



SYNOPSIS

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SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED *February 1, 2013*

SB 592 Senator Frosh, et al

NATURAL RESOURCES – SHARK FINS – RESTRICTION ON
POSSESSION OR DISTRIBUTION

Prohibiting a person from possessing, selling, offering for sale, trading, or distributing a shark fin; exempting a specified person, museum, college, or university from the prohibition against possessing a shark fin under specified circumstances; and requiring the Department of Natural Resources to adopt regulations to implement the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

NR, § 4-747 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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SB 593 **Senator Montgomery****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – LICENSE RENEWAL, INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS, AND IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY**

Authorizing specified health occupations boards within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish a specified electronic system for the purpose of distributing specified licenses, permits, certifications, or registrations; requiring the system to meet specified requirements; requiring specified boards to discontinue sending by first-class mail specified renewal notices and a renewed license, permit, certificate, or registration; authorizing specified health occupations boards to investigate violations of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HO and CJ, Various Sections - added and amended

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

SB 594 **Senator Montgomery****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – FALLING GREEN AT OBGC PARK RENOVATIONS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Olney Boys and Girls Community Sports Association, Inc. for the construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the historic “Falling Green” at the Olney Boys and Girls Community Park, located in Olney; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 595 **Senators Montgomery and Benson****STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION – PHARMACIES**

Limiting the authority of a pharmacy permit holder to engage in wholesale distribution; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HO, §§ 12-406 and 12-6C-01(i) and (v) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 596 **Senator Montgomery****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – LAYTONSVILLE DISTRICT VOLUNTEER FIRE STATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Laytonsville District Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Laytonsville District Volunteer Fire Station, located in Laytonsville; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 597 **Senator Montgomery, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – OLNEY THEATRE CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Olney Theatre Center for the Arts, Inc. for the construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Olney Theatre Center, located in Olney; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 598 **Senator Montgomery****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – WEST FAIRLAND LOCAL PARK RENOVATIONS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$330,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for the design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of West Fairland Local Park, located in Fairland; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 599 **Senator Conway****PROCUREMENT – SUBCONTRACTOR EQUAL ACCESS TO BONDING ACT OF 2013**

Prohibiting a prime contractor from requiring specified bonding from a subcontractor on specified procurement contracts that is more stringent than specified bonding requirements for prime contractors on specified procurement contracts under a specified circumstance; requiring specified prime contractors and the State to be dual obligees on specified bonds; establishing specified underwriting requirements for specified bonds that are provided by subcontractors; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SF, § 13-227 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 600 **Senator Garagiola****VEHICLE LAWS – ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

Altering and harmonizing variations of the defined term “plug-in electric drive vehicle” as that term applies to planning by a utility for the availability and reliability of electric supply, excise tax credits, and exemptions allowing the use of high occupancy vehicle lanes regardless of the number of passengers; extending the termination date for the exemption allowing the use of high occupancy vehicle lanes by plug-in electric drive vehicles regardless of the number of passengers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

SG, § 10-616(p)(5)(xvi), TR, §§ 13-815 and 25-108, and Various Chapter Laws - amended and TR, § 11-145.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 601 **Senator Zirkin, et al****MARYLAND HYDRAULIC FRACTURING MORATORIUM AND RIGHT TO KNOW ACT OF 2013**

Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a permit for the hydraulic fracturing of a well for the exploration or production of natural gas until specified conditions are met; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Natural Resources to issue a specified risk assessment at the same time a specified report is issued; authorizing the Department of the Environment to establish and collect a specified fee under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

EN, § 14-102 - amended and § 14-107.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 602 **Senator Zirkin****PUBLIC SAFETY – GAS PIPELINES – BEST AVAILABLE TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENT**

Requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt regulations that establish safety standards and practices applicable to the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of gas pipelines; requiring the Commission to adopt regulations that require a gas transmission company to use best available technology to monitor the condition and safety of gas pipelines; requiring the Commission to adopt specified federal safety regulations as minimum standards for regulations adopted under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PS, §§ 15-101 through 15-103 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 603 **Senator Zirkin****PUBLIC SAFETY – GAS PIPELINES – SAFETY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a gas transmission company to submit a specified report on the state of its gas pipelines to the Public Service Commission and to an owner of real property on which the gas pipeline is located or adjacent to or contiguous to real property on which the gas pipeline is located; requiring a report under the Act to include specified information; requiring the Commission to make specified reports available to the public, including by publication on the Commission Web site; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PU, §§ 15-101 and 15-102 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 604 **Senator Zirkin****PUBLIC SAFETY – GAS PIPELINES – CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS**

Prohibiting a gas transmission company from beginning construction on a gas pipeline before the finalization of specified legal proceedings, including approval by the Board of Public Works, permit and license applications, condemnation proceedings, easement negotiations, and appeals to specified judgments and determinations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PS, §§ 15-101 and 15-102 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 605 **Senator Zirkin****PUBLIC SAFETY – GAS PIPELINES – EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING**

Requiring the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), in consultation with specified persons, to establish emergency response standards for specified gas transmission companies; requiring a gas transmission company to submit to MEMA an emergency response plan that meets specified minimum federal standards; requiring MEMA to review the emergency response plan of a gas transmission company and to require amendments or updates as needed to protect public safety; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PS, §§ 15-101 through 15-103 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 606 **Senator Zirkin****PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES – GAS – PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE FROM UNSAFE COMPANY**

Prohibiting a public service company from purchasing gas from a company for distribution that has not installed specified safety equipment on gas transmission lines under its ownership or control, that does not employ specified best practices and technology, or that does not comply with all applicable State and federal safety standards and reporting requirements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PU, § 5-303 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 607 **Senator Klausmeier****INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – STUDENT NOTIFICATION – FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Requiring specified institutions of higher education that receive State funding to report information on the cost of higher education at the institution to specified students.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

ED, § 15-113 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 608 **Senators Klausmeier and Young****ENVIRONMENT – RADIATION SOURCES – PODIATRY AND CHIROPRACTIC RADIATION MACHINES**

Requiring a State inspector to provide a podiatry office or facility or a chiropractic office or facility a specified written notice in accordance with specified requirements under specified circumstances; prohibiting the Department of the Environment from imposing a fine on a podiatry office or facility or a chiropractic office or facility for a specified violation under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

EN, § 8-301(e) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 609 **Senator Klausmeier****WORKERS' COMPENSATION – RETALIATION BY EMPLOYER – PROHIBITION**

Expanding a provision of law prohibiting an employer from discharging a covered employee who files a claim for workers' compensation to include prohibiting the employer from retaliating in any way against the covered employee; applying a specified criminal penalty to a violation of the Act; authorizing a covered employee aggrieved by a specified violation to bring a civil action against the employer; authorizing a court to grant specified relief if the trier of fact in a specified action finds in favor of the employee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

LE, § 9-1105 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 610 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****HEALTH – OVERDOSE RESPONSE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Providing for an Overdose Response Program overseen by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; stating the purpose of the Program; specifying the requirements an individual must meet to qualify for a specified certificate; authorizing an individual who is certified to receive from a specified individual a prescription for naloxone and specified supplies, possess prescribed naloxone and specified paraphernalia, and administer naloxone, under specified circumstances, to specified individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HG, §§ 13-3101 through 13-3110 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Judicial Proceedings

SB 611 **Senator Klausmeier****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – MARYLAND BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS ACT**

Establishing the Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee within the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists; requiring the Board to adopt regulations and a code of ethics; requiring the Board to set fees for services provided by the Board to behavior analysts; providing for the composition, appointment, and terms of the Committee members; establishing powers and duties of the Committee; requiring specified persons to be licensed by the Board before performing specified work in the State, except under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

HO, §§ 18-4A-01 through 18-4A-32 and SG, § 8-403(b)(9) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 612 **Senators Klausmeier and Jennings****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY –
KINGSVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Kingsville Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for the construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Kingsville Volunteer Fire Station, located in Kingsville; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 613 **Senator Klausmeier****INCOME TAX – ELECTRONIC FILING – DESIGNATION TO
PURCHASE FEDERAL SAVINGS BONDS**

Allowing an individual who files an income tax return electronically to elect to use all or a portion of the individual's income tax refund to purchase U.S. Series I Savings Bonds; specifying that the individual must make the designation in \$50 increments; requiring the Comptroller to send any remaining portion of the individual's refund to the individual; requiring the Comptroller to adopt specified regulations; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2014.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 10-804(k) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 614 **Senator Klausmeier****ENVIRONMENT – DENTAL RADIATION MACHINES –
MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTIONS**

Requiring that a dental radiation machine at a specified dental office or facility be maintained according to particular specifications or at least annually; requiring that maintenance of a dental radiation machine be performed within a specified period of time by a service provider that is registered with the Department of the Environment; requiring a dental office or facility to maintain specified documentation and reports; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

EN, § 8-301(c) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 615 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – JOB CREATION INCENTIVE TAX CREDIT**

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for wages paid by a qualified business entity for the creation of qualified positions; requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development to provide for the application and authorization of a certain amount of credits each year; providing for the calculation of the credit; establishing a specified Reserve Fund as a special fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Governor to appropriate at least \$10,000,000 to the Fund in FY 2015 and FY 2016; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

EC, §§ 6-601 through 6-608 and TG, § 10-733 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 616 **Senators Klausmeier and Jennings****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – PERRY HALL HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM SCOREBOARD**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$55,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Perry Hall High School Athletic Booster Club, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, and capital equipping of the Perry Hall High School Stadium Scoreboard, located in Baltimore County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 617 **Senator Klausmeier****DRUG THERAPY MANAGEMENT – PHYSICIAN–PHARMACIST AGREEMENTS**

Repealing specified provisions of law requiring specified physician–pharmacist agreements to be approved by the State Board of Pharmacy and the State Board of Physicians; requiring, in a group model health maintenance organization, a licensed physician who has entered into a physician–pharmacist agreement to provide drug therapy management to submit a copy of the agreement, modifications to the agreement, and protocols to the State Board of Physicians; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HG, § 19-713.6 - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 618 **Senator Astle****PUBLIC HEALTH – BABY BUMPER PADS – RESTRICTIONS ON SALE**

Providing that baby bumper pads that comply with specified standards are not a hazardous material for specified purposes; authorizing baby bumper pads that comply with specified standards to be shipped and sold to a purchaser in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

HG, § 22-502 - amended and § 22-502.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 619 **Senator Astle****WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY ACT OF 2013**

Altering the funding sources for and clarifying the uses of the State Wildlife and Management Protection Fund; clarifying that a 3–day nonresident hunting license does not authorize bear hunting; increasing the fees for specified hunting licenses; repealing a requirement that the Department of Natural Resources use specified funds for the processing of deer meat for the needy; repealing specified hunting requirements and restrictions; altering the distribution of specified fines for hunting violations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

NR, §§ 10-209(f) & (g), 10-301(c)(1) & (g), 10-301.1(a) & (b), 10-308, 10-415, & 10-1102 - amended & § 10-209(f-1) and (f-2) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 620 **Senator Raskin, et al****FAMILY LAW – DENIAL OF PATERNITY, CUSTODY, AND VISITATION**

Excluding as a father of a child a man who has committed a specified sexual crime against the child's mother for purposes of specified provisions relating to the paternity of a child in a guardianship or adoption proceeding under specified circumstances; requiring a court to consider a specified statement when making a specified finding; prohibiting a court from requiring publication of specified information under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

FL, §§ 5-306, 5-3A-06, 5-3B-05, and 9-101.2 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 621 **Senator Raskin, et al****VEHICLES LAWS – EMERGENCY VEHICLES – MOTORCADES AND ESCORTS**

Authorizing the driver of specified emergency vehicles to exercise specified privileges while performing motorcade or escort duties; authorizing specified emergency vehicles to travel through any jurisdiction in the State as necessary to perform and return from motorcade or escort duty; requiring a jurisdiction that employs a driver who travels through another jurisdiction while performing or returning from motorcade or escort duty to provide specified notice to the other jurisdiction; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

TR, § 21-106 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 622 **Senator Raskin****CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – DOCUMENT FILING AND PROCESSING**

Altering the definition of "electronic transmission", for purposes of provisions of law governing business entities, to clarify that it includes electronic mail, facsimile transmission, and Internet transmission; clarifying the authority of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to accept documents that are filed for record by electronic transmission; authorizing the Department to accept documents for preclearance; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CA, §§ 1-101, 1-201, 1-203, 1-203.2, and 1-208 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 623 **Senator Raskin, et al**

MARYLAND ASSAULT WEAPONS BAN OF 2013

Designating specified firearms as assault weapons; prohibiting with specified exceptions a person from transporting an assault weapon into the State or possessing, selling, offering to sell, transferring, purchasing, or receiving an assault weapon; requiring the Handgun Roster Board to compile and maintain a roster of prohibited assault weapons; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CR, §§ 3-202(a)(2)(ii), 4-106(a)(6)(ii), and 4-301 through 4-306 - amended and §§ 4-305 and 4-306 - added and PS, § 5-101(p) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 624 **Senator Pugh (Commission on Maryland Cybersecurity Innovation and Excellence)**

IDENTITY FRAUD – MEDICAL RECORDS

Prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully possessing, obtaining, or helping another to possess or obtain personal identifying information with fraudulent intent to access medical information or services; prohibiting a person from using a specified device knowingly, willfully, and with fraudulent intent to access medical information or services; providing penalties for a violation; authorizing a court to order restitution; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CR, § 8-301(a) through (d), (g), and (i) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 625 **Senator Ramirez, et al**

REAL PROPERTY – DWELLINGS RENTED TO INDIVIDUALS AT LEAST 55 YEARS OLD – AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEMS

Requiring that residential dwelling structures composed of at least five individual dwelling units that are offered for rent only to individuals at least 55 years old and that are constructed or improved with the addition or alteration of heating, ventilation, or air conditioning using State money on or after October 1, 2013, be equipped with an air-conditioning system capable of maintaining 78 degrees Fahrenheit throughout each individual unit; and requiring that the air-conditioning systems be in compliance with specified codes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

RP, § 14-133 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 626 **Senators Ramirez and Madaleno**COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – CRIMINAL INJURIES
COMPENSATION FUND – COURT COSTS

Requiring the imposition of specified court costs if a defendant is sentenced to probation before judgment for or pleads nolo contendere to a specified crime or offense.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

CJ, § 7-409(b), (c), and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 627 **Senators Ramirez and Manno**MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – REGULATED
SUSTAINABLE ENERGY CONTRACT PROGRAM

Authorizing the Maryland Energy Administration to create a Regulated Sustainable Energy Contract Program to authorize qualified contractors to provide residential renewable energy installations and residential energy efficiency measures to residential property owners under specified regulated sustainable energy contracts; stating the intent of the General Assembly; requiring the Administration to manage, supervise, and administer a specified Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SG, §§ 9-20C-01 through 9-20C-08 - added and RP, § 14-201(b) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 628 **Senator Jacobs**CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION – TAMPERING WITH
EVIDENCE

Prohibiting a person who knows or has reason to believe that a police or an executive investigation is underway or soon will be instituted from willfully altering, destroying, concealing, or removing a specified item with the intention of impairing the integrity of the item or the availability of the item in the investigation; establishing penalties for violations of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CR, § 9-307 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 629 **Senator Edwards**

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ALLEGANY COUNTY – VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY SALES AND CONSUMPTION

Creating in Allegany County a Class BWL–VLF (video lottery facility) beer, wine and liquor license and a Class BWL–VLC (concessionaire) beer, wine and liquor license; specifying that the Board of License Commissioners may issue a specified license for a video lottery facility that contains one or more food services facilities, bars, or lounges; specifying that a video lottery facility license may be issued to an individual or entity that meets specified requirements; specifying hours for the sale of specified alcoholic beverages; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

Art. 2B, §§ 6-201(b-1) and 11-501(d) - added and § 11-304(b) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 630 **Senator King**

EVIDENCE – TESTIMONY BY SPOUSE – VIOLATION OF PROTECTIVE ORDER

Providing that the spouse of a person on trial for a violation of a protective order may be compelled to testify as an adverse witness if the spouse is the petitioner in the proceeding in which the protective order was issued.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CJ, § 9-106(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 631 **Senator King, et al**

HOTEL RENTAL TAX – EXEMPTION – LODGING AT A CORPORATE TRAINING CENTER

Providing an exemption for specified counties from hotel rental taxes and transient occupancy taxes for the sale of a right to occupy a room or lodgings as a transient guest at specified facilities or campuses; authorizing taxpayers to claim a refund for taxes paid after June 30, 2010, on transactions that would have been exempt under the Act; applying the Act to taxes imposed after June 30, 2010; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

Art. 24, §§ 9-306 and 9-602(f), Balt City Charter § (40)(f), PLL of Balt Co, Howard Co, Mo Co, and PG Co, Various Sections - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 632 **Senator King**

STATE BRAIN INJURY TRUST FUND

Establishing the State Brain Injury Trust Fund as a special fund used to support specified services for individuals with brain injuries; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or the Secretary's designee to administer the Fund; requiring the Secretary or the Secretary's designee to make specified reports; establishing eligibility for individuals to receive assistance from the Fund; requiring that a specified amount of the motor vehicle registration fee surcharge be paid into the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HG, §§ 13-21A-01 through 13-21A-03 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)71. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)69. and 70. and TR, § 13-954 - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 633 **Senator Peters, et al**

LIBRARIES – COUNTY LIBRARY CAPITAL PROJECT GRANT – WEALTH-BASED COST SHARE

Establishing a State cost share formula for county library capital projects that receive State funding and setting a minimum and a maximum State cost share percentage.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

ED, § 23-510 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 634 **Senator Peters, et al**

COMMERCIAL LAW – SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITIES

Altering specified notice procedures required to enforce a lien on specified property stored in a leased space at a self-service storage facility; providing that a specified sale held on an online auction Web site to enforce a specified lien shall be deemed to be held at a specified location; altering the required means of delivery of specified notices; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CL, §§ 18-501, 18-503(b), and 18-504 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 635 Senator Gladden**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEX OFFENDER – ENTRY RESTRICTIONS**

Providing that a specified restriction against a registered sex offender entering specified real property does not apply if the registrant's ward is a student or receives child care under specified circumstances or the registrant enters the property for the purpose of attending or participating in worship or other activity sponsored by a house of worship under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CP, § 11-722(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 636 Senator Manno**MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX – LEASED VEHICLES – APPLICATION OF TRADE-IN VALUE**

Altering the definition of “total purchase price” for purposes of the motor vehicle excise tax to exclude from the computation of the tax an allowance for the trade-in of leased vehicles; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TR, § 13-809(a)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 637 Carroll County Senators**COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – CIRCUIT COURT FOR CARROLL COUNTY – FEES FOR APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL**

Increasing to \$20 from \$10 specified appearance of counsel fees collected or charged by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Carroll County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CJ, § 7-204(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 638 **Senator Manno, et al**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ST. LUKE’S HOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of St. Luke’s House and Threshold Services United, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of St. Luke’s House, including upgrading all residential units, located in Bethesda; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 639 **Senator Manno, et al**

CIVIL RIGHTS TAX RELIEF ACT

Allowing an individual a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for payments received by a claimant for noneconomic damages as a result of specified claims of unlawful discrimination, other than amounts received for lost pay or punitive damages; defining specified terms; applying the Act to tax years after 2012; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 10-207(aa) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 640 **Senator Frosh, et al**

CIVIL CASES – MARYLAND LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION FUND – SURCHARGES – REPEAL OF TERMINATION DATE

Repealing the termination date of provisions of law altering specified surcharges on specified fees, charges, and costs in civil cases in the circuit courts and the District Court and requiring a specified informational budget to be prepared for the Maryland Legal Services Corporation and submitted to the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Chapter 486 of the Acts of 2010, § 2 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 641 **Senator Frosh, et al**

STATEWIDE CONTAINER RECYCLING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Requiring a beverage distributor operating within the State to register with the Department of the Environment on or before April 1, 2014; requiring a redeemable beverage container sold in the State to bear specified information indicating a refund value of 5 cents beginning October 1, 2014; requiring the payment of specified deposits by specified distributors, retailers, and consumers under specified circumstances; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

EN, §§ 9-1733 through 9-1741 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Finance

SB 642 **Senator Muse, et al**

RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY – PROHIBITION ON NONJUDICIAL EVICTIONS

Prohibiting specified persons from taking possession or threatening to take possession of specified residential property from a specified protected resident, tenant, or mobile home park resident by locking the tenant or resident out; establishing that specified persons may take possession of residential property from a resident or tenant only in accordance with a court order executed by the sheriff or constable or if the tenant or resident has abandoned the property; providing remedies for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

RP, §§ 7-112, 8-216, and 8A-1102 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 643 **Senator Rosapepe, et al**

END THE GRIDLOCK

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to transportation financing; providing that the General Assembly may authorize a referendum on a transportation investment program; providing that a transportation investment program submitted to referendum may include a specified source of revenue or authorize the issuance of specified bonds; requiring that a transportation investment program submitted to referendum include a list of specified transportation projects; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, §§ 53 and 53A - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 644 **Senator Rosapepe**UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND MEDICAL SYSTEM CORPORATION –
PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT

Applying the provisions of the Public Information Act to the University of Maryland Medical System Corporation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

ED, § 13-303(a) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 645 **Senator Rosapepe**HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – PRINCIPAL RESIDENCY –
INFORMATION FROM MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION AND
COUNTIES

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration and each county to cooperate with the Department of Assessments and Taxation by providing specified information relevant to establishing principal residency as it relates to determining eligibility for the Homestead Property Tax Credit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TP, § 9-105(l) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 646 **Senators Jennings and Klausmeier**PUBLIC SAFETY – HANDGUN PERMIT BACKGROUND CHECK –
ARMORED CAR COMPANY EMPLOYEES

Authorizing the Secretary of State Police to accept a background check from an armored car company in place of a criminal history records check performed by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PS, § 5-305 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 647 **Senator Montgomery, et al****HIGHER EDUCATION AND HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – NURSE
MIDWIFERY PROGRAM – STUDY**

Requiring the University of Maryland, Baltimore, in cooperation with the Maryland Higher Education Commission, the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, and the State Board of Nursing to conduct a study and make recommendations to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2013, regarding barriers and obstacles to establishing additional nurse midwifery programs in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 648 **Senator Gladden****JUVENILE LAW – JURISDICTION AND DETENTION**

Establishing that the juvenile court has jurisdiction over a specified child alleged to have committed specified acts that, if committed by an adult, would be specified crimes, or over a specified child who has previously been convicted of a felony; prohibiting a child from waiving the right to counsel at a waiver hearing; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CJ, Various Sections - amended and CP, §§ 4-202 and 4-202.2 - repealed and §§ 4-202.1, 10-215(a)(20), and 10-216(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 649 **Senators Getty and Frosh****ESTATES AND TRUSTS – PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND
GUARDIANS – STANDARDS**

Defining “serious crime” to provide that a register or court may not grant letters of representation to a person convicted of a crime that reflects adversely on an individual’s honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness to perform the duties of a personal representative; prohibiting a court from appointing, as a guardian of a minor or disabled person, a person who has been convicted of a specified crime; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

ET, § 5-105 - amended and § 11-112 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 650 **Senators Getty and Edwards****NATURAL RESOURCES – HUNTING LICENSE APPLICATIONS – SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER**

Creating for hunting licenses issued by the Department of Natural Resources an exception to the requirement that a licensing authority require a license applicant to disclose the Social Security number of the applicant and record the Social Security number on the application; altering the information that a request for information from a hunting license application made by the Child Support Enforcement Administration is required to contain under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

FL, § 10-119.3 and NR, § 10-301(e) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 651 **Senator Young, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – SYNTHETIC CANNABINOIDS – PENALTIES**

Listing synthetic cannabinoids on Schedule I to designate controlled dangerous substances that may not be legally used, possessed, or distributed; defining “synthetic cannabinoids”; and establishing criminal penalties for a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CR, § 5-101(e) - added and §§ 5-304, 5-402(d), and 5-601(c)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 652 **Senators Edwards and Brinkley****MOTOR FUEL – MASS TRANSIT TAX – TRANSIT FUNDING**

Imposing a mass transit tax on motor fuel in specified jurisdictions; establishing the rate of the mass transit tax as 2.1% of the sales price charged by a distributor for motor fuel sold to a retail service station dealer; requiring the mass transit tax to be imposed at a specified time and collected and paid in a specified manner; requiring a distributor to file a mass transit tax return; allowing a distributor to deduct a specified amount of the mass transit tax due to reimburse the distributor for expenses; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, Various Sections and TR, §§ 3-216(d)(3) and 7-309 - added and § 3-216(c)(2)(i) and (d)(1) - amended and § 3-216(d)(3) - repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 653 **Senators Edwards and Brinkley****SALES AND USE TAX – MASS TRANSIT**

Increasing the sales and use tax rate on a sale in counties with specified services by a specified amount; creating the Mass Transit Account in the Transportation Trust Fund to pay for the costs of light rail and Metro subway transit facilities and transit service in specified counties; requiring that revenue from the increase in the sales and use tax rate under the Act be credited to the Mass Transit Account; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG and TR, Various Sections - added and amended and TR, § 3-216(d)(3) - repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 654 **Senator Simonaire****CRIMINAL LAW – SAFE HARBOR FOR MINORS ACT OF 2013**

Establishing a minimum age at which a person may be charged with prostitution offenses; establishing a presumption that if a minor who is 16 or 17 years of age is charged with a prostitution offense, the minor was coerced into committing the offense; and establishing that it is not a defense to a prosecution of prostitution and human trafficking offenses that a person who consented to specified acts may not be prosecuted due to the person's age.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CR, § 11-303(f) - added and § 11-306 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 655 **Senator Simonaire****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – STATE'S ATTORNEY – ANNUAL SALARY**

Altering, beginning January 1, 2015, subject to specified approval, the annual salary of the State's Attorney for Anne Arundel County; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent State's Attorney.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CP, § 15-403(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 656 **Senator Miller****CALVERT COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – NATURAL GAS FACILITY**

Authorizing the governing body of Calvert County to enter into a payment in lieu of taxes agreement with the owner of a facility for the liquefaction of natural gas; requiring an agreement for payment in lieu of taxes to include specified provisions; providing that specified property of the owner of a natural gas facility is exempt from county property tax as provided in a payment in lieu of taxes agreement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

TP, § 7-517 - added and § 9-306(g) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 657 **Senator King, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – THIRD DEGREE SEXUAL OFFENSE – PERSON IN POSITION OF AUTHORITY**

Repealing the requirement that the prosecution of a misdemeanor offense of the prohibition against a specified person in a position of authority engaging in a sexual act or sexual contact with a minor, under specified circumstances, be instituted within 3 years after the offense was committed; prohibiting a specified person in a position of authority who is at least 4 years older than the victim from engaging in sexual contact or a sexual act while the minor is enrolled or participating in a specified institution, program, or activity; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CJ, § 5-106(z) - repealed and CJ, § 5-106(aa), (bb), and (cc), and CR, §§ 3-301, 3-307, and 3-308 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 658 **Senator King, et al****ESTATE TAX AND INCOME TAX – QUALIFYING INCOME INTEREST FOR LIFE AND SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION FOR HEALTH INSURANCE AND MEDICAL EXPENSES**

Altering the qualifications for a qualified income interest for life under the Maryland estate tax to include individuals recognized as married by the State; providing an income tax subtraction modification for the cost of health insurance and other medical expenses incurred by an individual on behalf of another adult individual under specified circumstances; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 7-309(b)(6) - amended and § 10-208(t) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 659 **Senator King, et al**

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION FOR RETIREMENT INCOME

Altering the calculation of the maximum subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for specified retirement income under specified circumstances; including income from specified rollover individual retirement accounts in the subtraction modification under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 10-209 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 660 **Senator Jacobs, et al**

PUBLIC SAFETY – REGULATED FIREARM LICENSE – RECIPROCITY

Specifying that a license issued by another state to an individual authorizing the individual to carry a regulated firearm, including a concealed regulated firearm, is valid in Maryland.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PS, § 5-117.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 661 **Senator Jacobs, et al**

PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS – CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT AND PEER SUPPORT

Prohibiting a critical incident stress management team member, an individual who participates in a critical incident stress management team intervention, and a peer support member from disclosing specified confidential information acquired from a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, or an emergency responder in the course of duty; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CJ, § 9-112.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 662 **Senators Mathias and Colburn**

NATURAL RESOURCES – COMMERCIAL FISHING – LICENSING

Altering the annual fees and surcharges for specified commercial fishing licenses and authorizations; requiring that specified tidal fish licensees obtain a harvester registration from the Department of Natural Resources; authorizing the Department to issue a permit authorizing a person to commercially harvest specified fish species; establishing annual fees for the permits; repealing provisions of law that authorize the Department to establish and issue a commercial fishing apprenticeship permit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

NR, §§ 4-701, 4-702, and 4-711(i) - amended, § 4-701.1 - repealed, and § 4-711(i) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 663 **Senator Conway**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – CAMP WOODLANDS TEEPEE PROJECT

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Girl Scouts of Central Maryland, Inc. for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Camp Woodlands Teepee, located in Annapolis; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 664 **Senator Kittleman, et al**

PROCUREMENT – PREVAILING WAGE RATE LAW – REPEAL

Repealing provisions of law regarding prevailing wage rates for public work contracts; repealing provisions limiting the application of prevailing wage rates to a public work contract of \$500,000 or more or a part of a public work contract that is required to comply with federal prevailing wage rates; repealing the requirement that the Commissioner of Labor and Industry adopt straight time and overtime prevailing wage rates; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SF, §§ 17-201 through 17-205, 17-208 through 17-216, and 17-219 through 17-226 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 665 **Senator Kittleman****PUBLIC ETHICS LAWS – MEALS – REGULATED LOBBYIST REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a regulated lobbyist that invites members of a legislative unit of the General Assembly to a meal during the legislative session to file a report with the State Ethics Commission, on or before June 30 of each year, disclosing the name of each member of the legislative unit of the General Assembly who consumed food and beverages at the meal; and specifying the contents of the report.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SG, § 15-704 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 666 **Senators Kittleman and Colburn****PROCUREMENT – REQUIRED CLAUSES – PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT PROHIBITION**

Requiring State procurement contracts to include a clause prohibiting specified parties from participating in specified project labor agreements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SF, § 13-218 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 667 **Senator Kittleman, et al****PROCUREMENT – PREVAILING WAGE – SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION**

Increasing to 75% or more the percentage of State money that must be used in an elementary or a secondary school construction project before the Prevailing Wage Law applies; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SF, § 17-201(i) and (j) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 668 **Senator Kittleman, et al**

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – RIGHT TO WORK

Prohibiting an employer from refusing to employ or refusing to continue to employ an individual based on membership or nonmembership in a labor organization; prohibiting an employer from requiring an individual to refrain from joining or from requiring an individual to become a member of a labor organization; prohibiting an employer from requiring an individual to pay specified charges to a labor organization; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

LE, §§ 4-701 through 4-706 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 669 **Senator Kittleman, et al**

CORPORATE INCOME TAX – RATE REDUCTION

Decreasing the corporate income tax rate by 0.5% each year for 5 years, from 8.25% to 5.75%.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 10-105(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 670 **Senators Kittleman and Edwards**

CORPORATE INCOME TAX – RATE REDUCTION

Decreasing the State income tax rate for a corporation from 8.25% to 0% of Maryland taxable income; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 10-105(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 671 **Senator Conway****LAND USE – LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING AND ZONING CYCLE**

Increasing the time period of the comprehensive planning and zoning cycles of specified local jurisdictions to better coincide with the release of United States decennial census data; requiring a specified annual planning report to contain a narrative on the implementation of a specified comprehensive plan; requiring the Department of Planning along with the Maryland Association of Counties and the Maryland Municipal League to create a specified transition schedule to lengthen specified comprehensive planning cycles; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

LU, §§ 1-207, 1-416, 1-417, 1-509, 3-301, and 3-303 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 672 **Senator Conway (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 specified allied health advisory committees in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (Sunset Law) by extending to July 1, 2018, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board and the committees; establishing disciplinary panels through which specified allegations are to be resolved; requiring a panel to determine the final disposition of a complaint subject to specified provisions of the Act; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HO, Various Sections - added, amended, and repealed and SG, § 8-403(b)(6), (45), (48), (49), (53), (59), and (63) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 673 **Senators Conway and Raskin**

REFERENDUM INTEGRITY ACT

Requiring a petition signature page to contain a specified notification and be completed on a specified form; altering the information an individual must provide to sign a petition; establishing specified requirements for an online petition system; establishing specified requirements for petition circulators; requiring that a specified determination of whether a petition has a sufficient number of signatures be made in a specified manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

EL, Various Sections - amended and §§ 13-245.1 and 13-310.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 674 **Senators Edwards and Mathias**

EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM – ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS – OPTIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Providing that specified elected or appointed officials whose employers are participating employers of the State Retirement and Pension System may elect to join or may elect to cease membership in the Employees' Pension System within a specified period of time; requiring specified elected or appointed officials who make an election to join or an election to cease membership to complete a specified form and file it with the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SP, § 23-204.1 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 675 **Senator Manno, et al**

MARYLAND PESTICIDE REPORTING AND INFORMATION ACT

Requiring the Department of Agriculture to adopt specified regulations regarding reporting on the use, release, sale, and purchase of specified pesticides; requiring specified persons that use, release, sell, or purchase specified pesticides to submit specified reports to the Department; requiring the reports to contain specified information; requiring specified restricted-use pesticide reports to be submitted at least semiannually in a manner required by the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

AG, §§ 5-2A-01 through 5-2A-21 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 676 **Senator Pugh (Commission on Maryland Cybersecurity Innovation and Excellence)**

GOVERNMENTAL PROCEDURES – SECURITY AND PROTECTION OF INFORMATION

Requiring State and local government units to destroy or arrange for the destruction of records that contain specified personal or private information in a specified manner; requiring a government unit that collects, maintains, or makes available specified personal information of a State resident to implement and maintain specified security procedures and practices; requiring specified government units to notify specified residents of a breach of the security of a system under specified circumstances; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SG, §§ 10-1301 through 10-1309 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 677 **Senator Pugh**

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – STATE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD AND STATE HIGHER EDUCATION LABOR RELATIONS BOARD – ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY

Requiring the State Labor Relations Board and the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board to decide specified controversies and disputes; authorizing the boards to order a respondent to make specified payments to a complainant under specified circumstances; authorizing the boards to bring actions to enforce specified orders; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SP, §§ 3-207 and 3-2A-07 - amended and §§ 3-209 and 3-2A-09 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 678 Senator Pugh**JUVENILE SERVICES – COMMUNITY–BASED DIVERSION PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring the Secretary of Juvenile Services to develop a Community–Based Diversion Pilot Program; requiring the Secretary to consult with representatives from the Annie E. Casey Foundation when developing the Pilot Program; establishing the purpose of the Pilot Program; requiring the Secretary to establish a specified juvenile day–treatment center in Baltimore City, require specified juveniles to report daily to the treatment center, establish specified community monitoring, and hire specified counselors; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HU, § 9-247 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 679 Senators Pugh and Jones–Rodwell**VIRGINIA I. JONES ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS COUNCIL**

Establishing the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council; providing for the membership of the Council; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Secretary of Aging to cochair the Council; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide staff support for the Council; authorizing the Department to request specified staffing assistance; providing for the duties of the Council; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HG, §§ 13-3101 through 13-3106 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 680 Senator Klausmeier**HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS – PROMPT PAYMENT OF CLAIMS – WORKERS’ COMPENSATION CLAIMS**

Requiring an insurer, a nonprofit health service plan, or a health maintenance organization to comply with specified prompt payment requirements, notwithstanding that compensability under the workers’ compensation law remains to be determined for the injury or medical condition treated; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

IN, § 15-1005 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 681 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****WORKERS' COMPENSATION – MEDICAL PRESUMPTIONS – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS ON CLAIMS**

Altering the date by which a medical expert is required to conduct a specified study and report the findings of the study to the Department of Legislative Services; delaying the date by which a claim filed for an occupational disease may be based on alterations to a specified presumption; delaying the date by which alterations to a specified presumption may be construed to apply for a claim filed for an occupational disease; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Chapter 445 of the Acts of 2012, §§ 2, 4, 5, and 6 - amended and § 4 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 682 **Senators Klausmeier and Middleton****PORTABLE ELECTRONICS INSURANCE – COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES OF VENDOR – DISCLOSURES TO CUSTOMERS**

Providing that a vendor of portable electronics insurance or an authorized representative of the vendor may compensate employees of the vendor or an authorized representative in a specified manner; altering the content of disclosures that a vendor of portable electronics insurance must provide to customers under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

IN, §§ 10-703(e) and 10-705(a) - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 683 **Senator Garagiola, et al****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND WAGE AND HOUR LAW – PAYMENT OF WAGES**

Specifying the amount of the State minimum wage rate that is in effect for specified time periods; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to set the rate in a specified manner on or after a specified date or under specified circumstances; requiring that the Commissioner publish the rate in the Maryland Register on or before a specified date each year; repealing the exemption from the Maryland Wage and Hour Law for specified individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

LE, §§ 3-403, 3-413, 3-415, 3-419, 3-420, and 3-427 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 684 **Senator Garagiola, et al****RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – QUALIFYING BIOMASS**

Limiting the eligibility of qualifying biomass as a Tier 1 renewable source for the purposes of the renewable energy portfolio standard to qualifying biomass used at a generation unit that started commercial operation on or after a specified date and that achieves a total system efficiency of 65% or more; providing that qualifying biomass used at a generation unit that started commercial operation on or before a specified date or that achieves not more than 65% of total system efficiency is eligible as a Tier 2 renewable source; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PU, §§ 7-701 and 7-704(a) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 685 **Senator Garagiola****PUBLIC SAFETY – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS’ BILL OF RIGHTS – WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY METRO TRANSIT POLICE**

Altering the definition of “law enforcement officer” to make specified provisions of law relating to the rights of law enforcement officers applicable to a law enforcement officer who is a member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Metro Transit Police; and making conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CR, § 3-201(c) and PS, § 3-101(e)(1)(ii)24. and 25. - amended and PS, § 3-101(e)(1)(ii)26. - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 686 **Senator Garagiola****FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – EARNED INCOME DISREGARD PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing an Earned Income Disregard Pilot Program within the Family Investment Program; requiring the Department of Human Resources to select one rural county and one urban or suburban county for participation in the Pilot Program; requiring a county that participates in the Pilot Program to administer benefits under the Family Investment Program in a specified manner; altering the amount of earned income that is disregarded under the Pilot Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HU, § 5-310.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 687 **Senator Garagiola****LIMITED LINES – TRAVEL INSURANCE**

Altering specified provisions relating to limited lines insurance for transportation tickets to relate instead to limited lines travel insurance; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to issue a limited lines license to an individual or business entity to sell travel insurance; authorizing a travel retailer to offer and disseminate travel insurance under specified circumstances under the direction of a limited lines travel insurance producer; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

IN, §§ 10-101, 10-122, and 10-130 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 688 **Senator Jacobs****STATE GOVERNMENT – ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS – FIREARM OWNERSHIP RECORDS**

Requiring a custodian to deny inspection of a specified record indicating ownership of a firearm; and requiring a custodian to permit inspection of specified records by a person who is the subject of the records.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SG, § 10-616(v) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 689 **Senator Montgomery, et al****PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – RETAIL SERVICE STATIONS –
ALTERNATE POWER SOURCES**

Requiring the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a property tax credit for alternate power sources at retail service stations; establishing when the tax credit may be granted; establishing that the tax credit shall be equal to the lesser of the value of the alternate power source or \$20,000; defining “alternate power source” and “retail service station”; and providing for the application of the Act.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

TP, § 9-110 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 690 **Senator Montgomery****MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – FAILURE TO RENEW A
LICENSE OR MISREPRESENTATION AS A LICENSED PERSON –
PENALTIES**

Altering the penalties to which a person is subject if the person fails to renew a license to practice medicine or misrepresents to the public that the person is authorized to practice medicine in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HO, § 14-606(a)(4) and (5) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 691 **Senators Montgomery and Benson****EDUCATION – DUE PROCESS HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WITH
DISABILITIES – BURDEN OF PROOF**

Requiring the State Department of Education, a local school system, or any State agency responsible for providing education to students with disabilities to bear the burden of proof in a due process hearing relating to a dispute over the identification, evaluation, educational placement, or provision of a free appropriate education to a child with disabilities.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

ED, § 8-413 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 692 **Senator Montgomery, et al****LICENSED TREE EXPERT – LICENSE RENEWAL – CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT**

Requiring a licensed tree expert to complete specified continuing education requirements to qualify for license renewal; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to maintain specified records for each licensed tree expert; requiring the Department to update specified records when a document of completion is approved; requiring the Department to mail a renewal application form to a licensed tree expert under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

