



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
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HOUSE BILL INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 28, 2014

HB 1518 Delegate Conaway

**ELECTRIC COMPANIES – NOTICES LEFT AT CUSTOMER PREMISES
– OPTION TO DECLINE**

Requiring an electric company, under specified circumstances, to send by first-class mail a written notice with a postage paid return envelope each year to specified customers explaining under what circumstances the electric company may leave a specified notice at a specified place; requiring the electric company to provide a customer the opportunity to decline to receive specified notices in a specified manner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

PU, § 7-310 - added

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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED MARCH 3, 2014**HB 1519 Delegate Gilchrist, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – FAMILY SERVICES, INC. EXPANSION**

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 the Family Services, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Family Services, Inc. facility, located in Montgomery 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

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HB 1520 Delegate Ready, et al**SALES AND USE TAX – TAX-FREE PERIODS – HUNTING AND SPORTING GOODS**

Establishing a sales and use tax exemption period for the 7-day period from the third Sunday in April through the following Saturday for specified hunting and sporting goods if the taxable price of the item is less than \$1,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, § 11-232 - added

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HB 1521 Delegate Olszewski, et al**INCOME TAX CHECKOFF – MARYLAND VETERANS TRUST FUND**

Establishing an income tax checkoff system for voluntary contributions to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund; requiring the Comptroller to include a checkoff on the individual income tax return; requiring the Comptroller to collect and account for contributions made through the checkoff system and to credit the proceeds to the Fund after deducting the amount necessary to administer the checkoff system; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, §§ 2-114 and 10-804(l) - added and SG, § 9-913(g) - amended

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HB 1522 Delegate Reznik**RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE PROGRAMS – STATEMENT OF NEED – EXCEPTION FOR TEMPORARY RELOCATION**

Creating an exception to a specified statement of need requirement for the temporary relocation of an existing licensed residential child care program if the temporary site is located within the same jurisdiction as the site undergoing rehabilitation or within 10 miles of the original site and the rehabilitation of the existing site will be completed within 180 days or, if not, will be completed within a specified time period under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

HU, § 8-703.1 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1523 Delegate Rudolph**PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION – DWELLING HOUSE OF DISABLED VETERAN OR SURVIVING SPOUSE – REPEAL OF DOMICILE REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing, under provisions of law exempting from property tax the dwelling house owned by a surviving spouse of an individual who died in the line of duty, the requirement that the individual or the surviving spouse be domiciled in the State as of the date of the individual's death; repealing, under provisions of law exempting from property tax the dwelling house owned by a disabled veteran or specified surviving spouse, the requirement that the disabled veteran be domiciled in the State at death; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

TP, § 7-208(b) and (c) - amended

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HB 1524 Delegate Haddaway–Riccio**TASK FORCE TO STUDY CONTINUING EDUCATION AND FIRM PERMITS FOR HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR–CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS AND PLUMBERS**

Establishing the Task Force to Study Continuing Education and Firm Permits for Heating, Ventilation, Air–Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors and Plumbers; providing for the 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; etc.

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HB 1525 Delegate George, et al**STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMISSION ON EFFICIENCY IN STATE GOVERNMENT – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Commission on Efficiency in State Government; requiring the Commission to study and make recommendations regarding the efficiency of units of State government; requiring a unit to provide the Commission with any information the Commission requires to carry out its duties; requiring, under specified circumstances, the General Assembly to reduce the amount included in specified budget bills for specified units by a specified amount; etc.

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SG, §§ 9-3101 through 9-3108 - added

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HB 1526 Delegate Rosenberg**EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT – CALCULATION AND ELIGIBILITY**

Increasing, for specified qualified spouses and qualified working taxpayers, the amount of the State earned income tax credit; reducing the State earned income tax credit for specified taxpayers; providing that individuals filing a joint income tax return may make a specified calculation without regard to specified income; providing that specified individuals with specified income in excess of 200% of the federal poverty income guidelines may not claim the credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013; etc.

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TG, § 10-704, 10-706(c), and 10-709(a)(3)(iv), (c)(1), and (d)(1) - amended

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