



SYNOPSIS

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SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 18, 2019

SB 963 **Senators Klausmeier and Edwards**

PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – WORKERS’ COMPENSATION
COMMISSION – DENIAL OF PART OF A PUBLIC RECORD

Requiring a custodian of records to deny inspection of the part of a public record of the Workers’ Compensation Commission that contains personal information of an individual other than by an attorney of a party to a workers’ compensation claim; requiring a custodian to allow inspection of a certain part of a certain public record by the person in interest or a party to the claim for workers’ compensation that the record concerns; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

GP, § 4-329.1 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 964 **Senator Rosapepe**

COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – EQUAL ACCESS TO PUBLIC
SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH LIMITED ENGLISH
PROFICIENCY

Requiring each county board of education to fully implement a requirement under the State Government Article to provide equal access to public services for individuals with limited English proficiency on or before July 1, 2022.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

ED, § 4-135 - added and SG, § 10-1103(b) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

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SB 965 Senator Rosapepe**CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND – FUNDING**

Increasing, from \$500,000 to \$1,500,000, the amount of certain court costs collected by the District Court that the Comptroller is required to pay into the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

CJ, § 7-301(e) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 966 Senator Ellis**TASK FORCE ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF STATE CRIME LABORATORIES**

Establishing the Task Force on the Effectiveness of State Crime Laboratories; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 967 Senator Cassilly**NATALIE M. LAPRADE MEDICAL CANNABIS COMMISSION – ADVERTISING**

Prohibiting growers, processors, dispensaries, independent testing laboratories, and certain third-party vendors from placing or maintaining, or causing to be placed or maintained, advertisements for medical cannabis, medical cannabis products, or medical cannabis-related services on certain mediums or locations; authorizing certifying providers to advertise the ability of the certifying provider to certify a qualifying patient to receive medical cannabis; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

HG, § 13-3313.1 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 968 **Senator West****CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES – SELECTION AND TENURE**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection and tenure of circuit court judges; requiring Senate confirmation of individuals appointed by the Governor to the office of a judge of a circuit court; providing for contested elections following an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of a judge of a circuit court under certain circumstances; providing for the reappointment of certain judges; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, §§ 3 and 5 - repealed and added and Art. XVIII, § 6 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 969 **Senator Peters****FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – TRANSITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Transitional Assistance for Education Pilot Program within the Family Investment Program in the Department of Human Services; requiring the Department to establish the Pilot Program in Baltimore City, Prince George's County, and Washington County; specifying the purpose of and certain eligibility requirements for participation in the Pilot Program; requiring the transitional assistance provided to a recipient under the Pilot Program to equal a certain benefit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

HU, § 5-312(f)(2) - amended and § 5-312.1 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 970 **Senator Peters****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN – REPORTS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, after consultation with certain stakeholders, to report certain information regarding the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1 each year; and terminating the Act after June 30, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 971 **Senator Kelley****PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION – CITATIONS IN LIEU OF ARREST**

Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission, in consultation with the Anne Arundel County Police Academy, to develop and maintain a uniform statewide training curriculum that includes role-playing exercises to ensure the use of best practices in issuance of citations in lieu of arrest.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

PS, § 3-207(j) - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 972 **Senator Ellis, et al****TASK FORCE ON EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES OF PREGNANT AND PARENTING STUDENTS IN HIGH SCHOOL AND GED PROGRAMS**

Establishing the Task Force on Educational Outcomes of Pregnant and Parenting Students in High School and GED Programs; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to track and assess, identify, determine, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the State Board of Education and the General Assembly on or before June 30, 2021; terminating the Act after June 30, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 973 **Senator Miller, et al****TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL FOR SOUTHERN MARYLAND – MEMBERSHIP AND FUNDING**

Expanding the voting membership of the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland; increasing, beginning in fiscal year 2020, the amount of money that the county commissioners of Calvert County, Charles County, and St. Mary's County are required to appropriate each year to the Council, subject to certain provisions; and providing, beginning in fiscal year 2021, that any increase in certain county appropriations may not take effect until certain county commissioners give approval in advance of the increase.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

EC, §§ 13-603(a) and 13-611 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 974 **Senator McCray****OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES OR CERTIFICATES – APPLICATION DETERMINATIONS – USE OF CRIMINAL HISTORY**

Prohibiting certain departments or local licensing authorities that issue occupational licenses or certificates from denying an application for a license or certificate based on the applicant's criminal history if a period of 5 years has passed since the applicant's conviction for a nonviolent crime unless the department or local licensing authority makes a certain determination; requiring a licensing authority to include in applications a list of specific convictions that would disqualify an applicant; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CP, § 1-209 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 975 **Senator Hayes****BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION ACT OF 2019**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish a delivery system for certain specialty behavioral health services, rather than for only specialty mental health services, for enrollees of managed care organizations; requiring the delivery system to assume certain financial risk; requiring the delivery system to provide certain services to certain individuals; requiring the delivery system to reimburse certain providers and collect certain data; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

HG, § 15-101(f-1) and (i-1) - added and § 15-103(b)(21) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 976 **Senator Hayes****PUBLIC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM – IMPLEMENTATION PLANS TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND OUTCOMES – WORKGROUP**

Requiring the Secretary of Health to convene a stakeholder workgroup to develop certain implementation plans to improve efficiency, accountability, and outcomes of certain specialty behavioral health services; requiring the workgroup to include certain representatives; requiring that certain implementation plans include certain recommendations for a certain timeline and certain necessary steps to achieve certain outcomes; requiring the Secretary of Health to submit certain reports on or before certain dates; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 977 **Senator Serafini**

INCOME TAX RATES – REDUCTION

Reducing the State income tax rate imposed on certain income of certain individuals; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2018.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

TG, § 10-105(a) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 978 **Senator Serafini**REAL PROPERTY – AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION
EASEMENTS – SEPARATE PARCELS

Extending the termination date to June 30, 2021, for certain provisions establishing that, unless a deed expressly provides otherwise, the grant of a certain agricultural land preservation easement governing certain parcels of land does not consolidate the parcels for any other purpose, and that a certain parcel subject to a certain easement may be conveyed separately to a certain child with certain approval of the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, but remains subject to the easement in perpetuity; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

Chapter 662 of the Acts of 2017, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 979 **Senator Carter, et al**PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – PERSONNEL AND INVESTIGATORY
RECORDS – FORMAL COMPLAINTS AGAINST PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Establishing that records related to a formal complaint of job-related misconduct made against a public employee do not constitute personnel records under the Public Information Act; and authorizing a custodian to deny inspection of records of an investigation, a hearing, or a decision by a governmental unit connected with a complaint of job-related misconduct made against a public employee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

GP, §§ 4-311 and 4-351 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 980 **Senator West****REAL PROPERTY – RECORDATION OF DEEDS – ASSIGNMENTS OF RENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS OF LEASES FOR SECURITY PURPOSES**

Exempting an assignment of rents and an assignment of a lease for security purposes from certain requirements related to recordation; and authorizing a certain assignment of rents or an assignment of a lease for security purposes prepared by an attorney or one of the parties named in the instrument to be recorded without a certain certification.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

RP, § 3-104(f)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 981 **Senator Hough, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR REQUIREMENT FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDERS – EXCEPTION**

Providing that the prohibition against operating or riding on a motorcycle without certain protective headgear does not apply to an individual at least 21 years old who has been licensed to operate a motorcycle for at least 2 years, has completed a certain motorcycle safety course, or is a passenger on a motorcycle operated by a driver who has been licensed for at least 2 years or has completed a certain motorcycle safety course.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

TR, § 21-1306 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 982 **Senator Ellis, et al****COMMISSION TO STUDY NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING**

Establishing the Commission to Study Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Funding to review the State's funding requirements for non-emergency medical transportation services and the impact on locally operated transit systems; requiring the Commission to consider certain matters as part of the study; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and to certain committees of the General Assembly by June 30, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 983 **Senator Hayes, et al**

PROCUREMENT – SMALL BUSINESSES AND MINORITY BUSINESSES – QUALIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION (SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS CERTIFICATION STREAMLINING ACT OF 2019)

Requiring the Secretary of General Services, the Secretary of Transportation, the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland, and the President of Morgan State University to adopt regulations to require the qualification of a business as a small business if it has obtained a certain federal certification; requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt regulations providing for the certification of a business as a minority business enterprise if it has obtained a certain federal certification and meets certain requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

SF, §§ 14-203 and 14-303 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 984 **Senators Hayes and Klausmeier**

MARYLAND EARN PROGRAM – STRATEGIC INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIP – DEFINITION

Expanding the definition of “strategic industry partnership” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing the Maryland EARN Program to include employers from a target industry and representatives of labor organizations associated with the target industry.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

LE, § 11-701(h) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 985 **Senator Hayes, et al**

CONFIDENTIALITY OF JUVENILE RECORDS – BALTIMORE CITY MAYOR’S OFFICE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Establishing that certain provisions of law relating to the confidentiality of juvenile police records and court records do not prohibit access to and confidential use of certain records concerning a child by the Baltimore City Mayor’s Office on Criminal Justice if the Office is providing services to the child; specifying that the Baltimore City Mayor’s Office on Criminal Justice shall be liable for the unauthorized release of a police record it accesses under the Act; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

CJ, § 3-8A-27 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 986 **Senator Hayes, et al****BALTIMORE CITY – PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – BONDS AND SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Increasing from \$1,100,000,000 to \$1,130,000,000 the cap on the maximum amount of bonds the Maryland Stadium Authority is authorized to issue to finance improvements to Baltimore City public school facilities; requiring a supplemental memorandum of understanding to be entered into before the issuance of additional bonds to finance improvements to a Baltimore City public school facility; requiring certain State lottery revenues to be deposited into the Baltimore City Public School Construction Financing Fund; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

EC, § 10-628 and SG, § 9-120 - amended and EC, § 10-646.1 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 987 **Senator Lam****PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDING CODES – ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE**

Requiring, if a certain new building includes the creation of 20 or more parking spaces, 5% of the parking spaces to contain certain electric vehicle charging infrastructure; requiring an electrical room of a new building to be designed to accommodate electrical and distribution equipment needed to serve at least 20% of certain parking spaces; requiring installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure to meet certain specifications; requiring that a certain raceway be extended to a certain location; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

PS, § 12-205 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules