



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2019 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 24, 2019
Schedule 9

PLEASE NOTE: February 8 – Bill introduction deadline.
All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 7.
As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 24, 2019

HB 229 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**
STATE COMMISSION ON CRIMINAL SENTENCING POLICY –
ANNUAL REPORT – CRIMES OF VIOLENCE

Requiring a certain annual report submitted by the State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy to identify certain information for each conviction of a crime of violence; and requiring the Commission to include certain entry locations on a sentencing guidelines worksheet for a court to report certain information relating to convictions for crimes of violence.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019
CP, § 6-209 - amended and § 6-215 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 230 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al

VEHICLE LAWS – DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING – SUBSEQUENT OFFENDERS – FELONIES (REPEAT DRUNK DRIVING OFFENDERS ACT OF 2019)

Prohibiting an individual from committing a certain drunk or drugged driving offense if the individual has been convicted previously for certain other crimes under certain circumstances; making a violation of the Act a felony; establishing a penalty of imprisonment not exceeding 10 years or a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or both; establishing that the District Court and circuit courts have concurrent jurisdiction over certain drunk and drugged driving offenses; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CJ, §§ 4-301(b)(24) and (25) and 4-302(a) and (d)(1) and TR, § 21-902 - amended and CJ, § 4-301(b)(26) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 231 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – VOLUNTEER FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MEMBERS

Increasing, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain qualifying volunteer fire, rescue, and emergency medical services members.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

TG, § 10-208(i-1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 232 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al

TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2019

Requiring the General Assembly to make available to the public live and archived video streaming of each meeting of the Senate of Maryland, the House of Delegates of Maryland, and a standing committee of the General Assembly, including any hearings or voting sessions held by a standing committee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SG, § 2-1805 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 233 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – MEDICAL PRESUMPTIONS**

Adding bladder, kidney or renal cell cancer to the types of cancer that are considered occupational diseases suffered in the line of duty and are compensable in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

LE, § 9-503(c) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 234 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al**CRIMINAL LAW – CRIME OF VIOLENCE – HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

Classifying a certain offense of human trafficking as a crime of violence under certain provisions of law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CR, § 14-101(a) and PS, § 5-101(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 235 The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM**

Establishing the Maryland Technology Infrastructure Program in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; establishing the purposes of the Program; establishing the Maryland Technology Infrastructure Authority in the Corporation; providing for the appointment of members, the selection of officers, and the purposes and procedures of the Authority; establishing the Maryland Technology Infrastructure Fund to cover the administrative costs of the program and any financial assistance awarded to recipients; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

EC, §§ 10-495.1 through 10-495.12 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)112. and 113. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)114. - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 236 The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al

CRIMES – USE OF A FIREARM IN THE COMMISSION OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE OR FELONY – PENALTIES (THE REPEAT FIREARMS OFFENDER ACT OF 2019)

Altering penalties for a certain crime relating to use of a firearm in the commission of a crime of violence or felony.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CR, § 4-204 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 237 Delegate Washington

ELECTION LAW – EARLY VOTING CENTERS – HOURS OF OPERATION

Establishing an earlier time, 8 a.m. instead of 10 a.m., at which early voting centers are required to open during gubernatorial general elections.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

EL, § 10-301.1(d) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 238 Delegate Atterbeary, et al

EDUCATION – REMOVAL OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS – PROCEDURES

Authorizing a county board of education to file a complaint with the State Superintendent of Schools requesting the removal of a county superintendent of schools; specifying the manner in which a county board may file a certain complaint; requiring the State Superintendent to make a decision to remove or retain a county superintendent within 90 days of receiving a certain complaint; adjusting the period within which a county superintendent may request a hearing after being removed from 10 days to 30 days; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

ED, § 4-201 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 239 Delegate Jackson**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – MARYLAND ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY**

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to establish the Maryland Animal Abuse Registry; requiring the Registry to be updated based on certain information made available to the Department; requiring a person convicted of crimes involving animals to register with a certain county sheriff; requiring a court to order a person convicted of an animal abuse crime to participate in certain counseling; establishing the Animal Abuse Registry Fund primarily to fund the collection of information by county sheriffs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CR, §§ 10-604 through 10-607.1 and 10-608 - amended and CR, § 10-627 and CP, §§ 11-1201 through 11-1209 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 240 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**HATE CRIMES – THREATS AND PENALTIES**

Prohibiting a person from threatening to commit certain hate crimes; providing a person who violates the Act is guilty of a misdemeanor and is subject to imprisonment of up to 5 years or a fine of up to \$10,000 or both; and authorizing a court to require a certain person to attend certain educational classes and perform certain community service related to the person or group that was the subject of the person's violation as a condition of supervised release.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CR, §§ 10-302 through 10-306 - amended and §§ 10-302.1, 10-303.1, 10-304.1, and 10-305.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 241 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – LICENSE AND REGISTRATION RENEWAL – DENIAL**

Exempting an applicant for renewal or transfer of a vehicle registration from the requirement that the applicant be denied if the applicant has unpaid taxes or unemployment insurance contributions if the applicant's income is at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, the applicant's principal tax liability is below \$10,000, or the applicant qualifies for Currently Not Collectible status under the Internal Revenue Manual; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

TR, §§ 13-406.2 and 16-115(k) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 242 Cecil County Delegation**CECIL COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – HUNTING**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Cecil County to hunt any game bird or mammal, except migratory game birds, wetland game birds, or quail, on a Sunday on certain land during the open season for that game bird or mammal; establishing for archery hunters in the county a safety zone of 50 yards within which archery hunting may not take place except under certain circumstances; repealing the prohibition against a person using, selling, possessing, setting, placing, or maintaining a snare trap in the county; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

NR, §§ 10-408.1 and 10-410(a)(8), (g)(3)(i), and (p) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 243 Allegany County Delegation**ALLEGANY COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – CUMBERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Authorizing the governing body of Allegany County and of a municipal corporation in Allegany County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on property owned by the Cumberland Economic Development Corporation; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2019.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

TP, § 9-302(b)(15) and (16) - amended and § 9-302(b)(17) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 244 Garrett County Delegation**GARRETT COUNTY – HOTEL RENTAL TAX – RATE AND DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUE**

Increasing the maximum hotel rental tax rate that Garrett County may impose from 6% to 8%; and altering the distribution of hotel rental tax revenue in Garrett County.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

LG, §§ 20-405 and 20-415 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 245 Delegate Kaiser, et al

EDUCATION – STUDENT DATA PRIVACY COUNCIL

Establishing the Student Data Privacy Council to study the development and implementation of the Student Data Privacy Act of 2015 and review similar laws and best practices in other states and appropriate technologies; requiring the Council to report its recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2020, regarding potential statutory and regulatory changes to the Student Data Privacy Act; terminating the Act after May 21, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 246 Delegate Shetty, et al

GENERAL ASSEMBLY – FISCAL NOTES – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS

Requiring a fiscal note for a bill to include an environmental impact statement indicating whether the bill may or will have an environmental impact and, if so, to specify the type and category of environmental impact, including any impact on the environment from climate change; requiring the Department of Legislative Services, in consultation with the Department of the Environment or another relevant agency, to determine the type and category of environmental impact by completing a certain environmental assessment form; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SG, § 2-1505(e) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 247 Delegate K. Young, et al

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – SURGICAL BIRTH RATE – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Maternal and Child Health Bureau, the Vital Statistics Administration, and interested stakeholders, to conduct a study regarding the surgical birth rate in the State; requiring the Commission to examine the rate of complications, increased health care costs and global research programs related to surgical births; requiring the Commission to report its recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before November 1, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 248 Delegate Jones, et al**EDUCATION – CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES – MANDATORY FUNDING LEVEL**

Altering the Governor's required appropriation of certain funds in the State budget, beginning in fiscal year 2021, to increase the Child Care Subsidy Program reimbursement rate to the 60th percentile of the most recent market rate survey or a certain equivalent.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

ED, § 9.5-111(e) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 249 Delegate Stein**CONDOMINIUMS – RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROPERTY INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLES**

Altering, in the case of a council of unit owners' responsibility to repair or replace damage to certain portions of a condominium, the circumstances under which the council of unit owners' property insurance deductible is a common expense; altering the circumstances under which a unit owner is responsible for the council of unit owners' property insurance deductible; and applying the Act. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

RP, § 11-114(g) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 250 Delegate Stewart, et al**REAL PROPERTY – MARYLAND CONDOMINIUM ACT – PRIORITY OF LIENS**

Altering, in the case of a certain priority of a condominium's liens in a foreclosure of a mortgage or deed of trust on a condominium unit, the maximum number of months from 4 to 6 of certain unpaid regular assessments of which the condominium's liens shall consist; authorizing a condominium's liens to include certain costs or sums under certain circumstances; repealing the monetary cap for a condominium's liens under certain circumstances; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

RP, § 11-110(f)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 251 Delegate Hill, et al

DEPARTMENT OF AGING – GRANTS FOR AGING-IN-PLACE PROGRAMS (NONPROFITS FOR OUR AGING NEIGHBORS ACT – “NANA”)

Authorizing the Department of Aging to make grants to certain nonprofit organizations to expand and establish certain aging-in-place programs for seniors; establishing a requirement for an equal match for the funds requested by the nonprofit organization in order for the nonprofit organization to receive a State grant to expand an existing aging-in-place program; providing that the funding for certain State grants shall be as provided by the Governor in the State budget; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

HU, § 10-1201 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 252 Delegate Washington, et al

ELECTION LAW – ELIGIBLE DETAINEES – INFORMATION ON VOTING RIGHTS

Requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations establishing a program to inform certain eligible detainees in correctional facilities of upcoming elections and how the eligible detainees may exercise the right to vote; requiring that the regulations provide for the dissemination of certain information and applications and certain transmission of certain applications and ballots between correctional facilities and the local boards of elections; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

EL, § 1-303.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 253 Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al

PROTECTIVE ORDERS – RELIEF – TRANSFER OF WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE

Authorizing a court, in a temporary protective order or a final protective order, to order a wireless telephone service provider to transfer to a person eligible for relief the billing responsibility for and the right to continue the use of any telephone number used by the person eligible for relief or a minor child in the person's custody; requiring the court to serve a certain order on a wireless telephone service provider's resident agent; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

FL, §§ 4-505(a)(2)(viii) and (ix) and 4-506(d)(13) and (14) - amended and §§ 4-505(a)(2)(x), 4-506(d)(14), and 4-506.2 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary