PLEAS NOTE: February 7 – Bill introduction deadline.
All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 6.
As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 27, 2020

HB 509  Delegate Mosby, et al

Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Grounds for Suspension

Authorizing the executive secretary of the Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners to immediately suspend a certain alcoholic beverages license if the executive secretary has a probable cause to believe that the license holder failed to take reasonable measures to prevent an act of violence that resulted in death or serious bodily injury from occurring on certain property; requiring the Board, upon an immediate suspension under the Act, to give the license holder certain notice and hold a hearing within 5 business days; etc.

Effective July 1, 2020
AB, § 12-2101 - amended and § 12-2105 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 510  Delegate Hettleman, et al

AGRICULTURE – HEMP RESEARCH AND PRODUCTION – PROHIBITIONS

Prohibiting the Maryland Department of Agriculture from certifying and registering a site that will be used to grow or cultivate hemp under the Hemp Research Pilot Program if the area on which the hemp will be grown is located within 2 miles of a residential community with 10 or more residences; and prohibiting the Department from issuing a license to a person to produce hemp in the State if the area on which the hemp will be produced is located within 2 miles of a residential community with 10 or more residences.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
AG, §§ 14-202(d) and 14-308 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 511  Delegate Grammer

BALTIMORE COUNTY – NUISANCE ACTIONS – COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION STANDING

Altering the definitions of “community association” and “local code violation” for purposes of certain provisions of law authorizing community associations to seek judicial relief for nuisance abatement in Baltimore County; repealing a provision of law requiring a certain court to determine in what amount and under what conditions a bond must be filed by a community association in a certain nuisance action; including in the definition of “community association” an association that represents two or more individual community associations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
RP, § 14-125 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 512 Delegate Barron, et al

DRUGS AND DEVICES – ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTIONS – CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES

Authorizing certain controlled dangerous substance prescriptions to be dispensed on an electronic prescription; requiring, except under certain circumstances, a certain health practitioner to issue a prescription for a controlled dangerous substance electronically; authorizing an authorized prescriber to issue a written or oral prescription for a controlled dangerous substance only under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021
CR, § 5-101(p-1) - added and CR, §§ 5-501, 5-504, and 5-701 and HG, § 21-220 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 513 Delegate Metzgar, et al

TRANSPORTATION – TOLL DISCOUNT PLANS – FRANCIS SCOTT KEY BRIDGE

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to offer certain toll discount plans to users of the Francis Scott Key Bridge; and requiring the Authority to offer an annual toll discount plan to commuters residing in certain zip codes who use the Francis Scott Key Bridge.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, § 4-312(c) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 514 Delegate Qi, et al

MARYLAND SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Small Business Innovation Research and Technology Transfer Incentive Program; requiring the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to administer the Program; establishing the purposes of the Program; establishing qualifications for participation in the Program; authorizing the Program to provide certain awards and investments to certain businesses on a competitive basis, subject to certain limitations; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
EC, §§ 10-499 through 10-499.5 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 515  Delegate Cain, et al
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – STAFF MEMBERS – REPORT

Requiring each county board of education to submit, on or before July 1 each year, a report to the State Board of Education, the Governor, and certain legislative committees on the ratio of students to certain staff members at each school; and requiring the report to include the ratio of students to certain staff members for the school system as a whole.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 6-124 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 516  Delegate Walker, et al
PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS – DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
(STUDENT HEALTH AND FITNESS ACT)

Requiring a public school student in elementary school to be provided a daily program of physical activity totaling 150 minutes each week to include physical education and developmentally appropriate, moderate-to-vigorous activity, including recess and at least 90 minutes each week of physical education; requiring that the program of physical activity for a certain category of student be consistent with the student’s Individualized Education Program; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 7-409 - amended and § 7-409.1 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 517  Delegate Stewart, et al
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHTS

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish that every person has the right to a certain clean and healthy environment; establishing that every person has the right to intervene in an action brought by the State or a political subdivision of the State to protect certain rights; prohibiting the State or a political subdivision of the State from causing diminution of or degradation to the State’s natural resources; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT
Maryland Constitution, Declaration of Rights, Art. 48 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 518  Delegates Dumais and Cardin

JUDGES – SELECTION, ELECTION, TENURE, AND CONTINUANCE IN OFFICE

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection, election, tenure, and continuance in office of a judge of an appellate court or a circuit court; altering the methods for filling vacancies in the offices of such judges; altering provisions relating to the term of office of such judges; altering provisions for the continuance in office of such judges on the expiration of their terms under certain circumstances; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT
Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, §§ 3, 5, 5A, 14B, and 41D - repealed, § 3 - added, and §§ 11, 12, and 18B - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary and Ways and Means

HB 519  Delegate Grammer

TRANSPORTATION – FRANCIS SCOTT KEY BRIDGE – COMMUTER TOLL DISCOUNT PLAN

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to offer a commuter toll discount plan that allows for 25 crossings of the Francis Scott Key Bridge within a period of 45 days for a fee of $35.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, § 4-312(c) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 520  Delegate Grammer

TRANSPORTATION – FRANCIS SCOTT KEY BRIDGE – TOLL DISCOUNT PLAN

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to offer a toll discount plan that allows for unlimited crossings of the Francis Scott Key Bridge for an annual fee of $100.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, § 4-312(c) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 521  Delegate Qi, et al  
MARYLAND SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT  
Establishing the Maryland Small Business Innovation Research Technical Assistance Program in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; establishing the purpose of the Program; requiring small businesses to meet certain qualifications for participation in the Program; requiring the Corporation, in accordance with certain provisions of law, to procure a nonprofit organization located in the State to provide services under the Program; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020  
EC, § 10-4A-01 - added  
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 522  Delegate Bhandari, et al  
EDUCATION – HOME AND HOSPITAL TEACHING PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS – REPORT  
Requiring the State Department of Education to study certain matters relating to the Home and Hospital Teaching Program for Students and make recommendations regarding any statutory or regulatory changes to the program; requiring, by December 31, 2020, the Department to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the State Board of Education, and the General Assembly; and terminating the Act after June 30, 2021.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 523  Delegates Valderrama and Hettleman  
STATE PERSONNEL – EMPLOYEE ACCOMMODATIONS – PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH  
Requiring all units in the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative branches of State government, including all units with independent personnel systems, to provide certain reasonable accommodations for an employee with certain limitations caused or contributed to by pregnancy or childbirth; prohibiting units of State government, under certain circumstances, from requiring an employee to take certain leave or requiring an employee to accept certain accommodations under certain circumstances; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020  
SP, § 2-311 - added  
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 524  Delegate W. Fisher, et al
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – PREGNANT INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS – SUBSTANCE ABUSE ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT

Requiring that a certain pregnant incarcerated individual be screened for substance use disorder at intake using a validated screening tool; requiring that a certain pregnant incarcerated individual be referred immediately to a behavioral health care provider and a reproductive health care provider for certain purposes; requiring a certain correctional unit to ensure that a pregnant incarcerated individual continues to receive certain medication in a certain manner under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CS, § 9-601.2 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 525  Delegate Stewart, et al
PHASE OUT COMPANY GIVEAWAYS ACT

Establishing the Interstate Compact to Phase Out Company Giveaways as a compact among member states; stating the findings of member states; prohibiting member states from offering or providing certain company giveaways as an inducement to relocate certain facilities to a member state subject to certain exclusions; authorizing member states to withdraw from the Compact with 6 months’ notice in a certain manner; establishing the National Board of the Interstate Compact to Phase Out Company Giveaways; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EC, § 1.5-101 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations
**HB 526** Delegate Miller, et al

HIGHER EDUCATION – DIFFERENTIAL TUITION – NOTIFICATION AND INCOME TAX SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION

Requiring public institutions of higher education that charge differential tuition to post on their websites certain information relating to differential tuition and to submit a certain report to individuals who paid the differential tuition; allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for the portion of differential tuition paid by an individual for certain academic programs that is used for student scholarships or other financial aid, subject to a certain limitation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 15-126 and TG, § 10-208(y) - added

Assigned to: Appropriations and Ways and Means

**HB 527** Delegate Cullison

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – SOCIAL WORKERS – SCOPE OF PRACTICE, SUPERVISION, AND APPLICATION DECISION APPEAL PROCESS

Altering the definition of “practice social work” to include counseling for alcohol and drug use and addictive behaviors; requiring the State Board of Social Work Examiners, under certain circumstances, to approve licensees approved to engage in independent practice to provide supervision; authorizing an applicant for a certain license to appeal the Board’s rejection of an application to take a certain licensure examination by submitting certain documentation to the Board in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, §§ 19-101(p), 19-302(f), and 19-303 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 528** Delegate Patterson, et al

EDUCATION – JUVENILE SERVICES EDUCATION COUNTY PILOT PROGRAM – WORKGROUP EXTENSION

Extending the deadline for the Juvenile Services Education County Pilot Program Workgroup to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly from December 1, 2019, to December 1, 2020; and extending the termination provision of the Workgroup from June 30, 2020, to June 30, 2021.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

Chapter 565 of the Acts of 2018, §§ 2 and 3 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Judiciary
HB 529  Delegates McIntosh and Clippinger

CIRCUIT COURT REAL PROPERTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENT FUND – SURCHARGE ON RECORDABLE INSTRUMENTS

Increasing, from $20 to $40, the amount of the surcharge on certain recordable instruments that the State Court Administrator is required to establish for the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 13-604 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 530  Delegate Kelly, et al

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINATIONS

Authorizing a pharmacist to administer certain vaccinations to an individual that is at least 9 years old but under the age of 18 years under certain circumstances; altering the age of an individual to whom a pharmacist may administer certain vaccinations; requiring a pharmacist to administer certain vaccinations under a written protocol; authorizing a pharmacist to administer certain vaccinations to an adult; repealing a requirement that a certain written protocol be vaccine specific; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, § 12-508 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 531  Delegate Charkoudian, et al

UTILITY REGULATION – CONSIDERATION OF CLIMATE AND LABOR

Requiring the Secretary of the Environment to prepare a certain recommendation in connection with certain issues considered by the Public Service Commission; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to incorporate an evaluation of the impact of certain electric power plants on climate change into the Power Plant Research Program; requiring the Commission to consider the maintenance of fair and stable labor standards and the protection of the global climate in supervising and regulating certain public service companies; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EN, § 2-405(a), NR, § 3-303, and PU, §§ 2-113 and 7-207(e) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation
HB 532  Delegate Stein
MARYLAND SENATOR EDWARD J. KASEMEYER COLLEGE INVESTMENT PLAN – STATE CONTRIBUTIONS – ALTERATIONS
Clarifying that a State contribution to a Maryland Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer College Investment Plan may be made to one account for each qualified beneficiary; limiting a qualified beneficiary from receiving more than one State contribution for each year the beneficiary is eligible for the State contribution; and authorizing the Maryland 529 Board to adopt certain regulations.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 18-19A-04.1(a) - amended and § 18-19A-04.1(h) - added
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 533  Delegate Lierman, et al
HIGHER EDUCATION – COUNCIL ON THE FAIR TREATMENT OF STUDENT ATHLETES (JORDAN MCNAIR SAFE AND FAIR PLAY ACT)
Establishing the Council on the Fair Treatment of Student Athletes; providing for the composition, chair, terms, and staffing of the Council; requiring the Council to report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland and the Board of Regents of Morgan State University; prohibiting certain institutions of higher education from taking certain actions to prevent student athletes from earning compensation from the use of the student athlete’s name, image, or likeness; etc.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
ED, §§ 12-201 and 14-102 - amended and §§ 15-126 and 15-127 - added
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 534  Delegates Mosby and Cain

ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN FINANCE ENTITIES – RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS

Altering the definition of “responsible officers” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing elections to include, for an authorized candidate campaign committee, the candidate; requiring a candidate to appoint a chairman and treasurer on a certain form to establish the candidate’s authorized candidate campaign committee; prohibiting certain family members and certain employees of a candidate from serving as the treasurer of the candidate’s authorized candidate campaign committee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021
EL, §§ 1-101(mm), 2-301, 13-207, 13-215, 13-246, 13-313(b), and 15-107(d) - amended and § 15-102(i) - repealed
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 535  Delegate Saab, et al

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PREVENTIVE MEASURE UNIT PILOT PROGRAM

Establishing the Preventive Measure Unit Pilot Program in Anne Arundel County; requiring the Anne Arundel County Board of Education, in collaboration with the County Police Department and the County Mental Health Agency, to establish a preventive measure unit position in three middle schools to monitor students with behavioral, social, or legal difficulties during certain school years; requiring the Governor to make an appropriation sufficient to hire three individuals to implement the Program in selected schools; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 7-446 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 536 Delegate Saab, et al

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – LIQUOR LICENSES – TRANSFER OF LICENSE

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to allow a license holder to transfer an alcoholic beverages license to other premises within the same tax assessment district as the premises for which the license was issued if the premises were substantially destroyed by fire, explosion, or catastrophe, taken by condemnation, or taken by the exercise of the power of eminent domain.

EMERGENCY BILL
AB, § 11-1702 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 537 Delegates Saab and M. Jackson

STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PROGRAM – PARTICIPATION

Requiring certain employment with Anne Arundel Community College to be included in the calculation of State service to determine eligibility to participate as a retiree in the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program if the individual was participating in a certain optional retirement plan and retired from the University System of Maryland; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SP, § 2-509(a) - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 538 Delegates Mosby and Cain

CAMPAIGN FINANCE – REVISIONS

Requiring a treasurer of a campaign finance entity to approve, rather than make, all disbursements for the entity; prohibiting the treasurer of a party central committee from approving, rather than making, a disbursement except under certain circumstances; authorizing the chairman of a campaign finance entity to approve, rather than make, disbursements for the entity under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021
EL, §§ 13-218, 13-240(b), and 13-304 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 539  **Delegates C. Watson and Lierman**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENTS – RESILIENCE AUTHORITIES – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing a local government to create a Resilience Authority by local law; specifying certain requirements for the adoption of a local law establishing an Authority; specifying the powers that a local government may grant an Authority; authorizing an Authority to issue certain bonds for certain purposes; authorizing a local government to devote certain revenues of the local government to certain operations and projects of an Authority; etc.

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020**

LG, §§ 22-101 through 22-113 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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HB 540  **Delegate Wilkins, et al**

**STATE INCOME AND PROPERTY TAX CREDITS – PURPLE LINE CONSTRUCTION ZONE**

Allowing certain qualified businesses impacted by the construction of the Purple Line light rail project in Montgomery County and Prince George’s County a credit against the State income tax and State property tax; requiring the Department of Transportation to determine the eligible amount of the income tax credit; making the income tax credit refundable; requiring the Department to administer the income tax credit; requiring the Department to make determinations and implement processes relevant to certifying qualified businesses; etc.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020**

TG, § 10-751 and TP, § 9-112 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

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HB 541  **Delegate Lopez, et al**

**MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION – TRAINING REQUIREMENTS – HATE CRIMES**

Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to require entrance–level and in–service police training conducted by the State and each county and municipal police training school to include in their curriculum training relating to the criminal laws concerning recognition of, reporting of, and response to hate crimes.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020**

PS, § 3-207(a)(6) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 542 Delegate Carey

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MULTIPLE LICENSES

Altering the types of licenses subject to certain restrictions on the number of certain licenses a license holder may hold in Anne Arundel County; altering certain restrictions on the licenses a holder may hold by direct or indirect interest in the county; repealing certain restrictions on certain license holders being issued another license in the county; repealing certain locational requirements for certain additional licenses; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 11-1607 - amended and § 11-1609 - repealed

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 543 Delegate Bhandari, et al

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – CLOSED ESTATES – SUBSEQUENT DISCOVERY OF CHECK

Authorizing a court, following the discovery of a check to a decedent or the estate of a decedent payable for a sum not exceeding $1,000 after the estate is closed and the appointment of the personal representative is terminated, to enter an order authorizing a certain interested person to indorse and deposit the check into the interested person’s bank account for the limited purpose of distributing the funds in a certain manner under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ET, § 10-104 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 544 Delegate Henson, et al

CITY OF ANNAPOLIS – HOUSING AUTHORITY – PROHIBITIONS AGAINST EXCEPTIONS TO LOCAL LAWS

Prohibiting a State public body from making an exception for the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis to a law, rule, regulation, or ordinance that operates in Annapolis and relates to licensure or the inspection of real property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HS, § 13-112 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 545  Delegate Griffith, et al

STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS – PRACTICING VETERINARY MEDICINE WITHOUT A LICENSE – CEASE AND DESIST ORDER AND CIVIL PENALTY

Authorizing, on review and approval of the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary’s designee, the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to issue a cease and desist order and impose a certain civil penalty against a person who practices, attempts to practice, or offers to practice veterinary medicine without a license; specifying that a civil penalty imposed under the Act may not exceed $5,000 for each violation; requiring the Board to consider certain factors in setting the amount of a civil penalty; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
AG, § 2-313.2 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 546  Delegate Carey

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES

Requiring the members of the Board of Community College Trustees for Anne Arundel County to reside in Anne Arundel County; establishing a 4-year term for nonstudent members; and limiting nonstudent members to three consecutive full terms.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 16-401 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 547  Delegate Barron

HEALTH – MARYLAND CHILDREN’S SERVICE ANIMAL PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Children’s Service Animal Program in the Maryland Department of Health to serve the needs of children with a history of trauma or post–traumatic stress disorder by teaching them to partner with a service or support dog or to interact with therapy horses; requiring the Department to select at least one nonprofit entity to implement a certain training protocol, select Program participants, support dogs, or therapy horses, and facilitate training or therapy; establishing a certain Fund; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, §§ 13-4101 through 13-4106 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 548 Delegate Stein
CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION – TRAINING IN SOFT BUSINESS SKILLS

Requiring career and technology programs in public schools to integrate into the academic curriculum training and exposure in soft business skills; and including in “soft business skills” employee and employer relationships, business etiquette, social and emotional awareness in the workplace, group work skills, appropriate professional communication skills, public presentation and customer service, project planning, and use of common business tools.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 21-203 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 549 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee
STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION

Continuing the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners 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 Board; and requiring, on or before December 31 each year, the Board to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the Board’s disciplinary activities for the previous fiscal year.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
AG, § 2-304(f) - added and § 2-316 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 550 Delegate Mosby, et al
CRIMINAL LAW – MARIJUANA – POSSESSION AND POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE

Increasing, from 10 grams to 1 ounce, the amount of marijuana below which possession is a civil offense, rather than a criminal offense; and providing that a person may not be charged with a certain crime of possession with intent to distribute marijuana based solely on the possession of less than 1 ounce of marijuana.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CJ, §§ 3-8A-01(dd) and 3-8A-33(a) and CR, §§ 5-601, 5-601.1, and 5-602 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 551  Delegate Bhandari, et al

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AND PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANTS – QUALIFICATIONS

Establishing a certain educational qualification required for an applicant for a physical therapist assistant license who was educated in limited physical therapy outside of any state; and altering certain educational qualifications for applicants for physical therapy licenses or physical therapist assistant licenses who were educated in any state to require the applicant to have graduated from a certain accredited physical therapist assistant program and have satisfactorily completed the clinical training required.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
HO, §§ 13-303 and 13-304 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 552  Delegate Atterbeary, et al

COURTS – JUVENILE COURT – WAIVER OF JURISDICTION – VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENT

Requiring a court to consider a victim impact statement in determining whether to waive jurisdiction in a juvenile court case under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CJ, § 3-8A-06(c) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 553  Delegate Stewart, et al

ENVIRONMENT – SALE AND APPLICATION OF COAL TAR PAVEMENT PRODUCTS – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting, on or after October 1, 2021, a person from selling or offering for sale coal tar pavement products or from applying coal tar pavement products to a pavement or a similar surface; and establishing a civil penalty not to exceed $500 for a first offense and not exceeding $1,000 for a second or subsequent offense for certain violations.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EN, §§ 9-2301 through 9-2303 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 554  Delegates Saab and Chisholm

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SMALL YACHT CLUB LICENSE

Establishing a small yacht club alcoholic beverages license in Anne Arundel County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license for use by a small yacht club that meets certain criteria; specifying that the license authorizes a license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor to members and their guests for on-premises consumption under certain circumstances; authorizing a license holder to purchase alcoholic beverages from a retail dealer; specifying an annual license fee of $525; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
AB, § 11-1008.1 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 555  Delegates Mosby and Cain

ELECTION LAW – ABSENTEE BALLOTS – TIMING OF CANVASS

Altering the time that a local board of elections may begin opening absentee ballot envelopes to canvass the absentee ballots cast in an election to before 9 a.m. on the Friday following election day instead of prior to 8 a.m. on the Wednesday following election day.
EMERGENCY BILL
EL, § 11-302(b) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 556  Delegates Saab and Cullison

CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – AMENDMENT OF GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

Clarifying that unit owners may vote to amend the bylaws of a condominium by an affirmative vote of at least 60% of unit owners in good standing, or by a lower percentage of unit owners in good standing if required in the bylaws; and clarifying the circumstances under which lot owners may vote to amend certain governing documents of a homeowners association.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
RP, §§ 11-104(e) and 11B-116 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 557  Delegate Attar, et al

MOTOR AND ELECTRIC SCOOTER SHARING COMPANIES – NONVISUAL ACCESS

Requiring that motor scooter sharing companies include on each motor scooter or electric low speed scooter made available to the public an embossed tactile phone number through which an individual who is blind or visually impaired may contact the company; requiring that motor or electric scooter sharing companies provide individuals with disabilities nonvisual access to their websites and mobile applications in a way that provides full and equal accessibility to individuals and is consistent with certain federal standards; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TR, §§ 18.7-101 and 18.7-102 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 558  Delegates Saab and Chisholm

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES

Specifying the manner in which the holder of an entertainment facility license in Anne Arundel County may sell beer, wine, and liquor; altering the scope of certain entertainment that may be performed in the licensed premises; and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages in certain areas for a promotional event under certain conditions.

EMERGENCY BILL

AB, § 11-1005 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 559  Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al

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 61% of the State minimum living level for fiscal year 2021, increasing to at least 71% of the State minimum living level by fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HU, § 5-316(a) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 560  Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee
STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS AND ALLIED HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEES – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION

Continuing the State Board of Physicians and the related allied health advisory committees by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to statutory and regulatory authority of the State Board of Physicians and the committees; altering the reasons for which a disciplinary panel of the Board is authorized to deny a certain license or refuse to renew or reinstate an applicant’s license under certain circumstances; altering the content of a certain annual report by the Board to include certain information; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL – CONTINGENT
CJ, § 5-715(a) and (b), and HG, §§ 13-1201 and 13-1204(a) and (b) - amended and HO, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 561  Delegate Charkoudian, et al
ELECTRIC INDUSTRY – COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY

Applying certain laws regarding net energy metering and community solar generating systems to customers served by a community choice aggregator; repealing a provision that prohibits a county or municipal corporation from acting as an aggregator under certain circumstances; establishing a process by which, beginning on October 1, 2021, a county or municipal corporation or group of counties or municipal corporations may form or join a community choice aggregator; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PU, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 562  Delegate Cox, et al
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – VOLUNTEER FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL (FIRST RESPONDERS TAX BENEFIT ACT)

Altering the minimum number of points, categories of points, and minimum length of service required for an individual to be eligible for a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for service in certain volunteer fire, rescue, or emergency medical services; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 10-208(i-1)(2) and (4) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 563  Delegate Mosby, et al
INCOME TAX – LEAD REMEDIATION CREDIT

Allowing an individual or a corporation to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain costs incurred for an approved lead hazard reduction project for qualifying property located in Baltimore City; providing for the calculation of the credit; providing for the submission of proposals for lead hazard reduction projects to the Department of Housing and Community Development for approval; limiting to $250,000 the total amount of credits that the Department may approve for any fiscal year; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 10-751 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 564  Delegate Hettleman, et al
DEPARTMENT OF AGING – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM SUBSIDIES – DETERMINATIONS

Requiring the Secretary of Aging to pay to certain low-income seniors a $1,000 subsidy from State general funds to help low-income seniors reside in assisted living programs; increasing, except under certain circumstances, a certain subsidy in effect for certain periods of time based on annual growth in a certain consumer price index; requiring the Secretary, beginning March 1, 2023, to determine and announce the growth in the consumer price index over a certain period of time, if any, and a new subsidy for low-income seniors; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
HU, § 10-211 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 565  Delegate Kaiser, et al
INCOME TAX – BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDITS – TERMINATION

Prohibiting the Secretary of Commerce from designating or expanding certain enterprise zones and focus areas and from designating or renewing certain RISE zones on or after June 1, 2020; providing for the termination on or after January 1, 2023, of the One Maryland Economic Development tax credit, the Opportunity Zone Enhancement Program, and tax credits for certain biotechnology investment, certain cybersecurity purchases, certain film production activities, and certain small businesses that provide certain employer benefits; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
EC, § 6-407 - added and EC, TG, and TP, Various Sections - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 566  Delegates Rosenberg and Lierman
OPPORTUNITY ZONE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY – LEAD–BASED PAINT AFFECTED PROPERTIES

Altering the information required to be provided to the Department of Commerce in order to qualify for certain tax credit enhancements under the Opportunity Zone Enhancement Program to include, with respect to certain qualified opportunity zone business property, a detailed plan for the performance of certain lead hazard reduction activities; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
EC, § 6-1001 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means and Environment and Transportation

HB 567  Delegate Reilly
CAMPAIGN FINANCE – DEATH OF ELECTED OFFICIAL – TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO SLATE ACCOUNT

Authorizing the authorized candidate campaign committee of an elected official who dies in office to transfer a cumulative amount of up to $6,000 from the remaining balance in the account of the authorized candidate campaign committee to one or more slates of which the deceased official was a member at the time of the official’s death; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021
EL, § 13-247 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 568  Delegate Mosby, et al  

ELECTION LAW – CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – VOTER REGISTRATION AND VOTING  

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to provide each individual who is released from a correctional facility with a voter registration application and documentation informing the individual that the individual’s voting rights have been restored; requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt certain regulations establishing a program to inform eligible voters incarcerated in correctional facilities of upcoming elections and how to exercise the right to vote; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020  
CS, § 2-501 and EL, § 1-303.1 - added  
Assigned to: Ways and Means and Judiciary  

HB 569  Delegate Walker  

GAMING – DISTRIBUTION OF VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINAL PROCEEDS – LOCAL IMPACT GRANTS  

Requiring, if the amount of the local impact grants distributed to Anne Arundel County or Baltimore City under certain provisions of law is less than the amount of local impact grants received in fiscal year 2016, the Comptroller to pay the difference to Anne Arundel County or Baltimore City from the proceeds of video lottery terminals; requiring that certain local impact grants received by Anne Arundel County or Baltimore City be used in a certain manner; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
SG, §§ 9-1A-26, 9-1A-27(a), and § 9-1A-31(a) - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means  

HB 570  Carroll County Delegation  

CARROLL COUNTY – EDUCATION – JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS INSTRUCTORS  

Altering the definition of “public school employee” for the purposes of provisions of law governing collective bargaining for certificated employees in Carroll County to include Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) instructors.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
ED, § 6-401(e) - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 571  **Carroll County Delegation**

CARROLL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – HOURS AND DAYS FOR CONSUMPTION AND SALE

Altering the hours and days for consumption and sale, in Carroll County, for certain alcoholic beverages licenses.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020


Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 572  **Delegate Bagnall**

CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE CROSSING – AFFECTED COUNTIES – INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Requiring that, for any fiscal year that an appropriation is included in the State budget for a third bridge that crosses the Chesapeake Bay, the Governor include in the budget certain capital grants for each county in which the bridge originates or terminates; requiring that the capital grants equal 25% of the amount appropriated for certain purposes related to the bridge; requiring that a capital grant be used only for infrastructure improvements necessitated by or related to the construction of the bridge; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TR, § 4-408 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations and Environment and Transportation

HB 573  **Harford County Delegation**

HARFORD COUNTY – SERVICE OF PROCESS – DETENTION CENTER EMPLOYEES

Expanding the authority of a certain individual who is designated to serve criminal process by the administrator of the local detention center in Harford County to serve process within the Circuit Court for Harford County and the District Court of Maryland for Harford County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 6-310 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 574 Delegate Cardin, et al
AGRICULTURE – LICENSE TO PRODUCE HEMP – LIMITATION

Altering a certain licensing requirement for producing hemp in the State; prohibiting the Department of Agriculture from issuing a license to a person to produce hemp if the Department determines that the land subject to a license application is located within 25 feet of a property or properties with three or more individual residences, unless the person agrees to produce hemp in an indoor facility that exhausts its fumes to the outside with an approved apparatus; requiring the Department to make a certain determination; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
AG, § 14-308 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 575 Delegate Johnson, et al
EDUCATION – SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION PROGRAM – HUMAN AND SEX TRAFFICKING

Requiring the State Board of Education and certain nonpublic schools to develop and implement a program of age-appropriate education on the awareness and prevention of sexual abuse and assault; and including, for students in grades 6 through 8, material promoting the awareness and prevention of human and sex trafficking.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 7-439 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 576 Delegate K. Young, et al
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – ATHLETIC TRAINING – REVISIONS

Altering the definition of “practice athletic training”; requiring a licensed athletic trainer to practice athletic training in accordance with standards of practice established by certain organizations; repealing certain provisions of law requiring an athletic trainer to practice in a certain setting; altering the information that is required to be included in an evaluation and treatment protocol; repealing certain definitions; and repealing certain obsolete provisions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HO, §§ 14-5D-01, 14-5D-05, 14-5D-07(a), 14-5D-10, and 14-5D-11 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 577  Delegate Dumais

JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT – MODIFICATIONS

Providing that a certain presumption may be rebutted if a certain commissioner or court finds and states on the record at a certain time that adhering to certain limits would create a certain risk to certain individuals; authorizing a certain commissioner or court to take certain actions on finding that adhering to certain limits would create a certain risk to certain individuals; requiring the State’s Attorney, rather than the court, to send a certain notice to a certain victim at the victim’s last known address; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CS, CR, CP, SG, and TR, Various Sections - amended and CR, § 5-612.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Health and Government Operations

HB 578  Delegate Cox, et al

STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PROGRAM – PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAM – VOLUNTEER FIRST RESPONDERS

Authorizing certain volunteer first responders to enroll and participate as covered employees in the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; defining “volunteer first responder” as a person engaged in providing emergency medical care or rescue services on a volunteer basis; and authorizing the State to charge a county or municipal corporation certain costs resulting from certain covered employees participating in the Program.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, § 2-513.1 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 579  Delegate Cullison

MARYLAND COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS – CIVIL PENALTIES

Providing that certain maximum penalty amounts the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights is authorized to seek if it finds that a respondent has engaged in a discriminatory act regarding public accommodations and certain actions by persons licensed or regulated by a unit in the Maryland Department of Labor do not apply if the discriminatory act is committed by the agent or employee of the respondent; requiring any civil penalties collected under the Act be paid to the complainant, not the General Fund; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SG, § 20-1016 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 580  Frederick County Delegation

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – BIOSAFETY LEVEL 3 LABORATORIES

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to make available a certain form; requiring certain biosafety level 3 (BSL–3) laboratories to report certain information to the Department on or before October 30 each year; requiring the Department to report the number and location by local jurisdiction of BSL–3 laboratories to certain agencies and officials on or before December 31 each year; providing that certain information is confidential and not subject to inspection under the Public Information Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 17-701 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 581  Delegate Love, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – FIRE FIGHTING FOAM AND PFAS CHEMICALS

Prohibiting the use of certain Class B fire fighting foam that contains intentionally added PFAS chemicals for certain testing or training purposes; requiring the use of certain foam for fire fighting training; providing that the Act does not restrict the manufacture, sale, or distribution of certain fire fighting foam or the use of certain fire fighting foam in certain operations; requiring the Department of the Environment to conduct a certain study; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
PS, § 9-1002 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 582  Delegate Valderrama, et al

PROCUREMENT – PREVAILING WAGE – APPLICABILITY

Repealing a certain limitation on the applicability of the Prevailing Wage Law to the construction of a public work and applying the Prevailing Wage Law to construction of a certain public work funded in whole or in part with State funds.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, § 17-201 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 583  Delegate Cullison

STATE PROCUREMENT – PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE EXPENSES – REVISIONS

Requiring the Maryland Stadium Authority and the University System of Maryland, by regulation, to establish certain procedures for each bidder, contractor, or subcontractor that performs work on certain construction projects to certify that the bidder, contractor, or subcontractor pays certain employee health care expenses; authorizing a certain bidder, contractor, or subcontractor to demonstrate the payment of certain employee health care expenses in a certain manner on or before July 1, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SF, §§ 17-801(g), 17-802, and 17-803 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 584  Delegate Hettleman

DAY CARE CENTERS FOR THE ELDERLY AND DAY CARE CENTERS FOR ADULTS – REIMBURSEMENT

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse day care centers for the elderly and day care centers for adults for a day of care even if the day care center could not provide the minimum 4 hours of care in a day because of a weather–related closure or a medical emergency experienced by the participant while at the center.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 14-205 and 14-304 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 585  Delegate Kipke, et al
SECRETARY OF STATE – DUTIES – INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP AGREEMENTS

Establishing that the Secretary of State has the authority to form and execute an international friendship agreement that functions as a foundation to build a sister-state relationship.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SG, § 7-109 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 586  Delegate Bartlett, et al
PUBLIC SAFETY – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK – FIRE DEPARTMENTS, RESCUE SQUADS, AND AMBULANCE SERVICES

Prohibiting a fire department, a rescue squad, or an ambulance service from conducting a criminal history records check or requiring an applicant to disclose criminal records before the applicant’s first in-person interview; requiring each fire department, rescue squad, and ambulance service to establish a certain peer review committee; and establishing the duties of a peer review committee.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PS, § 6-306 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 587  Delegate M. Jackson
CAMPAIGN FINANCE ENTITIES – TREASURERS – SURETY BOND REQUIREMENT

Requiring each treasurer of a campaign finance entity to be covered by a surety bond; and requiring that the surety bond run to the benefit of the campaign finance entity, secure the money of the campaign finance entity, be conditioned on the faithful performance of the treasurer, be in an amount required by the State Board, and meet certain other requirements.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EL, § 13-216 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 588  Delegate M. Jackson

STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS’ PENSION SYSTEM – MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Providing that members of the State Police Retirement System no longer make member contributions after 28 years of service credit is earned; and providing that certain members of the Law Enforcement Officers’ Pension System no longer make member contributions after 32 years and 6 months of service credit is earned.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SP, §§ 24-205 and 26-204 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 589  Delegate Charkoudian, et al

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT – ORGANICS RECYCLING AND WASTE DIVERSION – FOOD RESIDUALS

Requiring a certain person that generates food residuals to separate the food residuals from other solid waste and ensure that the food residuals are diverted from final disposal in a refuse disposal system in a certain manner; applying the requirements of the Act, beginning in certain years, to certain persons that generate certain amounts of food residuals; requiring the Department of the Environment to report to the General Assembly by December 1, 2021, and annually thereafter on the impact of waste diversion in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EN, §§ 9-1701(i-1) and (r-1) and 9-1724.1 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 590  Delegate Crutchfield, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL CRIMES – REPEAL OF SPOUSAL DEFENSE(LOVE IS NO DEFENSE TO SEXUAL CRIMES)

Repealing a certain prohibition on prosecuting a person for rape or a certain sexual offense against a victim who was the person’s legal spouse at the time of the alleged rape or sexual offense.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, § 3-318 - repealed
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 591  Delegate Clippinger
PUBLIC SAFETY – LOST OR STOLEN REGULATED FIREARM – REPORTING

Altering penalties applicable to failing to report a lost or stolen regulated firearm.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PS, § 5-146 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 592  Delegate Holmes
REAL PROPERTY – REGULATION OF COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITY MANAGERS

Creating the State Board of Common Ownership Community Managers in the Maryland Department of Labor; providing for the composition of the Board and the appointment, terms, and expenses of Board members; providing that the Act does not prohibit certain persons from providing services under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to be issued a license or a limited license by the Board before providing management services for a common ownership community under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
BOP, BR, CA, RP, SF, and SG, Various Sections - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 593  Delegate P. Young, et al
HIGHER EDUCATION – ANNUAL REVENUES OF FOR-PROFIT INSTITUTIONS – LIMITATION ON ENROLLMENT (VETERANS’ EDUCATION PROTECTION ACT)

Prohibiting certain for-profit institutions of higher education and private career schools from enrolling new Maryland residents if federal funds or institutional debt exceed 10% of annual revenues; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 11-210 - added
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 594  Delegate P. Young, et al

SALES AND USE TAX – VENDOR COLLECTION CREDIT – JOB TRAINING

Authorizing certain vendors who are qualified job training organizations to claim a credit for the expense of collecting and paying the sales and use tax; prohibiting a vendor from claiming certain credits against the sales and use tax if the vendor claims a certain credit; requiring a vendor to be certified as a qualified job training organization before claiming a certain credit; authorizing a vendor to submit a certain application to the Secretary of Labor; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 11-105 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 595  Delegate P. Young, et al

BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBER – VOTING

Authorizing the student member of the Baltimore County Board of Education to vote on matters relating to capital and operating budgets.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 3-2B-05(c) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 596  Delegate P. Young, et al

VETERANS OF THE AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ CONFLICTS SCHOLARSHIP – GRADUATE STUDENTS AND OTHER ALTERATIONS

Altering the eligibility criteria for the Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts Scholarship; authorizing the scholarship to be awarded to certain graduate students; providing that graduate scholarship recipients may hold the award for 3 years of full-time study and 6 years of part-time study; altering the requirement of filing for federal and State financial aid; prohibiting certain scholarships from being awarded after a certain date; and authorizing certain scholarships to be renewed after a certain date.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 18-604 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 597  Delegate P. Young, et al

HIGHER EDUCATION – NONRESIDENT TUITION – EXEMPTION FOR SPOUSES AND DEPENDENTS OF HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERANS

Exempting a spouse or financially dependent child of an honorably discharged veteran of the United States armed forces from paying nonresident tuition at a public institution of higher education in the State, subject to documentation that the veteran was discharged honorably at any time; repealing a requirement that certain public institutions of higher education comply with federal law relating to nonresident tuition for veterans and veterans, dependents; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 15-106.4 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 598  Delegate P. Young, et al

BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBER – SCHOLARSHIP

Increasing to $7,500 the amount of the scholarship granted a certain student member of the Baltimore County Board of Education.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 3-2B-06 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 599  Delegate P. Young, et al

BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBER – SELECTION

Requiring the student member of the Baltimore County Board of Education to be elected by certain middle school and high school students in accordance with procedures established by the Baltimore County public school system.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, 3-2B-05(a) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 600 Delegate P. Young, et al

BALTIMORE COUNTY – MOTORCYCLES – SUNDAY SALES

Authorizing a dealer in Baltimore County to sell, barter, deliver, give away, show, or offer for sale a motorcycle or certificate of title for a motorcycle on Sunday.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

BR, § 18-101(g) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 601 Delegate Ghrist, et al

HEALTH INSURANCE – PROVIDER PANELS – REGISTERED PSYCHOLOGY ASSOCIATES

Prohibiting a carrier from rejecting a provider who provides community–based health services for an accredited program solely because the provider is a registered psychology associate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

IN, § 15-112(g)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 602 Delegate Ghrist, et al

STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PROGRAM – PARTICIPATION – COUNTY, MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, OR COUNTY BOARD RETIREES

Authorizing certain retired employees of a county, municipal corporation, or county board to participate in the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits program under certain circumstances; and requiring the governing body of a county, municipal corporation, or county board to pay certain costs and to make certain determinations with regard to certain retirees under certain circumstances.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, §§ 2-508 and 2-513 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 603  Delegate Ghrist
COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – ESTABLISHING REGIONAL CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION SCHOOLS – AUTHORITY

Authorizing the county boards of education in Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne’s, and Talbot counties to establish a regional Career and Technical Education (CTE) school to provide career and technical education programs to public high school students in the counties; requiring a regional CTE school to operate under the terms of a certain collective bargaining agreement; requiring the Interagency Commission on School Construction to study and develop a certain cost–share formula for certain county boards of education; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
ED, § 21-207 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 604  Delegate Forbes, et al
STATE LIBRARIES – LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AND STATE LIBRARY BOARD – ALTERATIONS

Renaming the Maryland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to be the Maryland Library for the Blind and Print Disabled; and altering the appointed membership of the Maryland State Library Board to include a blind patron of the Maryland Library for the Blind and Print Disabled.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
ED, §§ 11-901(d), 11-902(a), 23-101, 23-106(b)(7), 23-107(b)(3), and 23-205(a)(3), (e), and (f)(1)(i) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 605  Delegate R. Watson
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – GAMING – EXPANSION

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to repeal a certain prohibition on the authority of the General Assembly to authorize additional forms or the expansion of commercial gaming; repealing the authority of the General Assembly to authorize, through the use of a certain referendum, additional forms or the expansion of commercial gaming; conforming certain provisions of the Maryland Constitution to changes made by a certain referendum; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State.
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT
Maryland Constitution, Art. XIX, § 1 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means