



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2014 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 30, 2014
Schedule 16

PLEASE NOTE: February 7 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 6.

As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 30, 2014

HB 589 Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al

GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION –
STATE CORRECTIONS POPULATION FORECAST AND JUVENILE
POPULATION STATISTICS

Requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to report a specified State corrections population forecast and specified juvenile population statistics to the Governor and General Assembly annually on or before December 1; requiring the Office to consider the juvenile population statistics when calculating the forecast; and providing for the termination of the Act at the end of September 30, 2018.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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HB 590 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – WAIVERS – CONSOLIDATION AND REPEAL

Repealing the Living at Home Waiver Program; altering the requirements for applicants, financial eligibility criteria, and services to be included in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene’s home– and community–based services waiver; repealing the requirement that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene work with the Maryland Health Care Commission to convert a specified percentage of nursing facility beds to assisted living program waiver beds; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

HG, § 15-132 - amended and §§ 15-801 through 15-809 - repealed

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 591 Delegate Vitale, et al

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – TASTING LICENSES

Creating in Anne Arundel County a BWST beer, wine and spirits tasting (on–premises) license; specifying that the BWST license may be issued to specified persons; creating a license fee schedule for a BWST license and altering the fee schedule for a BWT beer and wine (on–premises) tasting license; and specifying limitations on the amount of alcoholic beverages that may be offered for on–premises consumption.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 8-402 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 592 Delegates Morhaim and Hammen

MENTAL HEALTH – APPROVAL BY CLINICAL REVIEW PANEL OF ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION – STANDARD

Altering the standard for approval by specified clinical review panels of the administration of specified medication to specified individuals with mental disorders admitted to specified facilities.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

HG, § 10-708(g) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 593 Delegate Krebs, et al**MORTICIANS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS – PRE-NEED CONTRACTS**

Requiring that specified disclosure statements in pre-need contracts inform a buyer whether the contract is a guaranteed contract or nonguaranteed contract; providing that if specified disclosures are made, pre-need contracts may be guaranteed contracts or nonguaranteed contracts and may include cash advance items that are not guaranteed; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

HO, § 7-405 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 594 Delegates Eckardt and Cane**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – DORCHESTER COUNTY – CHESAPEAKE GROVE SENIOR HOUSING AND INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$175,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Delmarva Community Services, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Chesapeake Grove Senior Housing and Intergenerational Center, located in Dorchester County; 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 595 Delegate Niemann, et al**REAL PROPERTY – FORECLOSURE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY –
CERTIFIED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL
INSTITUTIONS**

Prohibiting a foreclosure sale of owner-occupied residential property before a secured party responds in a commercially reasonable manner to a bona fide offer from a certified community development financial institution to purchase the property for the purpose of transferring the property to the immediately preceding mortgagor or grantor; exempting a certified community development financial institution from specified homeowners in foreclosure protection laws; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

RP, §§ 7-105.1(a) and 7-302 and TP, § 13-207(a)(22) and (23) - amended and RP, § 7-105.1(n-1) and TP, §§ 12-108(ff) and 13-207(a)(24) - added

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

HB 596 Delegates Morhaim and Elliott**STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTORS –
NOTIFICATION TO PHARMACY**

Requiring a wholesale distributor to notify a pharmacy at least 30 days before the wholesale distributor imposes a limit on the quantity of a prescription drug or prescription device distributed to the pharmacy; and requiring a wholesale distributor, while a limit is in effect, to provide a pharmacy with an update, at least weekly, on the quantity of a prescription drug or prescription device available to the pharmacy.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

HO, § 12-6C-09(f) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 597 Delegate Niemann, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – BRENTWOOD TOWN CENTER PROJECT**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Brentwood for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Brentwood Town Center Project, located in Prince George’s 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 598 Delegate Dumais**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS’ BILL OF RIGHTS – PROSECUTORIAL DISCLOSURES – PUNITIVE ACTION**

Prohibiting punitive action from being taken against a law enforcement officer based solely on the fact that a prosecutorial agency determined that it must disclose information about the law enforcement officer to the defense under specified circumstances; and specifying that the Act does not limit a law enforcement agency from taking punitive action against a law enforcement officer based on the underlying acts or omissions for which information about the law enforcement officer was disclosed.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

