



SYNOPSIS

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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 15, 2016

HB 1505 Delegate Hayes

HEALTH INSURANCE – ASSIGNMENT OF BENEFITS AND
REIMBURSEMENT OF NONPREFERRED PROVIDERS –
MODIFICATIONS

Making specified provisions of law relating to the assignment of benefits and the reimbursement of nonpreferred providers who are physicians applicable to other specified health care practitioners; altering the circumstances under which a provision for an insured to pay a balance bill may not apply; repealing the requirements that an assignment of benefits be obtained and that an insurer be notified for specified provisions of law to apply; etc.

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IN, §§ 14-201, 14-205, 14-205.2, and 14-205.3 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

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HB 1506 Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

NATURAL RESOURCES – WILDLIFE AND HUNTING

Clarifying the authorized uses of the State Wildlife Management and Protection Fund; repealing specified requirements that the Department of Natural Resources use specified funds from specified hunting license sales for specified purposes; requiring a person who harvests a game bird or mammal to report the harvest in accordance with specified regulations; requiring a person who possesses a game bird or mammal killed by means other than hunting to report the possession in accordance with specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

NR, §§ 10-209(g) and 10-415(e) - amended, §§ 10-308, 10-415(b) and (f), and 10-503 - repealed, and 10-415(b) and (f) - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1507 Delegate McCray, et al

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS – ARTISTIC WORK – ELIGIBILITY

Altering the definition of “artistic work” for the purpose of designating an arts and entertainment district to include original and creative work that falls into the category of graphic design, urban manufacturing, or architectural design; and eliminating the prohibition that makes inapplicable artistic work for industry-oriented or industry-related production.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

EC, §§ 4-701(b)(2) and 4-702 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1508 Delegates Frush and Pena–Melnik

SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY DISCLOSURE AND DISCLAIMER STATEMENTS – DISCLOSURE OF HOME IMPROVEMENTS

Requiring the disclaimer and disclosure statements required for the sale of specified single family residential real property to include specified information and documents relating to home improvements made to the property during the period that the vendor owned the property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

RP, § 10-702 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1509 Delegate Hixson

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE – REGIONAL INSTITUTES FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS – REPORT BEFORE CLOSURE

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, before closing a regional institute for children and adolescents, to submit a report justifying the closure to the Governor and specified legislative committees; requiring the report to address specified items; and requiring the committees to have 60 days to review and comment on the report.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

HG, § 10-406 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1510 Delegate Lisanti

SALES AND USE TAX – DIAPERS – EXEMPTION

Exempting from the sales and use tax the sale of diapers.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 11-211(c) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HOUSE BILLS REASSIGNED FEBRUARY 12, 2016**HB 973 Delegates Rosenberg and Haynes**

COUPLES ADVANCING TOGETHER PILOT PROGRAM – ADDITIONS AND EXTENSION

Requiring the Couples Advancing Together Pilot Program to include the implementation of a specified collaborative learning project to document, assess, and identify changes to specified policies and procedures; requiring the Program to include the development of a specified data-sharing agreement and the implementation of a specified earned income disregard; requiring the Secretary of Human Resources to allocate at least \$250,000 each fiscal year for the Program; extending the termination date of the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

HU, § 5-318.1 - amended and Chapter 367 of the Acts of 2013, § 3, as amended - amended

Reassigned to: Appropriations

HB 982 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS**

Authorizing a motor vehicle dealer to disclose to a consumer the terms and conditions of any motor vehicle manufacturer warranty adjustment program of which the dealer has knowledge and to make any necessary repairs under the adjustment program; prohibiting a manufacturer from retaliating against specified persons because the persons exercise specified rights or assert specified protections, and making a violation an unfair or deceptive trade practice subject to specified penalty and enforcement provisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CL, § 14-1402(c) - amended and §§ 14-14A-01 through 14-14A-03 - added and TR, Various Sections - amended and § 15-207(1) - added

Reassigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

HB 1022 Prince George’s County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS D (WATERFRONT) BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE PG 315–16**

Repealing the prohibition against issuing a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license in Prince George’s County; establishing a Class D (waterfront) beer, wine, and liquor license that the Board of License Commissioners of the County may issue to an establishment in a waterfront entertainment retail complex; establishing the privileges for the license; authorizing dancing and entertainment activities on the licensed premises in a specified manner; providing for the hours of operation of the licensed premises; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

AB, § 26-906 - repealed, §§ 26-1018.1 and 26-2004(j) - added, and §§ 26-1601(a)(1) and 26-2707 - amended

Reassigned to: Economic Matters