# SYNOPSIS



House Bills and Joint Resolutions 2015 Maryland General Assembly Session

# February 4, 2015 Schedule 12

**<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u>** February 13 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 12.

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 FEBRUARY 4, 2015**

# HB 247 Delegate Walker

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS – DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY (STUDENT HEALTH AND FITNESS ACT)

Requiring that a public school student in elementary school be provided a daily program of physical activity totaling at least 150 minutes of physical activity each week, including at least 90 minutes of physical education; requiring that the program of physical activity for a specified category of student be consistent with a specified plan for the student; requiring public elementary schools to designate a physical activity leadership team to plan and coordinate specified activities; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 ED, § 7-409(a) - amended and § 7-409(b) - added Assigned to: Ways and Means

**Department of Legislative Services** 

# HB 248 Delegate Walker

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – FINANCIAL LITERACY CURRICULUM – GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a semester–long course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the financial literacy curriculum content developed by the State Board in every high school in the county; and requiring students to complete a course in financial literacy in order to graduate from high school. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

ED, § 7-205.4 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 249 Delegate W. Miller, et al

# LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – LABOR ORGANIZATIONS – RIGHT TO WORK

Prohibiting an employer from requiring, as a condition of employment or continued employment, an employee or a prospective employee to join or remain a member of a labor organization, pay charges to a labor organization, or pay a specified amount to a third party under specified circumstances; prohibiting an employer from threatening an employee or a prospective employee with specified action; providing that a specified violation of law is a misdemeanor and is subject to specified penalties; etc.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015** 

CJ, ED, FL, HG, LE, LU, and SP, Various Sections - amended, LU, § 16-316 - repealed, and LE, §§ 4-701 through 4-707 - added Assigned to: Economic Matters

#### HB 250 Delegate Afzali, et al

# INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – ELDERLY OR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS

Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for any income received by an individual who is at least 65 years old or is totally disabled; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 10-207(cc) - added, § 10-209 - repealed, and § 10-211(a) - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 251 Delegate Afzali, et al

# CORPORATE INCOME TAX – RATE REDUCTION

Reducing the State corporate income tax rate from 8.25% to 6% beginning in tax year 2015. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015 TG, § 10-105(b) - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 252 Delegate Waldstreicher, et al

JANE LAWTON FARM–TO–SCHOOL PROGRAM – MARYLAND HOMEGROWN SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK – OCCURRENCE

Increasing the occurrence of a promotional event established under the Jane Lawton Farm–to–School Program in the Department of Agriculture to advocate State agriculture and farm products to children through school meal and classroom programs; and requiring the promotional event to be held once in the fall and once in the spring.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015 AG, § 10-1601 - amended Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

# HB 253 Delegate McDonough

ELECTION LAW – VOTER REGISTRATION – INTERSTATE CROSSCHECK PROGRAM

Requiring the State Board of Elections to execute a memorandum of agreement to participate in the Interstate Crosscheck Program for purposes of identifying possible duplicate voter registration records and instances of individuals who voted more than once in the same election; requiring the State Board to utilize the data obtained through the Interstate Crosscheck Program for specified purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015 EL, § 3-101 - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 254 Delegate Clippinger, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – CHESAPEAKE SHAKESPEARE COMPANY'S DOWNTOWN THEATER AND EDUCATIONAL ANNEX

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$235,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company's Downtown Theater and Educational Annex, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

#### HB 255 Delegates Dumais and Kramer

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE – PROPERTY USED IN EXPLOITATION OF VULNERABLE ADULTS

Authorizing a State or local law enforcement agency, on process issued by a court of competent jurisdiction, to seize specified property used or intended for use in connection with a violation of a specified criminal statute relating to exploitation of vulnerable adults; specifying property that is subject to forfeiture; authorizing the seizure of specified property with or without a warrant under specified circumstances; requiring the seizing authority that seizes money to take specified actions; etc.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015** 

CP, §§ 13-601 through 13-636 - added Assigned to: Judiciary

#### HB 256 Delegate B. Robinson, et al

# DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION – LICENSEES – DUTIES AND IMMUNITIES – EMPLOYEES

Requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt rules and regulations for licensees of the Developmental Disabilities Administration to obtain and provide information on employees; requiring the rules and regulations to require a licensee to carry out specified duties; requiring a licensee to respond in a specified manner to a request for information; requiring a licensee to have specified immunities under specified circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

HG, § 7-901 - amended and §§ 7-911 through 7-913 - added Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

# HB 257 Delegate Szeliga, et al

# BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – HOMES NEAR A REFUSE DISPOSAL SYSTEM

Authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant a credit against the county property tax for owner–occupied residential real property within a specified proximity to a specified refuse disposal system; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2015.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015 TP, § 9-305(e) - added Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 258 Delegates Tarlau and Fennell

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ELIZABETH SETON HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY RENOVATION

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 Elizabeth Seton High School, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Elizabeth Seton High School Library, 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, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

# HB 259 Delegate B. Robinson, et al

#### PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX – MAXIMUM RATE – SMALL BUSINESS

Establishing a maximum county property tax rate for personal property owned by specified businesses organizing in or moving into the State between July 1, 2015, and June 30, 2020. Preliminary analysis: local government mandate EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

TP, § 6-302 - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

#### HB 260 Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al

COURTS – JURY SERVICE – EXCUSAL

Providing that a breast-feeding mother of an infant under the age of 2 years may be excused from jury service. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 CJ, § 8-402 - amended Assigned to: Judiciary

# HB 261 Delegate Turner, et al

#### SALES AND USE TAX – BOTTLED WATER – EXEMPTION

Providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for bottled water sold with food for immediate consumption; clarifying that the exemption does not apply to specified sales of bottled water; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015 TG, § 11-206 - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 262 Delegate Clippinger

# WORKERS' COMPENSATION – PERMANENT PARTIAL DISABILITY COMPENSATION – REVERSAL OR MODIFICATION OF AWARD

Applying a specified provision of law relating to the reversal or modification of an award for permanent partial disability compensation to the Workers' Compensation Commission; clarifying that, for purposes of a specified provision of law relating to the reversal or modification of an award for permanent partial disability compensation, the payment of any new compensation awarded is subject to a monetary credit for compensation previously awarded and paid; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 LE, § 9-633 - amended Assigned to: Economic Matters

# HB 263 Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – PERMANENT PROTECTIVE ORDERS – CONSPIRACY OR SOLICITATION TO COMMIT MURDER

Expanding the circumstances under which a court is required to issue a permanent final protective order to include the conviction of an individual for conspiracy or solicitation to commit murder under specified circumstances. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 FL, § 4-506(k) - amended Assigned to: Judiciary

#### HB 264 Delegates Krebs and Kittleman

#### OPEN MEETINGS ACT – PUBLIC BODY – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of "public body" for the purposes of the Open Meetings Act to include a multimember subcommittee of a standing committee of either house of the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 GP, § 3-101(h) - amended Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

# HB 265 Delegate Gaines, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – GREENBELT LAKE DAM REPAIR

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$285,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Greenbelt for acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Greenbelt Lake Dam, 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, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

# HB 266 Delegate Stein, et al

# CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – PIKESVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY BUILDING

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 Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, repurposing, and capital equipping of the Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company Building, 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, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

# HB 267 Delegate Afzali, et al

# LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTING – STANDARDS AND PROCESSES

Amending specified provisions of and adding a new article to the Maryland Constitution for the purpose of changing the legislative and congressional districting standards and processes; reducing the number of delegates in each House legislative district from three to one; clarifying that due regard must be given to the boundaries of counties under a specified provision of law; establishing the Legislative Districting Committee and the Congressional Districting Committee; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT - CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, §§ 3, 4, and 5 - amended and Art. XX, §§ 1, 2, and 3 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

#### HB 268 Delegate B. Wilson

# CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WASHINGTON COUNTY – THE MARYLAND THEATRE

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$260,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Maryland Theatre Association, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of The Maryland Theatre, located in Washington 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, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

#### HB 269 Delegate Beidle

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SAMARITAN HOUSE

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 Samaritan House, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Samaritan House project, located in Anne Arundel 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, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

# HB 270 Delegate B. Wilson, et al

CRIMINAL LAW – ARSON, BURNING, AND MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION – PROPERTY OF ANOTHER – DEFINITION

Defining the term "property of another" as used in specified provisions prohibiting arson, burning, and the malicious destruction of property to conform with the definition found in provisions relating to theft and related crimes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 CR, §§ 6-101(d) and (e) and 6-301 - amended and § 6-101(d) - added Assigned to: Judiciary

# HB 271 Delegate W. Miller, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – QUARTERLY AUDITS

Requiring a local jurisdiction to obtain a quarterly audit of its speed monitoring systems conducted by a qualified independent person; and requiring the results of the audit to be kept on file and admitted as evidence in a specified proceeding.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 TR, § 21-809(b)(7) - added Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

#### HB 272 Delegate Dumais, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – POTOMAC COMMUNITY RESOURCES HOME

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 Potomac Community Resources, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Potomac Community Resources Home, 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, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

#### HB 273 Frederick County Delegation

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WINE EVENTS, LICENSING, ALCOHOL AWARENESS REQUIREMENTS, AND FINES

Restricting the number of bottles of wine that may remain open at any one time at a wine sampling or tasting event in Frederick County to all bottles in a wine preservation system that the Board of License Commissioners approves and not more than six other bottles; altering the qualifications for signatories of a certificate accompanying a license application; providing for an alternative method for selecting signatories under specified circumstances; authorizing the Board to reduce a suspension under specified circumstances; etc.

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015** 

Art. 2B, §§ 8-406.1, 10-103(b)(18), 13-101(c)(2), and 16-507(l) - amended Assigned to: Economic Matters

#### HB 274 Frederick County Delegation

#### FREDERICK COUNTY - GAMING EVENTS

Authorizing specified organizations in Frederick County to conduct a card game, card tournament, or casino event under specified circumstances; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the County Department of Permits and Inspections before conducting a card game, card tournament, or casino event; requiring an organization that seeks a permit to meet specified requirements; specifying that a card game, card tournament, or casino event may be managed and organized by specified organizations; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 CR, § 13-1304.1 - added Assigned to: Ways and Means

## HB 275 Frederick County Delegation

# FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL CLASS C (RETIREMENT CENTER) LICENSE

Establishing a special Class C (retirement center) on–sale beer, wine and liquor license in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license by converting a specified license held on behalf of a retirement center; specifying that the retirement center license authorizes the holder to sell at retail beer, wine, and liquor for on–premises consumption; authorizing an annual fee of \$1,500 for the license: etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Art. 2B, § 6-301(l)(10) - added Assigned to: Economic Matters

# HB 276 Delegate Proctor

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CHARLES COUNTY – BENEDICT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND RESCUE SQUAD AND AUXILIARY FACILITY

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Benedict Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and Auxiliary, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Benedict Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and Auxiliary facility, located in Charles County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

#### HB 277 Delegate M. Washington, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL INDOOR PLAYGROUND

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 St. Elizabeth School, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the St. Elizabeth School Indoor Playground project, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

# HB 278 Delegate Kaiser, et al

# TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A DYSLEXIA EDUCATION PROGRAM

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program; providing for the composition of the Task Force, including one representative of the Public School Superintendents Association of Maryland; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving specified compensation but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to study specified matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations on or before December 30, 2015; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015 Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 279 Delegate B. Robinson

