



# SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2014 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 15, 2014**  
**Schedule 6**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** January 21 – Bill request deadline.  
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.

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## **HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 15, 2014**

### **HB 152 Delegate Hixson, et al**

#### **CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – INTER-GENERATIONAL CENTER EXPANSION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Easter Seals of Greater Washington–Baltimore Region, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Inter–Generational Center Expansion, located in Montgomery County; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

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**HB 153 Delegate O'Donnell**

HEALTH – NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM – KRABBE LEUKODYSTROPHY

Requiring that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Newborn Screening Program include screening for Krabbe leukodystrophy.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

HG, § 13-111 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 154 Delegate O'Donnell**

NATURAL RESOURCES – SPORT FISHERIES ADVISORY COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP

Increasing to 16 the number of members on the Sport Fisheries Advisory Commission; and requiring that one member of the Sport Fisheries Advisory Commission be a specified member of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

NR, § 4-204(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 155 Delegate Krebs, et al**

ENVIRONMENT – STORMWATER MANAGEMENT – EXEMPTION FROM WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION PROGRAM

Exempting a county or municipality that maintains adequate program funding to support infrastructure and programs required under a specified permit from the requirement to adopt a watershed protection and restoration program under specified circumstances; and requiring the Department of the Environment to make a specified determination and provide specified notice under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

EN, § 4-202.1(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 156 Carroll County Delegation**

## CARROLL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE FEE INCREASES

Increasing the fees for specified beer, beer and light wine, and beer, wine and liquor licenses in Carroll County in a specified manner.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, §§ 3-101(h), 3-401(h), 5-101(h), 5-401(h), and 6-101(h) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 157 Delegate Krebs, et al**

## OPEN MEETINGS ACT – ADVANCE NOTICE OF MEETING – AGENDA

Requiring a public body to include an agenda containing specified information in the advance notice of a meeting held by a specified public body.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, § 10-506 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 158 Carroll County Delegation**

## CARROLL COUNTY – GAMING

Authorizing specified organizations in Carroll County to conduct a card game, card tournament, or casino night under specified circumstances; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the Board of License Commissioners for Carroll County before conducting a card game, card tournament, or casino night; requiring an organization that seeks a permit to meet specified requirements; specifying that a card game, card tournament, or casino night may be managed and organized by specified organizations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CR, § 13-906 - amended and § 13-906.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 159**    **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety and Correctional Services)**

CRIMINAL LAW – CONTRABAND – TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES – PENALTY

Prohibiting a person from attempting to deliver a telecommunication device to a person detained or confined in a specified place of confinement; making it a felony instead of a misdemeanor to commit a specified offense; and altering a penalty.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CR, § 9-417 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 160**    **The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**

BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2015)

Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 163**    **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety and Correctional Services)**

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – MINIMUM SECURITY INMATES – TRANSFER TO LOCAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

Repealing a requirement that a transfer of a minimum security inmate from a State correctional facility to a local correctional facility be for participation in community-oriented correctional programs; and authorizing the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services to make a specified transfer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CS, § 9-304 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 164 Delegate Hough, et al**

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY – LIMITATION OF TERMS

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to impose a limit of three consecutive terms that a person may serve in the office of Senator or Delegate in the General Assembly; making stylistic changes; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 6 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

**HB 165 Delegate Stein**FINANCIAL EDUCATION AND CAPABILITY COMMISSION –  
MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES

Altering the membership of the Financial Education and Capability Commission to include the Secretary of Higher Education, or the Secretary's designee, rather than a member of the Higher Education Commission; and altering the duties of the Commission to require the Commission to coordinate specified financial education events and activities to highlight a specified month as Financial Education Month.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, §§ 9-803(a) and 9-804(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 166 Delegate Arora, et al**STATE GOVERNMENT – ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT –  
EFFECTIVE DATE OF ADOPTED REGULATIONS

Altering the effective dates of specified regulations adopted under the Administrative Procedure Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, § 10-117 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 167**    **Dorchester County Delegation**DORCHESTER COUNTY – CLASS B BEER AND LIGHT WINE  
LICENSES – SUNDAY SALES

Altering in Dorchester County the hours that a Class B beer and light wine license holder may sell beer and light wine on Sundays for on- and off-premises consumption; and repealing a prohibition against the sale of beer and light wine on Sundays after a specified time for off-premises consumption.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 11-510(b)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 168**    **Delegate Schulz, et al**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION –  
BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COUNCILS – MEMBER REMOVAL

Requiring the Governor to remove a member of a specified board, commission, or council under the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation if the member does not attend at least two-thirds of the meetings during the prior year while the member was serving, subject to a specified exception; requiring specified notice to be provided to the Governor; requiring the Governor to appoint a successor under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

BOP and BR, Various Sections - amended and LE and PS, Various Sections - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 169 Delegate Hough, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – ROLLBACK OF FEDERAL PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT CONFORMING PROVISIONS**

Repealing the application to specified coverage in specified insurance markets of specified provisions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act relating to annual limitations on cost sharing and deductibles, child-only plan offerings, minimum benefit requirements for catastrophic plans, health insurance premium rates, coverage for individuals participating in approved clinical trials, and contract requirements for specified dental plans; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

IN, §§ 15-605(e), 15-1105, and 15-1203 - added and Various Sections - amended and repealed

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 170 Delegates Schulz and Barkley****CORPORATE INCOME TAX – RATE REDUCTION**

Reducing the State corporate income tax rate from 8.25% to 6% beginning in tax year 2014.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, § 10-105(b) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 171 Delegate Schulz, et al****CORPORATE INCOME TAX – FEDERAL REPATRIATION HOLIDAY**

Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland corporate income tax for specified dividends included in federal taxable income as a result of a specified repatriation holiday enacted by federal legislation; requiring the Comptroller to provide for the administration of the Act if specified federal legislation is enacted; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, § 10-307(e) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 172 Delegate Mitchell, et al****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – BALTIMORE REGION – BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL AND ADVISORY BOARD AND BALTIMORE REGION TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Clarifying the purpose of the Baltimore Metropolitan Council; altering the membership of the Council; altering the membership of the Baltimore Metropolitan Council Advisory Board; establishing the Baltimore Region Transportation Board; providing for the purpose and composition of the Transportation Board; specifying that all members of the Transportation Board are voting members; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

EC, §§ 13-302, 13-303, 13,307, and 13-309 - amended and § 13-310 - added

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 173 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety and Correctional Services)****PUBLIC SAFETY – PROHIBITION OF POLYGRAPH EXAMINATIONS BY EMPLOYERS – EXEMPTION**

Exempting from the prohibition against an employer requiring or demanding, as a condition of employment, that an individual submit to or take a polygraph examination or other similar test individuals who are employed as correctional officers in a State correctional facility and individuals who apply for employment or are employed in any capacity that involves direct personal contact with an inmate in a State correctional facility.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

LE, § 3-702(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 174 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety and Correctional Services)****PUBLIC SAFETY – INTERNAL INVESTIGATIVE UNIT – NAME CHANGE AND DUTIES**

Changing the name of the Internal Investigative Unit in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to the Intelligence and Investigative Division; and requiring the Intelligence and Investigative Division to oversee and coordinate intelligence efforts within the Department, subject to the authority of the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CS, CP, HG, LE, PS, and SP, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 175 Delegate Guzzone (Chair, Special Joint Commission on Public Safety and Security in State and Local Correctional Facilities)**

CRIMINAL LAW – CONTRABAND – TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES – PENALTY

Prohibiting a person from attempting to deliver a telecommunication device to a person detained or confined in a place of confinement; increasing and applying the penalty for violations relating to delivering, possessing, or receiving a telecommunication device in a place of confinement; and requiring a specified sentence to be served consecutive to another sentence.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CR, § 9-417 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 176 Delegate Guzzone (Chair, Special Joint Commission on Public Safety and Security in State and Local Correctional Facilities)**

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – OFFICERS AND INSPECTION STANDARDS

Authorizing the appointing authority of a State correctional facility to impose on a correctional officer an emergency suspension of correctional powers without pay if the correctional officer is charged with a specified contraband violation; requiring the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services to direct the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to study specified issues on or before December 1, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CS, § 10-913 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 177 Delegate Hough, et al**

GENERAL ASSEMBLY – LIVE AND ARCHIVED VIDEO STREAMING OF MEETINGS

Requiring the General Assembly to make available to the public specified video streaming of specified meetings of the Senate of Maryland, the House of Delegates of Maryland, and specified standing committees.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, § 2-1805 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

**HB 178 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Resources)**

**FAMILY LAW – ADOPTION, SEARCH, CONTACT, AND REUNION SERVICES – RELATIVES OF MINORS IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT**

Expanding search, contact, and reunion services to include contacting specified relatives of a minor in out-of-home placement to develop a placement resource or facilitate a family connection if the minor was adopted through a local department of social services and a local department determines that reunification with the minor's adoptive parents is not in the minor's best interests.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

FL, §§ 5-4B-01(f) and (g) and 5-4B-02(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 179 Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Resources)**

**ADULT PUBLIC GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW BOARD – MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the membership requirements for adult public guardianship review boards.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

FL, § 14-402(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 180 Dorchester County Delegation**

**DORCHESTER COUNTY SANITARY COMMISSION – ENFORCEMENT OF LIENS – TAX SALE AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing the Dorchester County Sanitary Commission to request the county tax collector to conduct a sale of real property to enforce a lien representing any unpaid benefit assessment or other specified charges, in accordance with the same procedures governing the sale of property for delinquent property taxes; and authorizing the tax collector in Dorchester County to conduct a county tax sale for the purpose of enforcing a specified lien.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

EN, § 9-658 - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 181 Carroll County Delegation**

## 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, 2014

CJ, § 7-204(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 182 Carroll County Delegation**

## CARROLL COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY

Requiring that the Sheriff of Carroll County receive an annual salary of \$90,000 beginning on December 1, 2014, and thereafter; providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the Sheriff of Carroll County while serving in a specified term of office; and providing that a specified limitation does not apply to a specified individual.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CJ, § 2-309(h)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 183 Carroll County Delegation**

## CARROLL COUNTY – LOCAL GOVERNMENT TORT CLAIMS ACT – INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Altering the definition of a “local government” under the Local Government Tort Claims Act to include the nonprofit corporation serving as the industrial development authority in Carroll County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

CJ, § 5-301(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 184 Delegate Krebs, et al**

## ESTATE AND INHERITANCE TAXES – REPEAL

Repealing the inheritance tax and the estate tax; and providing that the Act applies to decedents dying after December 31, 2013.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, §§ 7-201 through 7-234 and 7-301 through 7-309 - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 185 Delegates Simmons and Kramer****CRIMES – COMMITTING A CRIME OF VIOLENCE IN THE PRESENCE OF A MINOR – PENALTIES**

Prohibiting a person from committing a specified crime of violence when the person knows or reasonably should know that a minor who is at least 2 years old is present in a residence; establishing specified circumstances under which a minor is present; establishing an enhanced penalty not exceeding 5 years for a violation of the Act; authorizing a court to impose an enhanced penalty if the State's Attorney provides a specified written notice to the defendant and if specified elements have been proven beyond a reasonable doubt; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CR, § 3-601.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 186 Delegate Krebs, et al****ESTATE TAX – RECOUPLING WITH FEDERAL LAW**

Repealing a limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax; repealing a requirement that the Maryland estate tax shall be in effect even if the federal estate tax is not in effect on the date of the decedent's death; repealing a requirement that the Maryland estate tax be determined without regard to a specified deduction allowed under the federal estate tax; and applying the Act to decedents dying after December 31, 2013.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, § 7-309(b)(1), (2), and (3) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 187 Delegate Braveboy, 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, 2014

LE, §§ 3-403, 3-413, 3-415, 3-419, 3-420, and 3-427 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 188 Delegate Schulz, et al**

## MARYLAND ESTATE TAX – UNIFIED CREDIT

Altering a specified limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax; repealing a specified limit on the unified credit used for determining the Maryland estate tax for decedents dying on or after January 1, 2017; and altering a specified limit on the amount of the Maryland estate tax.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, § 7-309(b)(1), (2), and (3) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 189 Delegate Serafini, et al**MARYLAND OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT –  
CHEMICAL INFORMATION LIST – SUBMISSION TO DEPARTMENT  
OF THE ENVIRONMENT – REPEAL

Repealing obsolete language regarding the maintenance of and access to specified chemical information lists submitted to the Department of the Environment; repealing the requirement that employers, under specified circumstances, submit a specified chemical list to the Department; repealing the requirement that the Department take specified actions regarding the chemical lists that are submitted to it; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

EN, §§ 6-501 through 6-504 and LE, §§ 5-406 and 5-408(d) - repealed

Assigned to: Economic Matters