



SYNOPSIS

Prefiled Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2016 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 13, 2016
Schedule 1

PLEASE NOTE: The following legislation was prefiled for the 2016 Session.

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 13, 2016

SB 1 Senator Kagan

HEALTH INSURANCE – IN VITRO FERTILIZATION – USE OF SPOUSE’S SPERM – EXCEPTION

Altering the circumstances under which insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations must provide benefits for expenses arising from in vitro fertilization procedures; providing an exception to the required use of a spouse’s sperm to fertilize the oocytes of a patient whose spouse is of the opposite sex; and providing the Act shall apply to all policies, contracts, and health benefit plans issued, delivered, renewed, or in force in the State on or after July 1, 2016.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

IN, § 15-810 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

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SB 2 **Senator Young****REAL-TIME TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2016**

Requiring a political committee to file a contribution report within 48 hours after receiving a single contribution, transfer, or loan of \$1,000 or more during the year of an election in which the political committee is participating; requiring contribution reports to include specified information; providing that contribution reports filed by a political committee are in addition to specified other reports filed by a political committee; providing for a \$10 fee for each day or part of a day a contribution report is overdue; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

EL, § 13-309.3 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 3 **Senator Astle****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – ATTORNEYS**

Increasing from \$20,000 to \$90,000 the salary of an attorney employed by the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County; authorizing the Board to hire an attorney on a contractual basis to perform work that the attorney employed by the Board is unable to perform because of a conflict of interest; and prohibiting the Board from spending more than \$10,000 each year to hire a specified attorney.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

Art. 2B, § 15-112(c)(5) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 4 **Senator Conway****NATURAL RESOURCES – MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST – TRUSTEES**

Repealing the requirement that specified trustees of the Maryland Environmental Trust be elected in a specified manner; requiring the Governor to appoint specified trustees with the advice and consent of the Senate; specifying that the terms of appointed trustees are 4 years; specifying an appointed trustee may not serve more than two consecutive terms, the terms are staggered, and at the end of a term an appointed trustee continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

NR, § 3-202 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 5 **Senator Young****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – RETIREMENT INCOME**

Increasing the maximum amount allowed as a subtraction modification under the State income tax for specified retirement income of a resident who is at least 70 years old or who is totally disabled or the resident's spouse is totally disabled; providing that the amount of the subtraction modification may not exceed specified amounts during specified taxable years; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 10-209 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 6 **Senator Simonaire****CRIMINAL LAW – IMPERSONATING A MILITARY MEMBER – PENALTIES (STOLEN VALOR ACT OF 2016)**

Prohibiting a person from misrepresenting oneself as a member or veteran of the United States armed forces or an organized militia or falsely holding oneself out to be a recipient of a specified military decoration or medal; and establishing penalties for violation of the Act of imprisonment not to exceed 1 year or a fine of not more than \$2,500 or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CR, § 8-906 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 7 **Senator Benson****PREVAILING WAGE LAW – APPLICABILITY – ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION**

Altering the definitions of “public body” and “public work” for the purpose of applying the prevailing wage law to all elementary and secondary school construction, rather than only to elementary and secondary school construction that meets specified requirements; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

SF, § 17-201 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 8 **Senator Simonaire****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX DEFERRALS – PAYMENT DUE DATE**

Altering the due date for specified payment of deferred county property taxes in Anne Arundel County if the owner no longer satisfies specified income eligibility requirements; and making clarifying changes to provisions of law that require payment of specified deferred county property taxes under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TP, § 10-204.6 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 9 **Senator Reilly****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LIMITED DISTILLERY LICENSE**

Authorizing the issuance of a Class 9 limited distillery license in Anne Arundel County to a holder of a Class D beer, wine and liquor license; allowing a holder of a Class 9 license to distill, rectify, bottle or sell up to 100,000 gallons of brandy, rum, whiskey, alcohol and neutral spirits each calendar year; and making the Act an emergency measure.

EMERGENCY BILL

Art. 2B, § 2-202.1 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 10 **Senator Simonaire****BUSINESS REGULATION – CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS – AUDIT AND REVIEW**

Increasing from \$500,000 to \$750,000 the minimum gross income amount by which the registration statement of a charitable organization must include an audit by an independent certified public accountant; altering the range of gross income amounts by which the registration statement of a charitable organization must include a specified review; and increasing the gross income amount from \$500,000 to \$750,000 at which the Secretary of State may require an audit or review of a charitable organization.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

BR, § 6-402(b)(7) and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 11 **Senator Manno****UNIVERSAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration and specified social service agencies to provide electronic records to the State Board of Elections regarding individuals who hold a driver's license or identification card, are at least 16 years of age, are citizens of the United States, and receive assistance from a social services agency; requiring the State Board to determine whether each individual whose electronic record it receives is eligible to be registered to vote and to provide specified information to local boards of elections; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

EL, §§ 3-201, 3-202(a)(4), 3-204(a), 3-302, and 3-303 - amended, § 3-203 - repealed, and § 3-203 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 12 **Senators Rosapepe and Hershey****HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – CLOSURES OR PARTIAL CLOSURES OF HOSPITALS – COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH APPROVAL**

Prohibiting a person proposing to close or partially close a hospital that receives State and county funding from closing or partially closing the hospital except under specified circumstances; requiring the county board of health for the county in which the hospital is located to hold a public hearing at a location within 5 miles of the hospital and within 30 days of receiving notice of the proposed closure or partial closure; requiring the board of health to consider specified factors; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HG, § 19-120(1) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 13 **Senator Simonaire****PUBLIC SAFETY – DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE – TRANSFER OF SURPLUS MILITARY PROPERTY**

Requiring the State Coordinator of the Department of State Police to notify in writing specified Senate and House delegation chairs within 15 days after a law enforcement agency submits a request for, and within 7 days after receiving notification that the law enforcement agency will be awarded, specified surplus military property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PS, § 2-315 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 14 **Senator Reilly****SALES AND USE TAX – AIRCRAFT PARTS AND EQUIPMENT – EXEMPTION**

Providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for materials, parts, or equipment used to repair, maintain, or upgrade aircraft or the avionics systems of aircraft if the materials, parts, or equipment are installed on the aircraft.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 11-232 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 15 **Senator Young****CHILD PLACEMENT – PROHIBITION ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING, RESTRICTIONS ON ADVERTISING, AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Prohibiting a person from knowingly committing specified acts related to rehoming a minor; providing that a person who violates specified prohibitions in the Act is guilty of the felony of human trafficking; prohibiting a person other than the Department of Human Resources or a child placement agency from advertising regarding the placement or acceptance of a child for adoption; authorizing an individual who believes a child is not living with a specified legal custodian to notify a specified department or enforcement agency; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CR, §§ 11-301 and 11-303 - amended and FL, §§ 5-3A-46, 5-3B-33, and 5-704.3 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 16 **Senator Eckardt****TALBOT COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBERS**

Increasing the number of student members of the Talbot County Board of Education from one member to two members; requiring that one student member be a student from St. Michaels High School and one student member be a student from Easton High School in Talbot County; and making specified conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

ED, §§ 3-12A-01(a) and (h) and 3-12A-06 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 17 **Senator Reilly****OPEN MEETINGS ACT – RETENTION OF MINUTES AND TAPE RECORDINGS – REVISION**

Increasing, from 1 year to 5 years, the number of years after the date of an open session a public body is required to keep a copy of written minutes of the open session and any tape recording made under specified provisions of law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

GP, § 3-306(e) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 18 **Senator Mathias****SALES AND USE TAX – EXEMPTION – ENERGY FOR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

Exempting from the sales and use tax sales of electricity, steam, or artificial or natural gas to a homeowners association for use in property owned or maintained by the homeowners association; and requiring the Comptroller, on or before October 1, 2016, to provide specified notice of the exemption authorized by the Act on the Comptroller's Web site.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 11-207(a) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 19 **Senator Ramirez****ELECTION LAW – AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration and specified social service agencies to provide electronic records of specified individuals to the State Board of Elections; requiring the State Board to determine whether each individual whose electronic record it receives is eligible to be registered to vote; requiring a public institution of higher education to provide each student with the opportunity to register or reregister to vote through the online portal used to register for course work; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

EL, §§ 3-201, 3-202(a)(4), 3-204(a), 3-302, and 3-303 - amended, §§ 3-203 and 3-204(c) - repealed, and §§ 3-203 and 3-204(c) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 20 **Senator Mathias, et al****STATE GOVERNMENT – DISPLAY OF THE POW/MIA FLAG ON STATE BUILDING GROUNDS**

Requiring the Secretary of General Services and the Secretary of Transportation to cause the POW/MIA flag to be flown on the grounds of State buildings under their control whenever the flag of the United States is flown; defining "POW/MIA flag" as the POW/MIA flag of the National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

SF, § 4-210 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 21 **Senator Young**STATE PERSONNEL – PROFESSIONAL SERVICE – MARYLAND
SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF – TEACHERS

Requiring that teachers employed by the Maryland School for the Deaf are in the professional service in the State Personnel Management System.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

ED, § 8-304 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 22 **Senator Benson**HUMAN SERVICES – INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS
– MEMBERSHIP

Altering the composition of the Interagency Council on Homelessness; increasing, from six to nine, the number of representatives from diverse geographical regions of the State engaged in homeless advocacy.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

HU, § 6-419 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 23 **Senator Young**VEHICLE LAWS – TITLE SERVICE AGENTS – OUT-OF-STATE
VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

Prohibiting a title service agent or an agent or employee of a title service agent from performing services related to out-of-state registrations or registration plates.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 15-606 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 24 **Senator Simonaire****DISCRIMINATION IN HOUSING – MILITARY STATUS**

Establishing that it is the policy of the State to provide for fair housing to all, regardless of military status; prohibiting specified discriminatory acts relating to the sale or rental of a dwelling because of a person's military status; prohibiting a person from discriminating in residential real estate-related transactions because of a person's military status; defining "military status" as an active duty member of the armed forces or a veteran with a specified discharge from the armed forces of the United States; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

SG, § 20-701(i) - added and §§ 20-702(a), 20-705, and 20-707 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 25 **Senator Reilly****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – WOODS COMMUNITY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$325,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Woods Community Center, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Woods Community 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, 2016

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 26 **Senator Reilly****STATE DESIGNATIONS – STATE TARTAN**

Designating a State tartan made up of a plaid reflecting design composed of the colors in the State flag and a specified thread count.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

GP, § 7-318.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 27 **Senator Cassilly**

STATE DESIGNATIONS – STATE DUCK – CANVASBACK

Designating the canvasback duck, one of North America’s premier game birds, as the State duck.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

GP, § 7-304.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 28 **Senator Kagan**

STATE GOVERNMENT – WEB SITES – LANGUAGE ACCESS

Providing that, beginning on October 1, 2016, the reasonable steps specified departments, agencies, and programs are required to take under a specified provision of law include the operation and maintenance of equal access versions of specified Web sites in specified languages subject to a specified exception; requiring the Department of Information Technology to establish minimum standards to which the equal access versions of specified Web sites must conform; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

SG, §§ 10-1103 through 10-1105 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 29 **Senator Simonaire**

PROTECTION OF INFORMATION BY BUSINESSES – DEFINITION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

Altering a specified definition of “personal information” for purposes of provisions of law relating to the protection of information by businesses to include specified identification numbers issued by a unit of State or local government or the United States government.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CL, § 14-3501(d) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 30 **Senator Conway****MARYLAND ANESTHESIOLOGISTS ASSISTANTS ACT**

Requiring the State Board of Physicians to adopt regulations for the licensure of anesthesiologist assistants and the practice of anesthesia care by anesthesiologist assistants; establishing the Anesthesiologist Assistants Advisory Committee within the Board; providing for the scope of practice for medical acts delegated to an anesthesiologist assistant under specified circumstances; requiring anesthesiologist assistants to execute a specified delegation agreement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HO, §§ 14-5G-01 through 14-5G-27 and SG, § 8-403(b)(3) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 31 **Senator DeGrange****FAMILY LAW – CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – EXPUNGEMENT OF REPORTS AND RECORDS – TIME PERIOD**

Requiring a local department of social services to maintain specified reports of suspected abuse or neglect and all assessments and investigative findings for at least 5 years after the date of referral under specified circumstances; and increasing the time period after which a local department is required to expunge specified reports and records of suspected child abuse and neglect.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

FL, § 5-707 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 32 **Senator Simonaire****STATE GOVERNMENT – VETERANS AFFAIRS – MARYLAND PRISONER OF WAR MEDAL**

Creating a Maryland Prisoner of War Medal; authorizing, except under specified circumstances, the Governor to award the Medal to any prisoners of war who meet specified residency requirements; requiring the Secretary, in consultation with the Adjutant General, to determine whether to grant prisoner of war status to specified individuals for purposes of consideration for the Medal; establishing the Maryland Prisoner of War Medal Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

SG, § 9-905.1 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)86. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)84. and 85. - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 33 **Senator Astle**

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSES

Allowing a license holder in Anne Arundel County to be issued a second or third alcoholic beverages license of a specified type for a restaurant if the restaurant is located in a shopping center that has a specified zoning classification; exempting specified alcoholic beverages licenses in the County from a prohibition against issuing multiple licenses to any one person; prohibiting the issuance of a new license to sell alcoholic beverages in any building located within 1,000 feet of a place of worship under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

Art. 2B, §§ 8-202.1(j) and (k), 9-102(i), 9-203(c), and 12-202(a) -amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 34 **Senator Young**

CORPORATIONS AND BUSINESS ENTITIES – FILING FEES AND COMBINED REPORTING

Prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from imposing a fee for the filing of specified documents by corporations or business entities with 10 or fewer employees; requiring specified corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a specified combined reporting method; requiring the Comptroller to report to the General Assembly, on or before March 31 of each calendar year, an estimate of the total additional revenue to be collected as a result of the specified requirement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

CA, § 1-203(b)(3)(ii) and TG, § 10-811 - amended and TG, §§ 10-402.1 and 10-402.2 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 35 **Senator Conway****SECONDHAND PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT DEALERS AND PAWNBROKERS – REQUIRED RECORDS – PHOTOGRAPH OF PRECIOUS METAL OBJECT**

Requiring specified records that a secondhand precious metal object dealer or pawnbroker is required to keep for specified purposes to include a photograph of each precious metal object acquired or pawned; and providing that a secondhand precious metal object dealer or pawnbroker is not required to submit to a primary law enforcement unit or a local law enforcement unit a copy of a specified photograph except at the request of the primary law enforcement unit or local law enforcement unit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

BR, §§ 12-302 and 12-304 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 36 **Senator Simonaire****VEHICLE LAWS – CATS AND DOGS LEFT UNATTENDED – AUTHORIZED REMOVAL**

Altering a provision of law to authorize any person, instead of only specified persons, to use reasonable force to remove an unattended cat or dog from a motor vehicle under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 21-1004.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 37 **Senator Simonaire****COMMERCIAL LAW – SECURITY FREEZES – FEES FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS**

Prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from charging specified military service members a fee for a placement, temporary lift, or removal of a security freeze; and defining the term “military service member”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CL, § 14-1212.1(a) and (i) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 38 **Senator Klausmeier****HIGHER EDUCATION – COMMUNITY COLLEGES – WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SEQUENCE GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

Establishing Workforce Development Sequence grants and scholarships; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the Maryland Higher Education Commission to disburse grants to community colleges in the State in order for specified community colleges to award scholarships to students who are enrolled in a Workforce Development Sequence and demonstrate financial need; requiring the Governor annually to include \$2,000,000 in the State budget for the Workforce Development Sequence grants; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ED, §§ 18-3101 through 18-3107 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 39 **Senator Simonaire****GENERAL PROVISIONS – STATE DESIGNATIONS – GREAT SEAL AND STATE MOTTO**

Repealing a specified statutory translation of the Calvert family motto depicted on the Great Seal of the State; establishing a specified meaning for the Calvert family motto; and designating the Calvert family motto, “Fatti maschii parole femine”, which generally means “Strong deeds, gentle words”, as the State motto.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

GP, § 7-102(b)(1) - amended and § 7-316.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 40 **Senator Kasemeyer****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – HOWARD COUNTY – ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER RENOVATION AND EXPANSION HO. CO. 2–16**

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 Howard County Conservancy, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Environmental Education Center, located in Howard 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 41 **Senator Brochin****VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVING WHILE LICENSE IS SUSPENDED – PRISON SENTENCE REPEAL**

Repealing the prison sentence for driving a motor vehicle while a person's license or privilege to drive is suspended under specified provisions of State law relating to the lapse of required security, noncompliance with traffic citations, and nonpayment of fines; and repealing the prison sentences for driving a motor vehicle while a person's license or privilege to drive is suspended by another state for failure to comply with a specified notice to appear in court or to pay a specified fine; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 27-101(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 42 **Senator Conway****STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS – APPOINTMENT OF DENTIST AND DENTAL HYGIENIST MEMBERS – ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE**

Requiring the dentist and dental hygienist members of the State Board of Dental Examiners to be appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HO, § 4-202(a) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 43 **Senator Simonaire****CLEAN WATERWAYS TAX CREDIT ACT**

