SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2020 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 22, 2020
Schedule 12

PLEASE NOTE: January 31 – Bill introduction deadline.
All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate’s office by
5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 3.
As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be
referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 22, 2020

SB 288 Senator Elfreth, et al
CITY OF ANNAPOLIS – HOUSING AUTHORITY – PROHIBITIONS
AGAINST EXCEPTIONS TO LOCAL LAWS
Prohibiting a State public body from making an exception for the Housing
Authority of the City of Annapolis to a law, rule, regulation, or ordinance that
operates in Annapolis and relates to licensure or the inspection of real property.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HS, § 13-112 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 289  Senator Edwards

REAL PROPERTY – ALLEGANY COUNTY – TRANSFER OF PROPERTY ON ASSESSMENT BOOKS

Prohibiting the transfer of property in Allegany County on the assessment books or records until certain charges due a municipal corporation have been paid as required by law, subject to certain exceptions; and requiring the certificate of a certain collecting agent and municipal corporation to be endorsed on the deed and providing that the endorsement is sufficient authority for transfer on the assessment books.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
RP, § 3-104(b) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 290  Senator Edwards, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FORFEITURE OF FIREARMS – SALE TO DEALER

Authorizing a certain law enforcement unit to sell, exchange, or transfer certain forfeited firearms to a federally licensed firearms dealer certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CP, § 13-206 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 291  Senator Edwards

REAL PROPERTY – RECORDING COSTS – EXEMPTION

Adding units of State government to the list of entities that are exempt from paying certain recording costs and other fees.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
RP, § 3-603 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 292  Senator Edwards
TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL FOR WESTERN MARYLAND – MEMBERSHIP
Providing that two mayors from each member county or their representatives are to be appointed to the Tri-County Council for Western Maryland by the commissioners from their respective member county rather than by certain chapters of the Maryland Municipal League.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EC, § 13-703 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 293  Senator West
CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – AMENDMENTS TO DECLARATIONS AND GOVERNING DOCUMENTS
Establishing that a provision in the declaration of a condominium or in a governing document of a homeowners association that requires any action on the part of a holder of a mortgage or deed of trust on a unit or a lot in order to make certain amendments shall be deemed satisfied if certain procedures are satisfied under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
RP, §§ 11-103(c)(1) and 11B-116 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 294  Senator Ellis, et al
HIGHER EDUCATION – ANNUAL REVENUES OF FOR-PROFIT INSTITUTIONS – LIMITATION ON ENROLLMENT (VETERANS’ EDUCATION PROTECTION ACT)
Prohibiting certain for-profit institutions of higher education and private career schools from enrolling new Maryland residents if federal funds or institutional debt exceed 10% of annual revenues; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 11-210 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 295  Senator Hough
AGRICULTURE – COST-SHARING PROGRAM – SALE OF HARVESTED COVER CROPS

Authorizing a person that plants rye or two-row barley cover crops as a best management practice to sell the harvested cover crop to a malting facility in the State or to a person that will process the cover crop for sale in the State to a person that holds a certain alcoholic beverages license.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
AG, § 8-706 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 296  Senator Hough, et al
FAMILY LAW – PREVENTING OR INTERFERING WITH REPORT OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

Altering the statute of limitations for a violation of the prohibition on preventing or interfering with the making of a certain report of suspected child abuse or neglect; providing that a person who violates the prohibition on preventing or interfering with the making of a certain report of suspected child abuse or neglect may reserve a point or question for in banc review; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
FL, § 5-705.2 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 297  Senator Hough
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT – DISPOSITIONS AND SUMMARY SUSPENSIONS – TIME PERIODS

Requiring an agency or the Office of Administrative Hearings to dispose of a contested case within 90 days from a certain evidentiary hearing; authorizing a certain named party to provide certain written notice that a decision is due; establishing that a certain decision shall be deemed in favor of the named party under certain circumstances; and requiring a certain unit to issue a certain order on a certain summary suspension within 30 days from the date of the summary suspension.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SG, §§ 10-210 and 10-226 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 298  Senator Lam, et al  

ELECTION LAW – LOCAL PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING – BOARDS OF EDUCATION

Authorizing the governing body of a county to establish a system of public campaign financing for an elected member of the county board of education; prohibiting a certain system of public campaign financing from financing the election of a student member of a county board of education; requiring the governing body of a county that establishes a system of public campaign financing to finance certain elective offices for one full election cycle before implementing financing for elected members of the county board of education; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EL, § 13-505 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 299  Senator Lam, et al  

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – ENERGY–CONSERVING STANDARDS (MARYLAND SUSTAINABLE BUILDINGS ACT OF 2020)

Requiring the Department of General Services to establish and periodically update certain standards for State buildings to conserve energy and minimize adverse impacts on birds; requiring each State building constructed, acquired, or substantially altered by the State to meet the standards to the extent practicable and within budgetary constraints; requiring the Department to reduce the lighting of existing State buildings in a certain manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SF, § 4-410.1 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 300  Senator Lam, et al  

PESTICIDES – USE OF CHLORPYRIFOS – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting the use of chlorpyrifos in the State, including insecticides containing chlorpyrifos and seeds treated with chlorpyrifos; and requiring the Department of Agriculture, with existing budgeted resources, to provide to farmers, certified crop advisors, and pesticide applicators certain education and assistance relating to integrated pest management.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
AG, § 5-210.6 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 301  Chair, Joint Audit Committee

STATE GOVERNMENT – OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS – COSTS AND FREQUENCY OF AUDITS

Repealing the requirement that the cost of the fiscal portion of postaudit examinations of the Environmental Trust Fund be an operating cost of the Environmental Trust Fund; repealing the requirement that the cost of the fiscal portion of the audits of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund be paid from the 9–1–1 Trust Fund as an administrative cost; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
NR, § 3-302(e), PS, § 1-309(f), SF, § 3A-506(g), and SG, § 2-1220(f) and (g) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 302  Senator Rosapepe

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Establishing a Joint Committee on Workforce Development to evaluate the condition of the State’s public and private sector workforces, monitor skills shortages, identify strategies to expand employment opportunities, increase earnings, and evaluate the effectiveness of certain programs and policies; requiring the Committee to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31 each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
SG, § 2-10A-16 - added
Assigned to: Finance and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 303  Senator Bailey, et al

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of “public safety officer” to include certain public safety officers employed full time by a State public safety agency and certain volunteer reserve officers for purposes of a certain property tax credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
TP, § 9-260 - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 304  Senator West

NATALIE M. LAPIRADE MEDICAL CANNABIS COMMISSION – CERTIFYING PROVIDERS

Altering the definition of “certifying provider” to include physician assistants who have an active unrestricted license to practice, have an active delegation agreement with a physician who is a certifying provider, and are in good standing with the State Board of Physicians; and altering the membership of the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, §§ 13-3301(d) and 13-3303(a) - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 305  Senators Augustine and Smith

PUBLIC SAFETY – CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Establishing the Crisis Intervention Team Center of Excellence in the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to provide technical support to local governments, law enforcement, public safety agencies, behavioral health agencies, and crisis service providers and to develop and implement a crisis intervention model program; requiring the Office to appoint certain coordinators to the Center; requiring the Center to take certain actions; requiring a certain annual report; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PS, § 3-522 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 306  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Dental Examiners in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending until July 1, 2031, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HO, § 4-702 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 307  Senator Pinsky, et al

HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP – REVISIONS

Altering the eligibility requirements for a Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship to repeal a provision of law requiring a certain applicant to apply within 2 years after graduating from high school; altering certain eligibility requirements to allow a certain applicant to have earned a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent by the end of the senior year of high school for an initial award or while enrolled at a community college; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, §§ 18-3603, 18-3604, 18-3606, and 18-3607 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 308  Senator Kagan

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: Finance

SB 309  Senators Kagan and West

DRUGGED DRIVING – ORAL FLUID TESTS – PILOT PROGRAM

Establishing a pilot program to examine the testing of oral fluid samples by certain police officers to assist in determining whether an individual is operating a motor vehicle while impaired by a controlled dangerous substance; authorizing a police officer in a participating jurisdiction who has reasonable grounds to believe that an individual is or has been driving or attempting to drive a motor vehicle while impaired by a controlled dangerous substance to request the individual to provide an oral fluid sample; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 16-205.2 - amended and § 16-205.3 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 310  Senator Hayes, et al
BALTIMORE CITY – ELECTIONS – EARLY VOTING CENTERS
Requiring Baltimore City to have eight early voting centers; and requiring one of the early voting centers in Baltimore City to be at Frederick Douglass High School.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EMERGENCY BILL
EL, § 10-301.1 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 311  Senator Pinsky, et al
CORPORATE TAX FAIRNESS ACT OF 2020
Requiring that certain sales of tangible personal property be included in the numerator of the sales factor used for apportioning a corporation’s income to the State under certain circumstances; requiring certain corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a certain combined reporting method; authorizing certain corporations, subject to regulations adopted by the Comptroller, to determine certain income using a certain method; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
TG, §§ 10-402(d) and 10-811 - amended and §§ 10-402.1 and 10-402.2 - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 312  Senator Eckardt
TALBOT COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING – DEER BOW HUNTING SEASON
Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer on private property in Talbot County on a Sunday during the bow hunting season from the first Sunday in October through the second Sunday in January the following year, inclusive, subject to certain provisions of law.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
NR, § 10-410(a)(2)(iv) and (12) - amended and § 10-410(a)(15) - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 313  Senator Augustine, et al
PLASTICS AND PACKAGING REDUCTION ACT
Prohibiting a store from distributing plastic carryout bags to a customer at the point of sale; requiring a store to charge and collect at least 10 cents for each durable carryout bag the store provides to a customer; authorizing a store to retain all money collected under certain circumstances; providing certain penalties for certain violations of the Act under certain circumstances; establishing the Single–Use Products Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding single–use products; etc.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
BR, § 19-106 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 314  Senators Sydnor and Carter
JUVENILES CHARGED AS ADULTS – CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS
Establishing that, pending a determination by a court exercising criminal jurisdiction in a case involving a child whether to transfer its jurisdiction to the juvenile court, provisions of law relating to confidentiality of juvenile records apply to all police records and court records concerning the child from the time of the child’s arrest until a certain event occurs; establishing that, if a case is transferred to the juvenile court, certain provisions of law relating to confidentiality of juvenile records continue to apply; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CP, § 4-202(i) - added and CJ, § 3-8A-27(a) and CP, § 4-202(i) and (j) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 315  Senator Beidle, et al
ELECTRIC INDUSTRY – COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY
Applying certain laws regarding net energy metering and community solar generating systems to customers served by a community choice aggregator; repealing a provision that prohibits a county or municipal corporation from acting as an aggregator under certain circumstances; establishing a process by which, beginning October 1, 2021, a county or municipal corporation or group of counties or municipal corporations may form or join a community choice aggregator; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PU, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed
Assigned to: Finance
SB 316  Senators Hough and Young
FREDERICK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – VACANCIES

Altering the method for filling a vacancy on the Frederick County Board of Education; specifying that an individual appointed to fill a vacancy serves for the remainder of a certain term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies except that under certain circumstances the individual serves only until a successor is elected at the next general election; specifying how certain positions are to be filled at a general election; establishing the manner for nominating candidates for vacated offices; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 3-5B-01(d) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 317  Senators Hough and Young
FREDERICK COUNTY – CAREER EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES – COFFEE

Authorizing an Executive Branch agency to ban or regulate the sale of coffee in conjunction with a career exploration and development activity in a public high school in Frederick County; and providing an exception for a career exploration and development activity in a public high school in Frederick County that sold coffee on or before June 30, 2018.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 7-423.1 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 318  Senator Elfreth, et al
HIGHER EDUCATION – NONRESIDENT TUITION – EXEMPTION FOR SPOUSES AND DEPENDENTS OF HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERANS

Exempting a spouse or financially dependent child of an honorably discharged veteran of the United States armed forces who uses GI benefits of the veteran from paying nonresident tuition at a public institution of higher education in the State, subject to documentation that the veteran was discharged honorably at any time; repealing a requirement that certain public institutions of higher education comply with federal law relating to nonresident tuition for veterans and veterans’ dependents; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 15-106.4 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 319  Senator Bailey

VEHICLE LAWS – MOVE OVER SAFETY MONITORING SYSTEM – AUTHORIZATION

Authorizing a State or local law enforcement agency and State or local volunteer fire company, rescue squad, fire department, and ambulance service to place a move over safety monitoring system on, or integrate a move over safety monitoring system into, an emergency vehicle for the purpose of recording a motor vehicle committing a violation relating to the operation of a motor vehicle on approach of an emergency vehicle; providing a certain recorded image is admissible in a proceeding concerning a certain civil citation; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
CJ, §§ 4-401(13), 7-302(e), and 10-311 - amended and TR, § 21-405.1 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 320  Senators Bailey and Ready

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEXUAL OFFENDERS – LIFETIME SUPERVISION

Requiring a sentence for certain persons convicted of certain sexual abuse crimes involving a child over the age of 12 years to include a term of lifetime sexual offender supervision; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CP, § 11-723 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 321  Senator Bailey, et al

POLICING AUTHORITY – COMPTROLLER’S OFFICE AND ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION

Establishing the Public Safety Bureau in the Comptroller’s Office; including certain employees of the Public Safety Bureau of the Comptroller’s Office and certain employees of the Division of the Office of the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission in the defined term “police officer” in connection with provisions of law relating to the authority to make arrests and the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020
CP, § 2-101, PS, §§ 3-101 and 3-201, and TG, § 2-107 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 322  Senator Simonaire
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – HEALTH EDUCATION – GAMBLING DANGERS AND ADDICTION

Requiring the State Department of Education, on or before December 31, 2020, to develop a certain program of education on the dangers of gambling and gambling addiction to be provided in public schools; requiring the program to be coordinated with other State agencies responsible for gambling addiction education; requiring a county board of education to require each public middle and high school in the county to include certain instruction in grades 6 through 12, beginning in the 2021–2022 school year and annually thereafter; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020
ED, § 7-446 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 323  Senator Simonaire
ENVIRONMENT – SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS AND STUDY ON DISCHARGE PERMIT FEES

Requiring the Department of the Environment to consider and, as appropriate and to the extent consistent with State and federal law, use certain supplemental environmental projects as part of a settlement or enforcement action concerning an alleged violation of certain water pollution, sediment control, or water appropriation laws; requiring the Department to conduct a study to determine the level at which certain fees would need to be set and to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2020; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
EN, § 9-320 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 324  Senator Simonaire, et al

VETERANS – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES – MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Requiring that the behavioral health services for which the Maryland Department of Health provides service coordination for veterans under certain provisions of law include mental health first aid; requiring that mental health first aid consist of training for veterans and the immediate family members of veterans on how to identify and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders; requiring entities teaching a mental health first aid course to report certain information to the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 13-2702 - amended and § 13-2703 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 325  Senator King, et al

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – GAMING – EXPANSION

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to repeal a certain prohibition on the authority of the General Assembly to authorize additional forms or the expansion of commercial gaming; repealing the authority of the General Assembly to authorize, through the use of a certain referendum, additional forms or the expansion of commercial gaming; conforming certain provisions of the Maryland Constitution to changes made by a certain referendum; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT
Maryland Constitution, Art. XIX, § 1 - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 326  Senator King, et al

STATE LIBRARIES – LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AND STATE LIBRARY BOARD – ALTERATIONS

Renaming the Maryland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to be the Maryland Library for the Blind and Print Disabled; and altering the appointed membership of the Maryland State Library Board to include a blind patron of the Maryland Library for the Blind and Print Disabled.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
ED, §§ 11-901(d), 11-902(a), 23-101, 23-106(b)(7), 23-107(b)(3), and 23-205(a)(3), (e), and (f)(1)(i) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 327  Senator Hough, et al
PUBLIC SAFETY – HANDGUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE – TRAINING EXEMPTION

Exempting an applicant who is a law enforcement officer with a law enforcement agency in Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, or Washington, D.C. from the firearms safety training course requirement for a handgun qualification license.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
PS, § 5-117.1(e) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 328  Senator McCray
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: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 329  Senators Waldstreicher and Rosapepe
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – OUTBREAK RESPONSE PLAN

Requiring a public institution of higher education to submit an outbreak response plan to the Maryland Department of Health on or before August 1 each year, beginning in 2021, and to implement the outbreak response plan under certain circumstances; requiring the outbreak response plan to include certain protocols and processes and the provision of certain staff; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Maryland Higher Education Commission, to adopt certain regulations; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
HG, § 18-214.2 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 330  Senator Waldstreicher, et al
CIVIL ACTIONS – DEFENSES – FIREMAN’S RULE
Eliminating, as a defense, the common law doctrine known as the fireman’s rule, which prevents a safety officer from recovering damages for injuries the officer sustained under certain circumstances, or any similar rule that denies a safety officer recovery in an action at law or authorized by statute based on certain circumstances; and establishing that the Act does not affect certain other defenses, privileges, immunities, or rights.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CJ, § 5-644 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 331  Senator Ready, et al
VEHICLE–MILES–TRAVELED TAX AND ASSOCIATED MANDATED DEVICES – PROHIBITION
Prohibiting the State or a local jurisdiction from imposing or levying a vehicle–miles–traveled tax or other similar fees, tolls, or taxes; prohibiting the State or a local jurisdiction from requiring the installation of a device in or on a privately owned vehicle to facilitate the reporting of vehicle–miles traveled; and providing for the application of certain provisions of the Act.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
TG, § 9-401 and TR, § 22-107 - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 332  Senator Ready, et al
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – INDIVIDUAL SUBJECT TO IMMIGRATION DETAINER – HOMELAND SECURITY NOTIFICATION
Requiring a State or local correctional facility that is notified by the United States Department of Homeland Security that a certain individual is subject to an immigration detainer to provide notice to the United States Department of Homeland Security at least 72 hours before the individual is released from custody; authorizing a State or local correctional facility to maintain custody of a certain individual for no more than 48 hours for a certain purpose; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020
CS, § 9-617 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings