SYNOPSIS



Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions 2019 Maryland General Assembly Session

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PLEASE NOTE: February 1 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 4.

As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 30, 2019

SB 297 Carroll County Senators

CARROLL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS BC BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE

Altering the requirement that a Class BC beer, wine, and liquor license holder provide food for consumption at certain catered events in Carroll County so that either the license holder or the event sponosor shall provide food for the catered event.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

AB, § 16-903 - amended

SB 298 Carroll County Senators

CARROLL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – REQUIRED INFORMATION ON APPLICATION

Repealing certain required information in a petition of support as part of an application for an alcoholic beverages license in Carroll County; requiring an application for a license to include a petition of support signed by at least 10 residents who meet certain qualifications; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

AB, § 16-1401 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 299 Senator Benson, et al

TANNING DEVICES – USE BY MINORS

Repealing the exemption authorizing a parent or legal guardian of certain minors to provide certain written consent for the minor to use a tanning device; requiring owners, employees, and operators of tanning facilities to ensure that a certain notice is posted in a certain manner in the facility; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to prepare and make available to each tanning facility a notice that includes certain information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

HG, § 20-106 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 300 Senator Benson, et al

PREVAILING WAGE RATES – PUBLIC WORK CONTRACTS – SUITS BY EMPLOYEES

Authorizing certain employees to sue to recover the difference between certain prevailing wage rates and certain amounts under certain circumstances; providing that a certain determination by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry does not preclude certain employees from filing a certain action; and providing for the liability of certain contractors and subcontractors under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SF, § 17-224 - amended

SB 301 Senator Benson, et al

HOSPITALS - PATIENT'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Requiring each administrator of a hospital to provide patients with a certain patient's bill of rights; requiring each administrator of a hospital to provide certain patients with a translator, an interpreter, or another accommodation to provide certain assistance to patients; requiring each administrator of a hospital to conspicuously post copies of the patient's bill of rights on the hospital's website and in areas of the hospital accessible to patients; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

HG, § 19-342 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 302 Senators Benson and Guzzone

MENTAL HEALTH – ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY FOR MINORS – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a person from performing electroconvulsive therapy on a minor; establishing a penalty of a fine not exceeding \$100,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 2 years or both for a certain violation of the Act; authorizing an individual to recover civil damages from a certain person and a certain facility under certain circumstances; and defining the term "electroconvulsive therapy".

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

HG, § 10-1005 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 303 Senator Kagan

STATE ACUPUNCTURE BOARD – PRACTICE OF ACUPUNCTURE – DEFINITION AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Requiring an applicant to have graduated from a master's level program in acupuncture, or higher, approved by certain entities to qualify for a license to practice acupuncture; repealing the authority of the State Board of Acupuncture to find certain programs to be equivalent to a certain course for certain licensure requirements; providing that certain provisions of the Act may be construed to apply only prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

HO, §§ 1A-101 and 1A-302 - amended

SB 304 Senator Kagan

ELECTION LAW - ABSENTEE BALLOT DEPOSIT BOXES

Requiring each local board of elections to designate at least one site in the county for the location of a secure and locked deposit box for the return of absentee ballots on election day; and requiring each early voting center to provide a secure and locked deposit box for the return of absentee ballots.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

EL, §§ 2-202(b)(10) and (11) and 10-301.1(e) - amended and § 2-202(b)(12) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 305 Senator Beidle

REAL PROPERTY – HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – NUMBER OF DECLARANT VOTES

Providing that a declarant is entitled to one vote per lot that has been subdivided and recorded and has not been sold to members of the public when voting on a homeowners association matter on or after the date on which all lots that may be part of a development have been subdivided and recorded in the land records of the county in which the homeowners association is located; and altering the number of declarant votes before the date on which all lots that may be part of a development have been subdivided and recorded.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

RP, § 11B-111.7 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 306 Senator Griffith (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – MARYLAND PENSION ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM – MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Requiring a participating employer to submit supporting payroll data to the State Retirement Agency regarding a member's contributions at the time contributions are paid to the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System; providing certain penalty and interest payments for violation of the provisions of the Act; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

SP, § 21-314(c) and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 307 Senator Washington, et al

PEDIATRIC STROKE – AWARENESS, TRAINING, AND RESOURCE MATERIALS (LANEY JAYMES FITZSIMMONS ACT)

Requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Maryland Department of Health, to promote awareness in and provide training for directors of student services in local education agencies regarding pediatric stroke; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to provide to the State Department of Education certain information regarding pediatric stroke.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

ED, § 7-446 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 308 Senators Waldstreicher and Smith

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PROVIDING ELECTRONIC DEVICE LOCATION INFORMATION – HISTORICAL DATA

Altering a definition of "location information" to include historical information concerning the geographic location of an electronic device that is or was generated by or derived from the operation of that device; and providing that certain evidence is not admissible in a criminal, civil, administrative, or any other proceeding.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CP, § 1-203.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 309 Senator Beidle, et al

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – RACETRACK LICENSE

Expanding the privileges of a racetrack license in Anne Arundel County; specifying certain attributes of a licensed racing establishment; specifying the location where beer, wine, and liquor may be sold under the license; specifying that the playing of music and dancing may occur on the licensed premises; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue a concessionaire license; allowing the carrying and consuming of beer, wine, and liquor anywhere on the licensed premises; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

AB, §§ 11-401 and 11-1007 - amended

SB 310 Senator Hayes, et al

BALTIMORE CITY – UNPACKAGED CIGARETTES – PROHIBITION ON SALE

Prohibiting a certain person from selling an unpackaged cigarette; authorizing an enforcement officer of the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program in the Baltimore City Health Department to enforce the Act in a certain manner; requiring an enforcement officer to report a violation of the Act to a State's Attorney; and providing that issuance of a citation for violation of a certain provision of law precludes prosecution under the Act for a violation arising out of the same incident.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

BR, § 16-308.2 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 311 Senator Smith, et al

END-OF-LIFE OPTION ACT (RICHARD E. ISRAEL AND ROGER "PIP" MOYER ACT)

Authorizing an individual to request aid in dying by making specified requests; prohibiting another individual from requesting aid in dying on behalf of an individual; requiring a certain request to be made in a certain manner; requiring a written request for aid in dying to meet specified requirements; establishing specified requirements for witnesses to a written request for aid in dying; requiring a written request for aid in dying to be in a specified form; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CR, § 3-103 - amended and HG, §§ 5-6A-01 through 5-6A-16 and IN, § 27-208.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 312 Senator Lam, et al

LIFE INSURANCE – PROHIBITION ON DISCRIMINATION – OPIOID OVERDOSE REVERSAL DRUG

Prohibiting an insurer, based solely on information about the purchase or possession of an opioid overdose reversal drug by an applicant or insured or a prescription for an opioid overdose reversal drug prescribed to an applicant or insured, from taking certain actions relating to a policy of life insurance; and applying the Act to life insurance policies issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after January 1, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020

IN, § 27-501(s) - added

SB 313 Senator Lam, et al

GENERAL ASSEMBLY – SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY IN OFFICE

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to require an individual appointed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of Delegate or Senator in the General Assembly to serve for the remainder of the term if the vacancy occurs after a certain date; requiring that a special election be held at the same time as a certain regular statewide election to fill a vacancy in the office of Delegate or Senator in the General Assembly if the vacancy occurs on or before a certain date; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 13 and Art. XVII, § 2 - amended Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 314 Senators Lam and Guzzone

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – ENERGY–CONSERVING AND BIRD–SAFE BUILDING STANDARDS (MARYLAND SUSTAINABLE BUILDINGS ACT OF 2019)

Requiring the Department of General Services to establish certain standards for State buildings to conserve energy and minimize adverse impacts on birds; requiring each building constructed, acquired, or substantially altered by the Department to meet the standards to the extent practicable; requiring the Department to reduce the lighting of existing public buildings in a certain manner; and requiring the Secretary of General Services to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SF. § 4-410 - added

SB 315 Senators Lam and Rosapepe

INSURANCE LAW – APPLICATION TO DIRECT PRIMARY CARE AGREEMENTS – EXCLUSION

Defining a "direct primary care agreement" as a written contract in which a primary care provider agrees to provide certain primary care services to a patient for a certain fee and for a certain period of time and that has certain elements; excluding a direct primary care agreement from certain definitions for the purpose of certain provisions of insurance law; and providing that certain provisions of insurance law do not apply to a direct primary care agreement.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

IN, §§ 1-101(1-1), 10-103(b)(9), 11-601(d)(2)(v), 14-101.1, 18-101(f)(3)(iv), and 31-101(g)(6) - added and Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 316 Senator Lam, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLES – RESERVED PARKING SPACES

Prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle that is not a plug—in electric drive vehicle in a parking space that is designated for the use of plug—in electric drive vehicles; requiring that a parking space for the use of plug—in electric drive vehicles have certain pavement markings; requiring that a parking space for the use of plug—in electric drive vehicles be counted as part of the overall number of parking spaces for certain purposes; establishing a civil penalty of \$50 for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

TR, § 21-1003.2 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 317 Senator Reilly, et al

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – SHARE OF INTESTATE ESTATE INHERITED BY SURVIVING SPOUSE (CHUCK'S LAW)

Altering the share of the intestate estate of a decedent inherited by a surviving spouse under certain circumstances; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

ET, § 3-102 - amended

SB 318 Senator Feldman, et al

EDUCATION – SCHOOL SAFETY SUBCABINET ADVISORY BOARD – MEMBERSHIP

Altering the membership of the School Safety Subcabinet Advisory Board to include a representative of a nonpublic special education school by increasing from four to five the members of the public to be appointed by the Governor and including a representative of a nonpublic special education school.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

ED, § 7-1504 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 319 Senator Augustine, et al

MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – STATE EMPLOYEES SUBJECT TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – FREE RIDERSHIP (TRANSIT BENEFIT FOR STATE EMPLOYEES)

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to provide certain ridership services to State employees who are subject to collective bargaining on certain transit vehicles; prohibiting the Administration from seeking certain fees or reimbursement; authorizing the Administration to adopt certain regulations; and requiring the Maryland Department of Transportation and the Department of Budget and Management to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by January 1, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

TR, § 7-711 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 320 Senator Cassilly, et al

COURTS - DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE - PROTECTIVE ORDER

Authorizing a defendant in a malpractice claim against a licensed professional to move for a protective order to limit the disclosure of certain documentary evidence under certain circumstances; requiring a court, upon a certain motion by the defendant, to review the claimant's request for documentary evidence and authorizing the court to issue a certain protective order for good cause shown; providing for the prospective application of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CJ, § 3-2C-02 - amended

SB 321 Senator Cassilly, et al

CIVIL ACTIONS – OFFERS OF JUDGMENT

Making provisions of law relating to an offer of judgment in an action for a medical injury applicable to all civil actions; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CJ, § 11-113 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 322 Senator Cassilly

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE – NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE CLAIM

Prohibiting a claim against a health care provider for damage due to a medical injury from being filed with the Director of the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office unless, at least 90 days before filing the claim, the claimant has given a notice to the health care provider of intent to file a claim; requiring the notice to include certain information and to be served on the health care provider at a certain address; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CJ, § 3-2A-04(a) - amended and § 3-2A-04(a-1) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 323 Senator Cassilly

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE - DISCOVERY

Establishing that a defendant in a claim filed with the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office may seek discovery as to the basis of a certificate of a qualified expert filed by the claimant or plaintiff without prejudice to later discovery if the attesting expert is designated as a trial expert; prohibiting a deposition of a defendant health care provider from being required until the claimant has filed and served a certain certificate of a qualified expert; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CJ, §§ 3-2A-04(b) and 3-2A-05(b) - amended

SB 324 Senator Young, et al

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS – LEGAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS – POSTING ON WEBSITES

Authorizing a county or municipality to satisfy a requirement to publish legal notices in a newspaper of general circulation by posting the notices on the county's or municipality's website; requiring notices posted on a county or municipality website to be conspicuously displayed and to be easily accessible; requiring a county or municipality that chooses to post notices on the Internet to publish a certain notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or municipality and to offer a certain mail service; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

LG, § 1-1313 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 325 Senators Young and Hough

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BASKET OF CHEER

Establishing a basket of cheer permit in Frederick County; requiring the Board of License Commissioners to grant the permit at no cost to holders of certain Class C per diem licenses; providing that the permit authorizes the permit holder to provide as a prize at a benefit performance not more than 10 baskets of cheer of alcoholic beverages produced in Maryland and obtained from the holder of a retail license; and stating that the alcoholic beverages in a basket of cheer shall be for off–premises consumption.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

AB, § 20-1317 - added

SB 326 Senator Young, et al

STATE LOTTERY – INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES – FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS ("SLOTS" FOR HOMELESS VETERANS ACT)

Authorizing the Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to issue certain fraternal organizations a license for not more than five instant ticket lottery machines; providing that proceeds from instant ticket lottery machine sales by a fraternal organization are to be distributed in a certain manner; and authorizing certain fraternal organizations to purchase or lease instant ticket lottery machines from any vendor approved by the Agency to sell or lease the machines to fraternal organizations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

SG, § 9-112 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 327 Senator Smith

JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT – DIMINUTION CREDITS – SENTENCING

Clarifying that changes in provisions of law relating to the application of diminution credits made by the Justice Reinvestment Act shall be construed prospectively to apply to the portion of an inmate's sentence that is originally imposed, modified, or ordered to be served for a violation of probation on or after October 1, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

Chapter 515 of the Acts of 2016, § 14 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 328 Senator Smith, et al

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – NONCOMPETE AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST CLAUSES

Providing that certain noncompete and conflict of interest provisions that restrict the ability of an employee to enter into employment with a new employer or to become self—employed in the same or similar business or trade are null and void as being against the public policy of the State; and applying the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

LE, § 3-716 - added

SB 329 Senator Smith, et al

MARYLAND WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION LAW – AWARDS OF CERTAIN FEES AND COSTS AND PROHIBITION AGAINST RETALIATION

Authorizing a court, on a certain finding in an action on behalf of an employee for a violation of the Maryland Wage Payment and Collection Law, to award the Attorney General reasonable counsel fees and other costs; authorizing a court, on a certain finding in an action by an employee for a violation of the Maryland Wage Payment and Collection Law, to award the employee reasonable counsel fees and other costs; and prohibiting an employer from taking certain adverse action against an employee under certain circumstances. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

LE, §§ 3-507 and 3-507.2 - amended and § 3-507.3 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 330 Senator Smith, et al

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION – DIAPER–CHANGING FACILITIES

Requiring, except under certain circumstances, that a diaper—changing facility be installed in certain public restrooms in certain public buildings and restrooms in places of public accommodation; requiring the Board of Public Works, through the Department of General Services, to adopt certain standards; providing the Department of General Services, the University System of Maryland and the Department of Transportation are responsible for the enforcement of certain provisions of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SF, §§ 2-801 through 2-803 and SG, § 20-307 - added

SB 331 Senator Kramer

BUSINESS REGULATION - TRADER'S LICENSES - LICENSE FEES

Requiring a certain clerk to account for and pay into the General Fund of the State the entire fee received for a trader's license issued in a county or municipal corporation that selects a uniform license fee; exempting from the fee a visually handicapped applicant who meets certain standards and Blind Industries and Services of Maryland; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to adopt certain regulations on the granting of exemptions from a certain inventory reporting requirement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

BR, §§ 17-206, 17-302(c), 17-1806 through 17-1808, and 17-1813 - amended and § 17-1807.1 - added and TP, § 11-101 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 332 Senator Kramer

STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – CHESAPEAKE BAY WATERSHED STATES – EXPENSES AND CONTRACTS (QUIT POLLUTING MY BAY ACT OF 2019)

Requiring the Standard State Travel Regulations to prohibit the reimbursement for travel expenses to a certain state for which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has identified two or more pollution source sectors at a backstop actions level of oversight; prohibiting a public body from awarding a certain procurement contract to a business from a State in which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has identified two or more pollution source sectors at a backstop actions level of oversight under certain circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SF, § 10-203 - amended and §§ 17-801 and 17-802 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 333 Senator Kramer, et al

ELECTION LAW – PERMANENT ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST

Requiring certain guidelines for absentee voting established by the State Board of Elections to provide for a permanent absentee ballot list; providing that all voters are eligible for permanent absentee ballot status; authorizing a voter to apply for permanent absentee ballot status in a certain manner; authorizing a voter to apply for permanent absentee ballot status at any time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

EL, § 9-303 - amended and § 9-311.1 - added

SB 334 Senator Hough

COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – APPOINTMENT TO FILL A VACANCY OF AN ELECTED MEMBER – CANDIDATE INFORMATION REQUESTS

Requiring a county board of education, on request, to provide a list of the names of the candidates to fill a vacancy of an elected member of a county board to the individual who made the request or by publication on the website of the county board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

ED, § 4-135 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 335 Senator Carozza

SOMERSET COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD RESERVE FUND

Increasing the Somerset County Liquor Control Board reserve fund from up to \$150,000 to up to \$300,000; and increasing the maximum amount of money from \$50,000 to \$100,000, the Liquor Control Board may distribute from the reserve fund to a dispensary.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

AB, § 29-310 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 336 Senator Carozza

SOMERSET COUNTY – COMMISSIONERS – RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

Requiring a County Commissioner from a commissioners' district to reside in that commissioners' district for the 6 months immediately preceding the election of the Commissioner and during the full term of office of the Commissioner; prohibiting a Commissioner from a commissioners' district from continuing the current term if the Commissioner does not maintain residency in that commissioners' district under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

PLL of Somerset Co, Art. 20, § 2-101 - amended

SB 337 Senator Carozza

SOMERSET COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – SALARIES

Increasing the salaries of the chair from \$3,500 to \$4,000, members from \$3,000 to \$3,500, clerk from \$3,500 to \$4,000, and attorney from \$4,000 to \$4,500, of the Board of License Commissioners for Somerset County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

AB, § 29-204 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 338 Senator Carozza

SOMERSET COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – PROXIMITY TO PLACES OF WORSHIP, SCHOOLS, PUBLIC LIBRARIES, OR YOUTH CENTERS

Reducing to 200 feet the minimum distance from a place of worship, school, public library, or youth center for an establishment for which the Board of License Commissioners of Somerset County may issue a certain license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

AB, § 29-1601 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 339 Senators Kagan and Reilly (By Request – Commission to Advance Next Generation 9–1–1 Across Maryland), et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM (CARL HENN'S LAW)

Requiring a certain custodian of records to deny inspection of the part of a 9–1–1 communications record that depicts certain information, subject to a certain exception; requiring the Emergency Number Systems Board to establish certain minimum standards; altering the purposes of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund beginning on a certain date; authorizing the use of money collected from a certain 9–1–1 fee to pay certain costs; altering the amount of and method for calculating the 9–1–1 fee and a certain additional charge; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

GP, § 4-342 and PS, §§ 1-309.1 and 1-315 - added and PS, §§ 1-301, 1-304(f), 1-306, and 1-308 through 1-311 - amended

SB 340 Senator Kagan, et al

MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – INVESTMENTS AND OPERATIONS

Requiring the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to recover from a business enterprise certain investments made from the Enterprise Fund if during the 3-year period following the investment award the business enterprise fails to maintain its status as a business enterprise; including in the Fund certain recovered money; and requiring the Maryland Venture Fund Authority to meet at least quarterly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

EC, §§ 10-468, 10-469, and 10-478 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 341 Senator Kelley, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CHARGING PROCEDURES AND DOCUMENTS – CITATION

Modifying the circumstances under which a police officer is required to charge by citation for certain misdemeanor or local ordinance violations that have an imprisonment penalty of up to 90 days; modifying the categories of offenses for which a police officer is authorized to charge by citation; and modifying the circumstances under which a police officer may charge a defendant by citation. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CP, § 4-101(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 342 Chair, Finance Committee

PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM – PROGRAM EVALUATION

Requiring the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program to provide prescription monitoring data to authorized users, rather than the authorized administrator, of another state's prescription drug monitoring program; repealing the termination date of the Program; repealing the requirement that the Department of Legislative Services conduct a certain evaluation of the Program under the Maryland Program Evaluation Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

HG, § 21-2A-06(b) and SG, § 8-403(b)(45) through (56) - amended and HG, § 21-2A-10 and SG, § 8-403(b)(44) - repealed

SB 343 Senator Kagan

ELECTION LAW – VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT – PREPAID POSTAGE FOR RETURN OF BALLOTS

Requiring that certain required envelopes used by certain voters voting by absentee ballot to return their ballots include prepaid postage; authorizing the State Board of Elections to reimburse counties for the costs of prepaid postage for the absentee ballot envelopes used by certain voters for absentee voting; and requiring that absentee ballots be accompanied by instructions for the postage of certain absentee ballot envelopes.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

EL, § 9-310 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 344 Senators Zucker and Feldman

STATE AGRICULTURAL LAND TRANSFER TAX – NONAGRICULTURAL USE EXEMPTION – REPEAL

Repealing an exemption from the State agricultural land transfer tax for an instrument of writing that transfers land on which the property tax has been paid for 5 consecutive taxable years before the transfer on the basis of an assessment other than the farm or agricultural use assessment.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

TP, §§ 13-303(c) and 13-305 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 345 Senator Ferguson

STATE DESIGNATIONS – STATE CLASSICAL THEATER – CHESAPEAKE SHAKESPEARE COMPANY

Designating the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company as the State classical theater.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

GP, § 7-319 - amended

SB 346 Senator Ferguson, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY - REGULATED FIREARMS - TRANSFER

Providing that, for certain purposes relating to the transfer of a firearm, the term "transfer" includes a loan other than a temporary gratuitous exchange of a regulated firearm between two individuals who remain in the same location for the duration of the exchange.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

PS, § 5-124 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 347 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)

STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Athletic Commission in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2031, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Commission; and requiring that an evaluation of the Commission and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Commission be performed on or before December 15, 2028.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

BR, § 4-208 and SG, § 8-403(b)(5) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 348 Senator Klausmeier

WORKERS' COMPENSATION – MEDICAL BENEFITS – REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEDICAL MILEAGE

Requiring a covered employee who seeks reimbursement for medical mileage to submit to the employer or the employer's insurer a request for reimbursement, in the form adopted by the Workers' Compensation Commission, within a certain period of time.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

LE, § 9-660 - amended

SB 349 Senator Klausmeier

WORKERS' COMPENSATION – PROVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES AND TREATMENT – NOTIFICATION TO SEEK TREATMENT

Requiring a covered employee, under certain circumstances, to provide the employer, the employer's insurer, or the Uninsured Employer's Fund certain notification at least 30 business days before undergoing medical treatment; requiring that medical treatment sought by the covered employee be presumed to be unrelated to an accidental personal injury except under certain circumstances if the notification required under a certain provision of the Act is not provided; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

LE, § 9-660 - amended Assigned to: Finance

SB 350 Senator Klausmeier, et al

RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – TIER 1 ELIGIBILITY

Altering the definition of a "Tier 1 renewable source" for purposes of the renewable energy portfolio standard by adding certain hydroelectric power as a Tier 1 renewable source; applying the Act to all renewable portfolio standard compliance years that begin on or after January 1, 2020

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

PU, §§ 7-701(r) and 7-704(a) - amended and § 7-701(s) - repealed Assigned to: Finance

SB 351 Senators Rosapepe and Klausmeier

WORKGROUP TO STUDY PRIZE-LINKED SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Establishing the Workgroup to Study Prize–Linked Savings Accounts; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibiting a member of the Workgroup from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters relating to prize–linked savings accounts; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 352 Senator Rosapepe

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS BLX LICENSE FOR MOVIE THEATERS

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County to issue a Class BLX license for a movie theater under certain circumstances; authorizing the holder of the license to sell beer, wine, and liquor for onpremises consumption; allowing the holder of the license to serve only customers who have proof of admission to the movie theater; and providing the hours of sale for the license during which a movie theater may sell beer, wine, and liquor from noon to 12:30 a.m. the following day.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

AB, §§ 26-1606, 26-1616, and 26-2004(f) - amended