, Benson, Cassilly, Currie, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Hershey, Hough, Kagan, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, Raskin, Ready, Rosapepe, Serafini, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Highway User Revenues – Distribution to Municipalities

FOR the purpose of altering the authorized uses of highway user revenues; repealing certain obsolete distributions and transfers of highway user revenues for certain fiscal years; repealing certain obsolete distributions of highway user revenues to Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities for certain fiscal years; requiring that certain additional distributions of highway user revenues be made under certain circumstances to municipalities in certain fiscal years for certain purposes; requiring that certain additional distributions of highway user revenues be allocated among municipalities in a certain manner; and generally relating to the distribution of highway user revenues.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 8–402 and 8–403

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 8–405

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 586 – Senators King, Feldman, Kagan, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Regional Institutes for Children
and Adolescents – Report Before Closure**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to submit a certain report to the Governor and certain legislative committees before a regional institute for children and adolescents may be closed; requiring the report to address certain items; requiring the legislative committees to have a certain period of time to review and comment on the report; and generally relating to regional institutes for children and adolescents in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 10–406

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

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 4, 2016

Appeals, Court of

1. Michele D. Hotten District 23

Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland; appointed to serve a term of ten years from December 22, 2015

District Court, Anne Arundel County (District 7)

2. Danielle M. Mosley District 30

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 7, Anne Arundel County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from January 17, 2016

3. Thomas J. Pryal District 30

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 7, Anne Arundel County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from January 17, 2016

District Court, Baltimore City (District 1)

4. Kent J. Boles, Jr., Esq. District 45

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 19, 2016

5. William M. Dunn, Esq. District 46

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 11, 2016

District Court, Baltimore County (District 8)

6. Phillip Nicholas Tirabassi, Esq. District 7

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from November 10, 2015

District Court, Calvert County (District 4)

7. Robert Bennett Riddle District 27

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 4, Calvert County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from December 12, 2015

District Court, Frederick County (District 11)

8. Oliver John Cejka, Jr. District 3

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 11, Frederick County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from August 22, 2015

District Court, Howard County (District 10)

9. Lisa L. Broten District 12

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 10, Howard County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 8, 2016

District Court, Prince George's County (District 5)

10. John Patrick Morrissey District 23

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from January 6, 2016

District Court, Wicomico County (District 2)

11. Leonard Bruce Wade District 37

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Wicomico County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from June 2, 2015

District Court, Worcester County (District 2)

12. Daniel R. Mumford District 38

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Worcester County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from December 16, 2015

13. Gerald Vaughn Purnell District 38

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Worcester County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from January 12, 2016

Financial Regulation

14. Gordon M. Cooley, Esq. District 4

Commissioner of Financial Regulation; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of DLLR

Higher Education Commission, Maryland

15. James D. Fielder, Ph.D. District 34

Secretary of the Maryland Higher Education Commission; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Airport Zoning Appeals Board

16. Jon Jeffrey Robinson District 13
8652 Water Fall Drive
Laurel, MD 20723

Member of the Airport Zoning Appeals Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

17. Kathleen A. Smero District 8
8285 Berryfield Drive
Nottingham, MD 21236

Member of the Airport Zoning Appeals Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

18. Christopher B. Yates District 13
8307 Bing Cherry Court
Laurel, MD 20723

Member of the Airport Zoning Appeals Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission

19. Edward C. Hammerberg District 40
1477 Roland Heights Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21211

Member of the Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission; reappointed to serve a term of two years from May 7, 2015

Apprenticeship and Training Council

20. Michelle L. Butt District 9
11464 Old Frederick Road
Marriottsville, MD 21104

Member of the Apprenticeship and Training Council; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from July 1, 2012

21. Norbert R. Klusmann, Sr. District 25
13203 Ailesbury Court
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Member of the Apprenticeship and Training Council; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from July 1, 2013

22. Jennifer D. Runkles District 4
64 W. Main Street
New Market, MD 21774

Member of the Apprenticeship and Training Council; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

23. David Joe Wilson, Sr. District 13
8454 Pamela Way
Laurel, MD 20723

Member of the Apprenticeship and Training Council; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2015

Assistive Technology Loan Program Board of Directors

24. Angela Fox, Esq. District 17
1113 Broadwood Drive
Rockville, MD 20851

Member of the Assistive Technology Loan Program Board of Directors; appointed to serve a term of four years from October 1, 2015

Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays, Critical Area Commission for the

25. Bradley W. Frome District 22
4407 Van Buren Street
University Park, MD 20782

Member of the Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program Board

26. Jennifer Funn District 6
102 North Dundalk Avenue
Dundalk, MD 21222

Member of the Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2015

27. Joseph T. Ports District 35
1711 Redfield Road
Bel Air, MD 21015

Member of the Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2015

Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company, Board for the

28. Vincent Rocky Gonzalez District 35
2901 Whitefield Road
Churchville, MD 21208

Member of the Board for the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company; reappointed to serve a term of five years from June 1, 2015

29. Suzanne Carter Thompson District 43
100 Gittings Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21212

Member of the Board for the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company; appointed to serve a term of five years from June 1, 2015

Contract Appeals, Maryland State Board of

30. Bethamy N. Beam, Esq. District 3
1 West Church Street
Frederick, MD 21701

Member of the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals; appointed to serve a term of five years from February 1, 2015

Correctional Standards, Commission on

31. Wayne A. Webb District 99
3788 West Weaver Road
Greencastle, PA 17225

Member of the Commission on Correctional Standards; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Maryland Advisory Council for the

32. Tanya D. Green District 30
P.O. Box 212
Edgewater, MD 21037

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; appointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2015

Economic Development Commission, Maryland

33. J. Edward Coleman District 30
91 Bay Drive
Annapolis, MD 21403

Member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2013

34. Anne Marie Dickerson District 38
10948 Assateague Road
Berlin, MD 21811

Member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2015

35. Laura A. Neuman District 30
405 Beards Dock Crossing
Annapolis, MD 21403

Member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2015

36. Brenda A. Smith District 1
716 Hill Top Drive
Cumberland, MD 21502

Member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

School for the Deaf, Board of Trustees of the Maryland

37. Robert R. Davila, Ph.D. District 4
405 Tailor Street
New Market, MD 21774

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve a term of six years from October 1, 2014

38. Robert D. Padden District 3
5347 Wye Creek Drive
Frederick, MD 21703

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve a term of six years from October 1, 2014

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.

Arts Council, Maryland State

- S-1. Carla Du Pree District 12
10391 May Wind Court
Columbia, MD 21044

Member of the Maryland State Arts Council; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

S-2. Carol Trawick District 16
6600 Elgin Lane
Bethesda, MD 20817

Member of the Maryland State Arts Council; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

Boiler Rules, Board of

S-3. Carey M. Dove District 9
1040 Old Woodbine Road
Woodbine, MD 21797

Member of the Board of Boiler Rules; reappointed to serve a term of four years from January 1, 2016

S-4. Ashwani Kumar Gupta, Ph.D. District 21
9019 51st Avenue
College Park, MD 20740

Member of the Board of Boiler Rules; reappointed to serve a term of four years from January 1, 2016

Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority

S-5. J. Robert Smith District 1
11708 Bayberry Avenue
Cumberland, MD 21502

Member of the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority; reappointed to serve a term of four years from June 1, 2015

Correctional Training Commission

S-6. LaMonte E. Cooke District 36
24837 Langford Road
Chestertown, MD 21620

Member of the Correctional Training Commission; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2015

School for the Deaf, Board of Trustees of the Maryland

S–7. Dennis B. Galvan, Ph.D. District 3
1593 Wise Court
Point of Rocks, MD 21777

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; reappointed to serve a term of six years from October 1, 2015

S–8. 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; reappointed to serve a term of six years from October 1, 2015

Senator Raskin moved, duly seconded, to make the Report a Special Order for February 5, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

Senate Bill 54 – Senators Middleton and Ferguson**EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

**Public Utilities – Transportation Network Services and For–Hire
Transportation – Clarifications**

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

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 42 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 128)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #6

Senate Bill 35 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers – Required
Records – Photograph of Precious Metal Object**

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

Affirmative – 42 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 129)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 42 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Dental Examiners – Appointment of Dentist and Dental
Hygienist Members – Advice and Consent of the Senate**

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

Affirmative – 42 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 130)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 61 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Natural Resources – Forest Lands and the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal
Bays 2010 Trust Fund – Miscellaneous Corrections and Clarifications**

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 131)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 67 – ~~Senator Young~~ Senators Young, Mathias, and Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Administrative Procedure Act – Effective Date of Adopted Regulations

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

Affirmative – 44 Negative – 1 (See Roll Call No. 132)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 110 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture) and Senator Middleton**

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Young Farmers Advisory Board – Membership

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 133)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 112 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AN ACT concerning

Pest Control Compact – Repeal

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 134)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 113 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Agriculture – Bees, Bee Colonies, and Used Bee Equipment –
Transportation and Shipment**

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 135)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #7

Senate Bill 10 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – Charitable Organizations – Audit and Review

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 136)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 77 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Human Resources)**

AN ACT concerning

Human Resources – Transition Planning for Foster Youth

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 137)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 79 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Office for Children)**

AN ACT concerning

**State Citizens Review Board for Children – Penalties for Unauthorized
Disclosure of Child Protection Case Information**

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 138)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 96 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation – State Collection Agency
Licensing Board – Authority of the Secretary**

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 139)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 98 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Aging)

AN ACT concerning

Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund – Distributions – Alteration

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 140)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 173 – ~~Senator Feldman~~ Senators Feldman, Middleton, Klausmeier,
Mathias, and Pugh**

AN ACT concerning

**Local Government – Clean Energy Loan Programs – Commercial Property
Owners – Renewable Energy Projects**

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 141)

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. 142)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:30 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, February 5, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, February 5, 2016
11:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 11:08 A.M.

Prayer by Venkatesh Krishnamoorthi, Hindu Temple of the Eastern Shore, guest of Senator Mathias.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 45 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 144)

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

The Journal of February 4, 2016 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 587 – Senators Madaleno, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Sale of Powdered Alcohol – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from selling or offering to sell alcoholic beverages that are sold in a powder or crystalline form for direct use or use in combination with water or any other substance; providing a certain penalty; and generally relating to a prohibition on the sale of powdered alcohol.

BY renumbering

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–326, 6–327, 6–328, and 6–329, respectively

to be Section 6–327, 6–328, 6–329, and 6–330, respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ___ (S.B. ___)(6LR1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 6–326

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ___ (S.B. ___)(6LR1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 588 – Senators Brochin, Kelley, and Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Murder in the First Degree – Penalties

FOR the purpose of providing that a defendant found guilty of murder in the first degree may be sentenced to imprisonment for life without the possibility of parole only if the defendant was a principal in the first degree or a principal in the second degree who willfully, deliberately, and with premeditation intended the death of the victim, was a major participant in the murder, and was actually present at the time and place of the murder; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to murder in the first degree.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 2–201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 2–203 and 2–304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 589 – Senators Gladden and Muse

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – SWAT Teams – Reporting and Limitations

FOR the purpose of requiring the Police Training Commission to adopt a certain set of standards for the training and deployment of SWAT teams in the State; requiring

each law enforcement agency to follow a certain set of standards; requiring, at certain intervals, 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 to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention certain data relating to the deployment of SWAT teams; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention to analyze and summarize certain reports of law enforcement agencies and to submit a certain 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 Commission; requiring the Commission to 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 after being contacted by the Commission, 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; requiring that, when a SWAT team is deployed, one or more members of the SWAT team shall wear a certain uniform; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the deployment of SWAT teams.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–801 through 3–804 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. SWAT Teams”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 590 – Senators Gladden and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Solitary Confinement – Restrictions

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an inmate in a State or local correctional facility from being placed in certain solitary confinement unless certain conditions are met; requiring a correctional facility to maintain certain documentation and make certain periodic reports to the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; requiring the Department to make certain information available on the Department's Web site; defining certain terms; and generally relating to solitary confinement.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 9–614

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 591 – Senator King

AN ACT concerning

Tax Sales – Condominium Assessments and Homeowners Association Fees

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain notice of an action to foreclose the right of redemption to be sent to a homeowners association or a condominium association under certain circumstances; requiring a plaintiff in a certain action to foreclose the right of redemption on property to be liable for the payment of certain assessments or fees incurred after the date of judgment foreclosing the right of redemption; authorizing a certain action to be filed to collect certain assessments or fees; prohibiting a certain defense from being raised in a certain action to collect certain assessments or fees; and generally relating to tax sales of property.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–836(b)(1), (2), and (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 14–836(b)(4)(i) and 14–844
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 592 – Senators Ramirez, Hough, 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 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 593 – Senators Raskin, Astle, Benson, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Guzzone, Hough, Jennings, Kagan, Kelley, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Middleton, Muse, Norman, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Ready, Rosapepe, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Family Law – Child Conceived Without Consent – Termination of Parental Rights
(Rape Survivor Family Protection Act)**

FOR the purpose of requiring a court, under certain circumstances, to terminate the parental rights of an individual found to have committed an act of nonconsensual sexual conduct against the other parent that resulted in the conception of a child; specifying that a termination of parental rights under this Act terminates completely certain rights of a parent; authorizing the court to approve a certain supervised visitation arrangement under certain circumstances; specifying certain procedures for an action for termination of parental rights under this Act; authorizing the court to order certain means of service under certain circumstances; prohibiting the court from requiring publication of the name or personally identifying information of a party or the child; defining certain terms; and generally relating to children conceived without consent and termination of parental rights.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5–1401 through 5–1404 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 14. Child Conceived Without Consent”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 594 – Senators Mathias, DeGrange, Edwards, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Commemorative Months – Maryland Sportsmanship Month

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain month as Maryland Sportsmanship Month; requiring the proclamation to urge the Department of Natural Resources and local recreation and parks departments to observe Maryland Sportsmanship Month with certain activities; and generally relating to Maryland Sportsmanship Month.

BY renumbering

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–502 through 7–506, respectively
to be Section 7–503 through 7–507, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 7–502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 595 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Education – Dual Enrollment – Middle School Students

FOR the purpose of altering the grade that certain students must complete in order for certain public institutions of higher education to accept the student for special admission; repealing the requirement that certain students must earn a certain score on a certain test in order for certain public institutions of higher education to accept the student for special admission; authorizing certain middle school students to participate in certain dual enrollment programs; and generally relating to dual enrollment for middle school students.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 15–101(b), 18–1401(a) and (d), 18–14A–01(a) and (e), 18–14A–04(b), and
24–703.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 596 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Installation of Brick Security Mailboxes Within Rights-of-Way

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration to allow the installation of brick and stone security mailbox supports and parcel drop boxes on certain residential streets under certain circumstances; requiring that the brick and stone security mailboxes conform to certain standards; and generally relating to the installation of brick and stone security mailboxes on residential streets.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–101(g) and (q)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 8–657
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 597 – Senators Peters, DeGrange, Edwards, Guzzone, King, Manno, and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Recordation and Transfer Taxes – Transfer of Controlling Interest – Exemptions

FOR the purpose of altering a certain exemption from recordation and transfer taxes so as to provide that a transfer of a controlling interest in a real property entity is not subject to recordation and transfer taxes if the transfer of the real property owned by the real property entity between the same transferor and transferee of the controlling interest under the same circumstances would have been exempt under certain provisions of law; altering a certain exemption from recordation and transfer taxes so as to provide that the recordation and transfer tax is not imposed on the transfer of a controlling interest in a real property entity to another entity if the ownership interests in the transferee entity are owned by the same persons and in the same proportion who own the transferor entity or the real property entity the controlling interest of which was transferred; repealing a provision of law providing that recordation and transfer taxes are not imposed on the transfer of a controlling interest in a real property entity if each transferor, each transferee, and each real property entity are certain types of business entities; and generally relating to

exemptions from recordation and transfer taxes for certain transfers of controlling interests in a real property entity.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 12–117
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 598 – Senators Manno and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

General Provisions – Open Meetings Act – Enforcement and Training

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Open Meetings Law Compliance Board, under certain circumstances, to issue certain orders and impose certain civil penalties not to exceed a certain amount; repealing certain provisions of law rendered obsolete by this Act; expanding the scope of the training requirements under the Open Meetings Act to include all employees, officials, and members of a public body; requiring certain individuals to complete certain training within certain periods of time; making conforming changes; and generally relating to enforcement and training under the Open Meetings Act.

BY repealing
Article – General Provisions
Section 3–209 and 3–210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 3–211 and 3–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 599 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

AELR Committee – Renaming and Regulatory Adoption Procedures

FOR the purpose of renaming the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review to be the Regulatory Oversight Committee; requiring the Division of State Documents to make available to the public direct online searching of certain public comments provided to the Division; requiring a promulgating unit to submit to the Governor a copy of a proposed emergency regulation and a certain description; requiring the Governor to review and concur with and attest to or reject the unit’s justification for emergency adoption of a regulation; requiring a unit to memorialize certain comments in writing and to submit to the Division a copy of certain public comments received within a certain time period; requiring a unit to submit a certain description and a certain attestation to the Committee and the Department of Legislative Services when seeking the approval by the Committee of the emergency adoption of a regulation; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to correct cross–references and terminology in the Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act; making conforming changes; and generally relating to renaming the AELR Committee and certain regulatory adoption procedures.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 2–501 and 2–502 to be under the amended subtitle “Subtitle 5. Regulatory Oversight Committee”; 2–1505.2(a)(2), 7–201(d), 7–206.2(b), 9.5–309(c)(2), 10–101(d), 10–107, 10–111(a)(3) and (b)(1), 10–130(c), and 10–803

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 2–1505.2(a)(1), 7–201(a), 10–101(a), and 10–130(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 3–501(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 3–501(c), 3–505(d), and 3–506(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–289(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–103(f)(3)(ii)2.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 5–314(b) and 5.5–108(d)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–1009(b), 4–1009.1(c)(1)(i), 4–1103(b), 8–1806(a)(1), and 8–1810(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 12–204(d) and 14–304(d)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 10A–103(b)(2)(i) and 12–203(a)(2)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 2–103.4(d)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 600 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Freestanding Birthing Centers – Use of Ultrasound Imaging

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, after consultation with certain representatives, to establish by regulation certain standards for the use of ultrasound imaging in a freestanding birthing center; and generally relating to freestanding birthing centers and the use of ultrasound imaging.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 19–3B–01(a), (c), and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 19–3B–03(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 601 – Senators Peters, Benson, Guzzone, Kelley, Madaleno, Pinsky, Ramirez, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Hospitals – Community Benefit Report – Disclosure of Tax Exemptions

FOR the purpose of requiring a hospital to include an itemization of certain tax exemptions in the hospital's community benefit report; and generally relating to hospitals and community benefit reports.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 19–303(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 602 – Senators Conway, Benson, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Healthy Vending Machine Act

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain percentage of packaged food and beverage options offered in a food and beverage vending machine located on property owned or managed by the State to be healthy food and beverage options; providing that certain packaged food and beverage options may not contain more than a certain amount of trans fat or a certain amount of sodium; requiring certain healthy food or beverage options to be displayed and stocked in a certain manner; requiring a vending machine operator to post a certain sign in a certain manner under certain circumstances; providing that a healthy beverage option may not contain more than a certain number of calories; providing that certain beverages are considered a healthy beverage option; establishing the requirements that must be met to be considered a healthy food option; providing that certain foods are considered healthy food options; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, on or before a certain date and with a certain frequency, to review and, if necessary, revise and update certain requirements; requiring the Department to enforce this Act; authorizing the Department to conduct certain inspections and receive certain reports; requiring the Department to disseminate certain information and conduct certain training; requiring the Department, on or before a certain date and with a certain frequency, to issue a certain report to the Governor and the General Assembly; establishing certain penalties; providing for the application of this Act; requiring this Act to be implemented in accordance with certain laws; requiring the Department to encourage certain tenants to meet the requirements of this Act under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Healthy Vending Machine Act.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 21–501 through 21–509 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Maryland Healthy Vending Machine Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 603 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Pretrial Release – Prior Crime of Violence

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant charged with a certain crime if the defendant has previously been convicted of a crime of violence; and generally relating to pretrial release.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 14–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 1–101(a) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 5–202(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 604 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Task Force on the Distribution of Funding for Senior Citizen Activities Centers

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on the Distribution of Funding for Senior Citizen Activities Centers; 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 Secretary of Aging, Secretary of Housing and Community Development, and certain members of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on the Distribution of Funding for Senior Citizen Activities Centers.

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

Senate Bill 605 – Senators Bates and Kagan

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Athletic Trainers – Evaluation and Treatment Protocols – Approval

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “practice athletic training” to include instruction to tactical athletes regarding the care and prevention of athletic injuries while engaging in tactical athletic activity; granting, except under certain circumstances, immunity from civil liability to a member of the State Board of Physicians for an act or omission relating to the approval of a certain evaluation and treatment protocol; authorizing an athletic trainer to assume certain duties under an evaluation and treatment protocol on the date of receipt by the Board of a written recommendation of approval from the Athletic Trainer Advisory Committee under certain circumstances; authorizing an athletic trainer, on receipt of a temporary practice letter, to practice a certain specialized task under certain circumstances if an evaluation and treatment protocol is pending approval by the Board; requiring the Board to send a certain notice to a certain primary supervising physician and certain athletic trainer if the Board disapproves a certain protocol or a certain specialized task under a certain protocol; requiring a certain athletic trainer to cease to practice under a certain protocol or to perform a certain specialized task after receiving a certain notice of disapproval; altering certain definitions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the practice of athletic trainers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–5D–01 and 14–5D–11
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–5D–11.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 606 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Maryland College Collaboration for Student Veterans Commission

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland College Collaboration for Student Veterans Commission; providing for the membership and appointment and terms of members of the Commission; requiring the Commission to elect the chair, vice chair, and secretary each year; requiring the Commission to meet a certain number of times each year; providing that a member of the Commission may not receive certain compensation, but may receive reimbursement for certain expenses under certain regulations; providing for the duties of the Commission; and generally relating to the Maryland College Collaboration for Student Veterans Commission.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 9–949 through 9–954 to be under the new part “Part VII. Maryland College Collaboration for Student Veterans Commission”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 607 – Senators Pinsky, Nathan–Pulliam, Conway, Ferguson, Madaleno, Manno, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Cattle, Swine, and Poultry – Use of Antimicrobial Drugs

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, on or after a certain date, a certain owner of cattle, swine, or poultry from administering, or authorizing an agent to administer, certain antimicrobial drugs in certain cattle, swine, and poultry without a certain prescription or veterinary feed directive issued by a licensed veterinarian in accordance with certain conditions; prohibiting certain antimicrobial drugs from being administered to cattle, swine, and poultry for certain purposes; specifying that certain antimicrobial drugs may be administered only for a use authorized by a certain prescription or veterinary feed directive; requiring certain antimicrobial drugs to be administered in a certain manner; requiring a certain veterinarian who issues a certain veterinary feed directive to submit to the Department of Agriculture certain information in a certain manner; requiring the Department to maintain certain information and make the information available for public review in a certain manner; 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; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; 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 3–1006 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Use of Antimicrobial Drugs”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 608 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Employees' Pension System – Redeposit of Contributions

FOR the purpose of authorizing individuals who meet certain criteria to redeposit certain withdrawn accumulated contributions with the State Retirement and Pension System; requiring individuals who redeposit certain accumulated contributions to be enrolled in a certain benefit in the Employees' Pension System and to receive certain credit for prior service; requiring certain individuals to complete a certain form provided by the State Retirement and Pension System when redepositing certain accumulated contributions; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to enrollment in and service credit earned in the Employees' Pension System.

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

Senate Bill 609 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Vantage House Retirement
Community Renovations
Ho. Co. 1–16**

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 Columbia Vantage House 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 610 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – South Branch Park
Ho. Co. 3–16**

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 Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks 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 611 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Huntington Park
Ho. Co. 4–16**

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 Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks 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 612 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Solomon’s Lodge #121
Ho. Co. 5–16**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$19,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Solomon’s Lodge #121 A.F. & A.M. 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 613 – Howard County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Community Action Council Food
Bank Facility
Ho. Co. 6–16**

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 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 614 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Veterinarians, Pharmacies, and Pharmacists – Dispensing Compounded Preparations for Use by Companion Animals

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “practice of veterinary medicine” to include the practice of any person who dispenses compounded nonsterile or sterile preparations under certain circumstances; providing an exception to a certain prohibition on the practice of veterinary medicine and dispensing certain medication for a licensed veterinarian who dispenses certain compounded preparations to be used for a companion animal; providing that certain provisions of law do not prohibit a licensed veterinarian from dispensing, in accordance with a certain provision of this Act, certain compounded preparations provided by a certain pharmacy; authorizing a certain pharmacy to provide certain compounded preparations without a patient-specific prescription to a certain licensed veterinarian; authorizing a pharmacist to provide certain compounded preparations without a patient-specific prescription to a certain licensed veterinarian under certain circumstances; providing that a certain subtitle does not affect a certain person while distributing certain compounded preparations; defining certain terms; making a stylistic change; repealing an obsolete provision of law; making a technical correction; and generally relating to veterinarians, pharmacies, pharmacists, and dispensing compounded preparations for use by companion animals.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–301(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–301(b–1) through (b–3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–301(b–1) and (f) and 2–313
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–101(a), (d), and (aa) and 12–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–101(c–1), (z–1), and (z–2), 12–403(c)(23), and 12–510
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–102(c)(2)(i), 12–403(c)(21) and (22), and 12–6C–02
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 615 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Theft of a Firearm

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from knowingly or willfully removing or taking a firearm from the possession, custody, or control of a lawful owner without permission; prohibiting a person from receiving, possessing, transferring, buying, or concealing a firearm under certain circumstances; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; requiring a conviction for a violation of this Act to merge for sentencing purposes into a certain conviction for theft under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the theft of a firearm.

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 7–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 616 – Senators Klausmeier, Norman, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

**State Highway Administration – Sale or Lease of Naming Rights for Rest Areas
and Welcome Centers**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Highway Administration to sell or lease to a private entity the naming rights for rest areas and welcome centers along State highways; requiring the term of a contract for the sale or lease of naming rights for rest areas and welcome centers to be at least a certain period of time; prohibiting the Administration from selling or leasing highway naming rights under this Act unless the Administration makes a certain determination regarding compliance of the proposed use of the naming rights with federal regulations and the distribution of certain federal funds; providing that a sale or lease of naming rights for a rest area or welcome center may not be construed to require that any official State highway sign or mailing address be altered; authorizing a private entity that purchases or leases the naming rights for a rest area or welcome center to erect certain outdoor signs along the highway; requiring a private entity that erects outdoor signs along a State highway under this Act to pay all costs associated with the signs; requiring outdoor signs erected by a private entity along a State highway to comply with certain requirements; requiring proceeds from the sale or lease of naming rights for a rest area or welcome center to be credited to the Transportation Trust Fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the sale or lease of naming rights for rest areas or welcome centers along State highway rights-of-way.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 8–204(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 8–208

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 617 – Senators Klausmeier and Salling

AN ACT concerning

**Transportation – State Highway Administration – Sale or Lease of Highway
Naming Rights**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Highway Administration to sell or lease to a private entity the naming rights for a State highway or any part of a State highway; requiring the term of a contract for the sale or lease of naming rights for a State highway to be at least a certain period; prohibiting the State Highway Administration from selling or leasing highway naming rights under this Act unless the Administration makes a certain determination regarding compliance of the proposed use of the naming rights with federal regulations and the distribution of certain federal funds; providing that a sale or lease of naming rights for a State highway may not be construed to require that any highway sign or mailing address be altered; authorizing a private entity that purchases or leases the naming rights for a State highway to erect certain outdoor signs along the highway; requiring a private entity that erects outdoor signs along a State highway under this Act to pay all costs associated with the signs; requiring outdoor signs erected by a private entity along a State highway to comply with certain requirements; requiring proceeds from the sale or lease of naming rights for a State highway to be credited to the Transportation Trust Fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the sale or lease of naming rights for State highways.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 8–604.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

**Senate Bill 618 – Senators Klausmeier, Astle, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Guzzone,
Madaleno, Manno, and Ramirez**

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education – Employee Rights – Equal Employment Opportunity
Program and Maryland Whistleblower Law**

FOR the purpose of making certain provisions of law that relate to the Equal Employment Opportunity Program and the Maryland Whistleblower Law applicable to certain public institutions of higher education; providing that a certain program is under the authority of certain boards of certain public institutions of higher education;

requiring that certain designees of certain public institutions of higher education administer a certain program; providing for certain reporting and notice requirements; requiring certain boards of certain public institutions of higher education to adopt certain regulations; requiring that certain personnel actions be made in accordance with certain provisions of law and, under certain circumstances, without regard to certain factors; granting employees in certain bargaining units an option to elect certain complaint or grievance procedures; prohibiting certain heads of certain public institutions of higher education from taking certain personnel actions under certain circumstances; requiring certain public institutions of higher education to adopt certain policies; making conforming changes; defining certain terms; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to employee rights for personnel of public institutions of higher education in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 5–201, 5–202, 5–204 through 5–209, 5–213, 5–301, 5–303, 5–304, 5–305, 5–307, and 5–309

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 5–203, 5–210 through 5–212, 5–214, 5–215, 5–302, 5–306, and 5–308

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 5–301

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 619 – Senators Klausmeier, Feldman, Guzzone, Madaleno, Manno, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

State Department of Education – Employment Categories and Practices

FOR the purpose of altering the employment categories of certain employees of the State Department of Education; requiring that all positions in the Department be appointed positions in the professional service and skilled service as well as the executive service and management service, subject to a certain exception; repealing the authority for certain special appointment positions in the Department; altering the procedures for the appointment, setting of qualifications, and transfer of

employees of the Department; specifying that certain employees serve at the pleasure of the State Board of Education and State Superintendent of Schools; specifying that certain removal procedures apply to certain other employees; altering the removal procedures for certain employees; requiring that the Department assign certain employees to certain employment categories on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the employment categories and practices of the State Department of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 2–104 and 2–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 6–405(a)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 620 – Senators Middleton, Astle, Benson, Conway, Edwards, Feldman, Gladden, Guzzone, Hough, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Miller, Muse, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Ready, Salling, Serafini, Waugh, Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Commemorative Weeks – Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to proclaim annually a certain week as Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week; requiring the proclamation to urge certain organizations to properly observe Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week with certain events, activities, and programs; and generally relating to Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week.

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 7–601 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Commemorative Weeks”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 621 – Senators Jennings, Cassilly, Edwards, Peters, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Landlord and Tenant – Military Personnel – Limitation on Liability for Rent

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which the liability, for rent under a lease, of a person on active duty with the United States military is limited; limiting the liability for rent of the spouse of a person on active duty with the United States military under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the liability for rent of certain military personnel and spouses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 8–212.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 622 – Senators Pugh, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Manno, Muse, Peters, 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 Economic Competitiveness and Commerce; 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; providing for the carryforward of the credit; 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; providing for the termination 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 2.5–109(a)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 58 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 623 – Senators Pugh, Conway, Currie, Madaleno, Manno, Muse, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Pay Stub Transparency Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of requiring employers to keep certain wage records for each pay period for a certain period of time; expanding the types of wage records that employers are required to keep for each pay period; altering the circumstances under which an employee may bring a certain action against an employer; authorizing the Attorney General to bring an action under certain circumstances; authorizing certain employees to recover certain liquidated damages under certain circumstances; altering a certain provision of law to require that employers give employees a certain written notice within a certain period; expanding the information that employers are required to give to employees within a certain time of hiring and for each pay period; requiring employers to provide employees with an explanation of how certain wages

were calculated under certain circumstances; requiring a certain notice to be provided in English and, if different, in the employee's primary language; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to create a certain model notice in English, Spanish, and any other language the Commissioner determines is needed for certain purposes; authorizing an employee or the Attorney General to bring an action against an employer for certain damages under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner, on written request of an employee, to take assignment of certain claims, request that the Attorney General bring a certain action under certain circumstances, and consolidate certain claims; authorizing a court to award certain liquidated damages under certain circumstances; and generally relating to employer requirements concerning wage records, wages, and paydays.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–424, 3–427, 3–504, and 3–507.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 624 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beer and Wine Festival (BWF) License

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law relating to a wine festival in Calvert County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Calvert County to issue a beer and wine festival (BWF) license to certain alcoholic beverages license holders or a certain nonprofit organization; providing for the scope of the beer and wine festival license; requiring the Board to choose not more than a certain number of weekends each year for the beer and wine festival; and generally relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 14–1304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 625 – Calvert County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Calvert County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Event Festival Beer, Wine, and
Liquor Permit – Attendance**

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that an applicant for a special event festival beer, wine, and liquor permit in Calvert County demonstrate a reasonable expectation of attendance of at least a certain number of customers at the special event; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 14–906

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 626 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Health – Medical Procedures – Ultrasound Options
(Full Medical Disclosure Act)**

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

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 627 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Dangerous Accumulations of Snow and Ice – Removal From
Exposed Vehicle Surfaces**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from operating or towing a vehicle without removing from exposed vehicle surfaces accumulated snow and ice; prohibiting a person from committing a violation of this Act that contributes to an accident resulting in property damage or the death of or serious bodily injury to another; establishing certain penalties; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the removal of snow and ice from exposed vehicle surfaces.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 21–1130

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 628 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

General Assembly Standing Committees – Recorded Votes and Written Testimony

FOR the purpose of codifying certain rules that require a standing committee of the General Assembly to deliver to the Department of Legislative Services certain recorded votes before reporting a certain bill or resolution to the floor; requiring a standing committee to deliver certain written testimony to the Department before reporting a certain bill or resolution to the floor; codifying certain rules that require the Department to make available certain recorded votes on the General Assembly Web site within a certain period of time; requiring the Department to make available certain recorded votes and written testimony to certain members of the General Assembly before a certain bill or resolution is reported to the floor; requiring the Department to link certain recorded votes and written testimony to a certain bill or resolution and maintain the recorded votes and written testimony as permanent public records; and generally relating to recorded votes taken by and written testimony submitted to standing committees of the General Assembly.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 2–1106 and 2–1250

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 629 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

**Kent County – Prospective Employees and Volunteers – Criminal History
Records Check**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain officer in Kent County to request from the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services a State and national criminal history records check for a prospective county employee or volunteer; requiring that a certain officer submit certain sets of fingerprints and fees to the Central Repository as part of the application for a criminal history records check; requiring the Central Repository to forward to the prospective employee or volunteer and a certain officer the prospective employee's or volunteer's criminal history record information under certain circumstances; establishing that information obtained from the Central Repository under this Act is confidential, may not be redisseminated, and may be used only for certain purposes; authorizing the subjects of a criminal history records check under this Act to contest the contents of a certain printed statement issued by the Central Repository; requiring the governing body of Kent County to adopt guidelines to carry out this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to criminal history records checks.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–233.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 630 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Comptroller – Distillery Off-Site Permit

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Office of the Comptroller to issue a distillery off-site permit to a holder of a Class 1 manufacturer's license for certain purposes under certain circumstances; establishing certain limitations on the times and locations that permits may be used in a year; establishing certain requirements and a fee for the permit; authorizing the holder of the permit to provide samples of and sell certain liquor under certain circumstances; requiring that the permit holders have present at each event at least one individual who is certified by an approved alcohol awareness program; and generally relating to liquor and distillery off-site permits.

BY adding to

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 2–101(b)(11) and (z)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 631 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Local Facility Closure Reserve Funds – Investments and Reinvestments

FOR the purpose of authorizing the trustees or other officers in charge of certain facility closure reserve funds to invest and reinvest certain money in a certain manner and sell, redeem, or exchange certain investments or reinvestments; requiring the trustees or other officers in charge of certain facility closure reserve funds to comply with certain fiduciary standards; authorizing a political subdivision of the State or a unit of a political subdivision of the State to enter into certain agreements for the management or investment of money in a facility closure reserve fund; altering the definition of “public money” as it relates to certain local government investment guidelines so as to exclude money held as part of certain facility closure reserve funds; and generally relating to local facility closure reserve funds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 17–102 and 17–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 632 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Underground Conduit System – Rate Modification Imposed by Local Jurisdiction – Notice, Hearing, and Appeal

FOR the purpose of requiring a local jurisdiction to publish notice in a certain manner of a certain proposed rate modification for the use of its underground conduit system; requiring the local jurisdiction to hold a public hearing on the proposed rate modification; authorizing a certain person to appeal to the Public Service Commission the reasonableness of the local jurisdiction’s rate modification; requiring the Commission to determine, on appeal, the reasonableness of the local jurisdiction’s rate modification; requiring that an appeal under this Act be taken by

filing a written complaint within a certain period; defining a certain term; and generally relating to underground conduit systems.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 5–107

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 633 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan

FOR the purpose of establishing the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; authorizing certain individuals who are employed by certain participating employers on or after a certain date to become members of the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; prohibiting certain individuals from participation in the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; requiring certain individuals to make a certain election between the Employees' Pension System and the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan within a certain period of time and requiring notification of the election to be filed with the State Board of Trustees of the Maryland Teachers and State Employees Supplemental Retirement Plans and the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System; requiring the Supplemental Board to administer the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan and to adopt, implement, and maintain the specific qualified plans that are part of the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; requiring the Supplemental Board to adopt certain regulations; providing that an election to participate in the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan is a one-time, irrevocable election and is a waiver of certain rights and benefits provided by certain other retirement or pension systems; deeming a certain date of separation from employment for the purpose of determining eligibility for a certain vested benefit; providing for the computation of certain benefits; prohibiting employees who are participating in the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan from participation in the State Retirement and Pension System under certain circumstances; requiring employee contributions to the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan to be a certain amount unless an employee makes a certain election; requiring the State to make certain employer contributions of a certain amount to the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; requiring contributions by participating employees and the State under the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan to be made in a certain manner; providing the vesting requirements for contributions made by participating employees and the State and interest earned on the contributions under the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; authorizing certain distributions to participating employees from the State

Employees' Retirement Savings Plan in accordance with certain guidelines; requiring the Governor to include a certain amount in the annual budget bill for the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; authorizing certain retirees of the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan and their surviving spouses and dependent children to participate in the State Employees and Retirees Health and Welfare Benefits Program under certain circumstances; requiring the Supplemental Board and the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to exchange certain information relating to members of certain State pension systems and the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; altering certain provisions of law for the Supplemental Board to include the responsibilities and duties of the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of the State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan.

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 2–509.2; and 33–101 through 33–209 to be under the new title “Title 33.

State Employees' Retirement Savings Plan”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 21–505, 23–201, 35–204(c), 35–205, 35–301, and 35–302(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 35–201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 634 – Caroline County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Caroline County – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Container Permit

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Caroline County to issue a refillable container permit for draft beer to a holder of a Class B alcoholic beverages license or a Class H alcoholic beverages license; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Caroline County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 15–1101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General
Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to
Article – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 15–1102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General
Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 635 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Flashing Lights – Community–Based Emergency Response
Vehicles**

FOR the purpose of authorizing vehicles operated by certain community watch groups to display red and white flashing lights while the groups are on patrol if allowed by a certain law enforcement agency and if certain requirements are met; making conforming changes; and generally relating to flashing lights on community watch group vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 22–218(e) and 22–218.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 636 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Medical Malpractice – Discovery

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the discovery available as to the basis of a certain certificate of a qualified expert in a claim filed with the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office includes a deposition of the attesting expert; establishing that a defendant in a claim filed with the Office may seek discovery as to the basis of the certificate filed by the claimant or plaintiff without prejudice to later discovery

if the attesting expert is designated as a trial expert; prohibiting a deposition of a defendant health care provider from being required until the claimant has filed and served a certain certificate of a qualified expert; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to discovery in health care malpractice actions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–2A–04(b) and 3–2A–05(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 637 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Evidence – Admissibility of DNA Profile – Definition and Validation of DNA Profile

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “DNA profile” for purposes of certain provisions of law concerning the admissibility of a DNA profile in a criminal proceeding; providing that a certain statement that the analysis of genetic loci has been validated according to certain quality assurance standards of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, rather than the standards established by the Technical Working Group on DNA Analysis Methods or the DNA Advisory Board of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, is sufficient to admit a DNA profile into evidence under certain provisions of law; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to criminal procedure and DNA profiles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 10–915
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 638 – Senators Pugh and McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Possession of Loaded Handgun or Regulated Firearm – Enhanced Penalties

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from wearing, carrying, or transporting a handgun loaded with ammunition on or about the person or in a vehicle under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from possessing a regulated firearm loaded with

ammunition under certain circumstances or if the person is under a certain age; establishing certain penalties, including mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment, for violations of this Act; requiring the State to comply with certain procedures in certain circumstances; requiring the State's Attorney to make a certain notification under certain circumstances; prohibiting a court from suspending any part of a sentence or ordering probation before judgment for certain crimes; providing that certain persons are not eligible for parole during certain mandatory minimum sentences, with a certain exception; providing that each violation of certain prohibitions is a separate offense; and generally relating to enhanced penalties for possession of a loaded handgun or regulated firearm.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 4–203(a)(1) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–133
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 639 – Senators Guzzone, King, Madaleno, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study a Promise Scholarship Program in Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study a Promise Scholarship Program 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 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 Promise Scholarship Program in Maryland.

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

Senate Bill 640 – Senators Pugh and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City Schools – Local Governance and Accountability Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of repealing the role of the Governor in making certain appointments to, filling certain vacancies on, removing certain members from, and selecting a certain chair of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–108.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 641 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Brunswick Heritage Museum Building

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 Mayor and City Council of the City of Brunswick 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 642 – 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 \$50,000, 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 643 – Senator King

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Plumbing – State Plumbing Code – Adoption of the International Plumbing and Fuel Gas Codes

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Plumbing to adopt by regulation a certain version of the International Plumbing Code and the International Fuel Gas Code as the State Plumbing Code on or before a certain date; requiring the Board to adopt a certain version of certain codes within a certain period of time after a certain date; authorizing the Board to adopt regulations to amend the State Plumbing Code under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the State Plumbing Code and the State Board of Plumbing.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 12–101 and 12–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 644 – Senator King

AN ACT concerning

Early Identification of Autism Act

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to require health care practitioners, when providing a well-child examination at certain ages, to administer a certain screening tool for autism; requiring the Secretary to require a child to be referred for certain services under certain circumstances; providing that a certain diagnosis is not required for a referral; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for the administration of the screening tool; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to screening for autism.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General

Section 13–2801 and 13–2802 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 28. Early Identification of Autism”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 15–817.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 645 – Senators King, Middleton, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Kagan, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, Norman, Pinsky, Ready, Serafini, and Young

AN ACT concerning

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

FOR the purpose of repealing references to the “Chesapeake 2000 Agreement” in certain provisions of law and substituting references to the “2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement”; repealing references to the term “tributary strategies” in certain provisions of law and substituting references to the term “watershed implementation plan”; requiring money in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund, beginning in a certain fiscal year, to be allocated in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring a certain minimum amount of money in the Trust Fund to be allocated to the Department of Agriculture annually for certain purposes; requiring a certain percentage of money in the Trust Fund to be allocated to the BayStat Subcabinet agencies annually for a certain purpose; requiring a certain percentage of money in the Trust Fund to be allocated to the Department of Agriculture annually for certain purposes; authorizing the BayStat Subcabinet to determine the use of any remaining money in the Trust Fund under certain circumstances; establishing the intent of the General Assembly that money in the Trust Fund not be redirected or allocated to the General Fund or any other special fund; making clarifying changes; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the allocation of money in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 8–2A–01, 8–2A–02, and 8–2A–04
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 646 – Senators King, DeGrange, Guzzone, Madaleno, Raskin, and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Eligible Employers – Eligible Internships

FOR the purpose of allowing certain eligible employers a credit, up to a certain amount, against the State income tax for employing certain eligible interns subject to certain limitations; requiring an eligible employer to enter into a certain agreement with a certain eligible institution of higher education; requiring a certain eligible employer to submit a certain application to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation at a certain time; requiring the Department to approve certain applications on a first-come, first-served basis and within a certain time period; limiting the amount of tax credit certificates that may be issued in any taxable year to a certain amount; providing for the carryforward of the credit; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a tax credit for certain internships.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10-737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 647 – Senators Klausmeier, Conway, Nathan-Pulliam, and Young

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Physicians – Prescriptions Written by Physician Assistants – Preparing and Dispensing

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law do not prohibit a licensed physician from personally preparing and dispensing a prescription written by a physician assistant in accordance with a certain delegation agreement if the physician complies with certain requirements; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to delegation agreements between physicians and physician assistants and the preparing and dispensing of prescriptions by physicians.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 12–102(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 4 – Senators Bates, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Salling, and Serafini

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

United States Constitution – Amendments Convention – Limitations on Federal Power

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 amendments to the U.S. Constitution that imposes fiscal restraints on the federal government, limits the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limits the terms of office for officials of the federal government and for the members of the U.S. Congress; and generally relating to an application to Congress for a convention to propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

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

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 511 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Taxes – Sales and Use Tax – Repeal

Reassigned to the Committee on Budget and Taxation under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES**FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS****House Bill 204 – Montgomery County Delegation****EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

**Montgomery County – Elections – Early Voting Centers
MC 14–16**

FOR the purpose of requiring Montgomery County to have a certain number of early voting centers; providing for the application and interpretation of this Act; providing for the termination of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to early voting centers in Montgomery County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 10–301.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 543 – Senator Middleton**

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Facilities – Charles County – Expansion and Use of Proceeds

Reassigned to the Committee on Budget and Taxation under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #6

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 22 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Human Services – Interagency Council on Homelessness – Membership**SB0022/487676/1**

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 22

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after “advocacy;” insert “specifying the chair of the Council; repealing certain provisions of law regarding the designation of the chair of the Council and the terms of the chair of the Council; stating the intent of the General Assembly that certain designees have certain decision making authority under certain circumstances;”; and after line 16, insert:

“BY repealingArticle – Human ServicesSection 6–420Annotated Code of Maryland(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)BY renumberingArticle – Human ServicesSection 6–421, 6–422, 6–423, and 6–424, respectivelyto be Section 6–420, 6–421, 6–422, and 6–423, respectivelyAnnotated Code of Maryland(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)”.AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 17, strike “and” and substitute:

“(12) THE SECRETARY OF DISABILITIES, OR THE SECRETARY’S DESIGNEE; AND”;

in line 18, strike “(12)” and substitute “**(13)**”; after line 26, insert:

“(C) THE SECRETARY SHALL BE THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL.

[6–420.

(a) From among its members, the Council shall elect a chair.

(b) After the election of the first chair, a candidate for chair must be a member of the Council who attended at least a majority of the Council’s meetings during the year immediately preceding the election.

(c) The term of the chair is 2 years.

(d) The chair may not serve consecutive terms.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 6–421, 6–422, 6–423, and 6–424, respectively, of Article – Human Services of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 6–420, 6–421, 6–422, and 6–423, respectively.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that a Secretary’s or State Superintendent’s designee on the Interagency Council on Homelessness have decision making authority on issues that relate to the work of the Council.”;

and in line 27, strike “2.” and substitute “4.”.

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 74 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – Effect of Retirement Payments on Eligibility for Benefits – Revision

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 84 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – Calculation and Application of Table of Rates – Revision

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably:

Senate Bill 86 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – Exemption From Actively Seeking Work Requirement – Repeal

Favorable report adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET NO. 1 – FISCAL YEAR 2017

(See Exhibit E of Appendix III)

Supplemental Budget No. 1 read and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

2015 Bill Vetoed by the Governor – Policy Veto

Senate Bill 340 (2015) – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex-Felons

QUESTION IS: “SHALL THE BILL PASS NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE?”

Senator Conway moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill a Special Order for February 9, 2016.

The motion was adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 28 Negative – 15 (See Roll Call No. 145)

2015 Bill Vetoed by the Governor – Policy Veto

House Bill 980 (2015) – Delegates McCray, Moon, Anderson, Angel, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Campos, Carr, Carter, Conaway, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Frick, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hixson, Holmes, C. Howard, Jalisi, Jones, Kelly, Korman, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Morales, Oaks, Patterson, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex-Felons

QUESTION IS: “SHALL THE BILL PASS NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE?”

Senator Conway moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill a Special Order for February 9, 2016.

The motion was adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 30 Negative – 15 (See Roll Call No. 146)

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 4, 2016

Appeals, Court of

1. Michele D. Hotten District 23

Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland; appointed to serve a term of ten years from December 22, 2015

District Court, Anne Arundel County (District 7)

2. Danielle M. Mosley District 30

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 7, Anne Arundel County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from January 17, 2016
3. Thomas J. Pryal District 30

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 7, Anne Arundel County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from January 17, 2016

District Court, Baltimore City (District 1)

4. Kent J. Boles, Jr., Esq. District 45

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 19, 2016
5. William M. Dunn, Esq. District 46

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 1, Baltimore City; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 11, 2016

District Court, Baltimore County (District 8)

6. Phillip Nicholas Tirabassi, Esq. District 7

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 8, Baltimore County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from November 10, 2015

District Court, Calvert County (District 4)

7. Robert Bennett Riddle District 27

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 4, Calvert County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from December 12, 2015

District Court, Frederick County (District 11)

8. Oliver John Cejka, Jr. District 3

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 11, Frederick County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from August 22, 2015

District Court, Howard County (District 10)

9. Lisa L. Broten District 12

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 10, Howard County; appointed to serve a term of ten years from January 8, 2016

District Court, Prince George's County (District 5)

10. John Patrick Morrissey District 23

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 5, Prince George's County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from January 6, 2016

District Court, Wicomico County (District 2)

11. Leonard Bruce Wade District 37

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Wicomico County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from June 2, 2015

District Court, Worcester County (District 2)

12. Daniel R. Mumford District 38

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Worcester County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from December 16, 2015

13. Gerald Vaughn Purnell District 38

Judge of the District Court of Maryland, District 2, Worcester County; reappointed to serve a term of ten years from January 12, 2016

Financial Regulation

14. Gordon M. Cooley, Esq. District 4

Commissioner of Financial Regulation; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of DLLR

Higher Education Commission, Maryland

15. James D. Fielder, Ph.D. District 34

Secretary of the Maryland Higher Education Commission; appointed to serve at the pleasure of the Governor

Airport Zoning Appeals Board

16. Jon Jeffrey Robinson District 13
8652 Water Fall Drive
Laurel, MD 20723

Member of the Airport Zoning Appeals Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

17. Kathleen A. Smero District 8
8285 Berryfield Drive
Nottingham, MD 21236

Member of the Airport Zoning Appeals Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

18. Christopher B. Yates District 13
8307 Bing Cherry Court
Laurel, MD 20723

Member of the Airport Zoning Appeals Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission

19. Edward C. Hammerberg District 40
1477 Roland Heights Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21211

Member of the Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission; reappointed to serve a term of two years from May 7, 2015

Apprenticeship and Training Council

20. Michelle L. Butt District 9
11464 Old Frederick Road
Marriottsville, MD 21104

Member of the Apprenticeship and Training Council; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from July 1, 2012

21. Norbert R. Klusmann, Sr. District 25
13203 Ailesbury Court
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Member of the Apprenticeship and Training Council; appointed to serve remainder of a term of four years from July 1, 2013

22. Jennifer D. Runkles District 4
64 W. Main Street
New Market, MD 21774

Member of the Apprenticeship and Training Council; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

23. David Joe Wilson, Sr. District 13
8454 Pamela Way
Laurel, MD 20723

Member of the Apprenticeship and Training Council; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2015

Assistive Technology Loan Program Board of Directors

24. Angela Fox, Esq. District 17
1113 Broadwood Drive
Rockville, MD 20851

Member of the Assistive Technology Loan Program Board of Directors; appointed to serve a term of four years from October 1, 2015

Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays, Critical Area Commission for the

25. Bradley W. Frome District 22
4407 Van Buren Street
University Park, MD 20782

Member of the Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2014

Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program Board

26. Jennifer Funn District 6
102 North Dundalk Avenue
Dundalk, MD 21222

Member of the Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2015

27. Joseph T. Ports District 35
1711 Redfield Road
Bel Air, MD 21015

Member of the Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program Board; appointed to serve a term of four years from July 1, 2015

Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company, Board for the

28. Vincent Rocky Gonzalez District 35
2901 Whitefield Road
Churchville, MD 21208

Member of the Board for the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company; reappointed to serve a term of five years from June 1, 2015

29. Suzanne Carter Thompson District 43
100 Gittings Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21212

Member of the Board for the Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Company; appointed to serve a term of five years from June 1, 2015

Contract Appeals, Maryland State Board of

30. Bethamy N. Beam, Esq. District 3
1 West Church Street
Frederick, MD 21701

Member of the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals; appointed to serve a term of five years from February 1, 2015

Correctional Standards, Commission on

31. Wayne A. Webb District 99
3788 West Weaver Road
Greencastle, PA 17225

Member of the Commission on Correctional Standards; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Maryland Advisory Council for the

32. Tanya D. Green District 30
P.O. Box 212
Edgewater, MD 21037

Member of the Maryland Advisory Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; appointed to serve a term of three years from October 1, 2015

Economic Development Commission, Maryland

33. J. Edward Coleman District 30
91 Bay Drive
Annapolis, MD 21403

Member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2013

34. Anne Marie Dickerson District 38
10948 Assateague Road
Berlin, MD 21811

Member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2015

35. Laura A. Neuman District 30
405 Beards Dock Crossing
Annapolis, MD 21403

Member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2015

36. Brenda A. Smith District 1
716 Hill Top Drive
Cumberland, MD 21502

Member of the Maryland Economic Development Commission; appointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

School for the Deaf, Board of Trustees of the Maryland

37. Robert R. Davila, Ph.D. District 4
405 Tailor Street
New Market, MD 21774

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve a term of six years from October 1, 2014

38. Robert D. Padden District 3
5347 Wye Creek Drive
Frederick, MD 21703

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; appointed to serve a term of six years from October 1, 2014

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.

Arts Council, Maryland State

- S-1. Carla Du Pree District 12
10391 May Wind Court
Columbia, MD 21044

Member of the Maryland State Arts Council; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

- S-2. Carol Trawick District 16
6600 Elgin Lane
Bethesda, MD 20817

Member of the Maryland State Arts Council; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2014

Boiler Rules, Board of

- S-3. Carey M. Dove District 9
1040 Old Woodbine Road
Woodbine, MD 21797

Member of the Board of Boiler Rules; reappointed to serve a term of four years from January 1, 2016

- S-4. Ashwani Kumar Gupta, Ph.D. District 21
9019 51st Avenue
College Park, MD 20740

Member of the Board of Boiler Rules; reappointed to serve a term of four years from January 1, 2016

Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority

- S-5. J. Robert Smith District 1
11708 Bayberry Avenue
Cumberland, MD 21502

Member of the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority; reappointed to serve a term of four years from June 1, 2015

Correctional Training Commission

S-6. LaMonte E. Cooke District 36
 24837 Langford Road
 Chestertown, MD 21620

Member of the Correctional Training Commission; reappointed to serve a term of three years from July 1, 2015

School for the Deaf, Board of Trustees of the Maryland

S-7. Dennis B. Galvan, Ph.D. District 3
 1593 Wise Court
 Point of Rocks, MD 21777

Member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf; reappointed to serve a term of six years from October 1, 2015

S-8. 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; reappointed to serve a term of six years from October 1, 2015

STATUS: QUESTION IS WILL THE SENATE ADVISE AND CONSENT TO THE NOMINATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE?

The President of the Senate put the following question: With the exception of Nominee No. 30, "Will the Senate advise and consent to the above nominations of the Executive?"

The above nominations of the Executive, with the exception of Nominee No. 30, were all confirmed by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 147)

Nominee No. 30

Contract Appeals, Maryland State Board of

30. Bethamy N. Beam, Esq. District 3
 1 West Church Street
 Frederick, MD 21701

Member of the Maryland State Board of Contract Appeals; appointed to serve a term of five years from February 1, 2015

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 – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 148)

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 149)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #8

**Senate Bill 105 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – NE Maryland Waste Disposal Authority)**

AN ACT concerning

Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority – Name and Authority

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

Affirmative – 45 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 150)

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. 151)

RECESS

At 11:40 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate recessed until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, February 8, 2016.

AFTER RECESS
Annapolis, Maryland
Legislative Day: February 5, 2016
Calendar Day: Monday, February 8, 2016

At 8:06 P.M. the Senate resumed its session.

Prayer by Monsignor Robert Jackot, Holy Family Catholic Community, guest of Senator Hough.

QUORUM CALL

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

(See Roll Call No. 154)

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

The Journal of February 4, 2016 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 648 – Senator Mathias

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Coverage for Digital Tomosynthesis

FOR the purpose of establishing that a certain coverage requirement applicable to certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations includes coverage for digital tomosynthesis under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from imposing a copayment or coinsurance requirement for digital tomosynthesis that is greater than a copayment or coinsurance requirement for other breast cancer screenings for which coverage is required under certain provisions of law; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to health insurance coverage for tomosynthesis.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–814
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 649 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

City of Annapolis – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Container Permit for Draft Beer

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for the City of Annapolis to issue a refillable container permit for draft beer to a holder of a Class E license; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to refillable container permits in the City of Annapolis.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 10–1102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter __ (S.B.__)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 650 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

Prevailing Wage – Basis for Rate Determination – Survey Data

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Commissioner of Labor and Industry from considering certain wage information from certain projects when making certain annual prevailing wage rate determinations; and generally relating to prevailing wage rates.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–201(a), (c), and (h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 651 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

State Department of Education – Virtual Learning Opportunities – Survey and Report

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education to conduct a survey of the county boards of education to make a certain determination about the use of virtual learning opportunities for students; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Department to develop and adopt certain guidelines and policies regarding the utilization of certain virtual learning opportunities; and generally relating to a survey and report of virtual learning opportunities by the State Department of Education.

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

Senate Bill 652 – Senators Norman and Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Retired Law Enforcement Officer Identification Card – Failure to Issue

FOR the purpose of establishing that, to qualify for a certain retired officer identification card, a retired law enforcement officer be entitled to receive a pension or other retirement allowance; authorizing a retired law enforcement officer to file a civil action against a certain law enforcement agency for failure to issue a certain retired law enforcement officer identification card; authorizing the retired law enforcement officer to seek certain statutory damages in addition to certain relief; providing that, under certain circumstances, the law enforcement agency has the burden of proving by clear and convincing evidence that a retired law enforcement officer is not entitled to a certain retired law enforcement officer identification card; authorizing the court to award certain relief and damages to the retired law enforcement officer under certain circumstances; requiring the court to issue a certain injunction under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to award certain attorney's fees and litigation expenses to a law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; providing that this Act may not be construed to diminish certain rights, privileges, or remedies;

providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to retired law enforcement officers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–513
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 653 – Senators Norman and Astle

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Knife Restrictions – State Preemption

FOR the purpose of establishing that the State preempts the right of a county, municipal corporation, or special taxing district to regulate knives in a certain manner; authorizing a county, municipal corporation, or special taxing district to enact a local law or ordinance to regulate knives under certain circumstances; establishing that a certain local law may not be enforced; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the regulation of knives.

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 4–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 654 – Senators Salling, Bates, Cassilly, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Manno, Muse, Norman, Rosapepe, Serafini, 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; making a stylistic change; 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
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 655 – Senators Salling, Bates, Cassilly, Edwards, Hershey, Klausmeier, Muse, 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–208(v)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 656 – Senators Salling, Bates, Jennings, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Death Penalty – Law Enforcement Officers and First Responders

FOR the purpose of providing that a person who is convicted of first–degree murder may be sentenced to death under certain circumstances; providing that the murder of a law enforcement officer or a first responder under certain circumstances constitutes aggravating circumstances that the court or jury must consider in making a determination as to the imposition of the death penalty; establishing certain

procedures relating to custody, warrant of execution, incompetency, method of execution, witnesses, certificate, disposition of body, notice, and trial and sentencing in relation to the imposition of the death penalty; requiring the Division of Correction to complete a presentence investigation report in each case in which the death penalty was requested under a certain provision of law; providing that the juvenile court does not have jurisdiction over a child of a certain age alleged to have done an act that, if committed by an adult, would be a crime punishable by death, as well as lead to certain other charges, unless a certain order has been filed; providing that the juvenile court may waive the exclusive jurisdiction conferred by a certain provision of law with respect to a petition alleging delinquency by a child who has not reached a certain age, but who is charged with committing an act that, if committed by an adult, would be punishable by death; authorizing a trial judge to strike an individual from a jury on the basis of the individual's belief for or against capital punishment only if the judge finds that the belief would prevent or substantially impair the individual from returning an impartial verdict according to law; providing that an individual struck from a jury under a certain provision of law may serve on another jury for which the basis for the strike is irrelevant; applying a certain provision of law relating to peremptory challenges to a criminal trial in which a defendant is subject, on any single count, to a death sentence because the State has given a certain notice of intention to seek a death sentence or a sentence of imprisonment for life, including a case in which the State has not given a certain notice of intention to seek a death sentence; providing that a certain provision of law authorizing a court that issued an execution on a forfeited recognizance for a certain witness to discharge the witness from execution on a certain motion does not apply in a case if capital punishment may be involved; providing that the Court of Appeals has exclusive appellate jurisdiction over a criminal case in which the death penalty is imposed and any appellate proceeding under a certain provision of law relating to certain incompetent inmates; requiring a court to dismiss a certain charge against a certain defendant found incompetent to stand trial when charged with a capital offense after the expiration of a certain number of years; prohibiting the release of a defendant on personal recognizance if the defendant is charged with a crime punishable by death; applying the Uniform Postconviction Procedure Act to a person convicted in any court in the State who is confined under sentence of death; adding certain provisions to the Uniform Postconviction Procedure Act for proceedings after death sentences; specifying that the review of a sentence of death is governed by certain provisions of law; prohibiting a review panel from increasing a sentence to the sentence of death; providing that a victim's representative has the same right to address the jury in a death penalty sentencing as a victim's representative has to address a court in a certain other sentencing or disposition hearing; creating certain procedures relating to the determination of whether a victim's representative may present an oral address to the jury in a death penalty sentencing; authorizing the Court of Appeals to adopt rules of procedure to govern the conduct of death penalty sentencing proceedings; establishing certain procedures for the review of a death sentence by the Court of Appeals; providing that certain provisions of law relating to multiple convictions for a crime of violence do not apply if a person is sentenced to death; creating certain exceptions; making conforming, stylistic, and clarifying changes; and generally relating to the death penalty.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 3–901 through 3–909 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 9. Death Penalty Procedures”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Correctional Services

Section 4–101(e)(2), 4–305(b)(2), 6–112(c), and 7–301(d)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–8A–03(d)(1), 3–8A–06(a), 8–404, 8–420, 9–204, and 12–307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 3–105(b), 3–106(a), 3–107(a), 4–204(b), 5–101(c), 7–101, 7–103(b), and 7–107(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 7–201 through 7–204 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2. Proceedings After Death Sentence”; 8–108 and 11–404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 2–201(b), 2–304(a), 2–305, and 14–101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 2–202, 2–301, 2–303; and 2–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Review by Court of Appeals”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 8–505(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–812(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 657 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Impact of Cell Phone Use in Public Schools

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Impact of Cell Phone Use in Public Schools; 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, assess, and consider 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 Impact of Cell Phone Use in Public Schools.

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

Senate Bill 658 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Retail Business Owners – Automated Teller Machines – Notice of Skimming Device

FOR the purpose of requiring the owner of a retail business with an automated teller machine located on the premises of the business who has knowledge of an illegal skimming device installed on or near the automated teller machine to post a certain notice in a certain manner and to keep the notice posted for a certain period of time; and generally relating to automated teller machines located on retail business premises.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation
Section 19–104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 659 – Senators Salling, Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hough, Norman, Reilly, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Rate Reduction

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum rate of the admissions and amusement tax that a county or municipal corporation may set for gross receipts that are also subject to the State sales and use tax; altering the rate of the sales and use tax; altering the rate of the sales and use tax applied to certain sales of alcoholic beverages and sales of dyed diesel fuel; altering the rate of the sales and use tax applied to certain gratuities and service charges; and generally relating to the Maryland sales and use tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 4–105(b), 11–104(a), (b), (g), (h)(2), and (i), and 11–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 660 – Senators Salling, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings, Middleton, Norman, Ready, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Military Retirement Income

FOR the purpose of removing a certain limitation on a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain military retirement income; providing for the application of this Act; 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–207(q)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 661 – Senators Benson, Guzzone, King, Lee, Manno, Muse, Raskin, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Hospitals – Patient’s Bill of Rights

FOR the purpose of requiring each administrator of a hospital to provide patients with a certain patient’s bill of rights; requiring each administrator of a hospital to provide certain patients with a translator or an interpreter to provide certain assistance to the patients; requiring each administrator of a hospital to conspicuously post copies of the patient’s bill of rights in certain areas of the hospital; requiring each administrator of a hospital to provide annual training to certain staff to ensure the staff’s knowledge and understanding of the patient’s bill of rights; altering the rights that must be included in the patient’s bill of rights; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; defining a certain term; and generally relating to hospitals and patient’s bill of rights.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–342

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 662 – Senators Benson, Conway, Manno, Pinsky, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Health Benefit Plans – Special Enrollment Period for Pregnancy

FOR the purpose of requiring certain health benefit plans and certain carriers to provide a special enrollment period during which certain individuals who become pregnant may enroll in a health benefit plan; establishing the duration of the special

enrollment period; establishing certain effective dates of coverage for certain individuals enrolled in certain health benefit plans during the special enrollment period; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; making conforming changes; and generally relating to health benefit plans offered to individuals and small employers.

BY renumbering

Article – Insurance

Section 15–1201(j) through (aa), respectively

to be Section 15–1201(k) through (bb), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–1201(j)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15–1208.1(c), (e), and (f) and 15–1316

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 663 – Senators Benson, Feldman, Jennings, Lee, Madaleno, Pugh, Raskin, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

**Commercial Sale of Dogs and Cats – Prohibited Acts
(Companion Animal Welfare Act)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the sale, transfer, offer to sell or transfer, barter, trade, or auction of dogs and cats at certain locations; authorizing certain animal control officers and certain officers of certain societies or associations to enforce certain provisions of this Act; providing that a retail pet store may only offer for sale a dog or cat obtained from certain persons; altering the number of years that a retail pet store is required to maintain certain records; requiring a retail pet store to make certain records available to an animal control unit; making certain violations of certain provisions of this Act an unfair and deceptive trade practice subject to certain enforcement and civil penalty provisions; providing for the application and construction of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to prohibited acts relating to the commercial sale of dogs and cats.

BY adding to

Article – Business Regulation
Section 19–104 and 19–702.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation
Section 19–701, 19–702, 19–703, 19–706, and 19–707
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 664 – Senators Benson, Currie, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Muse, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Fair Scheduling, Wages, and Benefits Act

FOR the purpose of requiring an employer to provide certain employees with certain estimates and work schedules within certain time periods and notify employees of certain changes; requiring an employer to conspicuously post at a certain location at each work site certain information; prohibiting an employer, except under certain circumstances, from requiring an employee to work certain hours; providing that certain written consent is not required under certain circumstances and may be provided in paper or electronic form; authorizing an employer to make certain changes to a scheduled shift within a certain period of time; requiring an employer, except under certain circumstances, to pay certain predictability pay under certain circumstances; providing that predictability pay is in addition to certain other pay; requiring an employer to pay an employee for certain hours of work at a certain rate for certain shifts; requiring an employer to offer additional hours of work to current employees before hiring new employees or subcontractors; providing for the application of a certain provision of this Act; prohibiting certain criteria from being discriminatory on certain bases; requiring that certain information be posted for certain periods of time; requiring an employer, except under certain circumstances, to assign additional hours of work to certain current employees and distribute additional hours of work among certain employees; authorizing an employer to hire new employees and subcontractors under certain circumstances; requiring an employer to make certain efforts to offer employees certain training opportunities; requiring an employer to document compliance with a certain provision of this Act under certain circumstances; requiring that certain documentation be maintained by an employer for a certain period of time; establishing certain rebuttable presumptions; providing that certain employees must be paid the same hourly wage, have the same eligibility to accrue certain benefits, and be provided certain opportunities and conditions of employment; requiring each employer to record

certain wages in a certain statement of earnings and specify in the statement certain predictability pay; authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, under certain circumstances, to require an employer to include certain information in a certain statement and use additional means to notify the employer's employees of certain information; requiring an employer to give employees notice of certain rights in a certain manner; requiring employers to keep certain records for a certain minimum period of time 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; prohibiting certain persons from taking certain actions; providing that certain protections apply to certain employees; providing for the enforcement of this Act; requiring the Commissioner to keep a certain identity confidential, except under certain circumstances, and to notify a certain person before a certain disclosure is made; requiring the Commissioner to post certain information on a certain Web site on or before a certain date each year; 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 fair scheduling, wages, and benefits.

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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
 Article – Labor and Employment
 Section 3–103(k); and 3–1301 through 3–1313 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle
 13. Fair Scheduling, Wages, and Benefits”
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 665 – Senators Lee, Benson, Feldman, Kelley, King, Madaleno, Manno, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**Consumer Protection – Credit Report Security Freezes – Prohibition on Fees
 and Required Notices**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from charging a consumer a fee for placing a security freeze, temporarily lifting a security freeze a certain number of times, or removing a security freeze if the consumer has received a certain notice of a breach of the security of a system under certain provisions of State law or from or on behalf of a federal agency and provides a copy of the notice to the consumer reporting agency; altering the contents of a certain notice that must be included with

a certain summary of rights provided to a consumer; requiring that certain notices relating to the breach of the security of a system include certain information about limitations on the fees that may be charged by a consumer reporting agency for placing, temporarily lifting, or removing a security freeze; and generally relating to fees charged by consumer reporting agencies for services relating to a security freeze and notices about the fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–1212.1(a)(1) and (3) and 14–3504(a) and (b)(1) and (2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–1212.1(i) and (j) and 14–3504(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 10–1305(a) and (b)(1) and (2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 10–1305(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 666 – Senators Lee, Hough, Benson, Feldman, Kagan, King, Madaleno, Manno, Pinsky, Raskin, Ready, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Manufacturers and Dealers

FOR the purpose of authorizing a motor vehicle dealer to disclose to a consumer the terms and conditions of any motor vehicle manufacturer warranty adjustment program of which the dealer has knowledge and to make any necessary repairs under the adjustment program; prohibiting a manufacturer from retaliating against certain persons because the persons exercise certain rights or assert certain protections, and making a violation an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act subject to certain penalty and enforcement provisions;

repealing a certain standard that applies to the prohibition against a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch requiring or coercing a dealer in certain manners to change the dealer's facilities or method of conducting business; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from requiring or coercing a dealer in certain manners to relinquish control of the display of certain information on the Internet; prohibiting a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from requiring or coercing a dealer in certain manners to waive the right of the dealer to a jury trial; altering certain provisions of law governing the authorized purchase of certain goods and services by a dealer; altering certain provisions of law governing the payment of warranty claims made by dealers; altering the maximum administrative fine to which a manufacturer is subject for certain violations; authorizing the recovery of certain court and administrative costs and attorneys' fees in certain civil actions involving manufacturers or dealers; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to motor vehicle manufacturers and dealers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–1402(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–1402(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–14A–01 through 14–14A–03 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 14A.
Retaliation Against Motor Vehicle Dealers”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–207(a), (d), and (k)(1) and (2), 15–212(c)(10) and (11) and (d), 15–212.1(c),
and 15–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–207(k)(3) and 15–212(c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 15–207(l)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 667 – Senators Simonaire, Bates, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Reilly, Salling, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Permit to Wear, Carry, or Transport a Handgun – Expiration and Renewal

FOR the purpose of altering the time period in which a permit to wear, carry, or transport a handgun expires; altering the time period for renewal of a permit to wear, carry, or transport a handgun; and generally relating to a permit to wear, carry, or transport a handgun.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 5–309

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 668 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Lake Shore Athletic Association

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 Lake Shore 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 669 – Senators Simonaire, Cassilly, Edwards, Hough, and Ready

AN ACT concerning

Republican Party Central Committee Members – Tenure in Office – Revision

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that the tenure in office of a member of the Republican Party Central Committee begin on a certain day following the gubernatorial general election; and generally relating to the tenure in office of members of the Republican Party Central Committee.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 4–202(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 670 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

**Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Continuing Care Retirement
Community License**

FOR the purpose of creating in Howard County an exception to the alcoholic beverages license application or renewal requirements for a Class C (continuing care retirement community) beer, wine, and liquor license issued to a nonprofit organization; requiring that the license be applied for and issued to a manager or supervisor and two officers under certain circumstances; allowing residents and their guests in a continuing care retirement community that holds the license to consume beer, wine, or liquor not purchased from the community under certain circumstances; and generally relating to continuing care retirement community alcoholic beverages licenses in Howard County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 23–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 23–1404(a) and 23–2704

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 23–1404(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 671 – Senators Muse, Benson, Brochin, Currie, Ferguson, Gladden, Kelley, Madaleno, McFadden, Raskin, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Public Information Act – Personnel and Investigatory Records – Formal
Complaints Against Public Employees**

FOR the purpose of establishing that a certain person is a person in interest under the Public Information Act; establishing that certain records do not constitute personnel records under the Public Information Act; authorizing a custodian to deny inspection of certain records; and generally relating to personnel records and investigatory records under the Public Information Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions

Section 4–101(g), 4–311, and 4–351

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 672 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – Glen Burnie High School
Field House and Concession Stand**

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 Education of Anne Arundel 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 673 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax – Public Land and Public Use – Exemption

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption from property tax for the interest of a person in certain property that is located on property owned by certain public entities and used for certain public purposes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an exemption from property tax for interests in certain property.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 7–211(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 674 – Senators Peters, Astle, Benson, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Muse, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Serafini, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Teachers' Retirement and Pension System – Employer Contribution for Local Employees

FOR the purpose of altering, beginning in a certain fiscal year, the amounts county boards of education are required to pay for certain employer contributions for certain members of the Teachers' Retirement System and the Teachers' Pension System; making certain provisions of this Act subject to certain contingencies; and generally relating to the employer contribution for certain local employees who are members of the Teachers' Retirement System or the Teachers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 21–304(a) and (b)(1) and (5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–304(b)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 675 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – American Legion Post 381
Annex**

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 HWV Enterprises, LLC 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 676 – Senators Kasemeyer, Currie, DeGrange, Ferguson, Guzzone,
King, Madaleno, Manno, and Peters**

AN ACT concerning

College Affordability Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of requiring the College Savings Plans of Maryland Board to adopt procedures for a State contribution program; requiring the Board to provide certain information in the statements for certain accounts; excluding a certain application from a certain fee; authorizing a State contribution to an investment account under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain application to be made by certain methods; requiring the Board to establish certain documentation and procedures for the submittal of a certain application; requiring the State to provide a certain contribution to certain investment accounts under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor to provide a certain appropriation in certain fiscal years to provide certain State contributions; providing certain priorities for State contributions under certain circumstances; requiring certain State contributions to be provided in a certain calendar year; prohibiting a certain account holder from taking a certain

subtraction modification in a certain taxable year; requiring the Board to develop and implement a certain plan by a certain date; allowing certain individuals with certain student loan debt amounts a credit against the State income tax; requiring an application for the tax credit to be made to the Maryland Higher Education Commission by a certain date with a certain assurance; requiring the Commission to certify the amount of a certain tax credit by a certain date subject to a certain limitation; requiring a certain taxpayer to attach a certain certification limiting the amount of tax credits that the Commission may approve in a taxable year to income tax returns; requiring the Commission to use certain criteria for prioritizing certain tax credits; providing for a refundable tax credit under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to establish and implement a certain plan by a certain date; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Commission and the State Department of Education to collaborate on the development of a certain application for digital devices; requiring a recipient of a certain award to enroll in at least a certain number of credit hours in a certain time period; limiting the number of years that a certain award may be made except under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; requiring the Board to make a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the application of certain provisions this Act; and generally relating to college affordability.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–301, 18–302, 18–19A–01, 18–19A–04, and 18–19A–05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–303(a) and (b), 18–306, 18–19A–02, and 18–19A–03

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 18–114 and 18–19A–04.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–208(o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–737
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 677 – Carroll County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Beginning Hour of Sale

FOR the purpose of altering the beginning hour of sale for certain alcoholic beverages licenses issued in Carroll County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 16–102
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 16–2004 and 16–2005
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 678 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Cosmetologists – Pets on Premises of Beauty Salons – Authorized

FOR the purpose of authorizing a beauty salon permit holder to allow dogs and other pets on the premises of the beauty salon in accordance with regulations adopted by the

State Board of Cosmetologists; prohibiting a Board inspector from issuing a certain citation for the presence of an animal in a beauty salon unless the beauty salon permit holder violates certain regulations; authorizing the Board to establish a certain civil penalty only in accordance with certain regulations; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the presence of pets in beauty salons.

BY adding to

Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 5–507
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 5–610
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 679 – Senators Astle, Benson, Hershey, Jennings, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – Exemption From Covered Employment – Nail Technicians

FOR the purpose of providing that, under certain circumstances, work is not covered employment under the unemployment insurance law when performed by certain individuals who hold a limited license to provide nail technician services; and generally relating to an exemption from covered employment under the unemployment insurance law.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–206(a–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 680 – Senators Edwards, Conway, Eckardt, Ferguson, Gladden, Mathias, McFadden, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

**Biotechnology Investment Tax Credit – Investment in Qualified Companies in
Low-Income Areas**

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the credit allowed against the State income tax for certain investments in certain qualified Maryland biotechnology companies located in certain counties; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a credit against the State income tax for certain investments in certain biotechnology companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–725(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–725(d)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 681 – Senators Edwards, Conway, Eckardt, Ferguson, Gladden,
Mathias, McFadden, and Pugh**

AN ACT concerning

**Cybersecurity Investment Tax Credit – Investment in Qualified Companies in
Low-Income Areas**

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the credit allowed against the State income tax for certain investments in certain qualified Maryland cybersecurity companies located in certain counties; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a credit allowed against the State income tax for investments in certain cybersecurity companies.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–733(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–733(d)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 682 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Garrett County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Sales

FOR the purpose of submitting to a referendum of the qualified voters of certain election districts and precincts of election districts in Garrett County the question of whether the holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Garrett County should be authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for off–premises consumption on certain Sundays under certain circumstances; submitting to a referendum of the qualified voters of certain election districts and precincts of election districts in Garrett County the question of whether the holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Garrett County should be authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for on– or off–premises consumption on certain Sundays under certain circumstances; requiring the Board of County Commissioners and the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Garrett County to take certain actions regarding each referendum required under this Act; requiring the County Board of License Commissioners to report certain information to the Department of Legislative Services by a certain date; requiring the publishers of the Annotated Code of Maryland to list in the Annotated Code each district and precinct in Garrett County that has approved the sale of alcoholic beverages by certain license holders on Sundays; submitting this Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of certain election districts and precincts of election districts in Garrett County; and generally relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages in Garrett County on Sundays.

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

Senate Bill 683 – 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 \$250,000, 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 684 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Energy Efficiency Programs – Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Services

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an affiliate of an electric company from using the electric company's trade name, logo, billing services, mail inserts, advertising, or computer services for a plan or program that provides heating, ventilation, air conditioning, or refrigeration services except under certain circumstances; authorizing an affiliate of an electric company to use the electric company's trade name, logo, billing services, mail inserts, advertising, or computer services for a plan or program that provides heating, ventilation, air conditioning, or refrigeration services if the electric company provides just and reasonable compensation to the customers of the electric company's regulated services; requiring the Public Service Commission to initiate a proceeding to determine just and reasonable compensation for customers of the electric company's regulated services; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations or issue certain orders; and generally relating to energy efficiency programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–211(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–211(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 685 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Rockville Swim and Fitness 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 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 686 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

**Public Safety – 9–1–1 Emergency Telephone System – Information Sharing
(Carl Henn’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of specifying that a purpose of the 9–1–1 emergency telephone system is to establish a certain mechanism for the Emergency Number Systems Board to review certain data; expanding the purpose of the Board to include review of certain data contained in certain reports; requiring the Board to include a general summary of findings from a review of certain reports in an annual report submitted to certain entities; requiring a telephone company or a certain 9–1–1 service carrier to provide a certain report to certain entities at certain intervals; authorizing a county to select a different week within a certain interval to study the capacity of certain public safety answering points; specifying that certain reports are not subject to the Public Information Act; specifying that certain entities may only discuss certain information in certain closed sessions or executive sessions; defining a certain term; and generally relating to 9–1–1 service.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 1–101(a) and (b) and 1–301(a), (c), (d), (e), (l), (n), (o), and (t)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 1–302, 1–306, and 1–307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 1–315

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 687 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Charles County – Alcoholic Beverages – Entertainment Concessionaire and Entertainment Facility Licenses

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Charles County to issue a certain entertainment concessionaire license to certain persons for certain purposes in conjunction with an entertainment facility; authorizing the Board to issue a certain entertainment facility license to a person that owns an entertainment facility in which video lottery terminals and table games are offered to the public; providing that an applicant for an entertainment facility license need not meet certain requirements; specifying the scope of the licenses; providing that beer, wine, and liquor sold under either license may be taken and consumed anywhere in the licensed premises; specifying that the licenses authorize the playing of music and dancing; specifying for the licenses the annual fee and payment date; providing for the application to certain persons of certain penalties and sanctions for violations occurring on certain premises; defining certain terms; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages and entertainment facilities in Charles County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 18–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 18–1002.1 and 18–1002.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 688 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Develop a Strategic Plan for State Park Development

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Develop a Strategic Plan for State Park Development; 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 develop certain principles and policies and investigate certain matters related to State parks; 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 Develop a Strategic Plan for State Park Development.

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

Senate Bill 689 – Senators Muse, Benson, Conway, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Task Force on Workplace Bullying in State Agencies

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on Workplace Bullying in State Agencies; 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 standing 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 on Workplace Bullying in State Agencies.

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

Senate Bill 690 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

State Labor Relations Board and the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board – Election and Certification of Exclusive Representatives

FOR the purpose of requiring that elections for certain exclusive representatives of certain bargaining units be conducted at certain intervals; requiring the State Labor Relations Board and the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board to decertify certain exclusive representatives of certain bargaining units under certain circumstances; repealing a requirement that the boards conduct certain elections; requiring the boards to contract with an independent third party specializing in conducting elections to conduct certain elections; repealing a provision of law that prohibits the boards from conducting a certain election under certain circumstances; repealing a requirement that the boards conduct a runoff election under certain circumstances; altering the process by which an employee organization is certified as an exclusive representative of a bargaining unit; prohibiting the inclusion of

certain employees in a certain bargaining unit for a certain period of time under certain circumstances; providing that the results of certain elections be declared null and void under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the State Labor Relations Board and the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board and the election and certification of exclusive representatives.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 3–401, 3–405, and 3–406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 3–402
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 3–407
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 691 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Provision of Life–Preserving Health Care Services (Vulnerable Protection Act)

FOR the purpose of prohibiting health care practitioners and health care facilities, under certain circumstances, from denying a life–preserving health care service to a patient on the basis of a certain view or disagreement; requiring, under certain circumstances, a health care practitioner who is in charge of the medical care of a certain patient to notify a certain person of certain rights and to document in the patient’s medical records that the health care practitioner has provided the notice; establishing a certain penalty; authorizing certain persons to file an action for an injunction in a certain court under certain circumstances; authorizing a health care practitioner, under certain circumstances, to claim certain reasons for the denial of a life–preserving health care service as a defense in an action filed under a certain provision of this Act; requiring a court, under certain circumstances, to provide an opportunity to certain persons to argue that certain reasons are discriminatory in their application; providing that a violation of this Act does not constitute negligence

per se for purposes of a civil action for damages; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the provision of life-preserving health care services.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 5–629 to be under the new part “Part III. Miscellaneous”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 692 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Demolition Program Funding

FOR the purpose of establishing a Baltimore City Demolition Program; requiring the Stadium Authority to administer the Program in accordance with a certain memorandum of understanding; requiring the Governor to include certain appropriations in the annual budget for certain fiscal years; and generally relating to a Baltimore City Demolition Program.

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 10–622.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 693 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Hotel Lobby License

FOR the purpose of establishing in Frederick County a hotel lobby license; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license for use by a certain hotel; establishing that the license authorizes the license holder to sell beer and wine by the bottle to patrons of the hotel for on-premises consumption; providing for the hours of sale; specifying an annual license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1007.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter __ (S.B. __)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 694 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcohol Awareness Program – Absence From Licensed Premises

FOR the purpose of authorizing in Frederick County an individual certified by an approved alcohol awareness program to be absent from a licensed premises for a personal or business reason under certain circumstances; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1903

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 695 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beauty Salon License

FOR the purpose of establishing in Frederick County a beauty salon beer and wine license; requiring that a recipient of the license be a holder of a beauty salon permit; authorizing a holder of the license to provide beer and wine by the glass for consumption by a certain customer when a certain cosmetology service is provided or a certain fund–raising event is held; prohibiting the license from being transferred to another location; specifying the hours that the license privilege may be exercised; specifying an annual license fee; providing that an establishment for which the license is issued is subject to certain alcohol awareness training requirements; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Frederick County.

BY renumbering

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1002 through 20–1014, respectively
to be Section 20–1003 through 20–1015, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General
Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1002

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6LR1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly
of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 5–101(a), (c), (d), (l), (m), (n), and (o) and 5–501

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 696 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Art Gallery Beer and Wine License

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue an art gallery beer and wine license to nonprofit and for–profit retail businesses that display and sell original artwork by an individual or a group of artists; prohibiting a certain type of business from being issued the license; specifying that a holder of the license may sell or serve beer and wine at retail for on–premises consumption when snacks are served during certain hours; specifying a license fee; prohibiting the license from being transferred from the location for which the license was originally issued to another location; and generally relating to an art gallery license in Frederick County.

BY renumbering

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1001

to be Section 20–1001.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B.____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of
2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1001

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B.____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 697 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Purchase of Beer by Retail Dealers From Manufacturers and Wholesalers

FOR the purpose of authorizing a manufacturer or wholesaler in Frederick County to sell beer to a retail dealer using certain payment methods; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to methods of payment a retail dealer may use for the purchase of beer from a manufacturer or wholesaler in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–501

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–504

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 698 – Senators Young, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, King, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Vocational Certificates and Associate’s Degrees – Tuition Waiver

FOR the purpose of establishing the Community College Vocational Certificate and Associate’s Degree Tuition Waiver Program; specifying that participation in the Program is voluntary and shall be determined by certain counties, in consultation with certain community colleges; exempting certain individuals from payment of tuition to attend certain community colleges under certain circumstances; requiring certain individuals to be counted in certain computations under certain circumstances; requiring certain individuals to apply for certain financial aid; providing for the duration of the tuition waiver; requiring certain individuals to pay tuition under certain circumstances, notwithstanding certain provisions of law; specifying how financial aid shall be applied for individuals who receive a tuition waiver; requiring certain community colleges to assist with certain applications for financial aid under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to make certain determinations and create a certain baseline appropriation amount; requiring the Governor annually to include a certain appropriation in the State budget for the Program beginning in a certain fiscal year; requiring a certain county and the State to reimburse community colleges for certain forgone tuition revenue; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Community College Vocational Certificate and Associate’s Degree Tuition Waiver Program.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 16–106.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 699 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Theater License

FOR the purpose of altering the scope of a certain alcoholic beverages license in Frederick County so that it may be issued to all theaters that meet a certain seating

requirement; making a certain technical correction; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Frederick County.

BY renumbering

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1008, 20–1009, 20–1010, 20–1011, 20–1012, and 20–1013, respectively to be Section 20–1013, 20–1008, 20–1009, 20–1010, 20–1011, and 20–1012, respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter __ (S.B. __)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1013

Annotated Code of Maryland

(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 700 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Biosafety Level 3 Laboratories

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to identify certain biosafety level 3 (BSL–3) laboratories and, with certain assistance, the location of these laboratories; requiring the Department to collect certain information from the laboratories relevant to public health and safety; requiring certain BSL–3 laboratories to report certain information to the Department; requiring the Department to report annually, on or before a certain date, the number and location of the laboratories, in total and by local jurisdiction, to certain officials in each local jurisdiction in the State, and the total number of the laboratories to the Governor and the General Assembly; providing that certain information is confidential and not subject to inspection under certain provisions of law; establishing certain penalties; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to biosafety level 3 (BSL–3) laboratories.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 17–701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Biosafety Level 3 (BSL–3) Laboratories That Do Not Work With Federally Regulated Biological Select Agents and Toxins or Their Products”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 701 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Multifamily Low–Income Housing Project

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 A Step Forward, 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 702 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Public Institutions of Higher Education – General Education Programs – Semester Hour Maximums

FOR the purpose of providing that certain public institutions of higher education will satisfy a certain general education program requirement by requiring a certain baccalaureate program to include a certain amount of semester hours of required core courses; authorizing certain public institutions of higher education to include a certain course in excess of a certain maximum semester hours amount; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the maximum semester hour limit for general education courses at public institutions of higher education.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 15–119

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 703 – Senators Nathan–Pulliam, Kelley, and Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Morning Star Family Life Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$630,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of MSBC Five Star Program, 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 704 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

CINA Guardianship, Adoption, Custody, and Visitation – Blindness of Parent, Guardian, Custodian, or Party

FOR the purpose of establishing that, in making a disposition on a child in need of assistance (CINA) petition, the blindness of a child's parent, guardian, or custodian is relevant only to the extent that the court finds, based on clear and convincing evidence in the record, that the blindness affects the ability of the parent, guardian, or custodian to give proper care and attention to the child and the child's needs; granting certain blind individuals the opportunity to prove that certain supportive parenting services would prevent a certain finding, determination, denial, or withholding of consent in certain proceedings; authorizing the juvenile court to require the provision of certain supportive parenting services and review the need for the continuation of the services within a reasonable period of time; requiring a court, a local department of social services, a guardian, or a child placement agency, in certain proceedings, to specifically state in writing the basis for a certain finding, denial, determination, or withholding of consent and the reason that the provision of certain supportive parenting services is not a reasonable accommodation to prevent the finding, denial, determination, or withholding of consent under certain circumstances; establishing that, in determining whether to grant custody and guardianship to a relative or a nonrelative, the blindness of the relative or nonrelative is relevant only to the extent that the court finds, based on clear and convincing evidence in the record, that the blindness affects the best interest of the child; requiring the Social Services Administration to adopt certain regulations; establishing that, in any custody or visitation proceeding, the blindness of a party is relevant only to the extent that the court finds, based on clear and convincing evidence in the record, that the blindness affects the best interest of the child; requiring, in a certain custody or visitation proceeding, the party alleging that the blindness of the other party affects the best interest of the child to bear a certain

burden of proof; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the blindness of certain individuals in certain CINA, guardianship, adoption, custody, and visitation proceedings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–819(b)(2) and 3–819.2(a) and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–338(b), 5–350, 5–3A–35(b), 5–3B–19, 5–525(a), (d), and (j), and
9–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–3A–35(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 705 – Senator Currie

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Bishop McNamara High School Dining Hall and Student 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 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 706 – Senators DeGrange, Currie, Eckardt, Edwards, Jennings, Klausmeier, McFadden, Middleton, 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 Economic Competitiveness and Commerce 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 that this Act does not require a school or institution to adopt certain rules or regulations; providing for the sole legal remedy for violation of any provision of this Act; 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 2.5–109(a)(4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 58 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

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 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 707 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Freestanding Medical Facilities – Certificate of Need, Rates, and Definition

FOR the purpose of exempting from certain certificate of need requirements the conversion of a certain hospital to a freestanding medical facility in accordance with certain requirements; altering the requirements for a public informational hearing for a hospital that files a notice of its proposed closing; requiring a certain hospital to hold a public informational hearing if the hospital requests an exemption from certificate of need requirements to convert to a freestanding medical facility; requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to establish by regulation requirements for certain public informational hearings; requiring, for a hospital seeking to close, partially close, or convert to a freestanding medical facility, that the regulations require the hospital to address certain items at a public informational hearing; requiring a hospital to provide a written summary of a public informational hearing within a certain period of time to certain individuals, entities, and legislative committees; clarifying the circumstances in which a certificate of need is required to establish or operate a freestanding medical facility; authorizing the Commission to approve a site for a freestanding medical facility that is not on a certain site, under certain circumstances; altering the services provided at a freestanding medical facility that may be considered hospital services for purposes of rate-setting; requiring a freestanding medical facility to have a certain license, instead of a certificate of need, to obtain certain rates; altering the definition of “freestanding medical facility” to require a facility to meet the requirements for provider-based status under a certain certification and to exempt, from the requirement that the facility be physically separate from a hospital or hospital grounds, a freestanding medical facility established as a result of a certain hospital conversion; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to issue a license to a freestanding medical facility that receives an exemption from obtaining a certificate of need; and generally relating to freestanding medical facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General
Section 19–120(j)(1) and (k)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19–120(j)(2)(iv), (k)(6)(viii) and (ix) and (7), and (l), 19–201(d), 19–211(c),
19–3A–01, 19–3A–03, and 19–3A–08
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 19–120(k)(6)(x) and (o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 708 – Senators Ramirez and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Drivers’ Education Schools and Instructors

FOR the purpose of authorizing a drivers’ school to have multiple driver education instructor trainers; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to establish an annual training schedule for driver education instructor trainers; authorizing the Administration to establish an appropriate fee for the training; requiring the Administration to provide written notice to a drivers’ school or driving instructor license holder or applicant before imposing certain administrative penalties; authorizing the Administration to allow a license holder or an applicant to remedy the violation before imposing certain administrative penalties; authorizing a licensee to provide required documents electronically in certain circumstances in a searchable format determined by the Administration; requiring the Administration to provide to all drivers’ schools a compilation of all changes to certain policies on or before a certain date each year; establishing that the Administration, with respect to inspection of drivers’ school classroom facilities, may require only certain fire safety inspections; authorizing the Administration to require a drivers’ school to provide an appropriate zoning certification; authorizing the Administration to allow certain persons to conduct certain driving tests and evaluations; authorizing the Administration to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to drivers’ education schools and instructors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–709, 15–710, and 15–807
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 15–711 and 15–808

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 709 – Senators Ramirez, Gladden, Lee, and Muse

AN ACT concerning

**Courts – Concealment of Public Hazards
(Sunshine in Litigation Act)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a court from entering certain orders or judgments relating to the concealment of public hazards under certain circumstances; providing that certain confidentiality provisions are against public policy and unenforceable under certain circumstances; authorizing certain persons to contest an order, a judgment, an agreement, or a contract under certain circumstances; authorizing certain persons to file an action for declaratory judgment under certain circumstances; requiring a court to review certain information in camera under certain circumstances; requiring a court to allow the disclosure of certain confidential information under certain circumstances; clarifying that a trade secret is protected information under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the concealment of public hazards.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 11–1201(e) and 11–1205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 6–412
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 710 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Elizabeth Seton High
School Athletic Field**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$30,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Elizabeth Seton High

School, 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 711 – Senators Manno, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Prevailing Wage Rates Reform Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of expanding the applicability of the prevailing wage rate law to political subdivisions, agencies, and public works on property where the State, a political subdivision, or an agency is the owner or lessee by altering certain definitions; altering the dollar amount for certain public work contracts at which the prevailing wage rate law applies; requiring that prevailing wage rates be calculated using certain wage rates established by certain collective bargaining agreements in certain workers' classifications in certain localities; authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to establish certain prevailing wage rates using certain wage rates established by certain collective bargaining agreements under certain circumstances; requiring, for multiyear public works, the Commissioner annually to redetermine certain prevailing wage rates for each classification of workers engaged in certain works; requiring the Commissioner annually to determine prevailing wage rates for classifications of workers using only certain collective bargaining agreements; altering the hours worked in any single calendar day that certain employees work for the purpose of paying the prevailing wage rate of overtime; increasing certain penalties for certain violations; increasing the amount of certain liquidated damages; requiring that certain liquidated damages be paid to certain laborers or certain other employees who were paid less than certain prevailing wage rates; specifying contractor or subcontractor obligations to make certain restitution for paying employees less than certain amounts; clarifying the circumstances under which the Commissioner informally resolves certain violations; requiring the Commissioner to issue an order for a certain hearing for certain employer violations; providing that certain employees are entitled to certain liquidated damages under certain circumstances; requiring a court to award certain liquidated damages to certain employees; requiring a court to order payment of double or treble damages under a finding of willful and knowing deliberate ignorance or reckless disregard of certain employers' obligations; prohibiting an employer from retaliating or discriminating against an employee if an employee files a certain action; authorizing certain employees to sue certain employers under certain circumstances; requiring a court to provide certain remedies under certain circumstances; requiring a court to report certain decisions or orders to the Commissioner; altering the circumstances under which the Commissioner files certain lists with the Secretary of State; altering

a certain definition; and generally relating to the applicability, administration, and enforcement of prevailing wage rates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–201, 17–202(b), 17–208, 17–209, 17–214, 17–219, 17–220(d), 17–222,
17–224, and 17–226
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–224.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 712 – Senators Pugh, Benson, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Nonviolent Felonies – Stet, Shielding, and Expungement

FOR the purpose of requiring a court to dispose of a charge for a certain nonviolent felony by stet under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to reschedule a certain charge that was steted, for certain reasons within certain time periods; authorizing a person to file a petition to shield a conviction for a certain nonviolent felony in accordance with certain provisions of law at a certain time under certain circumstances; authorizing a person to file a petition to expunge a shielded conviction for a certain nonviolent felony in accordance with certain provisions of law at a certain time; defining certain terms; and generally relating to nonviolent felonies.

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–401 through 10–404 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Nonviolent Felonies”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 713 – Senators Muse and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Roger Brooke Taney Statue – Removal and Storage

FOR the purpose of requiring the Commission on Artistic Property, on or before a certain date, to remove the Roger Brooke Taney statue from the grounds of the State House and store the statue at the Maryland State Archives; and generally relating to the Roger Brooke Taney statue.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1016 and 9–1021(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 714 – Cecil County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Cecil County – YMCA of Cecil County Outdoor Pool

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 Young Men’s Christian Association of Cecil 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; 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 715 – Cecil County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Cecil County – Marriage Licenses – Applications

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that, in Cecil County, both parties to be married appear together before the clerk to apply for a marriage license; and generally relating to applications for marriage licenses in Cecil County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 2–402
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 716 – Cecil County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Fire Police – Cecil County

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain commanding officer to designate to the Sheriff of Cecil County a certain number of members of fire or ambulance companies to serve as fire police in Cecil County; requiring a certain designation to be read in a certain manner; authorizing the Sheriff of Cecil County to appoint certain individuals to serve as fire police in Cecil County; providing that certain powers are granted to individuals appointed to serve as fire police in Cecil County; authorizing certain powers to be exercised in a certain location; providing for the termination of a certain appointment; repealing the authority of the Sheriff of Cecil County and a certain commanding officer relating to designating and appointing certain individuals as deputy sheriffs for a certain purpose; and generally relating to fire police in Cecil County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 7–302(a), 7–303(a) and (b), and 7–304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Safety

Section 7–302(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 717 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Radiation Machines – Registration Fees and Inspections

FOR the purpose of requiring the fee schedule adopted by the Department of the Environment for the registration of radiation machines and other sources of radiation to be uniform within certain classes of radiation sources; repealing certain provisions of law that, for radiation machines located in certain dental offices or facilities, establish certain maximum registration fees, require the reduction of or

exemption from certain fees under certain circumstances, limit the frequency of inspections under certain circumstances, and provide for the remediation of a violation under certain circumstances; repealing a certain exemption from certain fees applicable to certain dental schools; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to registration fees and inspections for radiation machines and other sources of radiation in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 8–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 718 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Acquisition of Property – Real Estate Appraisers

FOR the purpose of requiring that a real estate appraiser engaged by the State Highway Administration to assist in determining the fair value of certain property to be acquired under certain procedures and certain compensation be licensed and certified in accordance with State law and a resident of the State, with preference being given to an appraiser who resides in the area; and generally relating to appraisals of property to be acquired and determinations of compensation to be paid by the State Highway Administration.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–320
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–323, 8–326(a), 8–328, and 8–329
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 719 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Environment – Stormwater Remediation Fees – Municipalities

FOR the purpose of authorizing a municipality to charge a stormwater remediation fee to property owned by the State, a unit of State government, a county, or an institution of higher education that is located within the municipality under certain circumstances; and generally relating to stormwater remediation fees and municipalities.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 10–101(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–202.1(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 720 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Frederick Memorial Hospital
Dental Clinic**

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 Frederick Memorial Hospital, 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 721 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Crimes – Sale or Purchase of Human Remains – Penalties

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from knowingly offering to purchase or sell, purchasing or selling, or otherwise transferring human remains for valuable consideration; providing penalties for a violation of this Act; providing for the application of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the selling and purchasing of human remains.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 10–405

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 722 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Crimes Related to Animals – Penalties – Mandatory Reporting

FOR the purpose of altering the penalties for certain crimes related to animals; authorizing a court, as a condition of probation in certain cases, to prohibit a defendant from owning, possessing, or residing with an animal; requiring as a condition of probation in certain cases, the court to prohibit a defendant from owning, possessing, or residing with an animal; requiring a veterinarian who has reason to believe that an animal that has been treated by the veterinarian has been subjected to abuse or neglect in violation of certain provisions of law to notify the appropriate law enforcement agency in a certain manner; providing that, to the extent reasonably possible, a veterinarian who makes a certain report shall include in the report certain information; providing penalties for a willful violation of a provision of this Act; and generally relating to crimes related to animals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 10–604, 10–605, 10–606, 10–607, 10–608, 10–610, and 10–623

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 10–626
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 723 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

**Civil Actions – Immunity From Liability – Entering a Property to Provide
Emergency Assistance or Medical Care**

FOR the purpose of providing immunity from civil liability for a certain person entering a property or gaining access to a property in order to provide emergency assistance or medical care under certain circumstances; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to immunity from civil liability for providing emergency assistance or medical care.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

**Senate Bill 724 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services
– Code Revision)**

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages Article

FOR the purpose of adding a new article to the Annotated Code of Maryland, to be designated and known as the “Alcoholic Beverages Article”, to revise, restate, and recodify the laws of the State relating to the policy of the State regarding the regulation and control of the manufacture, sale, distribution, transportation, and storage of alcoholic beverages, the establishment of boards of license commissioners in certain jurisdictions, and the establishment of liquor control boards and departments of liquor control in certain jurisdictions; revising, restating, and recodifying certain provisions relating to the authority of the Office of the Comptroller to issue certain alcoholic beverages permits, manufacturer’s licenses, wholesaler’s licenses, boat licenses, railroad licenses, and airplane licenses; revising, restating, and recodifying certain provisions of law regarding beer regulation, including the Beer Franchise Fair Dealing Act and certain provisions regarding successor manufacturers; revising, restating, and recodifying certain provisions of

law relating to the authority of certain boards of license commissioners in certain jurisdictions to issue certain beer licenses, beer and light wine licenses, beer and wine licenses, and beer, wine, and liquor licenses, the issuance of certain alcoholic beverages licenses for specific types of organizations and venues, and the authority of certain boards of license commissioners to authorize certain additional license privileges; revising, restating, and recodifying certain provisions relating to the authority of the Comptroller and certain boards to issue certain caterer's licenses and the authority of certain boards to issue certain festival, sampling and tasting, per diem, multiple day, and multiple event licenses; revising, restating, and recodifying requirements for applying for certain licenses and requirements for the issuance or denial of certain licenses; revising, restating, and recodifying provisions relating to certain licensing conditions, multiple licensing plans, requirements for the transfer of licenses, the substitution of names on licenses, and the renewal of licenses; revising, restating, and recodifying certain provisions regarding the conduct of license holders, the hours and days for the consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages, the revocation and suspension of licenses, and the expiration of licenses; revising, restating, and recodifying certain provisions of law relating to the death of a license holder, judicial review of decisions by a board of license commissioners, and unlicensed establishments; revising, restating, and recodifying certain provisions of law relating to the enforcement of the Alcoholic Beverages Article, prohibited acts, and penalties; defining certain terms; reestablishing certain provisions of law relating to the Board of License Commissioners for Kent County, subject to a certain contingency; repealing certain obsolete provisions; making certain conforming changes; providing for the construction and application of this Act; providing for the continuity of certain units and terms of certain officials; providing for the continuity of the status of certain transactions, employees, rights, duties, titles, interest, registrations, certifications, licenses, and permits; authorizing the publisher of the Annotated Code to make certain corrections in a certain manner; and generally relating to the laws of the State concerning alcoholic beverages.

BY repealing

Article 2B – Alcoholic Beverages

In its entirety

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding

New Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 1–101 through 33–2802 and the various titles

Annotated Code of Maryland

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 24–202 and 24–203

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Section 2 of this Act)

BY repealing

Article – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 24–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Section 2 of this Act)

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

**Senate Bill 725 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services
– Code Revision)**

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages – Cross–References and Corrections

FOR the purpose of correcting certain cross–references to the Alcoholic Beverages Article in the Annotated Code of Maryland; and generally relating to the Alcoholic Beverages Article and cross–references to it.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Agriculture
Section 10–1201(e) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation
Section 15–203(a)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–409(a)(2)(xv)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law
Section 10–114(a)(1), 10–118(a)(1), 10–119(b)(1)(iii), 10–121(a), and 10–125(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 4–101(c)(1)(ii)1.

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Election Law
Section 16–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 24–501(e)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 2–401(c)(4)(vii) and 27–801(c)(3)(vii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 5–105(a) and 18–203(a)(5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 11–116(a)(2)(xii) and (b)(2)(xii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 14–123(e)(2)(iii), 14–124(e)(2)(iii), 14–125(e)(2)(iii), and 14–125.1(g)(2)(iii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–24(b)(4), 9–1A–37(a), and 12–101(a)(9)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General

Section 5–301(c), 5–302, 10–735(a)(5), 13–834(b)(2), and 13–841(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–101(m)(13)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 3 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–903(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 41 – 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
your exemplary teamwork that resulted in winning the 2015 4A/3A State Golf
Championship.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 8th day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 155)

Senate Resolution No. 254 – The President and All Members:

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

your winning the Maryland State 2A Football Championship. The team's success and perseverance is admirable and we applaud your outstanding season and wish you many more. Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 8th day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 156)

Senate Resolution No. 255 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Hayley Jackson
in recognition of

winning the Maryland State 2A Girls Cross
Country Championship. Your dedication and commitment as an athlete is commendable.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 8th day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 157)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 726 – Senators Mathias, Benson, Feldman, Guzzone, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Middleton, and Peters

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Clean Energy Center – Clean Energy Technology Funding

FOR the purpose of expanding certain findings of the General Assembly concerning the Maryland Clean Energy Center; expanding the purposes of the Center; altering the membership of the Board of Directors of the Center; requiring the Center to establish a Credit Investment Advisory Committee for certain purposes; providing that Committee members are subject to the Public Ethics Law for certain purposes; altering the authority of the Center to provide certain financing for clean energy technology-based businesses; establishing a Clean Energy Technology Financing

Fund in the Center for certain purposes; providing for the sources and administration of the Fund; providing for the purposes of the Fund; clarifying the application of certain provisions under the Maryland Clean Energy Technology Incubator Program; defining a certain term; altering certain definitions; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the transfer of certain funds from the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund to the Center in certain fiscal years for certain purposes; providing for the transfer of certain funds from the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund to the Clean Energy Technology Financing Fund by a certain date for certain purposes; stating the intent of the General Assembly concerning certain funding; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Maryland Clean Energy Center and project funding.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 10–801, 10–802, 10–806, 10–807, 10–810, 10–814, 10–820, 10–833,
10–834(a), 10–835, and 10–837

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 10–816, 10–817, 10–821, 10–822, 10–825, and 10–826

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 10–817.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 9–20B–05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 727 – Senator Currie

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Mt. Ephraim Multipurpose
Room**

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 Mt. Ephraim Community Non-Profit 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 728 – Senators Mathias and Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – New Dwellings – Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems

FOR the purpose of allowing a certain owner of a certain new dwelling to claim a credit against the State income tax in a certain amount if a certain sprinkler system is installed in the new dwelling; limiting the tax credit to one record owner of a certain new dwelling; requiring the individual eligible for the tax credit to submit a certain application to the Office of the State Fire Marshal; requiring the Office to approve applications for the credit on a first-come, first-served basis and to certify the amount of the credit within a certain period of time; limiting the total amount of credits that may be approved in a taxable year; providing that the amount of the credit may not exceed the State income tax for that taxable year; authorizing a certain individual to apply any excess amount of the credit against the State income tax for succeeding taxable years; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for new dwellings with automatic fire sprinkler systems.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10-737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 729 – Senators Hershey, Eckardt, Mathias, and Norman

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; providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–936
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

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

Senate Bill 730 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Manufacturers and Dealers

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from prohibiting or taking certain punitive action against a motor vehicle dealer for providing certain notice to a customer or performing certain repairs on a motor

vehicle under certain circumstances; requiring a dealer that sells at retail a used motor vehicle that is subject to a recall under federal law to provide to the buyer under certain circumstances a certain disclosure in a certain manner; and generally relating to motor vehicle manufacturers and dealers.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–212(c)(1) and (11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 15–212(c)(12)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 15–311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 731 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Harford County – Aberdeen B&O Railroad Station

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Aberdeen Room Archives and 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 732 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

Civil Penalties for Shoplifting and Employee Theft

FOR the purpose of altering requirements for certain demand letters relating to alleged acts of shoplifting or employee theft; providing that a responsible person who prevails in a certain civil action is entitled to an award of court costs and reasonable attorney's fees, under certain circumstances; requiring a court to reduce the amount of restitution awarded in a certain criminal proceeding by an amount equal to certain damages and civil penalties; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to civil penalties for shoplifting and employee theft.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–1301, 3–1302, 3–1304, 3–1307, and 3–1308
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–1303, 3–1305, and 3–1306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 733 – Cecil County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Cecil County – Video Lottery Terminals – Distribution of Proceeds

FOR the purpose of altering the percentage of the proceeds from video lottery terminals at the video lottery facility in Cecil County that are paid to the video lottery operation licensee of the facility; requiring that a certain percentage of the proceeds from video lottery terminals at the facility be spent on certain activities and improvements; and generally relating to the percentage of the proceeds from video lottery terminals that are paid to a certain video lottery operation licensee.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–27(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 734 – The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General) and Senators Raskin, Brochin, Feldman, Gladden, Kagan, Lee, Muse, Pugh, and Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Courts and Judicial Proceedings – Structured Settlements – Transfers

FOR the purpose of making certain legislative findings and declarations; altering the findings that an order of a court authorizing a transfer of certain structured settlement rights is required to be based on; requiring an application for a transfer of structured settlement payment rights to be filed in a certain court; authorizing the Attorney General to adopt and enforce certain regulations; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to structured settlements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–1101(c), 5–1102, and 5–1103(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–1101.1 and 5–1106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 735 – Senators Serafini, Bates, Brochin, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hough, Norman, Reilly, Salling, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Flat Tax

FOR the purpose of altering the State income tax rates on certain income of individuals; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the State income tax rates on income of individuals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 736 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Sales for Class A Licenses

FOR the purpose of authorizing a holder of a Class A beer license, a Class A beer and light wine license, or a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license to sell certain alcoholic beverages during certain hours under certain circumstances in Allegany County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County to issue a certain Sunday sales permit to holders of certain licenses under certain circumstances; specifying that an applicant for a certain Sunday sales permit need not have certain kitchen facilities on the licensed premises; providing that a certain Sunday sales permit authorizes the holder to sell certain alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption during certain hours on not more than a certain number of Sundays in a year; specifying the fee for each time a certain Sunday sales permit is used; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Allegany County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–101(a) and (b), 9–102, and 9–2005

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–2002(a), 9–2003(a), and 9–2004(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 737 – Senators Edwards, Eckardt, Hershey, Manno, Mathias, and Serafini

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 Economic Competitiveness and Commerce 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; 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 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 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development
Section 6–401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–207(cc) and 11–232
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–307(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Tax – Property
Section 7–245
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 738 – Senators Edwards, Eckardt, Hershey, Mathias, and Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Economic Development – Maryland Economic Development Program and One Maryland Tax Credit

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Economic Development Program to encourage businesses to locate and expand in certain areas 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 Economic Competitiveness and Commerce 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; 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 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 Maryland 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 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Economic Development

Section 5–1501 through 5–1503 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 15. Maryland Economic Development Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 6–401

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–207(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–207(cc) and 11–232

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–307(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 7–245

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 739 – Senators Conway, Bates, Nathan–Pulliam, Rosapepe, and Salling

AN ACT concerning

Integrated Community Oncology Reporting Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the integrated community oncology reporting program; establishing the purpose of the program; requiring the program to be administered by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with the Maryland Health Care Commission; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Commission, to adopt regulations to implement the program; establishing requirements for the regulations; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Commission, to establish a competitive process to select participants for the program under certain circumstances; requiring the competitive selection process to give weight to certain applicants; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Commission, to report on certain dates to the Governor and certain legislative committees on the performance of each integrated community oncology center participating in the program; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Commission, on or before a certain date, to conduct a certain evaluation, make a certain recommendation, and report on the evaluation and recommendation to the Governor and certain legislative committees; establishing a certain exception to a certain prohibition against self-referrals by certain health care practitioners; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the integrated community oncology reporting program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–301(a), (b), (f), (g), (h), and (i) and 1–302(a), (b), (c), and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–301(l), (m), (n), and (o), 1–302(d)(12), and 1–302.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 1–301(l) and 1–302(d)(10) and (11)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 740 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – Marketing Synthetic Drugs – Penalties

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person that holds a certain license from possessing, providing, distributing, displaying, selling, or marketing a certain synthetic drug with the intent that it be used as a recreational drug; providing certain factors to be treated as indicia that a product is a certain synthetic drug; providing that certain proof is prima facie evidence of a violation of this Act; requiring that a certain person must permit the Comptroller to inspect certain records and products; authorizing the Comptroller to suspend or revoke a certain license under certain circumstances; requiring the Comptroller to give a certain person an opportunity for a certain hearing under certain circumstances; authorizing the Comptroller to make a certain order or seize certain products in certain circumstances; providing that certain seized property shall be deemed contraband of law; providing for the vesting of certain seized property; providing for the forfeiture of certain property; providing that the requirements of this Act are in addition to and do not exempt a certain person from certain obligations; establishing penalties for a violation of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to marketing synthetic drugs.

BY adding to
Article – Business Regulation
Section 17–20B–01 through 17–20B–06 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 20B.
Marketing Synthetic Drugs”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 741 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Expungement

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain person is entitled to expungement of a certain arrest warrant and certain police records if an arrest warrant is issued but invalidated before being served; requiring a law enforcement unit to take certain actions within a certain amount of time after invalidation of an arrest warrant; requiring the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository, a booking facility, and a certain law enforcement unit to take certain actions within a certain amount of time after receiving a certain notice; providing that a certain person may not be required to pay any fee or costs in connection with a certain expungement; authorizing a person to file a petition for expungement if the person was convicted of a certain misdemeanor; repealing a provision of law prohibiting the filing of a petition for expungement based on a probation before judgment earlier than the later of the date the petitioner was discharged from probation or a certain amount of time after the probation was granted; prohibiting the filing of a petition for expungement based on a probation before judgment earlier than the date the petitioner was discharged from probation; establishing a time period within which a petition for expungement based on a conviction of a certain crime may not be filed; prohibiting a person from selling information relating to certain records that have been expunged; applying certain penalties; authorizing an individual who is aggrieved by a failure to comply with a certain provision of law to seek certain redress and recover court costs; defining a certain term; and generally relating to expungement.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–103.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 10–105 and 10–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Safety
Section 2–511
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 742 – Senators Muse, Benson, Conway, Nathan–Pulliam, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Imitation Firearms – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the manufacture, sale, offer of sale, or commercial transfer of a certain imitation firearm; defining certain terms; establishing certain civil penalties; authorizing the Attorney General to file a civil action to enjoin violation of this Act; authorizing a circuit court to enjoin a violation of this Act; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to imitation firearms.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 5–601 through 5–603 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Imitation Firearms”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 743 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Washington County – Doey’s House

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 Hospice of Washington 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.

Senate Bill 744 – 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 \$100,000, 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 Budget and Taxation.

**Senate Bill 745 – Senators Muse, Ferguson, Guzzone, Klausmeier,
Nathan–Pulliam, Norman, and Rosapepe**

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement Explorer Program – Funding

FOR the purpose of establishing the Law Enforcement Explorer Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention 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, each fiscal year, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of a certain amount 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; requiring the Executive Director to establish a certain application procedure; requiring a local law enforcement agency that makes a certain application to provide the Executive Director with certain information; requiring the Executive Director to make certain grants to certain local law enforcement agencies in a certain manner; requiring local law enforcement agencies to submit certain proof to the Executive Director; providing that money distributed for a law enforcement explorer program is to supplement and not supplant any other funding; requiring the Executive Director to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; 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 funding for law enforcement explorer programs.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 4–601 through 4–604 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Law Enforcement Explorer Program Fund”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 746 – Senators Ready, Bates, and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beer, Wine, and Liquor Tasting License

FOR the purpose of creating in Carroll County a beer, wine, and liquor (BWL) tasting license; specifying to whom the license may be issued; authorizing the license holder and the holder of a solicitor’s permit to allow the consumption of beer, wine, and liquor for tasting by certain individuals under certain circumstances; requiring the Board of License Commissioners to regulate the quantity of beer and wine served to certain individuals and the number of bottles of beer or wine or other containers of beer from which a certain quantity is served; specifying the quantity of liquor an individual may consume at a liquor tasting; specifying the time the license is valid; specifying a certain license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Carroll County.

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 16–308.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ___ (S.B. ___)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

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

Senate Bill 747 – Senators Ready, Eckardt, Hershey, Mathias, and Norman

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Small Community Colleges – Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the unrestricted grant provided to small community colleges; and generally relating to funding for community colleges.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 16–305(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 748 – Senator Ready

AN ACT concerning

Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act – Application

FOR the purpose of extending the date for a certain preliminary plan to be approved and consequently exempted from certain provisions of the Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act; and generally relating to the Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–206(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 749 – Senators Ready, Bates, Cassilly, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, Simonaire, and Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Pain–Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, the performance or inducement or attempted performance or inducement of an abortion of a pregnant woman unless a certain determination as to the probable age of the unborn child is made by a certain physician; providing that the failure of a physician to perform certain actions is deemed “unprofessional conduct”; prohibiting the performance or inducement or attempted performance or inducement of an abortion of a pregnant woman if the probable age of an unborn child is a certain number of weeks, except under certain circumstances; requiring an abortion to be performed in a certain manner under certain circumstances; requiring certain physicians to submit a certain report to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene that includes certain information; requiring the Department to issue a certain public report by a certain date each year that includes certain information; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; establishing certain civil and criminal penalties; authorizing certain persons to bring a civil action under certain circumstances; authorizing certain persons to apply to a certain court for permanent

or temporary injunctive relief against a certain person under certain circumstances; providing for the award of certain attorney's fees under certain circumstances; requiring a court to make a certain determination in a certain proceeding; requiring a court to issue certain orders under certain circumstances; requiring certain persons to use a pseudonym to bring a certain action in court under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of various provisions of this Act; stating certain findings of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20-217 through 20-225 to be under the new part “Part V. Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 750 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Portable Electronics Insurance – Compensation of Vendor Employees – Repeal of Sunset and Reporting Requirement

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination of a certain provision of law authorizing the employees of a vendor or authorized representative of a vendor of portable electronics insurance to be compensated in a certain manner; repealing a requirement that the Maryland Insurance Administration keep track of certain complaints, make a certain determination, and, on or before a certain date, make a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly; and generally relating to vendor employee compensation and portable electronics insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 10-703(e)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Chapter 525 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 4

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 525 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 5

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

Senate Bill 751 – Senators Klausmeier, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Hershey, Mathias, and Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Rental Vehicle Companies – Right of Subrogation

FOR the purpose of establishing that a rental vehicle company or its designee has a certain right of subrogation against certain persons, including a person who rents a motor vehicle, for certain property damage, personal injury, and wrongful death claims paid by the rental vehicle company or the designee that arose out of the use or operation of the motor vehicle; requiring a rental vehicle company that receives a third-party claim to provide a certain notice of the claim; authorizing an insurer to assume the handling of a certain claim; requiring a rental vehicle company to handle a claim until a certain insurer assumes the handling of the claim; prohibiting a rental vehicle company from seeking certain recovery or reimbursement in certain circumstances; establishing that this Act applies only to certain claims; and generally relating to rental vehicle companies and rights of subrogation.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 18–108(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 18–108(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 752 – Senators Klausmeier, Madaleno, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

State Highway Administration – Policy Concerning Sound Barriers Along Highways

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration, in collaboration with county governing bodies, to develop and adopt by regulation a policy concerning sound barriers along highways in the State; requiring the Administration to conduct a certain study concerning sound barriers along highways in the State and report its

findings to the Governor and the General Assembly; defining a term; and generally relating to sound barriers along highways in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 8–657

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 753 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Health – Sale of Food Products Containing Alcohol – Requirements and Restrictions

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain provision of law that provided that a confectionary food product is adulterated if it contains any alcohol in excess of a certain percent by volume or any alcohol derived from anything but flavoring extracts; prohibiting certain provisions of law from being construed to prohibit the addition of alcohol to a food product, including a confectionary and a frozen dessert; prohibiting the sale of a food product that contains more than a certain percent of alcohol per volume to certain individuals; requiring that a food product that contains more than a certain percent of alcohol per volume state certain information on the label of the food product; providing that a certain provision of this Act may not be construed to limit the application of certain laws and regulations to certain food products; repealing certain provisions of law rendered obsolete by this Act; and generally relating to the sale of food products containing alcohol.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 21–209

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 21–214

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 754 – Senators Raskin, Bates, Feldman, Lee, Madaleno, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Open Meetings Act – Annual Reporting Requirement, Enforcement, and Training

FOR the purpose of altering the annual reporting requirement of the State Open Meetings Law Compliance Board to require that certain data on complaints and violations be reported; authorizing the Board under certain circumstances to issue certain orders and impose certain civil penalties not to exceed certain amounts; repealing certain provisions of law rendered obsolete by this Act; expanding the scope of the training requirements under the Open Meetings Act to include all officers of a public body; requiring that officers of a public body complete certain training within a certain time period after becoming an officer and every certain number of years thereafter; requiring a public body to report certain open meetings training information to the Board; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to post certain open meetings training information on its Web site; requiring certain officers of public bodies to complete certain training by a certain date; and generally relating to enforcement, the annual reporting requirements, and training under the Open Meetings Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – General Provisions
Section 3–204(e), 3–211, and 3–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – General Provisions
Section 3–209 and 3–210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 755 – Senators Madaleno, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Manno, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

State Department of Education – Breakfast and Lunch Programs – Funding (Free School Meals for Students From Low- and Middle-Income Families Act)

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that the State Board of Education adopt and publish standards for the administration of a subsidized feeding program; requiring the State to be responsible for the student share of the costs of certain meals; prohibiting a county board of education from charging certain students for any portion of the cost of a meal; altering the calculation for the reimbursement for

certain meals to certain county boards of education; making conforming changes; and generally relating to school breakfast and lunch programs and the State Department of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–601 through 7–605 and 7–701 through 7–703
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 756 – Senators Madaleno, Ferguson, Guzzone, Manno, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**Primary and Secondary Education – Breakfast Program – School Requirements
(Breakfast After the Bell Act)**

FOR the purpose of establishing a Breakfast After the Bell Program in the State; providing for the purpose of the Program; requiring certain public schools in certain school years to offer breakfast for free to every student using a certain delivery method that meets certain requirements; authorizing certain public schools to determine a certain breakfast delivery model and the time to serve breakfast, subject to a certain limitation; authorizing certain school districts to alter transportation schedules for a certain purpose; altering a certain condition under which a certain program is suspended; authorizing the Department of Education to waive participation in the Program on the request of certain public schools; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Breakfast After the Bell Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 7–703
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–705
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 757 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverage Taxes – Electronic Filing of Returns

FOR the purpose of requiring the Comptroller to develop and implement procedures for electronic filing of alcoholic beverage tax returns by a certain date; and generally relating to the filing of alcoholic beverage tax returns.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 5–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 758 – Senators Madaleno, Benson, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Manno, Pugh, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Food Stamp Program – Minimum Benefit – State Supplement

FOR the purpose of requiring the State to provide a certain supplement to a household that receives a federally funded benefit of less than a certain amount per month under the food stamp program; and generally relating to the food stamp program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 5–501
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 759 – Senator Madaleno (By Request – Tax Credit Evaluation Committee) and Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

Sustainable Communities Tax Credit – Alteration and Extension

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “qualified rehabilitation expenditure”, for purposes of the sustainable communities tax credit, to exclude certain amounts funded, financed, or reimbursed by federal grants; repealing a requirement that the competitive process for the award of initial credit certificates favor certain jurisdictions; requiring the Director of the Maryland Historical Trust to issue certain

tax credit certificates within a certain time period; extending the termination date of the tax credit; making nonsubstantive changes to a certain definition; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the sustainable communities tax credit.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 5A–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 760 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

**Municipalities – Municipal Elections – Regulations Governing Write-In
Candidates**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain municipalities to adopt regulations governing deadlines for the filing of declarations of candidacy and ethics forms by write-in candidates in municipal elections; prohibiting regulations adopted under a certain provision of law from setting deadlines that are less than a certain number of days before a municipal election; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to write-in candidates in municipal elections.

BY adding to
Article – Local Government
Section 4–108.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 761 – Senators Madaleno, Lee, Manno, 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; 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 certain contract producers have certain rights; prohibiting certain contractors from engaging in or allowing their employees or agents to engage in certain practices; establishing procedures for termination of, cancellation of, or failure to renew a production contract; establishing that a contract producer has a lien on certain livestock under certain circumstances; providing for enforcement of the lien; 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 24–901 to be under the new title “Title 24. Livestock
Production Contracts”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 762 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Potomac Compact for Fair Representation

FOR the purpose of establishing the Potomac Compact for Fair Representation; providing that a party state is not required to comply with the Compact under certain circumstances; establishing the Independent Congressional Districting Commission; providing for the composition and cochairs of the Commission; requiring each party state to designate a nonpartisan state agency to solicit certain applications; requiring a party state to establish a nonpartisan state agency under certain circumstances; establishing application and eligibility requirements for Commission membership; providing for the selection process for members of the Commission; specifying the term of a member of the Commission; requiring the Commission to consider the adoption of a certain congressional districting plan for a party state, draw and adopt a certain congressional districting plan for a party state before a

certain deadline, operate in a certain manner, and solicit public feedback; providing that a plan must meet certain criteria; providing that a plan may be adopted by the Commission only under certain circumstances; requiring the state legislature of a party state to vote whether to approve a certain plan before a certain deadline; prohibiting a party state from amending a certain plan; providing that a party state is not required to implement a certain plan until a certain condition is met; requiring that certain party states be divided into certain multiseat districts; providing that certain party states' Representatives in Congress be elected at large; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; making a conforming change; defining certain terms; making this Act subject to certain contingencies; and generally relating to the Potomac Compact for Fair Representation.

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 8–6A–01 through 8–6A–06 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6A. The Potomac Compact for Fair Representation”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 8–701

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 763 – Senator Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Manslaughter and Homicide by Vehicle or Vessel

FOR the purpose of altering certain penalties for the crimes of manslaughter by vehicle or vessel, homicide by vehicle or vessel while under the influence of alcohol or under the influence of alcohol per se, homicide by vehicle or vessel while impaired by alcohol, homicide by vehicle or vessel while impaired by drugs, and homicide by vehicle or vessel while impaired by a controlled dangerous substance; and generally relating to altering certain penalties for manslaughter by vehicle or vessel and certain crimes concerning homicide by vehicle or vessel.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 2–209, 2–503, 2–504, 2–505, and 2–506

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 764 – Senators Raskin and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Education – Student Journalists – Freedom of Speech and Freedom of the Press

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain student journalists to exercise freedom of speech and freedom of the press in school–sponsored media; making certain student journalists responsible for determining certain content of school–sponsored media; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; prohibiting a county board of education from exercising prior restraint, except under certain circumstances; specifying that the administration of a certain public school will have the burden of proving certain justification under certain circumstances; prohibiting the discipline of certain student journalists and certain media advisors under certain circumstances; requiring certain county boards and certain institutions of higher education to adopt certain policies; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the freedom of speech and the freedom of the press for student journalists in school–sponsored media.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–121 and 15–119

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 765 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Ferguson, Guzzone, Hough, King, Lee, Ready, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

CINA, Guardianship, Adoption, Custody, and Visitation – Blindness of Parent, Guardian, Custodian, or Party

FOR the purpose of establishing that, in making a disposition on a child in need of assistance (CINA) petition, the blindness of a child’s parent, guardian, or custodian is relevant only to the extent that the court finds, based on clear and convincing evidence in the record, that the blindness affects the ability of the parent, guardian, or custodian to give proper care and attention to the child and the child’s needs; granting certain blind individuals the opportunity to prove that certain supportive parenting services would prevent a certain finding, determination, denial, or withholding of consent in certain proceedings; authorizing the juvenile court to

require the provision of certain supportive parenting services and review the need for the continuation of the services within a reasonable period of time; requiring a court, a local department of social services, a guardian, or a child placement agency, in certain proceedings, to specifically state in writing the basis for a certain finding, denial, determination, or withholding of consent and the reason that the provision of certain supportive parenting services is not a reasonable accommodation to prevent the finding, denial, determination, or withholding of consent under certain circumstances; establishing that, in determining whether to grant custody and guardianship to a relative or a nonrelative, the blindness of the relative or nonrelative is relevant only to the extent that the court finds, based on clear and convincing evidence in the record, that the blindness affects the best interest of the child; requiring the Social Services Administration to adopt certain regulations; establishing that, in any custody or visitation proceeding, the blindness of a party is relevant only to the extent that the court finds, based on clear and convincing evidence in the record, that the blindness affects the best interest of the child; requiring, in a certain custody or visitation proceeding, the party alleging that the blindness of the other party affects the best interest of the child to bear a certain burden of proof; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the blindness of certain individuals in certain CINA, guardianship, adoption, custody, and visitation proceedings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3–819(b)(2) and 3–819.2(a) and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–338(b), 5–350, 5–3A–35(b), 5–3B–19, 5–525(a), (d), and (j), and
9–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 5–3A–35(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 766 – Senators Madaleno and Kagan

AN ACT concerning

Local Income Tax – Overpayments and Underpayments – Local Reserve Account Repayment

FOR the purpose of requiring the Comptroller, under certain circumstances, to pay a county or municipal corporation that receives a certain underpayment of local income tax revenue a certain amount from a certain account; requiring a county or municipal corporation that receives a certain overpayment of local income tax revenue to repay a certain account in a certain manner; requiring the Comptroller, under certain circumstances, to withhold certain amounts from a county or municipal corporation's quarterly local income tax distributions; requiring that a certain determination by the Comptroller be based on a full accounting of the income tax returns for a certain taxable year; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the distribution of certain local income tax revenue.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 2–611

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 767 – Senators Mathias and Rosapepe

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 beginning 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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 768 – Senators Peters, Hough, McFadden, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board

FOR the purpose of establishing the Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board; providing for the membership, duties, staffing, procedures, and reporting of the Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board; establishing the Performance Incentive Grant Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention 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 Local Government Justice Reinvestment Commission; providing for the membership, duties, staffing, procedures, and reporting of the Local Government Justice Reinvestment Commission; and generally relating to the Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 9–3201 through 9–3212 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 32. Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

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

Senate Bill 769 – Senator Bates

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Traffic Control Signal Monitoring Systems and Speed
Monitoring Systems – Continuous Audits**

FOR the purpose of requiring an agency primarily responsible for traffic control at an intersection monitored by a traffic control signal monitoring system to implement a certain system that monitors a traffic control signal monitoring system; requiring that a certain system that monitors a traffic control signal monitoring system be operated by a certain independent contractor; providing that the records of a certain system that monitors a traffic control signal monitoring system are the property of the agency primarily responsible for the traffic control signal monitoring system; requiring a local jurisdiction that authorizes a program for speed monitoring systems to implement a certain system to monitor a speed monitoring system; requiring that a certain system that monitors a speed monitoring system be operated by a certain independent contractor; providing that the records of a certain system that monitors a speed monitoring system are the property of the local jurisdiction that authorizes the speed monitoring system program; requiring that certain records be kept on file and admitted as evidence in certain proceedings; defining certain terms; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to systems that monitor traffic control signal monitoring systems and speed monitoring systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–202.1(a) and (b) and 21–809(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 770 – Senators Bates and Norman

AN ACT concerning

Education – Public High Schools – Agriculture Science

FOR the purpose of requiring each county board of education, beginning in a certain school year, to implement a certain agriculture science curriculum in a certain number of public high schools in each county or a certain number of career and technology education centers in each county; requiring that the agriculture science curriculum be selected from existing curricula developed by the State Department of Education or be developed by a county board and approved by the Department; and generally relating to the implementation of an agriculture science curriculum in each county.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 4–111.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 771 – The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)

AN ACT concerning

**Courts and Judicial Proceedings – Consumer Debt Collection Actions –
Restrictions**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a creditor or a debt collector from initiating or filing a certain consumer debt collection action under certain circumstances; specifying that a certain debt buyer or a certain collector has a certain burden in a certain consumer debt collection action; prohibiting a debt buyer or a certain collector from initiating a certain consumer debt collection action unless the debt buyer or the collector possesses certain documents; prohibiting a court from entering a judgment in favor of a debt buyer or a certain collector under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to consumer debt collection and consumer debt collection actions.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–1201 through 5–1203 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Consumer Debt Collection Actions”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 772 – The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)

AN ACT concerning

**Financial Institutions – Single–Party and Multiple–Party Accounts – Right to
Funds on Death of a Party**

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain funds in a certain account be transferred on the death of a party to the account to the deceased party’s estate; requiring that account agreements for certain accounts opened on or after a certain date contain certain provisions; requiring a certain depository institution, for certain accounts opened on or after a certain date, to give the account party or parties a certain form; requiring that certain materials be given to a party or parties before a certain depository institution establishes a certain type of account or modifies a certain account; requiring that certain materials be printed in a certain manner; authorizing a certain depository institution to use a certain form to determine a certain party’s selection of certain rights; establishing a certain form; making stylistic changes; and

generally relating to rights to funds on the death of a party to a single-party or multiple-party account.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Financial Institutions
Section 1–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 773 – The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)

AN ACT concerning

Consumer Protection – Debt Buyers and Collectors – Restrictions

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a debt buyer or a certain debt collector from collecting or attempting to collect an alleged debt under certain circumstances; prohibiting a debt buyer or a certain collector from filing a civil action or initiating an arbitration or certain legal proceeding under certain circumstances; prohibiting a debt buyer or a certain collector from collecting or attempting to collect certain attorney's fees or certain interest under certain circumstances; requiring a debt buyer or a certain collector to include in its first written communication with a debtor a certain notice; requiring a debt buyer or a certain collector to provide a debtor certain records under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain failure of a debtor from being considered a certain admission of liability; altering the damages for which a certain collector may be liable; defining certain terms; and generally relating to consumer debt collection and debt buyers and collectors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–201 through 14–204
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 774 – Senator Norman

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Autocycles – Standards and Requirements

FOR the purpose of establishing that an autocycle is considered to be a motorcycle for the purposes of the Maryland Vehicle Law; defining the term “autocycle”; establishing certain driver’s licensing requirements for an operator of an autocycle; prohibiting certain persons from towing certain vehicles when driving an autocycle; restricting the course of instruction for certain motorcycle safety courses to the use and operation of certain motorcycles; restricting the requirement that a person ride on a motorcycle in a certain manner to persons riding certain motorcycles; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration and the Department of State Police to adopt certain regulations establishing equipment standards for autocycles; making certain conforming changes; making a certain stylistic change; and generally relating to the application of the Maryland Vehicle Law to autocycles.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 11–103.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 11–136, 16–104.1, 16–601, 21–1302(d) and (e), 22–412, and 23–104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 775 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Recreational License Donation Program – Establishment

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to purchase and donate certain recreational hunting or fishing licenses and any corresponding stamps for certain purposes; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to issue a donated license or stamp only for use by a disabled veteran, a disabled member of the armed services, or a permanently disabled person who requires the use of a wheelchair; requiring a recipient of a donated license or stamp to have certain sponsorship; requiring a recipient of a donated hunting license to meet certain hunting safety requirements; limiting to a certain amount the number of eligible persons that may hunt under the authority of a donated license or stamp during one recreational license year; prohibiting the Department from charging a fee for the issuance of a donated license or stamp; authorizing the Department to issue a donated license or stamp to an eligible resident or nonresident of the State; requiring the Department to post under

certain circumstances certain information on its Web site on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department to implement the recreational license donation program at or before a certain time; establishing that certain funds are nonlapsing and not subject to reversion to the General Fund; and generally relating to the establishment of the recreational hunting and fishing license donation program.

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources
Section 1–405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 776 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Hotel Rental Tax and Sales and Use Tax – Limited Residential Lodging

FOR the purpose of imposing, under certain circumstances, the State sales and use tax on certain limited residential lodgings; imposing, under certain circumstances, a limited residential lodging tax on certain limited residential lodging transactions booked through a hosting platform; requiring certain hosting platforms to collect and remit the limited residential lodging tax; providing that revenue from the limited residential lodging tax is required to be distributed in the same manner as certain hotel rental tax revenue; requiring a hosting platform that offers certain lodgings to register with the Comptroller for the collection of certain taxes; requiring a hosting platform to give certain individuals a certain statement and collect certain taxes; requiring a person to pay certain taxes when a person pays a certain charge; requiring a hosting platform to hold certain taxes in trust; providing that an individual that enters into a certain agreement with a hosting platform may not be held liable for certain failures; requiring a hosting platform to complete, sign, and file certain tax returns on or before a certain day; requiring the Comptroller to provide the form and content of a certain tax return; providing record retention requirements for limited residential lodging operators; requiring the Comptroller to make certain distributions from the limited residential lodging tax revenue; requiring the Comptroller to provide a county or municipality with certain information; authorizing the Comptroller to impose a certain fee; imposing certain penalties, under certain circumstances, on a hosting platform; limiting the use of certain information; providing that only the Comptroller may conduct certain audits in a certain manner; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the taxation of certain limited residential lodging transactions.

BY adding to

Article – Local Government
Section 20–439 through 20–447 to be under the new part “Part III. Limited Residential Lodging Taxes”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 11–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 11–101(a–1) and (a–2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 3 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 11–101(c–1) and (c–2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 777 – Senators Astle and Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – Exemption From Covered Employment – Messenger Service Business

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “messenger service business” for purposes of a certain exemption from covered employment for certain unemployment benefits; specifying that commission includes certain payment arrangements for purposes of the exemption; and generally relating to messenger service businesses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–206(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 778 – Senators Astle, Benson, Hershey, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Natural Gas Infrastructure Expansion and Reinforcement

FOR the purpose of authorizing a gas company to defer certain costs for certain projects to extend certain natural gas transmission pipeline, distribution main pipeline, system reinforcement facilities, and associated facilities; specifying the circumstances under which a certain expansion project qualifies for deferral of certain costs; specifying the manner in which a gas company is required to account for certain costs; requiring the Public Service Commission to take certain action during a certain base rate proceeding; limiting the circumstances under which a certain asset may be subject to certain action by the Commission; requiring a gas company to submit certain information regarding a certain asset to the Commission; authorizing the Commission to review and evaluate a gas company's deferral accounting based on certain standards; limiting to a certain percentage increase the amount of certain costs that may be deferred and added to a certain asset, subject to a certain exception; requiring a gas company to submit a certain report to the Commission regarding the deferral of certain costs at a certain interval; authorizing a gas company to file a certain tariff schedule with the Commission that assumes that a certain percentage of customers will convert to natural gas service under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commission to authorize a gas company to assume that a higher percentage of certain customers will convert to natural gas service under certain circumstances; authorizing a gas company to file a tariff schedule with the Commission to recover a certain contribution and associated costs through a certain monthly charge on certain customer bills over certain periods of time; specifying the manner in which a certain contribution applies; requiring a certain customer to take certain action before certain natural gas service is provided; specifying that the Commission may take certain actions relating to a certain contribution amount or collection period under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to natural gas.

BY adding to

Article – Public Utilities

Section 4–211, 4–212, and 4–213

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 779 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Land Use – Proposed Development Project – Transit and Traffic Adequacy
Studies**

FOR the purpose of requiring a local jurisdiction to require that a certain transit adequacy study be prepared for a certain proposed development project if the local jurisdiction also requires that a traffic adequacy study be prepared for the proposed development project; and generally relating to proposed development projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Land Use
Section 1–401(b)(14) and (c) and 10–103(b)(15)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Land Use
Section 7–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 780 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George’s County – School Facilities Surcharge – Student Housing
Exemptions**

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FOR the purpose of altering the areas within which multifamily housing designated as student housing is exempt from the Prince George’s County school facilities surcharge; establishing an exemption from the school facilities surcharge for certain multifamily housing designated as graduate student housing by the City of College Park; and generally relating to exemptions from the school facilities surcharge in Prince George’s County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Prince George’s County
Section 10–192.01(b)(4)
Article 17 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(2011 Edition, as amended)
(As enacted by Chapter 254 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002, Chapter
166 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, Chapter 108 of the Acts of

the General Assembly of 2008, and Chapter 637 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2014)

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

Senate Bill 781 – Senators Rosapepe, Bates, Conway, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Peters, Ramirez, Raskin, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh

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 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 782 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Hollywood Streetscape

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 Mayor and City Council of the City of College Park 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 783 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education – Adult Correctional Institutions – Credit-Bearing Courses
(Raising Education Attainment)**

FOR the purpose of making a certain exception for certain programs that have been approved by the Maryland Higher Education Commission and that are subsequently approved by the Correctional Education Council from certain additional review by the Commission and certain governing boards of public institutions of higher education; requiring the Council to adopt regulations for certain correctional institutions in the Division of Correction for the implementation of certain education programs for inmates and for certain access to the Internet; requiring the Division to report to the Parole Commission on the academic progress of an inmate in certain programs; and generally relating to higher education programs for individuals in adult correctional institutions in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–206(a) and 11–206.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 11–206(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–902
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 784 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Insurance – Personal Injury Protection – Optional Coverage

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers to offer, instead of provide, certain motor vehicle liability insurance coverage for certain medical, hospital, and disability benefits; authorizing a certain first named insured to exclude from certain coverage benefits for certain individuals; providing that an exclusion from certain benefits constitutes an exclusion from all benefits described in certain provisions of law; authorizing certain individuals to recover certain benefits under certain circumstances; requiring an insurer to provide a certain notice to a certain first named insured; prohibiting an insurer from refusing to underwrite a certain person under certain circumstances; providing that an insurer is subject to certain penalties for a certain violation; repealing a requirement that a certain first named insured make a waiver of certain benefits under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions of law relating to a certain waiver, including what the waiver constitutes, who is bound by the waiver, who may recover benefits if there is a waiver, when the waiver is effective, and how the waiver is made; repealing a requirement that a certain security provide certain personal injury protection benefits under certain circumstances; and generally relating to optional personal injury protection coverage under policies of motor vehicle liability insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–505
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Insurance
Section 19–506
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 17–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 785 – Senators Zucker and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Foster Youth Summer Internship Program

FOR the purpose of recodifying and making permanent the Foster Youth Summer Internship Pilot Program; altering the name of the program to be the Foster Youth Summer Internship Program; transferring certain responsibilities relating to the Program to the Secretary of Human Services; requiring the Secretary of Human Resources, in consultation with the Secretary of Budget and Management, to issue a certain report to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; specifying the contents of the report; defining certain terms; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to internship opportunities for certain foster youth.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 3–207

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Chapter 317 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013

Section 2

BY adding to

Article – Human Services

Section 4–304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Senate Bill 786 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Education – Assessments – Best Practices in the Administration of Assessments

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education to develop a certain set of best practices that the Department and certain local school systems must consider under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to ensure that certain best practices include certain principles; requiring the Department and each local school system to conduct a certain audit of certain assessments; encouraging the Department and certain local school systems to apply for certain federal funds to conduct certain audits; and generally relating to best practices for the administration of assessments in public schools.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–208
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 787 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Education – Federal Innovative Assessments Pilot Program – Application

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education to apply to the United States Department of Education to participate in a certain federal pilot program; and generally relating to the federal innovative assessments pilot program.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 788 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Pub Crawl Promoter’s Permits

FOR the purpose of creating a pub crawl promoter’s permit in Baltimore City; authorizing the Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners to issue a pub crawl promoter’s permit to a certain applicant who has submitted an application to the Board of License Commissioners no less than a certain number of days before a certain date; requiring an applicant to obtain a certain special event permit and provide a copy of the special event permit to the Board of License Commissioners before being issued the pub crawl promoter’s permit; requiring certain license holders to sign and date a certain application and pay a certain fee; specifying that the permit authorizes the holder to conduct a pub crawl; requiring a pub crawl to be held on certain premises; specifying the duration of a permit; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to adopt certain regulations; specifying a certain application fee and permit fee; establishing a certain penalty; and generally relating to pub crawl promoter’s permits in Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 12–1101.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ___ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 12–2801

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 12–2802

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 789 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Baltimore Regional Education and Training Center

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 Southeast 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; 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 790 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Baltimore Museum of Industry

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 Trustees of the Baltimore Museum of Industry, 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 791 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Health Care for the Homeless Dental Clinic

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$17,500, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Health Care for the Homeless, 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 792 – Senator Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Leadenhall Community Outreach Center

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 Trustees of Leadenhall Baptist 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 793 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Data Collection and Use – Pregnancy Rates

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations to implement a system for the collection of certain data regarding abortions performed in the State and the use of certain data for certain purposes; requiring that the regulations include provisions that protect the confidentiality of certain patients; requiring that the regulations be adopted on or before a certain

date; and generally relating to data collection and use by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 2–104(p)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 794 – Senators Jennings, Kagan, Klausmeier, Waugh, Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Education – Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Assessments – Administration

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain statewide kindergarten assessment to be limited to a random sample of certain kindergarten students from within certain local school systems in the State; authorizing a certain kindergarten assessment to evaluate certain skills; prohibiting certain standardized tests from being administered to certain prekindergarten students; requiring the State Department of Education to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the administration of prekindergarten and kindergarten assessments.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 7–208
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 795 – Senators Jennings, Cassilly, and Norman

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Movie Theater License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class MT (movie theater) license in Harford County; authorizing the Harford County Board of License Commissioners to issue the license to an owner of a movie theater; specifying that the license entitles the holder to sell beer and wine for on–premises consumption; specifying the hours and days of sale; specifying a certain annual license fee; and generally relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages in Harford County.

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 22–1005.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 796 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – St. Francis Neighborhood Center

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 St. Francis Neighborhood Center 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 797 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Housing and Community Development – Shelter and Transitional Housing Facilities Grant Program – Mandated Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring, beginning in a certain fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor to include a certain amount of money in the annual budget bill for the Shelter and Transitional Housing Facilities Grant Program within the Department of Housing and Community Development; and generally relating to funding for shelters and transitional housing facilities.

BY adding to

Article – Housing and Community Development

Section 4–216

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 798 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Lexington Market

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 Lexington Market, 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 799 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Life Insurance Policies and Annuity Contracts – Exemption From State Insurance Laws

FOR the purpose of exempting individual life insurance policies and individual annuity contracts delivered or issued for delivery in the State from the insurance laws of the State under certain circumstances; and generally relating to life insurance policies and annuity contracts.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 1–202.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 800 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Commission to Study the Disproportionate Justice Impact on Minorities

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission to Study the Disproportionate Justice Impact on Minorities; 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 identify, study, report on, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Commission to hold a certain number of public hearings within a certain period of time; 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 to Study the Disproportionate Justice Impact on Minorities.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 801 – Senators Pugh, Conway, and McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Fairness and Integrity for Baltimore City Renters Act

FOR the purpose of repealing and adding certain provisions in the Public Local Laws of Baltimore City concerning landlord and tenant law and the repossession of premises; requiring a landlord to maintain certain records for payments of rent and other charges; establishing certain procedures for repossession by a landlord when a tenant fails to pay rent when due; specifying the contents of a certain notice of default and a complaint for summary ejectment; requiring a sheriff to serve a certain summons in a certain manner; specifying certain procedures for summary ejectment when a tenant is deceased; specifying certain procedures for the court in an action for rent due and summary ejectment; specifying certain procedures for removal of a tenant; specifying a tenant's right to redeem before eviction; specifying certain procedures for an appeal by a landlord or tenant; establishing a certain tenant legal assistance special fund and a certain surcharge on the filing of an eviction complaint; providing for the granting of money from a certain fund to certain organizations; repealing certain provisions concerning summary ejectment when a tenant is deceased; altering certain provisions concerning the payment of rent escrow and a certain implied warranty of fitness in a tenancy; defining a certain term; and generally relating to landlord and tenant law in Baltimore City.

BY repealing

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 9–1 through 9–7
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 9–1 through 9–3
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 9–8
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)
(As enacted by Chapter 624 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 9–9(d) and 9–14.2(a)(4)
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

BY renumbering
The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 9–9, 9–9A, and 9–10 through 9–14.2, respectively
to be Section 9–5 through 9–13, respectively
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 802 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Examine Incentives and Funding Sources for Food Deserts

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Examine Incentives and Funding Sources for Food Deserts; 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 duties of the Task Force; 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 Examine Incentives and Funding Sources for Food Deserts.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 803 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – James Mosher Baseball League Field Enhancement

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$45,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The James Mosher Associates, 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 804 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Occupational Licensing of Ex–Offenders – Transfer of Statutory Provisions

FOR the purpose of transferring from the Criminal Procedure Article to the State Government Article provisions of law prohibiting the denial by certain departments of State government of an occupational license to an ex–offender solely on a certain basis unless a certain determination, based on certain factors, is made.

BY transferring

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 1–209

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

to be

Article – State Government

Section 8–506

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 8–506

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 805 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund – Funding and Distribution

FOR the purpose of increasing the amount of funding required to be included in the annual State budget for the Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund; altering the distribution of the Fund; requiring a certain percentage of the Fund to be distributed based on each county's share of the senior citizen population; requiring a certain percentage of the Fund to be distributed based on each county's share of the population of senior citizens with income below a certain percentage of the federal poverty level; and generally relating to the Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 10–516
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 806 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Physicians – Naturopathic Doctors – Establishment of Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council and Naturopathic Formulary

FOR the purpose of establishing a Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council within the State Board of Physicians; providing for the membership, terms, compensation, chair, and staff the Council; requiring the Council to develop and recommend to the Board a certain formulary, provide certain reviews of the formulary adopted by the Board, and make certain recommendations to the Board; requiring the Board to adopt a certain formulary; authorizing the Board to modify or reject any recommendation of the Council regarding the formulary; requiring a certain formulary to include certain nonprescription drugs and devices and certain prescription drugs and contraceptives; prohibiting a certain formulary from including certain prescription drugs and devices and controlled substances; providing that a license authorizes a licensed naturopathic doctor to dispense, order, or administer certain natural medicines and nonprescription drugs listed in a certain formulary; altering the routes of administration for certain natural medicines and nonprescription drugs that a license authorizes a licensee to use; excluding prescription drugs and devices included in the formulary from the prohibition against a licensed naturopathic doctor prescribing, dispensing, or administering prescription drugs and devices; providing that a license does not authorize a licensed naturopathic doctor to prescribe, dispense, or administer certain drugs or devices for cosmetic purposes; and generally relating to the establishment of the Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council and naturopathic formulary.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–5F–01 and 14–5F–14
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–5F–04.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 807 – Senator Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – Ethics and Procurement Requirements

FOR the purpose of providing that a system of higher education may, in accordance with certain guidelines, allow educational institutions in the system to enter into certain lease agreements and receive lease payments from certain business entities engaged in research and development activity with faculty and staff at the institution; requiring that certain procedures concerning research and development developed by educational institutions allow faculty or staff at the institution to have an interest in, be employed by, or have a relationship with certain entities; requiring that certain policies and procedures adopted by educational institutions include reasonable accommodation for faculty and staff at the institution to engage in certain classified and proprietary consultation or research; requiring that, with regard to certain faculty or staff of an educational institution claiming an exemption from certain conflicts of interest for certain intellectual property, the intellectual property may be deemed the property of the entity for which the exemption is claimed; authorizing the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland or the president of an educational institution to grant a certain exemption; and generally relating to higher education ethics and procurement requirements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 19–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 5–525

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 808 – Senators Madaleno, Currie, 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 809 – Senators Madaleno, Feldman, King, Lee, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Renewable Energy Property

FOR the purpose of allowing certain individuals or corporations a credit against the State income tax for a certain percentage of the cost of certain renewable energy property constructed or purchased and placed in service in the State; limiting the amount of the credit for each installation of renewable energy property; limiting the aggregate amount of tax credit certificates that may be issued during a certain period; requiring

the credit to be claimed in certain taxable years in a certain manner; authorizing an individual or a corporation to carry over to certain taxable years any excess credit; requiring an individual or a corporation to file an application for a tax credit certificate with the Maryland Energy Administration before placing renewable energy property in service to claim the credit; requiring the application to include certain information; requiring an individual or a corporation claiming the credit to maintain and make available certain records; requiring the Administration to issue tax credit certificates on a first-come, first-served basis; requiring an individual or a corporation that receives a tax credit certificate to place renewable energy property in service within a certain period of time; specifying procedures if an individual or a corporation that receives a tax credit certificate does not place renewable energy property in service within a specified period of time; prohibiting the Administration from issuing a tax credit certificate before a certain date or after a certain date; authorizing the tax credit to be transferred; specifying procedures that apply when the tax credit is transferred; authorizing the tax credit to be allocated among partners, members, or shareholders of certain business entities; authorizing the lessor and the lessee of renewable energy property to elect to treat a lease of renewable energy property as a sale of the property to the lessee for tax purposes; specifying procedures that apply when a lease of renewable energy property is treated as a sale of the property to the lessee for tax purposes; requiring the recapture of the tax credit under certain circumstances; authorizing the Administration to adopt regulations to implement the tax credit; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for renewable energy property.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10-737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 810 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Marlow Heights Police Department – Establishment

FOR the purpose of establishing the Marlow Heights Police Department; specifying the purpose, powers, and duties of the Department; specifying that the Department is not an agency of Prince George's County; specifying that certain persons associated with the Department are not associated with Prince George's County; establishing that there is a chief of police within the Department; establishing the requirements for and duties of the chief of police; providing that the chief of police serves at the pleasure of a certain entity; specifying that the State and Prince George's County are not relieved from a duty to provide certain services; providing that a member of the

Department has all the powers granted to a certain peace officer and police officer; requiring that the Maryland Police Training Commission and a certain entity adopt rules governing the operation and conduct of the Department; authorizing the Department to apply for, accept, and spend certain funds; including the members of the Department in the defined term “law enforcement officer” in connection with provisions of law relating to certain powers of certain law enforcement officers; and generally relating to the establishment of the Marlow Heights Police Department.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 2–101(c)(25) and (26)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 2–101(c)(27)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18–213(a)(5)(xi) and (xii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 18–213(a)(5)(xiii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Local Government
Section 9–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–101(e)(1)(i) and 3–201(e)(1)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 3–101(e)(1)(ii)25. and 26. and 3–201(e)(1)(ii)21. and 22.

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–101(e)(1)(ii)27. and 3–201(e)(1)(ii)23.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 811 – Senator Benson

AN ACT concerning

Electric Companies – Installation of Solar Electric Generating Facility – Completion of Interconnection

FOR the purpose of requiring an electric company to complete interconnection of a customer–generator’s solar electric generating facility with the electric company’s distribution facilities by providing acceptance and final approval to operate within a certain period after completion of a certain installation process; specifying that the installation process includes an approved interconnection application, completion of the installation of the solar electric generating facility, and completion of all necessary paperwork and documentation; and generally relating to interconnection of a customer–generator’s solar electric generating facility.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–306.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 812 – Senator Hough

AN ACT concerning

Sediment Control – Violations – Enforcement

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person aggrieved by a certain final decision of the Department of the Environment to seek judicial review; requiring the Department to deliver a certain number of warning notices and provide an opportunity for corrective action before imposing a certain penalty on a person accused of a certain violation; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to violations of State sediment control laws.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 4–115 and 4–116
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 813 – Senator Hough

AN ACT concerning

Child Custody and Visitation – Deployed Parents

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a court in any child custody or visitation proceeding from considering, in and of itself, a parent’s past deployment or possible future deployment in determining the best interest of a child except under certain circumstances; authorizing a party or witness who is subject to deployment to provide testimony and present evidence by electronic means or by telephone under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to grant caretaking or decision-making authority to a certain nonparent under certain circumstances; specifying that the grant of caretaking authority is limited to a certain amount of time except under certain circumstances; requiring the court to specify certain decision-making authority granted to a nonparent; authorizing the parents of a child to enter into a temporary custody agreement during deployment; specifying certain requirements for the agreement; establishing that the omission of certain items from the agreement does not invalidate the agreement; establishing that the agreement terminates after the deploying parent returns from deployment; establishing that the agreement does not create certain independent, continuing rights for certain individuals; establishing that a certain nonparent has standing to enforce the agreement until a certain time; authorizing the parents to modify the agreement by mutual consent; specifying certain requirements for a modification of the agreement; requiring the agreement to be filed within a reasonable time with a certain court; requiring that the case number and heading of any pending case concerning child custody or child support be provided to the court with the agreement; authorizing a court to issue a custody order under this Act under certain circumstances; specifying that the residence of the deploying parent is not changed by reason of the deployment for certain purposes under certain circumstances; specifying that this Act does not prevent a court from exercising temporary emergency jurisdiction under certain other provisions of law; making certain clarifying and conforming changes; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to child custody and visitation and deployed parents.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Family Law

Section 9–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 814 – Senator Pinsky

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Pyramid Atlantic Art 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 Pyramid Atlantic, 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 815 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Residential Real Property – Sales Contracts – Notice of Water and Sewer Charges

FOR the purpose of making clarifying changes to a certain notice requirement about water and sewer charges in a contract for the initial sale of residential real property; requiring a contract for the resale of residential real property that is served by public water or wastewater facilities for which deferred water and sewer charges have been established by a recorded covenant or declaration to contain a certain notice concerning the deferred water and sewer charges; providing that a purchaser is entitled to certain rights for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to notices of water and sewer charges in contracts for the sale of residential real property.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 14–117(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 816 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

**Real Property – Condominiums and Homeowners Associations – Resales –
Disclosures and Fees**

FOR the purpose of altering the contents of a certain certificate that a unit owner is required to furnish to a purchaser on resale of a condominium unit under certain circumstances; specifying a certain maximum fee that a council of unit owners may charge for furnishing a certificate to a unit owner under certain circumstances; authorizing a council of unit owners to charge certain maximum fees for the inspection of a unit and delivery of a certificate under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to adjust in a certain manner the maximum fee that a council of unit owners may charge for furnishing a certificate to a unit owner under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to maintain on its Web site a list of certain maximum fees that may be charged by a council of unit owners or homeowners association; requiring a homeowners association to provide certain information to a lot owner on resale of a lot within a certain time period after receipt of a written request and a certain fee; authorizing a homeowners association to charge certain fees for the delivery of information under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to adjust in a certain manner the maximum fee that a homeowners association may charge for furnishing information to a lot owner under certain circumstances; and generally relating to resales in condominiums and homeowners associations.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 11–135(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Real Property

Section 11–135(a) and (c) and 11B–106

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 817 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Tabernacle Church of
Laurel Gymnasium**

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 Tabernacle of Laurel, 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 818 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Individuals With Disabilities – Hiring Preferences

FOR the purpose of requiring an appointing authority to apply a certain credit on a selection test for certain positions in the State Personnel Management System for an individual with a certain disability; requiring certain appointing authorities for certain positions in the Judicial, Legislative, and Executive branches of State government to develop a hiring preference for an individual with a certain disability that is equivalent to a certain credit applied on a certain selection test; repealing a requirement that a certain appointing authority apply a certain credit on a selection test for an eligible veteran with a service connected disability; and generally relating to hiring preferences for individuals with disabilities.

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 2–310 and 7–207(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 7–207(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 7–207(c)(2)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 819 – Senators Peters, Currie, Feldman, Guzzone, King, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Independent Living Tax Credit Act

FOR the purpose of allowing an individual or a corporation a credit against the State income tax for certain renovation or construction costs incurred during the taxable year; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer the tax credit; providing that the credit may not exceed a certain amount; providing that the credit may not be carried forward to another taxable year; requiring an individual or a corporation to file a certain application before a certain date and to file an amended return; providing for the maximum amount of tax credits that may be issued by the Department each year; requiring the Department to certify certain credits in a certain manner by a certain date; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for certain expenditures that provide accessibility and visibility features to or within a home.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.**Senate Bill 820 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Disability Retirement – Alterations

FOR the purpose of altering the process and benefits for disability retirement in the State Retirement and Pension System; renaming an ordinary disability to be a non–line–of–duty disability and making conforming changes; renaming an accidental disability and a special disability to be a line–of–duty disability and making conforming changes; altering the time period during which an application for a non–line–of–duty disability retirement must be submitted; altering the calculation for a non–line–of–duty disability retirement allowance for certain members who file an application for a disability retirement on or after a certain date; authorizing the Executive Director of the State Retirement Agency to require certain retirees receiving a disability retirement allowance to undergo a medical examination by a certain physician under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to suspend a disability retirement allowance under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of Trustees to stop payment and revoke a disability retirement allowance if a retiree

refuses a medical examination under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain retiree whose disability retirement allowance is suspended to receive a vested allowance under certain circumstances; authorizing certain individuals whose disability retirement allowance is suspended to receive certain creditable service and eligibility service under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of Trustees to adopt certain regulations; repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to the granting of a disability retirement allowance to certain members who transferred between certain retirement and pension systems; altering the definition of small procurement for certain expenses and services relating to the State Retirement Agency; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to correct cross-references and terminology in the Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act; providing for the prospective application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to alterations in the provisions of law for disability retirement in the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 2–410(c)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 13–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 9–704(b), 22–209(b), 22–219, 22–220, 22–221(c)(4) and (5), 22–404(b),
23–218, 23–222, 23–226, 23–304.1, 24–304.1, 24–401.1(g)(6) and (k),
25–304.1, 26–210, 26–306.1, 26–401.1(g)(5) and (k), 29–104 through 29–111,
29–113, 29–114, 29–116 through 29–118, 29–203(a), and 38–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 22–221(a)(1) and (c)(1), 22–404(c), 24–401.1(b), 26–401.1(b), and 29–115
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 29–115.1
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 821 – Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

Participating Governmental Units – Amortization Schedule

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of the accrued liability contributions required to be paid by a participating governmental unit on account of members of the Employees' Retirement System and Employees' Pension System who are employees of a participating governmental unit; clarifying the application of a certain amortization period to certain changes; and generally relating to the funding of the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–305.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 822 – Senators Norman and Astle

AN ACT concerning

Privileged Communications – Critical Incident Stress Management Services

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a critical incident stress management team member from disclosing certain communications or information acquired from a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, or an emergency responder in the course of providing critical incident stress management services; prohibiting a critical incident stress management team member from being compelled to testify in certain proceedings or investigations; prohibiting an individual who participates in or is present during the provision of critical incident stress management services from disclosing certain communications; prohibiting an individual who participates in or is present during the provision of critical incident stress management services or peer support services from being compelled to testify in certain proceedings or investigations; establishing certain exceptions; defining certain terms; and generally relating to privileged communications acquired during the course of providing critical incident stress management services.

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 9–125
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 823 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program
– Extension**

FOR the purpose of altering the date by which the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program is required to submit certain findings and recommendations; extending the termination date of the Task Force; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 411 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1(g) and 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 824 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Real Estate Licensees – Verification of Service Provider Licensing Status

FOR the purpose of providing that a licensee of the State Real Estate Commission need not verify that a certain service provider is licensed by the State under certain circumstances, notwithstanding any other provision of law and with a certain exception; requiring a licensee of the Commission to verify that a home improvement contractor is licensed by the Maryland Home Improvement Commission at a certain time under certain circumstances; requiring the licensee to give a client certain information for a certain purpose under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to verification of licensing status of service providers by licensees of the State Real Estate Commission.

BY adding to
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–527.4
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 825 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Dental Hygienists – Administration of Nitrous Oxide

FOR the purpose of authorizing, subject to certain requirements, dental hygienists to administer nitrous oxide to certain patients; altering a certain definition; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to the administration of nitrous oxide by dental hygienists.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 4–101(k)(9), 4–205(a)(1)(ix), and 4–206.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 826 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Construction Contracts – Change Orders
(State Procurement Change Order Fairness Act)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a unit from requiring a prime contractor, and a prime contractor from requiring a subcontractor, to begin work under a contract until the procurement officer for the unit issues a certain change order; providing, under certain circumstances, that nothing in a certain provision of this Act prohibits a procurement officer from issuing a certain order, authorizes a prime contractor to refuse to perform certain work or furnish certain labor and materials, or prejudices or impairs the right of a prime contractor to submit a certain claim or dispute to a procurement officer; requiring, under certain circumstances, a unit to pay an invoice for work performed and accepted under a change order within a certain time period and in accordance with a certain provision of law; requiring a prime contractor to

provide, within a certain time period, a subcontractor with a copy of a certain change order and a certain amount to be paid to the subcontractor; requiring the Board of Public Works to propose certain regulations before a certain date; requiring each unit to issue certain guidelines on or before a certain date; requiring that certain guidelines be updated and reissued under certain circumstances; providing that certain provisions of this Act have effect only to the extent that the provisions do not conflict with federal law; applying certain provisions of this Act to certain procurements and units of State government that are generally excluded from State procurement law; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; requiring the Secretary of General Services to convene a certain workgroup to develop recommendations that address certain issues; requiring the workgroup to include representatives from certain entities and to coordinate its activities with a certain commission for a certain purpose; requiring the workgroup to report its recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing that a certain catchline is not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as part of this Act; providing for the effective dates of this Act; and generally relating to change orders for State procurement contracts for construction.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203(a) and (e)(1), (2), and (5)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203(b)(1) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 15–112
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 827 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Restoration Gardens 2

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 Empire Homes 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 Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 828 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

**Real Estate Brokers – Agency Relationships in Residential Real Estate
Transactions – Disclosure and Consent Requirements**

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for a certain disclosure that a licensee of the State Real Estate Commission must make under certain circumstances; establishing a certain exception to a certain disclosure requirement; establishing a certain exception to the time when a certain disclosure must occur; requiring the Commission to prepare and provide a certain required notice; requiring a subagent to make a certain required disclosure under certain circumstances; requiring a seller's agent to make a certain required disclosure under certain circumstances; requiring a buyer's agent to make a certain required disclosure under certain circumstances; altering the contents of a certain required disclosure; altering a certain exception to a certain prohibition on certain licensees acting as a dual agent; altering a certain prohibition on an intra-company agent disclosing certain confidential information; requiring a certain intra-company agent to provide certain services to a client under certain circumstances; prohibiting a dual agent from also acting as an intra-company agent under certain circumstances; prohibiting an intra-company agent from also acting as a dual agent under certain circumstances; altering the contents of a certain consent for dual agency; altering who may withdraw from representing a certain client under certain circumstances and the effect of the withdrawal; requiring certain licensees to use a certain standard disclosure form under certain circumstances; requiring a certain licensee or branch office manager to use a certain standard consent form under certain circumstances; repealing certain provisions of law regarding a presumed buyer's or lessee's agency relationship; altering certain definitions; repealing a certain definition; making stylistic and conforming changes; and generally relating to agency relationships of licensees of the State Real Estate Commission in residential real estate transactions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 17–528 and 17–530
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 17–533

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 829 – Senator Conway (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Civilian Review Board

FOR the purpose of altering certain procedures for filing a complaint with the Baltimore City Civilian Review Board; repealing certain time limits on filing a complaint; authorizing the Board to review an incomplete complaint; authorizing a complainant to request that a complaint be confidential until the Board makes a certain finding; providing for certain procedures for certain confidential complaints; altering a certain authority of the Board to issue certain subpoenas; repealing certain references to the Secretary of the Board; making certain stylistic changes; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Civilian Review Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City

Section 16–41

Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

(As enacted by Chapter 499 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006, as amended by Chapter 130 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City

Section 16–42(a)

Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

(As enacted by Chapter 499 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City

Section 16–43(b) and 16–44(c) through (e)

Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

BY repealing

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 16–44(b)
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 16–45
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City
Section 16–46
Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)
(As enacted by Chapter 499 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 830 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Cosmetologists – Limited License – Hair Services – Blow Drying

FOR the purpose of establishing a limited license to provide hair services – blow drying; requiring the State Board of Cosmetologists to establish by regulation certain curriculum standards for providing hair services – blow drying for use by certain entities for a certain purpose; establishing qualifications for a limited license to provide hair services – blow drying; providing that a certain limited license authorizes the licensee to provide only certain services; authorizing the establishment of a limited practice beauty salon for providing hair services – blow drying; prohibiting a person from providing hair services – blow drying in certain places subject to certain exceptions; defining certain terms; altering the definitions of certain terms; and generally relating to a limited license to provide hair services – blow drying.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 5–101, 5–205(c), 5–301, 5–305, 5–310, 5–501, and 5–605
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 831 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Plumbing – State Plumbing Code – Adoption and Enforcement

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Plumbing to adopt the National Standard Plumbing Code as the State Plumbing Code; providing that the Board may adopt certain standards of a certain nationally recognized testing organization; requiring a county or municipality to enforce the State Plumbing Code and authorizing a county or municipality to adopt and enforce amendments to the State Plumbing Code that meet certain requirements; requiring certain amendments adopted by a county or municipality to be subject to approval by the Board for a certain purpose; repealing certain provisions of law that authorize a county to adopt and enforce a local plumbing code; repealing a provision of law that authorizes the Board to make a certain cooperative agreement with a county for a certain purpose; requiring certain persons who provide or assist in the provision of plumbing services and the installation of certain fixtures or other devices to meet the standards for approval set out in certain local amendments to the State Plumbing Code as well as the State Plumbing Code; providing for the suspension of the enforcement of certain provisions of law under certain circumstances; and generally relating the adoption and enforcement of the State Plumbing Code.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 12–205, 12–206, 12–502, 12–605, and 12–606
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 832 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Education – Grounds for Discipline

FOR the purpose of altering certain procedures for suspending or dismissing certain public school personnel; authorizing certain school personnel to request arbitration under certain circumstances; specifying the procedures for arbitration; providing that an arbitrator's award is final and binding on the parties, subject to review by a circuit court; and generally relating to procedures for suspending or dismissing certain public school personnel.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 6–202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 833 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Civil Right to Counsel – Pilot Program – Domestic Violence

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to include in the budget bill for each fiscal year a certain appropriation to fund a pilot program in certain counties to provide legal representation to certain parties in certain protective order proceedings; requiring a certain amount to be allocated to certain programs; establishing that money appropriated under this Act for the pilot programs 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 annually; and generally relating to providing legal representation for certain parties in certain civil matters.

BY adding to

Article – Family Law
Section 4–512.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 13–103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 834 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Energy Storage Systems

FOR the purpose of allowing a credit against the State income tax for certain costs of certain energy storage systems; providing that the credit may not exceed a certain amount;

providing that the credit may not be carried forward to another taxable year; requiring a taxpayer claiming the credit to attach certain proof to the taxpayer's return; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax credit for certain energy storage systems.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–719

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 835 – Senator Guzzone

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Motor Vehicle Modifications for Permanently Wheelchair Dependent Individuals – Coverage

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide certain coverage one time for adaptive equipment for or other modifications to the motor vehicle of a permanently wheelchair dependent individual under certain circumstances; providing that the required coverage may be subject to certain deductibles or coinsurance requirements; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to coverage for modifications to the motor vehicles of permanently wheelchair dependent individuals under health insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 15–850

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 836 – Senators McFadden and Ferguson

AN ACT concerning

Housing and Community Development – Community Development Program Act

FOR the purpose of establishing the Community Development Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development; requiring the Department to perform certain duties; establishing the Community Development Board in the Department; providing for the membership and chair of the Board; requiring the Board to perform

certain duties; establishing the Community Development 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; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; providing for the imposition of the community development transfer tax under certain circumstances; establishing the rate of the community development transfer tax; providing for the consideration payable for the community development transfer tax; providing for the application of the community development transfer tax to certain corporate transfers; providing for the payment of the community development transfer tax; providing for the distribution of revenue from the community development transfer tax; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Community Development Program Act.

BY adding to

Article – Housing and Community Development

Section 6–501 through 6–509 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Community Development Program Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 13–601 through 13–608 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Community Development Transfer Tax”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 837 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

Crabs – Harvest Times – Trotlines and Crab Pots

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to adopt regulations that provide the option to a tidal fish licensee authorized to catch crabs using trotlines and crab pots to work certain hours during a certain time period; requiring a licensee who chooses a certain hours–of–work option to notify the Department of that choice by a certain date; prohibiting a licensee who chooses a certain hours–of–work option from changing that option until the following license year; requiring a licensee who chooses a certain hours–of–work option to affix a certain display on the licensee’s vessel signifying the choice of that option; and generally relating to harvest times for crabs using trotlines and crab pots.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–803
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 838 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Western Piedmont Trail

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 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 839 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Rate Filings – Trade Secrets

FOR the purpose of establishing the confidentiality of certain information that an insurer files with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner and identifies as proprietary rate–related information; authorizing the Commissioner to make a certain determination concerning certain material and to make the material available to the public under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to give an insurer certain notice of a certain determination at a certain time; authorizing the Commissioner to disclose certain information for certain purposes or to certain persons in a certain manner; requiring the Commissioner to give an insurer certain notice at a certain time before disclosing certain information under certain circumstances; authorizing an insurer to seek to have a certain disclosure made in a certain manner; providing that certain disclosures do not waive a certain privilege or claim of confidentiality of certain information; defining a certain term; and generally relating to insurance rate filings and confidentiality.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 11–307

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 840 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Earned Income Tax Credit – Refundability

FOR the purpose of altering the percentage of the federal earned income credit used for determining the amount that certain individuals may claim as a refund under the Maryland earned income credit under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the earned income 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 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–704(b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 841 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax – Pass-Through Entities – Exemption

FOR the purpose of allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for up to a certain amount of nonpassive income attributable to certain pass-through entities; providing that the subtraction modification applies only to the nonpassive income of a member of a pass-through entity if certain conditions are met; providing that certain individuals and married couples with federal adjusted gross income in excess of certain amounts are not eligible for the subtraction modification; requiring the Comptroller to submit a certain report in certain years to the Governor and the General Assembly; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating

to an income tax subtraction modification for certain income of certain pass-through entities.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–105.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 842 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Corporate Income Tax – Single Sales Factor Apportionment

FOR the purpose of altering the formula used to apportion certain income to the State for corporations that carry on a trade or business in and out of the State; repealing obsolete provisions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the apportionment formula under the Maryland income tax for corporations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 843 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Tax Credits – Evaluations and Sunset Provisions

FOR the purpose of expanding the State tax credits subject to legislative review and evaluation under the Tax Credit Evaluation Act; altering the time period for the continuation and reevaluation of certain tax credits designated for evaluation; terminating the biotechnology investment tax credit, new job creating businesses tax credit, and certain tax credits available under the Enterprise Zone Program, the Regional Institution Strategic Enterprise Zone Program, and the One Maryland Program; making conforming changes; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain procedures and protocols and make, under certain circumstances, a certain request; providing for the delayed effective date of certain provisions of this Act; providing for

the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the Tax Credit Evaluation Act and the termination of certain tax credits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 1–303, 1–310, 10–205(b), and 10–804(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–702, 5–707, and 5–1406
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–205(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–317(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Economic Development
Section 5–709 and 5–1407; and 6–401 through 6–407 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4.
One Maryland Economic Development Tax Credit”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Insurance
Section 6–116 and 6–119
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Tax – General
Section 8–220, 10–702, 10–704.8, 10–714, and 10–725
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–103, 9–103.1, and 9–230
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 844 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Interest Rate on Tax Deficiencies and Refunds

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of the annual interest rate that the Comptroller sets for tax deficiencies and refunds; and generally relating to the annual interest rate on tax deficiencies and refunds.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 13–604
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 845 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Corporate Income Tax – Federal Repatriation Holiday

FOR the purpose of providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland corporate income tax for certain dividends included in federal taxable income as a result of a certain repatriation holiday enacted by certain federal legislation; requiring the Comptroller to provide for the administration of this Act if certain federal legislation is enacted; stating the intent of the General Assembly; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an income tax subtraction modification for certain dividends.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–307(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–307(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 846 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Corporate Income Tax – Rate Reduction

FOR the purpose of altering over a certain period of years the State income tax rate on the Maryland taxable income of corporations; and generally relating to the Maryland corporate income tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 10–105(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 847 – The President (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission)

AN ACT concerning

Estate Tax – Exclusion Amount

FOR the purpose of altering a certain limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax; repealing 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; and generally relating to the Maryland estate tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 7–309(a) and (b)(1) and (2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General
Section 7–309(b)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 848 – Senators Kelley, Madaleno, Astle, Benson, Brochin, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Contraceptive Equity Act

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from applying a copayment, coinsurance, or prior authorization requirement for certain contraceptive drugs and devices; providing that the prohibition does not apply with respect to a certain health benefit plan; requiring a certain insurer, nonprofit health service plan, and health maintenance organization to post its contraceptive formulary on its Web site in a certain format, include certain information on the formulary, and provide a print copy of the formulary on request; requiring a certain insurer, nonprofit health service plan, and health maintenance organization to provide coverage for a single dispensing to an insured or an enrollee of a supply of prescription contraceptives, except for certain prescriptions, for a certain period of time; requiring the insurer, nonprofit health service plan, and health maintenance organization to increase the dispensing fee to certain individuals under certain circumstances; requiring a certain insurer, nonprofit health service plan, and health maintenance organization to provide coverage without a prescription for certain contraceptive drugs; prohibiting the insurer, nonprofit health service plan, and health maintenance organizations from applying a copayment or coinsurance requirement for the contraceptive drugs dispensed without a prescription that exceeds a certain copayment or coinsurance requirement; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for male sterilization; excluding a certain organization from the requirement to provide the coverage for male sterilization; prohibiting certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from applying a copayment, coinsurance requirement, or deductible to coverage for male sterilization; providing that the prohibition does not apply with respect to a certain health benefit plan; altering the circumstances under which a member may receive a prescription drug or device that is not on the formulary of a certain insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization; requiring the procedure under which a member may receive a prescription drug or device that is not on the formulary to provide for coverage of a contraceptive prescription drug or device that is medically necessary for adherence purposes; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; providing

for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to health insurance coverage of contraceptive drugs, devices, and procedures and contraception equity.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance
Section 15–826.1 and 15–826.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance
Section 15–831
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 849 – Senators Kelley, Gladden, and Ready

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 850 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Anne Arundel County – YWCA Domestic Violence Safe House Shelter

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 Young Women's Christian Association of Annapolis and Anne Arundel 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; 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 851 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

**Property and Casualty Insurance – Commercial Policies and Workers’
Compensation Insurance Policies – Notices of Premium Increases**

FOR the purpose of altering the scope of certain provisions of law that require an insurer to send to certain persons a certain notice of a premium increase for policies of commercial insurance and policies of workers’ compensation insurance; providing that the provisions of law do not apply to policies for which the renewal policy premium is an increase of a certain percentage or less over the expiring policy premium; clarifying that an insurer that sends certain documents and notices and a certain offer to certain persons at a certain time may not be required to comply with a certain notice requirement; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to notices of premium increases for property and casualty insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 27–608
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 852 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beer and Wine Festivals

FOR the purpose of expanding the types of festivals that a holder of a beer and wine festival license may hold in Anne Arundel County; authorizing the Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners to issue a certain beer and wine festival license to certain nonprofit organizations under certain circumstances; providing that, notwithstanding certain other provisions of law, a certain license holder may display and sell beer and wine at a certain beer and wine festival without holding certain permits; and generally relating to beer and wine festivals in Anne Arundel County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 2–131 and 2–134
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General
Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Alcoholic Beverages
Section 11–1304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General
Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 853 – Senators Kelley, Benson, and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Guardians of Property and Custodians – Authority to Fund Certain Trusts and
Accounts**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a guardian of the property of a certain minor or disabled person to pay or apply income or principal from a certain estate to establish or fund a certain special needs trust, a pooled asset special needs trust account, or an Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) account for the benefit of the minor or disabled person, without court authorization or confirmation; authorizing a certain custodian to use all or part of certain custodial property to establish or fund a certain special needs trust, a pooled asset special needs trust account, or an ABLE account for the benefit of a certain minor, without court order; defining certain terms; altering a certain definition; making technical and stylistic changes; and generally relating to the powers of certain guardians of property and custodians.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Estates and Trusts
Section 13–101, 13–214, and 13–314
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 854 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Uninsured Motor Vehicle Coverage – Exclusion

FOR the purpose of providing that certain uninsured motorist coverage does not apply to a certain policy that provides motor vehicle liability insurance for a vehicle that is involved in a collision with an insured motor vehicle under certain circumstances; providing that an insurer may exclude from certain uninsured motorist coverage benefits for a collision that involves a motor vehicle that leaves the scene of the collision except under certain circumstances; providing that refusal to pay a certain uninsured motorist claim under certain circumstances is not an unfair claims settlement practice or a violation of certain provisions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to motor vehicle liability insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–509(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–509(b) and (f) and 27–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 855 – Senators Kelley, Feldman, Hershey, Klausmeier, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Reverse Mortgages – Escrow Accounts

FOR the purpose of requiring a reverse mortgage lender to establish an escrow account for the payment of property taxes and insurance; requiring an escrow account to be established in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring a certain escrow account to allow for monthly collection and deposit of funds; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to reverse mortgages.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 12–1206
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 856 – Senators Kelley, Ferguson, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – HIV Testing During Pregnancy

FOR the purpose of requiring certain health care providers to obtain consent for HIV testing in accordance with certain provisions of law and to test pregnant patients, except under certain circumstances, during the first and third trimesters of pregnancy; repealing certain provisions of law made obsolete by this Act; and generally relating to HIV testing during pregnancy.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 18–338.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 857 – Senators Kelley, Astle, Benson, Currie, Feldman, Gladden, Klausmeier, Madaleno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Health Care Commission – Hospital and Physician Financial Arrangement Disclosure – Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring each hospital and each physician that has a financial arrangement with a pharmaceutical manufacturer or a surgical hardware manufacturer to file a certain disclosure form with the Maryland Health Care Commission within a certain period of time; requiring the Commission to establish a certain database; authorizing the Commission to impose a certain fine under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to requirements for hospital and physician financial arrangement disclosures and the Maryland Health Care Commission.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 19–112

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 858 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

Mental Health – Wraparound Services for Children and Youth

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor, for a certain fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, to include in the budget bill an appropriation to provide certain wraparound services for a certain number of children or youth who meet certain eligibility criteria; defining certain terms; and generally relating to mental health and wraparound services for children and youth.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 10–1501 and 10–1502 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 15. Wraparound Services for Children and Youth”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 859 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

**Frederick County – Development Rights and Responsibilities
Agreements – Administrative Appeals**

FOR the purpose of authorizing, in Frederick County, a person aggrieved by a development rights and responsibilities agreement to file an administrative appeal; authorizing, in Frederick County, certain persons to file a request for judicial review of a decision of the county board of zoning appeals by the circuit court of the county; authorizing, in Frederick County, a certain party to a proceeding in the circuit court of the county to appeal to the Court of Special Appeals; providing that if an agreement was entered into before a certain date, a person aggrieved by an amendment to the agreement may not file an administrative appeal and may seek direct judicial review under certain circumstances; providing that a certain party may appeal to the Court of Special Appeals and thereafter may petition the Court of Appeals for a writ of certiorari under certain circumstances; and generally relating to development rights and responsibilities agreements in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Land Use

Section 7–307

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 860 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Container Permits

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue a refillable container permit for draft beer and for wine to a holder of a Class A alcoholic beverages license or a Class B alcoholic beverages license; providing for certain permit fees; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter __ (S.B.__)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter __ (S.B.__)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1104 and 20–1105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter __ (S.B.__)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 861 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Dry Election Districts – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law that prohibit the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County from issuing certain alcoholic beverages licenses in certain election districts in the County; providing that the Board may issue anywhere in the County, regardless of election district, any license authorized under a certain provision of law except as otherwise provided under a certain provision; requiring that a certain public hearing be held for a license; specifying

that the Board may issue a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license to certain organizations; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 20–1602

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 862 – Senators Young and Hough

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Emergency Family Services Shelter

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 Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs in Frederick 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; 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 863 – Senators Lee, Benson, Madaleno, Manno, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking – Sunset Extension

FOR the purpose of extending the termination date for the Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking; requiring the Workgroup to submit a certain supplemental report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 91 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
Section 1 and 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 864 – Senators Lee, Benson, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

**Public Safety – Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Fund –
Establishment
(Alicia’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of requiring that each fiscal year a certain portion of unclaimed lottery prizes be distributed to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Fund; establishing the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller, in conjunction with the Executive Director, 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; requiring the Executive Director to establish certain procedures for certain local law enforcement agencies to apply for certain grants; requiring a certain applicant to provide the Executive Director with certain information; requiring that the Fund be distributed in a certain manner; requiring the Executive Director to make grants to local law enforcement agencies for certain purposes based on certain needs; requiring a local law enforcement agency that is awarded a grant to enter into a certain memorandum of understanding; requiring a local law enforcement agency to submit proof of certain grant expenditures to the Executive Director; 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 establishment and use of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Fund.

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 4–601 through 4–603 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Internet
Crimes Against Children Task Force Fund”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–122(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 865 – Senators Lee, Madaleno, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Solicitation for Prostitution – Fine

FOR the purpose of altering the penalty to which a person is subject on conviction of procuring or soliciting or offering to procure or solicit for prostitution or assignation; altering the penalty to which a person is subject on conviction of engaging in prostitution or assignation; requiring certain fines to be remitted to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention; providing that the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention may use certain money received only for the purpose of funding services for victims of human trafficking; and generally relating to solicitation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 11–306
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–302(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–302(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–302(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 866 – Senators Lee, Benson, Feldman, Madaleno, Manno, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Procedure – Postconviction Review – Conviction of Human
Trafficking Victim**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to file a motion to vacate a judgment for certain convictions if the person's participation in the underlying offense was a result of the person having been a victim of human trafficking under certain circumstances; repealing a requirement that the State's Attorney sign a certain motion to vacate a judgment; requiring a person to provide a copy of a certain motion to the State's Attorney; authorizing the State's Attorney to respond to a certain motion within a certain time period; requiring the court to take certain action if it grants a certain motion; and generally relating to postconviction review.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 8–302
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 867 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Eligible Sources

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain Tier 1 renewable sources from being eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard on and after a certain date; authorizing renewable energy credits generated from certain Tier 1 renewable sources before a certain date to be eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard in accordance with a certain provision of law; altering the definition of “geothermal heating and cooling system”; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the renewable energy portfolio standard.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–701(a) and (r) and 7–709(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utilities

Section 7–701(d) and 7–704(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 868 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Primary and Secondary Education – Immunizations of Children Entering School

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in cooperation with the State Board of Education and the Statewide Advisory Commission on Immunizations, to adopt regulations requiring that before a child enters a certain grade, the child has received a certain number of doses of human papillomavirus vaccine; and generally relating to immunizations required of children entering schools.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 7–403

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 869 – Senator Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Commission on Reconciliation and Equity

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Reconciliation and Equity; providing for the purpose, composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring, to the extent practicable, the members of the Commission to have expertise in certain matters; providing for the terms of certain members of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Commission to hold certain hearings and invite certain persons to testify at the hearings, to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters, and to monitor and evaluate the implementation of certain recommendations using certain criteria; requiring the Commission to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates each year; specifying the terms of certain initial members of the Commission; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Commission on Reconciliation and Equity.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 9–1801 through 9–1805 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 18.
Commission on Reconciliation and Equity”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 870 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Motor Fuel Tax – Aviation Gasoline – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of aviation gasoline for purposes of the motor fuel tax; and generally relating to the definition of aviation gasoline for purposes of the motor fuel tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 9–101(a) and (g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 9–101(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 871 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Frederick County – Barbara Hauer Fritchie Foundation Facility

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$90,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Barbara Hauer–Fritchie 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 872 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Education – Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Assessments – Administration

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain statewide kindergarten assessment to be limited to a random sample of certain kindergarten students from within certain local school systems in the State; authorizing a certain kindergarten assessment to evaluate certain skills; prohibiting certain standardized tests from being administered to certain prekindergarten students; requiring the State Department of Education to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the administration of prekindergarten and kindergarten assessments.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–208

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 873 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Decisions Act – End-of-Life Decision-Making Informational Booklet

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with a certain council, to develop an end-of-life decision-making informational booklet; requiring the booklet to contain certain information; requiring the Department to distribute the booklet to certain health care providers, make the booklet available to the public on the Department's Web site, and annually review and update the booklet as necessary; requiring health care providers to provide the booklet to certain patients under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to distribute and make the booklet available on or before a certain date; defining a certain term; and generally relating to an end-of-life decision-making informational booklet.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 5-629 to be under the new part “Part III. End-of-Life Decision-Making Informational Booklet”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 874 – Frederick County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology – Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to annually appropriate a certain amount to Frederick Center for Research and Education in Science and Technology (CREST) for certain purposes; and generally relating to Frederick CREST.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 24-1002

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 24–1004(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 875 – Senator Serafini

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Line-of-Duty and Non-Line-of-Duty
Disability – Alterations**

FOR the purpose of altering the process and benefits for disability retirement in the State Retirement and Pension System; renaming an ordinary disability to be a non-line-of-duty disability and making conforming changes; renaming an accidental disability and a special disability to be a line-of-duty disability and making conforming changes; altering the time period during which an application for a non-line-of-duty disability retirement must be submitted; altering the time period during which an application for a line-of-duty disability retirement must be submitted; altering the calculation for a non-line-of-duty disability retirement allowance for certain members who file an application for a disability retirement on or after a certain date; establishing a short-term non-line-of-duty disability payment program; establishing certain eligibility criteria to receive a short-term non-line-of-duty disability payment; providing for the duration and the computation of the short-term non-line-of-duty disability payment; altering certain eligibility criteria to receive a non-line-of-duty disability retirement allowance for certain members who file an application for a disability retirement on or after a certain date; altering the calculation for a line-of-duty disability retirement allowance for certain members who file an application for a disability retirement on or after a certain date; authorizing the Executive Director of the State Retirement Agency to require certain retirees receiving a disability retirement allowance to undergo a medical examination by a certain physician under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to suspend a disability retirement allowance under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of Trustees to stop payment and revoke a disability retirement allowance if a retiree refuses a medical examination under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain retiree whose disability retirement allowance is suspended to receive a vested allowance under certain circumstances; authorizing certain individuals whose disability retirement allowance is suspended to receive certain creditable service and eligibility service under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board of Trustees to adopt certain regulations; repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to the granting of a disability retirement allowance to certain members who transferred between certain retirement and pension systems; altering the definition of “small procurement” for certain expenses and services relating to the State

Retirement Agency; requiring the Department of Legislative Services, on or before a certain date, to issue a certain request for proposals for a certain short-term disability program administrator; requiring the Department of Legislative Services, on or before a certain date, to recommend certain statutory changes necessary to implement a certain short-term disability program; requiring a disability program administrator to administer a certain short-term disability program on and after a certain date; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to correct cross-references and terminology in the Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to alterations in the provisions of law for disability retirement in the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 2–410(c)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 13–109
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 9–704(b), 22–209(b), 22–219, 22–220, 22–221(c)(4) and (5), 22–404(b),
23–218, 23–222, 23–226, 23–304.1, 24–304.1, 24–401.1(g)(6) and (k),
25–304.1, 26–210, 26–306.1, 26–401.1(g)(5) and (k), 29–104 through 29–111,
29–113, 29–114, 29–116 through 29–118, 29–203(a), and 38–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 22–221(a)(1) and (c)(1), 22–404(c), 24–401.1(b), 26–401.1(b), and 29–115
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 29–105 and 29–115.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 876 – 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 University of Maryland’s Department of Entomology, to conduct the program in a certain manner; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources 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 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 877 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class CT (Cinema/Theater) License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class CT (cinema/theater) (on–sale) beer, wine, and liquor license in Washington County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Washington County to issue the license for use in a cinema or theater that meets certain requirements; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption under certain circumstances; authorizing a license holder to serve beer, wine, and liquor without serving food; prohibiting a certain individual from mixing the contents of certain bottles; requiring a certain individual to dispose of or destroy empty bottles; requiring a license holder to obtain a certain crowd control training certificate and have a certain certified crowd control manager present at the licensed premises at certain times; requiring the license holder to have a certain individual who has received certification from a certain alcohol awareness program to be present at the licensed premises under certain circumstances; specifying the hours and days for sale of beer, wine, and

liquor; specifying a certain annual license fee; and generally relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 4–505, 31–101(a) and (b), 31–102, 31–207, 31–1901, and 31–1903

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 31–1001.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 878 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Allegheny County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Sales

FOR the purpose of altering the hours for sale of certain alcoholic beverages on Sundays by a holder of a Class D beer license, a Class D beer and light wine license, a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license, and a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license in Allegheny County under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the hours for sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays in Allegheny County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–101(a) and (b), 9–102, and 9–2005

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9–2002(d), 9–2003(d), and 9–2004(b) and (d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 879 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Garrett County – Alcoholic Beverages – Various Licenses

FOR the purpose of specifying certain annual fees for certain 7–day alcoholic beverages licenses; altering the number of days after the expiration date of a wine festival license that a holder of a State wholesale, Class 3 winery, or Class 4 limited winery license may accept returns from a holder of a wine festival license; providing that the Garrett County Board of License Commissioners is not required to hold a hearing before issuing certain Class C temporary licenses; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Garrett County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 21–102, 21–601(a), 21–602(a), 21–604(a), 21–701(a), 21–801(a), 21–802(a), 21–803(a), 21–805(a), 21–902(a), 21–903(a), 21–904(b), 21–905(a)(1), 21–1001(a), 21–1002(a), and 21–1305(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 21–601(c), 21–602(d), 21–604(c), 21–701(d), 21–801(c), 21–802(d), 21–803(e), 21–805(e), 21–902(g), 21–903(f), 21–904(g), 21–905(e), 21–1001(e), 21–1002(e), 21–1305(i), 21–1309, and 21–1501

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 880 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

**Family Investment Administration – Electronic Benefits Transfer
Card – Photograph**

FOR the purpose of requiring, with certain exceptions, each newly issued or reissued electronic benefits transfer card to contain a photograph of the recipient of the benefits; requiring an electronic benefits transfer card to contain a certain written statement instead of a photograph in certain circumstances; requiring the Family Investment Administration in the Department of Human Resources to establish

certain procedures that relate to the issuance and use of certain electronic benefits transfer cards; prohibiting an establishment that accepts electronic benefits transfer cards from requiring a cardholder to show a certain photograph unless certain other customers are required to show certain photographic identification; and generally relating to benefits under public assistance programs.

BY adding to

Article – Human Services
Section 5–609
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 881 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law – Consumer Protection – Ticket Transfers, Sales, and Resales

FOR the purpose of requiring a ticket issuer, ticket seller, primary ticket sales platform, or secondary ticket exchange to maintain a certain toll-free number and implement a certain refund policy; requiring a refund of a ticket to include a certain amount and certain fees; specifying that a ticket seller may satisfy certain requirements in a certain manner; providing that certain provisions of this Act do not prohibit a ticket issuer, ticket seller, primary ticket sales platform, or secondary ticket exchange from taking certain reasonable actions or implementing certain policies; prohibiting a ticket issuer, ticket seller, primary ticket sales platform, or secondary ticket exchange from taking certain actions relating to the transfer, offer for resale, or resale of a ticket; prohibiting a ticket issuer or primary ticket sales platform from bringing a certain legal action against certain persons; authorizing an operator of a venue or an agent of the operator to take certain actions relating to the behavior of individuals for entertainment events, the quantity of tickets purchased for an entertainment event, the revocation or restriction of season tickets, and the restriction of the resale of tickets initially sold or given to certain individuals or groups; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the transfer, sale, and resale of tickets at the venue.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–4001 through 14–4003
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law
Section 14–4002 through 14–4005

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 882 – Senator Jennings

AN ACT concerning

**Economic Development – Northeastern Maryland Additive Manufacturing
Innovation Authority**

FOR the purpose of altering certain definitions in order to codify a certain alternate name for the Northeastern Maryland Additive Manufacturing Innovation Authority; altering the number and composition of the voting members of the Executive Board; requiring the Authority to include in a certain submission to the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce a certain request for financial support in a certain fiscal year; requiring the Department to consider including certain requests for financial support in its annual budget recommendations; requiring, rather than authorizing, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill certain funding for the Authority; and generally relating to the Northeastern Maryland Additive Manufacturing Innovation Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 13–1201, 13–1203(b)(2)(xvii) through (xix), and 13–1209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 13–1202 and 13–1203(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Economic Development
Section 13–1203(b)(2)(xx)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 883 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Local Government Tort Claims Act – Notice of Claim

FOR the purpose of requiring notice of a claim against Frederick County under the Local Government Tort Claims Act to be given to the county solicitor or county attorney; and generally relating to notice of a claim under the Local Government Tort Claims Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 884 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County – Property Tax – Small Business Tax Credit

FOR the purpose of altering certain requirements for an existing business entity in Frederick County to qualify for a certain property tax credit imposed on real property owned or leased by the business entity; altering a certain definition to increase the hours and period of time a certain employee must work in a certain position and to require a certain rate of payment; altering the percentage of the property tax credit authorized in certain taxable years; clarifying that the governing body of Frederick County may not grant the property tax credit until a certain taxable year under certain circumstances; making it discretionary, rather than mandatory, that the governing body of Frederick County provide, by law, for certain eligibility requirements for the property tax credit, limitations on the credit, and any appropriate provisions to implement the credit; providing for the application of this Act; making clarifying and conforming changes; and generally relating to a county property tax credit for small businesses in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 9–312(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 885 – Senators Hough and Young

AN ACT concerning

**Frederick County – Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device on Maryland Route
75 – Penalty**

FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum penalty for failure to obey a traffic control device governing the height of vehicles traveling on a certain portion of Maryland Route 75 in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 11–167 and 21–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 27–105.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 886 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Health – Collaborations to Promote Provider Alignment

FOR the purpose of exempting collaborations to promote provider alignment from certain provisions of law that prohibit a health care practitioner from referring a patient or directing certain persons to refer a patient to a certain health care entity, prohibit a health care practitioner from presenting or causing to be presented to certain persons certain demands for payment, and require a health care practitioner to disclose the existence of a beneficial interest under certain circumstances; providing that certain provisions of this Act may not be construed to affect certain exceptions or modify certain definitions; establishing the purpose of collaborations to promote provider alignment; defining certain terms; and generally relating to collaborations to promote provider alignment.