PROCUREMENT – PROSPECTIVE RESPONSIBLE BIDDERS OR OFFERORS – TRANSITIONING TO BE PRIME CONTRACTORS

Prohibiting a unit from placing specified requirements on prospective responsible bidders or offerors; and prohibiting a unit from drafting specifications requiring unnecessary experience or excessive bonding on prospective responsible bidders or offerors.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015** 

SF, § 13-205 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

# HB 280 Carroll County Delegation

#### CARROLL COUNTY - TABLE GAMING EVENTS

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 CR, § 13-906.1 - added Assigned to: Ways and Means

#### HB 281 Delegate Dumais

#### ESTATES AND TRUSTS – ELECTIVE SHARE

Altering the definition of "net estate", for purposes of provisions of law relating to a surviving spouse making an election to take a specified share of the net estate of the decedent instead of the property left to the surviving spouse under the will, to include property of a revocable trust of the decedent; providing that, under specified circumstances, a surviving spouse is entitled to take an elective share amount of the net estate instead of specified property; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

ET, §§ 3-203, 3-207, and 3-208 - amended Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

# HB 282 Delegate Bromwell, et al

CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES – CONTINUING CARE AGREEMENTS – ACTUARIAL STUDIES

Altering the contents of a renewal application for a continuing care retirement community by requiring that actuarial studies reviewed by qualified actuaries be submitted at least every 3 years and 5 years for specified continuing care agreements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 HU, §§ 10-401 and 10-413(a) - amended Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

# HB 283 Delegate Carter, et al

AWARD OF ATTORNEY'S FEES AND EXPENSES – VIOLATION OF MARYLAND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT

Authorizing a court to award to a prevailing plaintiff reasonable attorney's fees and expenses in specified actions seeking to remedy a violation of a Maryland constitutional right; authorizing a court to award reasonable attorney's fees and expenses to a prevailing defendant under specified circumstances; establishing that the limit on the liability of the State under the Maryland Tort Claims Act does not include a specified award of attorney's fees and expenses; etc.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015** 

CJ, §§ 3-2101 and 3-2102 - added and SG, §§ 12-104(a)(2) and 12-109 -amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

# HB 284 Delegate Flanagan, et al

# ELECTION LAW – LOCAL PETITIONS – ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF SUFFICIENCY OF LOCAL LEGISLATION SUMMARY

Requiring a chief election official of an election authority who is determining the sufficiency of a specified petition to determine the sufficiency of any summary of local legislation that is contained in the petition; requiring the chief election official to make a specified determination within 10 business days after receipt of the petition; and requiring, under specified circumstances, the chief election official to provide the sponsor of a petition with an explanation of the reasons for a specified determination.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015 EL, § 6-202 - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 285 Caroline County Delegation and Dorchester County Delegation

CAROLINE COUNTY AND DORCHESTER COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Caroline County or Dorchester County to hunt any game bird or game mammal, except migratory game birds and wetland game birds, on a Sunday on specified land during the open season for that game bird or game mammal.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

NR, § 10-410(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

# HB 286 Delegates O'Donnell and Fisher

# HIGHWAYS - SCENIC BYWAYS - SIGNS

Authorizing the State Highway Administration to issue a permit for an outdoor sign along or near a scenic byway on a federal–aid primary highway if the sign was erected on or before January 1, 2008, or is a directional sign for a facility that sells principally local agricultural or aquacultural products and is located within a 5–mile radius of the sign.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 TR, § 8-730 - amended Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

## HB 287 Delegate O'Donnell

NATURAL RESOURCES – AQUACULTURE – LIABILITY FOR TRESPASS

Establishing specified damages for which specified persons are liable for entering an area leased to another person for aquaculture purposes, without the written permission of the leaseholder, to harvest, damage, or transfer shellfish in any manner or to alter, damage, or remove any markings or equipment; and requiring a person who enters an area leased to another person for aquaculture purposes and engages in specified acts to display the written permission of the leaseholder on the request of a law enforcement officer.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015** 

NR, § 4-11A-16.1 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

# HB 288 Delegate Lafferty

# VEHICLE LAWS - REGULATION OF PARKING - JURISDICTION

Clarifying that specified State and local entities may regulate the parking of vehicles on highways over which the entity has jurisdiction. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 TR, § 26-301(b) - amended Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

# HB 289 Delegates Krimm and K. Young

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – FREDERICK COUNTY – CULLER LAKE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROJECT

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 Friends of Baker Park, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of projects at Culler Lake, located in Frederick 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, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

#### HB 290 Delegate Barkley

# ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WINERY OFF–SITE PERMIT HOLDERS – COMPTROLLER NOTIFICATION AND ATTENDANCE RESTRICTIONS

Requiring the holder of a winery off-site permit to report specified information to the Comptroller within a time period determined by the Comptroller rather than by a specified day; and repealing a limitation on attendance at specified events by winery off-site permit holders.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015** 

Art. 2B, §§ 2-102(h) and 2-104 - amended Assigned to: Economic Matters

#### HB 291 Delegate Barkley

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DIRECT WINE SHIPPERS – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring a direct wine shipper to report information about wine shipments to the Office of the Comptroller in the manner determined by the Officer of the Comptroller, rather than reporting specified information according to a specified schedule.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 Art. 2B, § 7.5-107 - amended Assigned to: Economic Matters

#### HB 292 Delegate Lafferty

BALTIMORE COUNTY - REGULATION OF PARKING ON YORK ROAD

Prohibiting Baltimore County from placing or maintaining a traffic control device that regulates parking on York Road in the county unless the county provides, to the general public and each member of the General Assembly and County Council who represents the regulated area or area proposed to be regulated, notice and an opportunity to address the issue at a public hearing; providing for the application of the Act to any traffic control device placed or maintained by the county on York Road on or after June 1, 2014; etc.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015** 

TR, § 25-105 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

#### HB 293 Delegate Morhaim

# GUARDIANSHIP, ADVANCE DIRECTIVES, AND SURROGATES – DISABLED PERSONS AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Authorizing a court to appoint a guardian of the person of a disabled person for a limited period of time under specified circumstances; providing that a revocation of an advance directive for mental health services by a specified declarant is not effective until 72 hours after the request for revocation is made by the declarant; repealing the prohibition against surrogate decision makers authorizing treatment for a mental disorder; etc.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015** 

ET, § 13-708(a) and (b) and HG, §§ 5-604 and 5-605(d) - amended Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

# HB 294 Delegate Morhaim

# ELECTION LAW - CONTRIBUTIONS - DISCLOSURE

Repealing a provision of law allowing a campaign finance entity of a candidate to report a cumulative amount of \$25,000 of contributions of less than a specified amount from a single contributor on its campaign finance reports without identifying the amount of each contribution and the name and address of each contributor; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015 EL, §§ 13-240 and 13-304(c) - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 295 Delegate Gilchrist, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – F. SCOTT FITZGERALD THEATRE AND SOCIAL HALL

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rockville for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre and Social Hall 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; etc. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

# HB 296 Carroll County Delegation

#### CARROLL COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITIES BONDS

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$17,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of specified public facilities in Carroll County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 297 Delegate M. Washington

# HIGHER EDUCATION – UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH TUITION EXEMPTION – MODIFICATION

Altering the definition of unaccompanied homeless youth by requiring a determination of homelessness by a specified individual or specified documentation; and requiring a financial aid administrator to annually make a specified verification.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015 ED, § 15-106.1 - amended Assigned to: Ways and Means

# HB 298 Delegate Kaiser, et al

# EDUCATION – STUDENT DATA PRIVACY ACT OF 2015

Requiring specified operators of specified Internet sites, services, and applications to protect PreK–12 student information from unauthorized access, implement and maintain specified security procedures and practices, and delete specified student information under specified circumstances; prohibiting specified operators from engaging in specified activities with respect to specified sites, services, and applications relating to targeted advertising; etc. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015 ED, § 4-131 - added Assigned to: Ways and Means

#### HB 299 Delegate McConkey, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – CROWNSVILLE TREATMENT CENTER

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Gaudenzia Foundation, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Crownsville Treatment Center, located in Anne Arundel 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, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

#### HB 300 Delegate Korman, et al

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY SERVICES – UTILIZATION STUDY

Requiring the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, to study specified matters relating to the utilization of services provided by the Authority; requiring that the study include an evaluation of specified ridership information; requiring that the information used in the study be from data gathered within the last 2 years; requiring that information in the study pertaining to Maryland jurisdictions be organized in a specified manner; requiring a specified report; etc.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015** 

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

#### HB 301 Delegate Carter, et al

#### PUBLIC SAFETY – SEGREGATED CONFINEMENT – REPORT

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to make an annual report on segregated confinement to the Governor on or before November 1; requiring specified information be included in the report; defining specified terms; and making provisions of the Act severable.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 CS, §§ 2-601 and 2-602 - added Assigned to: Judiciary

#### HB 302 Delegate Simonaire, et al

# CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS 2010 TRUST FUND – USE OF FUNDS

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish a Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to be used only for the implementation of nonpoint source pollution control projects except under specified circumstances; prohibiting the transfer of funds in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to the General Fund or a special fund of the State except under specified circumstances; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 53A - added Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

# HB 303 Delegate Carter, et al

# INMATES – LIFE IMPRISONMENT – PAROLE REFORM

Repealing specified provisions that provide that inmates serving a term of life imprisonment may be paroled only with the Governor's approval, subject to specified provisions; requiring specified parole decisions to be transmitted to the Governor under specified circumstances; authorizing the Governor to disapprove specified parole decisions in a specified manner; and providing that if the Governor does not disapprove a specified parole decision in a specified manner within a specified time period, the decision becomes effective. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CS, §§ 4-305(b) and 7-301(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

#### HB 304 Delegate Carter, et al

#### CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - EXPUNGEMENT OF RECORDS

Repealing a provision of law that provides that a person is not entitled to expungement of the person's record if the petition for expungement is based on a specified case disposition and the person, since the disposition, has been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015** 

CP, § 10-105(e) - amended Assigned to: Judiciary

## HB 305 Delegate W. Miller, et al

# ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT – LIMITATION ON ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS

Prohibiting a unit authorized by law to adopt regulations from adopting proposed regulations during the period beginning the day after a statewide general election for Governor and ending the day when the succeeding Governor takes office if the Governor serving in office on the day of the general election is not a candidate for the office or is defeated in the general election. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015 SG, § 10-111 - amended Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

#### HB 306 Delegate Grammer, et al

#### FIREARM DECRIMINALIZATION ACT OF 2015

Repealing a specified exception to the prohibition against carrying a deadly weapon on public school property; repealing the prohibition on the possession or use of specified firearm ammunition during and in relation to the commission of a crime of violence; altering the authorization for a person to wear, carry, or transport a handgun; repealing the designation of specified firearms as assault weapons; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

CR, NR, and PS, Various Sections - amended; CR, HG, PS, and GP, Various Sections - repealed; and PS, § 5-119 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Health and Government Operations

#### HB 307 Delegate Conaway, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – 908–912 WASHINGTON BOULEVARD 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 the Pigtown Main Street, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the 908–912 Washington Boulevard project, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015 Assigned to: Appropriations

#### HB 308 Delegate Conaway, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS – VIDEO CAMERAS

Authorizing a law enforcement officer to wear a video camera affixed to the law enforcement officer's uniform while on duty; requiring that a recording be preserved by a law enforcement agency for at least 30 calendar days; providing that it is lawful under a specified provision of law for a specified law enforcement officer to intercept a specified oral communication; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, § 3-510 and CJ, § 10-402(c)(11) - added Assigned to: Judiciary