PS, § 3-106.1 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 599 Delegate Dumais**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER BILL OF RIGHTS – HEARING BOARD – EXCLUSION OF EVIDENCE**

Requiring a specified hearing board to exclude specified evidence obtained during an investigation or interrogation by a law enforcement agency of a law enforcement officer under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

PS, § 3-107(f) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 600 Delegate Luedtke, et al**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – FARMERS’ MARKET PERMIT – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing a farmers’ market permit; authorizing the Office of the Comptroller to issue the permit to a holder of a specified license under specified circumstances; requiring the permit holder to provide specified notice to the local licensing board of a specified jurisdiction; specifying the places and times in which a permit holder may use a farmers’ market permit; prohibiting the Office of the Comptroller from issuing more than a specified number of permits for use at each farmers’ market; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 2-101(y) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 601 Delegate Stukes, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPLANATION OF EXPUNGEMENT PROVISIONS RELATING TO PROPOSED DISPOSITION OF CHARGE**

Altering a provision of law relating to the expungement of criminal records so as to require a court, before disposing of a charge against a defendant, to provide a detailed explanation to the defendant of specified expungement provisions; and requiring the court, after providing the explanation, to give the defendant the opportunity to reject a disposition of probation before judgment, nolle prosequi, plea of guilty, or stet.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CP, § 6-232 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 602 Delegate Niemann**REAL PROPERTY – COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES – FORECLOSURE OF LIENS**

Altering the types of damages, to include any late fees and interest and reasonable costs and attorney’s fees directly related to specified efforts to collect delinquent periodic or special assessments, for which the governing body of a condominium or homeowners association may foreclose on a lien for delinquent assessments against a unit owner or lot owner; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

RP, § 14-204 - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

HB 603 Delegate Jameson, et al**LIMITED LINES INSURANCE LICENSES – SELF–SERVICE STORAGE AGENTS**

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to issue a limited lines license as a self–service storage agent to an owner or operator of a self–service storage facility who meets specified requirements; providing for the scope of the license; providing that an owner or operator is not required to be licensed under specified circumstances; requiring an applicant for a license to file a specified application with the Commissioner; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

IN, §§ 10-801 through 10-810 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 604 Delegate Kramer**MOTOR VEHICLES – WEARABLE COMPUTER WITH HEAD–MOUNTED DISPLAY – PROHIBITED**

Prohibiting an individual from operating a motor vehicle on a highway while wearing or using a wearable computer with a head–mounted display; and defining the term “wearable computer with a head–mounted display” as a computer device that is worn on an individual’s head, and projects visual information into the field of vision of the individual wearing the device.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

TR, § 21-1130 - added

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

HB 605 Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – LAUREL BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB**

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 the Laurel Boys and Girls Club, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Laurel Boys and Girls Club, located in Prince George’s County; 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 606 Delegates Morhaim and Hammen**MENTAL HYGIENE – STANDARDS FOR EMERGENCY EVALUATION AND INVOLUNTARY ADMISSION – MODIFICATION**

Modifying specified standards for involuntary admissions of individuals with mental disorders to specified facilities or a Veterans' Administration hospital under specified circumstances; modifying specified standards for emergency evaluations of individuals with mental disorders under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

HG, §§ 10-601, 10-617(a), 10-622(a) and (c), 10-623(b), 10-626(a), and 10-632(e) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 607 Delegate Kaiser, et al**EDUCATION – STUDENT PRIVACY AND CLOUD COMPUTING ACT**

Authorizing educational institutions to use cloud computing services to provide specified individuals access to specified documents; requiring an educational institution and a cloud computing service provider to enter into a specified agreement; providing for the content of the agreement; prohibiting a cloud computing service provider from using or processing specified student data in a specified manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

ED, § 4-131 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 608 Delegate B. Robinson, et al**POLICE TRAINING – HUMAN TRAFFICKING – SENSITIVITY AND AWARENESS**

Authorizing the Police Training Commission to require, for entrance-level training and at least every 3 years for in-service training, specified training on the criminal laws related to human trafficking, including sensitivity and awareness training to recognize victims of human trafficking.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

PS, § 3-207(6) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 609 Delegates Serafini and Krebs**EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM – CASH BALANCE PLAN OPTION**

Establishing a cash balance plan under the State Retirement and Pension System; exempting specified individuals who elect to participate in the cash balance plan from the requirement to join the Employees' Pension System as a condition of employment; requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to administer the cash balance plan and adopt specified regulations; providing the vesting requirements for participating employees in the cash balance plan; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

SP, § 23-201(b)(10) and (11) - amended and §§ 23-201(b)(12) and 41-101 through 41-209 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 610 Delegate Kaiser, et al**MARYLAND INCOME TAX REFUNDS – WARRANT INTERCEPT PROGRAM**

Requiring all counties to participate in a specified income tax refund withholding program for individuals with outstanding warrants; requiring the Comptroller to conduct a specified study and submit a report to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2015; and repealing specified termination provisions.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, §§ 13-936 and 13-937, Ch. 451 of the Acts of 2012, § 3, as amended, and Ch. 213 of the Acts of 2013, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 611 Charles County Delegation**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CHARLES COUNTY – LIFESTYLES HOMELESS SERVICES CENTER**

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 the Lifestyles of Maryland Foundation, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Lifestyles Homeless Services Center, located in Charles 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 612 Delegate Griffith (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – CODE SIMPLIFICATION AND CLARIFICATION

Clarifying that specified references to individual retirement accounts include traditional and Roth individual retirement accounts; clarifying that a member of the Employees' Pension System who resumes employment before a specified date may resume participation in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection if the employer participates in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection; clarifying that the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit does not apply to employees of specified participating governmental units; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SP, Various Sections - amended and § 29-303(h) - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 613 Delegate Conaway, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – DRUID HILL PARK AT AUCHENTOROLY TERRACE

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 the Parks and People Foundation, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to Druid Hill Park, located in Baltimore City; 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 614 Delegates Simmons and Kramer

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – TRANSFERS OF INMATES – INFORMATION

Providing that, if an inmate is transferred from one correctional facility to another correctional facility, the transferring facility shall send specified information as part of the transfer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CS, § 9-309 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 615 Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

CLIMATE RISK REDUCTION ACT

Establishing a Coast Smart Council in the Department of Natural Resources; providing for the membership, chair, staffing, and duties of the Council; requiring specified structures to be constructed in accordance with specified siting and design criteria established by the Council; requiring the Council, in consultation with the Department, to develop specified criteria in accordance with specified requirements on or before June 30, 2015; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

NR, §§ 3-1001 through 3-1004 and SF, § 3-602.3 - added

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

HB 616 Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Business and Economic Development)

INCOME TAX CREDIT – QUALIFIED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES – CREDIT AMOUNTS

Increasing the total amount of research and development tax credits that the Department of Business and Economic Development may approve in a calendar year from \$8,000,000 to \$9,000,000; and applying the Act to tax credits certified after December 15, 2013.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

TG, § 10-721(c) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 617 Delegate McConkey, et al

STATE GOVERNMENT – REFUND OF FEES – POLICY

Stating the policy of the State regarding the refund of fees paid to a unit; and defining the term “unit”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, § 1-102 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 618 Delegate Lafferty**NONRESIDENT RECREATIONAL FISHING AND CRABBING LICENSES – OYSTER RESTORATION SURCHARGE**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to require a nonresident to pay a surcharge in addition to any license fees imposed under specified laws and regulations for specified recreational fishing and crabbing licenses; requiring the Department to establish the amount of the surcharge by regulation; requiring all surcharges collected under the Act to be credited to the Fisheries Research and Development Fund and used only for oyster restoration activities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

NR, § 4-209 - amended and § 4-1020.1 - added

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

HB 619 Delegate Simmons**ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting specified public service companies and persons who own an interest in the operation of specified public service companies from directly or indirectly making a contribution to specified campaign finance entities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015

EL, § 13-238 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 620 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – SENECA STORE RESTORATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Seneca Store, located in Montgomery 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 621 Delegate Lafferty**REGISTRATION OF PESTICIDES – FEE INCREASE – DISPOSITION OF FEES**

Increasing specified pesticide registration fees from \$100 to \$110; and providing that at least \$10 of each annual registration fee and each terminal registration fee collected under § 5–103 of the Agriculture Article may be used only for activities of the Department of Agriculture relating to the collection, analysis, and reporting of data on pesticide use in the State; specifying that money expended from the State Chemist Fund for a specified purpose is supplemental to other specified funding; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

AG, §§ 5-105(d) and 6-501 - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

HB 622 Delegates Simmons and Kramer**CRIMINAL LAW – FIRST DEGREE ASSAULT – STRANGULATION**

Prohibiting a person from committing an assault by applying pressure on the throat or neck of another person with the intent to impede the normal breathing or circulation of the blood of the other person; and establishing that a person who violates the Act is guilty of the felony of assault in the first degree and on conviction is subject to a specified penalty.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CR, § 3-202 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 623 Delegates Simmons and Kramer**PUBLIC SAFETY – CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM – INTEGRATION WITH MARYLAND AUTOMATED FIREARMS SYSTEM**

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to integrate the Criminal Justice Information System with the Maryland Automated Firearms System to allow the Department of State Police to identify individuals who purchased a firearm prior to October 1, 2013, and were subsequently convicted of a disqualifying crime requiring the surrender of firearms; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CP, § 10-205 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 624 Delegate S. Robinson, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – WATKINS MILL HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM RENOVATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$22,500, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Education of Montgomery County for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Watkins Mill High School Stadium; 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 625 Delegate Nathan–Pulliam, et al**KATHLEEN A. MATHIAS ORAL CHEMOTHERAPY IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2014**

Altering the scope of specified provisions of law relating to coverage of cancer chemotherapy to include specified policies or contracts issued or delivered by specified entities that provide essential health benefits required under specified provisions of federal law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

IN, § 15-846 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 626 Delegate Donoghue**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WASHINGTON COUNTY – DOEY’S HOUSE INITIATIVE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Hospice of Washington County, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Doey’s House hospice facility, located in Washington County; 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 627 Delegate Costa**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SOUTHERN HIGH SOFTBALL FIELD IMPROVEMENTS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$46,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Southern High Softball Field; 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, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 628 Delegate S. Robinson, et al**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – RELOCATABLE CLASSROOMS – INDOOR AIR QUALITY REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the Board of Public Works, in consultation with specified departments, to adopt regulations that include specifications relating to indoor air quality for the occupants of relocatable classrooms constructed after July 1, 2014, that are purchased or leased using State funds.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

ED, § 5-301(b-1) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 629 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – General Services)**ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PROCUREMENT – MARYLAND GREEN PURCHASING COMMITTEE**

Altering the membership of the Maryland Green Purchasing Committee; requiring the Committee to develop and publish, and State units thereafter to adopt, specifications that will enable implementation of environmentally preferable purchasing; altering requirements concerning State unit reporting of recycled content materials; defining “environmentally preferable product or service”; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SF, §§ 14-405 and 14-410 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 630 Delegate Griffith (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEMS –
REEMPLOYMENT OF RETIREES – PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO
SUBMIT CERTIFICATION**

Altering the amount a local school system or the Maryland School for the Deaf must pay as a penalty for failing to submit to the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System and the State Department of Education within a specified period of time a specified certification regarding retirees of the Teachers' Retirement System or the Teachers' Pension System who are employed by a local school system or the Maryland School for the Deaf and are exempt from a specified retirement allowance offset.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

SP, §§ 22-406(c)(9) and 23-407(c)(9) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 631 Delegate Stukes, et al**FORFEITURE OF BAIL BONDS**

Repealing a provision of law that prohibits a court that exercises criminal jurisdiction from refunding a forfeiture of bail or collateral at a specified time unless a private surety pays a forfeiture of bail or collateral within a specified time; and repealing specified conditions that must be met before the court may refund a forfeited bail bond or collateral that was not paid within a specified time.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CP, § 5-208 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 632 Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al**PROCUREMENT – MARYLAND FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND
TRANSPARENCY ACT – REVISIONS**

Altering the information regarding State payments that a specified searchable Web site is required to contain; and requiring the searchable Web site to allow a user to compare data for multiple fiscal years and access specified information regarding specified contracts.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SF, § 3A-313 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 633 Delegate Conaway**BALTIMORE CITY – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS – VIDEO CAMERAS**

Requiring a law enforcement officer in Baltimore City to wear a video camera affixed to the law enforcement officer's uniform while on duty; requiring that any interaction between the law enforcement officer and a member of the public be recorded; prohibiting a video camera from making an audio recording; requiring the Baltimore Police Department to preserve the recording; requiring the Baltimore Police Department to develop specified policies and procedures; and defining "law enforcement officer".

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

PS, § 3-509 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 634 Delegates Stukes and Boteler**TRANSPORTATION – CAPITAL PROJECTS – LIFE–CYCLE COST ANALYSIS**

Requiring the Department of Transportation to adopt regulations to establish a methodology for applying life–cycle cost analysis to the evaluation of specified pavement projects; requiring that the methodology address specified matters; requiring the Department to utilize the results of the life–cycle cost analysis for specified projects; defining "life–cycle cost analysis"; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

TR, § 2-103.1(c) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 635 Delegate George, et al**HEALTH CARE MALPRACTICE – EXPRESSION OF REGRET OR APOLOGY – INADMISSIBILITY**

Repealing an exception to the provision of law that an expression of regret or apology made by a health care provider is inadmissible as evidence of an admission of liability or an admission against interest in a malpractice proceeding or civil action against the health care provider; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CJ, § 10-920 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 636 Delegate Arora, et al**MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – PRETAX COMMUTER BENEFITS PROGRAM**

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to include in a specified transit plan improvements to its fare payment systems; specifying that the plan allow the Administration to process fare media in electronic form and provide electronic fare media to employers for distribution to employees; requiring that the Administration implement its fare payment systems in a manner that allows employees to enroll in a commuter benefits program online and use pretax contributions to pay for the electronic fare media; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

TR, § 7-301 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 637 Delegate Hubbard, et al**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – RARE AND EXPENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM – WAIVER AMENDMENT**

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for an amendment to the Rare and Expensive Case Management Program under a specified waiver; and requiring the application to authorize enrollment in the Program for specified individuals under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

HG, § 15-140 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 638 Montgomery County Delegation**CRIMINAL LAW – TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES IN PLACE OF CONFINEMENT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY WORK RELEASE AND PRERELEASE PROGRAMS MC 21-14**

Exempting specified work release and prerelease programs in Montgomery County from specified prohibitions relating to telecommunication devices in a place of confinement.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CR, § 9-417 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 639 Delegate Luedtke, et al**TASK FORCE ON COMMUNITY–PARTNERED SCHOOL–BASED MENTAL HEALTH**

Establishing the Task Force on Community–Partnered School–Based Mental Health; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 15, 2014.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 640 Delegate Tarrant, et al**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – INTERN TRANSPORTATION COSTS – REIMBURSEMENT BY EMPLOYERS**

Requiring an employer, under specified circumstances, to reimburse an intern for transportation costs incurred by the intern because of the internship; and defining “employer” to include a governmental unit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

LE, § 1-203 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 641 Delegate Simmons**COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN PATIENT OR CLIENT AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL – EXCEPTIONS TO PRIVILEGE**

Creating an exception to the privilege of communications of a patient or client if the disclosure is necessary to prove a charge in a specified criminal proceeding against the patient, former patient, client, or former client; creating an exception to the privilege of communications of a patient or client if the disclosure is necessary to obtain relief in a peace order proceeding in which a specified health care professional is a petitioner and the patient, former patient, client, or former client is a respondent; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

CJ, §§ 9-109, 9-109.1, and 9-121 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HOUSE BILL REASSIGNED JANUARY 27, 2014**HB 421 Delegate Olszewski, et al****BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – REFILLABLE CONTAINER PERMITS**

Creating in Baltimore County a refillable container permit; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the permit to a holder of a Class A license, a Class B license, or a Class D license; specifying that a holder of the permit may sell draft beer for consumption off the licensed premises in a specified refillable container; requiring a refillable container to meet specified requirements; requiring an applicant for the permit to complete a form and pay a fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 8-204.10 - added

Reassigned to: Economic Matters