NR, § 5-420.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 693 **Senator Montgomery, et al****HEALTH – CERTIFIED NURSE–MIDWIVES AND FREESTANDING BIRTHING CENTERS – CERTIFICATE OF NEED AND PRACTICE PRIVILEGES**

Exempting freestanding birthing centers from the requirement to have a certificate of need to operate; requiring nurse–midwives who are employed by hospitals to meet specified credentialing requirements; authorizing certified nurse–midwives to be granted admission privileges at hospitals; prohibiting the State Board of Nursing from requiring certified nurse–midwives to have written practice protocols for specified purposes with physicians; requiring the Board to post and make available specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HG, §§ 19-125 and 19-319(e) and HO, § 8-602 - amended and HG, § 19-125.1 and HO, § 8-604 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 694 **Senator Ferguson****PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS – CERTIFICATION – CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Requiring each county board of education to establish continuing education criteria for certificated public school teachers and to implement a system for verifying completion of the continuing education requirements; authorizing the criteria to include college course credit, leadership roles, preparation for National Board Certification or monetary grants, professional development, coaching, advising, or sponsoring extracurricular activities, and school-related community service; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

ED, § 6-201.2 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 695 **Senator Ferguson****PUBLIC ETHICS – GENERAL ASSEMBLY – EMPLOYMENT WITH POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

Authorizing the Joint Committee on Legislative Ethics to grant an exemption from a specified employment restriction on a member of, candidate for election to, and member-elect of the General Assembly under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SG, § 15-513(a) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 696 **Senator Stone****MANUFACTURED HOMES – AFFIXATION TO REAL PROPERTY – LIENS**

Altering specified lien information that must be included in specified statements that accompany the recordation of an affidavit of affixation for a manufactured home under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

RP, §§ 8B-101, 8B-102(a), and 8B-202(b) and (c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 697 **Senator Raskin**

CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – CONVERSIONS

Authorizing specified entities to convert to other entities; establishing the manner of and procedures for conversions; requiring articles of conversion to be filed for record with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; specifying the contents of articles of conversion; providing for the effects of a conversion; providing for the timing of the effectiveness of articles of conversion and the effective time for the completion of a conversion; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CA, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 698 **Senator Garagiola, et al**

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND EARNED SICK AND SAFE LEAVE ACT

Requiring specified employers to provide employees with specified earned sick and safe leave; providing for the manner in which earned sick and safe leave is accrued by the employee and treated by the employer; requiring an employer to allow an employee to use earned sick and safe leave for specified purposes; requiring an employee, under specified circumstances, to request leave, notify the employer of specified information, and comply with specified procedures; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

LE, § 2-106(b) - amended and §§ 3-103(f) and 3-1101 through 3-1111 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 699 **Senator Pinsky, et al****ELECTRICITY – COMMUNITY ENERGY–GENERATING FACILITIES – PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing a pilot program on community energy–generating facilities under the authority of the Public Service Commission; requiring the Commission to adhere to specified guidelines in conducting the pilot program; authorizing the Commission to assess an administrative fee; stating the effectiveness of contracts entered into during the pilot program; prohibiting the Commission or an electric company from changing the terms of a contract entered into during the pilot program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PU, § 7-306.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 700 **Senator Jones–Rodwell, et al****TOBACCO TAXES – HEALTHY MARYLAND INITIATIVE**

Increasing the tobacco tax rate on cigarettes and other tobacco products; providing that the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program shall receive funding from the Other Tobacco Products Tax Fund under specified circumstances; requiring money from the Fund to be used to supplement appropriations to the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program to reach a specified level of funding; providing for a supplementary appropriation to the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program in fiscal year 2014; etc.

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

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HG, SF, and TG, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation and Finance

SB 701 **Senator Jones–Rodwell, et al****CRIMINAL RECORDS – SHIELDING – NONVIOLENT MISDEMEANOR CONVICTIONS**

Authorizing a person to request that court records and police records relating to a conviction of the person be shielded no earlier than 3 years after the person satisfies the sentence imposed for the conviction, including parole, probation, or mandatory supervision; providing that, if the person is convicted of a new crime during a specified time period, the original conviction is not eligible for shielding unless the new conviction becomes eligible for shielding; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CP, §§ 10-301 through 10-306 and SG, § 10-616(v) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 702 **Senator Madaleno, et al****MARYLAND PUBLIC ART INITIATIVE PROGRAM – REVISIONS**

Altering the sources of funding for the Maryland Public Art Initiative Program by requiring that each recipient of State funds for specified construction or renovation projects set aside 1% of the money allocated for the projects into the Maryland Public Art Fund; repealing a provision of law relating to a specified annual budget appropriation; establishing that the Maryland Commission on Public Art, rather than the Maryland Historical Trust, owns, and is responsible for managing, the artwork funded by the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

EC, §§ 4-603(b), 4-604, 4-605, and 4-608 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 703 **Senator Madaleno, et al****INCOME TAX – REFUNDABLE EARNED INCOME CREDIT**

Increasing from 25% to 30% the percentage of the federal earned income credit that determines the amount an individual may claim as a State income tax refund under specified circumstances; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 10-704(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 704 **Senator Madaleno, et al****SALES AND USE TAX – TAX-FREE PERIODS – UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE TEXTBOOKS**

Designating specified periods each year to be tax-free periods during which an exemption from the sales and use tax is provided for the sale of specified textbooks purchased by full-time or part-time students enrolled at specified higher education institutions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 11-232 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 705 **Senator Madaleno, et al****GRADUATE LEVEL EDUCATION – EXEMPTION FROM PAYING NONRESIDENT TUITION – MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES**

Exempting active duty members and honorably discharged veterans of the United States armed forces who attend a public institution of higher education within 5 years of the honorable discharge from paying nonresident tuition rates at the public institution of higher education for graduate level education; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

ED, § 15-106.4(a) - amended and § 15-106.4(d) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 706 **Senator Madaleno, et al****REFERENDUM PETITIONS**

Altering the earliest date by which a nonemergency law may take effect; altering the date by which petitions to refer a law to referendum must be filed; requiring the Secretary of State to refer specified laws to referendum at specified elections if sufficient petitions are filed; altering the number of signatures required to refer a law to referendum; repealing provisions requiring that petitions containing a specified number of signatures be filed by specified dates; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. XVI, §§ 2 and 3 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 707 **Senator Madaleno****SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS – TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENTS AND EXEMPTION FROM COUNTY TAX
LIMITATIONS**

Altering the definition of “cost” to include specified operating expenses; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to set special rates for any class of property in a special taxing district that is subject to the county property tax; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to set a property tax rate in a special taxing district that is higher than the county tax limitation, notwithstanding specified provisions of law or a county charter; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Art. 24, § 9-1301(a)(3) - amended and TP, § 6-302.1 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 708 **Senator Madaleno, et al****TOBACCO-RELATED DISEASE PRODUCTS RESEARCH,
DEVELOPMENT, AND COMMERCIALIZATION PROGRAM**

Establishing the Tobacco-Related Disease Products Research, Development, and Commercialization Program and Fund; specifying the purposes of the Program and the Fund; requiring the Maryland Biotechnology Center in the Department of Business and Economic Development to administer the Fund; establishing specified criteria and award amounts for grants awarded under the Program; requiring recipients of Program funds to pay a specified royalty; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

EC, §§ 5-1401 through 5-1406 - added and SF, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 709 **Senator Madaleno, et al**CONSUMER PROTECTION – NEGATIVE OPTION FEATURE –
RESTRICTIONS

Prohibiting a merchant from using a negative option feature in connection with a sale of consumer goods or consumer services or a free trial offer for consumer goods or consumer services unless the merchant provides the consumer with a written disclosure of the terms and conditions of the negative option feature; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CL, § 14-1324 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 710 **Senator Madaleno, et al**

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP

Altering the membership of the Public Service Commission.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

PU, § 2-102 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 711 **Senator Madaleno**LOCAL GOVERNMENT TORT CLAIMS ACT – PRIMARY CARE
COALITION OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Altering the definition of “local government” under the Local Government Tort Claims Act to include the Primary Care Coalition of Montgomery County; and providing that a specified notice requirement does not apply to an action against the Primary Care Coalition of Montgomery County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CJ, §§ 5-301(d)(27) and (28) and 5-304(a) - amended and § 5-301(d)(29) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 712 **Senator Madaleno, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – KEN-GAR COMMUNITY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Ken-Gar Community Center, located in Kensington; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 713 **Senator Madaleno, et al****TASK FORCE ON DEMOCRACY AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN MARYLAND FOR THE 21ST CENTURY**

Establishing the Task Force on Democracy and Representative Government in Maryland for the 21st Century; providing for the membership and staff of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study, evaluate, and make recommendations for changes to the General Assembly's structure, organization, and process that would achieve specified goals; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 714 **Senator Madaleno, et al****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – STUDENT LOAN DEBT**

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for specified income of specified individuals from the discharge of student loan debt; providing that the amount of the subtraction modification may not exceed a specified amount for specified taxpayers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 10-207(aa) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 715 **Senator Ramirez, et al**

MARYLAND HIGHWAY SAFETY ACT OF 2013

Authorizing the issuance, to new applicants, of identification cards, moped operators' permits, and drivers' licenses that are not acceptable by federal agencies for specified official purposes; repealing a provision of law that prohibits, after July 1, 2015, the issuance or renewal of identification cards, moped operators' permits, and drivers' licenses that are not acceptable by federal agencies for specified official purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

TR, § 16-122 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 716 **Senator Ramirez**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY –
CHEVERLY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH KITCHEN AND PUBLIC
ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Cheverly Community Church of Evangelical Brethren Church for the design, construction, repair, and renovation of the Cheverly United Methodist Church kitchen and social hall, located in Cheverly; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 717 **Senator Ramirez**WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION – REGULATION OF
CHARGES – MEDICAL SERVICES AND TREATMENT

Clarifying that the authority of the Workers' Compensation Commission to regulate charges for medical services or treatment includes the authority to regulate fees charged by a medical expert for the examination of a covered employee, the preparation of a report, testimony, or similar services.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

LE, § 9-663 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 718 **Senator Ramirez**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ST. ANN’S SECURITY RENOVATIONS

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$40,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of St. Ann’s Center for Children, Youth, and Families, Inc. for the design, planning, and renovation of St. Ann’s Center for Children, Youth, and Families, located in Hyattsville; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 719 **Senator Ramirez**

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT – ECONOMIC AID – AWARD TO EMPLOYERS

Prohibiting, except under specified circumstances, a unit of State or local government from granting economic aid to specified employers; requiring an employer that receives specified economic aid to adhere to specified terms of employment for a specified period of time; establishing a specified rebuttable presumption; providing that a specified employer may not be required to adhere to a specified term of employment under specified circumstances; requiring that a unit notify specified employers of specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

Art. 24, § 1-113, SF, §§ 7-407 and 8-117(h), TG, § 1-206, and TP, § 1-306 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation and Finance

SB 720 **Senator Ramirez, et al**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – ALIEN DEFENDANTS – NULLITY OF BAIL BONDS

Providing that, if a defendant who has posted a bail bond is taken into custody by a specified agency of the federal government because of the defendant’s immigration status, the bond shall be null and void; providing that any bond that becomes null and void under the Act shall be returned to the surety and the surety shall have no liability with respect to the bond; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CP, § 5-206.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 721 **Senator Ramirez, et al****POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP – POLICE CHIEFS’ ASSOCIATION OF PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY**

Altering the membership of the Police Training Commission to include the President of the Police Chiefs’ Association of Prince George’s County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PS, § 3-203 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 722 **Senator Ramirez, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – THIRD DEGREE SEXUAL OFFENSE – BURGLARY**

Establishing that engaging in sexual contact with another without the consent of the other in connection with a first, second, or third degree burglary constitutes sexual offense in the third degree; altering the definitions of “tier I sex offender”, “tier II sex offender”, and “tier III sex offender” applicable to provisions relating to sex offender registration to include specified acts constituting sexual offense in the third degree; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CR, § 3-307 and CP, § 11-701(o), (p), and (q) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 723 **Senator Madaleno****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – KIDS INTERNATIONAL DISCOVERY MUSEUM**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Kids International Discovery Museum, Inc. for the planning and design of the Kids International Discovery Museum’s new children’s science museum, located in Wheaton; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 724 **Senator Madaleno****STATE PERSONNEL – PROGRAM TO IMPROVE EMPLOYEE TO SUPERVISOR RATIO AND EMPLOYEE SPAN OF CONTROL REVIEW BOARD**

Requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management, in collaboration with the heads of units in the Executive Branch of State government, to establish a program to improve the ratio of Executive Branch employees to supervisors beginning on specified dates; requiring the Secretary to waive program requirements under specified circumstances; providing that the program requirements do not apply if federal requirements exist; establishing the Employee Span of Control Review Board; providing for the membership of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SP, § 4-107 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 725 **Senator Simonaire****BUSINESS REGULATION – JUNK DEALERS AND SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS – HOLDING PERIOD FOR JUNK AND SCRAP METAL**

Requiring a junk dealer or scrap metal processor who is a resident of the State to hold in a specified county a purchase of junk or scrap metal for 3 business days; and requiring a junk dealer or scrap metal processor to hold a purchase of junk or scrap metal and a record of the purchase at a specified business address.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

BR, § 17-1011.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 726 **Senator Simonaire****HEALTH – MEDICAL PROCEDURES – ULTRASOUND OPTIONS**

Requiring physicians, under specified circumstances, to provide a pregnant woman the opportunity to view the active ultrasound image of the embryo or fetus before the performance or inducement of an abortion; and requiring a physician to allow the pregnant woman to view the ultrasound image at no additional charge.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HG, § 20-210 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 727 **Senator Muse, et al****MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY – WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION**

Requiring the Attorney General to provide written notice of specified protections and remedies to members of the General Assembly; prohibiting an employer from taking or refusing to take personnel actions against employees who are members of the General Assembly who disclose unlawful behavior, refuse to participate in unlawful behavior, or seek remedies following specific disclosures; requiring that specified disclosures be made to the Attorney General; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SG, § 2-1703 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 728 **Senator DeGrange, et al****TAX CREDITS – ELECTRIC VEHICLES – EXTENSIONS**

Extending the credit against the State income tax for qualified electric vehicle recharging equipment for specified tax years; providing for the amount of tax credit certificates that may be issued by the Maryland Energy Administration; establishing that the credit is subject to available funding; transferring money from the Strategic Energy Investment Fund to the Transportation Trust Fund for fiscal 2014; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, § 10-729 and TR, § 13-815 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 729 **Senator Miller****CALVERT COUNTY – COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – METHOD OF ELECTION**

Altering the manner in which the County Commissioners of Calvert County are elected beginning with the November 2014 general election; requiring that specified county commissioners be residents of and represent specified election districts; requiring that other county commissioners be residents of the county and represent the county at large; requiring that each candidate for the office of county commissioner specify when filing a certificate of candidacy specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PLL of Calvert Co, Art. 5, § 2-102 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 730 **Senator King, et al****RECORDATION AND TRANSFER TAXES – LOW INCOME HOUSING PROJECTS – CONTROLLING INTEREST**

Establishing the consideration used to calculate the recordation and the State and county transfer tax on specified transactions for which a controlling interest is conveyed; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TP, §§ 12-103(a), 13-203(a), and 13-412 - amended and §§ 12-103(a-1), 13-203(a-1), and 13-412(c) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 731 **Senator Forehand, et al****FAMILY LAW – PROTECTIVE ORDERS – ADDITIONAL RELIEF**

Authorizing a judge in a final protective order to order the respondent to remain a specified distance away from the residence, place of employment, school, or temporary residence of a person eligible for relief.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

FL, § 4-506(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 732 **Senators Forehand and Montgomery****JUVENILE LAW – PROHIBITION AGAINST CONTINUED DETENTION**

Prohibiting the continued detention, beyond emergency detention, of a child under the age of 14, unless the child is alleged to have committed an act that, if committed by an adult, would be punishable by death or life imprisonment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

CJ, § 3-8A-15 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 733 **Senator Currie****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – NEW REVIVAL CENTER OF RENEWAL**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of New Revival Center of Renewal, Inc. for renovating the New Revival Center of Renewal, located in Capitol Heights; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds or matching fund for sectarian religious purposes; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 734 **Senators Currie and Madaleno****STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – MATHEMATICS – GRADUATION REQUIREMENT**

Requiring the State Board of Education to establish high school graduation requirements in mathematics for specified students.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

ED, § 7-205.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 735 **Senator Astle****INSURANCE – PREMIUM FINANCING**

Including motor clubs and motor club memberships in specified provisions relating to premium financing; altering the maximum amount of a finance charge and the method of calculating the charge; providing for a refund credit to be calculated in a specified manner; altering specified delinquency and collection and cancellation charges; authorizing the inclusion of previous premium financing agreements in the calculation of amounts due on the account of an insured; making conforming changes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

IN, §§ 23-101, 23-201, 23-301, 23-304, 23-306, 23-307, 23-307.1, 23-401.1, 23-402, 23-403, and 23-405 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 736 **Senator Astle****INSURANCE – FRAUDULENT INSURANCE ACTS – COMPENSATION FOR DEDUCTIBLE**

Providing that it is a fraudulent insurance act for a person to pay or otherwise compensate, or offer or promise to pay or compensate, an insured for all or part of a specified insurance deductible as an inducement to enter into a contract to furnish goods or services; and providing penalties for a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

IN, § 27-407.2 - added and § 27-408(a) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 737 **Calvert County Senators****CALVERT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL EVENT LICENSES**

Authorizing the Calvert County Board of License Commissioners to issue a Special Event (SE) license; authorizing the Board to issue a Special Event license to specified persons; establishing that a holder of a Special Event license may sell at retail beer, wine, and liquor for consumption in a specified location and in specified areas on specified property during the special event; establishing specified fees; establishing that the Act may not prohibit a licensee from holding another alcoholic beverages license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

Art. 2B, § 8-205 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 738 **Senator Dyson, et al****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING SERVICES – STUDY**

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to conduct a specified study regarding the ordering of magnetic resonance imaging services by specified physicians; and requiring the Department to submit the results of the study to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before April 1, 2014.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 739 Senator Pinsky**AGRICULTURE – NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLANS – FERTILITY INDEX VALUE SOIL TESTING**

Requiring a specified person to forward the results of a specified soil test to the Department of Agriculture each time a specified plan is revised and updated; requiring the Department to maintain a specified database that is searchable in a specified manner; requiring a specified database to be made available to the public on request; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

AG, § 8-803.7 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 740 Senators Pinsky and Madaleno**COLLEGE READINESS AND COMPLETION ACT OF 2013**

Requiring the State Department of Education to establish specified mathematics course requirements for specified students; requiring students to enroll in a college preparation curriculum except in a specified circumstance; requiring the Department to make a specified assessment of all students in the 11th grade by a specified school year; requiring the Department, in collaboration with a specified association, to develop and implement specified courses for the 12th grade by a specified school year; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

ED, Various Sections - added and amended

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

SB 741 Senator Jones–Rodwell**STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Adding a trustee to the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to represent the interests of county governments; establishing the qualifications of the trustee; and requiring that the Governor appoint the trustee, who may be from a list submitted by the Maryland Association of Counties.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SP, § 21-104 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 742 **Senator Jones–Rodwell (By Request – Baltimore City Administration) and Senator Ferguson**

VEHICLE LAWS – RESIDENTIAL PARKING IN BALTIMORE CITY

Establishing that specified provisions of law granting a person who is issued special registration plates for individuals with disabilities the authority to park for unlimited periods of time in specified restricted parking zones do not supersede local ordinances in Baltimore City that restrict parking for vehicles that do not display specified residential parking permits.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

TR, § 13-616(f) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 743 **Senators Jones–Rodwell and Ferguson**

BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY

Establishing the Baltimore City Public Schools Construction Authority; authorizing the issuance of specified bonds; requiring the State to provide a block grant each year for school construction projects in Baltimore City; providing for the funding and an annual increase in the amount of funding for school construction projects in Baltimore City; increasing the amount of outstanding debt that the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners may issue; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

ED, §§ 4-401 through 4-424 and 5-301(c-1) - added and EC and ED, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 744 **Senators Forehand and King**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BOHRER PARK MINIATURE GOLF COURSE

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gaithersburg for the planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of a miniature golf course at Bohrer Park, located in Gaithersburg; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 745 Senator Middleton**PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEMS – PREPAID SERVICE – COLLECTION OF SURCHARGE**

Establishing a prepaid wireless E 9–1–1 fee of 60 cents per retail transaction; providing that the fee shall be collected for specified transactions in the State for the purpose of contributing to the 9–1–1 Trust Fund; authorizing specified percentages of the money collected from the fee to be used for specified purposes; authorizing a seller to demonstrate a specified exemption from the fee in a specified manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

PS, §§ 1-301 through 1-303 and 1-308 through 1-311 - amended and § 1-313 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 746 Senator Middleton**HEALTH INSURANCE – STEP THERAPY OR FAIL–FIRST PROTOCOL**

Limiting the duration of a step therapy or fail–first protocol imposed by a specified insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization; requiring the insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization to allow a prescriber of a covered prescription drug or device to have access to a process to override the step therapy or fail–first protocol; requiring the override process to allow a prescriber to override the step therapy or fail–first protocol under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HG, § 19-706(oooo) and IN, § 15-140 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 747 Senator Middleton, et al**RULES OF INTERPRETATION – INTERPRETATION OF “PHYSICIAN” – INCLUSION OF ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT**

Requiring that, under specified circumstances, the term “physician” be interpreted to include an “advanced practice nurse” and a “physician assistant”; prohibiting, under specified circumstances, a requirement for additional authorization of a unit of State government to endorse a document under the application of a specified provision of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

Art. 1, § 34A - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 748 **Senator Middleton**

AGRICULTURE – NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT – WATERS OF THE STATE

Altering the definition of “waters of the State” as it relates to the requirements of the nutrient management program administered by the Department of Agriculture.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

AG, § 8-801(n) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 749 **Senator Middleton**

MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND – OPERATIONAL CHANGES

Providing that the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund is not subject to specified provisions of State law; providing that the Fund is independent of all State units; requiring the Board to employ specified attorneys for specified purposes; removing employees of the Fund from the State Personnel Management System except under specified circumstances; repealing provisions of law that authorize the Legislative Auditor to conduct certain audits of the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

IN, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed, SF, § 11-203(a)(1)(ix) through (xix), and SP, §§ 2-511 and 23-201(a) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 750 **Senator Robey**

PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – LOCAL WIND DESIGN AND WIND-BORNE DEBRIS STANDARDS

Authorizing a local jurisdiction to adopt local amendments to the Maryland Building Performance Standards if the local amendments do not weaken wind design and wind-borne debris provisions contained in the Standards.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PS, § 12-504(a)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 751 **Senator Robey**

STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM – REEMPLOYMENT OF RETIREES

Clarifying the applicability of specified requirements for an offset from specified retirement allowances from the State Police Retirement System for specified individuals who accept employment with specified participating employers; extending a termination provision that applies to specified provisions that relate to the reemployment of retirees of the State Police Retirement System; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SP, § 24-405 and Chapter 644 of the Acts of 2009, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 752 **Senator Robey**

DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT – FOSTER YOUTH SUMMER INTERNSHIP PILOT PROGRAM

Requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to develop and implement the Foster Youth Summer Internship Pilot Program; requiring the Program to be established in at least three counties in the State; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to cooperate with specified persons on the establishment of the Program; specifying certain components of the Program; establishing eligibility standards for the Program created by the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014

HU, § 5-318.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 753 **Senator Stone**

MARYLAND TRUST ACT

Repealing and revising provisions of law relating to trusts; providing that the Act may be cited as the Maryland Trust Act; providing for the scope of the Act; establishing whether a person has knowledge of a fact under the Act; establishing that a term of a trust prevails over specified other provisions of law, with specified exceptions; establishing that the common law of trusts and principles of equity supplement the Act, with a specified exception; etc.

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ET, §§ 14-101 through 14-115 - repealed, § 11-102(b)(12) - amended, & §§ 14.5-101 through 14.5-1005 - added & FI, § 3-506(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 754 **Senator Miller**

HUNTING – SCHOOLS – EXPANDED SAFETY ZONE

Prohibiting a person from shooting or discharging any firearm or other deadly weapon within 500 yards of a public or nonpublic school while hunting for any wild bird or mammal.

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NR, § 10-410(g) - amended

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