

May 8, 2018

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Article XIV, Section 1 of the Maryland Constitution, the following constitutional amendment was signed by the Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., Governor; the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate; and the Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House of Delegates, and has been assigned a chapter number:

[SB 1122](#)

Senator Conway, et al

Chapter 357

**EDUCATION – COMMERCIAL GAMING REVENUES –
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to limit the uses of certain revenues to educational opportunities and programs for the children of the State in public schools, the advancement of educators, and the construction of school facilities; requiring the Governor to include in the budget submission certain amounts in certain fiscal years as supplemental funding for certain purposes; requiring that certain funding be in addition to certain State funding provided for certain grades in public schools; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

On May 8, 2018, the Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., Governor; the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate; and the Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House of Delegates, signed the following pieces of legislation, which you passed:

- HB 281**
Chapter 358 **Delegate A. Miller, et al**
EDUCATION – COMPUTER SCIENCE – CURRICULUM AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (SECURING THE FUTURE: COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION FOR ALL)
Requiring county boards to require public high schools to offer at least one high-quality computer science course beginning in the 2021–2022 school year; establishing the Maryland Center for Computing Education to identify ways to expand access to high-quality computer science education, strengthen the skills of educators, and increase the number of computer science teachers; requiring the Center to work with certain institutions of higher education; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018
- HB 17**
Chapter 359 **Delegates Hettleman and Queen**
HIGHER EDUCATION – STUDENT LOAN NOTIFICATION LETTER – MODIFICATIONS
Requiring institutions of postsecondary education to provide certain education loan information annually to each undergraduate student enrolled in the institution who applies for federal student aid in the applicable award year; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019
- SB 69**
Chapter 360 **Senator Klausmeier**
HIGHER EDUCATION – STUDENT LOAN NOTIFICATION LETTER – MODIFICATIONS
Requiring institutions of postsecondary education to provide certain education loan information annually to each undergraduate student enrolled in the institution who applies for federal student aid in the applicable award year; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

HB 1415 **The Speaker (By Request – Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education), et al**
Chapter 361

EDUCATION – COMMISSION ON INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with certain entities, to establish an outreach program and a certain digital recruitment platform to make use of certain media and online resources to implement a marketing campaign to encourage certain individuals to pursue a Maryland professional teacher's certificate; establishing the Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education Fund to assist in providing adequate funding for early childhood, primary, and secondary education in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 301 **Delegate Atterbeary, et al**
Chapter 362

COURTS – EVIDENCE OF SEXUALLY ASSAULTIVE BEHAVIOR – ADMISSIBILITY (REPEAT SEXUAL PREDATOR PREVENTION ACT OF 2018)

Providing that, in a prosecution for certain sexual offenses, evidence that the defendant committed sexually assaultive behavior before or after the offense for which the defendant is on trial may be admissible for certain reasons; requiring that the State file a motion of intent to introduce evidence of sexually assaultive behavior at least 90 days before the trial or at a later time under certain circumstances; requiring the State to provide a copy of a certain motion to the defendant; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 270 **Senator Brochin, et al**
Chapter 363

COURTS – EVIDENCE OF SEXUALLY ASSAULTIVE BEHAVIOR – ADMISSIBILITY (REPEAT SEXUAL PREDATOR PREVENTION ACT OF 2018)

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EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 527 Delegates Rosenberg and Jones

Chapter 364

**HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY
INTERNSHIP PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the Maryland Technology Internship Program to include certain technology-based internships with units of State and local governments; requiring that at least 50% of the internships supported by the Program each year be with businesses of 150 employees or less; establishing requirements for a unit of State or local government to participate in the Program; providing for reimbursement of up to 50% of a stipend paid to an intern; authorizing certain maximum reimbursement amounts under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 769 Senator Zirkin

Chapter 365

CRIMINAL LAW – SEXTORTION AND REVENGE PORN

Prohibiting a person from causing another to engage in certain sexual activity or in the production of a certain visual representation or performance by making certain threats; prohibiting a person from knowingly distributing a certain visual representation; establishing and applying certain penalties for violation of the Act; authorizing a sentence imposed under the Act to be separate from and consecutive to or concurrent with a sentence for any other crime based on the action establishing a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 725 Senator Zirkin, et al

Chapter 366

**BULLYING, CYBERBULLYING, HARASSMENT, AND
INTIMIDATION – SCHOOL RESPONSE**

Authorizing a school principal to make a report to a law enforcement agency if, after an investigation is completed, the principal has reason to believe that a student has engaged in conduct that constitutes a certain criminal offense; requiring certain school policies prohibiting bullying, harassment, or intimidation to include procedures for providing notice of an act of bullying, harassment, or intimidation to a parent or guardian of the alleged victim and of the alleged perpetrator within 5 days after the act is reported; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 74 **Baltimore County Delegation**
Chapter 367 EDUCATION – CAREER EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT
 ACTIVITIES – COFFEE (JAVA ACT)

Authorizing an Executive Branch agency to ban or regulate the sale of coffee in conjunction with a career exploration and development activity in a public high school in Baltimore County; providing a certain exception for a career exploration and development activity in a public high school that sold coffee on or before June 30, 2018; and repealing a certain termination provision.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 76 **Baltimore County Delegation**
Chapter 368 BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – EDUCATION
 TRANSPARENCY ACT

Requiring that certain actions of the Baltimore County Board of Education be taken at a public meeting; requiring that any action of the county board be recorded by a voice vote or a roll call vote of certain members of the county board; requiring the county board to keep a formal record of certain public meetings and to make the record available for review by the public on request; requiring that any final action of the board be made publicly available on the board's website within 72 hours of the time the action was taken; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 85 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 369 **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)**

TUITION WAIVERS – FOSTER CARE RECIPIENTS –
ELIGIBILITY

Altering the eligibility requirements for tuition waivers for foster care recipients to include individuals who resided in an out-of-home placement on or after the individual's 13th birthday for at least 1 year and reunited with at least one of the individual's parents; and altering the length of time from 5 to 10 years during which certain individuals continue to be exempt from certain tuition.

EMERGENCY BILL

- SB 1259** **Senator Cassilly, et al**
Chapter 370 **HARFORD COUNTY DISTRICT COURTHOUSE – H. WAYNE NORMAN, JR. MEMORIAL PLAZA**
- Naming a certain plaza of the Mary E.W. Risteau District Courts and Multi–Service Center in Harford County to be the H. Wayne Norman, Jr. Memorial Plaza; providing for certain funding for the implementation of the Act; and requiring a certain administrative officer to add appropriate signage to reflect the naming of the plaza.
EMERGENCY BILL
- HB 156** **Delegates Mautz and Adams**
Chapter 371 **TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – START DATE OF TERM FOR MEMBERS**
- Altering the date for the start of the term for a member elected to serve on the Talbot County Board of Education from January 1 to December 1 after the member’s election.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 171** **Senator Eckardt**
Chapter 372 **TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – START DATE OF TERM FOR MEMBERS**
- Altering the date for the start of the term for a member elected to serve on the Talbot County Board of Education from January 1 to December 1 after the member’s election.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 43** **Chair, Finance Committee and Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**
Chapter 373 **HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA BY EXAMINATION – ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS – EXEMPTION**
- Exempting an individual from the requirement to not be subject to compulsory school attendance and to have withdrawn from school in order to be eligible to obtain a high school diploma by examination if the individual participates in a GED Option Program administered by the State Department of Education that creates a pathway to a high school diploma by examination for certain currently enrolled high school English language learner students under the age of 21 years.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 193 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee and Chair, Ways and**
Chapter 374 **Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,**
 Licensing and Regulation)

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA BY EXAMINATION – ELIGIBILITY
REQUIREMENTS – EXEMPTION

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EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 203 **Delegate Hornberger, et al**

Chapter 375 **HIGHER EDUCATION – SENATORIAL AND DELEGATE**
SCHOLARSHIPS – REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR
COMMUNITY COLLEGE CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Authorizing recipients of a senatorial or delegate scholarship to use the scholarship to reimburse certain expenses for certificate or license programs or for certain courses or sequences of courses at community colleges; and exempting certain applicants from the requirement that certain senatorial scholarship recipients take a certain examination and be enrolled in certain institutions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 470 **Senator Salling, et al**

Chapter 376 **HIGHER EDUCATION – SENATORIAL AND DELEGATE**
SCHOLARSHIPS – REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR
COMMUNITY COLLEGE CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Authorizing certain recipients of a senatorial scholarship to use the scholarship to reimburse certain expenses for certificate or license programs or for courses or sequences of courses at community colleges that lead to certification or licensure; exempting certain applicants from certain requirements; and authorizing certain students to use a delegate scholarship to reimburse certain expenses for certificate or license programs or for courses or sequences of course at community colleges that lead to certification or licensure.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 376 **Delegate Davis**
Chapter 377 MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY – BOARD OF REGENTS – TERMS
OF MEMBERS

Providing that certain members of the Board of Regents of Morgan State University whose terms are set to expire on June 30, 2019, may serve up to three consecutive terms.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 342 **Senator Conway, et al**
Chapter 378 MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY – BOARD OF REGENTS – TERMS
OF MEMBERS

Providing that certain members of the Board of Regents of Morgan State University whose terms are set to expire on June 30, 2019, may serve up to three consecutive terms.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 431 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**
Chapter 379 FOSTER CARE RECIPIENTS AND UNACCOMPANIED
HOMELESS YOUTH – EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (FOSTERING
EMPLOYMENT ACT OF 2018)

Establishing the Fostering Employment Program to provide employment opportunities for foster care recipients and unaccompanied homeless youth; requiring the Department of Human Services, in coordination with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, to develop and implement the Program and coordinate with local human services and employment entities; providing that a foster care recipient or an unaccompanied homeless youth who is not exempt from paying tuition is eligible to receive funding under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

- SB 308** **The President (By Request – Administration), et al**
Chapter 380 FOSTER CARE RECIPIENTS AND UNACCOMPANIED
 HOMELESS YOUTH – EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (FOSTERING
 EMPLOYMENT ACT OF 2018)
- Establishing the Fostering Employment Program to provide employment opportunities for certain foster care recipients and unaccompanied homeless youth through training leading to certain credentials; requiring the Department of Human Services, in coordination with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, and certain other entities to develop and implement the Program; establishing certain eligibility; defining certain terms; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- HB 568** **Delegate Kaiser, et al**
Chapter 381 EDUCATION – STUDENT DATA GOVERNANCE
- Requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Information Technology and county boards of education, to develop and update certain best practices for certain county boards on data governance policies and procedures and for certain professional development; requiring the State Department of Education to develop certain strategies to coordinate and assist certain data governance staff to implement certain practices; defining certain terms; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- HB 593** **Delegate Hettleman, et al**
Chapter 382 INCOME TAX – STUDENT LOAN TAX CREDIT
- Expanding the student loan tax credit that allows certain individuals with certain student loan debt amounts to claim a credit against the State income tax to include graduate student loan debt.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

- SB 842** **Senator Conway**
Chapter 389 **HIGHER EDUCATION – EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD
ELIGIBILITY – HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA BY EXAMINATION**
- Exempting individuals who have successfully obtained a high school diploma by examination from certain requirements relating to the Guaranteed Access Grant, subject to certain qualifications; requiring certain individuals to meet certain qualifications under certain circumstances; altering a certain age for eligibility for the Guaranteed Access Grant under certain circumstances; etc.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
- HB 782** **Delegate Waldstreicher, et al**
Chapter 390 **MARYLAND ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE (ABLE)
PROGRAM – MODIFICATIONS**
- Providing that certain money in the Maryland Prepaid College Trust may not be considered money of or be commingled with the Maryland Broker–Dealer College Investment Plan or the Maryland ABLE Program; requiring the Maryland 529 Board to allow the transfer of funds from certain trusts and plans to any qualified ABLE program; altering the limit on money and assets that a certain account holder can contribute to an ABLE account during a certain period of time; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018
- SB 550** **Senator Zucker, et al**
Chapter 391 **MARYLAND ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE (ABLE)
PROGRAM – MODIFICATIONS**
- Providing that certain money in the Maryland Prepaid College Trust may not be considered money of or be commingled with the Maryland Broker–Dealer College Investment Plan or the Maryland ABLE program; requiring the Maryland 529 Board to allow the transfer of funds from certain trusts and plans to any qualified ABLE program; altering the limit on money and assets that a certain account holder can contribute to an ABLE account during a certain period of time; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

- HB 913** **Delegate A. Miller, et al**
Chapter 395 **HIGHER EDUCATION – SEXUAL ASSAULT POLICY –
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS PROVISIONS**
- Requiring the governing body of each institution of higher education, on or before August 1, 2019, to adopt and submit to the Maryland Higher Education Commission a revised written policy on sexual assault that includes certain disciplinary proceedings provisions; requiring the disciplinary proceedings provisions to include a description of the rights for certain students and to include certain provisions; requiring counsel to be provided to certain students under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 941** **Delegate Queen, et al**
Chapter 396 **CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PROGRAM – UNEMPLOYMENT –
ELIGIBILITY**
- Requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Child Care Subsidy Program in accordance with federal law; establishing eligibility criteria to continue to receive a certain subsidy for at least 90 days in a year if the individual is unemployed and seeking employment and if the individual meets certain other eligibility requirements; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 968** **Delegate B. Barnes, et al**
Chapter 397 **MARYLAND SCHOOL OVERCROWDING REDUCTION ACT OF
2018**
- Establishing the Public School Facility Construction Innovation Incentive Pilot Program to provide incentives to encourage public school systems to pursue innovative public school facility construction projects; requiring the Interagency Committee on School Construction to implement, administer, and promote the Program; requiring the Committee to approve a project that meets a certain cost threshold for participation in the Program; providing that a public school participant may use other types of financing or bidding; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

- SB 92**
Chapter 398 **Senator Rosapepe**
PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – INNOVATION INCENTIVE PILOT PROGRAM
- Establishing the Public School Facility Construction Innovation Incentive Pilot Program to provide incentives to encourage public school systems to pursue innovative public school facility construction projects; requiring the Interagency Commission on School Construction to implement, administer, and promote the Incentive Program; requiring the Interagency Commission to approve a project that meets a certain cost threshold for participation in the Incentive Program; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- HB 982**
Chapter 399 **Delegate A. Washington**
HIGHER EDUCATION OUTREACH AND COLLEGE ACCESS PILOT PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS AND EXTENSION OF SUNSET
- Extending to September 30, 2022, the termination date of certain provisions of law relating to the Maryland Higher Education Outreach and College Access Pilot Program; and altering the provisions related to a certain report on the Program.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- HB 1074**
Chapter 400 **Delegate Wilson, et al**
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – PRIORITY REGISTRATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES
- Requiring public institutions of higher education to grant priority registration for courses to certain currently serving members and veterans of the armed forces of the United States; providing that a certain course registration priority applies only within 15 years after an eligible service member was on active duty; providing that a certain course registration priority does not apply to an eligible service member after 4 academic years; requiring public institutions of higher education to adopt certain policies; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- HB 1136** **Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al**
Chapter 401 **STUDENT HEARING AND VISION SCREENINGS – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**
- Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to review certain reports and, in counties where fewer than 50% of students who have failed hearing and vision screenings are receiving the recommended services, to coordinate with the county board or the county health department to implement measures to improve the number of students receiving the recommended services.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 1143** **Southern Maryland Delegation**
Chapter 402 **SOUTHERN MARYLAND – UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND PARTNERSHIP ACT OF 2018**
- Repealing provisions that establish the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center and its governance; and making the Act subject to certain contingencies.
EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2019
- HB 1234** **Delegate Clippinger, et al**
Chapter 403 **CAREER YOUTH AND PUBLIC SECTOR APPRENTICESHIP ACT**
- Authorizing a county board of education to award certain credit to a high school student for work-based training or classroom instruction completed under a registered apprenticeship program; authorizing a county board to count toward high school attendance the time an apprentice or youth apprentice spends during work-based training; prohibiting certain institutions from referring to certain courses as an apprenticeship or apprenticeship training course unless the course is part of a registered apprenticeship training program; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1532

Delegate S. Howard, et al

Chapter 404

**HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND LOAN ASSISTANCE
REPAYMENT PROGRAM – FARMERS**

Establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Farmers; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the Maryland Higher Education Commission to assist in the repayment of a higher education loan obtained for tuition, education expenses, or living expenses for undergraduate or graduate study leading to a degree in agriculture or an agriculture–related field, including farming; requiring the Office, in consultation with the Department of Agriculture, to adopt certain regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 991

Senator Jennings

Chapter 405

**HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND LOAN ASSISTANCE
REPAYMENT PROGRAM – FARMERS**

Establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Farmers; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the Maryland Higher Education Commission to assist in the repayment of a higher education loan obtained for tuition, education expenses, or living expenses for undergraduate or graduate study leading to a degree in agriculture or an agriculture–related field, including farming; requiring the Office, in consultation with the Department of Agriculture, to adopt certain regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 1554

Delegate J. Lewis, et al

Chapter 406

**CHILD SUPPORT – PAYMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM
EXPANSION ACT OF 2018**

Requiring the Child Support Administration to develop an electronic application process for participation in the Child Support Payment Incentive Program; requiring the Administration to include certain payments made by a child support obligor when calculating certain uninterrupted payments made under the Program; authorizing the Administration to develop an alternative schedule for a certain obligor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1582

Chapter 407

Delegate Wilson, et al

HUMAN SERVICES – CHILDREN RECEIVING CHILD WELFARE SERVICES – CENTRALIZED COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE MONITORING PROGRAM

Establishing a State Medical Director for Children Receiving Child Welfare Services in the Department of Human Services; requiring the Director and all personnel under the direct supervision of the Director to have access to all confidential information and records available to, or in the possession of, local departments, subject to a certain condition; requiring the State Medical Director to establish a Centralized Comprehensive Health Care Monitoring Program for children in out-of-home placements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1615

Chapter 408

Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al

HUMAN SERVICES – TEMPORARY DISABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Establishing the Temporary Disability Assistance Program in the Department of Human Services; requiring the Family Investment Administration to be the central coordinating and directing agency of the Program; requiring the Program to be administered by the local departments of social services in a certain manner; specifying the requirements for entitlement to assistance under the Program; requiring the monthly allowable assistance under the Program to equal at least \$215 in fiscal year 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1630

Chapter 409

Delegate Vallario, et al

HIGHER EDUCATION – JAMES PROCTOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the James Proctor Scholarship Program at historically black colleges and universities; requiring each historically black college or university to apply funding from the Program to the tuition and fees of an enrolled student who is a resident of the State; requiring certain student financial aid to be applied first to tuition and fees; requiring each historically black college or university to administer the Program; authorizing the Governor to include an appropriation in the State budget for the scholarship program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1744 Delegate Wilson

Chapter 410

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – SUBSTANCE-EXPOSED NEWBORNS – REPORTING

Altering the conditions under which a newborn is considered to be substance-exposed; and altering certain conditions under which a health care practitioner is not required to make a report concerning a substance-exposed newborn to a local department of social services.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 58 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

Chapter 411

STATE BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE PROGRAM PROFESSIONALS – REVISIONS

Repealing an erroneous provision of law regarding immunity from liability for participating in the activities of the State Board for Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals; repealing the requirement that the Board adopt certain regulations for approved training programs for residential child and youth care practitioners; repealing the requirement that the Board post a list of approved residential child care training programs on its website; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 61 Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)

Chapter 412

CHILD SUPPORT – NONCUSTODIAL PARENT EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PILOT PROGRAM – DOCUMENTATION AND REPORTING

Repealing the requirement that the Noncustodial Parent Employment Assistance Pilot Program include documentation of a noncustodial parent's compliance status at 14 days after the effective date of a certain consent agreement; and altering certain Program evaluation reporting requirements.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 79 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 413 **Departmental – Human Services)**

**CHILD SUPPORT – EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM PARTICIPATION
– REINSTATEMENT OF DRIVER’S LICENSE AND
EXPUNGEMENT OF SUSPENSION**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, on request of the Child Support Administration, to expunge a record of a suspension for failure to pay child support under certain circumstances; prohibiting a request by the Child Support Administration to expunge a certain record from affecting any suspension unrelated to child support; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to reinstate a certain obligor’s license or privilege to drive under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 139 **Senators Conway and Miller**
Chapter 414

**HIGHER EDUCATION – HEROIN AND OPIOID ADDICTION AND
PREVENTION POLICIES – EXCEPTIONS AND REVISIONS**

Exempting the University of Maryland, University College, the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, and an off-campus nonresidential location of an institution of higher education from the requirement to establish a policy that addresses heroin and opioid addiction and prevention that includes storing naloxone and training campus police or other designated personnel on how to recognize the symptoms of an opioid overdose; requiring these institutions to provide all students with certain resources; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 204 **Senators Simonaire and Lee**
Chapter 415

**HIGHER EDUCATION – CYBERSECURITY PUBLIC SERVICE
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Establishing the Cybersecurity Public Service Scholarship Program to support students who are pursuing an education in programs that are directly relevant to cybersecurity; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance to administer the Program; specifying certain eligibility requirements for an applicant to the Program; authorizing a certain scholarship award to be used at any eligible institution to pay for certain education expenses; requiring a scholarship recipient to maintain a certain grade point average; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 332

Senator Rosapepe

Chapter 416

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION
MASTER PLAN WORKGROUP**

Establishing the Prince George's County School Construction Master Plan Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to make recommendations based on its review of the FY2017 Educational Facilities Master Plan; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings by December 31, 2018, to the Prince George's County Executive, the Prince George's County Council, the Prince George's County Board of Education, the Interagency Committee on School Construction, and the Prince George's County House and Senate Delegations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 350

Senator Nathan–Pulliam, et al

Chapter 417

**MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY – TASK FORCE ON
RECONCILIATION AND EQUITY**

Requiring the Institute for Urban Research at Morgan State University to convene a task force to foster reconciliation and inclusionary justice and work toward achieving racial equity by taking certain actions; requiring the task force to include certain members and consult with certain governmental units; requiring the task force to hold hearings, study and make recommendations regarding certain matters, and monitor and evaluate the implementation of certain recommendations using certain criteria; terminating the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 787

Senator Simonaire, et al

Chapter 418

CHILDREN IN OUT–OF–HOME PLACEMENT – RIGHTS

Requiring the Department of Human Services to develop a Foster Youth Bill of Rights delineating the rights of children in out–of–home placements; and requiring the Social Services Administration of the Department of Human Services to provide, at least one time each year, to each child who is at least 13 years old a copy of the Foster Youth Bill of Rights.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 933

Senator Kasemeyer, et al

Chapter 419

COLLEGE AFFORDABILITY – MARYLAND 529 PLANS AND STUDENT LOAN DEBT RELIEF TAX CREDIT – REVISIONS

Requiring the Maryland 529 Board to develop an application form for a certain State contribution program that includes certain information; requiring the Governor to provide appropriations of \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2019 and each fiscal year thereafter; altering the name of the Maryland College Investment Plan and Prepaid College Trust to include a reference to Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer; altering the date by which the Board is required to develop and implement an outreach and marketing plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 961

Calvert County Senators

Chapter 420

CALVERT COUNTY – YOUTH RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND AND DISTRIBUTION FROM ADMISSIONS AND AMUSEMENT TAX REVENUES

Requiring funds in the Calvert County Youth Recreational Opportunities Fund to be used for the sole purpose of completing the development of Ward Farm Recreation and Nature Park until the development of the park is complete; requiring the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners to adopt a certain plan after the development of the park is complete; altering certain distributions of revenue from the State's admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars in Calvert County; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 1162

Washington County Senators

Chapter 421

WASHINGTON COUNTY – SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT

Repealing the exemption of the Washington County Superintendent of Schools and the Washington County Board of Education from certain requirements that relate to the appointment and reappointment of the Superintendent.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 247 **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental –**
Chapter 422 **Office of Crime Control and Prevention)**

**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIM SERVICES UNIT – VICTIMS’
COMPENSATION**

Establishing a Victim Services Unit in the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention; transferring existing functions and operations of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board and the sexual assault forensic examinations program to the Unit; requiring the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board office to remain in Baltimore City until at least July 1, 2020, for the purpose of accepting claims, providing assistance on filing claims, and holding hearings; requiring certain employees to maintain a certain work location; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 633 **Delegate Healey, Chair, Environment and Transportation**
Chapter 423 **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Secretary of State),**
et al

**SECRETARY OF STATE – ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY
PROGRAMS – SHIELDING OF REAL PROPERTY RECORDS**

Enabling private entities to accept the use of a certain substitute address by a victim of domestic abuse who is a participant in an address confidentiality program; requiring any person to accept a certain address of a participant in an address confidentiality program as the address of the participant; prohibiting a person from knowingly and intentionally seeking and obtaining the actual address or telephone number of a participant in an address confidentiality program; requiring the Secretary of State to adopt regulations; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

SB 578 **Senator Lee, et al**
Chapter 424

**SECRETARY OF STATE – ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY
PROGRAMS – SHIELDING OF REAL PROPERTY RECORDS**

Enabling private entities to accept the use of a certain substitute address by a victim of domestic abuse who is a participant in an address confidentiality program; requiring any person to accept a certain address of a participant in an address confidentiality program as the address of the participant; prohibiting a person from knowingly and intentionally seeking and obtaining the actual address or telephone number of a participant in an address confidentiality program; requiring the Secretary of State to adopt regulations; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

- HB 1303** **Delegate Atterbeary, et al**
Chapter 425 FAMILY LAW – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – PERMANENT PROTECTIVE ORDERS
- Expanding the circumstances under which the court is required to issue a certain permanent protective order; and requiring the court to issue a permanent protective order against a certain individual if, during the term of a certain protective order, the individual committed an act of abuse against a certain person eligible for relief under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 491** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 426 FAMILY LAW – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – PERMANENT PROTECTIVE ORDERS
- Expanding the circumstances under which the court is required to issue a certain permanent protective order; and requiring the court to issue a permanent protective order against a certain individual if, during the term of a certain protective order, the individual committed an act of abuse against a certain person eligible for relief under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 388** **Delegate A. Miller, et al**
Chapter 427 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VIOLATION OF CONDITIONS OF RELEASE
- Expanding the list of charges to which a certain prohibition against violating a certain condition of pretrial or posttrial release is applicable.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 170** **Senator Lee, et al**
Chapter 428 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VIOLATION OF CONDITIONS OF RELEASE
- Expanding the list of charges to which a certain prohibition against violating a certain condition of pretrial or posttrial release is applicable.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1124

Delegate Hettleman

Chapter 429

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – STATEWIDE SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE COLLECTION KIT TRACKING SYSTEM – RECOMMENDATIONS

Requiring the Maryland Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Committee to develop recommendations regarding the creation and operation of a statewide sexual assault evidence collection kit tracking system that is accessible to victims of sexual assault and law enforcement; and requiring the Committee to submit an application for a grant for funding to support the implementation of the Committee's recommendations to the federal government, including the Department of Justice, by January 1, 2019.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

HB 27

Delegate Barron, et al

Chapter 430

LIFE INSURANCE – LIFE OF A MINOR – UNDERWRITING STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES

Authorizing a life insurer to refuse an application for a policy of life insurance on the life of a minor only under certain circumstances; requiring an application for a policy of life insurance on the life of a minor to include a certain consent and the signatures of the applicant and, the parent or legal guardian with whom the minor resides, if the minor is neither emancipated or married; requiring a life insurer to take certain actions as part of the insurer's written standards and procedures for policy application and acceptance; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

SB 168

Senator Feldman, et al

Chapter 431

LIFE INSURANCE – LIFE OF A MINOR – UNDERWRITING STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES

Authorizing a life insurer to refuse an application for a policy of life insurance on the life of a minor only under certain circumstances; requiring an application for a policy of life insurance on the life of a minor to include a certain consent and certain signatures; requiring a life insurer to take certain actions as part of certain standards and procedures for policy application and acceptance for policies of life insurance on the life of a minor; applying the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

HB 86

Delegate Barron

Chapter 432

HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR ELEVATED OR IMPAIRED BLOOD GLUCOSE LEVELS, PREDIABETES, AND OBESITY TREATMENT

Authorizing certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide reimbursement for certain services of a dietitian or nutritionist under certain circumstances for the treatment of prediabetes and obesity; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for certain equipment, supplies, training, and services for the treatment of elevated or impaired blood glucose levels induced by pregnancy or prediabetes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

SB 656

Senator Benson, et al

Chapter 433

HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR ELEVATED OR IMPAIRED BLOOD GLUCOSE LEVELS, PREDIABETES, AND OBESITY TREATMENT

Authorizing certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide reimbursement for certain services for the treatment of prediabetes and obesity; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for certain equipment, supplies, training, and services for the treatment of elevated or impaired blood glucose levels induced by pregnancy or prediabetes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

SB 149

Senator Astle

Chapter 434

NATURAL RESOURCES – ELECTRONIC LICENSING – VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish a process through which an individual who purchases a license, permit, or registration through the electronic licensing system may make a voluntary monetary donation to the Chesapeake Bay Trust and the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund at the time the license, permit, or registration is purchased; requiring the Department to collect the donations made electronically under the Act and distribute the proceeds in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 115 **Delegates Morhaim and Pena–Melnyk**

Chapter 435

**MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – ELECTRONIC
PRESCRIPTION RECORDS SYSTEM – ASSESSMENT AND
REPORT**

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with interested stakeholders, to assess the benefits and feasibility of developing an electronic system to allow health care providers to access a patient’s prescription medication history; requiring the Commission to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2020; specifying it is the intent of the General Assembly that the Commission work toward development of an electronic system for certain purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 13 **Senator Rosapepe, et al**

Chapter 436

**MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – ELECTRONIC
PRESCRIPTION RECORDS SYSTEM – ASSESSMENT AND
REPORT**

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with interested stakeholders, to assess the benefits and feasibility of developing an electronic system to allow health care providers to access a patient’s prescription medication history; requiring the Commission to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2020; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the Commission work toward development of an electronic system within the health information exchange; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 249 **Delegate Kipke, et al**

Chapter 437

**HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR FERTILITY
AWARENESS–BASED METHODS**

Requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide certain coverage for instruction by a licensed health care provider on fertility awareness–based methods; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from applying a copayment, coinsurance requirement, or deductible to coverage for the instruction on fertility awareness–based methods, except with respect to a certain grandfathered exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

SB 33

Chapter 438

Senator Reilly, et al

**HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR FERTILITY
AWARENESS–BASED METHODS**

Requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide certain coverage for instruction by a licensed health care provider on fertility awareness–based methods; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from applying a copayment, coinsurance requirement, or deductible to coverage for the instruction on fertility awareness–based methods, except with respect to a certain grandfathered exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

HB 407

Chapter 439

Delegate Cullison, et al

**PUBLIC HEALTH – GENERAL HOSPICE CARE PROGRAMS –
COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF UNUSED PRESCRIPTION
MEDICATION**

Requiring a general hospice care program, when providing services in an in–home setting, to establish a written unused prescription medication collection and disposal policy that includes certain provisions; requiring an employee of a general hospice care program, as soon as practicable, to collect and dispose of a certain patient’s unused prescription medication under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 232

Chapter 440

Senator Feldman, et al

**PUBLIC HEALTH – GENERAL HOSPICE CARE PROGRAMS –
COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF UNUSED PRESCRIPTION
MEDICATION**

Requiring a general hospice care program, when providing services in an in–home setting, to establish a written unused prescription medication collection and disposal policy that includes certain provisions; requiring an employee of a general hospice care program, as soon as practicable, to collect and dispose of a certain patient’s unused prescription medication under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 163

Senator Nathan–Pulliam, et al

Chapter 441

**PUBLIC HEALTH – COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS –
ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND CERTIFICATION**

Establishing the State Community Health Worker Advisory Committee to advise the Maryland Department of Health on matters relating to the certification and training of community health workers; requiring the Department to adopt regulations for accrediting certain training programs; requiring that certain written materials be in the preferred language of Advisory Committee members, as necessary; providing that, subject to an exception, a certified community health worker training program must be approved before operating in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 591

Delegate Platt

Chapter 442

**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS –
DISPENSING OF DRUGS UNDER A DELEGATION AGREEMENT**

Altering the required contents of a certain delegation agreement in order for a primary supervising physician to delegate to a certain physician assistant the dispensing of certain substances, drugs, and devices; prohibiting a primary supervising physician from delegating the dispensing of controlled dangerous substances identified as Schedule I; authorizing a physician assistant, under certain circumstances, to personally prepare and dispense a drug that the assistant is authorized to prescribe; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 549

Senators Zucker and Conway

Chapter 443

**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS –
DISPENSING OF DRUGS UNDER A DELEGATION AGREEMENT**

Altering the required contents of a certain delegation agreement in order for a primary supervising physician to delegate to a certain physician assistant the dispensing of certain substances, drugs, and devices; prohibiting a primary supervising physician from delegating the dispensing of certain controlled dangerous substances identified as Schedule I; authorizing a physician assistant, under certain circumstances, to personally prepare and dispense a drug that the assistant is authorized to prescribe; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- HB 691** **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**
Chapter 444 ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AWARENESS FUND – DONOR
REGISTRY – ANNUAL FUNDING
- Requiring the Secretary of Health to distribute at least \$400,000 annually from the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Fund to the qualified nonprofit organization responsible for the maintenance and operation of a certain donor registry; requiring that any unused funds distributed to a certain qualified nonprofit entity revert to the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Fund at the end of each fiscal year; and providing for the termination of the Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 1215** **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**
Chapter 445 NURSING HOMES – PARTIAL PAYMENT FOR SERVICES
PROVIDED
- Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to make a certain advance payment to a nursing home at the request of the nursing home for uncompensated Maryland Medical Assistance Program services provided to a certain resident; providing that the advance payment may not exceed 50% of the estimated amount due for the uncompensated services; requiring the Department to pay the balance due to a nursing home under certain circumstances; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- HB 1280** **Delegate Korman**
Chapter 446 MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – ENROLLEES IN THE
EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM –
DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM
- Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish a demonstration program supported by State general funds to cover health care services provided to certain individuals that are not covered by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; authorizing the Department to establish eligibility criteria for and a cap on enrollment in the demonstration program; requiring the Department by December 1, 2020, to submit to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly a certain report on the demonstration program; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 660

Senator Lee, et al

Chapter 447

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – ENROLLEES IN THE EMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM – DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish a demonstration program supported by State general funds to cover health care services provided to certain individuals that are not covered by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; authorizing the Department to establish eligibility criteria for and a cap on enrollment in the demonstration program; requiring the Department, by December 1, 2020, to submit to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly a certain report on the demonstration program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 1282

Delegate Kelly

Chapter 448

HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS – CERTIFICATE OF NEED REQUIREMENTS – MODIFICATION

Repealing a certain requirement that a health maintenance organization or a certain health care facility have a certificate of need before taking certain actions to establish a certain ambulatory surgical facility or center; altering the conditions under which a health maintenance organization or a certain health care facility is required to have a certificate of need before taking certain action to establish a health care project; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 619

Senator Klausmeier, et al

Chapter 449

HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS – CERTIFICATE OF NEED REQUIREMENTS – MODIFICATION

Repealing a certain requirement that a health maintenance organization or a certain health care facility have a certificate of need before taking certain actions to establish a certain ambulatory surgical facility or center; altering the conditions under which a health maintenance organization or a certain health care facility is required to have a certificate of need before taking certain action to establish a health care project; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1283

Chapter 450

Delegate Kelly, et al

**HEALTH INSURANCE – PRESCRIPTION CONTRACEPTIVES –
COVERAGE FOR SINGLE DISPENSING**

Altering, from a 6–month to a 12–month period, the length for which a certain insurer, nonprofit health service plan, and health maintenance organization is required to provide coverage for a single dispensing of a supply of prescription contraceptives; providing that a certain provision of the Act may not be construed to require a provider to prescribe, furnish, or dispense contraceptives for 12 months at one time; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

HB 1349

Chapter 451

Delegate Anderton, et al

PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS – REVISIONS

Authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to require any additional information from a pharmacy benefits manager that may be reasonably necessary to verify information in a certain application; requiring a pharmacy benefits manager to establish a certain process by which a certain pharmacy has access to certain maximum allowable cost price lists in an electronic format; applying the Act to all contracts between a pharmacy benefits manager and a pharmacy entered into or in effect on or after January 1, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 896

Chapter 452

Senator Guzzone

**MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – HEALTH RECORD
AND PAYMENT INTEGRATION PROGRAM ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to establish a Maryland Health Record and Payment Integration Program Advisory Committee to study the feasibility of creating a health record and payment integration program, certain approaches, and certain other issues for purposes of improving health care coordination; requiring the Commission to submit the findings and recommendations of the Advisory Committee to the Governor and the General Assembly by November 1, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 944 **Senator Young**

Chapter 453

PUBLIC HEALTH – SUBCUTANEOUS IMPLANTING OF IDENTIFICATION DEVICE – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a person or an agent, a representative, or a designee of the State or a local government from requiring, coercing, or compelling an individual to undergo a certain implanting of a certain identification device; authorizing an individual who is implanted with a subcutaneous identification device in violation of a certain provision of the Act to file a civil action in a certain court within 3 years after the date on which the identification device was implanted; providing for the prospective application of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 386 **Senator Mathias, et al**

Chapter 454

MARYLAND NURSING HOME RESIDENT PROTECTION ACT OF 2018

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to initiate an investigation of certain nursing home complaints alleging actual harm within 10 business days after receiving the complaint; requiring the Department to make every effort to investigate within 24 hours complaints alleging immediate jeopardy to residents of certain nursing homes; requiring the Department to develop a certain data dashboard; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 414 **Senator Robinson, et al**

Chapter 455

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF SMALL, MINORITY, AND WOMEN BUSINESS AFFAIRS – SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCES AND DATA COLLECTION

Requiring the Governor's Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to collaborate with certain State entities to identify all State resources available to small businesses and develop a plan to coordinate resources with the Office; requiring the Office to convene a workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding the collection of data by State agencies that may be used to assist small businesses in accessing State resources and bidding on State contracts; requiring a certain report from the Office by December 1, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

- SB 433** **Senator Hershey**
Chapter 456 **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – RENEWABLE ENERGY
PORTFOLIO STANDARD – REPORTING**
- Altering the date from February 1 to December 1 each year by which the Public Service Commission is required to report to the General Assembly on the status of implementation of the renewable energy portfolio standard.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 474** **Senator Benson, et al**
Chapter 457 **ETHICS – LOCAL PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSIONS AND
ENTITIES – MEETING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**
- Requiring each local ethics commission or appropriate entity to meet at least one time each year; and requiring each local ethics commission or appropriate entity to submit to the local governing body a report on the administration of the local public ethics laws by the local ethics commission or appropriate entity on or before October 1 each year.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 1451** **Delegate Vallario, et al**
Chapter 458 **CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION – ACTS INVOLVING
OPERATION OF VESSEL OR MOTOR VEHICLE**
- Making victims of certain crimes involving the operation of a vessel or motor vehicle eligible for payment of a claim through the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board; and applying the Act prospectively.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 767** **Senator Ready**
Chapter 459 **CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION – ACTS INVOLVING
OPERATION OF VESSEL OR MOTOR VEHICLE**
- Making victims of certain crimes involving the operation of a vessel or motor vehicle eligible for payment of a claim through the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board; and applying the Act prospectively.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- HB 755** **Delegate Mosby, et al**
Chapter 460 CAMPAIGN FINANCE – CONTRIBUTIONS IN NAME OF ANOTHER – FAIR CAMPAIGN FINANCING FUND
- Prohibiting a campaign finance entity that receives a contribution in violation of a certain prohibition on contributions in the name of another person from using the contribution; requiring the campaign finance entity to remit the illegal contribution to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; requiring the Comptroller to credit the illegal contribution to the Fund; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019
- HB 1558** **Delegate Morales, et al**
Chapter 461 PHARMACISTS – DISPENSING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – SINGLE DISPENSING OF DOSAGE UNITS
- Authorizing, with a certain exception, a pharmacist to dispense, in a single dispensing and exercising the pharmacist’s professional judgment, a quantity of a prescription drug that is up to a certain number of authorized dosage units and does not exceed a 90–day supply of the prescription drug; providing that the Act does not apply to a certain controlled dangerous substance or certain prescriptions that an authorized prescriber prescribes for a patient; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 1766** **Delegate Bromwell, et al**
Chapter 462 SENIOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – SUNSET EXTENSION AND REPEAL OF SUBSIDY FOR MEDICARE PART D COVERAGE GAP
- Extending to December 31, 2024, the termination date of the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program; altering the period of time during which the subsidy required under the Program may not exceed a certain amount; repealing the requirement that the Program annually provide a certain subsidy of up to the full amount of the Medicare Part D coverage gap; etc.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 1208

Senator Klausmeier, et al

Chapter 463

**SENIOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM –
SUNSET EXTENSION AND REPEAL OF SUBSIDY FOR
MEDICARE PART D COVERAGE GAP**

Extending to December 31, 2024, the termination date of the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program; altering the period of time during which the subsidy required under the Program may not exceed a certain amount; repealing the requirement that the Program annually provide a certain subsidy of up to the full amount of the Medicare Part D coverage gap; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 994

Delegate Barron, et al

Chapter 464

**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – FAMILY
PLANNING SERVICES**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a State plan amendment to the Family Planning Program; altering from 6 to 12 months the time period for a single dispensing of a supply of prescription contraceptives under certain Programs; requiring, by October 1, 2020, the Department, along with the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange, to establish a presumptive eligibility process and integrate a certain process for the Family Planning Program into the Maryland Health Connection; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 774

Senator Benson

Chapter 465

**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – FAMILY
PLANNING SERVICES**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a State plan amendment to the Family Planning Program; altering from 6 to 12 months the time period for a single dispensing of a supply of prescription contraceptives under certain programs; requiring, by October 1, 2020, the Department, along with the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange, to establish a presumptive eligibility process and integrate a certain process for the Family Planning Program into the Maryland Health Connection, etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

- HB 671** **Delegate Patterson, et al**
Chapter 466 **INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – CLASSROOM SUPPLIES PURCHASED BY TEACHERS**
- Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for up to \$250 of the unreimbursed expenses paid or incurred by an eligible teacher during a taxable year for the purchase of classroom supplies if the supplies are used by students in the classroom or the eligible teacher to prepare for classroom teaching; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- SB 553** **Senator Simonaire**
Chapter 467 **STATE GOVERNMENT – SECURITY TRAINING – PROTECTION OF SECURITY-SENSITIVE DATA**
- Altering the aspects of State information technology that are to be included in the statewide information technology master plan developed and maintained by the Secretary of Information Technology; requiring each unit of State government to develop a plan to identify certain employees and establish certain security training for each employee who handles security-sensitive data as part of the employee’s duties; requiring the Department to develop a certain plan and report to the Governor and General Assembly by January 31, 2019; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018
- SB 492** **Senator Zucker, et al**
Chapter 468 **PROCUREMENT – BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – WORKFORCE HEALTH CARE STUDY**
- Requiring the Board of Public Works to collect certain information related to health care for all construction-related, competitive sealed bids for projects for a certain time period; requiring the Board to direct certain agencies to include certain information in a certain request; requiring the Board, by November 1, 2018, to report certain information to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 1252

Chapter 469

Senators Peters and Jennings

EMPLOYEES' AND TEACHERS' RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEMS – REEMPLOYMENT EARNINGS LIMITATION

Correcting certain requirements pertaining to a certain earnings limitation to certain retirees of the Employees' and Teachers' Retirement and Pension Systems; exempting certain retirees from a certain earnings limitation under certain circumstances; requiring certain participating employers to pay a certain offset under certain circumstances; providing that certain retirees are entitled to certain reimbursement for a certain reemployment earnings offset under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 234

Chapter 470

Senator Middleton

PHYSICIANS – LICENSURE – GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE AND INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT

Entering into the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; providing the purpose of the Compact is to strengthen access to health care by developing a process to complement existing licensing and provide a streamlined method to allow physicians to become licensed in multiple states; requiring the State Board of Physicians to set fees for issuance and renewal of licenses under the Compact; requiring a compact physician to submit certain information to the Board within 30 days after receiving the request from the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

HB 847

Chapter 471

Delegate Carr, et al

HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR LYMPHEDEMA DIAGNOSIS, EVALUATION, AND TREATMENT

Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide certain health insurance benefits under certain insurance policies or contracts to provide coverage for the medically necessary diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of lymphedema, including equipment, supplies, complex decongestive therapy, gradient compression garments, and self-management training and education; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

- SB 764** **Senator Mathias, et al**
Chapter 472 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS – INCOME TAX DISPARITY GRANTS – AMOUNTS
- Altering the calculation of certain income tax disparity grants to counties and Baltimore City under certain circumstances and for certain fiscal years; and extending a certain termination provision by 2 years.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- SB 4** **Senator Nathan–Pulliam**
Chapter 473 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON QUALITY OF CARE IN NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES – REVISIONS
- Altering the membership, powers, and duties of the Oversight Committee on Quality of Care in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities; requiring the Oversight Committee to evaluate the progress in improving nursing home care quality and assisted living facility quality statewide; requiring the Oversight Committee to review changes made to the membership and duties of the Oversight Committee and make recommendations on legislative changes that may be necessary to certain committees of the General Assembly by November 1, 2018; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018
- HB 689** **Delegate McIntosh, et al**
Chapter 474 COLONEL TODD J. HIXSON MEMORIAL RESOURCE CENTER ACT
- Requiring each community college to ensure all student advisors are trained on the unique needs and resources available for students who are veterans, to employ at least one employee who, as a component of the employee’s job duties and responsibilities, provides certain enrollment and advising services to current and prospective students who are veterans, and to establish a veterans resource center on the community college campus.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 698 **Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo, et al**

Chapter 475

AGRICULTURE – INDUSTRIAL HEMP PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Repealing certain provisions of law that authorize under certain circumstances, a person to plant, cultivate, process, sell, or buy industrial hemp in the State; repealing an authorization for the Department of Agriculture or an institution of higher education to grow or cultivate industrial hemp; establishing an Industrial Hemp Pilot Program to authorize and facilitate the research of industrial hemp and certain aspects for agricultural, industrial, or commercial purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 1201 **Senator Conway**

Chapter 476

AGRICULTURE – INDUSTRIAL HEMP PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing an Industrial Hemp Pilot Program to authorize and facilitate the research of industrial hemp and any aspect of growing, cultivating, harvesting, processing, manufacturing, transporting, marketing, or selling industrial hemp for agricultural, industrial, or commercial purposes; requiring the Department of Agriculture to certify and register a site that will be used to grow or cultivate industrial hemp; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 1117 **Delegate Branch**

Chapter 477

ALARM SYSTEMS – REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL – PENALTIES

Authorizing a county and a municipality to impose a penalty against an alarm system contractor for the alarm system contractor's failure to register an alarm system under certain circumstances; authorizing a county and a municipality to impose a penalty against an alarm system contractor for the alarm system contractor's failure to renew an alarm system's registration under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 927 **Senator Benson**

Chapter 478

ALARM SYSTEMS – REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL – PENALTIES

Authorizing a county and a municipality to impose a penalty against an alarm system contractor for the alarm system contractor's failure to register an alarm system under certain circumstances; authorizing a county and a municipality to impose a penalty against an alarm system contractor for the alarm system contractor's failure to renew an alarm system's registration under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 187 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 479 **Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – NONDEPOSITORY SPECIAL FUND – EXPANSION

Requiring certain revenue, fees, and examination and investigation fees and assessments relating to the licensure of collection agencies, consumer lenders, installment lenders, sales finance companies, mortgage lenders, check cashing services, and credit services businesses to be credited to the Nondepository Special Fund; stating the purpose of the Fund is to cover the direct and indirect costs of fulfilling the statutory and regulatory duties of the Commissioner and the State Collection Agency Licensing Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 848 **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 480 **Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION – CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES

Altering a certain prohibition on a consumer bringing a certain action or proceeding against a consumer reporting agency; altering the manner in which a consumer may place, temporarily lift, or remove a security freeze; requiring a consumer reporting agency to develop certain procedures involving the use of certain secure connections to receive and process certain requests; authorizing a consumer reporting agency to develop certain electronic methods; establishing the Nondepository Special Fund for certain purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 858 **Delegates West and Hill**

Chapter 481 MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – REQUIRED REGULATIONS – LIQUIDATED DAMAGES PROHIBITION

Requiring regulations adopted by the Board of Public Works to prohibit a unit from assessing liquidated damages for certain contracts for which a certain minority business enterprise was named on a participation schedule or named on a participation schedule and qualified based on a certain code; and providing that existing obligations or contract rights may not be impaired by the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 251 **Senator Conway**

Chapter 482 MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – REQUIRED REGULATIONS – LIQUIDATED DAMAGES PROHIBITION

Requiring regulations adopted by the Board of Public Works to prohibit a unit from assessing liquidated damages for certain contracts for which a certain minority business enterprise was named on a participation schedule or named on a participation schedule and qualified based on a certain code; and providing that existing obligations or contract rights may not be impaired by the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 863 **Delegate Cullison, et al**

Chapter 483 STATE BOARD OF NURSING – ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES – CERTIFICATION AND PRACTICE

Requiring an advanced practice registered nurse who qualifies for certification by the State Board of Nursing by having a multistate licensure privilege under the Nurse Licensure Compact to, at all times, ensure that the Board has certain documentation; authorizing a nurse anesthetist to perform certain functions; requiring a nurse anesthetist to ensure that a certain anesthesia provider performs a certain assessment, obtains certain consent, and formulates a certain plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 728 **Senator King, et al**

Chapter 484 PUBLIC SAFETY – BATTERY OPERATED SMOKE ALARMS

Prohibiting a person from selling a battery operated smoke alarm in the State for a certain purpose on or after October 1, 2018, unless the smoke alarm is a sealed, tamper resistant unit incorporating a silence/hush button and using one or more long-life batteries; exempting certain alarms and detectors from a certain prohibition; defining “long-life battery”; and imposing a fine of up to \$1,000 for a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1083 **Delegate Davis**

Chapter 485 INSURANCE – CONTRACTS AND POLICIES – EDUCATIONAL
AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS AND ARTICLES OF
MERCHANDISE

Increasing to \$50 the maximum cost of educational and promotional materials and articles of merchandise that a person may offer, promise, or give as valuable consideration not specified in a contract of life insurance or health insurance or in an annuity contract; prohibiting a person from making receipt of any educational materials, promotional materials, or articles of merchandise under certain provisions of law contingent on the sale or purchase of insurance; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 673 **Senator Middleton, et al**

Chapter 486 INSURANCE – CONTRACTS AND POLICIES – EDUCATIONAL
AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS AND ARTICLES OF
MERCHANDISE

Increasing to \$50 the maximum cost of educational and promotional materials and articles of merchandise that a person may offer, promise, or give as valuable consideration not specified in a contract of life insurance or health insurance or in an annuity contract; prohibiting a person from making receipt of any educational materials, promotional materials, or articles of merchandise under certain provisions of law contingent on the sale or purchase of insurance; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1132

Chapter 487

Delegate K. Young, et al

HEALTH INSURANCE – ACCESS TO LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS

Requiring a carrier that is an insurer, a nonprofit health service plan, or a health maintenance organization, except for a group model health maintenance organization, to ensure in certain standards that certain enrollees have access to local health departments and certain services provided through local health departments to the extent that local health departments are willing to participate on a carrier's provider panel; applying the Act to all policies and contracts issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after January 1, 2019; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

SB 858

Chapter 488

Senator Rosapepe, et al

HEALTH INSURANCE – ACCESS TO LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS

Requiring a carrier that is an insurer, a nonprofit health service plan, or a health maintenance organization, except for a group model health maintenance organization, to ensure in certain standards that certain enrollees have access to local health departments and certain services provided through local health departments to the extent that local health departments are willing to participate on a carrier's provider panel; applying the Act to all policies and contracts issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after January 1, 2019; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

HB 1467

Chapter 489

Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – SEPSIS PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN WORKGROUP

Requiring the Secretary of Health to establish a Sepsis Public Awareness Campaign Workgroup; providing for the membership of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to develop a certain public awareness campaign, identify, review, and evaluate certain resources, and identify cost-effective methods for dissemination of certain information; and requiring the Workgroup to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2018.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 1116 **Carroll County Delegation**

Chapter 493

PUBLIC SAFETY – AGRITOURISM – PERMIT EXEMPTION

Adding Carroll County and Howard County to the list of counties that exempt agricultural buildings engaged in agritourism from a certain permit requirement; providing for the number of people allowed to occupy a building engaged in agritourism in Carroll County and Howard County under certain circumstances; and making a technical correction.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 646 **Delegate Reilly, et al**

Chapter 494

**MOTOR VEHICLES – GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT –
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

Establishing a 5% tolerance from the gross vehicle weight limits for certain vehicles used in certain agricultural activities during harvest time under certain circumstances; and limiting the distance within which a certain vehicle operating under a certain tolerance from a certain gross vehicle weight limit may travel.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 1069 **Senator Mathias**

Chapter 495

**MOTOR VEHICLES – GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT –
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

Establishing a 5% tolerance from the gross vehicle weight limits for certain vehicles used in certain agricultural activities during harvest time under certain circumstances; and limiting the distance within which a certain vehicle operating under a certain tolerance from a certain gross vehicle weight limit may travel.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 1600 **Baltimore County Delegation**

Chapter 496

BALTIMORE COUNTY ANTI-BULLYING TASK FORCE

Establishing the Baltimore County Anti-Bullying Task Force to compile data, for certain school years, on the incidence of certain forms of bullying in the public schools and to review current disciplinary actions and options for disciplinary actions for certain students; requiring the Task Force to submit a preliminary report by July 1, 2019, and a final report by December 1, 2020, to the Governor, the members of the Baltimore County delegation to the General Assembly, and certain local entities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 490 **Senator Kelley, et al**

Chapter 497

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – DISCLOSURE OF IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Requiring a court to provide the Secretary of Health with identifying information regarding an individual who has been convicted under certain provisions of law of the murder, attempted murder, or manslaughter of a child; requiring the Department of Human Services, in coordination with the Vital Statistics Administration, to contract with an independent organization to develop a data collection process in order to assess the effectiveness of certain required record sharing in predicting and preventing child abuse and neglect; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 700 **Delegate Sydnor, et al**

Chapter 498

CRIMINAL LAW – HATE CRIMES – GROUP VICTIM

Prohibiting a person from committing certain acts against a group because of the group's race, color, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, gender, disability, or national origin, or because the group is homeless.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- SB 528** **Senator Astle, et al**
Chapter 499 **CRIMINAL LAW – HATE CRIMES GROUP VICTIM**

Prohibiting a person from committing certain acts against another person or a group because of another person’s or group’s race, color, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, gender, disability, or national origin, or because another person or group is homeless.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 1292** **Delegate Lierman, et al**
Chapter 500 **CRIMINAL LAW – LAW ENFORCEMENT – PROHIBITION ON SEXUAL ACTIVITY**

Prohibiting a law enforcement officer from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a person in the custody of the law enforcement officer; and providing a person found guilty of a violation of the Act is subject to imprisonment of up to 3 years or a fine of up to \$3,000 or both.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 121** **Senator Zirkin, et al**
Chapter 501 **FAMILY LAW – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – DEFINITION OF ABUSE**

Altering the definition of “abuse” for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to domestic violence to include revenge porn.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 1209** **Delegate Proctor, et al**
Chapter 502 **PUBLIC SAFETY – MISSING PERSONS – INFORMATION (EULA AND DANNY’S LAW)**

Requiring a law enforcement agency, with regard to a missing person, to enter all necessary and available information into the National Crime Information Center computer network within 2 hours after receipt of the minimum information necessary to make the entry; and requiring the Department of State Police to place a direct link to the Internet site of the Maryland Center for Missing and Unidentified Persons on the home page of the Department’s website.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- HB 1130** **Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al**
Chapter 503 **RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTERS – MANDATORY REPORTING OF INAPPROPRIATE SEXUAL BEHAVIOR**
- Requiring that certain residential treatment centers be subject to certain reporting requirements regarding inappropriate sexual behavior established by the Maryland Department of Health under certain regulations; and defining “inappropriate sexual behavior”.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- SB 230** **Senator Zirkin**
Chapter 504 **DISCLOSURE OF MEDICAL RECORDS – COMPULSORY PROCESS – TIMELINE**
- Requiring a health care provider to disclose a certain medical record in accordance with compulsory process not later than 30 days after receiving certain documentation and certain fees; authorizing a health care provider, on a showing of good cause, to request up to 30 additional days beyond the date by which disclosure is required to disclose a medical record.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 424** **Senator Zirkin**
Chapter 505 **DRIVER’S LICENSES – LEARNER’S PERMITS – MINIMUM DURATION**
- Reducing the period of time that certain individuals who are at least a certain age and who hold a learner’s instructional permit are required to wait before taking certain examinations for a provisional driver’s license.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 877 **Delegate Knotts, et al**
Chapter 506 BURIAL SITES – ACCESS, REQUIRED CONSULTATION, AND
TAX CREDIT

Requiring that the owner of a burial site or land encompassing a burial site that is more than 50 years old and in which the majority of persons interred have been interred for over 50 years to consult with the Maryland Historical Trust regarding certain matters; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a property tax credit on a real property improvement that substantiates, demarcates, commemorates, or celebrates a burial ground; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 1242 **Senator Conway**
Chapter 507 BURIAL SITES – ACCESS, REQUIRED CONSULTATION, AND
TAX CREDIT

Requiring that the owner of a burial site or land encompassing a burial site that is more than 50 years old and in which the majority of persons interred have been interred for more than 50 years to consult with the Maryland Historical Trust regarding certain matters; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a property tax credit on a real property improvement that substantiates, demarcates, commemorates, or celebrates a burial ground; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 946 **Delegate Kramer, et al**
Chapter 508 LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE – CONTINGENT BENEFIT
UPON LAPSE

Requiring a carrier to provide to an insured under a policy or contract of long-term care insurance a certain contingent benefit upon lapse under certain circumstances; providing that certain benefits of a certain policy or contract of long-term care insurance shall remain unchanged and may not be increased after a certain date; and applying the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- SB 699** **Senator Guzzone (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**
Chapter 509 ALTERNATE CONTRIBUTORY PENSION SELECTION –
FORMER MEMBERS – MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS
- Requiring that certain active members of the Employees’ Pension System or the Teachers’ Pension System who are subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit earn a certain rate of interest on certain former member contributions in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection under certain circumstances; applying the Act retroactively; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- HB 1024** **Delegate Hettleman, et al**
Chapter 510 STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE
BENEFITS PROGRAM – CONTRACEPTIVE DRUGS AND
DEVICES AND MALE STERILIZATION
- Requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to ensure that the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program complies with certain provisions of the Insurance Article relating to the coverage of contraceptive drugs and devices and male sterilization.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 986** **Senator Kelley**
Chapter 511 STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE
BENEFITS PROGRAM – CONTRACEPTIVE DRUGS AND
DEVICES AND MALE STERILIZATION
- Requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to ensure that the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program complies with certain provisions of the Insurance Article relating to the coverage of contraceptive drugs and devices and male sterilization.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1065

Chapter 512

Delegate McMillan

VEHICLE LAWS – TITLE SERVICE AGENTS

Authorizing a title service agent that collects and remits vehicle excise taxes on behalf of the Motor Vehicle Administration to keep the lesser of certain amounts of the gross vehicle excise taxes collected by the title service agent, subject to record-keeping requirements; increasing to \$50,000 the required surety bond that a title service agent is required to file; clarifying that a title service agent may transport certain documents to or from the Administration physically or electronically; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1078

Chapter 513

Delegate Frick

COMMERCIAL INSURANCE – INSURANCE PRODUCERS – COMMISSIONS

Providing that an insurer is not prohibited from paying certain commissions to licensed insurance producers under commercial insurance policies issued to certain exempt commercial policyholders in a certain manner under certain circumstances; applying the Act to all policies of commercial insurance offered, sold, or issued in the State on or after October 1, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 468

Chapter 514

Senator Eckardt, et al

LANDLORD AND TENANT – RESIDENTIAL LEASES – WATER AND SEWER BILLS

Requiring a landlord that requires a tenant to make payments for water or sewer utility services to the landlord to use a written lease that includes a notice that the tenant is responsible for making payments for water or sewer utility services to the landlord and to provide a copy of a certain water or sewer bill to a tenant; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- HB 1090** **Delegate Afzali**
Chapter 515 CONSUMER PROTECTION – CALLER ID SPOOFING BAN OF 2018
- Prohibiting an individual or a person from taking certain actions to provide false location information when placing a telephone call with the intent to defraud, harass, cause harm, or wrongfully obtain anything of value; providing for the application of the Act; and establishing a certain penalty for providing false location information when placing a call.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 1093** **Delegate Platt**
Chapter 516 MARYLAND UNIFORM REAL PROPERTY ELECTRONIC RECORDING ACT
- Establishing that requirements of certain laws specifying a certain document be in a certain form or signed as a condition for recording are met by an electronic document or electronic signature under certain circumstances; requiring the clerk of a circuit court to continue to accept paper documents and place entries for electronic and paper documents in the same index under certain circumstances, and transmit documents in fully verified books to the State Archives for preservation and publication on the Archives' website; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- HB 1104** **Delegate Stein**
Chapter 517 VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS – CONSUMER DATA PROTECTION
- Requiring vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches, or their agents, to allow vehicle dealers to furnish consumer data in a certain manner; authorizing manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches to access data management systems with express written consent of the dealer; prohibiting manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches from requiring a dealer to grant access to the dealer's data management systems through a franchise agreement; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1177 Delegates Kaiser and Turner

Chapter 521

HORSE RACING – INTERSTATE COMPACT ON ANTI-DOPING AND DRUG TESTING STANDARDS

Entering into the Interstate Anti-Doping and Drug Testing Standards Compact; providing the purpose of the Compact is to facilitate joint action to create more uniform and effective breed specific rules on the permitted and prohibited use of drugs and medications for the welfare of the horse; establishing the Interstate Anti-Doping and Drug Testing Standards Compact Commission to administer the Compact; providing for the composition, voting procedures, operation, and powers and duties of the Commission; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 1115 Senator Middleton, et al

Chapter 522

HORSE RACING – INTERSTATE COMPACT ON ANTI-DOPING AND DRUG TESTING STANDARDS

Entering into the Interstate Anti-Doping and Drug Testing Standards Compact; providing that the purpose of the Compact is to facilitate joint action to create more uniform and effective breed specific rules on the permitted and prohibited use of drugs and medications for the welfare of the horse; establishing the Interstate Anti-Doping and Drug Testing Standards Compact Commission to administer the Compact; providing for the composition, voting procedures, operation, and powers and duties of the Commission; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1278 Delegate Kaiser, et al

Chapter 523

ELECTION LAW – POSTELECTION TABULATION AUDIT

Requiring the State Board of Elections to conduct an audit of the accuracy of the voting system's tabulation of votes by completing a certain audit of electronic ballot images and a certain manual audit after each statewide general election; requiring the State Board to complete a certain audit of electronic ballot images after each statewide primary election; requiring the State Board to submit a report to certain committees of the General Assembly by May 1, 2019, describing the resources required to complete the audit; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 1331
Chapter 524

Delegate A. Washington, et al

ELECTION LAW – CYBERSECURITY

Requiring the State Administrator of Elections to submit a report to the Department of Information Technology and appropriate persons within 7 days after becoming aware of a certain security violation and significant attempted security violation involving an election system; requiring the Department to forward any additional relevant information to the appropriate persons and the State Administrator; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 1342
Chapter 525

Delegate Kelly, et al

STATE GOVERNMENT – DISCRIMINATION AND HARASSMENT

Altering the training course that the State Ethics Commission is required to provide for regulated lobbyists and prospective regulated lobbyists; prohibiting a certain State official from unlawfully harassing or discriminating against certain individuals; requiring the Joint Ethics Committee to provide a copy of a certain complaint and notice to the Human Resources Manager of the Department of Legislative Services; requiring the Legislative Policy Committee to update a certain antiharassment policy and include a certain provision; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 38
Chapter 526

**Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –
Transportation)**

**MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION – BIRTH CERTIFICATES
– ISSUANCE OF COPIES**

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to access electronically from the Maryland Department of Health a copy of a birth certificate; authorizing the Administration to provide a copy of a birth certificate to a certain person under certain circumstances; authorizing the Administration to set and collect a fee for processing and issuing a birth certificate or for a certain report; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1473 **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**

Chapter 527

**PUBLIC HEALTH – EMERGENCY USE AUTO–INJECTABLE
EPINEPHRINE PROGRAM AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
EDUCATION**

Establishing the Emergency Use Auto–Injectable Epinephrine Program at Institutions of Higher Education; authorizing individuals employed by a food service facility or a recreation and wellness facility at an eligible institution to obtain, store, and administer auto–injectable epinephrine under certain circumstances; requiring an eligible institution to designate the employees who are certified to be responsible for the storage, maintenance, and control of auto–injectable epinephrine; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1437 **Delegate Cullison, et al**

Chapter 528

**MARYLAND LICENSURE OF DIRECT–ENTRY MIDWIVES ACT –
REVISIONS**

Altering the circumstances under which a licensed direct–entry midwife is prohibited from assuming or continuing to take responsibility for a patient’s pregnancy and birth care and is required to arrange for the orderly transfer of care of the patient; altering the circumstances under which a licensed direct–entry midwife is required to consult with a health care practitioner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 1114 **Senator Conway**

Chapter 529

**MARYLAND LICENSURE OF DIRECT–ENTRY MIDWIVES ACT –
REVISIONS**

Altering the circumstances under which a licensed direct–entry midwife is prohibited from assuming or continuing to take responsibility for a patient’s pregnancy and birth care and is required to arrange for the orderly transfer of care of the patient; altering the circumstances under which a licensed direct–entry midwife is required to consult with a health care practitioner; requiring the State Board of Nursing, in consultation with stakeholders, to review and update as necessary the informed consent agreement at least every 4 years; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1469 **Delegate Lisanti**

Chapter 530

ETHICS – MEMBERS OF BOARDS OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS AND LIQUOR CONTROL BOARDS

Establishing that certain ethics training requirements provided by the State Ethics Commission apply to a member of a board of license commissioners or a liquor control board; and altering the financial disclosure requirements for certain members of a board of license commissioners or a liquor control board.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1485 **Delegate Fisher**

Chapter 531

NATURAL RESOURCES – SHELLFISH – HARVESTING BY WHARF OWNERS

Altering, from 5 to 10 feet, the distance from certain piers, wharves, or other structures in certain counties within which the owner has exclusive use of the area for growing oysters in a certain manner; altering the manner by which oysters may be grown and harvested in proximity to piers, wharves, or other structures; and providing that certain oysters may not be commercially harvested, sold, or marketed for human consumption.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 1491 **Delegate A. Washington**

Chapter 532

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – REPEAL OF MASTER METERING AUTHORIZATION AND STUDY ON ENERGY ALLOCATION SYSTEMS AND SUBMETERING

Repealing certain provisions of law authorizing the Public Service Commission to authorize the use of a master meter in a residential multiple occupancy building for certain purposes under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to conduct a certain study on the feasibility of transitioning master meters installed and used for gas or electric to energy allocation systems or submeters in apartment buildings or complexes, condominiums, and housing cooperatives; providing for the required elements of the study; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 1499

Delegate Valderrama

Chapter 533

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – SELF-INSURED EMPLOYERS –
SUSPECTED FRAUD REPORTING**

Providing that certain provisions of law governing the reporting and investigation of workers' compensation insurance fraud claims apply to certain employers who participate in a governmental self-insurance group for workers' compensation and to certain employers who self-insure for workers' compensation; providing that certain provisions of law governing fraudulent insurance acts that apply to insurers also apply to certain governmental self-insurance groups and certain employers under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 1500

Delegate Valderrama

Chapter 534

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – THIRD-PARTY ACTIONS –
SUBSEQUENT INJURY FUND**

Requiring that, if a self-insured employer, insurer, or the Uninsured Employers' Fund has not waived third-party reimbursement, the Subsequent Injury Fund be reimbursed after the self-insured employer, insurer, or Uninsured Employers' Fund in a certain third-party action; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 979

Senator Klausmeier

Chapter 535

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – THIRD-PARTY ACTIONS –
SUBSEQUENT INJURY FUND**

Requiring that, if a self-insured employer, insurer, or the Uninsured Employers' Fund has not waived third-party reimbursement, the Subsequent Injury Fund be reimbursed after the self-insured employer, insurer, or Uninsured Employers' Fund in a certain third-party action; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 441 Harford County Senators

Chapter 536

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS DBR LICENSES

Establishing that two is the maximum number of Class DBR licenses that may be issued by the Harford County Board of License Commissioners to the same person; permitting the holder of a Class DBR license in Harford County to sell beer brewed at the brewery to the extent the license holder is allowed under the license holder's Class 5 brewery license; and establishing an annual license fee of \$500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SB 519 Senator Conway, et al

Chapter 537

BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS A-7 LICENSE

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class A-7 beer, wine, and liquor license which authorizes the holder to sell alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption at certain times; providing that license holders who hold a certain class of license are eligible to exchange that license for a Class A-7 license under certain circumstances; specifying that in the 46th legislative district a Class B-D-7 license may be exchanged for a Class A-7 license only under certain circumstances;

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 391 Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

Chapter 538

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY – SPECIAL EXCEPTION HEARINGS – REQUIRED NOTICE PG/MC 102-18

Requiring, in Prince George's County and Montgomery County, the board of appeals, the district council, or an administrative office or agency to provide notice of a hearing for a special exception to certain parties of record.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 408 **Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County**
Chapter 539 **Delegation**

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION –
CONNECTION PIPE EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT LOAN
PROGRAM PG/MC 103–18

Requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to establish a Connection Pipe Emergency Replacement Loan Program for replacement of certain pipes on certain property; requiring the Program to include certain eligibility requirements; requiring the Program to include a requirement regarding notification or certification of an active leak; requiring the Program to provide for loan terms and conditions, including a certain interest rate; requiring the Program to provide loans on a certain basis; terminating the program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 631 **Delegate Otto**

Chapter 540

SOMERSET COUNTY – FINES AND FORFEITURES –
DISTRIBUTION

Providing that, in Somerset County, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County shall transmit monthly a certain amount to a certain Court and Bar Library Account.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 353 **Senator Mathias**

Chapter 541

VEHICLE LAWS – GOLF CARTS – CITY OF CRISFIELD

Repealing a prohibition against operating golf carts on certain highways in the City of Crisfield in Somerset County; repealing the authority of the State Highway Administration to designate a location for golf carts to cross certain highways in the City Crisfield; and lowering the maximum speed limit from 35 to 30 miles per hour for a highway on which a person may operate a golf cart in the City of Crisfield.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 972 **Delegate Lisanti, et al**

Chapter 542

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY LICENSES

Requiring a holder of a Class 4 limited winery license to own or have under contract at least 20 acres of grapes or other fruit in cultivation for use in the production of wine in the State or to ensure that at least 51% of the ingredients used in the annual production of wine are grapes or other fruit grown in the State; authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to grant a certain exemption; providing for the application of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HB 253 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

Chapter 543

MOTOR VEHICLES – AUTOMOBILE TRANSPORTERS

Altering the definition of “stinger–steered automobile transporter” to include certain vehicles not engaged exclusively in the transportation of automobiles or boats for purposes of certain provisions of law regulating vehicle length and loads; specifying that certain provisions of law regulating vehicle length and loads do not prohibit a backhaul by an automobile transporter; increasing the maximum allowable length of a certain stinger–steered automobile transporter; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HB 531 **Delegate Healey, et al**

Chapter 544

MOTOR VEHICLES – OPERATION WHEN APPROACHING VEHICLE WITH VISUAL SIGNALS

Requiring drivers approaching from the rear certain vehicles that are stopped, standing, or parked on a highway and using certain visual signals to make a lane change to an available lane not immediately adjacent to the stopped, standing, or parked vehicle under certain circumstances, or to slow to a reasonable and prudent speed that is safe for certain existing conditions under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- SB 445** **Senator Norman, et al**
Chapter 545 **MOTOR VEHICLES – OPERATION WHEN APPROACHING
VEHICLE WITH VISUAL SIGNALS**
- Requiring drivers approaching from the rear certain vehicles that are stopped, standing, or parked on a highway and using certain visual signals to make a lane change to an available lane not immediately adjacent to the stopped, standing, or parked vehicle under certain circumstances, or to slow to a reasonable and prudent speed that is safe for certain existing conditions under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018
- SB 396** **Senator Conway**
Chapter 546 **OPEN MEETINGS ACT – TRAINING – APPLICATION**
- Requiring each public body to designate at least one individual who is an employee, an officer, or a member of the public body to receive training on the requirements of the open meetings law; and applying the Act only to a public body that meets in a closed session on or after October 1, 2017.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- SB 973** **Senator Manno**
Chapter 547 **MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – VIDEO TOLLS –
COLLECTION**
- Clarifying that the Maryland Transportation Authority may refer certain unpaid video tolls and associated civil penalties to the Central Collection Unit for collection; authorizing the Authority to recall certain unpaid video tolls and associated civil penalties from the Central Collection Unit under certain circumstances; establishing that the Central Collection Unit may not collect certain unpaid video tolls and associated civil penalties under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

SB 203 **Senators Middleton and Guzzone**
Chapter 548 AGRICULTURE – NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT – FERTILIZER
USE ON TURF

