SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
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Schedule 13

PLEASE 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 29, 2020

HB 606 Delegate P. Young, et al
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND
Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $5,000,000 to the Community Development Fund in the Department of Housing and Community Development starting in fiscal year 2022.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
HS, § 6-606 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 607 Delegate Charkoudian, et al
PUBLIC SAFETY – CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Establishing the Crisis Intervention Team Center of Excellence in the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to provide technical support to local governments, law enforcement, public safety agencies, behavioral health agencies, and crisis service providers and to develop and implement a crisis intervention model program; requiring the Office to appoint certain coordinators to the Center; requiring the Center to take certain actions; requiring a certain annual report; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PS, § 3-522 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 608 Delegate Crutchfield, et al
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – PRERELEASE UNIT FOR WOMEN – REQUIREMENT TO OPERATE

Requiring, instead of authorizing, the Commissioner of Correction to operate a prerelease unit for women.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CS, § 3-301 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 609 Delegate Barron, et al
MARYLAND OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR HEALTH

Renaming the Office of the Inspector General in the Maryland Department of Health to be the Maryland Office of the Inspector General for Health and providing that the Office is an independent unit of the State, rather than a unit in the Department; requiring an annual report by December 1 of the Office’s activities investigating fraud and waste of certain funds, referrals to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, recoveries of mistaken claims paid in error, recoveries of the cost of benefits mistakenly paid, and regulatory changes; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, §§ 2-501(e-1), 2-502.1, and 2-506 - added and § 2-502 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 610  Carroll County Delegation

CARROLL COUNTY – CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES

Increasing to $35,000 the cost of a public work or improvement or the purchase price of supplies or equipment for which the County Commissioners of Carroll County may enter into a contract; requiring that when the cost of a public work or improvement or the purchase price of supplies or equipment in Carroll County exceeds $35,000 under certain conditions, the Chief of the Bureau of Purchasing for the County Commissioners shall advertise for bids for a certain amount of time in a media accessible to the general public.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PLL of Carroll Co, Art. 7, § 3-401 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 611  Delegate P. Young, et al

BALTIMORE COUNTY – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – HUB AND SPOKE PILOT PROGRAM

Establishing the Baltimore County Hub and Spoke Pilot Program to offer and provide addiction treatment on demand through a model that offers ongoing opioid use disorder treatment integrated with general health and wellness services; requiring the Baltimore County Department of Health, in consultation with the Behavioral Health Administration in the Maryland Department of Health and certain stakeholders, to develop and implement the Program in a certain manner; requiring a report on the pilot program’s results by October 1, 2023; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HG, §§ 13-4101 through 13-4105 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 612 Delegate Cox
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – WORKPLACE SAFETY PROGRAM – REVISIONS

Requiring that a certain annual assessment required to be included in a certain workplace safety program include certain recommendations to reduce injuries that could result from a lack of workplace safety; requiring a health care facility to guarantee that a health care worker who reports a physical assault or threatening behavior under a certain process may elect not to care for the individual who caused the harm or issued the threat; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
LE, § 5-1103 - amended and § 5-1104 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 613 Delegate Carr, et al
VEHICLE LAWS – FINES AND FEES – POSSESSION, DISPLAY, OR RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION

Altering the fine for failing to possess a vehicle registration card while driving or to display a vehicle registration card during a traffic stop by establishing a $10 fine rather than a maximum fine of $500; authorizing a court to waive a fine imposed under the Act; authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to charge a $25 late fee for registration renewals that occur more than 1 week after a registration has expired; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
TR, § 13-409 - amended and § 13-910 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 614 Delegate Lierman, et al
STATE GOVERNMENT – OFFICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES OMBUDSMAN – ESTABLISHMENT (ENVIRONMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT)

Establishing the Office of the Environmental and Natural Resources Ombudsman; requiring the Ombudsman to have the ability to analyze environmental and natural resource–related data and communicate effectively with State agencies and the public; providing for the appointment, qualifications, term, and salary of the Ombudsman; requiring the Ombudsman to receive and process complaints involving suspected environmental and natural resources violations in a certain manner; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SG, §§ 6-501 through 6-504 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 615  Delegate Solomon, et al

EDUCATION – SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PLANS

Requiring a county board of education seeking State funds for the construction of a new school, or the renovation of or an addition to an existing school that would increase the capacity by more than 100 students, to submit a pedestrian safety plan to the Interagency Commission on School Construction; requiring the plan to identify safe routes for students to walk or bike to school, evaluate existing and needed infrastructure, analyze existing and potential school zones, and document the public participation in development of the plan; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 5-324 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 616  Delegate P. Young

DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE – ALTERNATIVE WORKDAYS

Altering a certain authorization for certain Department of State Police employees to work an alternative workday to provide that the authorization is for an alternative workday as approved by the Secretary of State Police.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

PS, § 2-411(a) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 617  Delegate Kipke, et al

PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – MEDICAL CANNABIS – POLICY FOR ADMINISTRATION DURING SCHOOL HOURS AND EVENTS

Authorizing a parent or legal guardian of a medical cannabis patient under the age of 18 years to designate an adult to be a caregiver, in addition to the parent or legal guardian; increasing the number of caregivers a patient may be assigned; repealing a limitation on the number of qualifying patients that a caregiver may serve; requiring the State Department of Education and the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission jointly to develop guidelines for public schools regarding the administration of medical cannabis to students; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 13-3301(c) and 13-3304(g)(6) - amended and ED, § 7-446 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Ways and Means
HB 618  Delegate Parrott, et al
SALES AND USE TAX – EXEMPTION – FIREARM SAFETY DEVICES
Providing an exemption under the sales and use tax for the sale of certain firearm safety devices, including a firearm safe, firearm lockbox, trigger and barrel lock, or any other item designed for home firearm safety; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 11-236 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 619  Delegate P. Young, et al
ENVIRONMENT – USE OF FIRE–FIGHTING FOAM CONTAINING PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES – PROHIBITION
Prohibiting, on or after October 1, 2021, the use of fire–fighting foam containing perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances for firefighter training purposes; and establishing a civil penalty of up to $500 for a first violation of the Act and up to $1,000 for subsequent violations.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EN, §§ 6-1601 through 6-1604 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 620  Delegates Love and Parrott
BALTIMORE–WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL THURGOOD MARSHALL AIRPORT – SECURITY SCREENING CHECKPOINT – CHARITABLE DONATIONS
Requiring the Executive Director of the Maryland Aviation Administration to place donation boxes at the entrance to each security screening checkpoint at the Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport; requiring that money deposited in the donation boxes be appropriated to the Department of Disabilities to be used only to support its education programs; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, § 5-413.1 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 621 Delegate Korman, et al
COUNTY TAX FAIRNESS ACT
Altering the manner by which the Comptroller withholds from certain income tax distributions certain amounts that a local government owes to the Local Reserve Account for its share of certain income tax refunds and interest that are paid from the Account related to a certain decision of the U.S. Supreme Court.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
Chapter 489 of the Acts of 2015, § 27, as amended - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 622 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety and Correctional Services)
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS – MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT
Altering the minimum age requirement, from 21 years old to 19 years old, for employment as a correctional officer in any unit of the Division of Correction, any unit of the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services, or the Patuxent Institution within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; and requiring the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services to adopt certain regulations.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CS, § 2-109 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 623 Delegate Lopez, et al
CRIMINAL LAW – POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY – PENALTY
Reclassifying, as a felony instead of a misdemeanor, a certain offense relating to possession of child pornography.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, § 11-208 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 624  Delegate Lierman, et al

JUVENILE LAW – CHILD INTERROGATION PROTECTION ACT

Requiring a law enforcement officer who takes a child into custody to provide notice to the child’s parents, guardian, or custodian in a manner reasonably calculated to give actual notice; specifying the required contents of a notice; prohibiting the interrogation of a child by a law enforcement officer until the child has consulted with a certain attorney and a notice has been provided to the child’s parent, guardian, or custodian; requiring that a consultation between a child and an attorney under the Act be confidential; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 3-8A-14 and CP, § 2-108 - amended and CJ, § 3-8A-14.2 and CP, § 2-405 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 625  Delegate Grammer

NATALIE M. LAPRADE MEDICAL CANNABIS COMMISSION – REPORTING – CANNABIS USE AND CRIMINAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

Requiring the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission, on or before October 1 each year, to report certain information to the Governor and the General Assembly on certain cannabis use and enforcement of criminal laws regarding cannabis.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 13-3305 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 626  Delegate Grammer

BALTIMORE COUNTY – REPOSSESSION – DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

Establishing that certain chattels and personal property remaining at the time a certain warrant of restitution is executed in Baltimore County are deemed abandoned; establishing that a landlord or a person acting on the landlord’s behalf may not be liable for loss or damage to certain abandoned property; and authorizing a landlord to dispose of certain abandoned property by transportation to a licensed landfill or solid waste facility, donation to charity, or any other legal means.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

RP, § 8-401(d) - amended and § 8-401(d-1) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 627  Delegate M. Jackson  
COURTS – PROSECUTION FOR ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS – LIMITATION  
Extending the period of time, from 3 to 5 years after the offense was committed, during which a prosecution is required to be instituted for certain violations of State election law.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020  
CJ, § 5-106(h) - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 628  Delegate Queen, et al  
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS – ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES SCREENING  
Establishing the Adverse Childhood Experiences Screening Grant Program to provide grants to primary care providers who provide care for minors to implement certain screening tools to identify and treat minors with mental health disorders related to an adverse childhood experience; establishing the Adverse Childhood Experiences Screening Grant Program Fund; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish a course on integrating mental and physical health care in a primary care setting on or before January 1, 2022; etc.  
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.  
CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
HG, §§ 13-801 through 13-803 and HO, § 1-225 - added  
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 629  Delegate Queen, et al  
MARYLAND COLLEGE INVESTMENT PLAN – STATE CONTRIBUTION INCENTIVES  
Requiring the State Treasurer to make a $100 deposit into an omnibus account for each child born or adopted in the State on or after January 1, 2022; requiring the Maryland 529 Board to administer and manage the omnibus account and to adopt certain procedures to carry out the Act; requiring the State Treasurer, the Maryland Department of Health, the Department of Human Services, and the Board to exchange certain information to carry out the Act; etc.  
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020  
ED, § 18-19A-01 - amended and § 18-19A-04.2 - added  
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 630  Delegate Grammer

GAMING – VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS – HYBRID GAME OF CHANCE

Altering the definition of “video lottery terminal” for purposes of the Maryland gaming law by including certain gambling games in which a combination of the elements of chance and the skill of the player may affect the outcome.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SG, § 9-1A-01(n-1) - added and § 9-1A-01(dd) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 631  Delegate Carr

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS – BOARD MEMBERSHIP AND PROVISIONAL LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Repealing the requirement that the Secretary of Health make certain recommendations for the appointment of certain members of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators after consulting with certain associations and societies; requiring the Secretary to recommend to the Governor professionals who have certain qualifications for certain appointments to the Board; authorizing the Board to issue a provisional license for a period of less than 90 days; and clarifying the length of a certain provisional period.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
HO, §§ 9-202(a) and (b) and 9-301 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 632  Delegate Carr, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – REGISTRATION – RENEWAL

Requiring that the system of multiyear vehicle registration adopted by the Motor Vehicle Administration include for Class A (passenger) vehicles and Class D (motorcycle) vehicles options for registration for 1– or 2–year periods to be phased in over a certain period of time; requiring the Administration to make available certain methods of obtaining or renewing a vehicle registration for Class A (passenger) and Class D (motorcycle) vehicles; authorizing certain late fees for certain registration renewals; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TR, § 13-413 - amended and § 13-910 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 633  Delegate Cox

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – MILITARY SERVICE – PURCHASE OF CREDIT

Authorizing certain individuals to purchase up to 5 years of service credit for certain military service; specifying the manner in which the service credit may be purchased; and specifying the cost of the service credit that may be purchased.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SP, § 38-104 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 634  Delegate M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – DEATH BENEFITS FOR CHILDREN – AGE

Altering certain provisions of law related to certain survivor benefits for surviving children of certain members of the State Retirement and Pension System; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SP, §§ 21-401(a), 24-401.1(i), 26-401.1(i), 27-404, 27-405, and 29-301(d) - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 635  Delegate Cox

CRIMINAL LAW – CRIMES INVOLVING COMPUTERS – MALWARE AND RANSOMWARE

Prohibiting a person from knowingly possessing certain malware or ransomware with the intent to use that malware or ransomware for the purpose of introduction into a computer, computer network, or computer system of another person without the authorization of the other person; creating a certain exception; establishing a certain penalty; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, § 7-302 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
**HB 636** Delegate Stein, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – ACCESS TO FIREARMS – STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Altering a certain prohibition to prohibit a person from storing or leaving a loaded or unloaded firearm in a location where a minor could gain access to the firearm; repealing a certain exception to the prohibition; prohibiting a person from storing or leaving a loaded or unloaded firearm in a location where an unsupervised minor could gain access to the firearm and an unsupervised minor does gain access to the firearm; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 4-104 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

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**HB 637** Delegate D.M. Davis, et al

COURTS – DISCOVERY – IN–CUSTODY WITNESS TESTIMONY

Requiring a State’s Attorney to record certain information if a State’s Attorney obtains certain testimony from an in–custody witness and to report certain information to the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention; requiring a State’s Attorney to comply with certain discovery requirements; requiring a court to hold a certain hearing at the request of the defendant to determine whether testimony of an in–custody witness is admissible at trial; providing for the prospective application of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 10-924 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

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**HB 638** Delegates Bartlett and Chang

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE APPLICATION SUBJECT TO CREDITOR CLAIM

Limiting the types of creditor claims for which the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County is required to adhere to certain guidelines before approving certain related license applications; and authorizing the Board to approve an application for the transfer or issuance of a license that is subject to a certain claim by a creditor if there is an amicable resolution of the claim or if there is a judicial determination on the claim.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 11-1702 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 639  Delegate P. Young, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS – CULTURAL COMPETENCY COURSEWORK OR TRAINING

Prohibiting a hospital or related institution, on or after January 1, 2022, from employing or granting privileges to a certain health care professional unless the health care professional provides certain documentation; requiring each health care professional to complete coursework on cultural awareness and competence in the provision of medical services and provide documentation that the coursework has been completed by January 1, 2022, and with a certain frequency thereafter except under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 19-351(a) and HO, § 1-801 - amended and HG, § 19-351(e) and HO, § 1-803 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 640  Delegate Luedtke

REHABILITATION TAX CREDIT – CERTIFIED HISTORIC STRUCTURE – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of “certified historic structure” to include a structure that is located on property that is owned by the Department of Natural Resources or one of its units and occupied by a person under an agreement with the Department by which the person pays for rehabilitation of the structure as a condition of occupancy.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SF, § 5A-303(a)(6) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 641 Delegate Solomon, et al

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND – NEGOTIATIONS

Requiring the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland to act on behalf of the University System of Maryland and certain system institutions for the purpose of collective bargaining; providing for the negotiation of a certain consolidated memorandum of understanding under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; repealing a provision of law authorizing certain presidents of certain system institutions to cooperate for the purpose of collective bargaining; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
SP, §§ 3-101,3-2A-09(a), 3-306(c), 3-403(d), 3-501(a),(d), and (f), and 3-601 - amended and § 3-602 - repealed and added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 642 Delegate Bartlett, et al

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BARBERSHOP AND BEAUTY SALON LICENSE

Establishing a barbershop and beauty salon beer and wine license in Anne Arundel County; specifying the individuals who are qualified to hold the license include the holder of a certain barbershop permit or a certain beauty salon permit; authorizing the holder of a license to serve not more than 5 ounces of beer or wine to a customer for on–premises consumption; specifying the hours during which a license holder is authorized to serve beer and wine; stating that a license holder need not obtain a certain Sunday license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, § 11-1002 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 643  Delegate Pendergrass, et al  
END–OF–LIFE OPTION ACT (RICHARD E. ISRAEL AND ROGER “PIP” MOYER ACT)  
Authorizing an individual to request aid in dying by making certain requests; prohibiting another individual from requesting aid in dying on behalf of an individual; requiring a certain request to be made in a certain manner; requiring a written request for aid in dying to meet certain requirements; establishing certain requirements for witnesses to a written request for aid in dying; requiring a written request for aid in dying to be in a certain form; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020  
CR, § 3-103 - amended and HG, §§ 5-6A-01 through 5-6A-16 and IN, § 27-208.1 - added  
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Judiciary  

HB 644  Delegate Stein  
STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – FINANCIAL LITERACY INSTRUCTION – REPORTING  
Requiring the State Department of Education to report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Committee on Ways and Means, on or before December 1 each year, on the implementation by local school systems of certain standards and objectives in the program of instruction in financial literacy specified in COMAR 13A.04.06.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
ED, § 4-111.1 - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means  

HB 645  Carroll County Delegation  
CARROLL COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITIES BOND  
Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County, from time to time, to borrow not more than $38,250,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Carroll County, including water and sewer projects, to finance loans for fire or emergency–related equipment, buildings, and other facilities of volunteer fire departments in the County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020  
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 646  Delegate P. Young, et al
VEHICLE REGISTRATION – SPECIAL PLATES FOR VETERANS – FEES
Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to charge a certain additional fee on the issuance of special registration plates for recipients of an individually earned, combat–related armed forces medal that results in a surplus of at least $10 for each issuance of new registration plates; requiring that the additional fee be credited to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SG, § 9-913(g) and TR, § 13-619.1 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 647  Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)
CHILD SUPPORT – REPORTING OF EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION
Transferring, from the Labor and Employment Article to the Family Law Article, certain provisions of law relating to the reporting of certain employment information concerning certain individuals for certain purposes relating to child support collection; transferring, from the Secretary of Labor to the Secretary of Human Services, certain duties and authority relating to the reporting of certain employment information concerning certain individuals; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
LE, §§ 8-626.1 and 8-627 - repealed and FL, § 10-101 - amended and §§ 10-139 and 10-139.1 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 648  Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Military)
MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY – DEFINITIONS AND AUTHORITY
Altering the authority and responsibilities of the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA); altering a certain explanation of purpose for certain provisions of law; stating the policy of the State with regard to certain emergency management activities and operations; requiring MEMA to prepare for certain emergency management activities and operations; providing for the circumstances under which MEMA may assume authority for responding to an emergency; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PS, §§ 14-101 through 14-103 and 14-801 - amended and § 14-101.1 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 649  Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – General Services)

STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – PROCEDURES

Requiring Maryland Correctional Enterprises to determine the prevailing average market price of certain supplies and services available from Maryland Correctional Enterprises; requiring the Pricing and Selection Committee for Blind Industries and Services of Maryland, the Employment Works Program, and Maryland Correctional Enterprises to review and verify the prevailing average market prices of certain supplies and services; altering the duties of the Department of Information Technology relating to procurement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020


Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 650  Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Military)

STATE GOVERNMENT – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – GOVERNOR DECLARATIONS

Requiring the Governor to designate a certain emergency area under certain circumstances during a certain state of emergency; prohibiting a state of emergency to continue for longer than 30 days under certain circumstances; requiring certain executive orders or proclamations to include the effective date; establishing that an executive order or proclamation that declares a state of emergency is authority for the activation of State compacts, laws, programs, policies, or regulations that require the declared state of emergency; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, §§ 14-107, 14-108, and 14-303 - amended and § 14-107.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 651  Delegate Bartlett

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS MT (MOVIE THEATER) LICENSE

Establishing a Class MT (movie theater) beer, wine, and liquor license in Anne Arundel County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County to issue the license to the owner of a movie theater; authorizing a license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor to certain patrons at retail at the place described in the license for on-premises consumption; specifying that the license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor during normal hours of business but not later than midnight; providing an annual fee of $1,200; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, § 11-1006.1 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 652  Delegate Kipke, et al

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH INSURANCE – SPECIALTY DRUGS – DEFINITION

Prohibiting the Secretary of Health from considering drugs prescribed to treat diabetes, HIV, or AIDS to be specialty drugs for the purposes of providing services under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; and excluding certain prescription drugs from the definition of “specialty drug” for the purposes of certain provisions of law limiting the authority of certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to impose copayment and coinsurance requirements.

EMERGENCY BILL
IN, § 15-847 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 653  Delegate Reznik

INSURANCE – MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY PLANS – OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD FOLLOWING BIRTHDAY

Requiring a carrier to make available to an individual enrolled in a Medicare supplement policy plan different Medicare supplement policy plans with certain benefits during the 30 days following the individual’s birthday; prohibiting a carrier, for a plan required to be made available under certain provisions of the Act, from denying or conditioning the effectiveness of the plan, or discriminating in the pricing of the plan, based on certain factors; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
IN, § 15-909(b)(6) - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 654 Delegate Bartlett
CRIMINAL LAW – UNRULY SOCIAL GATHERINGS – CIVIL PENALTIES
Prohibiting a person responsible for any premises from conducting, causing, permitting, or aiding an unruly social gathering; authorizing certain law enforcement officers to issue a citation for certain violations of the Act; specifying who may be issued a citation for certain violations; excluding a certain type of party or gathering from the prohibitions in the Act; providing certain circumstances constituting a certain defense; requiring that a citation include certain information; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, §§ 10-801 through 10-805 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 655 Delegate Queen, et al
CONSUMER PROTECTION – AUTOMOBILE FINANCING CHARGES – REQUIRED DEALER DISCLOSURES
Requiring a dealer who participates in finance charges associated with a contract for the sale of a vehicle to disclose certain information to a buyer in writing on a document that is separate from the financing agreement before executing a financing agreement on a contract for the sale of a vehicle; requiring a dealer who participates in finance charges associated with a contract for the sale of a vehicle to obtain a buyer’s signature on the disclosures before executing a certain financing agreement; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CL, § 14-1901(e)(2) - amended and CL, § 14-1906.1 and TR, § 15-311.4 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 656 Delegate K. Young, et al

PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF SELF-ADMINISTERED MEDICATIONS AND MAINTENANCE INJECTABLE MEDICATIONS

Authorizing a pharmacist who meets the requirements of certain regulations to administer a maintenance injectable medication to a patient under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy, on or before September 1, 2021, and in consultation with the State Board of Physicians and the State Board of Nursing, to adopt certain regulations requiring pharmacists to complete a certain training program in order to administer a maintenance injectable medication; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 15-148(c) and HO, §§ 12-101(x)(1)(viii) and 12-509 - amended and IN, § 15-716 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 657 Delegates Kipke and Chisholm

TAX – PROPERTY – TAX SALES

Requiring a tax sale of certain property if the tax has been in arrears for at least 5 years, subject to certain exceptions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TP, § 14-811 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 658 Delegate Haynes, et al

LOCAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – REQUIREMENT FOR PRERELEASE PROGRAM

Requiring the governing body of each county that receives State funding for public safety purposes to establish a certain prerelease program for individuals confined in certain local correctional facilities; requiring a prerelease program to provide that a certain inmate may participate in job training, drug treatment and mental health treatment activities; authorizing a certain judge to approve the transfer of a certain inmate to a prerelease center to participate in a prerelease program under certain circumstances; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CS, § 11-608 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 659  Delegate M. Jackson
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS’ PENSION SYSTEM – BENEFITS

Altering the accrual rate from 2.0% to 2.5% for service earned on or after July 1, 2020, for calculating the retirement allowance for certain retirees of the Law Enforcement Officers’ Pension System; and altering the maximum benefit that certain retirees of the Law Enforcement Officers’ Pension System may receive, from 65% to 70% of the member’s average final compensation.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SP, § 26-401(b) - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 660  Delegate Turner, et al
Baltimore City and Prince George’s County – Lifeline Low-Cost Automobile Insurance Program

Establishing the Lifeline Low-Cost Automobile Insurance Program to offer certain low cost insurance policies to residents of Baltimore City and Prince George’s County who are in households with a gross annual household income not exceeding 300% of the federal poverty level and who meet certain other requirements; providing that the Program is part of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund; requiring the Program, on receipt of a certain premium, to sell, issue, and deliver policies of automobile insurance to certain individuals; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
IN, § 20-301 - amended and §§ 20-6A-01 through 20-6A-10 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 661  Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Secretary of State)

Establishing the Notary Public Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund is to provide funding to support the Secretary of State in the implementation, regulation, and enforcement of certain actions; requiring the Secretary of State to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Secretary of State to distribute certain fees to the Fund: etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. and SG, §§ 18-103(e) and 18-114 - amended and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. and SG, § 18-115 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 662 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – General Services)

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – ENERGY CONSUMPTION GOALS AND ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS

Repealing a requirement that the Department of General Services cooperate with the Maryland Energy Administration when projecting certain costs and performing a certain analysis during a certain phase of the renovation or construction of certain State buildings; repealing a requirement that the Department cooperate with the Administration in setting standards for certain energy performance indices; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SF, §§ 4-803, 4-806, 12-301(a), and 12-302 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 663 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM – OUT-OF-STATE PHARMACISTS AND DISCIPLINE FOR NONCOMPLIANCE

Altering the definition of the term “pharmacist” in provisions of law regarding the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program to include pharmacists licensed in other states to dispense monitored prescription drugs; and altering the grounds for which a certain health occupations board and certain disciplinary panels are authorized to take disciplinary action against certain licensees and applicants for failing to comply with the requirements of the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 21-2A-01(i) and HO, Various Sections - amended and HO, §§ 4-315(a)(36), 14-404(a)(46), and 15-314(a)(44) - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 664  
Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

PHARMACISTS – REQUIRED NOTIFICATION AND AUTHORIZED SUBSTITUTION – LOWER–COSTING DRUGS, MEDICAL DEVICES, AND BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS

Requiring a pharmacist or a pharmacist’s designee who is under certain supervision to inform a certain consumer of the availability of certain therapeutically equivalent drugs, substantially equivalent medical devices, or interchangeable biological products and the cost difference between those drugs, devices, or products and certain prescribed drugs, medical devices, or biological products; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021
HO, §§ 12-101(m) and 12-504 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 665  
Delegates Barve and Stein

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND STATE BUILDINGS – USE OF GEOTHERMAL ENERGY

Prohibiting the Interagency Commission on School Construction from approving the construction of a public school unless a geothermal energy system will be installed in the school building; requiring the State to install a geothermal energy system in each State building constructed by the State; and altering certain requirements for certain standards established by the Department of General Services in cooperation with the Maryland Energy Administration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
ED, § 5-324 - added and SF, § 4-410.1 - added and § 4-808 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 666 Delegate Queen, et al
WORKGROUP ON SCREENING RELATED TO ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES

Establishing the Workgroup on Screening Related to Adverse Childhood Experiences; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to update, improve, and develop certain screening tools, submit certain screening tools to the Maryland Department of Health, and study and make recommendations on the actions a primary care provider should take after screening a minor for a mental health disorder that may be caused by or related to an adverse childhood experience; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 667 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)

CHILD SUPPORT – ANNUAL COLLECTION FEE

Conforming the maximum amount of a certain annual fee for the collection of child support by the Child Support Administration to the amount authorized under a certain federal law.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
FL, § 10-110 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 668 Delegate Dumais

CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – CORPORATIONS AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – MISCELLANEOUS

Providing an October 1, 2020, effective date of certain articles of incorporation filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation for record; authorizing the articles to contain a delayed effective date, not later than 30 days after the Department accepts the articles for record; authorizing indemnification of a board of directors by a certain vote of certain directors or by a certain vote of a committee of the board; providing that certain stockholders’ rights of inspection do not apply to certain corporations; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CA, Various Sections - amended and § 8-101(e) - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 669  Delegate Cullison
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES REFERRAL SYSTEM – MODIFICATIONS

Repealing the limit on the number of call centers that may be approved by 2–1–1 Maryland to provide certain services; repealing certain provisions of law establishing and governing the Health and Human Services Referral Board in the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the Department, rather than the Board, in consultation with 2–1–1 Maryland, as appropriate, to take certain actions related to 2–1–1 Maryland; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, §§ 24-1201 through 24-1203, 24-1205, and 24-1206 - amended and § 24-1204 - repealed
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 670  Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)
FAMILY LAW – INVESTIGATION OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – PRELIMINARY REPORT TO STATE’S ATTORNEY

Repealing a requirement that a local department of social services or law enforcement agency provide a local State’s Attorney with a report of the preliminary findings of an investigation of suspected child abuse or neglect within 10 days after receiving notice of suspected child abuse or neglect.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
FL, § 5-706(i) - repealed and § 5-706(j) through (t) - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 671  Delegate Shetty, et al
ESTATES AND TRUSTS – HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS – ESTABLISHMENT

Providing that a health savings account is established on the first day that an individual becomes covered under a high deductible health plan; requiring a health savings account to be opened with a trustee or custodian within a certain time period; and clarifying that a health savings account is established regardless of certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
ET, § 14.5-401 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 672  Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)

CHILDREN IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE – QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAM – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of a “qualified residential treatment program” for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to the placement of children in need of assistance to require that a program, rather than discharge planning, must meet certain license and accreditation requirements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CJ, § 3-801(v) - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 673  Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Juvenile Services)

JUVENILE SERVICES – FACILITIES – GARRETT CHILDREN’S CENTER

Including the Garrett Children’s Center as a facility the Department of Juvenile Services is authorized to operate for the diagnosis, care, training, education, and rehabilitation of certain children.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
HU, § 9-226 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 674  Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES – SCHEDULES

Altering the lists of substances designated as controlled dangerous substances under certain schedules under the Maryland Controlled Dangerous Substances Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, §§ 5-402 through 5-406 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 675  Delegate Kerr

EDUCATION – PUBLIC SCHOOLS – SEIZURE ACTION PLANS (BRYNLEIGH ACT)

Requiring a county board of education and authorizing a nonpublic school, beginning in the 2021–2022 school year, to require at least two school employees to be trained in recognizing the signs and symptoms of a seizure, administering first aid for a seizure, and administering or assisting with the administration of seizure medication and performing manual vagus nerve stimulation; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-446 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Health and Government Operations

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED JANUARY 29, 2020

HJ 2  Delegate Parrott, et al

EXPOSURE TO PORNOGRAPHY – PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

Recognizing that exposure to pornography is a public health crisis that must be addressed systematically; recognizing that it is necessary to prevent pornography exposure and addiction, to educate individuals and families on the harms of pornography, and to develop pornography recovery programs; and encouraging pornography education, prevention, research, and policy changes in communities in order to address the harms caused by pornography.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HJ 3  Delegate Stein

NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHING – WILD–CAUGHT BLUE CATFISH

Opposing certain inspection rules promulgated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture which have drastically impeded the harvest and sale of blue catfish and thus rendered the State unable to adequately use the commercial harvest as a form of control over the invasive blue catfish species; urging the U.S. Congress to amend 21 U.S.C. § 601(w) to exempt the wild catch of domestic catfish from certain inspection requirements; and requiring a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to certain elected officials.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
**HJ 4  Delegate Bagnall, et al**

COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A MARYLAND WOMEN VETERANS MEMORIAL

Urging the Governor to create a certain commission with appropriate funding and authority for the purpose of establishing a Maryland Women Veterans Memorial that honors the service of women veterans of the State.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

**HOUSE BILL REASSIGNED JANUARY 28, 2020**

**HB 407  Harford County Delegation**

HARFORD COUNTY – STATE’S ATTORNEY’S OFFICE AND CHILD SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION – TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL

Transferring the functions, powers, and duties of the Child Support Unit of the Office of the State’s Attorney for Harford County to the Child Support Administration of the Department of Human Services; requiring the creation of certain Position Identification Numbers for certain transferred employees; providing for the determination of salary grade and seniority for transferred employees; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

Reassigned to: Appropriations