Allowing an individual a credit against the State income tax for the purchase price of equipment used to install or maintain a floating garden; providing that the credit may not exceed a specified amount; providing that the credit may not be carried forward to another taxable year; requiring the Comptroller, in consultation with the Department of the Environment, to provide a specified report on or before December 1, 2016 and each December thereafter; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 10-724.2 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 44 **Senator Conway****SEAT BELTS – OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE WHILE INMATE OR PERSON IN CUSTODY UNRESTRAINED – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a correctional officer from operating a motor vehicle in which an inmate is an occupant unless the inmate is restrained by a seat belt; prohibiting a law enforcement officer from operating a motor vehicle in which a person in custody is an occupant unless the person in custody is restrained by a seat belt; requiring a specified lap belt and shoulder harness be used under specified circumstances; and establishing specified civil penalties under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CS, § 1-202 and PS, § 1-701 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 45 **Senator Simonaire****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 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 the 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: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

SB 46 **Senator Reilly****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ARCHERY HUNTING – SAFETY ZONE**

Establishing for archery hunters in Anne Arundel County a safety zone of 50 yards from a dwelling house, residence, church, or any other building or camp within which archery hunting may not take place except under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

NR, § 10-410(g) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 47 **Senator Simonaire****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – BENEFIT CORPORATIONS AND BENEFIT LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES**

Authorizing the governing body of Anne Arundel County or of a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on property owned or leased by a benefit corporation or benefit limited liability company, property that is not used for residential purposes, and property used in a trade or business by a benefit corporation or benefit limited liability company; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

TP, § 9-303(b)(5) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 48 **Senator Reilly****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – BLIND INDIVIDUALS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES**

Authorizing Anne Arundel County and a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county and municipal corporation property tax imposed on \$15,000 of the assessment value of a dwelling owned by a blind individual or a surviving spouse of blind individuals; requiring that a property tax credit authorized by the Act shall be granted in addition to any property tax exemption authorized by law, except under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

TP, § 9-303(b)(5) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 49 **Senator Young****MARYLAND STATE SONG – REPLACEMENT**

Changing the State song to “Maryland, My Maryland” by John T. White.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

GP, § 7-318 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 50 **Senator Reilly**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY –
BELVOIR–SCOTT’S PLANTATION HISTORIC MANOR HOUSE

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$90,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Belvoir–Scott’s Plantation, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Belvoir–Scott’s Plantation Historic Manor House, 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, 2016

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 51 **Senator Klausmeier**NATURAL RESOURCES – AQUACULTURE COORDINATING
COUNCIL – MEMBERSHIP

Altering the membership of the Aquaculture Coordinating Council to include one representative of the Oyster Recovery Partnership and one representative of the Maryland Farm Bureau.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

NR, § 4-11A-03.2(b) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 52 **Senator Simonaire**IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL LIABILITY – FORCIBLE ENTRY INTO
MOTOR VEHICLE

Establishing that a specified person is not civilly liable for damages resulting from the person’s forcible entry into a motor vehicle for the purpose of removing a child under the age of 8 years under specified circumstances; providing that immunity from civil liability does not apply to a person who acts in a manner that constitutes willful or wanton misconduct or gross negligence or who renders aid to a child that is not authorized by the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 5-643 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 53 **Senator Ramirez****VEHICLE LAWS – OBSTRUCTION HANGING FROM REARVIEW MIRROR – ENFORCEMENT**

Providing for enforcement only as a secondary offense for a violation of the prohibition under specified circumstances against a person driving a vehicle on a highway with any object, material, or obstruction hanging from the rearview mirror that interferes with the clear view of the driver through the windshield.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 21-1104 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 54 **Senators Middleton and Ferguson****PUBLIC UTILITIES – TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES AND FOR-HIRE TRANSPORTATION – CLARIFICATIONS**

Clarifying provisions relating to transportation network services; providing that a consumer reporting agency as defined under specified provisions of law or a comparable entity approved by the Public Service Commission may conduct a national criminal history records check for sedan companies, limousine companies, taxicab companies, and transportation network companies; prohibiting a person from operating a transportation network company in the State unless the person has been issued a specified permit by the Commission; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

IN and PU, Various Sections and Ch. 204 of the Acts of 2015, § 2 - amended and PU, § 10-403.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 55 **Senator Simonaire****CHILD WITNESS – FACILITY AND THERAPY DOGS – SUPPORT**

Authorizing a court in a criminal proceeding to allow a facility dog or therapy dog to accompany a child witness during testimony on motion by a party; requiring the motion to include the facility or therapy dog's credentials, proof of insurance for the facility or therapy dog, statements that an established relationship, in anticipation of testimony, exists between the child and facility or therapy dog and that the dog's presence is expected to reduce anxiety experienced by the child witness during testimony; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CP, § 11-305 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 56 **Senators Mathias and Astle****TRANSPORTATION – CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE CROSSING – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY – COST ESTIMATE AND PAYMENT**

Stating the power of the Maryland Transportation Authority to conduct or coordinate a study of the environmental impact of proposed transportation facilities; requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority, in collaboration with specified other agencies, to develop a cost estimate for an environmental impact study for a third crossing of the Chesapeake Bay; requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to set aside the greater of \$1,000,000 or 5% of the cost estimate each year for the environmental impact study, as specified; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, §§ 4-205 and 4-407 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 57 **Senator Ramirez****COMMUNITY CLEANUP AND GREENING ACT OF 2016**

Prohibiting a store from distributing plastic disposable carryout bags free of charge to a customer at the point of sale; requiring a store to charge and collect a 10-cent fee for each paper disposable carryout bag the store provides to a customer; authorizing the store to pay a customer a credit of at least 5 cents for each bag provided by the customer; requiring a store to remit to the Comptroller the money retained by the store for specified purposes; establishing a maximum penalty of \$100 for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

BR, § 19-104 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Finance

SB 58 **Senator Astle****NATURAL RESOURCES – VESSEL EXCISE TAX CAP – REPEAL OF TERMINATION**

Making permanent a \$15,000 limit on the amount of the vessel excise tax that may be imposed on any vessel.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Chapter 180 of the Acts of 2013, § 6 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 59 **Senator Simonaire****CRIMINAL LAW – AGGRAVATED CRUELTY TO ANIMALS IN THE PRESENCE OF A MINOR**

Prohibiting a person from committing specified acts against an animal when the person knows or reasonably should know that a minor of at least 2 years old is present; establishing that a minor is present if the minor is within sight or hearing of the crime of aggravated cruelty to animals; and establishing penalties of imprisonment not to exceed 5 years or a fine of up to \$5,000 or both for violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CR, § 10-606 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 60 **Senator Reilly****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – HISTORIC LINTHICUM WALKS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$120,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Friends of Historic Linthicum Walks, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Linthicum Walks historic home and park, 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, 2016

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 61 **Senator Simonaire****NATURAL RESOURCES – FOREST LANDS AND THE CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS 2010 TRUST FUND – MISCELLANEOUS CORRECTIONS**

Repealing references to the “Chesapeake 2000 Agreement” in specified provisions of law relating to forest lands and the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund and substituting references to the “2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement”; and repealing references to the term “tributary strategies” in specified provisions of law relating to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund and substituting references to the term “watershed implementation plan”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

NR, Various Sections - amended, § 8-2A-01(d) - repealed, and § 8-2A-01(e) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 62 **Senator Benson****SALES AND USE TAX – TAX-FREE PERIOD – EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EQUIPMENT**

Establishing a tax-free period beginning in calendar year 2017 for the sale of emergency preparedness items; providing the 7-day period from the second Sunday in August through the following Saturday as the period during which a sales and use tax exemption for the sale of specified items is provided; requiring the Comptroller of the Treasury to publish a specified list on or before January 1, 2017; authorizing the Comptroller to amend the list of emergency preparedness equipment that is exempt from taxation for each subsequent tax-free period; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, § 11-228.1 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 63 **Senator Simonaire****INVESTIGATIONAL DRUGS, BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS, AND DEVICES – RIGHT TO TRY ACT**

Authorizing a manufacturer of an investigational drug, biological product, or device to make available the investigational drug, biological product, or device to eligible patients; specifying the manner in which a specified drug, product, or device may be provided to eligible patients; prohibiting a health occupations board from taking specified action against a health care provider's license on a specified basis; establishing that the Act does not create a specified cause of action; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HG, §§ 21-2B-01 through 21-2B-07 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 64 **Baltimore County Senators****BALTIMORE COUNTY – ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES – COMPENSATION**

Repealing provisions of law that establish the annual compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County; requiring the annual compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County to be as set by the County Executive and the County Council in accordance with specified provisions of the Baltimore County Code; applying the Act to the salary or compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County at the beginning of the next following term of office with specified exceptions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ET, § 2-108(e) - repealed and added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 65 **Senator Young****PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – HEALTH AND SAFETY – SUGAR–FREE SCHOOLS ACT**

Requiring specified county boards to develop a plan on or before August 1, 2017, for reducing students' total sugar intake per school meal based on specified recommendations; requiring each county board to convene a workgroup to study the best methods of other jurisdictions to lower students total sugar intake per school meal, consider if the results of the study would be appropriate in the local school system, and make recommendations to the county board based on specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

ED, § 7-438 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 66 **Senator Waugh****PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS – APPROVAL OF CORPORATE NAME BY LICENSING UNIT AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION – EXEMPTION**

Exempting professional corporations in which a majority of the stockholders are individuals who are licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized to practice a health occupation under the Health Occupations Article from the requirement that, except under specified circumstances, the name of a professional corporation must be approved by the appropriate licensing unit and professional organization; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CA, § 5-107 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 67 **Senator Young****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, 2016

SG, § 10-117 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 68 **Senator Ramirez**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – NEW HORIZONS DISABILITY JOB TRAINING AND RECYCLING CENTER PHASE II

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the New Horizons Supported Services, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the New Horizons Job Training and Recycling Center, 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, 2016

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 69 **Senator Young**

CIVIL ACTIONS – CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

Extending from 7 to 20 years the statute of limitations in specified civil actions relating to child sexual abuse; and applying the Act retroactively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 5-117 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 70 **Senator Reilly**

DUTIES OF GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON AND VISITATION BETWEEN ADULT CHILD AND PARENT

Expanding the duties of a guardian of a disabled person to include enforcing the right to receive visitors and specified communications; authorizing an adult child to file a petition to compel visitation with a parent; requiring the court to appoint an independent investigator to conduct an investigation and report to the court; requiring the court to determine whether the proposed visitee has specified decision-making capacity; requiring the court to grant or deny visitation under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ET, § 13-708(b) - amended and § 13-708.1 - added and FL, §§ 15-101 through 15-104 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 71 **Senator Young****PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – STUDENT DIABETES MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

Requiring the State Department of Education and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish specified guidelines for the training of employees to become trained diabetes care providers; establishing that the purpose of the Student Diabetes Management Program is to have trained employee volunteers available to provide diabetes care services to students with diabetes during school hours and, when possible, at school–sponsored activities, including field trips and extracurricular activities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

ED, §§ 7-438 and 7-439 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 72 **Senator DeGrange****CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF COMMUNITIES SURROUNDING BALTIMORE–WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL THURGOOD MARSHALL AIRPORT – MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the designation of a specified certified noise zone that is used in determining the membership of the Citizens Committee for the Enhancement of Communities Surrounding Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 5-414(b) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 73 **Senator Young****MARYLAND LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR ORPHANS AND FOSTER CARE RECIPIENTS**

Establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Orphans and Foster Care Recipients; requiring an applicant to be employed full–time by the State or a county or municipality of the State, have received a graduate, professional, or undergraduate degree from an institution of higher education in the State, and meet other requirements as specified; providing an award under the Program of 10% of the eligible individual’s higher education loan debt for each year the individual qualifies; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

ED, §§ 18-3101 through 18-3106 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 74 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – EFFECT OF RETIREMENT PAYMENTS ON ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS – REVISION

Altering the circumstances used to determine the effect of a retirement payment on the eligibility of an individual for unemployment insurance benefits; and altering the definition of “retirement payment”.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

LE, § 8-1008 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 75 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)**

INSURANCE – PUBLIC ADJUSTERS – LICENSING

Repealing specified employment requirements for specified licensed public adjusters; providing for specified initial license fees for public adjusters; authorizing renewal notification by e-mail for specified public adjuster licenses; altering the renewal dates of specified public adjuster licenses; establishing continuing education requirements for the renewal of specified public adjuster licenses of 24 credit hours for each 2-year license period of which at least 3 hours shall relate to ethics; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2017

IN, §§ 10-404, 10-408, and 10-408.1 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 76 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

ENTERPRISE ZONES – REIMBURSEMENTS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS – SCHEDULE

Altering the schedule for the State’s reimbursement of an amount equal to a specified portion of an enterprise zone property tax credit to a county or municipal corporation; providing that on or before June 30 a county or municipal corporation shall submit its annual request for reimbursement to the Department of Assessments and Taxation; providing that on or before July 31 the Department shall make a specified certification; establishing that on or before August 31 the Comptroller shall make reimbursement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

TP, § 9-103(i) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 77 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Resources)**

HUMAN RESOURCES – TRANSITION PLANNING FOR FOSTER YOUTH

Lowering from 16 to 14 the age at which a juvenile court must determine, during a permanency planning hearing, the services needed to assist a child in transitioning from foster care to successful adulthood; requiring a juvenile court to determine, during a guardianship review hearing, the services needed to assist a child who has attained the age of 14 in transitioning from foster care to successful adulthood; and changing references to “independent living” to “successful adulthood”.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

CJ, § 3-823(e) and FL, §§ 5-326(a)(8) and 5-545(c)(7) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 78 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)**

STATE LOTTERY AND VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITY PAYOUTS – REMITTANCE OF INTERCEPTED PRIZES

Repealing a requirement that the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency or a video lottery operation licensee wait 15 days before transferring the prize of a restitution obligor or a child support obligor to the Central Collection Unit or the Child Support Enforcement Administration, respectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CP, § 11-618 and FL, § 10-113.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 79 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office for Children)**

STATE CITIZENS REVIEW BOARD FOR CHILDREN – PENALTIES FOR UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF CHILD PROTECTION CASE INFORMATION

Repealing the authority of the Special Secretary for Children, Youth, and Families to impose a civil penalty on members of the State Citizens Review Board for Children and the Board's designees and staff for unauthorized disclosure of specified child protection case information; and authorizing the Secretary of Human Resources to impose a civil penalty of up to \$500 on members of the Board and the Board's designees and staff for unauthorized disclosure of specified child protection case information.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

FL, § 5-539.3 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 80 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

COMMERCIAL DRIVERS' LICENSES – CANCELLATIONS AND DOWNGRADES (DRIVING PRIVILEGE PRESERVATION ACT OF 2016)

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to cancel the commercial driver's license of a person who fails to submit to the Administration a current certificate of physical examination; authorizing the Administration to immediately reinstate and, subject to specified conditions, issue a noncommercial driver's license of an appropriate class to an individual whose commercial driver's license is canceled as a result of the failure to submit a specified certificate of physical examination, under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

TR, § 16-812(k) and (o) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 81 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Juvenile Services)**

JUVENILE LAW – CONTINUUM OF CARE – REPEAL OF TERMINATION DATE

Repealing the June 30, 2016, termination date of provisions of law authorizing the Department of Juvenile Services to transfer a child committed to residential placement from one facility to another facility under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

Chapter 198 of the Acts of 2012, § 3, as amended - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 82 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office of Crime Control and Prevention)**

COURTS – PROHIBITION AGAINST TESTIMONY BY CONVICTED PERJURER – REPEAL

Repealing the prohibition on a person convicted of perjury from testifying in a proceeding.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

CJ, § 9-104 - repealed

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 83 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office of Crime Control and Prevention)**

PUBLIC SAFETY – SCHOOL SAFETY ENFORCEMENT FUND

Renaming the School Bus Safety Enforcement Fund to be the School Safety Enforcement Fund; expanding the purposes of the Fund to include enhancing school safety; expanding eligibility to receive grants from the Fund to county boards of education; repealing a provision of law restricting the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention from making a grant from the Fund exceeding \$35,000 in a fiscal year for use in a single county; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PS, §§ 4-201 through 4-204 and TR, § 17-106(e) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 84 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – CALCULATION AND APPLICATION OF TABLE OF RATES – REVISION

Providing that, for any calendar year beginning on or after January 1, 2017, the Table of Rates in effect for the immediately preceding calendar year continues to apply under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

LE, § 8-612(d) - amended and § 8-612(f) - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 85 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS AND COMMERCE – RENAMING

Renaming the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce to be the Department of Commerce; providing that the Department of Commerce is the successor of the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce; providing that nothing in the Act affects the term of office of an appointed or elected member of any commission, office, department, agency, or other unit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

EC, §§ 1-101(c), 2-101(c)(2), 2.5-101(a), and 9-101(c) and SG, § 8-201(b)(4) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 86 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – EXEMPTION FROM ACTIVELY SEEKING WORK REQUIREMENT – REPEAL

Repealing the prohibition on denying unemployment benefits to individuals who are at least 60 years old and who have been furloughed temporarily and are subject to recall for failing to actively seek work; and providing that the Act applies only to initial and reopened unemployment insurance claims filed on or after July 3, 2016.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

LE, § 8-907 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 87 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATORS – STATE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK REQUIREMENT – REPEAL

Repealing a requirement that, in connection with an initial application for a mortgage loan originator license, and at any other time the Commissioner of Financial Regulation requests, an applicant or a licensee provide fingerprints for use by the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for use in conducting a State criminal history records check; repealing specified related provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

FI, §§ 11-604 and 11-612.2 - amended and § 11-612.3 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 88 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION – CONSOLIDATION OF NONDEPOSITORY SPECIAL FUNDS