Altering the type of fertilizer and the application rate at which the fertilizer may be applied to turf by a professional fertilizer applicator during a certain time of the year; altering certain restrictions on the application of a fertilizer containing nitrogen to turf by a professional fertilizer applicator; altering certain limitations on the application of an enhanced efficiency fertilizer by a professional fertilizer applicator; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 42 **Senators Norman and Cassilly**
Chapter 549 COURTS – CONSUMER DEBT COLLECTION ACTIONS –
STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

Clarifying that any payment toward, written or oral affirmation of, or any other activity on a certain debt that occurs after the expiration of the statute of limitations applicable to the consumer debt collection action does not revive or extend the limitations period; and providing that a certain provision of law may not be interpreted to affect the statute of limitations applicable to a cause of action arising from a certain agreement or payment plan entered into before the expiration of a certain statute of limitations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SB 226 **Senator Norman, et al**
Chapter 550 REAL PROPERTY – WRONGFUL DETAINER AND DISTRESS
ACTIONS – TRIAL BY JURY

Authorizing a party to a certain wrongful detainer or distress action brought in the District Court to demand a trial by jury in accordance with certain provisions of law, subject to certain provisions of law; and making certain provisions of law regarding jury demands applicable to wrongful detainer actions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

- SB 292** **Senator Norman, et al**
Chapter 551 **ESTATES – ADMINISTRATION EXEMPTION – TRANSFER OF
MOTOR VEHICLE AND BOAT TITLES**
- Establishing that administration of certain estates containing only certain motor vehicle or boat property is not required under certain circumstances; authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to transfer title of certain motor vehicles under certain circumstances; and authorizing the agency that issued the certificate of title of a certain boat or vessel to transfer the title under certain circumstances.
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- HB 1717** **Delegates Wilkins and A. Washington**
Chapter 552 **STATE GOVERNMENT – PROTECTION OF INFORMATION –
VOTER REGISTRATION NUMBERS**
- Altering the definition of “personal information” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing the protection of information by government agencies to exclude voter registration numbers.
EMERGENCY BILL
- SB 1064** **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –
Departmental – University System of Maryland)**
Chapter 553 **ACADEMIC FACILITIES BONDING AUTHORITY**
- 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 total principal amount of \$7,000,000 for financing the projects; providing that the bonds issued under the authority of the Act are not a debt or an obligation of the State or any of its subdivisions; etc.
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- HB 16**
Chapter 554 **Delegate Turner, et al**
COMMUNITY COLLEGES – NEAR COMPLETERS AND
MARYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE
SCHOLARSHIPS
- Requiring the Governor to include \$125,000 in the State budget, in fiscal years 2020 through 2024, for the Maryland Higher Education Commission to establish a near completer communication campaign; requiring the Commission to develop a web-based match program for near completers to facilitate the matching of a near completer with a certain institution; establishing a Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship program to provide tuition assistance for students to attend a community college in the State; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- HB 547**
Chapter 555 **Delegate Barron, et al**
EDUCATION – HEAD START PROGRAM – ANNUAL
APPROPRIATION (THE ULYSSES CURRIE ACT)
- Requiring the Head Start Program in the State to be referred to as the Ulysses Currie Head Start Program; and requiring the Governor to include an appropriation of at least \$3,000,000 for the Ulysses Currie Head Start Program in each annual budget submission.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018
- SB 373**
Chapter 556 **Senator Currie, et al**
EDUCATION – HEAD START PROGRAM – ANNUAL
APPROPRIATION (THE ULYSSES CURRIE ACT)
- Requiring the Head Start Program in the State to be referred to as the Ulysses Currie Head Start Program; and requiring the Governor to include an appropriation of at least \$3,000,000 for the Ulysses Currie Head Start Program in each annual budget submission.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018
- SB 983**
Chapter 557 **Senator Miller**
MARYLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY – FUNDING
- Requiring that the Maryland Historical Society receive, for fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter, \$250,000 from certain funds distributed to the Maryland State Arts Council from certain revenue distributed from the State admissions and amusement tax on electronic bingo and electronic tip jars.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HB 1685

Chapter 558

Delegate Jones, et al

MARYLAND PRENATAL AND INFANT CARE COORDINATION SERVICES GRANT PROGRAM FUND (THRIVE BY THREE FUND)

Establishing the Maryland Prenatal and Infant Care Coordination Services Grant Program Fund to make grants to counties and municipalities to provide care coordination services to low-income pregnant and postpartum women and to children from birth to 3 years old; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget \$50,000 for the Fund beginning in fiscal year 2020; authorizing any county or municipality to apply for a grant; requiring that a grant application include certain evidence and a data collection plan; etc.
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SB 912

Chapter 559

Senator Ferguson, et al

MARYLAND PRENATAL AND INFANT CARE COORDINATION SERVICES GRANT PROGRAM FUND (THRIVE BY THREE FUND)

Establishing the Maryland Prenatal and Infant Care Coordination Services Grant Program Fund to make grants to counties and municipalities to provide care coordination services to low-income pregnant and postpartum women and to children from birth to 3 years old; authorizing any county or municipality to apply for a grant; requiring that an application for a grant from the Fund include certain evidence and a certain plan; etc.
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HB 315

Chapter 560

Delegate Hixson, et al

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAMS – FUNDING (MARYLAND CARES FOR KIDS ACT)

Repealing the requirement that the State Board of Education adopt and publish standards for the administration of a subsidized feeding program; authorizing a nonpublic school that participates in the Federal School Breakfast Program or the National School Lunch Program to participate in the State free feeding program; requiring the State to be responsible for reimbursing certain nonpublic schools; requiring the State to be responsible for reimbursing a county board or a participating nonpublic school for the student share of costs; etc.
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SB 611 **Senator Conway, et al**

Chapter 561

EDUCATION – HEALTHY SCHOOL FACILITY FUND –
ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Healthy School Facility Fund to provide grants to public primary and secondary schools in the State to improve the health of school facilities; requiring the Interagency Committee on School Construction to establish award procedures to make awards distributed from the Fund not more than 45 days after receiving an application; requiring the Governor in each of fiscal years 2020 and 2021 to appropriate at least \$30,000,000 to the Fund; requiring the Comptroller to account for the Fund; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 818 **Senator Madaleno, et al**

Chapter 562

EDUCATION – MARYLAND MEALS FOR ACHIEVEMENT
IN-CLASSROOM BREAKFAST PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY AND
ANNUAL APPROPRIATION

Authorizing certain schools to remain eligible to participate in the Maryland Meals for Achievement In-Classroom Breakfast Program under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor to include an appropriation of \$7,550,000 for the Program in the annual budget bill; and defining “secondary schools” to include middle schools and high schools.

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HB 430 **Delegate Jones, et al**

Chapter 563

EDUCATION – CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES – MANDATORY
FUNDING LEVELS

Requiring the Governor to include in the State budget a certain appropriation from all fund sources for the Child Care Subsidy Program each fiscal year; requiring the Governor to appropriate funds from all fund sources in the State budget to increase the Child Care Subsidy Program reimbursement rates to a certain amount in certain fiscal years; etc.

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SB 379 **Senator King, et al**

Chapter 564

EDUCATION – CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES – MANDATORY FUNDING LEVELS

Requiring the Governor to include in the State budget a certain appropriation to the Child Care Subsidy Program each fiscal year; requiring the Governor to appropriate, from all fund sources, funds in the State budget to increase the Child Care Subsidy Program reimbursement rates to a certain amount in certain fiscal years; etc.
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HB 1607 **Delegate Luedtke, et al**

Chapter 565

EDUCATION – JUVENILE SERVICES EDUCATION PROGRAMS – MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION

Establishing the Juvenile Services Education County Pilot Program to pilot a management model where a juvenile services education program at a facility located in a county is operated by the county board of education; requiring the Program to begin in the 2019–2020 school year; requiring the State Department of Education to identify one juvenile services education program to participate in the Program; requiring a certain workgroup to make recommendations on the management and operation of juvenile services education programs; etc.
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HB 1819 **Delegate Jackson, et al**

Chapter 566

HIGHER EDUCATION – CYBER WARRIOR DIVERSITY PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Cyber Warrior Diversity Program at Baltimore City Community College, Bowie State University, Coppin State University, Morgan State University, and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore to train students in computer networking and cybersecurity; requiring the Governor for fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter to include in the annual State operating budget an appropriation of \$2,500,000 for the Maryland Higher Education Commission to provide grants to certain institutions in the State for the Program; etc.
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- SB 615** **Senator Robinson, et al**
Chapter 567 **HIGHER EDUCATION – CYBER WARRIOR DIVERSITY PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**
- Establishing the Cyber Warrior Diversity Program at Baltimore City Community College, Bowie State University, Coppin State University, Morgan State University, and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore to train students in computer networking and cybersecurity; requiring the Governor, in fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include in the annual State operating budget an appropriation of \$2,500,000 for the Maryland Higher Education Commission to provide grants to certain institutions in the State for the Program; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018
- SB 951** **Senators Eckardt and Ferguson**
Chapter 568 **TAX SALES – VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTY**
- Authorizing all counties and municipal corporations to release liens for unpaid real property taxes or other charges and assessments to facilitate a transfer of real property if certain conditions are satisfied; authorizing a county or municipal corporation to withhold certain real property from tax sale under certain circumstances; authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to sell certain abandoned property at tax sale for less than the total amount of certain taxes, interest and penalties, and expenses; etc.
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- SB 711** **Senator Eckardt**
Chapter 569 **HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – APPLICATIONS FOR RENEWAL OF LICENSES, PERMITS, CERTIFICATIONS, OR REGISTRATIONS – AVAILABLE BY MAIL**
- Requiring a health occupations board to send by first-class mail a renewal application at the request of a licensee, permit holder, certificate holder, or registrant if the health occupations board chooses to send renewal notices or renewed licenses, permits, certifications, or registrations exclusively by e-mail under certain provisions of law.
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On May 8, 2018, the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate; and the Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House of Delegates, signed the following joint resolution(s), which you passed:

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Res. No. 1 **Delegate Mautz, et al**
COMMEMORATING THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE BIRTH OF
FREDERICK DOUGLASS
Commemorating the bicentennial of the birth of Frederick Douglass;
and providing that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the
Department of Legislative Services to certain individuals.

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Res. No. 2 **Senator Eckardt, et al**
COMMEMORATING THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE BIRTH OF
FREDERICK DOUGLASS
Commemorating the bicentennial of the birth of Frederick Douglass;
and providing that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the
Department of Legislative Services to certain individuals.

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

SB 185
Chapter 570 **The President (By Request – Administration)**
BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2019)
Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State Budget
for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, in accordance with Article
III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

Sincerely,

Victoria L. Gruber
Executive Director