## SYNOPSIS



Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions 2019 Maryland General Assembly Session

## February 4, 2019 Schedule 18

**PLEASE NOTE:** Senate Bills 447 through 500 appear on Schedule 18 Senate Bills 501 and beyond introduced on February 4 will appear on Schedule 19

## **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 4, 2019**

## **SB 447** Senator Pinsky, et al

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PRACTICE OF OPTOMETRY – MISCELLANEOUS REVISIONS

Requiring that, in addition to being licensed, an individual be certified under certain provisions of law and the Act before practicing optometry in the State within the scope of the certification; requiring certain optometrists to be certified under certain provisions of law before performing certain functions; altering the coursework requirements for certain certifications; establishing a new level of certification for licensed optometrists; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

HO, Various Sections - amended and §§ 11-101(i) and 11-404.2 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**Department of Legislative Services** 

## **SB 448** Senator Pinsky, et al

## OYSTERS – TRIBUTARY–SCALE SANCTUARIES – PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

Establishing a network of oyster sanctuaries in the five tributaries identified by the Department of Natural Resources for large–scale restoration pursuant to the 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement; codifying the boundaries of certain oyster sanctuaries; prohibiting a person from catching oysters in or removing oysters from a certain oyster sanctuary, subject to a certain exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 NR, § 4-1014 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 449** Senator Pinsky, et al

#### ELECTION LAW – ELECTION DAY VOTER REGISTRATION

Providing an exception to the voter registration deadline to allow an individual to appear at a certain precinct polling place to apply to register to vote or change the voter's address on an existing voter registration; requiring a certain applicant for a voter registration to provide proof of residency; specifying the acceptable forms of proof of residency; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 EL, § 3-302 - amended and § 3-306 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 450** Senator Rosapepe

#### PROTECTION OF MARYLANDERS' RIGHTS ACT OF 2019

Requiring the Governor, each fiscal year, to include in the State budget an appropriation for the Attorney General; requiring the appropriation to be at least the amount appropriated for the Attorney General in the fiscal year 2018 budget as passed by the General Assembly increased by the amount required to administer certain Acts and any amount the State receives from the settlement of a case that the Attorney General represents the State in; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

SG, § 6-111 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 451** Senator West, et al

BALTIMORE COUNTY – DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES – AUTHORIZATION

Authorizing the County Council of Baltimore County, by ordinance, to impose development impact fees to finance the capital costs of additional or expanded public works, improvements, and facilities required to accommodate new construction or development.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019 LG, § 20-701.1 - added Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 452** Senator Carter, et al

# JUVENILES CHARGED AS ADULTS – CONFIDENTIALITY OF PHOTOS AND VIDEOS

Establishing that, pending a determination by a court exercising criminal jurisdiction in a case involving a child whether to transfer its jurisdiction to the juvenile court, provisions of law relating to the confidentiality of juvenile records apply to photographs or videos of a child taken by a governmental entity during the arrest or booking of the child.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CP, § 4-202(i) - added and § 4-202(i) and (j) - amended Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## SB 453 Senators Kagan and Benson

## GAS PRICE CLARITY ACT

Altering the information about a certain measurement of certain gasoline that must be stated on a sign on the premises of a retail service station dealer to require that the highest price, or the cash price and the credit price, be stated in a clear and visible manner; authorizing a certain sign to state the highest price for a certain measurement of certain other motor fuel products; and repealing a certain exemption from a certain signage requirement for certain retail service station dealers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 BR, § 10-315 - amended Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 454** Senator Guzzone

## CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM – RETIREMENT – ELIGIBILITY AND ALLOWANCE

Altering the eligibility for a service retirement for certain members of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; and prohibiting a certain retirement allowance from being reduced by the actuarial equivalent of any missed accumulated contributions attributable to certain service transferred into the Correctional Officers' Retirement System.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 SP, § 25-401 - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 455** Senator Guzzone

#### 2020 CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMISSION

Establishing the 2020 Census Complete Count Commission to ensure the fair and accurate counting of individuals in hard–to–count populations residing in the State and local jurisdictions in the 2020 Census; requiring the Commission to perform certain duties; authorizing the Commission to establish subcommittees; requiring the Commission to submit an interim report and a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before November 30, 2019, and June 30, 2020, respectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 456** Senator Guzzone

FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE – FUNDING

Requiring the Governor to provide sufficient funds in the budget to ensure that the value of temporary cash assistance, combined with federal food stamps, is equal to at least certain percentages of the State minimum living level for certain fiscal years.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 HU, § 5-316(a) - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 457** Senator Guzzone

INCOME TAX INTEREST AND PENALTY WAIVER ACT OF 2019

Requiring the Comptroller to waive certain interest and penalties relating to payment of estimated Maryland income taxes for calendar year 2018. EMERGENCY BILL Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 458** Senator Guzzone, et al

## CORPORATE INCOME TAX – SINGLE SALES FACTOR APPORTIONMENT – DEFERRED TAX RELIEF

Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland corporate income tax for certain changes to a certain corporation's deferred tax assets or liabilities that are the result of Chapters 341 and 342 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2018; providing for the calculation of the amount of the subtraction modification; providing that the subtraction modification may be claimed only for 10 consecutive taxable years beginning with the first taxable year that begins after December 31, 2022; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

TG, § 10-311 - added Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 459** Senator Waldstreicher

MEDICAL RECORDS – COMPULSORY PROCESS REQUESTS – ADVISORY PROTOCOL AND VOLUNTARY TRAINING

Requiring, on or before September 30, 2020, the Office of the Attorney General to develop a certain advisory protocol and voluntary training program for health care providers regarding how to respond to compulsory process requests for medical records that includes information regarding certain requirements; and requiring the Office to consult certain entities in developing the advisory protocol and voluntary training program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 460** Senator Waldstreicher, et al

## PEDESTRIAN SAFETY FUND ACT OF 2019

Establishing a minimum fine of up to 2 months imprisonment or a fine of not less than \$150 and not more than \$500 or both that may be imposed for a violation of certain provisions of Maryland Vehicle Law regarding crosswalks; establishing the Pedestrian Safety Fund for the purpose of enhancing the safety and quality of pedestrian and bicycle transportation to include educational programs for bicyclists, motorists, and pedestrians, certain physical design changes, and increased enforcement of existing rules; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)112. and 113. and TR, § 21-502 - amended and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)114. and TR, § 21-502.1 - added Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## **SB 461** Senator Waldstreicher

ELECTION LAW – EARLY VOTING CENTERS – ESTABLISHMENT AND HOURS

Increasing the number of early voting centers that certain counties are required to establish; requiring early voting centers to open at 8 a.m. during gubernatorial general elections; and requiring that, in a county with more than one voting center, the location of early voting centers be designated to maximize geographic dispersal and accessibility for the registered voters of that county.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 EL, § 10-301.1 - amended Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 462** Senator Carter

VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVING WITHOUT A LICENSE OR WHILE LICENSE IS SUSPENDED – PENALTIES

Altering the maximum penalty for driving on a highway without a license; altering the maximum penalty for driving a motor vehicle while a person's license or privilege to drive is suspended under certain provisions of State law relating to nonpayment of child support, noncompliance with an order to attend a certain driver improvement program, lapse of required security, noncompliance with traffic citations, and nonpayment of fines; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 TR, §§ 16-101 and 16-303(k) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## **SB 463** Senator Carter

# EDUCATION – NONCERTIFICATED PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES – EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Establishing a Public School Employee of the Year Award in the State Department of Education to provide recognition to public school employees who provide essential services to public schools in the State and contribute to a positive instructional environment; requiring each local school system to nominate an employee for the award each year beginning in the 2019–2020 school year; requiring the Department to convene a panel to select finalists; requiring the Department to issue the award to a certain individual; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 ED, § 6-123 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 464** Senator King, et al

SCHOOL BUS MONITORING CAMERAS – CIVIL PENALTY – SUNSET REPEAL

Repealing the June 30, 2019, termination date for a provision of law that increased from \$250 to \$500 the civil penalty for a violation recorded by a school bus monitoring camera for failure to stop for a school vehicle operating alternately flashing red lights.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

Chapter 744 of the Acts of 2017, § 3 - amended Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## **SB 465** Senator King, et al

# NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – FIRE DRILL REQUIREMENTS – STATE FIRE PREVENTION CODE

Requiring each nonpublic school in the State to hold fire drills in accordance with the State Fire Prevention Code, keep records of the fire drills, and send copies of the records to the State Board of Education.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 ED, § 7-408.1 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 466** Senator King, et al

HOTEL RENTAL TAX – LIMITATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY TO TAX SMALL HOTELS – REPEAL

Repealing a limitation on the authority of certain municipalities to impose a hotel rental tax on hotels with 10 or fewer sleeping rooms. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 LG, § 20-432 - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## SB 467 Senator King

FORESTRY – MEL NOLAND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Mel Noland Fellowship Program in the Department of Natural Resources to support the professional development of individuals beginning a career in forestry management; renaming a certain special fund to be the Mel Noland Woodland Incentives and Fellowship Fund; expanding the authorized uses of the Fund to include funding the Fellowship Program; requiring the Governor to appropriate \$50,000 to the Fund for certain fiscal years; requiring the Department to direct \$50,000 from the Fund to the Fellowship Program; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

NR, §§ 5-301(g) and 5-307 - amended and § 5-308 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 468** Senators Pinsky and Rosapepe

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – EXCHANGE OF STATE REAL PROPERTY – LIMITATION

Prohibiting real property of the State or a unit of the State government from being exchanged to the United States if the purpose of the exchange is to acquire control of federal land on which a professional football stadium will be built; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SF, § 10-305(a) - amended Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 469** Senator Pinsky, et al

DRUGS AND DEVICES – ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTIONS – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring, except under certain circumstances, a certain health practitioner to issue a prescription electronically; authorizing an authorized prescriber to issue a written or oral prescription only under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Health, in collaboration with the Maryland Health Care Commission, to adopt certain regulations regarding a certain waiver that includes certain provisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 HG, § 21-220 - amended Assigned to: Finance

#### **SB 470** Senator West

EXPANSION OF COMMERCIAL GAMING – REFERENDUM – SPORTS WAGERING

Providing that the General Assembly may authorize, by law, the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to issue certain sports wagering licenses; providing that a license may be issued only to the holder of a video lottery operation license or a license for thoroughbred racing or harness racing; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that State revenues generated by the proposed sports wagering be used for dedicated purposes including public education; submitting the Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of the State; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 471** Senator Pinsky, et al

AGRICULTURE – USE OF ANTIMICROBIAL DRUGS – LIMITATIONS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Clarifying a certain prohibition on administering a medically important antimicrobial drug in a regular pattern to certain cattle, swine, or poultry; exempting dairy cattle on a farm operation with a herd size of fewer than 10 dairy cattle from certain provisions of law concerning the use of medically important antimicrobial drugs; prohibiting the administration of a medically important antimicrobial drug to certain cattle, swine, or poultry unless ordered by a licensed veterinarian in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

AG, §§ 3-1001 through 3-1005 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 472** Senator Nathan–Pulliam, et al

GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – CARIBBEAN DAY IN MARYLAND

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim the first Monday in August as Caribbean Day in Maryland; and requiring the proclamation to urge educational and cultural organizations to observe Caribbean Day in Maryland properly with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 GP, § 7-414 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### **SB 473** Senator Kramer, et al

#### HATE CRIMES – CIVIL REMEDY

Providing that a person who is aggrieved by an act that would constitute a violation of certain hate crime laws, or the Attorney General on behalf of the person, may bring a civil action against a certain person; authorizing the court to impose an injunction and award certain damages; providing that damages awarded by the court may be equal to three times the amount of actual damages; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CR, § 10-309 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### SB 474 Senator Kramer

LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE – PREMIUM RATE INCREASES – RESTRICTION (EQUITY IN LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE PREMIUMS ACT)

Prohibiting a carrier from imposing a premium rate increase for a policy or contract of long-term care insurance in a year in which the carrier, or any entity with which the carrier is affiliated, pays a dividend, or comparable payment, to its shareholders or a bonus or benefit to any of the executive officers of the carrier or any entity with which the carrier is affiliated that is in addition to the contractually fixed compensation provided to the executive officers for certain services; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 IN, § 11-703(b) - amended Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 475** Senator Kramer

# OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – SENIOR AND VULNERABLE ADULT ASSET RECOVERY UNIT

Establishing the Senior and Vulnerable Adult Asset Recovery Unit in the Office of the Attorney General for the purpose of protecting seniors and vulnerable adults from financial crimes under § 8–801 of the Criminal Law Article; authorizing the Unit to bring civil actions for damages against certain persons; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2021, to appropriate at least \$450,000 for the Unit; requiring the Unit to use the funds to hire new staff and investigate and assist prosecution by the Unit; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CL, §§ 14-4201 through 14-4204 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## **SB 476** Senator Kramer

DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES – VOTING BY MAIL – STUDY

Requiring the Department of Legislative Services, in consultation with the State Board of Elections and the Maryland Association of Election Officials, to study the requirements to implement voting by mail; requiring a certain analysis to include information on the administrative, technological, legal, security, and fiscal requirements to implement voting by mail; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a December 1, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019 Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 477** Senator Kramer

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY POLICE

Expanding a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for law enforcement officers to include law enforcement officers who are members of the Maryland Transportation Authority Police and reside in a political subdivision in which the crime rate exceeds the State's crime rate; and applying the Act to all taxable years after December 31, 2018. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 TG, § 10-207(cc) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 478** Senator Peters, et al

PROPERTY TAX – VEHICLES VALUED AS STOCK IN BUSINESS – ALTERATION OF TAX CREDIT

Increasing from 50% to 100% a certain property tax credit that the governing body of a county or municipal corporation is required to grant against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on vehicles valued as stock in business beginning on July 1, 2016; and applying the Act retroactively to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2016. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

TP, § 9-108 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 479** Senator McCray

BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT – REPORTING ON VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

Requiring the Baltimore Police Department to require responding law enforcement officers to complete certain accident reports for vehicle accidents; requiring an accident report to contain information about the cause of the accident, the conditions at the time of the accident, identification of the persons and vehicles involved in the accident, and any damage to public property or infrastructure; and requiring the Baltimore Police Department to provide a copy of each accident report to certain departments in Baltimore City.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019** 

PS, § 3-521 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## **SB 480** Senator McCray

EFFECTIVE CORPORATE TAX RATE TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2019

Requiring a publicly traded corporation that is required to file a Maryland income tax return to attach a certain statement to the return identifying the corporation's effective tax rate and an explanation of the calculation of the effective tax rate; requiring that the statement be made under oath, signed in a certain manner, subject to audit by the Comptroller, and treated as confidential taxpayer information; requiring the Comptroller to submit a certain report to the Governor and the General Assembly by March 1 each year; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 TG, § 10-804(e) - amended and § 10-804.2 - added Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## SB 481 Senator McCray

## ENVIRONMENT – DRINKING WATER OUTLETS IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS – ELEVATED LEVEL OF LEAD AND GRANT PROGRAM

Altering the definition of "elevated level of lead" to mean a lead concentration in drinking water exceeding 5 parts per billion for certain provisions of law relating to testing for the presence of lead in certain drinking water outlets in certain school buildings; requiring the Department of the Environment, in consultation with the State Department of Education, to establish and administer a certain grant program to assist local school systems with certain costs associated with implementing certain remedial measures; etc. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

EN, § 6-1501(c) - amended and § 6-1503 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 482** Senator Kelley, et al

## MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, subject to certain limitations, to provide reimbursement for certain medically necessary and appropriate behavioral health services to managed care organizations; requiring managed care organizations, rather than a certain delivery system, to provide certain health services beginning January 1, 2021; requiring the Secretary of Health to include in certain capitation payments funding for community provider rates; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

HG, § 15-101(a-1) - added and §§ 15-101(a-1) and (a-2) and 15-103(b)(2)(ii), (9)(xi), (18), and (21) - amended Assigned to: Finance

### **SB 483** Senators Guzzone and Hester

MARYLAND FARMS AND FAMILIES FUND – PURPOSE, USE, FUNDING, AND GRANT QUALIFICATIONS – ALTERATIONS

Altering the purpose and use of the Maryland Farms and Families Fund; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill a \$500,000 appropriation for the Maryland Farms and Families Fund each fiscal year, beginning in fiscal year 2021; requiring that appropriations made under the Act be in addition to, and may not supplant, any funding appropriated to the Marketing and Promotion Division in the Department; and altering certain qualifications for certain nonprofit organizations to receive a certain grant from the Fund.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019 AG, §§ 10-2003 and 10-2004 - amended Assigned to: Finance and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### SB 484 Senators Ferguson and Miller

TAX LIENS - EXPIRATION

Providing that certain tax liens on certain real property or certain personal property terminate after 12 years. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 TG, § 13-806 and TP, § 14-804 - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 485** The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General), et al

MARYLAND COLLECTION AGENCY LICENSING ACT – DEFINITIONS AND LEGISLATIVE INTENT

Defining the term "mortgage lender" to mean a person who is duly licensed under certain provisions of the Financial Institutions Article; altering the definition of the term "consumer claim"; and declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the Act be construed as clarifying the Maryland Collection Agency Licensing Act. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

BR, § 7-101 - amended Assigned to: Finance

#### **SB 486** Senator Griffith (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – WORKERS' COMPENSATION OFFSET

Requiring the State Retirement Agency Board of Trustees to adjust a certain reduction of a retiree's accidental or special disability retirement benefit to reflect any offset awarded to the retiree's employer by the Workers' Compensation Commission.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 SP, § 29-118 - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 487** Senator Jennings, et al

#### STATE PERSONNEL – MILITARY ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE

Authorizing military administrative leave to be provided to an employee who is serving orders for military duty on or after October 1, 2019; and authorizing an employee serving orders for military duty on or after October 1, 2019 to elect to use either military administrative leave or paid leave.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SP, § 9-1107 - amended Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 488** Senator Carter, et al

## BALTIMORE CITY – CIVIL ACTIONS – LIABILITY OF TOXIC SUBSTANCE MANUFACTURERS

Establishing that the Act applies only to an action against a manufacturer of a toxic substance for damages allegedly caused by the presence of paint or surface coatings containing the toxic substance in a residential building located in Baltimore City; defining "toxic substance" as a component used in paint or other surface coatings, including lead pigment, that is harmful to human health and the environment; providing that the Act does not apply to certain actions for certain damages arising from personal injury or death; etc.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019** 

CJ, §§ 3-2201 through 3-2205 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## SB 489 Senators Kagan and Washington

BALLOT ACCESS – VOTER REGISTRATION – AFFILIATING WITH A PARTY

Allowing voters who have declined to affiliate with a political party to affiliate with a party at any time individuals may register to vote; requiring an election judge to follow certain procedures to determine the voter's qualification if a voter who has declined to affiliate with a political party requests to affiliate with a party during early voting; altering provisions relating to early voting to allow voters who have declined to affiliate with a political party to affiliate with a party and be issued a ballot to vote; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

EL, §§ 3-303 and 3-305 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 490** Senator Kagan

CONSUMER PROTECTION – SCANNING OR SWIPING IDENTIFICATION CARDS AND DRIVER'S LICENSES – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a person from using a scanning device to scan or swipe an identification card or a driver's license of an individual to obtain the personal information of the individual; prohibiting a person from retaining, selling, or transferring to another person any information collected from scanning or swiping an individual's identification card or driver's license under certain circumstances; providing that a violation of the Act constitutes an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CL, § 13-301 - amended and § 14-1327 - added Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 491** Senator Rosapepe, et al

HIGHER EDUCATION – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – GRADUATE ASSISTANTS (GRADUATE ASSISTANT COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FAIRNESS ACT)

Providing collective bargaining rights to graduate assistants who are graduate students at a University System of Maryland institution, Morgan State University, or St. Mary's College of Maryland who is a teaching, administrative, or research assistant, or in a comparable position, a fellow, or a postdoctoral intern; establishing a separate collective bargaining unit for certain graduate assistants; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019 SP, §§ 3-101, 3-102, and 3-403(d) - amended Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 492** Senator Rosapepe, et al

## INVESTMENT IN JOB SKILLS ACT OF 2019

Establishing the Career and Technology Education Grant Program; authorizing, rather than requiring, the Governor to appropriate at least \$3,000,000 in the annual budget for Workforce Development Sequence Scholarships; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to create a statewide media campaign to promote participation in career and technical education, apprenticeships, and workforce development in workforce shortage occupations; etc.

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

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

ED, §§ 5-324 and 18-1905.2 and LE, § 11-410 - added and ED, § 18-3303, TG, § 10-742, and Ch. 149 of the Acts of 2017, § 9 - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## **SB 493** Senator Rosapepe, et al

### WORKFORCE DATA ACT OF 2019

Requiring that the information that the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation requires to be included in unemployment insurance contribution and employment reports shall include, for each employee, occupation and job title, number of hours worked in a calendar quarter, and work location; and requiring that the location listed in a contribution and employment report under a certain provision of the Act be the employee's actual work site and not the employing unit's place of business.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 LE, § 8-626 - amended Assigned to: Finance

#### **SB 494** Senators Rosapepe and Peters

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION MASTER PLAN WORKGROUP – REPORTING AND SUNSET EXTENSION PG 510 – 19

Requiring the Prince George's County School Construction Master Plan Workgroup to report certain findings and recommendations and to provide a status report on the implementation of certain recommendations to certain entities on or before December 31, 2019, and December 31, 2020; and extending the termination date for the Workgroup to June 30, 2021.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019** 

Chapter 416 of the Acts of 2018, §§ 1 and 2 - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 495** Senator Kelley, et al

MEDICAL LABORATORIES – LABORATORY TESTS AND PROCEDURES – ADVERTISING

Authorizing a person to directly or indirectly advertise for or solicit business in the State for a laboratory test or procedure ordered by a physician and performed by a medical laboratory that is certified under 42 U.S.C. § 263a; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 HG, § 17-215 - amended Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 496** Senator Hayes, et al

PAYROLL RECOVERY ACT – SUNSET REPEAL

Repealing the termination of the Payroll Recovery Act of 2017, which requires the Central Payroll Bureau of the Office of the State Comptroller to administer the payroll of certain employees of the State and employees of certain universities and colleges in a certain manner and requires that certain grievances are handled in a certain manner; etc.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019** 

Chapter 783 of the Acts of 2017, § 3 - amended Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 497** Senator Hayes

PHARMACISTS – AIDS FOR THE CESSATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCT USE – PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING

Authorizing a pharmacist who meets the requirements of certain regulations to prescribe and dispense aids for the cessation of the use of tobacco products; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy, by September 1, 2020, to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and the Maryland Children's Health Program to provide coverage for certain services rendered by a licensed pharmacist under the Act to the same extent as certain services rendered by any other licensed health care practitioner; etc.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019** 

HO, § 12-101(x) - amended and HG, § 15-150 and HO, § 12-513 - added Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 498** Senator Hayes

PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM – DISCLOSURE OF DATA – MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS

Requiring the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program to disclose prescription monitoring data, in accordance with certain regulations, to the medical director or the designee of the medical director of Medicaid managed care organizations for the purpose of complying with the Corrective Managed Care Program of the Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program or the standards developed by the Maryland Medicaid Opioid Drug Utilization Review Workgroup. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019 HG, § 21-2A-06(b) - amended Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 499** Senator Hayes

BALTIMORE CITY – BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT – PERCENTAGE OF CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND POLICE OFFICERS

Requiring the composition of the Baltimore Police Department to consist of not less than 20% civilian employees and not more than 80% police officers by January 1, 2022; and requiring the Department to report by January 1, 2022, and every 6 months thereafter, on the number of police officers and civilian employees to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore and the Baltimore City Delegation to the General Assembly. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

PLL of Baltimore City, Art. 4, § 16-8(d) - added Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### **SB 500** Senator Hayes, et al

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program; providing for the manner in which the Program is to be administered; providing for the powers and duties of the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation under the Program; requiring, beginning on January 1, 2020, certain employees to pay the Secretary certain contributions; requiring, beginning on July 1, 2021, an individual to meet certain conditions to be eligible for benefits; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

LE, § 8-302 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)112. and 113. - amended and LE, §§ 8.3-101 through 8.3-901 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)114. - added Assigned to: Finance