SYNOPSIS



Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions 2020 Maryland General Assembly Session

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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 27, 2020

SB 373 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM LICENSE

Establishing an assisted living program (ALP) 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 a certain 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 an annual 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: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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SB 374 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – OPERATOR LICENSE HOLDER – ESTABLISHMENT OPERATIONS

Altering certain provisions relating to resident applicants of certain licensed alcoholic beverages establishments in Harford County; requiring a license holder who is an operator of a certain licensed establishment to have certain ownership interests in certain entities; and requiring the license holder to serve as a manager or supervisor of the establishment and to be physically present on the premises for a certain time.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-1703 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 375 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – HOTEL LOBBY LICENSE

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue a hotel lobby license; authorizing a license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption in accordance with certain requirements; establishing that a license holder may sell beer, wine, and liquor on Monday through Saturday from noon to 10 p.m. and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; prohibiting a license holder from selling beer, wine, and liquor through a vending machine; establishing an annual license fee of \$1,250; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-1004.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 376 Harford County Senators

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 to the owner or operator of a golf course that is open to the public, is operated for profit, has a minimum of 18 holes, and has a certain kitchen facility; limiting the license to on–premises sales only; 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

SB 377 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WAIVER FROM PLACE OF WORSHIP RESTRICTIONS

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue a waiver from a restriction barring the issuance of licenses to establishments within 300 feet of a place of worship; requiring public hearings to be held if the Board has received support for the waiver; requiring the Board to consider comments made by the leaders of the place of worship and other comments made during a public hearing before a certain waiver can be issued; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-1602 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 378 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BARBERSHOP AND BEAUTY SALON LICENSE

Establishing a barbershop and beauty salon beer and wine license in Harford County; authorizing the Harford County Liquor Control Board to issue the license to the holder of certain business permits; authorizing the holder of the license to serve certain amounts of beer and wine for on–premises consumption to an individual in a single day under certain circumstances; prohibiting the license from being transferred to another location; providing an annual license fee of \$400; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-1001 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 379 Harford County Senators

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

SB 380 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS DLR LICENSE

Establishing a Class DLR license in Harford County in accordance with certain requirements; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County to issue a Class DLR license to a certain license holder; authorizing the holder of a Class DLR license to sell certain alcoholic beverages for onpremises consumption on Monday through Sunday, from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day; and establishing an annual fee of \$1,000 for a Class DLR license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-404 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 381 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B CAFE BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSES

Altering the percentage of sales from cooked or prepared food, from 50% to 35%, required for a Class B cafe beer, wine, and liquor license in Harford County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-903 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 382 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE HOLDER REQUIREMENTS

Repealing certain residency and other requirements for an applicant for an alcoholic beverages license in Harford County; requiring that an applicant operate and serve as the manager or supervisor of the business conducted on the licensed premises, be responsible for the operation of the license, and be physically present on the licensed premises daily for a substantial amount of time; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-1402 - repealed and added

SB 383 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B–3 LICENSE – RESTAURANT

Authorizing the Harford County Liquor Control Board to issue a Class B–3 restaurant 7–day beer, wine, and liquor license to a person who has operated a restaurant under a Class BNR (newly opened restaurant) beer, wine, and liquor license under certain circumstances; and setting the annual fee for the license. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-904 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 384 Harford County Senators

HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE HOLDERS – REQUIREMENTS

Altering certain requirements for applicants for certain alcoholic beverages licenses in Harford County; repealing certain residency requirements for applicants for certain alcoholic beverages licenses in the county; requiring the name of an operator to be included in the application for certain licenses; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 22-1405 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 385 Harford County Senators

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

SB 386 Senator Benson

COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS, CONDOMINIUMS, AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – RESERVE STUDIES

Requiring the governing body of certain cooperative housing corporations, condominiums, and homeowners associations to have a study of reserves required for future major repairs and replacements conducted by a certain date and at certain 5—year intervals; requiring a certain reserve study to meet certain criteria; establishing that the governing body of a cooperative housing corporation or a homeowners association and the board of directors of a condominium have authority to increase a certain assessment; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CA, § 5-6B-26.1 and RP, §§ 11-109.4 and 11B-112.3 - added and RP, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 387 Senator Eckardt

HOUSING – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ACT – FUNDING

Requiring the Administrator of a certain abandoned property fund to distribute \$5,000,000 to the Community Development Program Fund; altering the contents of the Community Development Program Fund to include any money distributed from a certain abandoned property fund; and repealing certain provisions providing for the construction of certain Acts of the General Assembly concerning the Community Development Program Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

CL, \S 17-317 and HS, \S 6-606 - amended and Chapters 801 and 802 of the Acts of 2018, \S 2 - repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 388 Senator Benson, et al

CIRCUIT COURTS AND DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND EMPLOYEES – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Establishing collective bargaining rights for certain employees of the circuit courts and the District Court of Maryland; establishing a State Judicial Employees Labor Relations Board; providing for the composition, chair, staffing, powers, and duties of the Board; providing for the staggering of terms of the members of the Board; requiring the Board to recognize one statewide bargaining unit; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Board to conduct certain investigations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

CJ, § 2-609 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Judicial Proceedings

SB 389 Senator Miller, et al

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND E–NNOVATION 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 390 Senator Peters, et al

ELECTION LAW – CANDIDATE DEFEATED IN PRIMARY ELECTION – WRITE–IN CANDIDACY IN GENERAL ELECTION PROHIBITED

Prohibiting a candidate who is defeated for the nomination for a public office from filing a certificate of candidacy as a write—in candidate at the next succeeding general election as a candidate for any office.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

EL, § 5-706 - amended

SB 391 Senator Peters, et al

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS – DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF SERVICE MEMBERS – ENROLLMENT AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

Requiring a county superintendent of schools to allow a dependent child of a service member relocating to the State on military orders to enroll in a school in the county in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring a county superintendent to allow a dependent child of a certain service member to apply for enrollment in a certain public school in the same manner and at the same time as individuals domiciled in the county; requiring the service member to provide certain documentation to the school by a certain time; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-101(b)(2)(i) - amended and § 7-115.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 392 Senator Peters

TOWING OR REMOVAL OF VEHICLES FROM PARKING LOTS – RECLAMATION HOURS

Limiting, to between 6 a.m. and midnight, the hours during which a certain person in possession of a vehicle that has been towed or removed from a parking lot is required to provide an opportunity for the vehicle owner or the owner's agent to retake possession of the vehicle; and altering a certain signage requirement imposed on the owner or operator of a parking lot relating to hours during which a towed vehicle may be reclaimed.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, §§ 21-10A-02(a)(4) and 21-10A-05(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 393 Senator Peters, et al

COURT OF APPEALS AND COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS – RENAMING

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to change the name of the Court of Appeals to be the Supreme Court of Maryland, to change the name of the Court of Special Appeals to be the Maryland Appellate Court, to change the name of a Judge of the Court of Appeals to be a Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland, and to change the name of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals to be the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. II, § 6, III, §§ 5, 30, & 52, IV, §§ 1, 3, 3A, 4B, 5A, 10, 14-18, 22, & 41E, V, § 6, & XVII, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 394 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION

Continuing the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2031, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; and requiring, on or before December 31 each year, the Board to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the Board's disciplinary activities for the previous fiscal year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

AG, § 2-304(f) - added and § 2-316 - amended

SB 395 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS AND ALLIED HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEES – SUNSET EXTENSION AND PROGRAM EVALUATION

Continuing the State Board of Physicians and the related allied health advisory committees by extending to July 1, 2030, the termination provisions relating to statutory and regulatory authority of the State Board of Physicians and the committees; altering the reasons for which a disciplinary panel of the Board is authorized to deny a certain license or refuse to renew or reinstate an applicant's license under certain circumstances; altering the content of a certain annual report by the Board to include certain information; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL - CONTINGENT

CJ, \S 5-715(a) and (b) and HG, $\S\S$ 13-1201 and 13-1204(a) and (b) - amended and HO, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 396 Senator Pinsky, et al

ELECTION LAW – DEADLINE FOR SELECTION OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to repeal the requirement that a candidate for Governor who seeks nomination in a primary election designate a candidate for Lieutenant Governor at the time of filing a certificate of candidacy; requiring a candidate for Governor who seeks nomination in a primary election to designate a candidate for Lieutenant Governor within 21 days after the primary election; requiring a candidate for Lieutenant Governor to file a certificate of candidacy at a certain time; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. II, § 1B - amended

SB 397 Senators Hershey and Peters

SALES AND USE TAX AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTIONS – DATA CENTERS

Providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for certain sales of certain qualified data center personal property for use at certain qualified data centers under certain circumstances; requiring an individual or a corporation to apply to the Department of Commerce for an exemption certificate for the exemption; authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to reduce or eliminate the assessment of certain personal property used in certain qualified data centers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 11-236 and TP, § 7-246 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 398 Senator Feldman, et al

MARYLAND SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Small Business Innovation Research and Technology Transfer Incentive Program to foster job creation and economic development in the State by promoting the commercialization of research, facilitating the transfer of certain technology, and encouraging small businesses to apply for certain grants; establishing qualifications for participation in the Program; authorizing the Program to provide certain awards and investments to certain businesses, subject to certain limitations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

EC, §§ 10-499 through 10-499.5 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. - amended

SB 399 Senator Feldman

COURTS - CIVIL CAUSES OF ACTION - THEFT

Establishing a civil cause of action for damages from theft; establishing that a person may recover certain reasonable costs under a certain cause of action; requiring a person claiming injury may file a request for a waiver of the written demand requirement under certain circumstances; requiring a certain person to give a person who complies with a written demand a certain written release from civil liability; and authorizing a court to award punitive damages for a certain cause of action.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, §§ 3-2201 through 3-2203 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 400 Senator Kagan, et al

STATE EMPLOYMENT – WAGE HISTORY AND WAGE RANGE

Prohibiting an appointing authority from taking certain actions against an applicant for employment because the applicant did not provide the applicant's wage history; prohibiting an appointing authority from relying on an applicant's wage history for certain purposes and from seeking the applicant's wage history by certain methods; authorizing an appointing authority to rely on an applicant's wage history under certain circumstances; requiring a certain report on the effect of laws prohibiting consideration of wage history; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, § 2-311 - added Assigned to: Finance

SB 401 Senator Kagan, et al

PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS – SINGLE–OCCUPANCY PUBLIC RESTROOMS – AVAILABILITY (THE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL ACT)

Requiring that a single–occupancy public restroom be marked with certain gender–inclusive signage in certain places of public accommodation and certain public buildings; authorizing certain places of public accommodation to use certain gender–inclusive signage that was in use before October 1, 2020; providing that a county or municipality is responsible for enforcing the signage requirement in place of public accommodation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, §§ 2-801 and 2-803 - amended and § 2-803 - added and SG, § 20-307 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 402 Senators Kagan and Lam

HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS – TELEHEALTH

Authorizing certain health care practitioners to establish a practitioner—patient relationship through certain telehealth interactions under certain circumstances; requiring a health care practitioner providing telehealth services to be held to the same standards of practice that are applicable to in—person settings; requiring a health care practitioner to perform a clinical evaluation appropriate for the condition the patient presents before providing certain treatment or issuing a prescription through telehealth; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HO, §§ 1-1001 through 1-1006 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 403 Senator Carozza, et al

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND WAGE AND HOUR LAW – AGRICULTURAL STANDS

Establishing an exemption from the Maryland Wage and Hour Law for an individual employed at an agricultural stand that primarily sells at retail perishable or seasonal fresh fruits, vegetables, or horticultural commodities that the employer has produced.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 3-403 - amended

SB 404 Senator Carozza, 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: Finance

SB 405 Senator Reilly

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY LICENSE – NUDITY AND SEXUAL DISPLAYS

Prohibiting the Anne Arundel County Board of License Commissioners from revoking an alcoholic beverages license for an entertainment facility for a violation of certain nudity and sexual display restrictions if the holder of the license operates a performance area that is primarily devoted to the arts or theatrical performances and the performances express matters of serious literary, artistic, scientific, or political value; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

AB, § 11-2101 - amended and § 11-2104 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 406 Senators Waldstreicher and West

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE KITS – PRIVACY, REIMBURSEMENT, AND NOTIFICATION

Requiring a physician, qualified health care provider, or hospital to provide a certain notice to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board regarding that services were rendered to a victim of an alleged rape or sexual offense or a victim of alleged child sexual abuse; prohibiting a physician, qualified health care provider, or hospital from including certain information in a request to obtain payment for certain services related to sexual assault forensic examinations for certain sexually related crimes under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

CP, § 11-1007 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 407 Senator Kramer, et al

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – SENIOR AND VULNERABLE ADULT ASSET RECOVERY UNIT

Establishing the Senior and Vulnerable Adult Asset Recovery Unit in the Office of the Attorney General for the purpose of protecting seniors and vulnerable adults from financial crimes under § 8–801 of the Criminal Law Article; authorizing the Unit to bring civil actions for damages against certain persons; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2022, to appropriate at least \$250,000 for the Unit; requiring the Unit to use the funds to hire new staff and investigate and assist prosecution by the Unit; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CL, §§ 14-4201 through 14-4204 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Budget and Taxation

SB 408 Senator Kramer, et al

DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES – VOTING BY MAIL – STUDY

Requiring the Department of Legislative Services, in consultation with the State Board of Elections and the Maryland Association of Election Officials, to study the requirements to implement voting by mail; requiring a certain analysis to include information on the administrative, technological, legal, security, and fiscal requirements to implement voting by mail; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 409 Senator Kramer

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION – NONDEPOSITORY SPECIAL FUND

Including in the Nondepository Special Fund certain fees, assessments, or revenue received by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation associated with the Commissioner's authority to investigate complaints of violations by credit card processors; requiring the Commissioner to pay into the General Fund of the State certain fines and penalties collected by the Commissioner from credit card processors; altering the purpose of the Nondepository Special Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

FI, $\S 11-610(a)(13)(i)$, (b)(1), and (c)(12) - amended

SB 410 Senator Kramer, et al

ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES - FLAVOR PROHIBITION

Prohibiting the sale of an electronic smoking device that contains a natural or artificial flavor, other than tobacco; and establishing that a person who violates the Act is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

BR, § 16.7-213 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 411 Senator Kramer

BUSINESS REGULATIONS – PAWNBROKERS – INTEREST RATE ON PAWN TRANSACTIONS

Prohibiting a pawnbroker from charging interest on a pawn transaction beyond certain specified rates; establishing the maximum interest rates a pawnbroker may charge for certain pawn transactions, with certain exceptions; and establishing the maximum terms of certain pawn transactions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

BR, § 12-105 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 412 Senator Kramer, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – LAW ENFORCEMENT – VETERINARY CARE OF RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT K–9S ACT

Requiring certain State and local law enforcement agencies to reimburse individuals who take possession of dogs formerly used in law enforcement work under certain circumstances for reasonable and necessary veterinary treatment; specifying that the reimbursement may be only for certain veterinary treatment and may not exceed \$2,500 during a calendar year and \$10,000 over the life of the dog; authorizing certain State law enforcement agencies to accept public donations for the payment of certain veterinary expenses; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 3-522 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121.

and 122. - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 413 Senator Kramer, et al

INCOME TAX CREDIT – INDIVIDUALS WORKING IN STEM FIELDS – STUDENT LOAN PAYMENTS

Authorizing a credit against the State income tax for certain individuals with outstanding student loan debt during the taxable year if the debt was incurred to attend an institution of higher education, an associate, bachelor's, graduate, or postgraduate degree was obtained, and the individual is employed full—time by a Maryland—based employer in a certain field; authorizing certain individuals, on or before December 1 each year, to apply for the credit; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 10-751 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 414 Senators Kramer and Carter

STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – CHESAPEAKE BAY WATERSHED STATES – EXPENSES AND CONTRACTS (QUIT POLLUTING MY BAY ACT OF 2020)

Requiring the Standard State Travel Regulations to prohibit the reimbursement for travel expenses to a certain state for which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has identified two or more pollution source sectors at a backstop actions level of oversight; prohibiting a public body from awarding a certain procurement contract to a business from a state for which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has identified two or more pollution source sectors at a backstop actions level of oversight under certain circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, § 10-203 - amended and §§ 17-901 and 17-902 - added

SB 415 Senator Kramer, et al

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES - 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: Judicial Proceedings

SB 416 Senator Young, et al

AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERSTATE COMPACT

Entering into the Audiology and Speech–Language Pathology Interstate Compact; stating the purpose of the Compact; requiring a state to meet certain requirements to participate in the Compact; requiring certain audiologists and speech–language pathologists to meet certain eligibility requirements to exercise the privilege to practice; requiring member states to recognize the right of an audiologist or a speech–language pathologist to practice via telehealth under certain circumstances; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, § 2-3A-01 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 417 Senator Salling, et al

PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR DISABLED VETERANS

Authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans with a service—connected disability rating of at least 50%; providing for the amount of the property tax credit, subject to certain limitations; requiring certain disabled veterans to provide certain documents when applying for the property tax credit; applying the Act to tax years beginning July 1, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TP, § 9-265 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 418 Senator Serafini

EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing an Education Savings Account program in the State; stating the purpose of the program; establishing the requirements for participation in the program; requiring a certain deposit into the account of certain students; establishing a process for calculating and depositing a certain amount; limiting the use of certain funds to certain educational purposes; establishing the autonomy of a participating private school; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, §§ 9.11-101 through 9.11-107 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

SB 419 Senator Serafini, et al

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – GRANT PROGRAM FOR WORKFORCE SKILLS ASSESSMENT

Establishing the Grant Program for Workforce Skills Assessment in the Maryland Department of Labor; providing that the purpose of the Program is to provide financial assistance to an employer for the administration of assessments that measure workplace or job—related skills of employees who are State residents; authorizing the Governor to include an annual appropriation to the Program in the State budget; requiring the Department to implement and administer the Program and adopt certain regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 11-605 - added Assigned to: Finance

SB 420 Senator Elfreth, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY - FIRE FIGHTING FOAM AND PFAS CHEMICALS

Prohibiting the use of certain Class B fire fighting foam that contains intentionally added PFAS chemicals for certain testing or training purposes; requiring the use of certain foam for fire fighting training; providing that the Act does not restrict the manufacture, sale, or distribution of certain fire fighting foam or the use of certain fire fighting foam in certain operations; requiring the Department of the Environment to conduct a certain study; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

PS, § 9-1002 - added

SB 421 Senator Edwards

TASK FORCE ON THE CANAL PLACE PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – REESTABLISHMENT

Reestablishing the Task Force on the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority, which was originally established by Chapter 789 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2018; providing for the composition, chair, staffing, and purpose of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to consult with certain entities and study and make recommendations on certain matters; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 422 Senator Young, et al

FIREARMS – PERMIT TO CARRY, WEAR, OR TRANSPORT – REQUIRED COURSES

Requiring a person to whom a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun has been issued to successfully complete each calendar year certain courses approved by the Secretary of State Police; exempting certain persons from the requirement to complete certain courses under certain circumstances; authorizing the Secretary to revoke a permit if a person fails to successfully complete a certain course; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 5-306.1 - added and § 5-310 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 423 Senator Zucker, et al

MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – CONVERSION TO ELECTRIC BUSES (ELECTRIC BUS TRANSITION ACT)

Prohibiting, beginning in fiscal year 2022, the Maryland Transit Administration from entering into a contract to purchase buses for the Administration's transit bus fleet that are not electric buses; requiring the Administration, on or before January 1, 2021, and each January 1 thereafter, to submit a report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the implementation of the Act; providing for the contents of the annual report; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 7-406 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

SB 424 Senator Zucker, et al

MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – FUNDING (TRANSIT SAFETY AND INVESTMENT ACT)

Requiring the Governor to include certain appropriations in the State budget from the Transportation Trust Fund to the Maryland Transit Administration for the operating and capital needs of the Administration in certain fiscal years; requiring that certain capital appropriations to the Administration be in addition to any funds appropriated for the capital planning, engineering, right—of—way acquisition, or construction of the Purple Line; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TR, §§ 7-205 and 7-309 and Chapters 351 and 352 of the Acts of 2018, § 9 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 425 Senator Beidle, et al

DEBT COLLECTION – EXEMPTIONS FROM ATTACHMENT AND EXECUTION

Altering the amount of wages of a judgment debtor that are exempt from attachment; exempting from execution on a judgment a property insurance payment that an individual receives for restoration, remediation work, or replacement; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CL, § 15-601.1 and CJ, § 11-504 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 426 Senator West

BALTIMORE COUNTY – HUNTING – NONGAME BIRDS AND MAMMALS

Repealing a prohibition in Baltimore County against hunting or attempting to hunt nongame birds and mammals without first obtaining a hunting license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

NR, § 10-301(b) - amended

SB 427 Senator West

BALTIMORE COUNTY - HUNTING - DEER MANAGEMENT PERMITS

Authorizing an individual who hunts under a Deer Management Permit in Baltimore County to use a shotgun or a breech loading center fired rifle to hunt deer throughout the year, including all deer hunting seasons, in the locations and under the conditions set forth in the permit; and authorizing an individual who hunts under a Deer Management Permit in Baltimore County to hunt deer on certain lands under certain conditions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

NR, § 10-415(d) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 428 Charles County Senators

SOUTHERN MARYLAND – HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION COMMISSION – ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION AUTHORITY

Expanding the authority of certain homeowners association commissions in Calvert County, Charles County, and St. Mary's County to hear and resolve certain issues between a homeowners association and a homeowner regarding certain governing documents, including bylaws, through alternative dispute resolution.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

RP, § 11B-104(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 429 Charles County Senators

CHARLES COUNTY – ILLEGAL DISPOSAL OF BULKY ITEMS – PENALTIES

Authorizing the governing body of Charles County to adopt an ordinance to prohibit the disposal of a bulky item on a highway or on public or private property except under certain circumstances; and authorizing Charles County to impose certain penalties of imprisonment not exceeding 30 days or a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both for certain violations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 10-110(a) and (j) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 430 Charles County Senators

SOUTHERN MARYLAND CODE COUNTIES – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Authorizing a Southern Maryland code county to enact a local law that provides certain employees with certain collective bargaining rights; requiring a certain local law to provide definitions of and remedies for unfair labor practices and prohibit certain strikes or work stoppages by certain employees; providing that "regular employee" does not include an appointed or elected official, or a supervisory, managerial, or confidential employee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LG, § 11-601 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 431 Charles County Senators

CHARLES COUNTY – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AND SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS

Authorizing Charles County to use the proceeds from the issuance of certain tax increment financing bonds for convention centers, conference centers, or visitor's centers, to maintain infrastructure improvements at the centers, and to market development districts facilities and other improvements; and authorizing Charles County to establish a special taxing district, impose ad valorem or special taxes, and issue bonds to provide financing, refinancing, or reimbursement for certain costs.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

EC, § 12-207(g) - added and LG, § 21-521 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 432 Charles County Senators

CHARLES COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDINGS USED FOR AGRITOURISM

Adding Charles County to the list of counties where an existing agricultural building used for agritourism is not considered a change of occupancy that requires a building permit under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 12-508 - amended

SB 433 Senator Sydnor, et al

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT – ELIGIBILITY TO SERVE AS SENATORS AND DELEGATES – PLACE OF ABODE

Establishing that a person is eligible to serve as a Senator or Delegate if the person has maintained a place of abode for a certain period under certain circumstances in the district that the person has been chosen to represent.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 9 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 434 Senator McCray, et al

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH – HEAT STRESS STANDARDS

Requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to adopt regulations, on or before October 1, 2022, that include a certain standard establishing certain heat stress levels and to ensure that all employers comply with certain requirements with respect to occupational exposure to excessive heat; requiring certain employers to develop, implement, and maintain a certain excessive heat—related illness prevention plan for employees; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, §§ 5-1201 through 5-1203 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 435 Senators McCray and Sydnor

LEGAL EDUCATION SUCCESS COLLABORATIVE – ESTABLISHED

Establishing a Legal Education Success Collaborative between the University of Baltimore School of Law, the University of Maryland School of Law, and the Maryland historically black colleges and universities in order to increase diversity in the legal field; requiring certain appropriations to be made in certain fiscal years to the scholars programs at the University of Baltimore School of Law and the University of Maryland School of Law to expand their programs; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 15-126 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

SB 436 Senator McCray

COURTS – IMPROPERLY SUMMONING A POLICE OFFICER – CIVIL LIABILITY

Authorizing a certain civil action to be brought against a person who knowingly summons a police officer with a certain intent; specifying certain types of damages that a certain person is entitled to recover; and providing that the Act does not restrict certain legal remedies.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, §§ 3-2201 through 3-2203 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 437 Baltimore County Senators

PROHIBITION OF DREDGING ON MAN-O-WAR SHOALS

Prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from including the dredging of buried oyster shells on Man–O–War Shoals as part of a fishery management plan; and prohibiting the Department from dredging buried oyster shells on Man–O–War Shoals.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

NR, § 4-215(e)(4) - added and § 4-1103(a) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 438 Senator Klausmeier

WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT – DEATH BENEFITS – RELEASE OF CLAIM

Altering the circumstances under which a dependent of a covered employee who is entitled to compensation for the death of the covered employee resulting from an accidental injury or occupational disease is required to be paid certain workers' compensation death benefits; requiring the Workers' Compensation Commission to establish a procedure by which a dependent of a covered employee may agree to the application of a final compromise and settlement and the release of any future death benefits by the dependent; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

LE, §§ 9-678 and 9-722 - amended

SB 439 Senator Klausmeier

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – MORTICIANS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS – APPRENTICESHIPS

Requiring an individual appearing before the Maryland State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors for approval of an apprentice license to complete at least 1,000 working hours in a licensed funeral establishment under the direct supervision of the apprentice sponsor; requiring a licensed apprentice who was enrolled in a mortuary science program at the time the license was granted to be enrolled in the program for the duration of the apprenticeship unless the licensed apprentice graduates; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, § 7-306 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 440 Senator Hayes, et al

PHARMACISTS – AIDS FOR THE CESSATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCT USE

Authorizing a pharmacist who meets the requirements of certain regulations to prescribe and dispense aids for the cessation of the use of tobacco products; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy, by September 1, 2021, to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and the Maryland Children's Health Program to provide coverage for certain services rendered by a licensed pharmacist under the Act to the same extent as certain services rendered by any other licensed health care practitioner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, § 12-101(x) - amended and HG, § 15-150 and HO, § 12-513 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Finance

SB 441 Senator Hayes, et al

MENTAL HEALTH – EMERGENCY FACILITIES LIST – COMPREHENSIVE CRISIS RESPONSE CENTERS, CRISIS STABILIZATION CENTERS, AND CRISIS TREATMENT CENTERS

Providing that the list of emergency facilities the Maryland Department of Health is required to publish may include comprehensive crisis response centers, crisis stabilization centers, and crisis treatment centers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 10-621 - amended

SB 442 Senator Hayes, et al

PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

Providing, under certain circumstances, that the provisions of the Minority Business Enterprise Program apply to public—private partnerships; prohibiting the Board of Public Works from approving a public—private partnership agreement until the reporting agency, in consultation with certain entities, establishes certain minority business enterprise goals and procedures; requiring that certain goals and procedures be based on the requirements of certain provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, § 10A-404 - added and § 11-203(h) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 443 Senator Lee, et al

CONSUMER PROTECTION – SECURITY FEATURES FOR CONNECTED DEVICES

Requiring the manufacturer of a connected device to equip the device with a certain reasonable security feature; providing that a security feature for a connected device is reasonable if the connected device is equipped with a certain means for authentication; providing that a violation of the Act is an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice within the meaning of the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and is subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

CL, §§ 13-301(14)(xxiii) and 14-4201 through 14-4204 - added

SB 444 Senator Kelley

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

Repealing the requirement that the Secretary of Health make certain recommendations for the appointment of certain members of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators after consulting with certain associations and societies; requiring the Secretary to recommend to the Governor professionals who have certain qualifications for certain appointments to the Board; authorizing the Board to issue a provisional license for a period of less than 90 days; and clarifying the length of a certain provisional period.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HO, §§ 9-202(a) and (b) and 9-301 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 445 Senator Pinsky, et al

FOR–PROFIT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOLS – INSTRUCTIONAL SPENDING – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring certain for—profit institutions of higher education and private career schools to report certain information on revenues and spending to the Maryland Higher Education Commission on or before June 30 each year; requiring that, on or after July 1, 2022, and each July 1 thereafter, in order to maintain approval to operate in the State and enroll certain students, the institutions and schools must submit a certain plan and provide certain refunds under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 11-210 - added

SB 446 Senator Pinsky, et al

INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION – DISORDERLY SCHOOL CLOSURES

Authorizing the Secretary of Higher Education to require certain institutions of postsecondary education to refund all tuition and fees to certain Maryland students if the institution does not file all essential records of the academic achievement of a former student with the Commission in a certain manner; establishing that an institution that closes programs in a manner that is a disorderly closure is in violation of the enrollment agreement or other contract with a student enrolled at the time of the closure; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

CL, § 13-301(14)(xxxii), ED, §§ 11-107 and 11-401, and SG, § 9-1A-30 - amended and CL and ED, Various Sections - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 447 Senator Guzzone, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – PRODUCTS CONTAINING A FLAME–RETARDANT CHEMICAL

Prohibiting a person from importing, selling, or offering for sale any juvenile product, mattress, upholstered furniture, or reupholstered furniture that contains more than 0.1% of a flame—retardant chemical by mass; repealing certain provisions of law regarding the importing, sale, or offering for sale of any child care product containing certain chemicals; establishing certain civil penalties; authorizing a court to enjoin a certain action; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 24-306 - amended and § 24-306.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 448 Senator Guzzone, et al

SALES AND USE TAX – VENDOR COLLECTION CREDIT – JOB TRAINING

Authorizing certain vendors who are qualified job training organizations to claim a credit for the expense of collecting and paying the sales and use tax; prohibiting a vendor from claiming certain credits against the sales and use tax if the vendor claims a certain credit; requiring a vendor to be certified as a qualified job training organization before claiming a certain credit; authorizing a vendor to submit a certain application to the Secretary of Labor; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 11-105 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 449 Senators Guzzone and Kelley

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – DIRECT CARE WORKFORCE INNOVATION PROGRAM

Establishing the Direct Care Workforce Innovation Program in the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning within the Maryland Department of Labor; requiring the Division to provide certain matching grants to certain entities to create and expand on successful recruitment and retention strategies that address certain barriers to increasing the population of direct care workers; requiring the Division to issue a request for certain applications from certain entities for certain matching grants each year; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, §§ 11-1401 through 11-1407 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 450 Senators Young and Hough

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – BIOSAFETY LEVEL 3 LABORATORIES

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to make available a certain form; requiring certain biosafety level 3 (BSL-3) laboratories to report certain information to the Department on or before October 30 each year; requiring the Department to report certain information related to BSL-3 laboratories to certain agencies and officials on or before December 31 each year; providing that certain information is confidential and not subject to inspection under the Public Information Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 17-701 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 451 Senator Rosapepe, et al

SECRETARY OF STATE – DUTIES – INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP AGREEMENTS

Establishing that the Secretary of State has the authority to form and execute an international friendship agreement that functions as a foundation to build a sister–state relationship.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SG, § 7-109 - amended

SB 452 Senator McCray, et al

FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE – FUNDING

Requiring the Governor to provide sufficient funds in the budget to ensure that the value of temporary cash assistance, combined with federal food stamps, is equal to at least 61% of the State minimum living level for fiscal year 2021, increasing to at least 71% of the State minimum living level by fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HU, § 5-316(a) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 453 Senator Pinsky, et al

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION – CHILDREN WITH MENTAL DISORDERS – LIST OF AVAILABLE SERVICES

Requiring the Behavioral Health Administration to maintain an updated list of the specific service categories in psychiatric rehabilitation, therapeutic, care coordination, and home health aide services available to a child in the State who has a mental disorder; requiring that the list include services available to any child in the State who has a mental disorder and who is enrolled in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program or has health insurance coverage; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 10-908 - added Assigned to: Finance

SB 454 Senator Pinsky, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – MANDATORY MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING – FIRST RESPONDERS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Requiring each first responder and law enforcement officer in the State to complete certain mental health awareness training approved by the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 7-404 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 455 Senator Pinsky, et al

HEALTH – MARYLAND CHILDREN'S SERVICE ANIMAL PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Children's Service Animal Program in the Maryland Department of Health to serve the needs of children with a history of trauma or post–traumatic stress disorder by teaching them to partner with a service or support dog or to interact with therapy horses; requiring the Department to select at least one nonprofit entity to implement a certain training protocol, select Program participants, service or support dogs, or therapy horses, and facilitate training or therapy; establishing a certain fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 13-4101 through 13-4106 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 456 Senator Beidle, et al

TRANSPORTATION - THIRD CHESAPEAKE BAY CROSSING - STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Institute at the University of Maryland to conduct a study on adding a third Chesapeake Bay crossing and its potential impacts on traffic, health, and the environment; requiring the Institute to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2022 a \$5,000,000 appropriation for the study; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TR, § 4-408 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED January 27, 2020

SJ 1 Senator McCray, et al

2026 FIFA WORLD CUP – PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Supporting the fundamental requirements for United 2026 as laid out in FIFA's "Proposal for a United Human Rights Strategy"; and encouraging all host stadiums, cities, ports of entry, and fan zones to provide certain atmospheres, experiences, and policies for fans, spectators, players, officials, and volunteers at the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SJ 2 Senator Pinsky, et al

UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION – AMENDMENTS CONVENTION – DEMOCRACY AMENDMENT

Applying to the U.S. Congress for an amendments convention called under Article V of the U.S. Constitution, on the application of the legislatures of two—thirds of the several states, to propose an amendment or amendments to the U.S. Constitution that affirm every individual citizen's right to vote, reserve constitutional rights to natural persons, or authorize regulation of contributions and expenditures intended to influence elections.