



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2016 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 15, 2016
Schedule 3

PLEASE NOTE: January 26 – Bill request deadline.
February 12 – Bill introduction deadline.
All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 11.
As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

HOUSE BILL INTRODUCED JANUARY 14, 2016

HB 74 The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Judiciary)

JUDGESHIPS – CIRCUIT COURTS AND DISTRICT COURT

Increasing the number of resident judges of the circuit court in Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Charles, Frederick, Harford, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties and Baltimore City; and increasing the number of resident judges of the District Court in District 5 (Prince George's County) and District 6 (Montgomery County).

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

CJ, §§ 1-503 and 1-603(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 15, 2016**HB 75****Delegate Barkley****GAS COMPANIES – INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECTS – AMENDMENT TO A PLAN**

Altering from 120 to 150 the number of days during which the Public Service Commission is required to take a final action after a gas company files an amendment to an approved plan to invest in eligible infrastructure replacement projects.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

PU, § 4-210(e) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 76**Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)****DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE – INVESTIGATION AUTHORITY**

Expanding the authority of members of the Department of State Police to investigate and enforce specified violations within a municipal corporation, including Baltimore City, under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PS, § 2-412 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 77**Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)****FAMILY LAW – MISSING CHILDREN – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND REPEAL OF ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Requiring that specified data regarding a missing child be entered into the National Crime Information Center's national database within 2 hours after the receipt of the minimum information necessary to make the entry; repealing the requirement that a law enforcement agency enter specified data regarding a missing child into a specified State database; repealing the requirement that a specified law enforcement agency forward a copy of a missing persons report to the State ClearingHouse for Missing Children; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

FL, §§ 9-402 and 9-403 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 78 **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)****STATE FIRE MARSHAL – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS – REPEAL**

Repealing a requirement that specified fire investigation reports about chimney fires be filed with the State Fire Marshal; repealing a requirement that the State Fire Marshal establish and maintain a repository of specified chimney fire reports; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PS, §§ 6-313 and 6-314 - repealed

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 79 **Delegates Morhaim and Kipke****HEALTH – MILK PRODUCTS – RAW MILK – CONSUMER-OWNED LIVESTOCK**

Exempting from specified regulation the distribution of raw milk and raw milk products from milk producers directly to the final consumer if the consumer has acquired an ownership interest in the animal or herd from which the raw milk is produced; requiring the consumer and the milk producer to enter into a written contract of agistment relating to a specified ownership interest; establishing that the exemption does not apply to specified sales of milk and milk products; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HG, §§ 21-403 and 21-434 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 80 **Delegate Morhaim, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – JEMICY SCHOOL LOWER AND MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPUS GYMNASIUM**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The Jemicy School, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the gymnasium at the Jemicy School's Lower and Middle School Campus, 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, 2016

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 81 **Delegate Conaway****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CAMERAS IN THE COURTROOM –
CRIMINAL SENTENCING HEARINGS**

Creating an exception to the general prohibition against recording or broadcasting a criminal sentencing hearing; establishing requirements that a media organization file a specified written request to provide media coverage of a criminal sentencing hearing with the clerk of the court at least 24 hours before the hearing is scheduled to begin; requiring the clerk of court to provide notice of the request to each party involved in the criminal proceeding; providing specified factors that a presiding judge may consider; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CP, § 1-201 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 82 **Delegate Carr, et al****STORMWATER MANAGEMENT – ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL FEES,
CHARGES, AND EXCISE TAXES – LEASEHOLD INTERESTS**

Requiring a leasehold or other limited interest in property that is owned by the federal government, the State, a county, a municipality, or an agency or instrumentality of the federal government, the State, a county, or a municipality to be assessed a specified stormwater remediation fee, a specified stormwater management charge, or a specified stormwater management excise tax by a county or municipality under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

EN, §§ 4-202.1(e)(5) and 4-204(d)(5) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 83 **Delegates Carr and Rosenberg****ELECTIONS – EARLY VOTING CENTERS – SUNDAY VOTING**

Requiring each early voting center to be open on the second Sunday before a primary or general election through the Sunday before the election during specified hours.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2017

EL, § 10-301.1 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means