



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
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HOUSE BILL INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 26, 2014

HB 1503 Delegates Stein and McMillan

CRIMINAL LAW – ANIMAL CRUELTY – LEAVING DOGS OUTSIDE
IN EXTREME TEMPERATURES

Prohibiting a person from leaving a dog outside and unattended by use of a specified restraint during a snow emergency declared by the State Police or during a specified period in which the temperature is 32 degrees Fahrenheit or below for at least 1 hour; and making a violation a misdemeanor.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CR, § 10-623 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 27, 2014**HB 1504 Delegate Haynes, et al****MARYLAND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY ACT OF 2014**

Exempting recent high school graduates from payment of tuition to attend a community college in the State under specified circumstances; providing a 50% discount on tuition to unemployed individuals attending a community college in the State under specified circumstances; requiring the State to reimburse community colleges for foregone tuition revenue; requiring that funds used to reimburse community colleges shall be paid from the Education Trust Fund; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

ED, § 16-106.1 - added and SG, § 9-1A-30 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1505 Delegate Haynes**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – WINCHESTER STREET POTTER’S HOUSE**

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 Winchester Street Potter’s House, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Winchester Street Potter’s House, 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: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1506 Delegate Conway**WICOMICO COUNTY – NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY**

Authorizing Wicomico County to become a participating county in the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority by the County Council of Wicomico County filing certified copies of a resolution of participation with the Secretary of State and the Department of Legislative Services.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

NR, § 3-903(a) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1507 Delegate Rudolph**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CECIL COUNTY – DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION PROJECT – CALVERT REGIONAL PARK**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Cecil County for specified development or improvement purposes related to Calvert Regional Park, located in Cecil 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: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1508 Delegate Afzali**EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS – EDUCATION RECORDS – DISCLOSURE OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION**

Authorizing a specified educational agency or institution to designate a person as an authorized representative to conduct a specified audit, evaluation, or compliance or enforcement activity only if the person is under the direct control of the agency or institution; prohibiting a specified educational agency or institution from disclosing personally identifiable information from education records to a contractor, a consultant, or any other person without written consent except under specified conditions; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

ED, §§ 26-401 through 26-404 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1509 Delegate Hammen**MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE REINSURANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDY PROGRAM**

Substituting the Health Insurance Subsidy Program for the State Reinsurance Program in specified provisions of law relating to funding of the State Reinsurance Program; authorizing the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange, with the approval of the Maryland Insurance Commissioner, to establish the Health Insurance Subsidy Program to take effect on or after January 1, 2015; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

HG, § 19-214(d) and IN, §§ 14-502(d), 14-504(d) and (f), 31-107, and 31-117(c) - amended and IN, § 31-120 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1510 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION – ESTABLISHMENT AND DUTIES**

Merging the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration and the Mental Hygiene Administration in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish the Behavioral Health Administration in the Department; establishing the qualifications, responsibilities, powers, and duties of the Director of the Behavioral Health Administration; requiring substance use disorder programs and mental health programs to be licensed by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, with specified exceptions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Various Sections of Various Articles - added, repealed, and amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1511 Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE – ADULT DEPENDENT CARE PROVIDERS – MARYLAND BACKGROUND CHECK PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Background Check Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; providing for the purpose of the Program; requiring an adult dependent care provider to obtain a specified fitness determination from the Program for specified employees; requiring an adult dependent care provider to require specified applicants to submit specified documentation and to submit to a preliminary screening and a State and national criminal history records check to obtain a specified fitness determination; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

HG, §§ 19-1901 through 19-1912 - repealed and added

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