



SYNOPSIS

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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 13, 2020

HB 1583 Delegate Cox

PUBLIC HEALTH – ABORTIONS – PRENATAL DIAGNOSIS OF DOWN SYNDROME (DOWN SYNDROME DIGNITY ACT)

Providing that a certain prohibition on State interference with a certain decision to terminate a pregnancy at a certain time does not apply to a decision to terminate a pregnancy because the fetus has a prenatal diagnosis of Down syndrome except in cases where the fetus was conceived as a result of rape or incest or in cases of medical emergency.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 20-209 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

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HB 1584 Delegate Cox**PUBLIC HEALTH – FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES – ORDER OF PRIORITY OF FUNDING (PRIORITIZATION OF PUBLIC FUNDING FOR FAMILY PLANNING ACT)**

Authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to make certain expenditures and award certain grants to entities for family planning services in a certain order of priority; authorizing the State's Attorney for any county and any person harmed by an intentional violation of certain provisions of the Act to file a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction for monetary, declaratory, or injunctive relief; requiring certain monetary relief to be deposited into the General Fund of the State under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 13-3403 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1585 Delegate B. Barnes**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND E-NOVATION INITIATIVE PROGRAM – EXTENSION AND ALTERATIONS**

Extending and altering the Maryland E-Nnovation Initiative Program; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill a \$12,500,000 appropriation to the Maryland E-Nnovation Initiative Fund for fiscal years 2022 through 2026; altering the purposes for which certain endowment proceeds may be expended; altering certain requirements for certain individuals in certain positions funded by endowment proceeds; altering the distribution of certain revenue from the State admissions and amusement tax in a certain manner; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

EC, §§ 6-604(e) and 6-614 and TG, § 2-202(a)(1)(i) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1586 Delegate CardinSTATE BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS –
APPOINTMENTS

Increasing, from twice the number of vacancies to four times the number of vacancies, the number of names that is required to be on the list submitted by the Maryland Podiatric Medical Association to the Governor for the purpose of making certain appointments to the State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, § 16-202(a) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1587 Delegate Barve, et alVEHICLE LAWS – PLUG-IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLES –
RESERVED PARKING SPACES

Prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle that is not a plug-in electric drive vehicle in a parking space that is designated for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles; requiring that a parking space that is for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles have green pavement markings; requiring that a parking space that is for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles be counted as part of the overall number of parking spaces for purposes of complying with certain zoning or parking laws; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 21-1003.2 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1588 Delegate KipkePROCUREMENT – MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Requiring the Secretary of Information Technology to conduct a risk assessment of any major information technology development project the Secretary believes may present an exceptional risk to the State; requiring the risk assessment to consider the nature, processing, and use of sensitive or personally identifiable information; authorizing the Secretary to recommend an increase in a certain limitation of liability amount under certain circumstances; requiring a certain recommendation to be made in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, §§ 3A-308 and 3A-309(m) - amended and § 13-228 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1589 Delegate Palakovich Carr**ELECTION LAW – TIME OFF FOR EMPLOYEE VOTING**

Requiring every employer in the State to allow any employee, rather than any employee who claims to be a registered voter, in the State a certain period of absence from work to vote in an election, rather than only on election day; requiring the employee to provide reasonable proof to the employer in a timely manner that the employee voted or attempted to vote; prohibiting an employer from taking certain actions against an employee who exercises the right under certain provisions of law to be absent from work to vote; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

EL, § 10-315 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1590 Delegate Metzgar**CRIMINAL LAW – ASSAULT ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OPERATOR – PENALTIES AND REPORTING**

Altering certain penalties for intentionally causing physical injury to a bus operator, a train operator, a light rail operator, or any operator of a vehicle providing transportation services; requiring State and local transportation authorities to annually report certain information to the Attorney General; requiring the Attorney General to report annually, beginning December 31, 2021, to the Governor and the presiding officers of the General Assembly on the incidence of assault against certain individuals providing transportation services; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 3-203 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1591 Delegate Haynes**HIGHER EDUCATION – ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS PUBLIC SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Elijah E. Cummings Public Service Scholarship in the Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grants program; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to select and offer grants to students who are pursuing a major in public policy or political science and who plan to pursue a career in public service; requiring the Commission to select certain students who are representative of the State's cultural, geographic, racial, ethnic, and gender diversity; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 18-708 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HOUSE BILLS REASSIGNED FEBRUARY 12, 2020**HB 874 Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – COUNTRY CLUBS AND GOLF COURSES – ANNUAL LAND PRESERVATION FEE MC 16–20**

Requiring certain golf courses and country clubs in Montgomery County that are located on land with an average market value of at least \$500,000 per acre to pay an annual land preservation fee to the county; and requiring the county to use 50% of the fees for projects eligible for funds under Program Open Space and 50% of the fees for county agricultural land preservation programs.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

LG, § 20-610 - added

Reassigned to: Ways and Means

HB 875 **Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – DISTRACTED DRIVING MONITORING SYSTEMS – AUTHORIZATION MC 24–20**

Authorizing a law enforcement agency in Montgomery County to place distracted driver monitoring systems on highways located in Montgomery County, if authorized by the governing body of Montgomery County; requiring that a recorded image made by a distracted driver monitoring system include an image of the vehicle, the license plates, and the time, date, and location of the violation; providing that the driver of a motor vehicle recorded committing a certain violation is subject to a certain civil penalty of up to \$500; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, §§ 4-401(13), 7-302(e), and 10-311 - amended and TR, § 21-1124.4 - added
Reassigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1508 **Delegate Mautz, et al****INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – COMMUNICATIONS LINES – INSTALLATION**

Providing that certain provisions of law governing resource sharing do not apply to any private industry entities that have separate legal rights of access under State or local law to install communications lines and associated facilities in the State rights-of-way; and requiring the Department of Information Technology to waive certain fees for all last mile broadband telecommunications projects in unserved areas.

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SF, §§ 3A-307(d), 3A-801, and 3A-802 - added
Reassigned to: Economic Matters