



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2019 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 11, 2019
Schedule 2

PLEASE NOTE: January 22 – Bill request deadline.
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 11, 2019

SB 88 The President (By Request – Administration)

STUDENT DEBT RELIEF ACT OF 2019

Establishing a Maryland Promise Plus Scholarship program to provide tuition assistance to certain students attending eligible State institutions; establishing eligibility requirements to include limitations on gross income levels under certain circumstances; providing for an annual scholarship award of no more than \$10,000 per recipient; providing the scholarship be converted to a loan under certain circumstances; allowing a subtraction modification for a certain amount of interest paid on student loans; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

ED, §§ 18-3701 through 18-3707 and TG, § 10-208(y) - added and TG, § 10-208(n) and (o) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

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SB 89 The President (By Request – Administration), et al**SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF TAX CREDIT – EXPANSION**

Altering the definition of “qualified employee” to include certain individuals who are provided certain paid parental leave for purposes of a credit against the State income tax for certain small businesses that provide certain employer benefits to certain qualified employees; altering the calculation of the credit; increasing, from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000, the total amount of tax credit certificates that may be issued by the Department of Commerce for each taxable year; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

TG, § 10-748 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 90 The President (By Request – Administration), et al**ELECTIONS – LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL
REDISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT – COMMISSION AND
PROCESS**

Establishing the Legislative and Congressional Redistricting and Apportionment Commission as an independent unit of State government; providing for the intent of the General Assembly regarding legislative and congressional redistricting; requiring the members of the Redistricting Commission to be selected by March 1, 2021, and each year ending in the number one thereafter; requiring the Redistricting Commission to conduct a certain selection process, establish certain districts, and conduct its business in a certain manner; etc.

CONTINGENT

EL, §§ 8-7A-01 through 8-7A-12 - added and GP, § 5-205(a) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 91 The President (By Request – Administration), et al**LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to require single-member delegate districts; altering certain standards for the drawing of legislative districts; proposing a new article to the Maryland Constitution to establish standards for the drawing of congressional districts; establishing a Legislative and Congressional Redistricting and Apportionment Commission; requiring the Commission divide the State into certain legislative districts and congressional districts; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, Art. IV, and Art. V, Various Sections - amended and repealed and Art. XX, §§ 1 and 2 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 92 The President (By Request – Administration), et al**ACCOUNTABILITY IN EDUCATION ACT OF 2019**

Establishing the Education Monitoring Unit in the State to investigate, analyze, and report on a range of specific matters relating to public schools and public school facilities; providing that the Unit is an independent unit in the State; establishing the Inspector General Selection and Review Commission in the Unit; requiring the Unit to establish an anonymous electronic tip program; requiring the Unit to submit an annual report by December 15 to the State Board, the Governor, and the General Assembly; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

ED, §§ 2-401 through 2-410 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 93 **Senator Reilly****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – CONTROLLED WATER SKI AREA IN
MAYNADIER CREEK – OPERATION OF VESSEL – HOURS OF
OPERATION**

Authorizing a person to operate or give permission to operate a vessel for certain purposes in a slalom ski course located in a controlled water ski area in Maynadier Creek on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays between noon and sunset; prohibiting a person from operating or giving permission to operate a vessel for certain purposes in a slalom ski course located in a controlled water ski area in Maynadier Creek between March 15 and June 15 each year, on certain days and State holidays, or under other circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

NR, § 8-725.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 94 **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)****STATE GOVERNMENT – CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – REVISED
STATUTORY REFERENCES**

Altering certain references to the Consumer Price Index for the Washington–Baltimore Metropolitan Area to the Consumer Price Index for the Washington Metropolitan Area in the Annotated Code.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

HS, IN, LE, LU, PU, RP, and SF, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 95 **Senator Simonaire****NATURAL RESOURCES – RECREATIONAL LICENSE DONATION
PROGRAM – PROGRAM EXTENSION AND MONETARY DONATIONS
VIA ELECTRONIC LICENSING**

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish a process for an individual purchasing certain licenses and stamps in a certain manner to make a voluntary monetary donation to the Recreational License Donation Fund; requiring the Department to collect donations and deposit them into the Fund; expanding the contents of the Fund to include donations made under the Act; extending the termination date to June 30, 2022, for certain provisions of law establishing the recreational license donation program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

NR, §§ 1-403 and 1-405(h) and Chapter 424 of the Acts of 2016, § 4 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SENATE BILLS REASSIGNED January 10, 2019**SB 33** **Senator McCray****BALTIMORE CITY – HOME INSPECTORS – RESIDENTIAL RENTAL INSPECTIONS**

Prohibiting a licensed home inspector from making certain certifications relating to pests as part of a residential rental inspection in Baltimore City unless the home inspector is certified as a pest control consultant; prohibiting a licensed home inspector from making certain certifications relating to electrical systems as part of a residential rental inspection in Baltimore City unless the home inspector has completed 8 hours of certain training; requiring certain training to be in addition to certain home inspector training; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

BOP, § 16-703.2 - added and § 16-706 - amended

Reassigned to: Finance

SB 34 **Senator Young****TOURIST AREA AND CORRIDOR PROGRAM AND TASK FORCE ON ATTRACTION SIGNS**

Establishing the Tourist Area and Corridor Program in the State Highway Administration to develop a system of supplemental guide signs that direct motorists to eligible attractions within a geographical area; requiring the Administration to adopt certain regulations; providing that certain individual attractions are eligible for a sign; establishing the Task Force on Attraction Signs to review and report its findings regarding program consolidation, streamlining certain processes, and potential funding by October 1, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

TR, § 8-605.1 - added

Reassigned to: Finance