Consolidating the Mortgage Lender–Originator Fund, the Money Transmission Fund, and the Debt Management Services Fund into a single fund known as the Nondepository Special Fund; requiring that all money deposited in or credited to the Money Transmission Fund and the Debt Management Services Fund shall be transferred into the Nondepository Special Fund as of July 1, 2016; and terminating specified funds.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

FI, §§ 11-601(f), 11-610, 12-404, 12-901(j), and 12-905 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 89 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES TO ENROLLEES OF MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS

Repealing specified provisions of law relating to the provision of benefits for specified substance abuse services by managed care organizations to specified enrollees in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; requiring a managed care organization to provide or arrange to provide substance-related disorder services for children in State supervised care; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish a delivery system for substance-related disorder services; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HG, § 15-103(b)(2), (9), and (21) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 90 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – RECOVERY OF BENEFITS AND PENALTIES FOR FRAUD

Altering the means by which the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation is authorized to recover overpayments of benefits, monetary penalties, and interest; authorizing, under specified circumstances, the Secretary to adjust, compromise, or settle specified interest due; providing that a person who violates a specified provision of law is disqualified from receiving benefits for specified periods of time under specified circumstances; applying the Act to fraud determinations made on or after October 3, 2016; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

LE, §§ 8-809 and 8-1305 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 91 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

PUBLIC HEALTH – STATE-IDENTIFIED HIV PRIORITIES

Requiring rebates received by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene from the Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program as a result of State General Fund expenditures to be distributed to a specified special nonlapsing fund and used only to fund State-identified priorities for HIV prevention, surveillance, and care.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

HG, § 2-104(j) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 92 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

PLANNED APPRENTICESHIP STANDARDS AND ON-THE-JOB TRAINING ACTIVITIES – REVISIONS

Transferring the Apprenticeship and Training Council and the Youth Apprenticeship Advisory Committee to the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning; requiring the membership of the Council to include race and gender diversity, rather than representation by black and female persons; repealing the prohibition on persons offering, establishing, maintaining, or operating specified on-the-job training programs unless the programs were approved by specified persons; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

LE, §§ 11-403, 11-405, 11-406, and 11-409 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 93 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

MARYLAND WORKFORCE CORPORATION AND HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL TRAINING FUND – REPEAL

Repealing the Maryland Workforce Corporation and the Health Care Personnel Training Fund; repealing specified provisions of law related to the board of directors, officers, and employees of the Corporation; repealing specified provisions of law related to the authority and duties of the Corporation; requiring that all net assets of the Corporation revert to the State for a public purpose; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to receive and dispose of the assets, if any, on behalf of the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

LE, §§ 11-1001 through 11-1015 and SG, § 12-101(a)(2)(xii) - repealed and SG, § 12-101(a)(2)(xiii) and (xiv) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 94 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – REVISIONS

Repealing a specified provision of law requiring that specified displaced homemakers be exempt from payment of specified tuition and be counted in a specified computation of full-time equivalent enrollment; replacing obsolete references to the federal Workforce Investment Act with references to the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; renaming the Governor's Workforce Investment Board to be the Governor's Workforce Development Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

EC, ED, HG, HU, LE, TG, and TR, Various Sections - amended and ED, § 16-106(d) and LE, § 11-505.1 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 95 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

**DIVISION OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND ADULT LEARNING
– ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY SERVICES – REVISIONS**

Repealing the Workforce Creation and Adult Education Transition Council; altering the responsibility of the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation as it relates to the development of a specified State plan; repealing a specified provision of law authorizing each county board of education to establish and maintain day and evening schools for adults; altering the circumstances under which an individual may obtain a high school diploma by examination under a specified provision of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

LE, §§ 11-801 and 11-805 - added, §§ 11-801, 11-802, 11-804, 11-806, 11-807, and 11-808 - amended, and §§ 11-803 and 11-805 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 96 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION – STATE
COLLECTION AGENCY LICENSING BOARD – AUTHORITY OF THE
SECRETARY**

Establishing that the State Collection Agency Licensing Board exercises its powers, duties, and functions subject to the authority of the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

BR, § 7-207 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 97 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

PUBLIC HEALTH – OPIOID–ASSOCIATED DISEASE PREVENTION AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Repealing the Prince George’s County AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Program; authorizing the establishment of Opioid–Associated Disease Prevention and Outreach Programs by specified entities; requiring a Program to provide for the exchange by participants of used hypodermic needles and syringes; requiring a Program to operate in accordance with procedures approved by specified local health officers, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the recommendations of the Standing Advisory Committee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HG, §§ 24-901 through 24-909 - repealed and §§ 24-901 through 24-908 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 98 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Aging)**

SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES CENTER OPERATING FUND – DISTRIBUTIONS – ALTERATION

Altering the qualification criteria for specified need–based distributions from the Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund to specified counties.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HU, § 10-516 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 99 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Disabilities)**

DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES – ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY LOAN PROGRAM – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Repealing the requirement that a specified member of the Assistive Technology Loan Program Board of Directors be a member of the Maryland Commission on Disabilities; increasing from two to three the maximum number of terms that a Board member may serve; providing for the staggering of terms of Board members; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HU, § 7-605 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 100 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

FARM LABOR CONTRACTING – STATE LICENSE REQUIREMENT – REPEAL

Repealing the requirement that an individual, except under specified circumstances, be licensed by the Commission of Labor and Industry before performing a farm labor contracting service in the State for consideration; repealing a specified provision of law authorizing the Commissioner to require a farm labor contractor to post a surety bond or other security; requiring a person who performs a farm labor contracting service in the State to have a farm labor contractor certificate of registration from the U.S. Department of Labor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

LE, §§ 7-101, 7-201, 7-203(b), 7-501, 7-502, 7-503, and 7-506 - amended and §§ 7-301 through 7-313 and 7-505 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 101 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – LABOR RELATIONS – RESOLUTION OF LABOR DISPUTES

Authorizing, except under specified circumstances, either the Maryland Transit Administration or an accredited representative to request that a fact finder be employed to resolve a labor dispute; repealing the requirement that the Administration submit a specified labor dispute to an arbitration board; requiring the Administration, under specified circumstances, to request the State Labor Relations Board to resolve a specified labor dispute in a specified manner; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TR, § 7-602 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 102 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office for Children)**

GOVERNOR’S OFFICE FOR CHILDREN AND SERVICES TO CHILDREN

Repealing provisions establishing the Advisory Council to the Children’s Cabinet and the State Coordinating Council for Children; removing the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office for Children as a member of the State Early Childhood Advisory Council and the Council for the Procurement of Health, Educational, and Social Services; repealing specified duties of the Governor’s Office for Children; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HU, §§ 8-201, 8-202, and 8-401 through 8-404 and ED, § 8-406(f) -repealed and ED, HU, SF, and SG, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 103 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Office for Children)**

STATE GOVERNMENT – MARYLAND YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL – REVISIONS

Altering the membership of the Maryland Youth Advisory Council; specifying that the members must be residents of the State; altering the factors that specified persons are required to consider in deciding which youths to nominate as members of the Council; altering the duties of the Council; altering the duties that the Governor’s Office for Children has in relation to the Council; providing that the offices of the Senate President and Speaker of the House of Delegates shall serve as advisors to the Council; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

SG, § 9-2701 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 104 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Housing and Community Development)

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS – FINANCING

Authorizing a county to agree with the Community Development Administration to pledge, on behalf of a municipal corporation located in the county, any money, including a share of income tax, that the county is entitled to receive from the State for specified infrastructure projects; authorizing each issuance by a municipal corporation of a local obligation for specified infrastructure projects to be secured by a pledge from the county in which the municipal corporation is located; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HS, § 4-229 - amended and § 4-232.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 105 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – NE Maryland Waste Disposal Authority)

NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY – NAME AND AUTHORITY

Changing the name of the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority to be the Maryland Regional Resource Management Authority; authorizing the Authority to acquire, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, improve, maintain, equip, lease, repair, and operate a resource recovery park; requiring the publishers of the Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to replace specified references in the Code under specified circumstances; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

NR, §§ 3-901 and 3-903(a)(1) - amended and § 3-904(f)(3) and (h) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 106 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION – STATE BOARD OF HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR–CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS – AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY

Establishing that the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air–Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors exercises its powers, duties, and functions subject to the authority of the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

BR, § 9A-205(d) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 107 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Military)**

MILITARY DEPARTMENT – SUMMARY COURTS–MARTIAL – PENALTIES

Authorizing a summary court–martial to impose a sentence of confinement for a period not to exceed 30 days without regard to rank; and authorizing a summary court–martial to discharge with a characterization of service no less favorable than under other than honorable conditions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

PS, § 13-812(c) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 108 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Higher Education Commission)**

NURSE SUPPORT PROGRAM ASSISTANCE FUND – REVISIONS

Altering the types of nursing positions that are eligible to receive grants from the Nurse Support Program Assistance Fund.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

ED, § 11-405 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 109 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS – REQUIRED

Requiring specified applicants and licensees of the Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech–Language Pathologists, the Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, the Board of Occupational Therapy Practice, and the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners to submit to a specified criminal history records check; authorizing specified health occupations boards to take specified actions against applicants and licensees who fail to submit the specified criminal history records check; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

HO, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 110 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

AGRICULTURE – YOUNG FARMERS ADVISORY BOARD – MEMBERSHIP

Increasing from 12 to 20 individuals the membership of the Young Farmers Advisory Board.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

AG, § 2-1002 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 111 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Lottery and Gaming Control Agency)**

STATE LOTTERY – LICENSED AGENTS – PRIZE PAYMENTS

Authorizing the Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to establish by regulation the amount specified licensed agents may pay in cash game prizes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

SG, § 9-122(c) and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 112 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

PEST CONTROL COMPACT – REPEAL

Repealing the Pest Control Compact; repealing provisions of law relating to the findings of the parties to the compact; repealing provisions of law relating to the Pest Control Insurance Fund; repealing provisions of law relating to the administration of the compact and Fund; repealing provisions of law relating to the establishment of advisory and technical committees under the compact; repealing provisions of law relating to the entry into force, withdrawal, and construction of the compact; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

AG, §§ 5-701 through 5-716 - repealed

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 113 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – BEES, BEE COLONIES, AND USED BEE EQUIPMENT – TRANSPORTATION AND SHIPMENT

Repealing the requirement that a bee colony or used bee equipment shipped or transported into the State be accompanied by an entry permit issued by the Department of Agriculture; requiring a specified person to submit specified information to the Department before shipping or transporting a bee colony or used bee equipment into the State; and authorizing the Department to restrict the movement of a bee or bee colony under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2016

AG, § 5-505 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 114 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

HEALTH – PROHIBITION ON DISTRIBUTION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES TO MINORS – CIVIL ENFORCEMENT

Prohibiting the distribution of a tobacco product, an electronic smoking device, cigarette rolling papers, or a coupon redeemable for a tobacco product to a minor, with specified exceptions; authorizing a county health officer or specified designees of a county health officer to issue a citation for a violation of the Act; establishing specified civil penalties for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

HG, § 24-305 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 115 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS – INSPECTION OF PROPERTY

Repealing a requirement that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation or the supervisor of assessments for a county value all real property once in every 3–year cycle based on an exterior physical inspection of the real property; permitting the Department to use aerial or ground level photography or similar technologies in performing its review of real property; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2016

TP, §§ 2-203(b), 8-103(a)(4), and 8-104(b)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED January 13, 2016**SJ 1 Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Planning)****PATUXENT RIVER WATERSHED – AMENDMENT OF PATUXENT RIVER POLICY PLAN**

Approving the 2015 Patuxent River Policy Plan update as an amendment to the Patuxent River Policy Plan; providing, on approval, that the amended Plan will serve as a policy guide for the Patuxent River Commission, State agencies, and local governments in enhancing restoration and protection of the Patuxent River watershed; and resolving that a copy of the resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Services to specified individuals.

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs