SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
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Schedule 26

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 20, 2020

HB 1621 Delegate R. Watson, et al
TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF A BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL
Establishing the Task Force to Study the Feasibility of a Bowie State University Law School; requiring the Task Force to study the legal requirements, the operational feasibility including potential enrollment, and the economic issues related to locating a law school in Prince George’s County; requiring the Task Force to retain certain consultants as necessary; requiring the Governor to include an appropriation of $100,000 in the State budget to Bowie State University to conduct the study; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1622 Delegate Haynes
Baltimore City – Police Officers – Jurisdiction
Expanding the jurisdiction of certain police officers in certain law enforcement units in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PLL of Baltimore City, Art. 4, § 16-3A - added
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
HB 1623 Delegate Haynes

EDUCATION – COMMUNITY COLLEGES – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Establishing collective bargaining rights for community college employees; establishing procedures for the selection of an exclusive bargaining representative; establishing that a maximum number of six bargaining units may be designated at each community college; requiring certain contracts and agreements entered into before October 1, 2020, to remain in effect until the agreement or contract expires; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
ED, §§ 16-403, 16-412, and 16-414.1 - repealed and §§ 16-701 through 16-709 - added and SP, Various Sections - amended
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1624 Delegate M. Fisher, et al

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS – ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL OPTIONS (RIGHT TO LEARN ACT)

Requiring, on or before January 1 each year, each county board of education to notify the parent or legal guardian of a student who attends a failing school that the school is a failing school and provide a list of available alternative school options; requiring the parents or guardian of a student attending a failing school to notify the county board by April 1 of the student’s decision to continue in the current school or attend an alternative school; establishing the Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today Program; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 5-222 - added
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
HB 1625 Delegate M. Fisher

CONCENTRATION OF POVERTY SCHOOL GRANTS – AUTHORIZED USE

Stating that the purpose of the Concentration of Poverty School Grant Program is to provide concentration of poverty school grants to county boards of education; altering the fiscal years during which the State is required to distribute a concentration of poverty school grant to fiscal years 2021 and 2022; repealing the requirement that a county board distribute certain funds to each eligible school; authorizing a county board to use the grants to provide funding for certain scholarships, and free or reduced priced meals; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 5-203 - amended
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1626 Delegate Wilson

ZERO–EMISSION MOTOR VEHICLES – REGISTRATION FEES (INCREASING HIGHWAY EQUITY ACT)

Doubling the annual registration fees for motor vehicles of any class that are zero–emission vehicles.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, § 13-956 - added
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1627 Delegate Jalisi

MOTOR VEHICLES – LARGE VEHICLES – LEFT LANE PROHIBITION

Prohibiting large vehicles with four or more axles or a gross weight exceeding 10,000 pounds from using the far left lane on a roadway that has three or more lanes for traffic moving in the same direction with a certain posted maximum speed limit; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TR, § 21-306 - added
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
HB 1628  Delegate Luedtke, et al

SALES AND USE TAX – RATE REDUCTION AND SERVICES

Altering the definitions of “taxable price” and “taxable service” for the purposes of certain provisions of law governing the sales and use tax to impose the tax on certain labors and services; altering the rate of the sales and use tax; altering the percentage of gross receipts from vending machine sales and from certain sales of dyed diesel fuel to which the sales and use tax is applied; altering the rate of the sales and use tax applied to certain charges made in connection with sales of alcoholic beverages; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

TG, Various Sections - added, amended, and repealed

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations