SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2020 Maryland General Assembly Session

February 5, 2020
Schedule 17

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 FEBRUARY 5, 2020

HB 900 Delegate Miller
ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION – CLARIFICATIONS
Clarifying the authority, powers, and duties of officers and employees of the Field Enforcement Division in the Office of the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission over certain matters; authorizing the officers and employees to make certain cooperative arrangements with the Office of the Comptroller; authorizing the Division to recommend certain changes to improve the administration of certain provisions; authorizing the Executive Director to delegate certain duties to certain persons; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
AB and TG, Various Sections, CP, § 2-101, and PS, § 3-201, and Ch. 12 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2019, § 7 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 901    Delegate Beitzel, et al

HEALTH INSURANCE – POLICY OF GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE – ASSOCIATIONS

Clarifying that, for purposes of provisions of law concerning health insurance, a chamber of commerce may be considered an association; repealing certain provisions of law that apply certain provisions of law governing small group market plans to health benefit plans offered by certain entities; applying the Act to policies, contracts, and health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after January 1, 2021; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021
IN, §§ 11-601(d)(1), 15-302(c) and (d)(2), 15-1201(i)(2), and 15-1202 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 902    Delegate Dumais

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE APPLICATIONS – DURATIONAL RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

Repealing certain requirements that a person be a resident for a certain period of time, a taxpayer, or a registered voter to be issued certain statewide alcoholic beverages licenses and permits; requiring that a person, to be issued a certain statewide license or permit, remain a resident for the duration of time that the license or permit is in effect; repealing from certain local alcoholic beverages licenses certain durational residency requirements; making conforming changes; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, Various Sections - amended and §§ 21-1405.1 and 25-1407 - repealed
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 903    Delegate Rosenberg

LANDLORD AND TENANT – SURRENDER OF PREMISES – REQUIRED INFORMATION TO A TENANT OR OTHER OCCUPANT

Requiring a court in a certain action for repossession to provide contact information for the appropriate county board of health and local department of social services to the tenant or other occupant of the premises under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
RP, § 8-401(c)(4) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 904  Delegate Cardin

MARYLAND TRUST ACT – LIABILITY OF TRUSTEE – REPORT AND RELEASE BY INTERESTED PARTY

Authorizing a trustee to send certain interested parties in a certain manner a certain report when the trust terminates or on the resignation or removal of the trustee; and providing that, if an interested party does not submit an objection to the report within 90 days after the trustee mailed the report, the interested party shall be deemed to have released the trustee and to have consented to and ratified the actions of the trustee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
ET, §§ 14.5-904 and 14.5-907 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 905  Delegate Shetty, et al

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS – USE OF REAL-TIME BENEFIT CHECK TECHNOLOGY

Requiring, beginning on January 1, 2021, a prescriber or dispenser of a prescription drug to have access to and use, under certain circumstances, certain technology that provides patient-specific prescription drug benefit and cost information in a certain manner; requiring certain payors, providers, pharmacies, and other organizations to take certain actions necessary to facilitate access to and use of the technology; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 19-145 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 906  Delegate Lierman

PONGAL DAY

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim January 14 as Pongal Day, Pongal being one of the main festivals celebrating the importance of the harvest in the state of Tamil Nadu in south India, Sri Lanka, and many other countries.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
GP, § 7-402 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 907  Delegate M. Fisher, et al  
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND – ADMISSIONS – NOTIFICATION OF POTENTIAL INCOME  
Requiring the constituent institutions of the University System of Maryland to notify students, on acceptance for admission, of a reasonable estimate of the income the student may receive after completing each degree offered by the institution.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
ED, § 12-119 - added  
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 908  Delegate Adams, et al  
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND HEALTHY WORKING FAMILIES ACT – VERIFICATION  
Altering the circumstances under which an employer is authorized to require an employee who uses certain sick and safe leave to provide verification that the leave was used appropriately; and authorizing certain employers to deny a certain request to take certain sick and safe leave under certain circumstances.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020  
LE, § 3-1305(g) - amended  
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 909  Frederick County Delegation  
FREDERICK COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – COMPENSATION  
Increasing the amount of annual compensation of the president of the Frederick County Board of Education, from $11,000 to $15,000, and of the other voting members, from $10,000 to $14,000, beginning with the commencement on December 6, 2022, of the term of office of members of the county board elected in the general election of 2022.  
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
ED, § 3-5B-03 - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 910  Delegate Dumais, et al  
CRIMINAL LAW – UNTRACEABLE FIREARMS  
Prohibiting a person from manufacturing, causing to be manufactured, assembling, constructing, possessing, selling, offering to sell, transferring, purchasing, or receiving certain firearms; prohibiting a person from using a certain 3–dimensional printer to manufacture, cause to be manufactured, assemble, or construct a certain firearm; prohibiting a person from distributing a certain computer program; establishing certain penalties for violations of the Act; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020  
CR, §§ 4-601 through 4-604 - added  
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 911  Delegate Gilchrist, et al  
NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLANS – OYSTERS  
Altering the date from June 1, 2019, to April 1, 2020, by which the Department of Natural Resources is required to convene in a certain manner the Oyster Advisory Commission; altering the version of the fishery management plan for oysters that the Department is required to develop before taking certain management action governing oyster sanctuaries; repealing a certain provision of law authorizing the Commission to meet and deliberate in closed session under certain circumstances; etc.  
EMERGENCY BILL  
NR, §§ 4-204(c)(2)(i) and 4-215(e)(4) and (5) - and Chapters 5 and 9 of the Acts of 2020, § 3 - amended  
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 912  Delegate Palakovich Carr, et al  
MARYLAND CHILD TAX CREDIT  
Allowing certain taxpayers with federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year that is $6,000 or less to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain dependent children under certain circumstances; providing that the credit is equal to $500 for each qualified child; allowing certain taxpayers to claim a refund in the amount of any excess credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019, but before January 1, 2025; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
TG, § 10-751 - added  
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 913  Delegate Buckel, et al
INCOME TAX STANDARD DEDUCTION – ALTERATION AND COST OF LIVING

Increasing the minimum and maximum limitation amounts of certain standard deductions allowed for an individual under the Maryland income tax; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 10-217 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 914  Delegate Beitzel, et al
GUN THEFT FELONY ACT OF 2020

Classifying the theft of a firearm as a felony; and establishing certain penalties for theft of a firearm.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, § 7-104 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 915  Delegate R. Lewis, et al
HEALTH FACILITIES – HOSPITALS – DISCLOSURE OF OUTPATIENT FACILITY FEES (FACILITY FEE RIGHT–TO–KNOW ACT)

Requiring certain hospitals to provide each patient with a certain written notice related to outpatient facility fees that are charged for services provided at the hospital that is in a certain form; requiring that certain notices be provided to certain patients in certain manners and at certain times; requiring each hospital that charges an outpatient facility fee to use a certain range of fees and fee estimates; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 19-349.2 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 916  Delegate Feldmark, et al
INCOME TAX – INDIVIDUALS NOT SUBJECT TO THE COUNTY INCOME TAX – RATE

Altering, from the lowest county income tax rate to 3.0% of Maryland taxable income, the income tax rate imposed on the income of certain individuals who are not subject to a county income tax; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 10-106.1 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 917  Delegate Wilson, et al
CRIMINAL LAW – HATE CRIMES – BASIS (2ND LIEUTENANT RICHARD COLLINS, III’S LAW)

Altering the basis on which a person is prohibited from taking certain actions against a certain person or group, to include certain actions motivated either in whole or in part by another person’s or group’s race, color, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, gender, disability, or national origin, or because another person or group is homeless.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, § 10-304 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 918  Delegate Wilson
CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER – DEFINITION OF SERIOUS OFFENSE

Altering a certain definition of “serious offense” to remove a certain limitation on offenses that are included for purposes relating to representation by the Office of the Public Defender.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CP, § 16-101(h) - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 919  Delegate Moon, et al

COAL – TAX CREDITS AND EXEMPTION – REPEAL

Repealing a certain credit against the public service company franchise tax for the purchase of Maryland–mined coal during a certain year; repealing a certain credit against the State income tax that certain cogenerators or electricity suppliers may claim for the purchase of Maryland–mined coal during a certain taxable year; repealing an exemption to the sales and use tax for the sale of coal used in certain residential properties; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
TG, §§ 8-406 and 11-207(a)(3) - amended and § 10-704.1 - repealed
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 920  Delegate Szeliga, et al

MOTOR VEHICLES – MOTORCYCLES – OVERTAKING AND PASSING VEHICLES

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt certain guidelines for the operation of a motorcycle on a roadway that is divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for vehicular traffic; and repealing certain provisions of law that prohibit an operator of a motorcycle on certain roadways from overtaking and passing in the same lane occupied by the vehicle being overtaken and from operating a motorcycle between lanes of traffic or between adjacent lines or rows of vehicles.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, §§ 16-604 and 21-1303 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 921  Delegate P. Young

DENTISTS – SALIVA LEAD POISONING SCREENING TESTS – SCOPE OF PRACTICE AND REQUIREMENTS

Altering the definition of “practice dentistry” to include the collection of oral saliva samples to screen for lead poisoning; authorizing a dentist to collect oral saliva samples to screen for lead poisoning in individuals under the age of 19 years; requiring a dentist to send a certain sample for analysis to a certain laboratory; requiring a dentist to send a certain notice to certain parents or legal guardians on receipt of the results of a certain saliva lead poisoning screen test; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HO, § 4-101(l) - amended and § 4-509 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 922 Delegate Brooks, et al
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION FOR VIETNAM VETERANS
Allowing a $3,000 subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for Vietnam veterans who are discharged or released under honorable circumstances from active military, naval, or air service of the United States; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 10-208(y) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 923 Harford County Delegation
HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS MT (MOVIE THEATER) LICENSE
Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to grant up to five Class MT (movie theater) licenses to the same person; and increasing the fee for a Class MT license from $500 to $1,000.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, § 22-1005.1 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 924 Delegate Clippinger, et al
BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DISTANCE RESTRICTIONS, EXTENSION FEE, AND CLASS D LICENSE
Prohibiting the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City from charging a fee for a temporary license permit extension under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to waive certain distance restrictions for an application for the transfer of a license into a certain area under certain circumstances; authorizing certain Class D license holders to serve food, but not alcoholic beverages, during certain hours on Sundays; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
§§ 12-1313 and 12-2004(f)(4) - added and AB, § 12-1605(a) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 925  Delegate Buckel, et al

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – ACQUISITION OF LAND, WATER, OR EASEMENTS IN GARRETT AND ALLEGANY COUNTIES – SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY

Establishing that, for certain areas of water or land or easements that have been subdivided in Garrett County or Allegany County, the Department of Natural Resources may acquire the area only if the acquisition of the area will not, when added to the acreage of any other areas or easements the Department has acquired from that subdivision over the previous 5 years, exceed 100 acres, subject to approval by the county.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
NR, §§ 4-401, 5-207, 5-910, and 10-801 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 926  Delegates Lisanti and Johnson

HOSPITALS AND FREESTANDING MEDICAL FACILITIES – CLOSING OR PARTIAL CLOSING – PUBLIC NOTICE

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to publish a certain notice of the closing or partial closing of a certain hospital or freestanding medical facility within a certain time period; requiring the Commission to ensure that a certain notice is available to the public for certain purposes and provided to a certain local governing body and certain members of the General Assembly; requiring the Commission to publish a notice of certain informational meetings; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 19-120(l) - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 927  Delegate Szeliga, et al
BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – GIFT BASKET PERMIT

Establishing a gift basket permit in Baltimore County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County to issue the permit to certain persons; providing that the permit authorizes a permit holder to sell and deliver gift baskets containing wine to consumers of a legal drinking age in the State; requiring a permit holder to maintain certain records and submit certain reports; limiting the value of the wine contained in a gift basket to 75% of the total value of the gift basket; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, § 13-1001.1 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 928  Delegate D.E. Davis
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – ELECTRICITY AND GAS SUPPLIERS – TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Requiring the Public Service Commission to develop a training and educational program for certain licensed energy suppliers; requiring the Commission to develop the program in consultation with certain interested stakeholders, including electricity suppliers and gas suppliers; requiring designated representatives to demonstrate a thorough understanding of certain Commission regulations; requiring the Commission to conduct an examination at the conclusion of training and provide certification on a satisfactory score; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PU, § 7-311 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 929 Delegate Rogers, et al

STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION – PROPERTY MANAGERS – REGISTRATION

Requiring a person who provides property management services to be registered as a property manager by the State Real Estate Commission before practicing in the State; prohibiting the providing of, attempting to provide, or offering to provide property management services unless registered with the Commission as a property manager; subjecting violators of this prohibition to a civil fine of not more than $1,000; requiring certain property managers to be covered by a certain surety bond; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

BOP, §§ 17-3B-01 through 17-3B-08 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 930 Delegates R. Lewis and Lierman

MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – FUNDING FOR SMALL BUSINESS INSURANCE SUBSIDIES AND OUTREACH

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter an annual appropriation of $17,000,000 for the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange; and requiring the appropriation to be allocated in a certain manner to fund certain subsidies and activities. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

IN, § 31-107.2 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 931 Delegate Wilson

CRIMINAL LAW – DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY – MINOR

Altering a certain prohibition to apply only to a person at least 18 years old, against knowingly promoting, advertising, soliciting, distributing, or possessing with the intent to distribute any matter, visual representation, or performance that depicts a minor engaged as a certain subject or in a manner that reflects a certain belief or is intended to cause another to adopt a certain belief.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 11-207 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 932  Delegate Korman
21ST-CENTURY ECONOMY SALES TAX ACT

Requiring the Comptroller to distribute the sales and use tax revenue on the sale or use of certain digital products to the Education Trust Fund; defining “digital product” as one that is obtained electronically by the buyer and delivered by certain means through the use of technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities; applying the sales and use tax to a sale or use of certain digital products; providing that the sales and use tax does not apply to a certain service; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, §§ 2-1302.1, 11-101, 11-102(a), and 11-217(b) - amended and § 11-221(d) and (e) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 933  Delegate Wilson
JUVENILE OFFENDERS – DUAL SENTENCING

Authorizing a court exercising criminal jurisdiction in a certain prosecution involving a child to impose simultaneously a juvenile disposition and an adult criminal sentence; authorizing the court to order the child to complete the juvenile disposition and to suspend the adult criminal sentence under certain circumstances; and authorizing the court to take certain actions if the child commits a new offense or violates a condition of the suspended adult criminal sentence.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CP, § 4-202.3 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 934  Delegates M. Jackson and Krebs (By Request – Commission to Advance Next Generation 9–1–1 Across Maryland)
PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Altering references to the terms “9–1–1 fee” and “additional charge”, respectively, to be “State 9–1–1 fee” and “county 9–1–1 fee”, respectively, and altering the definition of “public safety answering point” for purposes of provisions of law concerning the 9–1–1 emergency telephone system; renaming the Emergency Number Systems Board to be the Maryland 9–1–1 Board; altering the composition of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PS, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 935 Delegate Kipke

HEALTH FACILITIES – FREESTANDING AMBULATORY CARE FACILITIES – ADMINISTRATION OF ANESTHESIA

Requiring the Secretary of Health to establish through regulations a provision requiring an ambulatory surgical facility to ensure that a health care practitioner administering anesthesia for a procedure has access to all medical resources necessary to adequately and safely care for the patient, as determined by the practitioner in consultation with the health care provider performing the procedure.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 19-3B-03 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 936 Delegates Krebs and Reilly

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – NURSES – DELEGATION OF NURSING TASKS

Providing that an advanced practice registered nurse is not precluded from delegating a nursing task to an unlicensed individual under certain circumstances; and providing that a registered nurse, a licensed practical nurse, or an advanced practice registered nurse is not precluded from delegating a nursing task to an assistant with medical training if the assistant performs only tasks that the assistant is trained and able to perform and the delegating nurse provides certain instruction and supervision.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
HO, § 8-6A-02 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 937 Delegate Krebs, et al

NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS – FORMULARY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP, FORMULARY CONTENT, AND SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Authorizing a certain formulary developed by the Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council and adopted by the State Board of Physicians to include certain prescription drugs and devices; authorizing a licensed naturopathic doctor to dispense, order, or administer certain natural medicines in a certain manner; authorizing a licensed naturopathic doctor to prescribe, dispense, and administer certain prescription drugs and medical foods in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HO, §§ 14-5F-04.1 and 14-5F-14 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 938  Delegate Carey

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE – CRITICAL MEDICAL NEEDS PROGRAM – POWER TO THE PEOPLE PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring the Office of Home Energy Programs, in coordination with the United Way of Central Maryland and the Fuel Fund of Maryland, to establish the Power to the People Pilot Program on or before July 1, 2021 to expand access to the Critical Medical Need Program; requiring the Pilot Program to provide training for certain individuals to serve as navigators under the Critical Medical Needs Program; requiring the United Way of Central Maryland to develop a certain screening intake process; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
HU, § 5-5A-08 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 939  Delegates Cullison and Krebs

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS – PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY – REVISIONS

Requiring a dental practice to be owned by a licensed dentist or a dental professional corporation; establishing that only a certain individual licensed by the State Board of Dental Examiners may take certain actions; prohibiting any person who is not a licensed dentist to direct, control, or interfere with the independent professional judgement of a dentist or dental hygienist regarding the care of a certain patient; prohibiting a licensed dentist from sharing revenues or splitting fees except under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HO, §§ 4-101(f-1), 4-103, 4-315(a)(36), and 4-509 - added and §§ 4-101(l), 4-102, and 4-315(a)(34) and (35) - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 940 Delegate M. Fisher, et al
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION FOR BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY

Exempting business personal property from the property tax imposed by a county or municipal corporation, subject to certain exceptions; requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to identify certain provisions of law and submit a certain report to the General Assembly; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2020.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
TP, § 7-402 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 941 Delegate M. Jackson
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – JURISDICTION AND MARYLAND CAPITOL POLICE

Altering the jurisdiction of the Department of General Services to include State–owned or State–leased buildings and grounds and extending to the surrounding area that encompasses 1,000 feet in any direction from the boundary of those buildings and grounds; altering the jurisdiction of the Maryland Capitol Police of the Department; requiring the Secretary of General Services to appoint the Chief of the Maryland Capitol Police; providing that the Chief serves at the pleasure of the Secretary; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SF, §§ 4-601 and 4-605 - amended, § 4-605.1 - added, and § 4-606 - repealed
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 942 Delegate M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)
STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – REEMPLOYMENT EARNINGS OFFSET – CLARIFICATION

Clarifying certain provisions of law pertaining to a certain reemployment earnings offset of a retirement allowance for certain retirees of the State Retirement and Pension System that are reemployed in certain positions.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SP, Various Sections - added and amended
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 943  Delegate K. Young, et al
MAIL ORDER AND SPECIALTY DRUGS – PHYSICIAN DISPENSING

Providing that certain provisions of law do not prohibit a physician from personally dispensing to a patient by mail order certain prescription drugs and devices; prohibiting certain entities, policies, and contracts from imposing certain cost–sharing requirements and conditions on an insured or a certificate holder who uses certain services; requiring certain entities to allow certain insureds, enrollees, and beneficiaries to obtain a covered drug from a certain physician; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021
HO, § 12-102 and IN, §§ 15-805, 15-847(a) and (d), 15-1611.1, and 15-1612 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 944  Delegates K. Young and Guyton
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – LIVING ORGAN DONORS

Increasing, from $7,500 to $10,000, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain expenses paid or incurred by an individual that are attributable to the individual’s donation of an organ; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 10-208(w) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 945  Delegate Atterbeary, et al
CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SENTENCING AND DISPOSITION – COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Authorizing a representative of a community impacted by the crime of which a defendant in juvenile court proceedings has been convicted to submit a certain community impact statement during sentencing or disposition of criminal or juvenile cases; and requiring a court to consider certain community impact statements.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CP, § 11-403 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 946  Delegates Dumais and Malone

CHILD SUPPORT – GUIDELINES

Authorizing a court, in determining whether the application of the child support guidelines would be unjust or inappropriate in a particular case to consider whether an obligor’s monthly obligation would leave the obligor with a monthly actual income below the 2019 federal poverty level for an individual; authorizing the court to decline to establish a child support order under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

FL, §§ 12-201, 12-202, and 12-204(b) and (e) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 947  Delegate Cullison

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – VIOLATIONS OF THE MARYLAND DENTISTRY ACT – PENALTIES AND CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS

Authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to issue a cease and desist order for certain violations; increasing certain penalties for certain acts related to the unauthorized practice of dentistry or dental hygiene; authorizing the Board to levy a civil fine of not more than $50,000 for certain violations under certain circumstances; altering from a misdemeanor to a felony certain penalties for violating certain provisions of law related to dental laboratory work or advertising a dental appliance; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HO, § 4-321 - added and § 4-606 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 948  Delegate M. Jackson (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – PENSION BENEFITS – CALCULATION

Providing that, under certain retirement and pension systems, a member’s normal service retirement allowance shall equal the member’s annuity under certain circumstances; providing that, under certain pension systems, a former member’s vested allowance shall equal the former member’s annuity under certain circumstances; and providing for the retroactive application of the Act to certain individuals.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, §§ 20-101(e), 22-401, 23-401, 24-401, 25-401, 26-401, and 29-303 -amended

Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 949  Delegate Washington
ELECTION LAW – DISCLOSURE OF QUALIFYING PAID DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS – REVISIONS
Repealing a requirement that an online platform maintain and make available to the State Board of Elections on request certain records regarding certain qualifying paid digital communications that a purchaser requests to disseminate through the online platform; and requiring an online platform to maintain and make available to the State Board on request, within 48 hours after the qualifying paid digital communication is first disseminated on the online platform and for at least 1 year after the general election, certain records.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
EL, § 13-405 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 950  Dorchester County Delegation
COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – MARYLAND VOTING EQUITY REFORM DAY
Providing that the Fourth Tuesday in October each year is Maryland Voting Equity Reform Day.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
GP, § 7-416 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 951  Delegate Washington
ELECTION LAW – DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY PERSONS DOING PUBLIC BUSINESS – ENFORCEMENT
Altering the manner in which the State Board of Elections is authorized to impose fees for the late filing of certain statements of contributions by persons doing public business; requiring certain persons who violate certain provisions of law requiring disclosure of contributions by persons doing public business to pay a civil penalty in accordance with certain provisions of the Act; prohibiting a certain penalty from exceeding $25,000; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
EL, § 14-107 - amended and §§ 14-107.1 and 14-107.2 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 952  Delegates Atterbeary and J. Lewis  
DRUNK DRIVING OFFENSES – IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PROGRAM  
Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to require certain persons who are convicted of, or granted certain probation for, certain criminal offenses to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for certain periods of time. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020  
TR, § 16-404.1(c)(1) and (d)(1)(i)1. and 2., (2)(i), and (4) - amended  
Assigned to: Judiciary  

HB 953  Delegate Washington, et al  
PUBLIC ETHICS – ISSUE LOBBYING COMMUNICATIONS – LOBBYIST REGISTRATION AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS  
Requiring a certain entity to register with the State Ethics Commission as a regulated lobbyist if, during a certain reporting period, the entity spends a certain amount for issue lobbying communications; requiring a certain regulated lobbyist to report certain information to the Ethics Commission in addition to certain other reports; requiring a certain regulated lobbyist to report certain information to the Ethics Commission within a certain period of time on receipt of an aggregate donation of a certain amount; etc.  
EMERGENCY BILL  
GP, §§ 5-701, 5-702(a), and 5-705(d) - amended and §§ 5-717 and 5-718 - added  
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation  

HB 954  Delegate Smith, et al  
BALTIMORE CITY – 45TH DISTRICT – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – EXCHANGE OF CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE  
Authorizing a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license holder in the 45th legislative district to exchange the license for a Class B–D–7 beer, wine, and liquor license if the licensed premises is in a certain area and an applicant executes a memorandum of understanding with the Mount Vernon–Belvedere Improvement Association; providing that a certain license holder is authorized to provide outdoor table service; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020  
AB, § 12-903(f) - added and §§ 12-905(c) and 12-1406 - amended  
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 955  Delegate Hornberger, et al

SNARE TRAPS – PROHIBITION AGAINST USE, SALE, POSSESSION, SETTING, PLACING, OR MAINTAINING – ALTERATIONS

Repealing a provision of law making the possession of a snare trap prima facie evidence that the trap was used to violate a certain provision of law; repealing a requirement that a law enforcement officer of the State confiscate and destroy a snare trap under certain circumstances; repealing a prohibition against possessing a snare trap in certain counties; repealing a prohibition against using, selling, possessing, setting, placing, or maintaining a snare trap in Cecil County; and repealing an obsolete provision of law.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

NR, § 10-410(k) and (p) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 956  Delegate Adams

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION – GENERAL CONTRACTOR LIABILITY

Altering the circumstances under which general contractors are jointly and severally liable for violations of the wage payment and collection law by subcontractors; prohibiting an obligation of contract right from being impaired by the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 3-507.2 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 957  Delegate Reznik, et al

COMMERCIAL LAW – MARYLAND NET NEUTRALITY ACT OF 2020

Prohibiting fixed Internet service providers and mobile broadband Internet access service providers, in the course of providing certain services, from blocking certain content, applications, services, or devices, subject to a certain limitation, or impairing or degrading certain Internet traffic on a certain basis; prohibiting fixed Internet service providers and mobile broadband Internet access service providers, in the course of providing certain services, from requiring certain consideration; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

CL, §§ 14-4201 through 14-4204 and SF, §§ 2-901 and 2-902 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 958  Delegate Buckel, et al

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS – SINGLE-MEMBER DELEGATE DISTRICTS (ONE PERSON ONE VOTE ACT)

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to require each legislative district to be subdivided into single-member delegate districts; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT
Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 3 - amended
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 959  Delegates Pendergrass and Pena–Melnyk

HEALTH INSURANCE – CONSUMER PROTECTIONS

Authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to enforce certain provisions of law under certain applicable powers; requiring the Commissioner to adopt certain regulations under certain circumstances that are consistent with certain federal regulations, rules, and guidance; prohibiting certain carriers from excluding or limiting certain benefits or denying certain coverage because a certain health condition was present on a certain date; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL
IN, § 15-137.1 - repealed and §§ 15-1A-01 through 15-1A-22 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 960  Delegate Shetty, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – FALSE STATEMENTS – EMERGENCY OR COMMISSION OF CRIME

Prohibiting a person from making or causing to be made a certain statement, report, or complaint to a certain governmental emergency report recipient with reckless disregard of causing bodily harm to an individual as a direct result of a response to the statement, report, or complaint; establishing penalties for a violation of the Act; providing for the venue for a prosecution for a violation of the Act; providing that a person who violates the Act is civilly liable to a certain individual; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 961  Delegate Reilly

HARFORD COUNTY – GAMING – HOME GAMES – BINGO

Adding bingo in Harford County to the list of home games that an individual may conduct in a common area of a residential property if the property is restricted to residents who are at least 55 years old.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SG, § 9-1C-01 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 962  Harford County Delegation

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM LICENSE

Establishing an assisted living program beer, wine, and liquor license in Harford County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue the license to a manager of an assisted living program, but no more than five ALP licenses to a person; authorizing the license holder to provide beer and wine for on-premises consumption by a resident or guest; authorizing the license holder to store liquor, prepare mixed drinks, and serve liquor or mixed drinks; specifying a license fee of $5,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, §§ 22-1001 and 22-1405(c) - added and §§ 22-1405(a) and 22-1602(a) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 963  Harford County Delegation

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ON-SALE LICENSE RECORD KEEPING AND ENFORCEMENT

Requiring a holder of a license with an on-sale privilege in Harford County to keep certain records at the location designated in the license or another location in the county; requiring a certain license holder, on 5 days’ notice, to make certain records available for inspection by the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County or a designee of the Board; requiring the Board to impose a certain fine under certain circumstances; and authorizing the Board to suspend a certain license under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, § 22-1904 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 964  Delegate Wilson
EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION – DEFINITIONS OF “EMPLOYEE” AND “HARASSMENT” (WORKPLACE CIVILITY ACT)

Altering the definition of “employee” to include an individual elected to public office and an appointee on the policy making level for the purposes of certain provisions of law governing employment discrimination; and altering the definition of “harassment” for the purposes of certain provisions of law governing employment discrimination to include certain acts or omissions.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SG, § 20-601(c) and (h) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 965  Delegate Beitzel, et al
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MINIMUM WAGE – ALLEGANY COUNTY AND GARRETT COUNTY

Establishing a minimum wage rate for Allegany County and Garrett County.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
LE, § 3-413 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 966  Southern Maryland Delegation
HIGHER EDUCATION – COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND – BUDGET

Altering the information shown in the budget of the College of Southern Maryland; and requiring certain county commissioners to review and approve a budget request made by the College of Southern Maryland.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 16-610 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations
**HB 967**  Delegate Miller, et al  

**TASK FORCE TO STUDY PRIVATIZATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND MEDICAL SYSTEM**

Establishing the Task force to Study Privatization of the University of Maryland Medical System; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report interim and final reports to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2021 and July 1, 2022 respectively; etc.  

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020**  
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 968**  Delegate Kipke, et al  

**REGULATED FIREARMS – STRAW PURCHASE – PENALTIES**

Altering the penalties for knowingly participating in a straw purchase of a regulated firearm for a minor or for a person prohibited by law from possessing a regulated firearm; prohibiting a court from suspending any part of a certain mandatory minimum sentence; and providing that a certain person is not eligible for parole during a certain mandatory minimum sentence.  

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020**  
PS, § 5-141 - amended  
Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 969**  Allegany County Delegation and Garrett County Delegation  

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FRANCHISE TAX – CREDIT FOR PURCHASE OF MARYLAND–MINED COAL – EXTENSION**

Extending to December 31, 2030, the termination of a credit against the public service company franchise tax for the purchase of Maryland–mined coal; authorizing the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to approve up to $3,000,000 in total credits each year; etc.  

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020**  
TG, § 8-406(b) - amended  
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 970  Delegate Kipke, et al

HEALTH INSURANCE – REIMBURSEMENT OF PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS – BONUS PAYMENTS – APPLICABILITY

Defining the term “primary care provider” for purposes of provisions of law requiring health insurance carriers to pay to certain individuals bonus payments for services provided under certain circumstances; and requiring a carrier to pay a bonus to primary care providers for services provided in nonhospital settings under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
IN, § 15-136 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 971  Harford County Delegation

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS GCR (GOLF COURSE RESTAURANT) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue a Class GCR (golf course restaurant) beer, wine, and liquor license in accordance with certain requirements; providing for the days and hours of sale for the license; and establishing an annual license fee of $3,500.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, § 22-1003.1 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 972  Harford County Delegation

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS C–3 LICENSE

Altering, in Harford County, the membership qualifications for a social organization that may be issued a certain 6–day or 7–day Class C–3 beer, wine, and liquor license by the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to include first responders.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
AB, § 22-909(b) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 973  Delegate Stewart, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – VIOLATIONS INVOLVING PEDESTRIANS OR BICYCLISTS – PENALTIES (PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ACT OF 2020)

Establishing certain minimum fines for certain traffic violations relating to the driver of a vehicle failing to stop or yield to certain pedestrian and bicycle traffic; altering the source of funds for the Pedestrian Safety Fund; and requiring the Secretary of Transportation, in administering the Fund, to prioritize enhancing the safety and quality of pedestrian and bicycle transportation near schools and school bus stops.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, §§ 21-202(e) and (k), 21-204(c), 21-502, 21-502.1, 21-504, 21-511, 21-705, and 21-707 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 974  Delegate Wilson, et al

CIVIL ACTIONS – CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE – DEFINITION AND STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS (HIDDEN PREDATOR ACT OF 2020)

Altering the definition of “sexual abuse”; altering the statute of limitations in certain civil actions relating to child sexual abuse by providing that a certain action may be filed at any time; and providing for the retroactive application of the Act to revive any action that was barred by the application of the period of limitations applicable before October 1, 2020, if the action is filed before October 1, 2022; and repealing a statute of repose for certain civil actions relating to child sexual abuse.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 975  Delegate Cullison

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – SCHOOL–BASED HEALTH CENTERS – OMBUDSMEN

Requiring the State Superintendent of Schools and the Secretary of Health each to designate an ombudsman for school–based health centers; requiring the ombudsmen to serve as a point of contact, provide technical assistance, and coordinate efforts of certain agencies; altering the membership of the Council on Advancement of School–Based Health Centers; requiring the Council to develop recommendations for integrating school–based health centers into patient–centered models of care; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 2-303(l) and HG, § 2-104(p) - added and HG, §§ 19-22A-03(a) and 19-22A-05(a) and (b) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Ways and Means

HB 976  Delegate Chang

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SERVICE OF SUMMARY EJECTMENT PAPERS – SHERIFF’S SURCHARGE AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRIVATE PROCESS SERVER

Requiring a certain surcharge for service of summary ejectment papers by the Anne Arundel County Sheriff’s Office; and authorizing, in an action to repossess any premises in Anne Arundel County, service of process on a tenant to be directed to any person authorized under the Maryland Rules to serve process.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 7-402 and RP, § 8-401(b)(5)(ii) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 977  Delegate Kelly

WORKGROUP TO STUDY LONG–TERM CARE MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY AND PAYMENTS TO PROVIDERS

Establishing the Workgroup to Study Long–Term Care Medicaid Eligibility and Payments to Providers; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Workgroup to submit an interim and a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021, respectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 978 Delegate Kelly

MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – PHARMACY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATIONS – REGULATION

Requiring, on or after July 1, 2021, pharmacy services administrative organizations to register with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner before providing certain services in the State; requiring certain applicants to file an application on a certain form and pay a certain fee; providing for the expiration and renewal of certain registration; prohibiting certain pharmacy services administrative organizations from entering into certain contracts; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
IN, §§ 15-2001 through 15-2021 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 979 Delegate D.M. Davis, et al

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INMATE COST-OF-LIVING REPORT – MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISES DIVERSITY REPORT

Requiring the Commissioner of Correction to include in a certain report certain statistics related to the cost of living of inmates at certain facilities; and requiring the Division of Correction to include in a certain report regarding Maryland Correctional Enterprises certain statistics regarding the race, age, and sex of certain inmates, disaggregated by job classification and wage scale.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CS, §§ 3-207 and 3-509 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 980 Delegate Reznik, et al

INCOME TAX – ENERGY STORAGE TAX CREDIT – ALTERATIONS

Defining “taxpayer” as the owner of residential or commercial property who purchases and installs an energy storage system or an individual who owns or pays for the installation of an energy storage system that supplies energy for use on a residential or commercial property; providing a credit against the State income tax for the costs of installing an energy storage system; increasing from $75,000 to $150,000 the maximum tax credit certificate that may be issued for the installation of an energy storage system on certain property; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 10-719 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 981  Delegate Guyton, et al
COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – THERAPY DOGS – CERTIFICATION AND USE IN SCHOOLS

Requiring each county board of education to allow the use of therapy dogs in public schools in the county; and requiring county boards to adopt a policy for the use of therapy dogs in schools in the county.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 4-138 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 982  Delegate Charkoudian, et al
PUBLIC UTILITIES – LOW–INCOME AND MIDDLE–INCOME HOUSING – ENERGY PERFORMANCE TARGETS

Requiring the Public Service Commission, for the 2021–2023 program cycle, by regulation or order, to the extent that the Commission determines that low–income programs are available, to require the Department of Housing and Community Development to procure or provide for electricity customers energy efficiency and conservation programs and services designed to achieve a target annual incremental gross energy savings of at least 1% per year starting in 2021; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
PU, § 7-211.1 - added and SG, § 9-20B-05 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 983  Delegate Dumais
CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES AND PARTNERSHIPS – SERIES – CONVERSION

Providing that, under certain circumstances, the personal representative or guardian of the last remaining member of a limited liability company shall automatically be admitted as a new member, unless a certain action is taken; authorizing certain persons to wind up the affairs of a limited liability company in certain circumstances; authorizing a court to wind up the affairs of a limited liability company on the application of certain persons under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CA, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 984  Delegate Cullison

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION – PROGRAM CHANGES AND REQUIRED REPORTS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to ensure that providers of and individuals who receive certain services are not negatively impacted when using a certain software system or function; requiring that an individual receiving certain services who receives a certain notice have 30 days to appeal a certain eligibility determination; requiring certain services to continue uninterrupted under certain circumstances until the outcome of a certain appeal is complete; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 7-309 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 985  Delegate Dumais, et al

COMPENSATION TO INDIVIDUAL ERRONEOUSLY CONVICTED, SENTENCED, AND CONFINED OR WHOSE CONVICTION OR ADJUDICATION IS REVERSED

Altering a provision of law to require, rather than authorize, the Board of Public Works to pay certain compensation to a certain individual who has been erroneously convicted, sentenced, and confined on a finding of eligibility by an administrative law judge within 60 days after receiving the order; authorizing an administrative law judge to issue a certain order of eligibility under certain circumstances; requiring certain compensation made by the Board to be equal to a certain amount; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SF, § 10-501 - amended and §§ 10-502 and 10-503 - added and SG, § 9-1604(a)(4) and (b)(1)(i) - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 986 Delegate Guyton, et al
STATE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM – REPORTING
Altering the contents of a certain report required by the Department of Human Services regarding children and foster youth in the State child welfare system; requiring the State Department of Education, on or before December 1 each year, to report to the General Assembly and the Department of Human Services certain information regarding children and foster youth in the State child welfare system; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
FL, § 5-1312 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 987 Delegate Smith, et al
ENVIRONMENT – RECYCLING – HOTELS
Requiring an owner, an operator, or a manager of a hotel to provide recycling for the guests of the hotel and recycle certain materials on or before October 1, 2021; requiring the recycling be carried out in accordance with a certain recycling plan; authorizing a county to require an owner, an operator, or a manager of a hotel to report certain information to the county in a certain manner; authorizing certain entities to conduct certain inspections; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EN, § 9-1711.1 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation

HB 988 Delegate Smith, et al
ENVIRONMENT – BUSINESS RECYCLING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
Requiring a certain business to submit a certain recycling report to a certain county on or before March 1 each year; specifying the contents of the recycling report; establishing a certain penalty for a violation of the Act; providing for the enforcement of the Act; and providing for the distribution of certain penalties.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EN, § 9-1705.1 - added and §§ 9-1711(b)(2) and 9-1714(b)(3) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters
HB 989  Delegate R. Lewis

HOSPITALS – CARE OF INFANTS AFTER DISCHARGE

Requiring a hospital to provide certain instructions to the parent or legal guardian of an infant before the hospital discharges the infant into the care of the parent or legal guardian; requiring a hospital before discharging an infant to inquire as to whether a parent or legal guardian is able to provide the infant with a certain environment and a certain item, inform a parent or legal guardian of certain matters, and provide each parent or legal guardian with a certain form; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 19-308.9 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 990  Delegate Grammer

BALTIMORE COUNTY – FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS – AFFIDAVIT THAT PROPERTY IS VACANT OR UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION

Authorizing a person with a secured interest in residential property in Baltimore County, under certain circumstances, to file an order to docket or complaint to foreclose accompanied by an affidavit that the residential property is vacant or unfit for human habitation under certain housing codes; providing, with a certain exception, that the requirements of certain provisions of law do not apply to an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on the property for which the affidavit is issued; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
RP, § 7-105.13 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 991  Delegate Wilson

PROCUREMENT – TRANSPARENCY AND APPLICATION TO COUNTY CONTRACTS

Altering the definition of “unit” for the purposes of applying certain provisions of law governing procurement to certain county procurement contracts using State funds or for the benefit of the State; requiring certain invitations for bids and requests for proposals to include certain instructions; altering the period of time within which a unit is required to publish a certain notice of award in a competitive sealed bid or sole source procurement in eMaryland Marketplace; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 992  Delegates Kipke and Chisholm

CIVIL ACTIONS – TORTIOUS INJURY TO OR DEATH OF PET – COMPENSATORY DAMAGES (BUDDY’S LAW)

Increasing from $10,000 to $25,000 the maximum amount of compensatory damages that may be awarded to an owner of a pet from a person who tortiously causes an injury to or death of the pet under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CJ, § 11-110 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 993  Montgomery County Delegation

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – COMPENSATION MC 13–20

Altering the compensation of the members of the Montgomery County Board of Education; authorizing a student member to elect to receive certain compensation at a certain time; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 3-902 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 994  Delegate Kipke, et al

INSURANCE – HEALTH CARE SHARING MINISTRIES

Repealing a certain exemption from certain insurance laws for certain voluntary noncontractual religious publication arrangements; exempting from certain insurance laws certain health care sharing ministries; requiring a person to obtain a certificate of registration from the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to act as a health care sharing ministry in the State; requiring the Commissioner to send a notice of an impending expiration of a certificate of registration not later than 30 days before the expiration; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

IN, § 1-202(a)(4) - repealed, §§ 1-202(a)(4), 8-701 through 8-707, and 27-402(15) - added, and § 27-402(14) and (15) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 995  Delegate Chang

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY

Altering the salary of the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the Sheriff while serving in a term of office beginning before the effective date of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 2-315(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 996  Delegate Lisanti

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – CYBERSECURITY RESPONSE TEAM

Requiring the Department of Information Technology, in consultation with the Maryland Cybersecurity Council, to establish a Cybersecurity Response Team; setting forth the duties of the Cybersecurity Response Team; altering the purposes of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund; requiring the Comptroller to disperse certain funds from the 9–1–1 Trust Fund to certain local jurisdictions for a certain purpose; and requiring the Department to report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on the activities of the Cybersecurity Response Team.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, § 3A-315 and PS, § 1-309(b)(5) - added and PS, § 1-308(b)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 997  Delegate Brooks, et al
TASK FORCE TO STUDY VETERANS’ SUICIDE CAUSES AND PREVENTION

Establishing the Task Force to Study Veterans’ Suicide Causes and Prevention; requiring the Task Force to study certain issues related to veterans’ suicide in the State; requiring the Task Force to coordinate and communicate with certain groups in completing a certain study; requiring the Task Force to make certain recommendations; requiring the Task Force to submit an interim and a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before certain dates; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 998  Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al
MARYLAND LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR PHYSICIANS AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – ADMINISTRATION AND FUNDING

Transferring oversight of the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Physicians and Physician Assistants from the Office of Student Financial Assistance within the Maryland Higher Education Commission to the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the Department, by July 1, 2021, and each July 1 thereafter, to submit a report to the General Assembly on the number of eligible physicians and physician assistants who applied for and participated in the Program that includes certain information; etc.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, §§ 24-1701, 24-1702(b)(1), 24-1704, 24-1705, and 24-1706 - amended and § 24-1707 - added and HO, §§ 14-207 and 15-206(c) - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 999  Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al
MEMBER–REGULATED COOPERATIVES – ESTABLISHMENT (RURAL BROADBAND FOR THE EASTERN SHORE ACT OF 2020)

Establishing a process for a cooperative to operate as a member–regulated cooperative in a certain area; specifying that the Public Service Commission does not have jurisdiction over a member–regulated cooperative, subject to certain exceptions; prohibiting a member–regulated cooperative from exercising a certain power of condemnation for the sole purpose of providing broadband Internet service; specifying certain provisions of law that apply to a member–regulated cooperative; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PU, § 2-112(a) and CA, §§ 5-601, 5-632(b), and 5-646(b) - amended and CA, §§ 5-635 through 5-642 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1000  Delegate Ebersole, et al
BUILDING LIFELONG LIBRARY LEARNERS ACT

Prohibiting a public library from charging a minor a replacement fine or fee for an overdue library book until 3 months after the date on which the library book was due; requiring a public library to cancel or return a certain replacement fine or fee if a book is returned; altering the calculation of certain funding for the State Library Research Center; requiring the Governor to include $7,500,000 in fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter in the annual operating or capital budget for county library capital projects; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 23-110 - added and §§ 23-205(d), 23-503(b), and 23-509(e)(5) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1001  Delegate Wilson

BUSINESS REGULATION – AMUSEMENT ATTRACTIONS – MARYLAND RIDER SAFETY ACT

Requiring riders of amusement attractions to obey the posted rules, warnings, and oral instructions and refrain from acting in a certain manner that may cause or contribute to an injury to the rider or others; requiring a rider of an amusement attraction or the parent or guardian of a certain rider to make certain determinations before riding or attempting to ride an amusement attraction; requiring a rider or the parent or guardian of a rider to submit a written report to the amusement owner about any injury incurred; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
BR, §§ 3-601 through 3-606 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1002  Delegate Feldmark

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Altering the title of the Executive Director of the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to be the Chief Executive Officer; making conforming changes; and authorizing the publisher of the Annotated Code of Maryland to make certain changes in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EC, ED, and SG, Various Sections - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1003  Delegate Barron

HUMAN SERVICES – DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES – ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAMS

Transferring the administration and management of the Telecommunications Access of Maryland and Telecommunications Devices and Distribution of Accessible Information for Disabled Individuals programs from the Department of Information Technology to the Department of Disabilities; requiring the Department of Disabilities to provide staff, including a director, to the Governor’s Advisory Board for Telecommunications Relay; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
HU, §§ 7-114(b), 7-120, 7-801, 7-803, 7-804, 7-806, 7-901, 7-902, 7-903, 7-905, and 7-906 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 1004  Delegate Barron

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES – JUVENILE STRATEGIC REENTRY PROGRAM

Requiring the Secretary of Juvenile Services to establish the Juvenile Strategic Reentry Program for children committed to the custody or under the guardianship of the Department of Juvenile Services; establishing the purpose of the Program; requiring the Department to direct reentry specialists to oversee the return of certain children to the community; requiring that a reentry specialist meet with a child at least 45 days before the release of the child from an out–of–home placement; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HU, § 9-247 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1005  Delegate Wilson

EDUCATION – HEALTH AND SAFETY OF STUDENTS – NOTIFICATION OF PROBLEMATIC SEXUAL BEHAVIOR

Requiring public schools and nonpublic schools that receive State funds to notify parents or guardians of certain students involved in an incident of problematic sexual behavior by the close of business on the day of the incident; and requiring a county board to ensure that certain schools have a certain policy in place regarding a certain notification.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 7-424.4 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1006  Delegate Miller, et al

REAL ESTATE BROKERS – EXEMPTION FOR AUCTIONEERS – REPEAL

Repealing an exemption from certain provisions relating to real estate brokers and licensure for licensed auctioneers while selling any real estate at public auction.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
BOP, § 17-102 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 1007  Delegate P. Young, et al

TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE VETERAN–OWNED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprise Program; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding opportunities for veteran–owned small business enterprises to participate in State procurement contracts and the improvement of the veteran–owned small business enterprise program; requiring the Task Force to report its findings to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1, 2020; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1008  Delegate Wilson

EDUCATION – CHILD ABUSE AND SEXUAL MISCONDUCT PREVENTION – HIRING EMERGENT EMPLOYEES

Authorizing the hiring of a certain emergent employee by a county board of education or nonpublic school for a period not to exceed 60 days under certain conditions; authorizing a county board or nonpublic school to take certain actions within the 60–day period regarding an emergent employee under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain appeal following a certain decision by a county board; prohibiting a certain decision by a county board from being subject to a certain collective bargaining process; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 6-113.2 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1009  Delegate Barron, et al

ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS – ATTORNEY SECURITY PASSES FOR ATTORNEYS IN GOOD STANDING

Requiring the Administrative Office of the Courts to adopt certain procedures in consultation with the Maryland State Bar Association relating to certain attorney security passes and to statewide acceptance of attorney security passes at State court facilities; and authorizing the Maryland State Bar Association to manage and administer the issuance of an attorney security pass.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CJ, § 13-101.2 - added and SF, § 4-607 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 1010 Delegate Acevero, et al

HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – DISCRIMINATION (LGBTQ SENIOR BILL OF RIGHTS)

Prohibiting certain facilities or certain staff from discriminating against certain individuals or residents on certain bases; requiring certain facilities to post a certain notice next to the facility’s nondiscrimination policy in certain locations; requiring certain facilities to include a certain notice in certain materials; providing for the contents of the notice; requiring that all residents of a certain facility be informed of and have certain rights; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 19-355.1 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1011 Delegate Washington, et al

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION OUTREACH AND COLLEGE ACCESS PILOT PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS (MARYLAND COLLEGE ACCESS ACT)

Repealing the termination date of certain provisions of the Maryland Higher Education Outreach and College Access Pilot Program; altering the title of the Program; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $200,000 for the Program; etc.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1012 Delegate Cardin

MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION POLICE – POWERS

Authorizing members of the Motor Vehicle Administration Police to enforce the general criminal laws of the State and to make arrests; and including members of the Motor Vehicle Administration Police in connection with provisions of law relating to the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission and the Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CP and PS, Various Sections - amended and CP, § 2-101(c)(27) and PS, §§ 3-101(e)(1)(ii)27. and 3-201(f)(1)(ii)23. - added
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 1013 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo

VEHICLE LAWS – RENTAL VEHICLES – DRIVER’S LICENSE VERIFICATION AND RECORDS

Prohibiting a vehicle lessor from renting a vehicle to another person unless the lessor verifies that the person’s driver’s license is not expired; authorizing a vehicle lessor to meet certain inspection and verification requirements related to the driver’s license of a vehicle lessee through electronic or digital means; authorizing a vehicle lessor to keep certain records in an electronic or digital format; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, § 18-103 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1014 Delegate Szeliga, et al

ELECTRICITY – CONSIDERATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AND OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION LINES

Requiring the Public Service Commission to take final action on an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity only after due consideration of certain factors including whether the applicant’s design prioritizes the use or upgrading of existing infrastructure; prohibiting the construction of an overhead transmission line that is aligned with and within 1 mile of a conservation easement unless there is a certain showing of good cause; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PU, § 7-207 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1015 Prince George’s County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – LAND USE DOCUMENTS – CERTIFICATION PG/MC 104–20

Requiring certain land use regulations applicable in Montgomery County to require that certain persons sign a certain certification under penalty of perjury for certain land use documents submitted to the Montgomery County Planning Board; and establishing the content of the certification.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
LU, § 23-109 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 1016  Delegates Rosenberg and McIntosh

HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND CORPS PROGRAM FUND – ALTERATIONS

Expanding the purpose and authorized uses of the Maryland Corps Program Fund to include covering expenses incurred to study certain matters and providing funding to match certain gifts or grants; requiring, in fiscal year 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter, funds for the Maryland Corps Program to be as provided in the State budget to cover certain additional expenses; and requiring, for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $150,000 to the

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, §§ 24-1108 and 24-1109 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1017  Delegate Charkoudian, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – COTTAGE FOOD PRODUCT LABELS – IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Altering the required contents of the label with which cottage food products must be prepackaged to allow the inclusion of the phone number of the cottage food business and a certain identification number, rather than the address of the cottage food business; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to provide a certain identification number to a cottage food business on request for a certain purpose.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 21-330.1 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
**HB 1018** Delegate D.E. Davis, et al  
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT – REVISIONS

Requiring the Secretary of Labor to develop certain mandatory, rather than voluntary, guidelines for employers faced with a reduction in operations; altering required contents of the guidelines; requiring an employer to provide written notice to certain persons at least 90 days before initiating a reduction in operations; requiring that the notice include certain information and a certain statement; requiring the Commissioner to issue a certain order under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, §§ 11-301 and 11-304(b) - amended and §§ 11-305 and 11-306 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 1019** Delegate D.E. Davis  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – ELECTRIC COMPANIES AND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES – CUSTOMER IDENTIFICATION

Requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt regulations requiring electric companies and electric cooperatives to adopt a method for an electricity supplier enrolling a certain customer to provide certain information to adequately identify the customer without using the customer’s account number; requiring the regulations to require that a certain customer enrolling with an electricity supplier may offer certain information as proof of identity under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PU, § 7-311 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 1020** Delegate Lierman  
HEALTH SERVICES INITIATIVE – VISION CARE FOR LOW–INCOME CHILDREN

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, under certain circumstances, to establish a certain Health Services Initiative; requiring the Health Services Initiative to apply to certain individuals; require certain schools to provide certain services, offer services from certain providers, and require the Department to reimburse certain providers in a certain manner for certain services; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

HG, § 15-150 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 1021  Delegate Hartman, et al
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND HEALTHY WORKING FAMILIES ACT – SEASONAL TEMPORARY WORKERS

Increasing, from 106 to 120 days, the period during which an employer is not required to allow an employee to use earned sick and safe leave; altering the circumstances under which an employer is required to reinstate certain unused sick and safe leave; and altering the circumstances under which an employer is authorized to require an employee who uses earned sick and safe leave to provide certain verification.
EMERGENCY BILL
LE, §§ 3-1304(c) and (h) and 3-1305(g) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1022  Delegate D.M. Davis, et al
EDUCATION – ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring each county board of education, beginning in the 2020–2021 school year, to report certain data and information for each alternative school within its jurisdiction to the State Department of Education; requiring the Department, on or before October 1 each year, beginning in 2021, to report to the Governor and the General Assembly the data and information required to be reported by the county boards; and defining “alternative school”.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 7-125 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1023  Delegate Washington
SALES AND USE TAX – LICENSED STATEWIDE CATERERS – EXEMPTION

Providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for the sale of certain materials and supplies to a licensed statewide caterer if, under certain circumstances, the materials and supplies will be used by the caterer to perform a catering contract; requiring the holder of the statewide caterer’s license to apply to the Comptroller for an exemption certificate in order to qualify for the exemption; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, § 11-236 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1024  Delegates M. Jackson and Krebs (By Request – Commission to Advance Next Generation 9–1–1 Across Maryland)

CRIMINAL LAW – PUBLIC SAFETY – INTERFERENCE WITH AGENCIES AND SERVICES – PROHIBITIONS

Prohibiting a person from using telephone facilities or equipment to make calls or send data intended to annoy, abuse, torment, or harass a public safety answering point or public safety agency; prohibiting a person from using telephone facilities or equipment to make calls or send data to a public safety answering point or a public agency with the intent to trigger an emergency response or impair certain functions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, §§ 3-801, 3-804, 7-302(c) and (d), and 9-501 - amended and § 3-804.1 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1025  Prince George’s County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