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 19–1C–01 through 19–1C–03 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 1C.
Collaborations to Promote Provider Alignment”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations

Section 1–302(a) and (b) and 1–303(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 887 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Consumer Health Claim Filing Fairness Act

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain health benefit plan to include provisions that permit enrollees a certain minimum period of time to submit a claim for a service, provide for the suspension of the minimum period of time under certain circumstances, and provide that failure to submit a claim within the minimum period of time does not invalidate or reduce the amount of the claim under certain circumstances; creating an exception to a provision of law that requires certain proof of loss to be furnished to an insurer in case of claim for loss within a certain period of time; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the time period for submitting a claim under health insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 12–102 and 15–213
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 888 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**Motor Vehicle Insurance – Program to Incentivize and Enable Uninsured
Vehicle Owners to Be Insured**

FOR the purpose of establishing in the Motor Vehicle Administration the Program to Incentivize and Enable Uninsured Vehicle Owners to Be Insured; specifying the purpose of the Program; specifying the Program period; specifying the eligibility requirements for vehicle owners participating in the Program; requiring the Administration to notify certain vehicle owners in a certain manner; requiring a certain notice to include certain information; requiring the Administration to waive a portion of certain delinquent uninsured vehicle penalties of certain vehicle owners; specifying the conditions under which a portion of certain delinquent uninsured vehicle penalties may be waived; requiring a certain vehicle owner to pay a certain

amount owed under a certain circumstance; requiring a vehicle owner to purchase and maintain a certain required security under a certain circumstance; allowing the Administration to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Administration to coordinate with the Maryland Insurance Administration to publicize the Program; requiring the Administration to make a certain report within a certain period of time; allowing the Administration to accept certain funding or other form of support from the Uninsured Claim and Judgment Fund of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund for a certain purpose; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of the Program, uninsured vehicle penalties, and motor vehicle insurance.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 17–111

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 889 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – Irvine Nature Center Native American Village

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 Irvine Natural Science 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 890 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Expungement – Misdemeanor Convictions

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to file a petition for expungement of certain misdemeanor convictions; specifying certain convictions that are not eligible for expungement except under certain circumstances; authorizing a sentencing court to order certain misdemeanor convictions eligible for expungement; requiring a person to file a petition for expungement in a certain court; providing that a petition for

expungement of certain misdemeanor convictions may not be filed earlier than a certain time; providing that a person is not eligible for expungement under certain circumstances; requiring the court to serve a copy of a petition on the State's Attorney and provide notice of the petition to certain victims; requiring the court to hold a hearing on the petition; authorizing the court to grant a petition after making certain findings on the record; requiring the court to order expungement of certain records if the court grants the petition; requiring certain custodians of certain records to destroy the records within a certain time after an order granting a petition; providing that the State's Attorney is a party to a certain proceeding; providing that a party to the proceeding is entitled to appellate review; and generally relating to expungement.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 10–110

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 891 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Use and Possession of Marijuana

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of marijuana a person may use or possess and be subject to certain civil penalties; requiring a police officer to issue a citation under certain circumstances; establishing that certain violations involving the use or possession of a certain amount of marijuana is a Code violation; providing that prepayment of a certain fine is considered a plea of guilty for certain purposes; establishing a penalty for the failure to prepay certain fines for a Code violation; establishing a penalty for the failure to respond to a summons issued for a Code violation in certain circumstances; establishing certain procedures for citations issued for a Code violation; altering the circumstances under which the official court record regarding a citation for a Code violation may be shielded; prohibiting a driver from consuming marijuana in a motor vehicle under certain circumstances; prohibiting an occupant from smoking marijuana in a motor vehicle under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the use and possession of marijuana.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–8A–01(dd)(1) and 3–8A–33(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601(a), (b), and (c)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 4 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601(c)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 4 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 5–601.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–903
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 892 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore County – HopeWell Cancer Support 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 Trustees of HopeWell Cancer Support, 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 893 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore County – Alcoholic Beverages – Issuance of Licenses Near Places of Worship

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Baltimore County Board of License Commissioners to issue or transfer a certain license for an establishment that is at least a certain number of feet away from a place of worship under certain circumstances; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Baltimore County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 13–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 13–1601

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 894 – Senator Kasemeyer

AN ACT concerning

Human Services – Family Investment Administration – Weighted Caseload Analysis

FOR the purpose of requiring the Executive Director of the Family Investment Administration in the Department of Human Resources to perform a certain weighted caseload analysis on or before a certain date; requiring the Executive Director to report the results of the analysis to the Secretary of Human Resources and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Executive Director and the Secretary to use the results of the analysis for a certain purpose and to annually review caseloads and reallocate personnel as necessary based on the results of the analysis; and generally relating to personnel and programs in the Family Investment Administration.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Human Services

Section 5–204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Human Services

Section 5–204.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 895 – Senators Klausmeier and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Nursing Services – Skills Checklist

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to specify in regulations the skills checklist used as part of the process of determining the competency of nurses, certified nursing assistants, and home health aides to render nursing services through a residential service agency or a home health agency that is participating in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; and generally relating to nursing services provided through the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 15–106.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 896 – Senators Klausmeier, Eckardt, Edwards, Norman, Peters, Rosapepe, and Salling

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 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 897 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Cemeteries – Perpetual Care Trust Fund – Loan of Principal for Capital Expenditures

FOR the purpose of authorizing a certain percentage of the principal of a perpetual care trust fund to be loaned to a certain person that established the perpetual care trust fund to be used for certain capital expenditures; providing for the term and interest rate of a certain loan; requiring a certain person to include a description of a certain loan, including certain information, in a certain report submitted to the Director of the Office of Cemetery Oversight; and generally relating to the loan of principal of a perpetual care trust fund for capital expenditures.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 5–603
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 898 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program for Food Service Facilities

FOR the purpose of establishing the Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program for Food Service Facilities in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; establishing 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; authorizing a certificate holder or an agent to administer auto–injectable epinephrine to a certain individual in a certain situation; providing

that a cause of action may not arise against certain certificate holders or certain agents 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 for Food Service Facilities.

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 for Food Service Facilities”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 899 – Senators Klausmeier, Feldman, Guzzone, Madaleno, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Specialty Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services – Parity

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations to ensure that the Maryland Medical Assistance Program is in compliance with certain federal laws; requiring the regulations to include standards regarding treatment limitations for specialty mental health and substance use disorder services that comply with the federal laws and relate to certain items; providing that the treatment limitations comply with the federal laws if certain factors used in applying a treatment limitation meet certain requirements for medical and surgical services; and generally relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and compliance with federal laws relating to specialty mental health and substance use disorder services.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 15-103.6

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 900 – Senator Edwards

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Allegany County – Lefty Grove Statue

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The Community Trust 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 901 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Public and Nonpublic Schools – Classwork and Assessment Involving Live and Dead Animals – Student Right of Refusal

FOR the purpose of authorizing a student in a public school or nonpublic school to refuse to participate in or observe, in whole or in part, classwork or an assessment that includes certain actions conducted on a certain animal; authorizing a student to exercise a certain right of refusal at a certain time; requiring a certain student to complete certain classwork or a certain assessment by an alternate educational method determined by a certain teacher for a certain purpose; requiring that a certain assignment meet certain requirements; prohibiting a teacher or a public school or a nonpublic school from penalizing or discriminating against a certain student under certain circumstances in a certain manner; requiring the State Department of Education to send a certain notice to each county board of education on or before a certain date each year; requiring a county board to distribute a certain notice to certain public schools at certain times; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; providing that a nonpublic school may establish a certain policy; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a student's right of refusal regarding classwork and assessment involving live and dead animals.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–121

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 902 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Veterans – Medical Marijuana

FOR the purpose of adding posttraumatic stress disorder under a definition of “debilitating medical condition” for the purposes of certain affirmative defenses to a charge of use or possession of marijuana; establishing a certain affirmative defense for a charge of use or possession of marijuana for a certain qualified veteran patient; establishing that a certain qualified veteran patient who has been issued and possesses a certain written certification is not subject to arrest, citation, prosecution, or civil or administrative penalty by a professional licensing board and may not be denied a right or privilege for the medical use of marijuana, under certain circumstances; establishing that a qualified veteran patient may not be denied certain rights relating to child custody or visitation or may not be presumed guilty of certain charges based solely on certain conduct; establishing that a qualified veteran patient is not disqualified from certain medical care for certain conduct; providing that a certain physician is not subject to arrest, prosecution, or civil or administrative penalty for providing a certain written certification or making certain statements; establishing that this Act does not prevent certain sanctions from being imposed on a physician; providing that marijuana and certain other property may not be seized or forfeited under certain circumstances; establishing that a certain individual is not subject to arrest or prosecution for a certain offense solely for being in a certain location; providing that possession of a certain written certification may not be the basis for a certain finding of probable cause; establishing that this Act does not authorize certain conduct or prohibit the imposition of certain penalties; providing that this Act does not require a public or private health care insurer to make a certain reimbursement; providing a statutory form for a written certification of a qualified veteran patient; defining certain terms; and generally relating to veterans and medical marijuana.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 5–601(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 4 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24–1701 through 24–1705 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Medical Marijuana for Veterans”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 903 – Senators Young and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Courts – Statute of Limitations – Civil Actions Arising Out of Human Rights
Abuses**

FOR the purpose of extending the statute of limitations for a certain civil action under certain circumstances; establishing a certain statute of limitations for certain civil actions under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; making the provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to statutes of limitations for civil actions arising out of human rights violations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 5–120
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 904 – Senators Young, Ready, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Sales and Use Tax – Diapers – Exemption

FOR the purpose of providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for the sale of diapers; and generally relating to a sales and use tax exemption for diapers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 11–211(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 905 – Senators King, Miller, Astle, Conway, DeGrange, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Zirkin, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education

FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring certain appointments to be made to ensure diversity within 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 findings and recommendations of a certain study, review certain education finance formulas, review certain accountability measures and review certain other matters; requiring the Commission to make certain recommendations on certain matters; requiring the Commission to make a preliminary and a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; requiring certain appointments to the Commission to be made within a certain period of time; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 906 – Senators Madaleno, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, King, Lee, Manno, McFadden, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Weapon–Free Higher Education Zones

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the carrying or possession of certain firearms, knives, or deadly weapons on the property of public institutions of higher education; providing for certain exceptions to the prohibition; and generally relating to the carrying or possession of firearms, knives, and deadly weapons at public institutions of higher education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 4–102

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 907 – Senators Middleton, Astle, Conway, DeGrange, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Miller, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Zirkin, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Transportation – Harry W. Nice Memorial Potomac River Bridge – Replacement

FOR the purpose of requiring the State and the Maryland Transportation Authority to finance a multilane replacement bridge for the Harry W. Nice Memorial Potomac River Bridge; specifying certain requirements for the replacement bridge; stating the intent of the General Assembly; establishing the Harry W. Nice Memorial Potomac River Bridge Replacement Fund; requiring the Authority to make a deposit of a certain amount to the Fund, in certain fiscal years, to finance the design and construction of the replacement bridge; prohibiting the Authority from depositing certain proceeds into the fund; requiring the Authority to submit an annual report to certain committees of the General Assembly; and generally relating to the replacement bridge for the Harry W. Nice Memorial Potomac River Bridge.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 4–322

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 908 – Senators DeGrange, Astle, Conway, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Pugh, Ramirez, Raskin, Zirkin, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Open Transportation Investment Decision Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of establishing State transportation goals; establishing measures by which the Department of Transportation is required to score the extent to which major capital projects satisfy the goals; requiring the Department to evaluate, score, and rank major capital projects for inclusion in the draft and final Consolidated Transportation Program, in a certain manner; requiring, with a certain exception, that certain capital projects with higher scores be ranked ahead of capital projects

with lower scores; requiring the Department to incorporate the State transportation goals in the Consolidated Transportation Program and Maryland Transportation Plan; requiring that certain analyses and benchmarks are included in the Consolidated Transportation Program and Maryland Transportation Plan; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; altering certain definitions; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to State transportation goals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 2–103.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 2–103.7
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 909 – Senators Ferguson, Benson, Feldman, Guzzone, Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Service, Stipends, and Scholarships – Maryland Corps Program – Established

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Corps Program; providing for the purpose of the Program; requiring a certain Board of Directors to administer and manage the Program; providing for the composition of the Board; providing for the appointment, terms, and removal of members of the Board; providing that members of the Board may not receive certain compensation but are entitled to certain reimbursement; requiring the Governor’s Office on Service and Volunteerism within the Governor’s Office of Community Initiatives to provide certain staffing and assistance to the Board and a certain operator; requiring the Board to submit a certain Request for Proposals (RFP) on or before a certain date; requiring the RFP to include certain elements and expectations for a certain operator; requiring certain corps participants to serve a certain nonprofit or governmental entity for a certain period of time; authorizing certain corps participants to receive certain stipends and certain scholarships under certain circumstances; specifying the use of certain scholarships; establishing the Maryland Corps Program Fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Board to administer the Fund; specifying that the Fund is a continuing, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to a certain provision of law; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund separately and invest the money in the Fund in a certain manner; requiring the Comptroller to account for the Fund; providing for the

composition and uses of the Fund; prohibiting any unspent portion of the Fund from being transferred or used in a certain manner; requiring the Board to prepare certain reports annually; authorizing the Fund to be subject to a certain audit; requiring the Governor to include certain appropriations in the State budget in certain fiscal years for certain purposes; requiring the Board to explore certain possibilities; requiring the Board to submit certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly in accordance with certain provisions of law; providing for the staggering of the terms of certain members of the Board; stating the intent of the General Assembly in awarding stipends and scholarships under this Act; requiring certain members of the Board to be appointed on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of the Maryland Corps Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 277 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 24–1101 through 24–1111 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 11.
Maryland Corps Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 910 – Senators Ferguson, Feldman, Guzzone, Madaleno, McFadden, Miller, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Education Development Collaborative – Established

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Education Development Collaborative; providing that the Collaborative is a body politic and corporate and is an instrumentality of the State; providing for the purposes of the Collaborative; establishing a Board of Directors of the Collaborative; providing for the composition, residency requirement, appointment considerations, removal, chair, and quorum requirements for the Board; requiring the Collaborative to employ an executive director that meets certain qualifications; providing for the legal advisor for the Collaborative and the hiring of certain legal counsel; authorizing the Collaborative to retain certain professionals; exempting the Collaborative from certain provisions of law; providing that the Collaborative is subject to the Public Information Act; providing that the Board and the officers and employees of the Collaborative are subject to the Public Ethics Law; providing that certain officers and employees of the Collaborative are not subject to certain provisions of law governing State personnel; providing that the Collaborative and its Board and employees are subject to certain procurement policies and procedures governing certain exempt units of government; establishing the powers and duties of the Collaborative; providing that certain debts, claims, obligations, or liabilities of the Collaborative or any subsidiary of the Collaborative are not held against the State or a pledge of credit of the State; authorizing certain institutions of higher education to perform certain acts regarding the Collaborative; providing that the Collaborative is exempt from State and local taxes; providing that the books and records of the Collaborative are subject to a certain audit by certain entities at certain times; requiring the Collaborative to report certain information to the Governor, State Department of Education, and General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of the Maryland Education Development Collaborative.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 9.5–101 through 9.5–114 to be under the new title “Title 9.5. Maryland Education Development Collaborative”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 911 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Bail Bondsmen – Installment Agreements and Premium Rates

FOR the purpose of establishing a minimum required down payment in connection with certain bail bond installment agreements; requiring the execution of a certain promissory note and an installment agreement for a certain remaining balance due in a certain manner; providing a maximum term of certain bail bond installment agreements; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to establish certain requirements for a certain promissory note by regulation; requiring a bail bondsman to file a certain action for certain relief within a certain period of time under certain circumstances; qualifying the actions that a bail bondsman shall take with respect to certain collections by requiring the bail bondsman to make certain efforts to obtain judgment under certain circumstances; requiring bail bondsmen to make a certification on or before a certain date each month to the Commissioner regarding certain premiums and compliance in a certain manner; requiring certain surety insurers to conduct certain audits for certain periods for a certain purpose; requiring surety insurers to notify the Commissioner at a certain time of certain matters concerning premiums charged and compliance by certain bail bondsmen; requiring certain information to be included in the notification; and generally relating to bail bondsmen, installment agreements, and premiums.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 10–309

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Insurance

Section 10–310 and 21–104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 912 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

**Clean Energy Loan Program – Residential Property – Repayment of Loans
Through Surcharge**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a county or municipality to collect certain loan payments for a loan to certain owners of residential property under the Clean Energy Loan Program, and certain costs, through a surcharge on the property owner's property tax bill; authorizing a private lender to provide capital for a loan under the program; requiring that certain unpaid surcharges be a lien on the real property on which they

are imposed; requiring that certain provisions relating to liens apply to the liens created under this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the collection of loan payments for residential property improved through loans under the Clean Energy Loan Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 1–1101, 1–1103, and 1–1105
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 1–1102 and 1–1104
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 913 – Senator Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Estates and Trusts – Elective Share of Surviving Spouse

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law relating to a surviving spouse making an election to take a certain share of the net estate of the decedent instead of the property left to the surviving spouse under the will; establishing the purposes of this Act; providing that a surviving spouse may take a certain elective share amount of a certain augmented estate; recodifying certain provisions of law relating to the right of election of a surviving spouse and certain time limits to elect to take an elective share; establishing certain procedures and a certain form for an election to take an elective share; authorizing the waiver of a certain right of election; requiring certain fiduciaries to deliver certain information and provide certain notice relating to a certain elective share of a surviving spouse; requiring a certain trustee to provide certain notice relating to the trust within a certain period of time; establishing the priority to be used in determining the sources from which a certain elective share amount is payable; establishing the manner of payment of a certain elective share under certain circumstances; providing certain immunity for certain payors and other third parties who make certain payments or transfers before receiving notice of a certain election; establishing the effect of an election to take a certain elective share on the rights of the surviving spouse under a certain will and certain revocable trust; authorizing certain persons to petition the orphans' court to modify certain calculations or sources of payment of a certain elective share; establishing a certain rebuttable presumption relating to the exclusion of certain property from a certain augmented estate; authorizing the orphans' court to consider certain factors when determining whether to include certain property in the value of

a certain augmented estate or certain spousal benefits; requiring a surviving spouse who has elected to take an elective share to be removed as personal representative of the decedent's estate; providing that a personal representative is entitled to certain reimbursement for certain commissions and attorney's fees in connection with a certain action; defining certain terms; making stylistic changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the elective share of a surviving spouse.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts

The subtitle designation to be “Subtitle 2. Family Allowance; Dower and Curtesy” immediately preceding Section 3–201; 6–306(a), and 7–603

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 3–201(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 3–203 through 3–208

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Estates and Trusts

Section 3–401 through 3–411 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Elective Share of Surviving Spouse”; and 14.5–604

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 914 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Prevailing Wage Law – Payroll Reporting Requirements

FOR the purpose of applying certain payroll reporting requirements under the prevailing wage law to certain contractors under certain public work contracts of at least a certain value; providing that certain contractors under certain public work contracts of less than a certain value are not required to comply with certain provisions of law

related to certain payroll reporting requirements; and generally relating to payroll reporting requirements under the prevailing wage law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–202(b) and 17–220
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 915 – Senator Jennings (By Request)

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance – Advance of Medical Expenses

FOR the purpose of providing that an insurer that issues, sells, or delivers a policy of motor vehicle liability insurance in the State must pay a certain benefit to a certain individual who is injured in a collision with a motor vehicle for anticipated medical expenses under certain circumstances; providing that the benefit may not be waived; establishing that the benefit is an advance for anticipated medical expenses for certain injuries; requiring the policy to contain a certain maximum benefit that may be available within certain limits; providing that this Act may not be construed to limit the amount of damages that may be claimed or recovered under a certain policy; providing for the recovery of certain excess amounts paid under certain circumstances; altering the scope of a prohibition against recovery of certain health benefits in a certain manner; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to motor vehicle liability insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–507(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 19–513(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Insurance
Section 19–518
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 916 – Harford County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Community College License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class CC (community college) beer and wine license in Harford County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license to an officer of a community college for use on certain parts of the community college campus; providing that the license authorizes the sale of beer and wine for on-premises consumption to individuals who attend certain public events and to members of certain groups and their guests who attend events held for those groups; prohibiting a license holder from selling beer and wine at certain events; prohibiting a license holder from allowing alcoholic beverages to be consumed during a certain time; prohibiting, with a certain exception, a license holder from allowing an individual to carry alcoholic beverages on to or from the licensed premises; providing for an annual license fee; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 22–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 22–807.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 917 – Senators Lee and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Law Enforcement – Veterinary Care of Retired Law Enforcement K–9s Act

FOR the purpose of requiring certain State and local law enforcement agencies to reimburse individuals who take possession of dogs formerly used in law enforcement work under certain circumstances for certain veterinary treatment; specifying that the reimbursement may not exceed a certain amount of money; authorizing certain State law enforcement agencies to accept public donations for the payment of certain veterinary expenses; requiring certain State law enforcement agencies to hold certain donations in a separate account not subject to appropriation by the Governor; authorizing certain local law enforcement agencies to establish a separate fund to accept public donations for the payment of certain veterinary expenses; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to dogs formerly used for law enforcement work.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–514

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 918 – Senator Gladden

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Baltimore City – Cylburn Arboretum Carriage House and Nature Museum

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Cylburn Arboretum Association, 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 919 – Senator Middleton

EMERGENCY BILL

AN ACT concerning

Insurance – Exemption From State Insurance Laws for Self-Funded Student Health Plans

FOR the purpose of exempting from 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 under certain circumstances; requiring a certain report of an independent institution of higher education to be filed on a certain date; requiring certain certifications to be construed in a certain manner; providing for the application of this Act; making a stylistic change; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to self-funded student health plans and State insurance laws.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 1-202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 920 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Human Services – Homelessness – Emergency Cold Weather Planning

FOR the purpose of establishing an emergency cold weather council in each county; establishing the membership and chair of emergency cold weather councils; requiring emergency cold weather councils to create certain plans; requiring a plan to include certain elements; requiring local administering agencies to provide a certain plan to the Department of Human Resources on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Maryland Emergency Management Agency to report certain information to local administering agencies under certain conditions; requiring local administering agencies to initiate certain plans under certain conditions; requiring certain agencies to collaborate to create a reporting system for cold weather deaths of people experiencing homelessness; defining certain terms; and generally relating to cold weather planning for people experiencing homelessness.

BY adding to
Article – Human Services
Section 6-441 through 6-447 to be under the new part “Part V. Emergency Cold
Weather Planning”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs.

**Senate Bill 921 – Senators Pugh, Feldman, Benson, Madaleno, Mathias, and
Middleton**

AN ACT concerning

Clean Energy Jobs – Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard Revisions

FOR the purpose of establishing the Clean Energy Workforce Account in the Maryland Employment Advancement Right Now Program; providing for the funding of the Account; specifying the purpose for which the Account may be used; specifying the priority for grants awarded from the Account; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to include certain information about the Account in a certain annual report; altering the renewable energy portfolio standard percentage derived from solar energy for certain years; altering the renewable energy portfolio standard percentage derived from Tier 1 renewable sources for 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; 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; requiring an electric company to contract for certain renewable energy credits and electricity generated from certain Tier 1 renewable sources to meet a certain portion of the renewable energy portfolio standard for certain electricity suppliers beginning after a certain date; requiring an electric company to solicit bids for a certain contract from certain renewable energy facilities; requiring an electric company to use a competitive procurement process to award a certain contract; requiring that a term for a certain contract be for a certain minimum and maximum duration; authorizing an electric company to recover certain costs associated with this Act; altering the compliance fee for an electricity supplier that fails to comply with certain renewable energy portfolio standards for certain years; establishing certain compliance fees for an electricity supplier that fails to comply with certain renewable energy portfolio standards for certain years; altering the percentage of total annual electricity sales revenues based on which an electricity supplier may request a delay of certain solar energy requirements in the renewable energy portfolio standard; establishing the Clean Energy Business Development Account in the Small, Minority, and Women-Owned Businesses Account; providing for the funding in the Clean Energy Account; specifying the purpose for which the Clean Energy Account may be used; prohibiting funding from the Clean Energy Account from being limited to certain businesses; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to use the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund in a certain manner; requiring proceeds from a certain Public Service Commission order to be allocated in a certain manner; stating certain findings of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; making the provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to clean energy jobs and the renewable energy portfolio standard.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–708.1
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 11–709
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–702, 7–703(b)(12), (13), (14), (15), (16), and (17), and 7–705(b) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–703.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–35, 9–20B–01, and 9–20B–05(f) and (i) through (l)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 9–20B–05(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 922 – Senators Rosapepe, Bates, Benson, Conway, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Kagan, Kelley, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Peters, Raskin, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Career Apprenticeship Opportunity Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education to develop, on or before a certain date, certain goals for percentages of certain students for completing certain career and technical education programs and earning certain credentials; stating certain goals of the State; requiring, on or before a certain date, the State Board to develop

a method to consider, under certain circumstances, a student's attainment of a certain credential as equivalent to a certain Advanced Placement examination score for a certain purpose; requiring the State Board to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date regarding the progress towards attaining certain goals; requiring the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning to partner with certain State departments to identify, by a certain date, opportunities to create certain registered apprenticeship programs for a certain purpose; allowing a credit against the State income tax for the employment of a certain eligible apprentice under certain circumstances; providing that the credit may not exceed a certain amount; providing that any unused credit may be carried forward to another taxable year; requiring a taxpayer claiming the credit to attach certain proof to the taxpayer's return; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to career and technical education programs and certain apprenticeships in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 21–204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 11–102(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 11–103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 10–737

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 923 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

**Occupational Licenses – Denial for Criminal Conviction – Notice of Prohibition
and Task Force**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that certain departments of State government and certain units in certain departments of State government are prohibited from denying a certain license to an applicant solely on the basis that the applicant has previously been convicted of a crime except in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring certain departments of State government and each unit that issues certain licenses in certain departments to post a certain notice on their Web sites in a certain manner; establishing the Task Force on Occupational Licenses and Criminal Convictions; 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 occupational licensing laws and criminal convictions; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to occupational licenses and criminal convictions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Agriculture
Section 1–101(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Agriculture
Section 2–108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 1–101(a) and (f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Business Regulation
Section 2–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 1–101(a) and (f)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Correctional Services
Section 2–119
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 1–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 1–101(a) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Environment
Section 1–205
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 1–101(a) and (c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 2–107.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 2–101 (a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Human Services

Section 2-303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 924 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Protective Orders – Notification of Service – Sunset Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date of certain provisions of law relating to notice of the service on a respondent of certain protective orders; repealing certain obsolete provisions relating to a certain contingency; and generally relating to notification of the service of a protective order.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4-504(d), 4-504.1(g), and 4-505(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Chapter 711 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009, as amended by Chapter 103 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011 and Chapter 79 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013
Section 2

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 925 – Senator Ramirez

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Prince George’s County – Port Towns Family Health and Wellness Center

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Access to Wholistic and Productive Living Institute, 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 926 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Lyme Disease – Laboratory Test – Required Notice

FOR the purpose of requiring certain health care providers to provide a certain notice to a patient for whom the health care provider orders a laboratory test for the presence of Lyme disease; providing immunity from liability, under certain circumstances, for certain health care providers for providing the notice; and generally relating to laboratory tests for Lyme disease.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 20–1701 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 17. Lyme Disease Information”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 927 – Senators Middleton, Astle, Benson, Currie, Edwards, Guzzone, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Mathias, McFadden, Rosapepe, and Young

AN ACT concerning

Program Open Space Trust Fund Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of establishing the Program Open Space Trust Fund; requiring certain appropriations from the General Fund to the Fund to repay certain appropriations or transfers from the Fund to the General Fund; providing that the Fund is a continuing, nonlapsing fund not subject to certain provisions of law; providing for the uses, purposes, sources of funding, and investment of money of the Fund; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; requiring that the Department of Natural Resources report to certain committees of the General Assembly regarding certain activities 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 circumstances and terms under which certain appropriations to the Fund must occur; requiring that certain appropriations to the Fund be distributed and used for certain purposes; requiring a certain appropriation to the Agricultural Land Preservation Fund; stating that the Fund be considered a continuation of the Program Open Space special fund for the purposes of repayment and transfers or appropriations; stating the intent of the General Assembly; requiring the Department of Budget and Management to report to certain

committees of the General Assembly under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to Program Open Space.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–903(g)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 5–903.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(1) and (2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85. and 7–311(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – Property
Section 13–209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 928 – Senators Middleton and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the Nurse Shortage in Maryland

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Nurse Shortage 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 regarding certain matters relating to changes in the nursing profession that have resulted in a shortage of nurses in the State and nation; 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 Nurse Shortage in Maryland.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 929 – Senators Klausmeier and Feldman

AN ACT concerning

Health Benefit Plans – Network Access Standards and Provider Network Directories

FOR the purpose of requiring certain carriers to maintain or adhere to certain standards that ensure that certain enrollees have certain access to certain health care providers and covered services; requiring certain carriers to file with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner, on or before a certain date and then annually, a certain plan for a certain review and approval; requiring certain carriers to notify the Commissioner of a certain change within a certain time period under certain circumstances; requiring a certain notice to include certain information; authorizing certain carriers to request that the Commissioner deem certain information as confidential information; requiring certain carriers to make a certain plan available to the public in a certain manner; requiring a certain plan to include certain information; requiring certain carriers to monitor a certain clinical capacity of certain providers in a certain manner; requiring the Commissioner, in consultation with certain persons, to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; establishing that certain carriers meet certain requirements by developing and making available to certain individuals a certain network directory; requiring certain carriers to develop and make available to certain individuals a certain network directory on the Internet and in printed form under certain circumstances; requiring a certain network directory to meet certain requirements and include certain information; requiring certain carriers to update a certain network directory within a certain time period under certain circumstances; requiring certain carriers, at certain occurrences, to notify enrollees how to access or obtain certain information; requiring certain information to be updated at certain intervals; requiring certain carriers to contact certain providers to make a certain determination under certain circumstances; requiring certain carriers to treat certain services in a certain manner for a certain purpose under certain circumstances; altering a certain requirement on certain carriers to update certain information; requiring certain procedures established by

certain carriers to ensure that certain requests are addressed in a certain manner; prohibiting a certain procedure established by certain carriers from being used for a certain purpose; requiring certain carriers to have a certain system in place for a certain purpose and to provide certain information to the Commissioner under certain circumstances; requiring certain carriers to file with the Commissioner a copy of certain procedures that includes certain information; requiring certain carriers to make a copy of certain procedures available to certain individuals in a certain manner and under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; making conforming changes; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to health benefit plans, network access standards, and provider network directories.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 15–112 and 15–830
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 930 – Senators Ferguson and Bates

AN ACT concerning

**Public Information Act – Inspection of Records From Body–Worn Digital
Recording Devices**

FOR the purpose of requiring, except under certain circumstances, a custodian of records to deny inspection of the part of a recording from a certain body–worn digital recording device worn by a law enforcement officer regarding certain incidents; requiring a custodian of records to allow inspection of a recording from a certain body–worn digital recording device worn by a law enforcement officer by certain individuals; prohibiting a custodian of records from allowing copying of records from a certain body–worn digital recording device worn by a law enforcement officer by certain individuals; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the inspection of recordings from body–worn digital recording devices worn by law enforcement officers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – General Provisions
Section 4–356
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 931 – Senators Zucker, Guzzone, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Birth Certificates – Homeless Individuals – Prohibition on Collection of Fee

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene from collecting a fee for a certain copy of a birth certificate issued to a homeless individual; requiring the Department to accept a signed written statement from a homeless individual as proof of homelessness; and generally relating to prohibiting the collection of fees for copies of birth certificates issued to homeless individuals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–217
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 932 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Discount Vision Plans – Provider Contracts

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a contract between a discount medical plan organization and a provider of certain vision care services from limiting or specifying certain fees or requiring the provider to participate in one discount vision plan as a condition for participating in another discount vision plan or in a certain provider panel; requiring the contract to require that certain changes to the contract be made in a certain manner and to disclose each discount that the provider is required to accept from a discount vision plan member for certain services; providing that a certain provider of vision care services may elect to reject certain schedules of discounts under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain provider contracts from containing a provision that conditions participation in a certain provider panel on participation in a discount vision plan; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to discount vision plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Insurance
Section 14–601, 14–606, and 15–112.2(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15–112.2(a)(1) and (11)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 933 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

War on Cancer and Diabetes – Awareness Campaign

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish and promote a certain public information, awareness, and education campaign on cancer and diabetes; requiring the campaign to reach out to the general public and certain populations, disseminate certain information in a certain manner, and distribute materials free of charge to certain locations; authorizing the Secretary to request the services of interested advocacy groups and to contract for any necessary services; requiring the Secretary to apply for any available private and federal funding and grants to implement this Act; and generally relating to a public awareness campaign on cancer and diabetes.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 18–342 to be under the new part “Part VII. Cancer and Diabetes”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 934 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Local Government Tort Claims Act – Notice Requirement – Exception

FOR the purpose of providing a certain exception to a certain notice requirement for a claim under the Local Government Tort Claims Act; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a certain notice requirement for a claim under the Local Government Tort Claims Act.

BY repealing

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 20–1004
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 935 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Tort Claims Act – Certain Claim Requirement – Exception

FOR the purpose of providing a certain exception to 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 a certain requirement under the Maryland Tort Claims Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 12–106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 20–1004
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 936 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Clean Energy Incentive Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of extending a certain credit against the State income tax for electricity produced by certain facilities from certain qualified energy resources until a certain date; extending the period in which the Maryland Energy Administration may issue

certain qualifying certifications; and generally relating to a certain income tax credit for electricity produced from qualified energy resources.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Tax – General
Section 10–720
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 937 – Senators Manno, Astle, Bates, Klausmeier, Raskin, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Sustainable Oyster Harvest Act of 2016

FOR the purpose of requiring the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science to conduct a certain study related to the public oyster fishery; requiring the Center to report to the Governor, the Department of Natural Resources, the Oyster Advisory Commission, and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; prohibiting the Department from taking certain actions until after the Center has made a certain report; and generally relating to the public oyster fishery.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 938 – Senators Manno, Ferguson, Lee, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

**Election Law – Voting by Mail
(Universal Vote by Mail Act)**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a voter to cast a ballot by mail; requiring the State Board of Elections, in consultation with the local boards of elections, to select a certain voting system; requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations; requiring the local boards to mail a ballot for voting by mail to certain voters by certain deadlines; authorizing certain voters to request that a local board provide a ballot for voting by mail to the voter; requiring a voter who receives a ballot for voting by mail to take certain action to vote the ballot; providing for the methods by which a voter may return a ballot for voting by mail; specifying that a ballot for voting by mail must be received by a certain deadline; authorizing an individual, under certain circumstances, to request a replacement ballot for voting by mail; requiring a local board, under certain circumstances, to take certain action regarding replacement ballots; requiring a voter to take certain action to vote a replacement ballot; providing for the circumstances under which ballots for voting by mail are to be

counted; requiring that a voter who is at a certain location by a certain time on the day of an election be allowed to deposit a ballot for voting by mail; providing for the circumstances under which the deadline for returning ballots for voting by mail may be extended; requiring a ballot for voting by mail to contain a certain statement; altering certain definitions; making certain conforming changes; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to elections by mail.

BY repealing

Article – Election Law

Section 9–501 through 9–506 and the subtitle “Subtitle 5. Voting by Mail in Special Elections”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 1–101(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Election Law

Section 1–101(b) and (d), 2–107(c)(8), 2–202(b)(3)(ii) and (6), 2–203, 9–205, 9–213, 11–101(c), 13–245, and 16–206

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 9–501 through 9–507 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 1. Voting by Mail”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 939 – Senators Madaleno and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Nursing Homes – Advance Payments

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to make a certain advance payment to a nursing home at the request of the nursing home under certain circumstances; providing that the advance payment may not exceed a certain amount; requiring the Department to pay the balance due to a nursing home under

certain circumstances; requiring the Department to recover certain advance payments in a certain manner under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and advance payments to nursing homes.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 15–101(a) and (h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – Health – General
Section 15–148
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 940 – Senators Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, and Raskin

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Payment of Wages – Minimum Wage and Repeal of Tip Credit

FOR the purpose of specifying the State minimum wage rate that is in effect for certain time periods; increasing, except under certain circumstances, the State minimum wage rate in effect for certain periods of time based on the annual growth in the Consumer Price Index; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, annually beginning on a certain date, to determine and announce the growth in the Consumer Price Index, if any, and the new State minimum wage rate; defining a certain term; 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 payment of wages.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–413
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–419
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 941 – Senators Mathias and Manno

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County – Family Entertainment Centers – Amusement Gaming Licenses

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of slot machine to exclude certain machines; authorizing the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to issue a certain amusement gaming license to certain family entertainment centers in a certain county; authorizing certain family entertainment centers to apply for a certain license if certain requirements are satisfied; authorizing a family entertainment center that holds a certain license to operate certain skills-based devices that award certain prizes; requiring the Commission to determine the value of certain prizes that may be awarded; prohibiting a family entertainment center from exchanging certain merchandise for money; authorizing the Commission to determine that a certain device at a family entertainment center is an illegal gaming device and require that the device be removed; prohibiting a family entertainment center from transferring a certain license to a certain location; defining certain terms; and generally relating to amusement gaming licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 12-301(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 9-1B-01 and 9-1B-02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 1B. Amusement Gaming Licenses”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

Senate Bill 942 – Senators Ramirez, Lee, and Manno

AN ACT concerning

**State Government – Administrative Procedure Act – Contested Cases
– Judicial Review**

FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a court may reverse or modify the decision of an agency on judicial review under the Administrative Procedure Act in a case in which an employee is disciplined, suspended, or terminated from employment; and generally relating to judicial review of contested cases under the Administrative Procedure Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 10–222
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 943 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Feldman, Guzzone, Kelley, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Muse, Peters, Rosapepe, Waugh, and Young

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 certain firearm under certain provisions of law; requiring the court to advise the person that certain proof must be provided to the court that certain firearms owned by the person or in the person's possession have been transferred from the person's possession; providing for the procedure to transfer certain firearms; requiring a person accepting a transferred firearm to issue a certain notice or proof of transfers; requiring a person who is subject to a certain order to file certain proof with the court or attest certain facts to the court within a certain period; authorizing the disposal of a certain firearm under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to firearms.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–233
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 6–234
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 944 – Senators Raskin, Ferguson, Lee, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Firearms – Applications – Notification and Reporting

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of State Police to provide notice of a certain denial of a handgun qualification license application or certain disapproval of a firearm application, within a certain amount of time after a denial or disapproval to certain agencies except under certain circumstances; providing information that must be included in the notification of a certain application denial or disapproval; requiring agencies that receive a certain notification of an application denial or disapproval to annually report certain information to the Secretary regarding criminal investigations and charges in connection with each application denial or disapproval; requiring the Secretary to publish an annual report that summarizes certain information regarding each application denial or disapproval and certain other information from certain agencies regarding criminal investigations and charges in connection with each application denial or disapproval; and generally relating to firearms.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1(b) and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.1(h) and 5–122
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–117.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

**Senate Bill 945 – Senators Raskin, Feldman, Guzzone, King, Lee, Madaleno,
Manno, Rosapepe, Young, and Zucker**

AN ACT concerning

**Drunk Driving Reduction Act of 2016
(Noah’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of increasing the suspension periods for the driver's license of a person who is convicted of certain offenses relating to driving under the influence of alcohol and driving while impaired; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to require a person who is convicted of certain offenses relating to driving under the influence of alcohol and driving while impaired to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for certain periods of time; requiring that the Administration include certain information about the Program in notifications regarding suspensions; requiring the Administration to modify certain suspensions on the driver's license of a person who is convicted of certain offenses relating to driving under the influence of alcohol and driving while impaired; repealing the opportunity for a certain restricted license after a conviction of driving under the influence of alcohol; repealing a person's right to a hearing on financial hardship regarding the installation of an ignition interlock on a motor vehicle owned by the person; increasing the suspension periods for the driver's license of a person who has refused or has certain results after a test for breath alcohol concentration; adding advisements a police officer must give to certain detainees; altering the length of time a certain person must participate in the Program; requiring a certain person whose license is suspended by the Administration after the person refuses or has certain results from a test for breath alcohol concentration to participate in the Program; authorizing the Administration to extend a certain person's participation period in the Program under certain circumstances; altering the period of time a certain person must participate in the Program; requiring the Administration to modify the suspension of a certain Program participant's license and issue the participant a restricted license; providing that a certain person who participates in the Program must receive credit for future participation; establishing certain completion requirements; requiring a certain person convicted of reckless or negligent driving to participate in the Program; altering the employer-based exception for a person who has a restricted license that requires an ignition interlock; making conforming changes; and generally relating to required participation in the Ignition Interlock System Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–205, 16–205.1, 16–404.1, and 27–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–901.1 and 27–101(a), (b), and (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 27–101(gg)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 946 – Senators Gladden, Hough, Ferguson, Lee, McFadden, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, Raskin, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Restrictive Housing – Report

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services on or before a certain date each year to submit certain data to the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention relating to the use of certain restrictive housing in correctional facilities; requiring the Department to make certain information available on the Department’s Web site; defining a certain term; and generally relating to correctional facilities.

BY adding to

Article – Correctional Services

Section 9–614

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 947 – Senators Raskin, Benson, Conway, Feldman, Ferguson, Kagan, Lee, Madaleno, Muse, Nathan–Pulliam, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Rifles and Shotguns – Secondary Transactions

FOR the purpose of providing that a person who is not a certain licensee may not complete the transfer of a certain rifle or shotgun in a certain role, except under certain circumstances; requiring, before a certain transfer is conducted, the transferor and transferee to meet jointly with a certain licensee and request that the licensee facilitate the transfer; requiring a certain licensee to take certain actions when facilitating a certain transfer; authorizing a certain transferor to remove a certain rifle or shotgun from certain premises under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain licensee and transferor from completing a certain transfer if a certain background check has a certain result; authorizing a certain transferor to remove a certain rifle or shotgun from certain premises if a certain background check has a certain result; authorizing a certain licensee to charge a reasonable fee for facilitating a certain transfer; establishing certain penalties for violating this Act and for providing false information while conducting a transfer under this Act;

excluding certain transfers from the scope of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to rifles and shotguns.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–201
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Public Safety
Section 5–204.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 948 – Senators Zucker and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

Nonpublic Elementary and Secondary Schools – Discrimination – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a nonpublic elementary or secondary school that receives State funds from refusing to enroll, expelling, withholding privileges from, or otherwise discriminating against any student or prospective student because of certain factors; making certain provisions of law prohibiting discrimination in employment applicable to nonpublic elementary and secondary schools that receive State funds; authorizing a certain person to elect to have certain claims determined in a certain civil action brought by the Commission on Civil Rights; authorizing the Commission to elect to have certain claims determined in a certain civil action; making certain remedies and procedures regarding discrimination applicable to certain discriminatory acts by certain nonpublic schools; requiring the Commission to file a certain civil action in a certain circuit court within a certain time period; authorizing a certain person to bring a civil action alleging a certain discriminatory act by a certain nonpublic school under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commission to bring an action to obtain a temporary injunction under certain circumstances; altering the definition of a certain term; defining a certain term; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to discrimination in nonpublic schools.

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 26–501 and 26–502 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Discrimination
in Education”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 20–101(d), 20–604, 20–1001, 20–1006, 20–1007, 20–1009, 20–1012, 20–1013,
and 20–1017
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 949 – Senators Ramirez, Hough, and Norman

AN ACT concerning

**Crimes – Robbery, Burglary, or Theft of Property – Controlled Dangerous
Substances**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the crime of robbery includes robbing or attempting to rob another of certain controlled dangerous substances; establishing the offense of breaking and entering the storehouse of another with the intent to steal, take, or carry away certain controlled dangerous substances; providing that a certain penalty applies to a certain offense; providing that a certain person shall be ordered to undergo a certain drug assessment; providing that a certain person shall be entered into a certain drug addiction treatment program instead of being subject to a certain penalty; clarifying that the crime of theft includes the theft of certain controlled dangerous substances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to controlled dangerous substances.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–401(a), (d)(1), and (e), 3–402, 6–201(a), 7–101(a) and (i)(1), and
7–104(a) through (g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–401(d)(2)(xiii) and (xiv), 6–201(d) through (h), 6–203, and
7–101(i)(2)(xiii) and (xiv)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 3–401(d)(2)(xv), 6–201(d), and 7–101(i)(2)(xv)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 950 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Education – Students With Disabilities – Parental Consent for Individualized Education Program Content

FOR the purpose of requiring certain individualized education program teams to obtain a certain written consent before implementing certain actions except in certain circumstances; requiring a certain individualized education program team to send a certain notice to certain parents under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain individualized education program team to use certain dispute resolution options in certain circumstances; and generally relating to parental consent for individualized education program content.

BY renumbering

Article – Education

Section 8–405(f) through (h), respectively

to be Section 8–405(g) through (i), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 8–405(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 8–405(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 951 – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Lead Poisoning Recovery Act

FOR the purpose of establishing that certain manufacturers of lead pigment are liable to certain persons for certain damages caused by lead-based paint; establishing the types of damages for which certain manufacturers of lead pigment are liable; providing that certain manufacturers of lead pigment may be held liable under any legally recognized theory of liability; providing that failure to join a certain manufacturer in a certain action does not constitute failure to join a required party for any purpose; providing that a person is not required to prove that a manufacturer manufactured the lead pigment contained in certain lead-based paint that caused certain damage to establish the liability of the manufacturer; requiring a party to prove by a preponderance of the evidence certain elements in order to recover damages; requiring a trier of fact, if a party satisfies a certain burden of proof against a certain manufacturer, to find the manufacturer liable unless the manufacturer establishes certain facts by a preponderance of the evidence; requiring the trier of fact, if a certain manufacturer is found liable for certain damages, to make a certain finding and enter a certain judgment based on certain factors; providing that a certain manufacturer that is found to be liable is subject to joint and several liability; establishing a duty of a certain attorney to notify and reimburse the State for certain payments under certain circumstances; establishing that a certain action under this Act is not exclusive and is independent of and in addition to any right, remedy, or cause of action available to the State, certain units of the State, and certain individuals; allowing medical assistance expenditures attributable to lead-based paint to be proved or disproved by evidence of statistical analysis; creating the Lead Paint Restitution Fund; providing for the uses of and expenditures from the Fund; declaring a certain intent of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the liability of manufacturers for damage caused by lead pigment in lead-based paint.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-2101 through 3-2109 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 21. Maryland Lead Poisoning Recovery Act”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 952 – Carroll County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Carroll County – Sykesville Freedom District Fire Department

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 Sykesville Freedom District Fire Department, 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 953 – Senator Ready

AN ACT concerning

Consumer Protection – Unauthorized Billing – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from charging, attempting to charge, or imposing a fee on a consumer for any merchandise or services or the processing of any documents or permits for which the consumer did not specifically contract or that the consumer did not otherwise request; and generally relating to prohibited fees under consumer protection laws.

BY adding to

Article – Commercial Law

Section 14–1325

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 954 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air–Conditioning, and Refrigeration
Contractors – Maintenance Technician – License Requirements**

FOR the purpose of establishing the qualifications for a maintenance technician license to be issued by the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air–Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors; establishing a certain fee for the issuance or renewal of a maintenance technician license; limiting the subjects on a certain examination for a certain license; authorizing the Board to waive certain examination requirements for certain individuals who are licensed in another state to provide certain services under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to send a certain notice to a certain applicant under certain circumstances; providing that a licensed maintenance technician need not obtain separate insurance while providing or assisting in the providing of certain services under certain circumstances; prohibiting an individual from exclusively providing general maintenance services on certain systems without a certain license; defining certain terms; altering the definition of a certain term; and generally relating to license requirements for a maintenance technician license.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 9A–101, 9A–207, 9A–302, 9A–304, 9A–305, 9A–308, 9A–402, and 9A–501

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 955 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Federal–Aid Primary Highways – Signs

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Highway Administration to issue a permit for a sign along or near a federal–aid primary highway if the sign is a directional sign for a historic, cultural, or educational site that is naturally suited for outdoor recreation; and generally relating to signs erected along or near federal–aid primary highways.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 8–730

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 956 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Oyster Poaching – Administrative Penalties

FOR the purpose of repealing the grounds for revocation of an authorization to catch oysters, in accordance with a tidal fish license, for oyster poaching and requiring the Department of Natural Resources, after certain consultation, to adopt regulations establishing the grounds for certain administrative penalties for oyster poaching; requiring the grounds established by the Department to include certain egregious or repeat violations; altering the administrative penalties that apply to a person for knowingly committing certain oyster poaching offenses by authorizing the Department to suspend the person’s authorization to catch oysters; repealing a certain time frame within which the Department is required to hold a hearing on certain matters related to oyster poaching; making certain conforming changes; making certain technical corrections; 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 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 957 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Oyster Poaching – Administrative Penalties – Gear Violations

FOR the purpose of repealing the offense of taking oysters with certain gear in certain areas that is subject to certain enhanced administrative penalties; establishing the offense of taking oysters with a power dredge in certain areas that is subject to certain enhanced administrative penalties; and generally relating to administrative penalties for oyster poaching gear violations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–1210
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 958 – Cecil County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Cecil County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class 9 Limited Distillery Licenses and Class 7 Micro–Brewery Licenses

FOR the purpose of authorizing a Class 9 limited distillery license and a Class 7 micro–brewery license to be issued in Cecil County; authorizing a Class 9 limited distillery license to be issued to a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license as well as a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license under certain circumstances; providing that a certain Class 9 limited distillery license holder who is also a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license holder may sell certain products in a certain manner and may not sell at retail more than a certain number of gallons on a certain premises each year; requiring a Class 9 limited distillery license holder who is also a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license holder to divest itself of a certain license and obtain a certain license if the license holder distills more than a certain number of

gallons of product each year; authorizing a Class 7 micro–brewery license to be issued to a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license or a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license under certain circumstances; establishing that for a holder of a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license who also holds a Class 7 micro–brewery license, the hours and days of sale for the Class 7 micro–brewery license are those established for a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license; and generally relating to the issuance of Class 9 limited distillery licenses and Class 7 micro–brewery licenses in Cecil County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 17–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 17–401

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 17–403 and 17–404

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 959 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Kent County – Alcoholic Beverages – Limited Distillery License

FOR the purpose of authorizing a Class 9 limited distillery license to be issued in Kent County; authorizing a Class 9 limited distillery license to be issued to a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license as well as a holder of a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license under certain circumstances; providing that a certain Class 9 limited distillery license holder who is also a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license holder may sell certain products in a certain manner and may not sell at retail more than a certain number of gallons on a certain premises each year; requiring a Class 9 limited distillery license holder who is also a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license holder to

divest itself of a certain license and obtain a certain license if the license holder distills more than a certain number of gallons of product each year; and generally relating to a Class 9 limited distillery license in Kent County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 24–401

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 24–405

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. ____)(6lr1406) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 960 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Domestic Violence – Definition of Abuse

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “abuse” for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to domestic violence to include harassment and malicious destruction of property; defining certain terms; and generally relating to domestic violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 4–501

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 961 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles – Speed Monitoring Systems – Automated Audits

FOR the purpose of requiring that a speed monitoring system be subject to an automated, real–time audit; prohibiting an audit from being conducted by an employee or

representative of the speed monitoring system contractor; requiring that the results of the audit remain in the custody and be the property of the local jurisdiction that authorized the speed monitoring system and be admitted as evidence in any court proceeding for certain violations; and generally relating to automated audits for speed monitoring systems.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(b)(1)(i), (2), (3), and (4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(b)(5) and (6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 962 – Senator Muse

AN ACT concerning

Child Custody – Rebuttable Presumption of Joint Custody

FOR the purpose of creating a rebuttable presumption in certain child custody proceedings that certain custodial arrangements are in the best interests of a child; authorizing a court to consider certain factors when determining the best interests of a child; authorizing the court to award sole custody under certain circumstances; requiring a court to enter certain information on the record under certain circumstances; requiring the court to award visitation in a certain manner 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 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 963 – Senators Eckardt and Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Harris Creek Oyster Restoration – Vessel Damage – Compensation

FOR the purpose of authorizing a vessel owner to file a claim with the Department of Natural Resources for the payment of damages if certain persons make an error or omission related to the required depth of navigable water in the Harris Creek Oyster Restoration Project and, as a result of the error or omission, the vessel sustains damages; establishing certain procedures for a claim; establishing a certain statute of limitations for a claim; establishing a certain cap on the amount that may be paid under a claim; establishing certain sources of funds for payment under a claim; requiring, after certain notice and a hearing, the Department to approve the claim, and order the payment of any damages to the vessel owner, or deny the claim; requiring the Department to deny a claim under certain circumstances; providing for the appeal to the Talbot County Circuit Court of a denial of a claim; establishing the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court; and generally relating to compensation for vessel damage sustained in the Harris Creek Oyster Restoration Project.

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 8–724.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 964 – Senators Eckardt, Hershey, and Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Oysters – County Oyster Committees

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law relating to county oyster committees and a statewide committee of oystermen; requiring the active licensed oyster harvesters of each tidewater county to elect a county oyster committee; providing for the composition of a county oyster committee; establishing the terms of the members of the county oyster committee; specifying the terms of the initial members of the county oyster committee; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish a certain process for the election of members to each county oyster committee; requiring each county oyster committee to consult with the Department on certain matters; requiring the Fisheries Service to provide an annual report on or before a certain date to each county oyster committee; specifying the contents of a certain report; requiring the Department to make a certain report available to the public; repealing the authority of the Department to close certain oyster bars with the approval of a county oyster committee; authorizing the Department, on request of a county oyster committee, to take certain oyster harvesting actions by public notice; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to county oyster committees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 4–1106
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 965 – Senator McFadden

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Right of Appeal – Unlawful Possession of Handgun or Regulated Firearm

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State, in a criminal case involving the unlawful possession of certain firearms, to appeal from a decision of a trial court that excludes evidence offered by the State or requires the return of property alleged to have been seized in violation of certain constitutional provisions; and generally relating to right of appeal.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 12–302(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate Bill 966 – Senators Young and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study Extending Metrorail Service From the City of Gaithersburg to the City of Frederick

FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Extending Metrorail Service From the City of Gaithersburg to the City of Frederick; providing for the membership, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to consider certain transportation–related issues and make recommendations relating to extending Metrorail service from the City of Gaithersburg to the City of Frederick; requiring the Task Force to report 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 Extending Metrorail Service From the City of Gaithersburg to the City of Frederick.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill 967 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class A Beer, Wine, and Liquor License

FOR the purpose of establishing a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license in Worcester County; providing that the license authorizes the sale of beer, wine, and liquor at the place described in the license for off-premises consumption under certain conditions; providing for an annual license fee and hours and days of sale; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Worcester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 33–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 33–901

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

BY adding to

Article – Alcoholic Beverages

Section 33–2005(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter ____ (S.B. 724) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Bill 968 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – Home Builder Registration – Fees

FOR the purpose of increasing certain fees for applicants for a home builder registration and a home builder sales representative registration; increasing the administrative fee for the Home Builder Guaranty Fund for certain home builders; increasing the fee for renewal of a certain registration or registration certificate; adding a renewal

of registration fee based on a certain number of certain building permits issued to a certain registrant; and generally relating to fees for home builder registration.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 4.5–304, 4.5–304.1, and 4.5–305
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Senate Joint Resolution 5 – Senators Madaleno, Raskin, Conway, Feldman, Kagan, King, Lee, Manno, and Pinsky

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Constitutional Convention – Amendment – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing and withdrawing certain applications to Congress to call a Constitutional Convention; and urging the legislatures of certain other states to take certain actions.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

Senate Joint Resolution 6 – Senator Muse

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Reinstatement of the Separation of Commercial and Investment Banking Functions

FOR the purpose of urging the United States Congress to support efforts to reinstate the separation of commercial and investment banking functions in effect under the Glass–Steagall Act and to support H. R. 381 and S. 1709.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Joint Resolution 7 – Senator Madaleno

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Extending the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail

FOR the purpose of urging the National Park Service in the U.S. Department of the Interior to expeditiously complete and provide to Congress the Eastern Legacy Special Resource Study and include within the Study a certain recommendation.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Joint Resolution 4 – Senators Bates, Hough, Jennings, Norman, Ready, Salling, and Serafini

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

United States Constitution – Amendments Convention – Limitations on Federal Power

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 515 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

County Boards of Education – Procurements for Construction or Repair of School Projects

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 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 158)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #9**Senate Bill 54 – Senators Middleton and Ferguson****EMERGENCY BILL**

AN ACT concerning

**Public Utilities – Transportation Network Services and For-Hire
Transportation – Clarifications**

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.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 160)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:30 P.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 9, 2016.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Tuesday, February 9, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 10:10 A.M.

Prayer by Senator Salling.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 162)

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

2015 Bill Vetoed by the Governor – Policy Veto

Senate Bill 340 (2015) – Senator Conway

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex-Felons

QUESTION IS: “SHALL THE BILL PASS NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE?”

The President put the question: “Shall the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 29 Negative – 18 (See Roll Call No. 163)

The President announced the veto was overridden.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

January 20, 2016

By the Majority Leader

Ladies and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

The Senate today, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, voted to override the Veto on Senate Bill 340. Said bill is sent to you for your consideration.

By Order

William B.C. Addison, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

Read and adopted.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE

January 20, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate:

The House of Delegates has voted to override the Governor's veto of House Bill 980 (2015). Said Bill is sent to you for your consideration.

By Order,
Sylvia Siegert, Chief Clerk

Read and ordered journalized.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 256 – Senator Douglas J. J. Peters:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Tiger Hunters
in recognition of
the bravery and commitment of the Korean–American Partisans who left no soldier
behind enemy lines.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 9th day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 164)

SPECIAL ORDERS

The presiding officer submitted the Special Orders of the day, as follows:

2015 Bill Vetoed by the Governor – Policy Veto

House Bill 980 (2015) – Delegates McCray, Moon, Anderson, Angel, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Campos, Carr, Carter, Conaway, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Frick, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hixson, Holmes, C. Howard, Jalisi, Jones, Kelly, Korman, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Morales, Oaks, Patterson, Pena-Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Sample-Hughes, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, Valderrama, Valentino-Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex-Felons

QUESTION IS: “SHALL THE BILL PASS NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE?”

Senator Hershey moved, duly seconded, to postpone indefinitely further action on **House Bill 980**.

The motion was rejected by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 19 Negative – 27 (See Roll Call No. 165)

The President put the question: “Shall the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 28 Negative – 18 (See Roll Call No. 166)

The President announced the veto was sustained.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 167)

**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 51 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Aquaculture Coordinating Council – 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:

**Senate Bill 104 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)**

AN ACT concerning

**Housing and Community Development – Local Government Infrastructure
Projects – Financing**

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 111 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)**

AN ACT concerning

State Lottery – Licensed Agents – Prize Payments

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 123 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Interstate Boating Violator Compact

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 132 – Senator Mathias (Chair, Joint Committee on the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Areas)

AN ACT concerning

**Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays
– Membership From Ocean City**

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 135 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County – Commissioners – Salary and Expense Reimbursements

SB0135/534837/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 135
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after “expenses;” insert “altering the types of expenses eligible for reimbursement;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 2, strike “food and mileage”; in the same line, after “expenses” insert “**INCURRED**”; and in line 3, strike “for each excursion”.

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 #7

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 119 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

**Business Regulation – Business Discounts and Preferences for Veterans –
Identification**

SB0119/207175/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 119

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Simonaire” and substitute “Senators Simonaire, Peters, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Hershey, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Middleton, Pugh, and Reilly”; and in line 7, strike “establishing a certain penalty;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 18, strike “(A)”.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 and 2.

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 245 – Senators Manno and Peters

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Hiring and Promotion Preferences – Veterans and Spouses

SB0245/887577/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 245

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Peters” and substitute “, Peters, Middleton, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Hershey, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Pugh, and Reilly”; and strike beginning with the first “**THE**” in line 21 down through “**RESERVES**” in line 22 and substitute “:

- (1) THE NATIONAL GUARD;**
- (2) THE MILITARY RESERVES;**
- (3) THE COMMISSIONED CORPS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE;**
- (4) THE COMMISSIONED CORPS OF THE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION; AND**
- (5) THE COMMISSIONED CORPS OF THE COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY”.**

The preceding amendment was 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 #1

Senator Kasemeyer, Chair, for the Committee on Budget and Taxation reported favorably:

Senate Bill 58 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Vessel Excise Tax Cap – Repeal of Termination

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 76 – Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)

AN ACT concerning

Enterprise Zones – Reimbursements to Local Governments – Schedule

SB0076/439534/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 76

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in line 11, strike “as soon as practicable” and substitute “within a certain period of time”.

On page 2, in lines 25 and 27, in each instance, strike “AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE” and substitute “WITHIN 30 DAYS”.

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 116 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Office of Legislative Audits – Alterations in Audit Requirements

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 137 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Preservation and Conservation Easements

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 227 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Property Tax Credit – Disabled Veterans

SB0227/349938/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 227

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 3, in line 22, strike “SUPERVISOR” and substitute “COUNTY”.

The preceding amendment was read and adopted.

Favorable report, as amended, adopted.

Read the second time and ordered prepared for Third Reading.

THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS REPORT #3

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 31 – Senator DeGrange

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Child Abuse and Neglect – Expungement of Reports and Records – Time Period

SB0031/398571/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 31

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator DeGrange” and substitute “Senators DeGrange 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 78 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)

AN ACT concerning

State Lottery and Video Lottery Facility Payouts – Remittance of Intercepted Prizes

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 83 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office of Crime Control and Prevention)

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – School Safety Enforcement Fund

SB0083/658277/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 83

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after “education;” insert “requiring the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to consider the geographic distribution of grant recipients before making a grant from the Fund;”; and in line 8, after “county;” insert “prohibiting a law enforcement agency or board of education from using a grant from the Fund for a certain purpose;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 25, strike “and”; and in line 26, after “(3)” insert “THE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF GRANT RECIPIENTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE; AND

(4)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, after line 13, insert:

“(E) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT RECEIVES A GRANT UNDER THIS SUBTITLE MAY NOT USE THE GRANT TO FUND THE INSTALLATION OR MAINTENANCE OF A SPEED MONITORING SYSTEM IN OR AROUND A SCHOOL ZONE UNDER § 21–809 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.”.

The preceding 3 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 134 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County – Sheriff – Salary

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 146 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – State’s Attorney – Salary

SB0146/968677/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 146

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Cassilly” and substitute “Harford County Senators”.

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 with amendments:

**Senate Bill 150 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Gladden, Kasemeyer, King, Madaleno,
Manno, Pugh, Ramirez, and Zirkin**

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Prohibition Against Testimony by Convicted Perjurer – Repeal

SB0150/878672/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 150

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In line 4, after the semicolon insert “providing that evidence that a witness has been convicted of perjury shall be admitted for the purpose of attacking the credibility of the witness, regardless of the date of the conviction, under certain circumstances; making stylistic changes;”; and after line 10, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 10–905
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

After line 15, insert:

“10–905.

(a) **(1)** Evidence is admissible to prove the interest of a witness in any proceeding, or the fact of [his] THE WITNESS’S conviction of an infamous crime.

(2) Evidence of conviction is not admissible if an appeal is pending, or the time for an appeal has not expired, or the conviction has been reversed, and there has been no retrial or reconviction.

(b) The certificate, under the seal of the clerk of the court, of the court in which the conviction occurred is sufficient evidence of the conviction.

(C) EVIDENCE THAT A WITNESS HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF PERJURY SHALL BE ADMITTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ATTACKING THE CREDIBILITY OF THE WITNESS, REGARDLESS OF THE DATE OF THE CONVICTION, IF THE EVIDENCE IS ELICITED FROM THE WITNESS OR ESTABLISHED BY PUBLIC RECORD DURING EXAMINATION OF THE WITNESS.

The preceding 2 amendments were read only.

Senator Simonaire moved, duly seconded, that the Bill and Amendments be laid over under the Rule.

The motion was adopted.

Senator Zirkin, Chair, for the Committee on Judicial Proceedings reported favorably:

Senate Bill 156 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Participation in Court Proceedings – Retaliation

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 moved the following Bill be re-referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation:

Senate Bill 280 – Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – University System of Maryland)

AN ACT concerning

Academic Facilities Bonding Authority

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 281 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Military)

AN ACT concerning

**State Government – Members of the National Guard – Active Duty –
Employment Protection**

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 282 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Education)**

AN ACT concerning

Early Childhood Development – Transfer of Provisions

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 285 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Home Improvement Commission – Subcontractor Licensing
Requirement – Repeal**

The bill was re-referred to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 168)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #10**Senate Bill 22 – Senator Benson**

AN ACT concerning

Human Services – Interagency Council on Homelessness – Membership

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 169)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 74 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Unemployment Insurance – Effect of Retirement Payments on Eligibility for
Benefits – Revision**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 170)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 84 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Unemployment Insurance – Calculation and Application of Table of Rates –
Revision**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 171)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 86 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,
Licensing and Regulation)**

AN ACT concerning

**Unemployment Insurance – Exemption From Actively Seeking Work
Requirement – Repeal**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 172)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

RECONSIDERATION

Senator Klausmeier moved, duly seconded, to reconsider the vote by which House Bill 980 (2015) was sustained.

The motion was adopted by roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative - 29 Negative - 18 (See Roll Call No. 173)

2015 Bill Vetoed by the Governor – Policy Veto

House Bill 980 (2015) – Delegates McCray, Moon, Anderson, Angel, B. Barnes, D. Barnes, Campos, Carr, Carter, Conaway, Cullison, Ebersole, Fennell, Frick, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hixson, Holmes, C. Howard, Jalisi, Jones, Kelly, Korman, Lam, Lierman, Luedtke, McIntosh, A. Miller, Morales, Oaks, Patterson, Pena–Melnyk, Platt, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Sample–Hughes, Smith, Sydnor, Tarlau, Valderrama, Valentino–Smith, Vaughn, A. Washington, and M. Washington

AN ACT concerning

Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex–Felons

QUESTION IS: “SHALL THE BILL PASS NOTWITHSTANDING THE OBJECTIONS OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE?”

The President put the question: “Shall the Bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Chief Executive?”

The roll call vote resulted as follows:

Affirmative – 29 Negative – 18 (See Roll Call No. 174)

The President announced the veto was overridden.

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 175)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:37 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, February 10, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Wednesday, February 10, 2016
10:00 A.M. Session

The Senate met at 10:10 A.M.

Prayer by Rabbi Adam Raskin, Congregation Har Shalom, guest of Senator Kagan.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 177)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 281 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Jenell Eck
Caroline County
in recognition of

being named Miss Maryland Agriculture 2015 and serving as a leader promoting the
agricultural industry and the Farm Bureau.

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 10th day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 178)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 969 – Senator Brochin

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Equipment – Counterfeit and Nonfunctional Airbags – Prohibitions

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from importing, manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale a counterfeit airbag or a nonfunctional airbag; prohibiting a person from installing a counterfeit airbag or a nonfunctional airbag in a motor vehicle; prohibiting a person from selling or installing a device that causes the vehicle diagnostic system to inaccurately indicate that the airbag is functional when a counterfeit airbag, a nonfunctional airbag, or no airbag is installed; prohibiting a person from representing to another person that a counterfeit airbag or a nonfunctional airbag that is or will be installed in a motor vehicle is a functional airbag; prohibiting a person from assisting in or causing a violation of this Act; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to motor vehicle equipment and counterfeit airbags and nonfunctional airbags.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 22–419

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 970 – Senators Kagan, Bates, Cassilly, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Guzzone, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, Mathias, McFadden, Muse, Peters, Ramirez, Raskin, Serafini, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Drugged Driving – Oral Fluid Tests – Pilot Program

FOR the purpose of establishing a pilot program to examine the testing of oral fluid samples by certain police officers to assist in determining if an individual is operating a motor vehicle while impaired by a controlled dangerous substance; providing that the pilot program applies only to the Baltimore County Police Department, the Montgomery County Department of Police, the Prince George’s County Police Department, and the Ocean City Police Department; authorizing a police officer who has reasonable grounds to believe that an individual is or has been driving or attempting to drive a motor vehicle while impaired by a controlled dangerous substance to request the individual to submit a certain oral fluid sample subject to certain standards; requiring a police officer who requests an oral fluid sample to advise the individual of certain matters related to subsequent blood tests; requiring a police officer to use the results of an oral fluid test for certain purposes; prohibiting the use of the results of an oral fluid test as evidence in any court action; providing that the submission or refusal to submit an oral fluid sample is not admissible as evidence in any court action; prohibiting the use of any evidence pertaining an oral fluid test in a civil

action; establishing that refusal to submit an oral fluid sample does not constitute a certain violation; establishing that submission to an oral fluid test does not relieve the individual of certain obligations; requiring the State Coordinator for the Drug Recognition Expert Program to submit certain reports to the General Assembly by a certain date; defining the term “oral fluid test”; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to authorization for the use of oral fluid tests by police officers of the Baltimore County Police Department, the Montgomery County Department of Police, the Prince George’s County Police Department, and the Ocean City Police Department to detect the presence of a controlled dangerous substance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 16–205.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 16–205.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 971 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Procedure – Petition for Writ of Actual Innocence – Appeal Right

FOR the purpose of providing that a certain person aggrieved by an order on a petition for writ of actual innocence may appeal to the Court of Special Appeals; requiring the appeal to be in a form set by the Maryland Rules; providing that the court may take certain actions under certain circumstances; and generally relating to a petition for writ of actual innocence.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 8–301(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 8–301(h) and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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 150 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Gladden, Kasemeyer, King, Madaleno, Manno, Pugh, Ramirez, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Prohibition Against Testimony by Convicted Perjurer – Repeal

STATUS OF BILL: QUESTION IS ON THE ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS (2) AND THE FAVORABLE REPORT.

SB0150/878672/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 150

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In line 4, after the semicolon insert “providing that evidence that a witness has been convicted of perjury shall be admitted for the purpose of attacking the credibility of the witness, regardless of the date of the conviction, under certain circumstances; making stylistic changes;”; and after line 10, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 10–905

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

After line 15, insert:

“10–905.

(a) **(1)** Evidence is admissible to prove the interest of a witness in any proceeding, or the fact of [his] THE WITNESS'S conviction of an infamous crime.

(2) Evidence of conviction is not admissible if an appeal is pending, or the time for an appeal has not expired, or the conviction has been reversed, and there has been no retrial or reconviction.

(b) The certificate, under the seal of the clerk of the court, of the court in which the conviction occurred is sufficient evidence of the conviction.

(C) EVIDENCE THAT A WITNESS HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF PERJURY SHALL BE ADMITTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ATTACKING THE CREDIBILITY OF THE WITNESS, REGARDLESS OF THE DATE OF THE CONVICTION, IF THE EVIDENCE IS ELICITED FROM THE WITNESS OR ESTABLISHED BY PUBLIC RECORD DURING EXAMINATION OF THE WITNESS.

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 reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 17 – Senator Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Open Meetings Act – Retention of Minutes and Tape Recordings – Revision

SB0017/234235/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 17
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In line 2, strike “Tape”; in line 4, strike “written” and substitute “certain”; in the same line, strike “tape”; in line 5, after “law;” insert “requiring certain public bodies to post online certain minutes or recordings, to the extent practicable; altering a certain requirement relating to the preparation of minutes; making certain stylistic and conforming changes;”; in line 6, strike “tape”; and in line 9, strike “3–306(e)” and substitute “3–206(b)(2)(iii) and (3) and 3–306(b) through (e)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

After line 14, insert:

“3–206.

(b) (2) On request of the Board, the public body shall include with its written response to the complaint a copy of:

(iii) the [written] minutes and any [tape] recording made by the public body under § 3–306 of this title.

(3) The Board shall maintain the confidentiality of the [written] minutes and any [tape] recording submitted by a public body that are sealed in accordance with § 3–306(c)(3)(ii) of this title.”;

after line 15, insert:

“(b) (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, as soon as practicable after a public body meets, it shall have [written] minutes of its session prepared.

(2) A public body need not prepare [written] minutes of an open session if:

(i) live and archived video or audio streaming of the open session is available; or

(ii) the public body votes on legislation and the individual votes taken by each member of the public body who participates in the voting are posted promptly on the Internet.

(3) The information specified under paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be deemed the minutes of the open session.

(c) (1) The [written] minutes shall reflect:

- (i) each item that the public body considered;
- (ii) the action that the public body took on each item; and
- (iii) each vote that was recorded.

(2) If a public body meets in closed session, the [written] minutes for its next open session shall include:

- (i) a statement of the time, place, and purpose of the closed session;
- (ii) a record of the vote of each member as to closing the session;
- (iii) a citation of the authority under § 3-305 of this subtitle for closing the session; and
- (iv) a listing of the topics of discussion, persons present, and each action taken during the session.

(3) (i) A session may be [tape] recorded by a public body.

(ii) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (4) of this subsection, the [written] minutes and any [tape] recording of a closed session shall be sealed and may not be open to public inspection.

(4) The [written] minutes and any [tape] recording shall be unsealed and open to inspection as follows:

- (i) for a meeting closed under § 3-305(b)(5) of this subtitle, when the public body invests the funds;
- (ii) for a meeting closed under § 3-305(b)(6) of this subtitle, when the public securities being discussed have been marketed; or

(iii) on request of a person or on the public body’s own initiative, if a majority of the members of the public body present and voting vote in favor of unsealing the [written] minutes and any [tape] recording.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, [written] minutes of a public body are public records and shall be open to public inspection during ordinary business hours.”;

in line 16, after “(e)” insert “**(1)**”; in the same line, strike “written”; in line 17, strike “tape”; and after line 18, insert:

“(2) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, A PUBLIC BODY SHALL POST ONLINE THE MINUTES OR RECORDINGS REQUIRED TO BE KEPT UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.”.

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 28 – Senator Kagan

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Web Sites – Language Access

SB0028/854430/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 28

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Kagan” and substitute “Senators Kagan, Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Nathan–Pulliam, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zucker”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 and 3, strike beginning with “SPOKEN” in line 32 on page 2 down through “CENSUS” in line 2 on page 3 and substitute “THAT CAN BE TRANSLATED FREE-OF-CHARGE”.

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 107 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Military)**

AN ACT concerning

Military Department – Summary Courts–Martial – Penalties

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 109 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations Boards – Criminal History Records Checks – Required

SB0109/484031/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 109

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 10, after “Repository” insert “a”; in the same line, after “certain” insert “set of”; and strike beginning with “and” in line 11 down through “individuals” in line 12.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, in line 27, strike “TWO COMPLETE SETS” and substitute “ONE COMPLETE SET”.

On page 6, strike beginning with “AND” in line 9 down through “INDIVIDUAL” in line 10; strike in their entirety lines 12 through 16, inclusive; and in lines 17 and 23, strike “(F)” and “(G)”, respectively, and substitute “(E)” and “(F)”, respectively.

On page 11, in line 12, strike “TWO COMPLETE SETS” and substitute “ONE COMPLETE SET”; strike beginning with “AND” in line 25 down through “INDIVIDUAL” in line 26; and strike in their entirety lines 28 through 32, inclusive.

On page 12, in lines 1 and 7, strike “(F)” and “(G)”, respectively, and substitute “(E)” and “(F)”, respectively.

On page 18, in line 10, strike “TWO COMPLETE SETS” and substitute “ONE COMPLETE SET”; strike beginning with “AND” in line 23 down through “INDIVIDUAL” in line 24; strike in their entirety lines 26 through 30, inclusive; and in line 31, strike “(F)” and substitute “(E)”.

On page 19, in line 5, strike “(G)” and substitute “(F)”.

On page 24, in line 1, strike “TWO COMPLETE SETS” and substitute “ONE COMPLETE SET”; strike in their entirety lines 12 through 16, inclusive; and in lines 17 and 23, strike “(E)” and “(F)”, 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.

Senator Conway, Chair, for the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 206 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

Security Systems Technicians and Agencies – Fees and Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

SB0206/894935/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 206
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after the second “and” insert “Repeal of”; in the same line, strike “Extension” and substitute “Provision”; strike beginning with “altering” in line 7 down through “continuing” in line 12 and substitute “making permanent”; strike beginning with “in” in line 14 down through “year” in line 19 and substitute “; repealing a certain termination provision; repealing a requirement that the Department of Legislative Services conduct a certain evaluation”; in line 23, strike “, 18–307, 18–3A–03, 18–3A–07, and 18–701”; after line 25, insert:

“BY repealing

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

Section 18–701

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)”;

and strike in their entirety lines 26 through 29, inclusive.

On page 2, strike line 1 in its entirety; in line 2, strike “and reenacting, with amendments,”; and after line 6, insert:

“BY renumbering

Article – State Government

Section 8–403(b)(53) through (57), respectively

to be Section 8–403(b)(52) through (56), respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2 in line 17, and on page 3 in line 20, in each instance, strike “\$250” and substitute “\$100”.

On pages 3 through 8, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 21 on page 3 through line 21 on page 8, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 8, strike in their entirety lines 24 through 28, inclusive.

On page 9, strike in their entirety lines 1 and 2; after line 2, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 8–403(b)(53) through (57), respectively, of Article – State Government of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 8–403(b)(52) through (56), respectively.”;

and in line 3, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.

The preceding 3 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. 179)

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:33 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 11, 2016.

Annapolis, Maryland
Thursday, February 11, 2016
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)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 47 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 183)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senate Bill 972 – Senators Peters, Astle, Bates, Cassilly, Currie, DeGrange, Eckardt, Edwards, Guzzone, Hershey, Jennings, King, Klausmeier, Madaleno, Manno, Ramirez, Simonaire, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Dorchester County – Patriot Point

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 Patriot Point, LLC 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 973 – Senators Madaleno and Conway

AN ACT concerning

Campaign Finance – Public Officials – Solicitation of Contributions or Donations

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a public official from soliciting, transmitting, or depositing in a campaign account contributions or donations for the benefit of a candidate from a person subject to the regulatory authority of the public official's governmental unit; defining certain terms; and generally relating to prohibiting public officials from engaging in certain campaign fund-raising activities.

BY adding to

Article – Election Law

Section 13–244

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 974 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Arts and Entertainment Districts – Artistic Work – Eligibility

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “artistic work” for the purpose of designating an arts and entertainment district to include original and creative work that falls into the category of graphic design, urban manufacturing, or architectural design; eliminating a certain prohibition that makes inapplicable artistic work for industry-oriented or industry-related production; and generally relating to arts and entertainment districts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Economic Development

Section 4–701(b)(2) and 4–702

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 975 – Senator Lee

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Friendship Heights Village 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 Mayor and Village Council of Friendship Heights 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 976 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Daily Fantasy Sports – Authorization and Regulation

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission, with the assistance of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency, to regulate the operation of Internet fantasy sports games; providing that only a person with a certain license may offer Internet fantasy sports games for public use in the State; providing the type of Internet fantasy sports games that a licensed operator may offer; authorizing a person to apply to the Commission for a license to offer Internet fantasy sports games; requiring the application to contain certain information and be in a certain form; requiring the Commission, by regulation, to establish an application fee; requiring the Commission to conduct certain investigations; requiring the Commission, under certain circumstances, to issue a certain license; requiring a licensed operator to ensure that Internet fantasy sports games offered on a licensed operator's Web site comply with certain rules; requiring a licensed operator to hold certain funds of a registered player in trust; requiring a licensed operator to establish and display on its Web site certain procedures; prohibiting a licensed operator from allowing a registered player to establish more than one account; prohibiting a licensed operator from advertising in a certain manner; requiring an individual to register with a licensed operator before participating in an Internet fantasy sports game; requiring a licensed operator to verify certain information about certain individuals; providing that a licensed operator is not in violation of certain provisions if the licensed operator takes certain actions; authorizing the Commission to establish a certain penalty; requiring the Commission to establish, by regulation, a process for a licensed operator to exclude certain players from participation in Internet fantasy sports games; prohibiting certain individuals from playing an Internet fantasy sports game or disclosing certain information; requiring a licensed operator to make certain information known to certain individuals; requiring a licensed operator to take certain actions to identify certain experienced players and inexperienced players; requiring a licensed operator to facilitate the collection of State income tax from registered players; requiring a unit of the State to treat certain information as proprietary; requiring the Commission to establish, collect, and deposit certain fees; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations; submitting this Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of the State; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the authorization and regulation of Internet fantasy sports.

BY adding to
Article – State Government

Section 9–1B–01 through 9–1B–10 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 1B.
Internet Fantasy Sports”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 977 – Senators Ready, King, Lee, and Madaleno

AN ACT concerning

**Criminal Procedure – Domestic Violence – Active Electronic Monitoring
(Amber’s Law)**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the court, as a condition of a defendant’s pretrial release on a charge of violating a certain protective order, to order that the defendant be supervised by means of active electronic monitoring under certain circumstances; authorizing the court, if the court suspends the sentence of a certain defendant convicted of failing to comply with certain relief granted in an interim protective order, a temporary protective order, or a final protective order, to order that the defendant be supervised by active electronic monitoring as a condition of probation under certain circumstances; requiring a certain defendant to pay certain fees under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to exempt the defendant from certain fees under certain circumstances; and generally relating to active electronic monitoring.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Procedure
Section 5–202(e) and 6–221
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Family Law
Section 4–509(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 234 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland

offers its sincerest congratulations to
Ryan Kaiser
Baltimore City, Mt. Washington School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2016 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 its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 184)

Senate Resolution No. 211 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Stephanie Marchbank
Mountain Ridge High School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Allegany County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!
The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 212 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Jennie J.L. Merrill
Severna Park Elementary School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2015–2016 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 its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 213 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that

The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Orly Mondell
New Town High School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Baltimore County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 214 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Robert James
Huntingtown High School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Calvert County. We applaud your
outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 215 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Cheryl A. Carmean
North Caroline High School
in recognition of
being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Caroline County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.
Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 216 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to

Rachel Lynn McCusker
Piney Ridge Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Carroll County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 217 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Jake Bauer Zebley
Elkton Middle School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Cecil County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 218 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Sarah Desrosiers
Theodore G. Davis Middle School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Charles County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 219 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Emily Ellen Maddox
Sandy Hill Elementary School

in recognition of
being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Dorchester County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 220 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to

Amanda Portner

Thurmont Middle School

in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Frederick County. We applaud
your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 221 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to

Rebecca Kenyon–Sisler

Northern Garrett High School

in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Garrett County. We applaud your
outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 222 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to

Laura Potter

C. Milton Wright High School

in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Harford County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 223 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Stephanie Geddie
Laurel Woods Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Howard County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 224 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
(Liza) Marion Goetz
Kent County High School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Kent County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 225 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Joseph P. Gannon, Jr.
Damascus High School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Montgomery County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 226 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Renee Roth
Tulip Grove Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 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 its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 227 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Barbara E. Sutherland
Kent Island High School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 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 its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 229 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Melodi Power
Greenwood Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Somerset County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 228 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Sabra Szczyglowski
Evergreen Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 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 its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 230 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Kevin Allen Baum
St. Michaels Elementary School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Talbot County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 231 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Sally Irwin
Washington County Technical High School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Washington County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 232 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Kimberly A. McGlinchey
Wicomico High School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Wicomico County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

Senate Resolution No. 233 – The President and All Members:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Cassidy M. Hamborsky
Snow Hill Middle School
in recognition of

being selected as the 2015–2016 Teacher of the Year for Worcester County. We applaud your outstanding contributions to enhancing the education of Maryland students.

Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on this memorable occasion and directs this resolution be presented on this 11th day of February 2016.

The preceding twenty–three resolutions were read and adopted.

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) #11

Senate Bill 31 – ~~Senator DeGrange~~ Senators DeGrange and Ready

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 – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 186)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 58 – Senator Astle

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Vessel Excise Tax Cap – Repeal of Termination

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 42 Negative – 5 (See Roll Call No. 187)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 76 – Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

AN ACT concerning

Enterprise Zones – Reimbursements to Local Governments – Schedule

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 78 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)**

AN ACT concerning

State Lottery and Video Lottery Facility Payouts – Remittance of Intercepted Prizes

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.

Senate Bill 83 – Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office of Crime Control and Prevention)

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – School Safety Enforcement Fund

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 190)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 116 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Office of Legislative Audits – Alterations in Audit Requirements

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 191)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 134 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County – Sheriff – Salary

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 192)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 137 – Senator Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Credit – Preservation and Conservation Easements

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 193)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 146 – ~~Senator Cassilly~~ Harford County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Harford County – State’s Attorney – Salary

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 156 – Senator Cassilly

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Participation in Court Proceedings – Retaliation

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 195)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 227 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

Washington County – Property Tax Credit – Disabled Veterans

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.

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #12

Senate Bill 51 – Senator Klausmeier

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Aquaculture Coordinating Council – Membership

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.

**Senate Bill 104 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)**

AN ACT concerning

**Housing and Community Development – Local Government Infrastructure
Projects – Financing**

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 198)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 111 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)**

AN ACT concerning

State Lottery – Licensed Agents – Prize Payments

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 199)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 119 – ~~Senator Simonaire~~ Senators Simonaire, Peters, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Hershey, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Middleton, Pugh, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – Business Discounts and Preferences for Veterans – Identification

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 200)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 123 – Senator Simonaire

AN ACT concerning

Interstate Boating Violator Compact

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 201)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 132 – Senator Mathias (Chair, Joint Committee on the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Areas)

AN ACT concerning

Critical Area Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays – Membership From Ocean City

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 202)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 135 – Senator Mathias

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County – Commissioners – Salary and Expense Reimbursements

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 203)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 245 – Senators Manno ~~and Peters~~, Peters, Middleton, Astle, Benson, Feldman, Hershey, Jennings, Kelley, Klausmeier, Mathias, Pugh, and Reilly

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Hiring and Promotion Preferences – Veterans and Spouses

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 47 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 204)

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. 205)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:01 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, February 12, 2016 in Honor of the two Harford County Deputy Sheriffs killed in the line of duty on February 10, 2016.

**Annapolis, Maryland
Friday, February 12, 2016
11:00 A.M. Session**

The Senate met at 11:15 A.M.

Prayer by Pastor Vic Harner, Perry Hall United Methodist Church, guest of Senator Klausmeier.

(See Exhibit A of Appendix III)

QUORUM CALL

The presiding officer announced a quorum call, showing 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 210)

On motion of Senator Pugh it was ordered that Senator Muse be excused from today's session.

The Journal of February 11, 2016 was read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Senate Resolution No. 282 – Senator Michael J. Hough:

Be it hereby known to all that
The Senate of Maryland
offers its sincerest congratulations to
Middletown High School
Boys Varsity Soccer Team
in recognition of

your winning the Class 2A West Region State Championship Title. We applaud your
outstanding season and wish you many more. Congratulations!

The entire membership extends its best wishes on
this memorable occasion and directs this resolution
be presented on this 12th day of February 2016.

Read and adopted by a roll call vote as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 211)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**Senate Bill 978 – 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 2015 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 new subtitle “Subtitle 2. Legal Decision Making and Parental Responsibility – Judicial Determinations”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 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 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 979 – Senator Peters

AN ACT concerning

Optional Retirement Program – Eligibility – Alterations

FOR the purpose of altering the eligibility provisions of the Optional Retirement Program to include individuals in certain position categories designated by certain governing boards of institutions of higher education or the Secretary of Higher Education; authorizing an individual who was a participant in the Optional Retirement Program as of a certain date to continue to participate in the Program under certain circumstances; conforming certain terminology to current institutional policies regarding employment categories; and generally relating to eligibility for the Optional Retirement Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 30–301

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 980 – Senator Miller

AN ACT concerning

Gaming – Traditional Noncommercial Fantasy Competitions – Clarification

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from offering or participating in a commercial game or competition that includes certain elements; requiring certain units of State and local government to narrowly construe certain provisions of law; altering the definition of certain authorized fantasy sports competitions; providing for regulation of certain fantasy sports competitions by the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission; and generally relating to certain games and competitions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Criminal Law
Section 12–102(a) and 12–113
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Criminal Law
Section 12–102(a–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Criminal Law
Section 12–114
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – State Government
Section 9–1B–01 and 9–1B–02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 1B. Fantasy Sports Competitions”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 981 – Senator Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Copies of Medical Records – Fees

FOR the purpose of altering the fees that a health care provider may require a person in interest or any authorized person who requests a copy of a medical record to pay; repealing certain provisions of law that allow for fees charged for copies of medical records to be adjusted annually for inflation in accordance with the Consumer Price Index; making conforming changes; and generally relating to fees for copies of medical records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 4–304(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 982 – Senators Kasemeyer and Miller

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Private Equity and Venture Capital Authority

FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Private Equity and Venture Capital Authority in the State Retirement and Pension System for a certain purpose; providing for the membership, terms, chair, quorum, and duties of the Authority; prohibiting a member of the Authority from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring members of the Authority to file certain financial disclosures; requiring, beginning in a certain fiscal year, the Authority to make certain recommendations to the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System regarding the investment of certain additional funds; requiring the Board of Trustees to make certain investments in accordance with certain recommendations of the Authority; prohibiting the Board of Trustees from making certain investments under certain circumstances; prohibiting a member of the Authority from making certain recommendations under certain circumstances; requiring certain profits from certain investments to accrue to certain accumulation funds; requiring the Board of Trustees to include certain information in a certain report; providing for the initial terms of the members of the Authority; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment of the Maryland Private Equity and Venture Capital Authority.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–108(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–701 through 21–707 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 7. Maryland
Private Equity and Venture Capital Authority”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 983 – Senator Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Sandy Spring Museum

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$40,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of Sandy Spring 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 984 – Senator Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Our House Youth Home

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 Our House Youth Home, 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 985 – Senator Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Maydale Nature 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 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 986 – Senator Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Olney Theatre 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 Olney Theatre Center for the Arts, 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 987 – Senator Zucker

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Montgomery County – Damascus High School Turf Field

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 High School Athletic Booster 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.

Senate Bill 988 – Senator Middleton

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Charles County – Maryland Veterans Memorial Museum Land Acquisition

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$225,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Maryland Veterans Memorial Museum, Inc. at Charles 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 989 – Washington County Senators

AN ACT concerning

**Washington County Board of Education – Access to Public School Courses –
Nonpublic School Students**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Washington County Board of Education to allow a nonpublic school student to enroll in up to a certain number of classes in a certain public school; requiring a certain nonpublic school student to meet certain eligibility requirements for public school students; requiring the State and county to reimburse a certain public school a certain amount of money under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain nonpublic school student from being counted toward a certain county's full-time student enrollment for the purpose of calculating a certain county governing body's maintenance of effort requirement; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to access to public school courses by nonpublic school students by the Washington County Board of Education.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7–311

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 990 – Senators Currie, Nathan–Pulliam, and Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Medical Schools – Use of Animals in Medical Training – Prohibited

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a medical school from using a live or dead animal in the medical education or training of students if certain alternate methods are used by certain other medical schools in the State; establishing a certain penalty; and generally relating to prohibiting the use of animals in medical training by medical schools.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Use of Animals in Medical School Training”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 991 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources – Wildlife Trafficking Prevention

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from purchasing, selling, offering for sale, or possessing with the intent to sell certain parts or products of certain animal species under certain circumstances, subject to certain exceptions; establishing, under certain circumstances, a rebuttable presumption that a person possesses certain parts or products of certain animal species with the intent to sell; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; authorizing a court to order that a person who violates this Act pay certain restitution; requiring that fines and restitution imposed under this Act be credited and used for certain purposes, subject to a certain exception; establishing a certain additional source of revenue for the Birdwatcher's Fund; authorizing a judge to award a reward to a person providing information leading to a conviction for a violation of this Act; requiring that the reward be paid from a percentage of certain fine proceeds but not exceed a certain amount; prohibiting a reward from being awarded to a law enforcement officer or an employee of the Department of Natural Resources; providing for the disposal of certain seized parts or products of certain animal species; providing for the calculation of the value of certain parts or products of certain animal species for certain purposes; authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the prevention of wildlife trafficking in the parts or products of certain animal species in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–2A–06.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–2B–01 through 10–2B–10 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 2B.
Wildlife Trafficking Prevention”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 992 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Giving Way to Overtaking Vehicles in the Left Lane

FOR the purpose of providing that on a roadway that has two or more lanes for traffic moving in the same direction a vehicle being overtaken in the far left lane shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle under certain circumstances; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; making a certain stylistic change; and generally relating to the overtaking and passing of vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–303
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 27–101(gg)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 993 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Procurement – Equal Pay Certificates – Requirement

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a unit from awarding a procurement contract to a certain contractor unless the contractor has a certain equal pay certificate or a certain written exemption; requiring a certain contractor to apply for an equal pay certificate by submitting to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry a certain application fee and a certain statement; requiring the Commissioner to issue a certain written exemption under certain circumstances; requiring that a certain statement be signed by a certain individual and state certain information; requiring the Commissioner to take certain action regarding an application for an equal pay certificate within a certain time period; authorizing the Commissioner to reject an application only under certain circumstances; specifying that an equal pay certificate is valid for a certain time period; authorizing the Commissioner to revoke or suspend an equal pay certificate under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to take certain action before revoking or suspending an equal pay certificate; authorizing a contractor to request an administrative hearing under certain provisions of law by filing a certain request within a certain time period; authorizing a unit to abridge or terminate a procurement contract under certain circumstances; authorizing the

Commissioner to take certain action if a procurement contract is awarded to a contractor that does not have an equal pay certificate; requiring the Commissioner to provide certain technical assistance and submit a certain report in certain years to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly; authorizing the Commissioner to audit certain contractors to determine whether the contractor is in compliance with certain provisions of law; requiring a certain contractor to provide certain information to the Commissioner under certain circumstances; requiring the Commissioner to establish a certain anonymous tip line; providing that certain data submitted to the Commissioner is not subject to disclosure under the Public Information Act; requiring certain revenues to be distributed to a special fund to be used only for a certain purpose; requiring a custodian of public records to deny the inspection of the part of a public record that contains certain data related to equal pay certificates; applying certain provisions of this Act to certain procurements and units of State government that are generally excluded from State procurement law; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to equal pay certificates.

BY adding to

Article – General Provisions
Section 4–356
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 11–203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 17–801 through 17–809 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8. Equal Pay Certificate Requirements”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 994 – Senator Young

AN ACT concerning

Labor and Employment – Equal Pay for Equal Work – Revisions

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to enter the place of employment of an employer for certain purposes, examine a witness under oath, and subpoena the attendance and testimony of certain witnesses and the production

of certain documents; requiring the Commissioner to maintain a certain hotline number; establishing the Equal Pay Commission; providing for the composition, terms, 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 promote certain research, sponsor and coordinate certain information and education programs, and recommend certain legislation; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report to the Governor, President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Delegates on or before a certain date each year; requiring an employer to include certain information in a job advertisement to recruit an employee or individual contractor to fill a position within the employer's organization; prohibiting an employer from paying less than the minimum rate of pay included in a certain job advertisement to a certain employee; prohibiting an employer from seeking salary history information by certain methods and providing salary history information to a prospective employer without a certain written authorization; authorizing, under certain circumstances, an employee to bring an action against an employer to recover certain punitive damages; altering a certain statute of limitations; providing that an officer or agent of an employer is deemed to be the employer for certain purposes under certain circumstances; establishing certain civil penalties; requiring the Commissioner to consider certain factors in determining the amount of certain civil penalties; requiring the Commissioner to assess a certain civil penalty for each employee with respect to whom the employer violated this Act; altering a certain penalty; defining a certain term; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Commission; and generally relating to equal pay for equal work.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–303, 3–307, and 3–308
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 3–303.1, 3–304.1, and 3–307.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 995 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County – Local Licenses – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law that relate to certain licenses issued in St. Mary's County.

BY repealing

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
Section 61-1 through 61-3 and the chapter "Chapter 61. Hucksters and Peddlers"
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 996 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County – Local Landlord and Tenant Law – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain provision of law concerning the return of goods to a tenant in an action for distress for rent in St. Mary's County; and generally relating to landlord and tenant laws in St. Mary's County.

BY repealing

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
Section 71-1 and the chapter "Chapter 71. Landlord and Tenant"
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 997 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County – Metropolitan Commission Bonds – Extension of Maximum Maturity Date

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum period of time after which certain bonds issued by the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission mature; and generally relating to the issuance of bonds by the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
Section 113-6
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 998 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Property Tax Credit – New or Expanding Businesses

FOR the purpose of authorizing St. Mary’s County or a municipal corporation in St. Mary’s County to grant a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on property that is owned or leased by certain new or expanding businesses; providing that the property tax credit may not be granted for more than a certain number of years; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a property tax credit for new or expanding businesses in St. Mary’s County.

BY adding to

Article – Tax – Property

Section 9–320(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Bill 999 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Keeper of the Jail – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions related to the position of Keeper of the Jail of St. Mary’s County; and generally relating to the repeal of the position of Keeper of the Jail of St. Mary’s County.

BY repealing

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary’s County

Section 68–1 and the chapter “Chapter 68. Keeper of the Jail”

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 1000 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary’s County – Circuit Court Personnel – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law concerning the appointment and compensation of a law clerk for the St. Mary’s County Court resident judge; repealing

certain provisions of law concerning the appointment and compensation of secretaries for judges in the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County; and generally relating to personnel in the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County.

BY repealing

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
Section 19-1 and 19-2
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 1001 – Senator Waugh

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County – Taxicabs – Repeal of Local Provisions

FOR the purpose of repealing provisions of law that relate to the regulation of taxicabs in St. Mary's County; and generally relating to the repeal of provisions of law that relate to taxicabs in St. Mary's County.

BY repealing

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
Section 133-1 through 133-3 and the chapter "Chapter 133. Taxicabs"
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 1002 – Senators Hershey and Eckardt

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Caroline County – Sharp Road Community Park

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 Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Denton 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 1003 – Senator Rosapepe

AN ACT concerning

Department of Information Technology – Data Sharing and Integration

FOR the purpose of expanding the duties of the Secretary of Information Technology to include the permitting of data sharing and integration among certain units of State government; requiring a certain information technology master plan to include a certain component and comply with certain security measures relating to data sharing and integration; requiring certain State units to develop and submit the priorities of the unit for data integration to the Secretary; requiring each State unit to submit to the Secretary the unit's current State government integration efforts; establishing the Management Intelligence Incentive Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Secretary 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; prohibiting the inclusion in the Fund of money received by certain entities; providing for the investment of money in the Fund; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; exempting the Fund from a certain provision of law requiring interest earnings on State money to accrue to the General Fund of the State; requiring the Governor to submit with the State budget certain information about the Fund and projects supported by the Fund; providing that expenditures from the Fund are subject to certain budget process limitations; specifying the purposes for which the Fund may be used; authorizing certain State units to request certain funding from the Fund; requiring the Secretary to establish certain procedures and prioritize certain criteria when determining whether to approve a certain request for funding; requiring the Secretary to submit a certain report on or before a certain date each year to the Governor, the Secretary of Budget and Management, and the budget committees of the General Assembly; requiring the Secretary to provide a certain summary report on or before a certain date each year to the Department of Legislative Services; defining certain terms; and generally relating to data sharing and integration and the Management Intelligence Incentive Fund.

BY renumbering

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 3A–310 through 3A–313, respectively
to be Section 3A–311 through 3A–314, respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 3A–303 through 3A–305 and 6–226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 3A–310 and 6–226(a)(2)(ii)86.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 6–226(a)(2)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

**Senate Bill 1004 – Senators Klausmeier, DeGrange, Edwards, Jennings, King,
Mathias, Middleton, and Peters**

AN ACT concerning

Gaming Payouts – Donation of Coins – Maryland Veterans Trust Fund

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to adopt regulations requiring certain video lottery facility licensees to adopt certain procedures for certain players to donate coins to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to adopt regulations requiring certain licensees to attach certain boxes near exits in certain video lottery facilities for certain purposes; specifying the source of certain revenues for the Fund; and generally relating to gaming payouts and revenues for the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–04(d) and 9–913(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–913(e)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS**House Bill 84 – The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Office of Legislative Audits – Alterations in Audit Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering the time period during which the Office of Legislative Audits and the Legislative Auditor are required to audit certain State funds, programs, authorities, units, and a certain local liquor board; altering the statutory authority under which the Office of Legislative Audits and the Legislative Auditor are required to audit certain funds, programs, and units; repealing the requirement that the Office of Legislative Audits and the Legislative Auditor perform certain audits of certain licensees, funds, and agencies; repealing the requirement for the Office of Legislative Audits to approve certain independent auditors selected by certain corporations and centers; repealing the requirement for the Legislative Auditor to concur on certain audits of community colleges performed by certain auditors in order for the audits to meet a certain requirement; repealing the requirement for the Legislative Auditor to certify a certain form completed by a certain hospital; altering the time period during which a certain corporation is required to maintain possession and custody of certain documents related to a certain audit; authorizing, rather than requiring, the Legislative Auditor to conduct certain post audit examinations and fiscal/compliance audits of certain funds; repealing the requirement for the Office of Legislative Audits and the Legislative Auditor to evaluate, audit, and summarize certain information from certain offices and agencies; altering the time period during which the Office of Legislative Audits is required to conduct a fiscal/compliance audit of each unit of the State government, except for units in the Legislative Branch; repealing the requirement for the Legislative Auditor to evaluate the utilization of certain funds allocated to certain businesses; repealing the authorization for the Legislative Auditor to audit certain accounts of a certain system and certain administrations; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to alterations in audit requirements for the Office of Legislative Audits.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 2–505(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 2–505(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 4.5–203(a)(1), 4.5–703(a), and 11–101(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 4.5–203(c) and 4.5–703(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing
Article – Business Regulation
Section 11–313(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing
Article – Correctional Services
Section 3–510
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 10–201(b), 10–401(c), 10–501(f), 10–806(a), and 10–901(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Economic Development
Section 10–227, 10–414, 10–526, 10–825, and 10–911
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–315(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 16–315(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1605(a)(1) and 9–1605.1(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Environment
Section 9–1605(a)(6) and 9–1605.1(a)(6)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 13–1303(d)(2), 13–2206(c), and 19–216(b)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 19–201(b) and (c) and 19–216(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14–402(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 11–101(c) and 11–408(a)(2) and (b)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Human Services
Section 11–408(b)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
- BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 30–102(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Local Government
Section 30–106(d)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–302(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Natural Resources
Section 3–302(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Safety
Section 1–309(f)(1) and 2–514
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2011 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–512.1(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–512.1(c)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 2–701
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 2–702(b) and 3A–506(g)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 2–1220, 9–1A–34, and 9–1A–35(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–101(b) and (c) and 9–1A–35(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – State Government
Section 9–121
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–127
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 5–101(b), 6–101(b), and 7–101(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Transportation
Section 5–215.1, 6–212.1, and 7–211.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

House Bill 379 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**Employees’ and Teachers’ Pension Systems – Reformed Contributory Pension
Benefit – Eligibility Service Clarifications**

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a member of the Employees' Pension System or the Teachers' Pension System is eligible to receive certain prorated eligibility service credit if the member is subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit and works less than a certain number of hours in a fiscal year; clarifying that certain eligibility service rules relating to a member's break in service do not apply to a member who is subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit; clarifying that eligibility service for a member who is subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit and has transferred between the Employees' Pension System and the Teachers' Pension System includes certain eligibility service under the previous system; and generally relating to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit of the Employees' Pension System and the Teachers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 23–302(d), 23–303(b), and 23–304
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

House Bill 380 – Delegate B. Barnes (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

AN ACT concerning

**State Retirement and Pension System – Local Fire and Police System –
Commingling of Assets**

FOR the purpose of repealing obsolete language authorizing the commingling of Local Fire and Police System assets with other State Retirement and Pension System assets; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the Local Fire and Police System in the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 21–123(e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume)

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET NO. 2 – FISCAL YEAR 2017

(See Exhibit F of Appendix III)

Supplemental Budget No. 2 read and referred to the Committee on Budget and Taxation.

LETTERS OF REASSIGNMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Senate Bill 856 – Senators Kelley, Ferguson, and Nathan–Pulliam

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – HIV Testing During Pregnancy

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

Senate Bill 933 – Senator Manno

AN ACT concerning

War on Cancer and Diabetes – Awareness Campaign

Reassigned to the Committee on Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

Senate Bill 752 – Senators Klausmeier, Madaleno, and Middleton

AN ACT concerning

**State Highway Administration – Policy Concerning Sound Barriers Along
Highways**

Reassigned to the Committee on Finance under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

Senate Bill 920 – Senator Pugh

AN ACT concerning

Human Services – Homelessness – Emergency Cold Weather Planning

Reassigned to the Committee on Finance under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

Senate Bill 955 – Senator Hershey

AN ACT concerning

Federal–Aid Primary Highways – Signs

Reassigned to the Committee on Finance under Rule 33(d).

Read and ordered journalized.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT #8

Senator Middleton, Chair, for the Committee on Finance reported favorably with amendments:

Senate Bill 97 – Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

AN ACT concerning

Public Health – Opioid–Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Programs

SB0097/397876/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 97

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after “entities;” insert “authorizing a county to cooperate with another county to establish a Program; requiring a local health department or a certain community–based organization to apply to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and a local health officer for authorization to operate a Program; authorizing a local health department or a certain community–based organization to apply at any time for authorization to operate a Program; requiring the Department and a local health officer to jointly issue a certain determination; requiring the Department and a local health officer”

to approve or deny an application for authorization to operate a Program within a certain time period and to provide a certain explanation; authorizing a local health department or a certain community-based organization to appeal a certain decision to the Deputy Secretary for Public Health Services; requiring the Deputy Secretary to grant or deny a certain appeal within a certain time period and to provide a written explanation of a certain decision;; in line 6, strike “used”; in lines 8 and 9, 26, and 28, in each instance, strike “of Health and Mental Hygiene”; in line 10, strike “exchange” and substitute “Program”; in line 12, strike “exchange used” and substitute “obtain and retain”; in the same line, strike “exchange” and substitute “Program”; in line 16, strike “drug counseling and treatment” and substitute “certain additional”; strike beginning with “individuals” in line 16 down through “drugs” in line 17 and substitute “participants”; strike beginning with “through” in line 17 down through “behaviors” in line 18; in line 18, after the semicolon insert “requiring a Program to provide overdose prevention education and access to naloxone or a certain referral;”; in line 21, after “regulations;” insert “authorizing a Program to provide certain additional services;”; in line 23, strike “advice” and substitute “technical assistance”; strike beginning with “on” in line 23 down through “by” in line 24 and substitute “after receiving technical assistance from”; in line 25, strike the third “certain”; in line 26, strike “or disapproval”; and in line 27, strike “advice” and substitute “technical assistance”.

On page 2, in line 1, after “card;” insert “requiring a Program to collect and report, at certain intervals, certain data to the Department;”; in line 3, after “member” insert “, Program volunteer;”; strike beginning with “found” in line 3 down through “laws” in line 4 and substitute “arrested, charged, or prosecuted for certain violations”; in line 4, after “circumstances;” insert “providing for the application of this Act;”; and in line 15, strike “24-908” and substitute “24-909”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 20, strike “, hepatitis B, and hepatitis C” and substitute “and viral hepatitis”; in lines 23, 27, 30, 33, and 36, in each instance, strike “exchange” and substitute “services”; and in lines 28 and 31, in each instance, strike “hepatitis C” and substitute “viral hepatitis”.

On page 3, in lines 1, 3, 6, 8, 11, and 14, in each instance, strike “exchange” and substitute “services”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, in line 28, strike “**COMMUNITY–BASED ORGANIZATION**” and substitute “**COMMUNITY–BASED ORGANIZATION**”; in the same line, strike “**AN**” and substitute “**A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE**”; and strike line 32 in its entirety.

On page 4, in lines 1, 4, 8, 10, 12, and 15, strike “**(D)**”, “**(F)**”, “**(H)**”, “**(I)**”, “**(J)**”, and “**(K)**”, respectively, and substitute “**(C)**”, “**(D)**”, “**(E)**”, “**(F)**”, “**(G)**”, and “**(H)**”, respectively; strike in their entirety lines 2 and 3; strike in their entirety lines 6 and 7; in line 12, strike “**DRIED**”; after line 16, insert:

“**(I) “VIRAL HEPATITIS” MEANS INFLAMMATION OF THE LIVER CAUSED BY THE HEPATITIS A, B, C, D, AND E VIRUSES.**”;

in line 21, after “**(2)**” insert “**(I) A COUNTY MAY COOPERATE WITH ANOTHER COUNTY TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM.**”

(II)”;

after line 22, insert:

“**(3) THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT APPLY TO THE AIDS PREVENTION STERILE NEEDLE AND SYRINGE EXCHANGE PILOT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBTITLE 8 OF THIS TITLE.**”

(B) (1) (I) A LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT OR COMMUNITY–BASED ORGANIZATION SHALL APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT AND A LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER FOR AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE A PROGRAM.

(II) A LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT OR COMMUNITY–BASED ORGANIZATION MAY APPLY AT ANY TIME FOR AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE A PROGRAM UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT AND A LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER JOINTLY SHALL ISSUE AN AUTHORIZATION DETERMINATION BASED ON THE ABILITY OF A PROGRAM TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(3) THE DEPARTMENT AND A LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER SHALL:

(I) APPROVE OR DENY AN APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE A PROGRAM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A COMPLETE APPLICATION; AND

(II) PROVIDE TO THE APPLICANT A WRITTEN EXPLANATION OF THE DECISION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER.

(4) (I) A LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT OR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION MAY APPEAL AN ADVERSE DECISION BY THE DEPARTMENT AND A LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER TO THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES.

(II) THE DEPUTY SECRETARY SHALL:

1. GRANT OR DENY AN APPEAL WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING AN APPEAL; AND

2. PROVIDE A WRITTEN EXPLANATION OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY'S DECISION TO THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT OR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION.”;

in line 23, strike “(B)” and substitute “(C)”; and strike beginning with “SERVICES,” in line 26 down through “STERILE” in line 27 and substitute “SERVICES TO PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING DISTRIBUTION AND COLLECTION OF”.

On page 5, in line 1, strike “ADVICE” and substitute “TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE”; in lines 10 and 13, in each instance, strike “EXCHANGE” and substitute “PROGRAM”; in line 12, strike “EXCHANGE USED” and substitute “OBTAIN AND RETURN”; in line 20, strike “THE HEPATITIS C VIRUS” and substitute “VIRAL HEPATITIS”; strike beginning with “SUBSTANCE-RELATED” in line 21 down through “SERVICES;” in line 22 and substitute “ADDITIONAL SERVICES, INCLUDING:

(I) SUBSTANCE-RELATED DISORDER COUNSELING, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY SERVICES;

(II) TESTING FOR HIV, VIRAL HEPATITIS, AND SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES;

(III) REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH EDUCATION AND SERVICES;

(IV) WOUND CARE; AND

(V) THE SERVICES OF AN OVERDOSE RESPONSE PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 31 OF THIS ARTICLE;

in line 23, strike “INDIVIDUALS WHO INJECT DRUGS” and substitute “PARTICIPANTS”; strike beginning with “HIV,” in line 24 down through “BEHAVIORS” in line 25 and substitute “HIV AND VIRAL HEPATITIS”; after line 25, insert:

“(8) PROVIDE OVERDOSE PREVENTION EDUCATION AND ACCESS TO NALOXONE, OR A REFERRAL FOR A PARTICIPANT TO OBTAIN NALOXONE;”;

and in line 26, strike “(8)” and substitute “(9)”.

On page 6, in lines 1 and 4, strike “(9)” and “(10)”, respectively, and substitute “(10)” and “(11)”, respectively; in line 2, after “MEMBERS” insert “AND PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS”; after line 5, insert:

“(B) A PROGRAM MAY OFFER ADDITIONAL SERVICES, INCLUDING:

(1) SUBSTANCE-RELATED DISORDER COUNSELING, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY SERVICES;

(2) TESTING FOR HIV, VIRAL HEPATITIS, AND SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES;

(3) REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH EDUCATION AND SERVICES;

(4) WOUND CARE; AND

(5) THE SERVICES OF AN OVERDOSE RESPONSE PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 31 THIS ARTICLE.;

in lines 6 and 14, strike “(B)” and “(C)”, respectively, and substitute “(C)” and “(D)”, respectively; in line 6, strike “ADVICE” and substitute “TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE”; strike beginning with “FURNISHING” in line 8 down through “EXCHANGE” in line 9 and substitute “DISTRIBUTION, COLLECTION, AND SAFE DISPOSAL”; strike beginning with “TO” in line 9 down through “DRUGS” in line 10; in line 14, strike “ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF” and substitute “AFTER RECEIVING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM”; in line 18, strike “(B)” and substitute “(C)”; and strike beginning with “OR” in line 18 down through “IMPLEMENTATION” in line 19.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6, in line 30, after “ISSUES” insert “RELATED TO SUBSTANCE-RELATED DISORDERS OR INFECTIOUS DISEASES”.

On page 7, in line 5, strike “THE HEPATITIS C VIRUS” and substitute “VIRAL HEPATITIS”; in line 6, strike “SUBSTANCE-RELATED DISORDER COUNSELOR” and substitute “HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER WITH EXPERIENCE PROVIDING SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WHO INJECT DRUGS”; in line 7, strike “IN RECOVERY WHO INJECTED DRUGS” and substitute “WITH SUBSTANCE USE EXPERIENCE”; after line 7, insert:

“(7) ONE FAMILY MEMBER OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO INJECTS OR HAS INJECTED DRUGS;”;

in lines 8, 9, 10, 11, and 13, strike “(7)”, “(8)”, “(9)”, “(10)”, and “(11)”, respectively, and substitute “(8)”, “(9)”, “(10)”, “(11)”, and “(12)”, respectively; in line 11, strike “EXCHANGE” and substitute “SERVICES”; in line 18, strike “ADVISE” and substitute “PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO”; strike beginning with “THE” in line 19 down through “EXCHANGE” in line 20 and substitute “COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION”; strike beginning with “TO” in line 20 down through “DRUGS” in line 21; and in line 24, after “SERVICES;” insert “AND”.

On pages 7 and 8, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 25 on page 7 through line 5 on page 8, inclusive.

On page 8, in line 6, strike “(3)” and substitute “(2)”; strike beginning with “INCLUDE” in line 17 down through “EVALUATION.” in line 18 and substitute “ESTABLISH:

(1) PROCEDURES FOR ENSURING THE SECURITY OF PROGRAM LOCATIONS AND EQUIPMENT;

(2) AN APPEALS PROCESS FOR APPEALS AUTHORIZED BY § 29-902(B)(4) OF THIS SUBTITLE, INCLUDING THE STANDARD OF REVIEW THAT THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES MUST APPLY WHEN REVIEWING A DECISION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND A LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER; AND

(3) PROCEDURES FOR DATA COLLECTION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION.”;

in lines 20 and 21, in each instance, strike “AN” and substitute “A UNIQUE”; in line 22, after “THE” insert “UNIQUE”; in the same line, strike “SHALL” and substitute “MAY NOT”; and strike beginning with “A” in line 22 down through “PERTINENT” in line 23 and substitute “ANY PERSONAL IDENTIFYING”.

On page 9, strike beginning with “PARTICIPATING” in line 4 down through “PROGRAM” in line 5 and substitute “FOR PURPOSES OF LINKING TO SERVICES UNDER § 24-903(A)(6) OF THIS SUBTITLE”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 9, after line 16, insert:

“24-907.

A PROGRAM SHALL COLLECT AND REPORT AT LEAST ANNUALLY THE FOLLOWING DATA TO THE DEPARTMENT:

(1) THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS SERVED BY THE PROGRAM;

(2) THE NUMBER OF NEW PARTICIPANTS REGISTERED BY THE PROGRAM DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD;

(3) DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILES OF PARTICIPANTS SERVED BY THE PROGRAM, INCLUDING:

(I) AGE;

(II) GENDER;

(III) RACE;

(IV) ZIP CODE; AND

(V) TYPES OF DRUGS USED;

(4) THE NUMBER OF HYPODERMIC NEEDLES AND SYRINGES DISTRIBUTED AND COLLECTED;

(5) EACH LOCATION AT WHICH HYPODERMIC NEEDLES AND SYRINGES WERE DISTRIBUTED; AND

(6) THE NUMBER OF LINKAGES PROVIDED TO PARTICIPANTS UNDER § 24-903(A)(6) OF THIS SUBTITLE.”;

in lines 17 and 34, strike “**24-907.**” and “**24-908.**”, respectively, and substitute “**24-908.**” and “**24-909.**”, respectively; in line 18, strike “**NO**” and substitute “**A**”; in the same line, after “**MEMBER**” insert “**, PROGRAM VOLUNTEER,**”; in the same line, after “**MAY**” insert “**NOT**”; in line 19, strike “**FOUND GUILTY OF**” and substitute “**ARRESTED, CHARGED, OR PROSECUTED FOR**”; in the same line, strike “**§ 5-902, OR § 5-904**” and substitute “**OR § 5-902(C) OR (D)**”; in line 23, after “**EMPLOYEE’S**” insert “**, VOLUNTEER’S,**”; in line 26, after “**MEMBER**” insert “**, PROGRAM VOLUNTEER,**”; strike beginning with the colon in line 27 down through “**ANY**” in line 28 and substitute “**ANY**”; in line 28, strike “**PROGRAM;**” and substitute “**PROGRAM.**”; and strike in their entirety lines 29 through 33, inclusive.

One page 10, in line 4, after “**MEMBER**” insert “**, PROGRAM VOLUNTEER,**”.

The preceding 5 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 240 – Senator Kelley

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Insurance Commissioner – Responsibility for Holding Hearings
– Delegation**

SB0240/537578/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 240

(First Reading File Bill)

On page 2, in lines 17 and 18, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 18, strike “or”; and strike beginning with “ANY” in line 18 down through “COMMISSIONER” in line 19 and substitute “ONE OTHER ADMINISTRATION EMPLOYEE WHO IS DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSIONER AND ADMITTED TO THE PRACTICE OF LAW IN THE STATE”.

The preceding amendment was 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 46 Members present.

(See Roll Call No. 212)

THIRD READING FILE

The presiding officer submitted the following Bills for Third Reading:

THIRD READING CALENDAR (SENATE BILLS) #13**Senate Bill 17 – Senator Reilly**

AN ACT concerning

Open Meetings Act – Retention of Minutes and ~~Tape~~ Recordings – Revision

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 213)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 28 – ~~Senator Kagan~~ Senators Kagan, Conway, Pinsky, Bates, Nathan-Pulliam, Ramirez, Rosapepe, Salling, Simonaire, Waugh, Young, and Zucker

AN ACT concerning

State Government – Web Sites – Language Access

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 39 Negative – 7 (See Roll Call No. 214)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

**Senate Bill 107 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Military)**

AN ACT concerning

Military Department – Summary Courts–Martial – Penalties

Senator Cassilly moved, duly seconded, to make the Bill a Special Order for February 16, 2016.

The motion was adopted.

**Senate Bill 109 – Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee
(By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations Boards – Criminal History Records Checks – Required

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 39 Negative – 7 (See Roll Call No. 215)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 150 – Senators Lee, Feldman, Gladden, Kasemeyer, King, Madaleno, Manno, Pugh, Ramirez, and Zirkin

AN ACT concerning

Courts – Prohibition Against Testimony by Convicted Perjurer – Repeal

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 216)

The Bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Senate Bill 206 – The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

AN ACT concerning

Security Systems Technicians and Agencies – Fees and Repeal of Sunset Extension Provision and Program Evaluation

Read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

Affirmative – 46 Negative – 0 (See Roll Call No. 217)

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. 218)

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:59 A.M. on motion of Senator Pugh, seconded, the Senate adjourned until 8:00 P.M. on Monday, February 15, 2016.