

April 5, 2019

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Article II, Section 17(b), of the Maryland Constitution states:

Section 17.

(b) If any Bill presented to the Governor while the General Assembly is in session is not returned by him with his objections within six days (Sundays excepted), the Bill shall be a law in the like manner as if he signed it, unless the General Assembly, by adjournment, prevents its return, in which case it shall not be a law.

Having chosen not to sign the following bill after formal presentment and allow the provisions of Article II, Section 17(b) to determine the effectiveness of the legislation, the bills will become law without the Governor's signature as of midnight, April 5, 2019, and are assigned the following chapter numbers:

**HB 101**

Chapter 14

**The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2019, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, AND 2018

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of One Billion, Ninety-Two Million, One Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Dollars (\$1,092,194,000), the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain development and improvement purposes; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

**HB 626**  
Chapter 15

**Delegate Krebs, et al**

**HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – CHANGE IN BED CAPACITY –  
CERTIFICATE OF NEED EXEMPTION**

Exempting an increase or decrease in bed capacity from the certificate of need requirement if the increase or decrease will occur in a certain intermediate care facility that has a current license issued by the Secretary of Health, an existing general hospice program that has a current license issued by the Secretary, and certain notice is filed with the Maryland Health Care Commission at least 45 days before increasing or decreasing bed capacity; requiring the Commission to review a certain chapter of the State Health Plan; etc.

**EMERGENCY BILL**

**HB 1407**  
Chapter 16

**Chair, Appropriations Committee**

**BUDGET RECONCILIATION AND FINANCING ACT OF 2019**

Authorizing, altering, or requiring the distribution of certain revenue; specifying that the requirement to waive a certain fee for the filing of certain documents by certain business entities shall begin in fiscal year 2022; altering the cap for fiscal year 2020 from 0.5% to 0.225% on a certain adjustment to a revenue estimate relating to nonwithholding income tax revenues; requiring the budget books to include supporting data and the results of certain calculations used to calculate certain State education aid; etc.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019**

Sincerely,

Victoria L. Gruber  
Executive Director