MARYLAND–NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION – SUMMER MATH, READING, AND SCIENCE PILOT PROGRAM PG/MC 108–20

Establishing the Summer Math, Reading, and Science Pilot Program; providing for the purpose of the Pilot Program; requiring the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission to coordinate with the Prince George’s County public school system to integrate math, reading, science, technology, and social sciences content into summer parks and recreation programs offered in Prince George’s County; requiring the Commission to develop methods for measuring the effectiveness of the Pilot Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
LU, § 25-901 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1026  Delegates Palakovich Carr and Feldmark

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS – DATA COLLECTION, TRACKING, AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS – ALTERATION

Altering the definition of “economic development program” for purposes of the data collection, tracking, and reporting requirements of the Maryland Jobs Development Act to include certain tax credit programs; and requiring the Department of Commerce, on or before December 31, 2020, to make available on the Department’s website, in a certain format certain information relating to the recipients of economic development program tax credits or financial assistance and to update that information annually.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
EC, § 2.5-109 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1027  Delegate P. Young, et al

MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT – ELIGIBILITY

Authorizing certain members of the State Retirement and Pension System to receive credit for certain military service even if the member receives military service credit in another retirement system.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
SP, § 38-104 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1028  Delegate Queen, et al

PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – ELECTRIC RETRACTABLE ROOM PARTITIONS – MODEL SAFETY GUIDELINES AND LOCAL LAW

Requiring the State Department of Education to develop, disseminate, and publish online model safety guidelines on the safe operation of electric retractable room partitions; and authorizing the governing body of a county to enact a local law prohibiting school employees from operating an electric retractable room partition in a public or nonpublic school except under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 7-446 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1029 Delegate Brooks, et al
CLEAN ENERGY JOBS – WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – SCOPE

Altering the scope of apprenticeship and training programs that may receive certain support through the Clean Energy Workforce Account from the Strategic Energy Investment Fund for clean energy industry development.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
LE, § 11-708.1(c) and SG, § 9-20B-05(f)(10) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1030 Delegates Wilson and Atterbeary
EMPLOYERS OF EX-OFFENDERS – LIABILITY FOR NEGLIGENT HIRING OR INADEQUATE SUPERVISION – IMMUNITY

Establishing that certain employers are not liable, under certain circumstances, for negligently hiring or failing to adequately supervise an employee based on evidence that the employee has received probation before judgment for an offense or has been convicted of an offense; providing that the Act does not limit or abrogate certain other immunities or defenses; applying the Act prospectively; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CJ, § 5-427 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1031 Chair, Joint Committee on Ending Homelessness

JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENDING HOMELESSNESS – REPORTS ON HOUSING STATUS

Requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission, the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, the Maryland Department of Labor, and the Department of Human Services to make certain reports to the Joint Committee on Ending Homelessness on or before November 15, 2020, and November 15, 2021.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 1032  Delegate Smith, et al
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT – REFUSE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS – INCINERATORS, SCRAP TIRES, AND LOCAL AUTHORITY

Prohibiting the Secretary of the Environment from issuing a permit to install, materially alter, or materially extend incinerators; prohibiting a person that stores scrap tires from returning the scrap tires to the marketplace for use as artificial turf; prohibiting a person from incinerating tires; specifying the authority of a political subdivision to regulate refuse disposal systems and solid waste; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EN, §§ 9-204.1 and 9-228(b) and (c) - amended and § 9-731 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1033  Delegates Stein and Lehman
VEHICLE LAWS – LIENS – ELECTRONIC RECORDING

Requiring certain persons to record electronically a release related to motor vehicle liens with the Motor Vehicle Administration within 3 business days; requiring, rather than authorizing, the Administration to develop and implement an electronic system for recording and releasing security interests; authorizing the Administration to make certain information available electronically; authorizing certain parties to submit to the Administration certain electronic lien information on behalf of certain other parties; etc.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021
CL, §§ 12-622 and 12-1024 and TR, §§ 13-108.1 and 13-610 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1034  Delegate Carr, et al
COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL STREET LIGHTING INVESTMENT ACT

Authorizing a certain county or municipality, after giving 60 days written notice to the electric company and the Public Service Commission, to convert its street lighting service to a certain alternative—energy—only tariff, submit a request to acquire certain street lighting equipment from the electric company, and enter into an agreement to purchase electricity for a certain use from any available electricity supplier under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
LG, § 1-1309 - amended and PU, § 4-212 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 1035 Delegate Adams, et al

BAY RESTORATION FUND – USE OF FUNDS – MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER FACILITIES

Expanding the authorized uses of the Bay Restoration Fund to include certain costs associated with the connection of a property using an on-site sewage disposal system to an existing municipal wastewater facility that has signed a funding agreement with the Department of the Environment and is under construction to achieve enhanced nutrient removal or biological nutrient removal level treatment; specifying that these costs may be provided only if certain conditions are met; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EN, § 9-1605.2(h)(2) and (5) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1036 Delegate R. Watson, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – COMMERCIAL MOTOR CARRIERS – SAFETY, MAINTENANCE, AND INSURANCE INFORMATION (JAMES’S LAW)

Requiring certain employers of commercial motor vehicle drivers to provide safety records, maintenance records, and insurance information to a prospective employee driver; requiring a contract between a certain employer of commercial motor vehicle drivers and a subcontractor to require the subcontractor periodically to update safety records, maintenance records, and insurance information to the employer; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, § 16-806 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1037 Delegate Moon

CIVIL ACTIONS – NONECONOMIC DAMAGES – PERSONAL INJURY OR WRONGFUL DEATH

Specifying that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, no statutory limitation on noneconomic damages applies in certain claims or actions for damages for personal injury or wrongful death that arise on or after October 1, 2020 under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CJ, § 11-108.1 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 1038 Delegate Wilson

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES – RETENTION ELECTION

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection and tenure of circuit court judges; altering the method of filling vacancies in the office of a judge of a circuit court; providing for retention elections following an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of a judge of a circuit court; providing for a transitional period under which the terms of certain amendments are to become effective; 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, and 11 - amended and Art. XVIII, § 6 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary and Ways and Means

HB 1039 Delegates Malone and Carr

ADOPTION – ACCESS TO BIRTH AND ADOPTION RECORDS AND SEARCH, CONTACT, AND REUNION SERVICES

Repealing certain provisions of law specifying that certain provisions of law apply only to adoptions in which a juvenile court enters an order for adoption on or after January 1, 2000; altering, from 21 to 18, the age at which an adoptee, or biological parent if the adoptee is at least a certain age, may apply for a copy of certain birth and adoptions records; requiring the Director of Social Services to develop and make available a certain contact preference form; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
FL, Various Sections and HG, § 4-211(g) - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 406  Delegate Lehman, et al
CRIMES – UNATTENDED DOGS IN EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS

Prohibiting a person from leaving a dog outside and unattended for longer than 30 minutes without access to continuous suitable shelter during extreme weather conditions; applying a penalty of imprisonment for up to 90 days or a fine of up to $1,000 or both for violating the Act; and defining the terms “suitable shelter” and “extreme weather conditions”.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CR, § 10-623 - amended
Reassigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 732  Delegates Luedtke and Pena–Melnyk
ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES, OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AND CIGARETTES – TAXATION AND REGULATION

Applying certain provisions of tax law regulating the sale, manufacture, distribution, possession, and use of cigarettes and other tobacco products to certain electronic smoking devices; altering the definition of “other tobacco products” to include certain consumable products and the components or parts of those products and to exclude certain other products; requiring the Governor to include at least $21,000,000 in the annual budget for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter for certain activities; etc.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
BR, §§ 16.5-101(i) and 16.7-101(c), HG, § 13-1015, and TG, Various Sections - amended
Reassigned to: Ways and Means and Economic Matters
HOUSE BILLS REASSIGNED FEBRUARY 4, 2020

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
Reassigned to: Appropriations

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
Reassigned to: Judiciary