

MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Effective Dates

2016 Chapters – Effective October 1, 2016

SB 323
Chapter 11

Senator Pinsky, et al

**GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT –
REAUTHORIZATION**

Repealing the termination date for a provision of law requiring the State to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions by 25% from 2006 levels by 2020; requiring the State to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions by 40% from 2006 levels by 2030; requiring the Department of the Environment to submit specified plans to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before specified dates; requiring the Maryland Commission on Climate Change to oversee a study of the economic impact of requiring specified reductions from the manufacturing sector; etc.

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SB 98 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Aging)**
Chapter 17 **SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES CENTER OPERATING FUND –**
DISTRIBUTIONS – ALTERATION

Increasing the amount of funding from \$500,000 to \$750,000 required to be included in the annual State budget for the Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund; requiring that \$400,000 of the Fund be distributed to counties based on each county's proportional share of the statewide population of senior citizens; requiring that each county receive a minimum amount of \$5,000; and altering the qualification criteria for specified need-based distributions from the Fund to specified counties.

SB 104 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 18 **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.

SB 111 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 20 **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.

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SB 113 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 22 **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.

SB 766 **Senator Madaleno, et al**
Chapter 24

**LOCAL INCOME TAX – OVERPAYMENTS, UNDERPAYMENTS,
AND WYNNE REPAYMENTS – LOCAL RESERVE ACCOUNT
REPAYMENT**

Requiring the Comptroller to pay a county or municipal corporation that receives an underpayment of local income tax revenue from the Local Reserve Account; requiring a county or municipal corporation that receives a specified overpayment of local income tax revenue to repay the Local Reserve Account in a specified manner; requiring the Attorney General to review the U.S. Supreme Court decision, *Maryland State Comptroller v. Brian Wynne*, and advise the Comptroller about payment of prior year income tax refunds and interest; etc.

SB 1052 **Senator Ferguson, et al**
Chapter 25

**UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP ACT OF
2016**

Formalizing a strategic partnership between specified higher education institutions to be called the University of Maryland; requiring the University System of Maryland to maintain and enhance a coordinated Higher Education Center for Research and Graduate and Professional Study in the Baltimore area based on the joint graduate and research programs of specified State institutions; requiring the presidents of the University of Maryland campuses to implement a plan that promotes collaboration between specified campuses; etc.

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- HB 1404** **Delegate Brooks, et al**
Chapter 34 **CONSTRUCTION EDUCATION AND INNOVATION – ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND**
- Establishing the Construction Education and Innovation Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; providing that the Fund may be used to support the purposes of the Maryland Center for Construction Education and Innovation; requiring the Governor, for fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include in the annual State budget an appropriation to the Fund of \$250,000 to support the operation of the Center; etc.
- SB 99** **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Disabilities)**
Chapter 38 **DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES – ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY LOAN PROGRAM – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
- Repealing the requirement that at least one of the four members of the Assistive Technology Loan Program Board of Directors, who must have disabilities or assist individuals with disabilities, also be a member of the Maryland Commission on Disabilities; providing for the staggering of terms of Board members; etc.
- SB 61** **Senator Simonaire**
Chapter 43 **NATURAL RESOURCES – FOREST LANDS AND THE CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS 2010 TRUST FUND – MISCELLANEOUS CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS**
- 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”; requiring that the Trust Fund be utilized to support State and local watershed implementation plans by targeting limited financial resources on the most effective nonpoint source pollution control projects and to improve the health of Atlantic Coastal Bays and tributaries; etc.

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- SB 78** **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 44 **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.
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- SB 79** **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 45 **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.
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- SB 107** **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 47 **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.

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SB 109 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 48 **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.

SB 146 **Harford County Senators**
Chapter 52

HARFORD COUNTY – STATE’S ATTORNEY – SALARY

Altering the annual salary of the State’s Attorney of Harford County to be equal to the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland; repealing a specified salary adjustment method; providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the State’s Attorney of Harford County while serving in a term of office before the effective date of the Act; and providing for the application of the Act.

SB 281 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 62 **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Military)**

STATE GOVERNMENT – MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD –
ACTIVE DUTY – EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION

Altering and clarifying provisions of law governing employment and reemployment rights for specified members of the National Guard; repealing the application of specified employment and reemployment protection provisions of law relating to members of the Maryland Defense Force; etc.

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- SB 317** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 63 **COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR JUVENILE SERVICES**
 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS – MEMBERSHIP
- Altering the membership of the Coordinating Council for Juvenile Services Educational Programs; providing for the terms of office of the appointed members of the Coordinating Council; terminating on December 31, 2016, the term of the member of the Coordinating Council who is a county superintendent of schools; providing that the terms of specified appointed and ex officio members of the Coordinating Council shall begin on January 1, 2017; etc.
- SB 342** **Senator Feldman, et al**
Chapter 65 **STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – PUBLIC SENIOR**
 HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS – POLICIES CONCERNING
 PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS
- Requiring that specified policies of public senior higher education institutions promote specified purposes and be similar to specified provisions concerning required clauses for procurement contracts.
- HB 837** **Delegate Haynes, et al**
Chapter 66 **STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – PUBLIC SENIOR**
 HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS – POLICIES CONCERNING
 PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS
- Requiring that specified policies of public senior higher education institutions promote specified purposes and be similar to specified provisions concerning required clauses for procurement contracts.
- SB 516** **Washington County Senators**
Chapter 70 **WASHINGTON COUNTY – FIRE, RESCUE, AND AMBULANCE**
 SERVICE – LOCAL AUTHORITY
- Providing that the County Commissioners of Washington County are the ultimate authority having jurisdiction over the provision of fire, rescue, and ambulance services in Washington County.

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- HB 868** **Delegate McKay**
Chapter 71 **WASHINGTON COUNTY – FIRE, RESCUE, AND AMBULANCE SERVICE – LOCAL AUTHORITY**
- Providing that the County Commissioners of Washington County are the ultimate authority having jurisdiction over the provision of fire, rescue, and ambulance services in Washington County.
- SB 541** **Senator Feldman**
Chapter 73 **PORTABLE ELECTRONICS INSURANCE – REQUIRED NOTICES – METHOD OF MAILING**
- Altering the method of mailing that an insurer or a vendor is required to use when the insurer or vendor sends to a policyholder or covered customer specified notices about a termination or any other change in the terms and conditions of a policy of portable electronics insurance.
- HB 51** **Delegate O’Donnell**
Chapter 82 **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.
- HB 57** **Delegate Cassilly**
Chapter 83 **PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – ADOPTION, IMPLEMENTATION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF MODIFICATIONS**
- Altering the period of time from 12 months to 18 months in which the Department of Housing and Community Development is required to adopt each subsequent version of the Maryland Building Performance Standards; and altering the period of time from 6 months to 12 months in which a local jurisdiction is required to implement and enforce a modification of the Maryland Building Performance Standards adopted by the State.

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- HB 67** **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental**
Chapter 89 **– Office for Children)**
- MARYLAND INFANTS AND TODDLERS PROGRAM –
COMPOSITION
- Repealing the requirement for the Maryland Infants and Toddlers Program to include early intervention services provided or supervised by the Governor’s Office for Children.
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- HB 70** **Delegate Luedtke**
Chapter 90
- BUSINESS REGULATION – BILLIARD TABLE LICENSE – REPEAL
- Repealing specified provisions of law relating to a license to keep a billiard table for commercial use in the State.
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- HB 78** **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State**
Chapter 92 **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.
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- HB 90** **Delegate Lafferty**
Chapter 93
- ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS – OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE COSTS – LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS
- Authorizing specified fee revenue collected for the Bay Restoration Fund to be used for financial assistance for specified low-income homeowners for the cost, up to 50%, of an operation and maintenance contract of up to 5 years for on-site sewage disposal systems that utilize nitrogen removal technology; and requiring the Department or a local government to determine applicant eligibility and the amount of assistance to be provided.

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- HB 119** **Delegate Reznik, et al**
Chapter 94 **STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – LICENSING EXEMPTION – PHYSICIANS WITH TRAVELING ATHLETIC AND SPORTS TEAMS**
- Authorizing specified physicians, under specified circumstances, to practice medicine in the State without a license issued by the State Board of Physicians and without submitting to a criminal history records check while providing medical care to an athletic team’s or a sports team’s members, band members, cheerleading squad, mascot, coaches, and other staff; requiring that specified physicians can only provide medical care in the State for a maximum of 45 days in a calendar year; etc.
- HB 131** **Delegate Waldstreicher, et al**
Chapter 96 **COMMERCIAL LAW – NONDISPARAGEMENT CLAUSES IN CONSUMER CONTRACTS – PROHIBITION**
- Prohibiting a contract or a proposed contract for the sale or lease of consumer goods or services from including a provision waiving the consumer’s right to make a specified statement; prohibiting a person from threatening or seeking enforcement of a specified contract provision; prohibiting a person from penalizing a consumer for making a specified statement; providing that the Act does not limit a person from including in a specified contract a provision prohibiting a consumer from making specified disclosures; etc.
- HB 137** **Charles County Delegation**
Chapter 97 **CHARLES COUNTY – TAXING DISTRICTS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS – REPEAL OF RESTRICTION**
- Repealing a specified restriction on the exercise of authority granted to Charles County to establish taxing districts for specified infrastructure improvements.

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- HB 185**
Chapter 99 **Delegate Morhaim, et al**
STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – LICENSED PHYSICIANS – CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
Prohibiting the State Board of Physicians from establishing a continuing education requirement that every licensed physician complete a specific course or program as a condition to the renewal of a license.
- HB 411**
Chapter 104 **Delegate M. Washington, et al**
GENERAL ASSEMBLY – JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENDING HOMELESSNESS – MEMBERSHIP
Adding three Senate members and three House of Delegates members to the membership of the Joint Committee on Ending Homelessness; and requiring that members of the Joint Committee appointed as a result of the Act reflect the geographic diversity of the State.
- HB 443**
Chapter 105 **Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo, et al**
AGRICULTURE – INDUSTRIAL HEMP – AGRICULTURAL OR ACADEMIC RESEARCH
Authorizing the Department of Agriculture or an institution of higher education to grow or cultivate industrial hemp if the industrial hemp is grown or cultivated for agricultural research or academic research purposes; requiring a site used by the Department or an institution of higher education to grow or cultivate industrial hemp to be certified by and registered with the Department; authorizing the Department to adopt specified regulations; etc.
- HB 470**
Chapter 106 **Delegate Krebs, et al**
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL HYGIENISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF NITROUS OXIDE
Authorizing, subject to specified requirements, dental hygienists to administer nitrous oxide to patients under the supervision of a dentist who is physically present on the premises and who has prescribed the administration of nitrous oxide; altering the definition of “practice dental hygiene”; etc.

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- HB 523** **Delegate Stein**
Chapter 107 **E-ZPASS ACCOUNTS – TRANSPONDER THEFT – REPORTING AND UNAUTHORIZED CHARGES**
- Authorizing the holder of an E-ZPass account to report the theft of a transponder associated with the account to the Maryland Transportation Authority and a local law enforcement agency within 2 weeks of the first account statement after the theft and to report unauthorized charges to the account to the Authority; providing that the holder of an E-ZPass account is not responsible for unauthorized toll charges to the account under specified circumstances; etc.
- HB 639** **Delegate Kelly, et al**
Chapter 109 **HEALTH INSURANCE – PROVIDER CLAIMS – PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD OR ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER PAYMENT METHOD**
- Authorizing an insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization, under specified circumstances, to pay specified claims for reimbursement submitted by specified providers of health care services using a credit card or electronic funds transfer payment method that imposes a fee or similar charge; requiring the acceptance by a specified provider or the provider’s designee of a specified payment method to apply to specified claims; etc.
- HB 680** **Delegate Kipke**
Chapter 111 **HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL HYGIENISTS – LOCAL ANESTHESIA**
- Altering the circumstances under which a dental hygienist may administer local anesthesia by infiltration or inferior nerve block.
- HB 745** **Delegate Reilly, et al**
Chapter 115 **BUSINESS REGULATION – STATE AND HARFORD COUNTY JUKE BOX LICENSES – REPEAL**
- Repealing specified provisions of law relating to licenses for keeping juke boxes for public entertainment in the State and in Harford County.

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- HB 779** **Delegate Parrott**
Chapter 118 **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – WASHINGTON COUNTY – LOCAL PENALTIES**
- Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of Washington County to impose a fine not exceeding \$200 on an employee of a holder of an alcoholic beverages license in the County if the employee violates a specified provision of law.
- HB 803** **Delegate Rosenberg, et al**
Chapter 123 **LIFE INSURANCE – FREEDOM TO TRAVEL ACT**
- Prohibiting an insurer from taking specified actions relating to life insurance coverage solely for reasons associated with an applicant’s or insured’s future lawful travel; establishing a specified exception related to bona fide differences in risk or exposure; and requiring an insurer to maintain specified data and documents that support the insurer’s determination that bona fide differences in risk or exposure exist and to make the data and documents available on request from the Maryland Insurance Commissioner.
- HB 827** **Delegate O’Donnell**
Chapter 124 **NEWBORN INFANT SCREENING – TESTING BY NONPUBLIC LABORATORIES – NOTIFICATION**
- Requiring that the coordinated statewide system for newborn screening that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is required to maintain include notifying parents and guardians of newborn infants that laboratories other than the Department’s public health laboratory are authorized to perform postscreening confirmatory or diagnostic tests on newborn infants for hereditary and congenital disorders.
- HB 832** **Cecil County Delegation**
Chapter 125 **CECIL COUNTY – MARRIAGE LICENSES – APPLICATIONS**
- Repealing the requirement that, in Cecil County, both parties to be married appear together before the clerk to apply for a marriage license.

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- HB 890** **St. Mary’s County Delegation**
Chapter 129 **ST. MARY’S COUNTY – LOCAL LANDLORD AND TENANT LAW –**
 REPEAL
- Repealing a specified provision of law concerning the return of goods to a tenant in an action for distress for rent.
- HB 1144** **Delegate W. Miller**
Chapter 134 **GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANIES – RETAIL CHOICE CUSTOMER**
 EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND
- Establishing the Retail Choice Customer Education and Protection Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Public Service Commission to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; requiring that specified civil penalties be paid into the Fund; etc.
- HB 1161** **Delegate Lisanti**
Chapter 135 **MUNICIPALITIES – BOAT DOCKING AND STORAGE – USER FEES**
 – AUTHORIZED USES
- Authorizing a municipality to use revenue from a specified user fee on charges for the docking and storage of boats for land acquisition and the related construction and maintenance of public facilities to enhance public use and water access.

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HB 1220 **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By**
Chapter 136 **Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene), et al**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE – HEALTH
PROGRAM INTEGRITY AND RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

Authorizing the Inspector General or a specified Assistant Inspector General in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to subpoena any person or evidence, administer oaths, and take depositions and other testimony for the purpose of investigating fraud, waste, or abuse of departmental program funds; authorizing a specified court to take specified actions under specified circumstances if a person fails to comply with a specified order or subpoena; etc.

HB 1408 **Delegate McComas**
Chapter 137

**PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE – COMMERCIAL
POLICIES AND WORKERS’ COMPENSATION INSURANCE
POLICIES – NOTICES OF PREMIUM INCREASES**

Altering the scope of provisions of law that require an insurer to send to specified persons a specified notice of a premium increase for policies of commercial insurance and policies of workers’ compensation insurance; providing that the provisions of law do not apply to policies for which the renewal policy premium is an increase of a specified percentage or less over the expiring policy premium; etc.

HB 1457 **Delegates Vaughn and Mautz**
Chapter 139

**LAND SURVEYORS – QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSE –
EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND EXAMINATION
REQUIREMENTS**

Altering and adding specified higher education, experience, and examination requirements that specified applicants for a license to practice land surveying must meet to qualify for a license; repealing specified dates after which, and specified dates on or before which, specified applicants must possess a specified minimum number of credit hours in specified land surveying–related courses, must have a specified minimum number of years of specified experience in land surveying, or must apply for a license; etc.

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- HB 1493** **Calvert County Delegation**
Chapter 140 **CALVERT COUNTY – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE FUND – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**
- Decreasing from 25 to 10 the number of full-time jobs a specified applicant must plan to create in order to be eligible for a direct loan or grant from the Economic Development Incentive Fund in Calvert County.
- HB 1503** **Delegate Simonaire, et al**
Chapter 141 **ADULT EDUCATION – GED TESTING FEES – EXEMPTION FOR HOMELESS YOUTH**
- Exempting specified homeless youth from specified GED testing fees under specified circumstances; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to verify a specified individual’s status as a homeless youth; authorizing the Department to use specified individuals to verify a specified individual’s status as a homeless youth; and requiring the Department to adopt specified regulations.
- HB 437** **Delegate Barron, et al**
Chapter 147 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE – PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM – MODIFICATIONS**
- Requiring that specified authorized providers be registered with the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program before obtaining a new or renewal controlled dangerous substance registration; requiring that specified prescribers be registered with the Program before obtaining a new or renewal registration or by July 1, 2017, whichever is sooner; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to identify and publish a list of monitored prescription drugs that have low potential for abuse; etc.
- Except Section 1 and Section 3**

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- SB 31**
Chapter 152 **Senators DeGrange and Ready**
FAMILY LAW – CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – EXPUNGEMENT OF REPORTS AND RECORDS – TIME PERIOD
- Requiring a local department of social services to expunge a report of suspected abuse or neglect and all assessments and investigative findings within 2 years after the date of referral if the report is ruled out and no further reports of abuse or neglect are received during the 2 years; and authorizing a local department to immediately expunge specified reports and records of suspected child abuse and neglect under specified circumstances.
- SB 72**
Chapter 153 **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.
- HB 233**
Chapter 154 **Delegate Carey**
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.

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SB 80 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 158 **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 an individual 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 certificate of physical examination, under specified circumstances; etc.

SB 108 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 159 **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.

SB 134 **Senator Mathias**
Chapter 165

SOMERSET COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY

Altering the salary of the Sheriff of Somerset County from not less than \$60,000 to not less than \$75,000; and providing for the application of the Act.

HB 148 **Delegate Otto**
Chapter 166

SOMERSET COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY

Altering the salary of the Sheriff of Somerset County from not less than \$60,000 to not less than \$75,000; and providing for the application of the Act.

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- SB 135** **Senator Mathias**
Chapter 167 **SOMERSET COUNTY – COMMISSIONERS – SALARY AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS**
- Altering the salary of the County Commissioners of Somerset County from \$7,500 to \$8,500 for each Commissioner and from \$8,500 to \$9,500 for the President; altering the limit on reimbursements that each Commissioner may receive from \$2,500 to \$3,000 for expenses incurred for any official duties; and providing for the application of the Act.
- HB 149** **Delegate Otto**
Chapter 168 **SOMERSET COUNTY – COMMISSIONERS – SALARY AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS**
- Altering the salary of the County Commissioners of Somerset County from \$7,500 to \$8,500 for each Commissioner and from \$8,500 to \$9,500 for the President; altering the limit on reimbursements that each Commissioner may receive for specified expenses from \$2,500 to \$3,000; and providing for the application of the Act.
- SB 148** **Senator Feldman**
Chapter 170 **CORPORATIONS AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES – DUTIES AND IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY**
- Clarifying the duties of a director of a corporation and that the director must act in good faith, in a manner the director reasonably believes to be in the best interests of the corporation, and with the care that an ordinarily prudent person in a similar position would use under similar circumstances; clarifying that a director who acts in accordance with the standard of conduct provided by a specified provision of law shall have specified immunity from liability; etc.

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- HB 354** **Delegate Kramer**
Chapter 171 **CORPORATIONS AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES – DUTIES AND IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY**
- Clarifying that the director of a corporation must act in good faith, in a manner the director reasonably believes to be in the best interests of the corporation, and with the care that an ordinarily prudent person in a similar position would use under similar circumstances; clarifying that a director who acts in accordance with a specified provision of law shall have specified immunity from liability; etc.
- SB 182** **Senator Mathias, et al**
Chapter 174 **PUBLIC SAFETY – RENTAL DWELLING UNITS – CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS**
- Altering specified requirements relating to carbon monoxide alarms as the requirements apply to rental dwelling units; requiring specified rental dwelling units, on or after April 1, 2018, to have a carbon monoxide alarm installed within the dwelling outside each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms, and on every level of the rental dwelling unit, including basements; etc.
- HB 849** **Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al**
Chapter 175 **PUBLIC SAFETY – RENTAL DWELLING UNITS – CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS**
- Altering specified requirements relating to carbon monoxide alarms as the requirements apply to rental dwelling units; requiring specified rental dwelling units, on or after April 1, 2018, to have a specified carbon monoxide alarm installed within the dwelling outside and in the immediate vicinity of each separate specified sleeping area, and on every level of the unit, including the basement; etc.

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SB 194 **Senator Ready****Chapter 176**

ETHICS COMMISSION, COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISABILITIES, JUDICIAL ETHICS COMMITTEE, AND JOINT ETHICS COMMITTEE – DUTIES

Providing that the Judicial Ethics Committee as an alternative to the Commission on Judicial Disabilities or another body designated by a specified court, shall administer and implement specified provisions of law that apply to State officials of the Judicial Branch; etc.

HB 496 **Delegate Krebs****Chapter 177**

ETHICS COMMISSION, COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISABILITIES, JUDICIAL ETHICS COMMITTEE, AND JOINT ETHICS COMMITTEE – DUTIES

Providing that the Judicial Ethics Committee as an alternative to the Commission on Judicial Disabilities or another body designated by a specified court, shall administer and implement specified provisions of law that apply to State officials of the Judicial Branch; etc.

SB 312 **Senator King, et al****Chapter 183**

CHILDREN – FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES AND CHILD CARE CENTERS – ADVERTISING AND PENALTIES

Requiring advertisements for specified child care services to include specified information; authorizing specified employees of the State Department of Education or the State Fire Marshal, a deputy State fire marshal, a special assistant State fire marshal, or a local fire marshal to visit, and authorizing the employees of the Department to serve a civil citation to specified child care homes and child care centers if the child care home or child care center is advertised and is not registered or licensed with the Department; etc.

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- HB 329** **Delegate Dumais**
Chapter 184 **CHILDREN – FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES AND CHILD CARE CENTERS – ADVERTISING AND PENALTIES**
- Requiring advertisements for specified child care services to include specified registration information; authorizing specified employees of the State Department of Education or the State Fire Marshal, a deputy State fire marshal, a special assistant State fire marshal, or a local fire marshal to visit, and authorizing the employees of the Department to serve a civil citation to specified child care homes and child care centers if the child care home or child care center is advertised and is not registered or licensed with the Department; etc.
- SB 314** **Senator Klausmeier, et al**
Chapter 186 **STATE GOVERNMENT – FINANCIAL EDUCATION AND CAPABILITY COMMISSION – COMPOSITION**
- Altering the composition of the Financial Education and Capability Commission to include one representative of a nonprofit organization in the State that provides financial assistance and free financial education to State residents for postsecondary education.
- HB 136** **Delegates Stein and A. Washington**
Chapter 187 **STATE GOVERNMENT – FINANCIAL EDUCATION AND CAPABILITY COMMISSION – COMPOSITION**
- Altering the composition of the Financial Education and Capability Commission to include one representative of a nonprofit organization in the State that provides financial assistance and free financial education to State residents for postsecondary education.
- SB 352** **Senators Hershey and Rosapepe**
Chapter 191 **MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – CERTIFICATE OF NEED REVIEW – INTERESTED PARTY**
- Altering the definition of “interested party”, for the purpose of certificate of need review of a replacement acute general hospital project, to include a jurisdiction within the region served by a specified regional health system that does not contain a specified hospital project.

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- SB 368** **Senator Ferguson, et al**
Chapter 192 **BALTIMORE CITY – POLICE COMMISSIONER – LENGTH OF TERM**
- Repealing a provision requiring that the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City be appointed for a term of 6 years; and providing that the Police Commissioner shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor of Baltimore City.
- HB 384** **Delegate Anderson, et al**
Chapter 193 **BALTIMORE CITY – POLICE COMMISSIONER – LENGTH OF TERM**
- Repealing a provision requiring that the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City be appointed for a term of 6 years; and providing that the Police Commissioner shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor of Baltimore City.
- SB 393** **Senator Nathan–Pulliam, et al**
Chapter 199 **MARYLAND NURSE PRACTICE ACT – PEER REVIEW AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND PENALTIES**
- Repealing the requirement that the State Board of Nursing appoint specified peer review committees; authorizing the Board to appoint peer advisory committees to provide the Board with expert advice related to the practice of nursing by advance practice nurses; providing that a member of a peer advisory committee is entitled to receive compensation, as determined by the Board, and reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget; etc.

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HB 490 **Delegate Cullison****Chapter 200****MARYLAND NURSE PRACTICE ACT – PEER REVIEW AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND PENALTIES**

Repealing the requirement that the State Board of Nursing appoint specified peer review committees; authorizing the Board to appoint peer advisory committees to provide the Board with expert advice related to the practice of nursing by advance practice nurses; providing that a member of a peer advisory committee is entitled to receive compensation, as determined by the Board, and reimbursement for specified expenses; altering the maximum amount of a specified civil fine the Board may impose; etc.

SB 395 **Senator Conway****Chapter 201****ETHICS – LOCAL GOVERNMENT – CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

Requiring that specified authorized modifications of local conflict of interest and financial disclosure laws and regulations be made in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Ethics Commission and consistent with specified intent; and authorizing rather than requiring a county or municipal corporation to modify specified local financial disclosure laws under specified circumstances.

SB 408 **Senator Manno****Chapter 202****ELECTION LAW – STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS – CAMPAIGN FUND-RAISING DURING GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION – CIVIL PENALTY**

Authorizing the State Board of Elections to impose a civil penalty for a violation by a campaign finance entity of the prohibition on fund-raising during the General Assembly session; authorizing the State Board to impose a lesser civil penalty than prescribed by law for a violation, as specified; repealing provisions of law authorizing the State Board, represented by the State Prosecutor, to institute a civil action in a circuit court against a campaign finance entity for violating the prohibition on fund-raising during the session; etc.

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- HB 241** **Delegates Rosenberg and A. Washington**
Chapter 203 **ELECTION LAW – STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS – CAMPAIGN
FUND–RAISING DURING GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION – CIVIL
PENALTY**
- Clarifying that specified persons are prohibited from soliciting a contribution during the General Assembly session; authorizing the State Board of Elections to impose a civil penalty for a violation by a campaign finance entity of the prohibition on fund–raising during the General Assembly session; repealing provisions of law authorizing the State Board, represented by the State Prosecutor, to institute a civil action in a circuit court against a campaign finance entity for violating the prohibition on fund–raising during the session; etc.
- SB 431** **Senator Edwards**
Chapter 206 **ALLEGANY COUNTY AND GARRETT COUNTY – ANNUAL
FINANCIAL REPORTS – FILING DATE**
- Providing the date by which Allegany County and Garrett County are required to file annual financial reports with the Department of Legislative Services is on or before December 31 after the close of the county’s fiscal year.
- SB 436** **Senator Feldman, et al**
Chapter 207 **INSURANCE – SURPLUS LINES – SHORT–TERM MEDICAL
INSURANCE**
- Altering the scope of provisions of law governing surplus lines insurance to authorize the use of surplus lines insurance for short–term medical insurance coverage; authorizing the procurement of short–term medical insurance from a nonadmitted insurer under specified circumstances; prohibiting the inclusion of specified provisions in a short–term policy procured from a nonadmitted insurer; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to develop and make available on the Web site a consumer guide on short–term medical insurance; etc.

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- HB 554** **Delegates Bromwell and Kipke**
Chapter 208 **INSURANCE – SURPLUS LINES – SHORT-TERM MEDICAL INSURANCE**
- Altering the scope of provisions of law governing surplus lines insurance to authorize the use of surplus lines insurance for short-term medical insurance coverage; authorizing the procurement of short-term medical insurance from a nonadmitted insurer under specified circumstances; prohibiting the inclusion of specified provisions in a short-term policy procured from a nonadmitted insurer; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to develop and make available on the Web site a consumer guide on short-term medical insurance; etc.
- SB 450** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 209 **HEALTH CARE PROVIDER MALPRACTICE INSURANCE – SCOPE OF COVERAGE**
- Authorizing the inclusion, in a policy that insures a health care provider against damages due to medical injury arising from providing or failing to provide health care, of coverage for the defense of a health care provider in a specified disciplinary hearing if the cost of the included coverage is itemized in the billing statement, invoice, or declarations page for the policy and reported to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner in a form and manner required by the Commissioner.
- HB 1487** **Delegates Valderrama and Barkley**
Chapter 210 **HEALTH CARE PROVIDER MALPRACTICE INSURANCE – SCOPE OF COVERAGE**
- Authorizing the inclusion, in a policy that insures a health care provider against damages due to medical injury arising from providing or failing to provide health care, of coverage for the defense of a health care provider in a specified disciplinary hearing if the cost of the included coverage is itemized in the billing statement, invoice, or declarations page for the policy and reported to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner in a form and manner required by the Commissioner; etc.

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SB 517 **Washington County Senators****Chapter 217****WASHINGTON COUNTY – CONTRIBUTIONS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS – PROCESS**

Altering the process by which the County Commissioners of Washington County make contributions to specified nonprofit organizations in Washington County; altering the deadline for submission of applications for contributions; requiring the County Commissioners to hold a public hearing on the applications; authorizing the County Commissioners to remove specified organizations from a specified list and, on request by the organization, to revise or amend the name of an organization; etc.

SB 571 **Senator Lee****Chapter 221****MARYLAND TRUST ACT – NONJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS**

Authorizing, on or after October 1, 2016, specified interested persons to enter into a binding nonjudicial settlement agreement with respect to a matter involving a trust; providing that the nonjudicial settlement agreement is valid only to a specified extent; authorizing an interested person to request a court to make specified determinations with respect to the agreement; etc.

HB 888 **Delegate West****Chapter 222****MARYLAND TRUST ACT – NONJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS**

Authorizing, on or after October 1, 2016, specified interested persons to enter into a binding nonjudicial settlement agreement with respect to a matter involving a trust; providing that the nonjudicial settlement agreement is valid only to a specified extent; authorizing an interested person to request a court to make specified determinations with respect to the agreement; etc.

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- SB 764** **Senators Raskin and Rosapepe**
Chapter 229 **EDUCATION – STUDENT JOURNALISTS – FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND FREEDOM OF THE PRESS**
- Authorizing student journalists at public schools and public institutions of higher education to exercise freedom of speech and freedom of the press in school–sponsored media; specifying that these freedoms are not limited by the fact that the media is supported financially by the school system, the school, or the institution of higher education, or by use of the facilities of the school; prohibiting student media advisors from using their position to influence a student journalist to promote specified positions; etc.
- SB 770** **Senators Bates and Norman**
Chapter 230 **EDUCATION – PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS – AGRICULTURE SCIENCE**
- Encouraging each county board of education, beginning in the 2018–2019 school year, to implement a specified agriculture science curriculum in at least one public high school in each county or at least one career and technology education center in each county; and requiring that the agriculture science curriculum be selected from existing curricula developed by the State Department of Education or be developed by a county board and approved by the Department.
- SB 995** **Senator Waugh**
Chapter 236 **ST. MARY’S COUNTY – LOCAL LICENSES – REPEAL**
- Repealing provisions of law that relate to specified licenses issued in St. Mary’s County for hucksters, peddlers, and other specified businesses.

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HB 9 **Baltimore County Delegation****Chapter 245****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 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.

HB 46 **Delegate Chang****Chapter 248****ANIMAL CONTROL UNITS – IMPOUNDED ANIMALS –
IDENTIFICATION**

Prohibiting a specified animal control unit from selling, placing or destroying a specified impounded animal until the animal has been carefully inspected for a microchip; requiring a specified animal control unit to make a reasonable effort to notify the owner of the location of and procedure for retrieving an impounded animal; and providing specified penalties.

HB 112 **Delegate Jackson, et al****Chapter 252****ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN FINANCE ENTITIES –
EXPENDITURES MADE AND THE ATTRIBUTION OF
CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED**

Authorizing a campaign finance entity to make a disbursement to compensate a responsible officer of the campaign finance entity only by check; requiring the treasurer of an authorized candidate campaign committee to provide specified individuals with a copy of the most recent campaign account bank statement within 30 days of filing a campaign finance report; altering reporting requirements for specified contributions by specified business entities whose subsidiaries do not have a contract doing public business; etc.

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HB 217 **Delegate Krebs, et al****Chapter 255** **OPEN MEETINGS ACT – REQUIREMENTS FOR AGENDAS**

Requiring a public body to make available an agenda containing specified information if the agenda has been determined at the time a public body gives notice of the meeting or, if an agenda has not been determined at the time of the meeting notice, the public body shall make available the agenda at least 24 hours before the meeting; and authorizing a public body to make available an agenda within a reasonable time after a meeting is held under specified circumstances.

HB 229 **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By**
Chapter 256 **Request – Departmental – Transportation)****COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES – OPERATION –
TRANSPORTATION EMERGENCIES**

Authorizing the Secretary of Transportation to waive specified safety regulations for commercial motor vehicles in intrastate travel to facilitate specified emergency relief efforts; establishing 20 days as the maximum total period of time that a specified transportation emergency may extend; authorizing the Governor to take specified action to facilitate emergency relief efforts through a declaration of a state of emergency if the duration of the transportation emergency conditions extends for more than 20 days; etc.

HB 253 **Delegate Otto****Chapter 257** **MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTION FOR GOLF
CARTS – CITY OF CRISFIELD**

Creating an exception from motor vehicle registration requirements under specified circumstances for golf carts in the City of Crisfield; providing that a person who operates a golf cart on a highway in the City of Crisfield may operate the golf cart only on specified roads at specified times and only if the golf cart is equipped with specified lighting devices; requiring a person who operates a golf cart on a highway in the City of Crisfield to keep as far to the right of the roadway as feasible and possess a valid driver's license; etc.

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- HB 319** **Delegate Jacobs, et al**
Chapter 260 **OYSTERS AND CLAMS – DREDGING BY AUXILIARY YAWL – AUTHORIZED BOATS**
- Clarifying that specified provisions of law governing dredging by use of an auxiliary yawl apply only to specified boats; establishing specified standards for dredge boats that harvest oysters and clams by use of an auxiliary yawl; repealing the requirement that specified persons attach specified numbers to specified boats in a specified manner; and making specified conforming changes.
- HB 352** **Delegate Ghrist, et al**
Chapter 261 **OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS – LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM AUDITS**
- Exempting a local school system from a specified audit requirement if the county governing body, the county board of education, and the county delegation to the Maryland General Assembly each submits a letter to the Joint Audit Committee requesting an exemption on or before November 1 of Fiscal Year 2017, or on or before November 1 of the last year of a specified 6–year audit cycle; and authorizing the Joint Audit Committee to direct the Office of Legislative Audits to conduct an audit of a local school system at any time.
- HB 494** **Delegate Miele, et al**
Chapter 267 **AGRICULTURE – ANIMAL SHELTERS – UNIFORM STANDARDS OF OPERATION AND CARE (ANIMAL SHELTERS STANDARDS ACT OF 2016)**
- Requiring an animal shelter to establish a written veterinary care protocol for dogs and cats, on or before January 1, 2017, that is consistent with the guidelines in the Association of Shelter Veterinarians’ Guidelines for Standards of Care in Animal Shelters; authorizing an animal shelter to disregard its written veterinary care protocol for a dog or cat that is deemed to be too vicious or dangerous to permit safe handling; requiring an animal shelter to make its written veterinary care protocol available to the public; etc.

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- HB 541** **Delegate Kelly**
Chapter 270 **MARYLAND TRUST ACT – REVOCABLE TRUST – PARTIAL REVOCATION BY DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT**
- Providing for the revocation of specified terms of a revocable trust on the absolute divorce of the settlor and the settlor’s spouse or the annulment of the marriage occurring after the creation of the settlor’s revocable trust, except under specified circumstances; applying the Act prospectively; etc.
- HB 670** **Delegate McCray, et al**
Chapter 274 **BALTIMORE CITY – REMEDIATION OF ILLEGAL DUMPING – REPORT**
- Requiring the Baltimore City Department of Public Works to report annually to the members of the Baltimore City delegation to the General Assembly on actions taken to remediate illegal dumping in each legislative district during the previous year; and requiring the report to be made available on the Department’s Web site.
- HB 747** **Delegates Gilchrist and Vaughn**
Chapter 276 **REAL ESTATE BROKERS – LICENSURE REQUIREMENT – EXEMPTION FOR LAWYERS**
- Altering an exemption from the real estate broker licensure requirement for specified lawyers under specified circumstances.
- HB 799** **Delegate O’Donnell**
Chapter 278 **AQUACULTURE – LIABILITY FOR TRESPASS**
- Establishing that specified persons who enter in a specified manner an area leased to another person for aquaculture purposes and cause specified harm are liable to the leaseholder or any agent, employee, business partner, or contractor of the leaseholder for specified civil damages in the same manner that the persons would be liable to the leaseholder of the lease for specified civil damages.

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- HB 831** **Washington County Delegation**
Chapter 279 **WASHINGTON COUNTY – COLLECTION OF FEES, CHARGES, PENALTIES, AND ASSESSMENTS**
- Authorizing Washington County to include, for the purpose of collection, unpaid allocation fees, water and sewerage charges, penalties, and assessments on annual tax bills; and requiring that the fees, charges, penalties, and assessments be collected in the same manner as ordinary taxes, subject to the same interest and penalty for nonpayment as provided by law for the nonpayment of county taxes.
- HB 852** **Delegate Lisanti, et al**
Chapter 280 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT – MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS – TIE VOTES**
- Requiring a municipality to fill a vacancy that resulted from a tie vote in an election for a municipal office within 90 days after the date of the election.
- HB 873** **Delegate Smith, et al**
Chapter 282 **ELECTION LAW – SPECIAL ELECTIONS – ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ABSENT UNIFORMED SERVICES VOTERS AND OVERSEAS VOTERS**
- Requiring a county council to set the date for a special election to fill a vacancy in specified county offices so that the local board of elections may provide absentee ballots for that election to absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters at least 45 days before the special election; requiring the State Administrator of Elections to require local boards of elections to provide absentee ballots for a special election to fill a vacancy in Congress to absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters 45 days before the election; etc.
- HB 884** **St. Mary’s County Delegation**
Chapter 283 **ST. MARY’S COUNTY – TAXICABS – REPEAL OF LOCAL PROVISIONS**
- Repealing provisions of law that relate to the regulation of taxicabs in St. Mary’s County.

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- HB 889** **St. Mary’s County Delegation**
Chapter 284 **ST. MARY’S COUNTY – METROPOLITAN COMMISSION BONDS –**
EXTENSION OF MAXIMUM MATURITY DATE
- Altering the maximum period of time from 30 to 40 years after which specified bonds issued by the St. Mary’s County Metropolitan Commission mature.
- HB 1092** **St. Mary’s County Delegation**
Chapter 297 **ST. MARY’S COUNTY – KEEPER OF THE JAIL – REPEAL**
- Repealing provisions related to the position of Keeper of the Jail of St. Mary’s County.
- HB 1127** **Prince George’s County Delegation**
Chapter 298 **PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – DISSEMINATION OF VOTER**
INFORMATION MATERIAL – MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL
STRUCTURES PG 408–16
- Applying to Prince George’s County specified provisions of law regarding the dissemination of voter information material in multifamily residential structures; etc.
- HB 1157** **Calvert County Delegation**
Chapter 302 **CALVERT COUNTY – ASSISTANT SHERIFF – SALARY AND**
STATUS
- Increasing the annual salary of the assistant sheriff in Calvert County if the assistant sheriff was an active deputy sheriff in the Calvert County Sheriff’s Office immediately before appointment; clarifying that the assistant sheriff shall retain full merit status; and altering the placement and salary of the assistant sheriff at the end of an appointment.

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HB 1337 **Delegate Barkley****Chapter 310****ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LIQUOR – MANUFACTURER’S AND WHOLESALE’S LICENSES AND PERMITS**

Establishing a nonresident distillery permit; authorizing the Comptroller to issue the permit to specified persons who produce not more than 100,000 gallons of liquor annually; authorizing a holder of a Class 1 distillery license to apply for and obtain a specified wholesaler’s license; establishing the Class 8 liquor wholesaler’s license; authorizing the issuance of the Class 8 wholesaler’s license to specified persons; etc.

HB 1469 **Delegate Carey****Chapter 311****REAL ESTATE BROKERS – AGENCY RELATIONSHIPS IN RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS – DISCLOSURE AND CONSENT REQUIREMENTS**

Altering the requirements for a specified disclosure that a licensee of the State Real Estate Commission must make under specified circumstances; establishing a specified exception to a specified disclosure requirement; establishing specified exceptions to the time when a specified disclosure must occur; requiring the Commission to prepare and provide a specified required notice; requiring a subagent to make a specified required disclosure under specified circumstances; etc.

HB 1502 **Delegate Rosenberg****Chapter 312****CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT – NONCUSTODIAL PARENT EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring the Child Support Enforcement Administration, in cooperation with specified entities, to develop and implement a Noncustodial Parent Employment Assistance Pilot Program in Baltimore City; requiring the Program components to include each eligible noncustodial parent making a choice to participate in the Program, the provision of employment assistance services in accordance with court-issued consent orders, intensive case management, and strict enforcement procedures; etc.

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- HB 1537** **Delegate Hixson, et al**
Chapter 313 **PROCUREMENT – PRIORITY OF PURCHASING PREFERENCES –**
 INDIVIDUAL WITH DISABILITY OWNED BUSINESS
- Altering the purchasing preference priority required to be given to individual with disability owned businesses by State and State aided or controlled entities when buying supplies and services.
- SB 245** **Senator Manno, et al**
Chapter 318 **LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – HIRING AND PROMOTION**
 PREFERENCES – VETERANS AND THEIR SPOUSES
- Authorizing employers to grant a preference in hiring and promotion to eligible veterans, spouses of eligible veterans who have service-connected disabilities, and surviving spouses of deceased eligible veterans; providing that granting a preference under the Act does not violate State or local equal employment opportunity laws; and defining the term “eligible veteran”.
- HB 306** **Delegate Smith, et al**
Chapter 319 **LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – HIRING AND PROMOTION**
 PREFERENCES – VETERANS AND THEIR SPOUSES
- Authorizing employers to grant a preference in hiring and promotion to eligible veterans, spouses of eligible veterans who have service-connected disabilities, and surviving spouses of deceased eligible veterans; providing that granting a preference under the Act does not violate State or local equal employment opportunity laws; and defining the term “eligible veteran”.

- SB 17**
Chapter 329 **Senator Reilly**
OPEN MEETINGS ACT – RETENTION OF MINUTES AND 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 minutes of the open session and any recording made under specified provisions of law; requiring specified public bodies to post online minutes or recordings, to the extent practicable; providing that a public body need not prepare minutes of an open session if live and archived video or audio streaming is available, or the public body votes on legislation and the votes are posted promptly on the Internet; etc.
- HB 984**
Chapter 330 **Delegate Saab, et al**
OPEN MEETINGS ACT – RETENTION OF MINUTES AND 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 specified minutes of the open session and any recording made under specified provisions of law; requiring specified public bodies to post online specified minutes or recordings to the extent practicable; altering a specified requirement relating to the preparation of minutes; etc.
- SB 66**
Chapter 335 **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 the name of a professional corporation must be approved by the appropriate licensing unit and professional organization; providing that the exemption does not apply to a professional corporation that provides dental services; etc.

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SB 90 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,**
Chapter 342 **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 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; making a conforming change; etc.

SB 92 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,**
Chapter 343 **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 and its consultants to reflect the geographic, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity of the State; stating the intent of the General Assembly that regulations be developed giving adequate attention to training individuals involved in the transition to the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning; etc.

SB 96 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor,**
Chapter 347 **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.

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SB 97 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health**
Chapter 348 **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; requiring a local health department or a specified community–based organization to apply to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and a local health officer for authorization to operate a Program; requiring the Department and a local health officer to approve or deny an application within 60 days of receiving a completed application; etc.

SB 106 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**
Chapter 349 **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.

SB 119 **Senator Simonaire, et al**
Chapter 350

**BUSINESS REGULATION – BUSINESS DISCOUNTS AND
PREFERENCES FOR VETERANS – IDENTIFICATION**

Requiring businesses, registered with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, that offer discounts or preferences on products or services to veterans to accept a valid driver’s license or identification card with a notation of veteran status as verification of veteran status for purposes of claiming the discount or preference.

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- SB 169** **Senator Kagan**
Chapter 357 **SPECIAL ELECTIONS – VOTING BY MAIL – CANVASS OF VOTES**
Authorizing a local board of elections to commence the canvass of vote-by-mail ballots cast in a special election conducted by mail at 2 p.m. on the day of the special election; authorizing the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations authorizing a local board to commence the canvass of vote-by-mail ballots before 2 p.m. on the day of the special election; requiring the State Board to adopt specified regulations; etc.
- HB 828** **Delegate Ebersole, et al**
Chapter 358 **SPECIAL ELECTIONS – VOTING BY MAIL – CANVASS OF VOTES**
Authorizing a local board of elections to commence the canvass of vote-by-mail ballots cast in a special election conducted by mail at 2 p.m. on the day of a special election; authorizing the State Board of Elections to adopt regulations authorizing a local board to commence the canvass of vote-by-mail ballots before 2 p.m. on the day of a special election; requiring the State Board to adopt regulations that provide for public observation of the canvass of vote-by-mail ballots; etc.
- SB 226** **Senator Simonaire, et al**
Chapter 361 **PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS – ENGINEERING DOCUMENTS PREPARED AT THE REQUEST OF THE STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE – SIGNING AND SEALING**
Requiring specified engineering documents prepared at the request of the State or a political subdivision of the State, where specified skills are required, to be signed, sealed, and dated by a certain professional engineer who prepared or approved the documents.

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- SB 239** **Senator Kelley**
Chapter 364 **MARYLAND FIDUCIARY ACCESS TO DIGITAL ASSETS ACT**
Establishing the Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act; authorizing a user to direct a custodian of digital assets to disclose or not to disclose those assets under specified circumstances and in a specified manner; providing that the Act does not change, impair, or expand specified rights with respect to the digital assets of a user; authorizing a custodian to grant a specified fiduciary or designated recipient access to or a copy of specified records under specified circumstances; etc.
- HB 507** **Delegate Kramer, et al**
Chapter 365 **MARYLAND FIDUCIARY ACCESS TO DIGITAL ASSETS ACT**
Establishing the Maryland Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act; authorizing a user to direct a custodian of digital assets to disclose or not to disclose those assets under specified circumstances and in a specified manner; providing that the Act does not change, impair, or expand specified rights with respect to the digital assets of a user; authorizing a custodian to grant a specified fiduciary or designated recipient access to or a copy of specified records under specified circumstances; etc.
- SB 297** **Senator Madaleno, et al**
Chapter 371 **HEALTH INSURANCE – HABILITATIVE SERVICES – PERIOD OF TIME FOR COVERAGE**
Extending until at least the end of the month in which the insured or enrollee turns 19 years old the period of time during which health insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations are required to provide coverage of rehabilitative services for its insureds and enrollees who are children; applying the Act to all policies, contracts, and health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after January 1, 2017; etc.

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- SB 310** **Senator Raskin, et al**
Chapter 374 **CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – FAILURE TO REPORT**
Requiring an agency that is participating in a child abuse or neglect investigation and that has substantial grounds to believe that a person has knowingly failed to report child abuse as required under a specified provision of law to file a specified complaint with a specified board, agency, institution, or facility.
- HB 245** **Delegate Dumais, et al**
Chapter 375 **CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – FAILURE TO REPORT**
Requiring an agency that is participating in a child abuse or neglect investigation and that has substantial grounds to believe that a person has knowingly failed to report child abuse as required under a specified provision of law to file a specified complaint with a specified board, agency, institution, or facility.
- SB 336** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 376 **HOSPITALS – DESIGNATION OF LAY CAREGIVERS**
Requiring a hospital to provide a patient or the legal guardian of a patient with an opportunity to designate a lay caregiver before the patient is discharged from the hospital; requiring a hospital to document the decision to not designate a lay caregiver by a patient or the legal guardian of a patient in the patient’s medical record; authorizing the patient or the legal guardian of the patient to change the designation of a lay caregiver in the event the lay caregiver becomes incapacitated; etc.
- HB 1277** **Delegate Cullison, et al**
Chapter 377 **HOSPITALS – DESIGNATION OF LAY CAREGIVERS**
Requiring a hospital to provide a patient or the legal guardian of a patient with an opportunity to designate a lay caregiver before the patient is discharged from the hospital; requiring a hospital to document the decision to not designate a lay caregiver by a patient or the legal guardian of a patient in the patient’s medical record; requiring a hospital to request consent from a patient or the legal guardian of a patient to release medical information to a lay caregiver; etc.

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- SB 359** **Senators Zirkin and Norman**
Chapter 379 **FAMILY LAW – DIVORCE – CORROBORATION OF TESTIMONY**
Repealing a provision prohibiting a court from entering a decree of divorce on the uncorroborated testimony of the party seeking the divorce; repealing a provision specifying that, in a suit for absolute divorce on the grounds of voluntary separation, a separation agreement is full corroboration of the plaintiff's testimony that the separation was voluntary under specified circumstances; etc.
- HB 274** **Delegate Dumais**
Chapter 380 **FAMILY LAW – DIVORCE – CORROBORATION OF TESTIMONY**
Repealing a provision prohibiting a court from entering a decree of divorce on the uncorroborated testimony of the party seeking the divorce; and repealing a provision specifying that in a suit for absolute divorce on the grounds of voluntary separation a separation agreement is corroborated by the plaintiff's testimony.
- SB 360** **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland**
Chapter 381 **Judicial Conference)**
JUVENILE CAUSES – PERMANENCY PLANS – AGE RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF ANOTHER PLANNED PERMANENT LIVING ARRANGEMENT
Providing that another planned permanent living arrangement may be a child's permanency plan only if the child is at least 16 years old.
- HB 192** **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial**
Chapter 382 **Conference)**
JUVENILE CAUSES – PERMANENCY PLANS – AGE RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF ANOTHER PLANNED PERMANENT LIVING ARRANGEMENT
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- SB 425** **Senator Reilly**
Chapter 387 **MARYLAND INCOME TAX REFUNDS – WARRANT INTERCEPT PROGRAM – STATEWIDE**
- Authorizing specified counties to participate, for a specified period of time, in a specified income tax refund withholding program related to individuals with outstanding warrants if the sheriff of the county notifies the Comptroller of the county’s intention to participate on or before December 31 of the first taxable year for which the county intends to participate; repealing a specified provision of law that prohibits the program from applying to specified members of the armed forces of the United States; etc.
- Except Section 2**
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- SB 442** **Senator Manno, et al**
Chapter 388 **GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – NATIONAL HEALTHCARE DECISIONS DAY**
- Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim April 16 as National Healthcare Decisions Day.
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- HB 91** **Delegate Morhaim, et al**
Chapter 389 **GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – NATIONAL HEALTHCARE DECISIONS DAY**
- Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim April 16 as National Healthcare Decisions Day.
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- SB 449** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 390 **MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – GUARDIANSHIP FEES – PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE**
- Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to include as part of the personal needs allowance guardianship fees for guardianship services when determining the portion of income specified recipients of Maryland Medical Assistance Program benefits are required to contribute to the cost of their care under the Program; specifying the amount of the personal needs allowance for specified guardianship fees; etc.

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- HB 981** **Delegate Kelly, et al**
Chapter 391 **MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM –**
 GUARDIANSHIP FEES – PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE
- Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to include as part of the personal needs allowance guardianship fees payable for guardianship services when determining the portion of income specified recipients of Maryland Medical Assistance Program benefits are required to contribute to the cost of their care under the Program; specifying the amount of the personal needs allowance for specified guardianship fees; etc.
- SB 505** **Senator Klausmeier, et al**
Chapter 394 **WORKERS’ COMPENSATION INSURANCE – PREMIUM**
 DISCOUNT – ALCOHOL– AND DRUG–FREE WORKPLACE
 PROGRAM
- Authorizing a workers’ compensation insurer to file a rating plan that provides for a premium discount of up to 4% for specified risks to an insured that has an alcohol– and drug–free workplace policy that may include one or more specified programs; and providing that an insurer is not required to provide a premium discount under the Act if the insured is required under federal or State law to test its employees for drugs or otherwise provide an alcohol– and drug–free workplace.
- SB 509** **Senator Waugh**
Chapter 395 **REAL PROPERTY – ACTIONS TO QUIET TITLE**
- Authorizing a specified action to be brought to establish title against adverse claims to property; providing for venue and the application of the Maryland Rules in an action under the Act; establishing requirements for a complaint, an answer to a complaint, naming of defendants, joinder of parties, and service of process in an action under the Act; requiring the complaint and statement be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, and by first class mail to the holder in a specified manner; etc.

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HB 920
Chapter 396**Delegates O'Donnell and Dumais****REAL PROPERTY – ACTIONS TO QUIET TITLE**

Authorizing a specified action to be brought to establish title against adverse claims to property; providing for venue and the application of the Maryland Rules in an action under the Act; establishing requirements for a complaint, an answer to a complaint, naming of defendants, joinder of parties, and service of process in an action under the Act; requiring the recording in the land records of the county in which any portion of the property is located of a judgement in an action under the Act; etc.

HB 576
Chapter 398**Delegate Beitzel****MARYLAND DORMANT MINERALS INTERESTS ACT – USE OF MINERAL INTEREST – CLARIFICATION**

Clarifying that when an owner of a mineral interest takes a specified action for a mineral that is part of a mineral interest, the action constitutes use of the entire mineral interest owned by that owner; establishing that payment of specified taxes by an owner of a mineral interest constitutes use of the entire mineral interest that is taxed and specified other mineral interests that are not taxed; and establishing that a specified judgment or decree constitutes use of the specified mineral interest.

SB 525
Chapter 399**Senator Edwards****MARYLAND DORMANT MINERALS INTERESTS ACT – USE OF MINERAL INTEREST – CLARIFICATION**

Clarifying that when an owner of a mineral interest takes a specified action for a mineral that is part of a mineral interest, the action constitutes use of the entire mineral interest owned by that owner; establishing that payment of specified taxes by an owner of a mineral interest constitutes use of the entire mineral interest that is taxed and specified other mineral interests that are not taxed; and establishing that a specified judgment or decree constitutes use of the specified mineral interest.

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- SB 544** **Senator Middleton, et al**
Chapter 401 **MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – INSURANCE IDENTIFICATION CARD – CARRYING PROOF OF COVERAGE – UNINSURED MOTORIST EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT FUND**
- Requiring an insurer to provide a specified insurance identification card to specified insureds at specified times; providing that an insurance identification card may be produced in a specified electronic format; requiring a specified operator to be in possession of evidence of required security; requiring that a specified operator is subject to a fine of \$50 under specified circumstances; establishing the Uninsured Motorist Education and Enforcement Fund; exempting the fund from a specified provision of law; etc.
- HB 720** **Delegate Kramer**
Chapter 402 **MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – INSURANCE IDENTIFICATION CARD – CARRYING PROOF OF COVERAGE – UNINSURED MOTORIST EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT FUND**
- Requiring an insurer to provide a specified insurance identification card to specified insureds at specified times; providing that an insurance identification card may be produced in a specified electronic format; requiring a specified operator to be in possession of evidence of required security; requiring that a specified operator is subject to a fine of \$50 under specified circumstances; establishing the Uninsured Motorist Education and Enforcement Fund; exempting the fund from a specified provision of law; etc.
- SB 600** **Senator Reilly**
Chapter 409 **FREESTANDING BIRTHING CENTERS – USE OF ULTRASOUND IMAGING**
- Requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, after consultation with representatives of payors, health care practitioners, and freestanding ambulatory care facilities, to establish by regulation specified standards for the use of ultrasound imaging in a freestanding birthing center.

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- HB 1303** **Delegate Angel, et al**
Chapter 410 **FREESTANDING BIRTHING CENTERS – USE OF ULTRASOUND IMAGING**
- Requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, after consultation with representatives of payors, health care practitioners, and freestanding ambulatory care facilities, to establish by regulation specified standards for the use of ultrasound imaging in a freestanding birthing center.
- SB 605** **Senators Bates and Kagan**
Chapter 411 **ATHLETIC TRAINERS – EVALUATION AND TREATMENT PROTOCOLS – APPROVAL**
- Altering a specified provision of law to require the Athletic Trainer Advisory Committee to recommend to the State Board of Physicians approval, modification, or disapproval of individual evaluation and treatment protocols; authorizing, under specified circumstances, an athletic trainer to assume duties under an evaluation and treatment protocol after receiving a specified recommendation from the Committee; etc.
- HB 232** **Delegate Hayes, et al**
Chapter 412 **ATHLETIC TRAINERS – EVALUATION AND TREATMENT PROTOCOLS – APPROVAL**
- Altering a specified provision of law to require the Athletic Trainer Advisory Committee to recommend to the State Board of Physicians approval, modification, or disapproval of individual evaluation and treatment protocols; authorizing, under specified circumstances, an athletic trainer to assume duties under an evaluation and treatment protocol after receiving a specified recommendation from the Committee; etc.

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- SB 606**
Chapter 413 **Senator Waugh**
MARYLAND COLLEGE COLLABORATION FOR STUDENT VETERANS COMMISSION
- Establishing the Maryland College Collaboration for Student Veterans Commission; providing that the purpose of the Commission is to work to ensure the educational success of returning veterans, facilitate the sharing of best practices among institutions of higher education, and work with institutions of higher education to provide specified services to veterans; requiring the Commission to meet at least four times each year; etc.
- HB 1458**
Chapter 414 **Delegate P. Young, et al**
MARYLAND COLLEGE COLLABORATION FOR STUDENT VETERANS COMMISSION
- Establishing the Maryland College Collaboration for Student Veterans Commission; providing that the purpose of the Commission is to work to ensure the educational success of returning veterans, facilitate the sharing of best practices among institutions of higher education, and work with institutions of higher education to provide specified services to veterans; requiring the Commission to meet at least four times each year; etc.
- SB 757**
Chapter 421 **Senator Madaleno**
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TAXES – ELECTRONIC FILING OF RETURNS
- Requiring the Comptroller to implement electronic filing of alcoholic beverage tax returns on or before January 1, 2018.
- HB 648**
Chapter 422 **Delegate Moon, et al**
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TAXES – ELECTRONIC FILING OF RETURNS
- Requiring the Comptroller to implement electronic filing of alcoholic beverage tax returns on or before January 1, 2018.

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SB 765 **Senator Raskin, et al****Chapter 423****CINA, GUARDIANSHIP, ADOPTION, CUSTODY, AND VISITATION
– DISABILITY OF PARENT, GUARDIAN, CUSTODIAN, OR PARTY**

Establishing that, in any custody or visitation proceeding, the disability of a party is relevant only to the extent that the court finds, based on evidence in the record, that the disability affects the best interest of the child; requiring in a specified custody or visitation proceeding, the party alleging that the disability of the other party affects the best interest of the child to bear a specified burden of proof; altering the definition of “disability” in specified provisions of law; etc.

SB 784 **Senator Middleton, et al****Chapter 425****MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – PERSONAL INJURY
PROTECTION – REJECTION OF COVERAGE**

Providing that, under specified circumstances, a first named insured under a specified policy of motor vehicle liability insurance is not required to obtain coverage for specified medical, hospital, and disability benefits that must be provided by specified insurers; requiring the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund to offer a specified first named insured, at the time of application for a specified policy, the option to reject coverage for specified benefits under specified circumstances; etc.

HB 900 **Delegate Frick****Chapter 426****MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – PERSONAL INJURY
PROTECTION – REJECTION OF COVERAGE**

Providing that, under specified circumstances, a first named insured under a specified policy of motor vehicle liability insurance is not required to obtain coverage for specified medical, hospital, and disability benefits that must be provided by specified insurers; requiring the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund to offer a specified first named insured, at the time of application for a specified policy, the option to reject coverage for specified benefits under specified circumstances; etc.

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- SB 811** **Senator Benson**
Chapter 430 **ELECTRIC COMPANIES – INSTALLATION OF SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY – COMPLETION OF INTERCONNECTION**
- Requiring an electric company to issue acceptance and final approval to operate a customer–generator’s solar electric generating facility on the electric company’s distribution facilities within 20 days after the completion of the installation process and receipt of the specified paperwork and documentation; requiring an electric company to complete the specified interconnection requirements for at least 90% of installation processes completed during the year in the electric company’s service territory; etc.
- HB 440** **Delegates Kramer and Fraser–Hidalgo**
Chapter 431 **ELECTRIC COMPANIES – INSTALLATION OF SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY – COMPLETION OF INTERCONNECTION**
- Requiring an electric company, subject to a specified provision, to issue acceptance and final approval to operate a customer–generator’s solar electric generating facility on the electric company’s distribution facilities within 20 business days after the completion of the installation process and receipt of specified paperwork and documentation; requiring an electric company to complete specified interconnection requirements for at least 90% of installation processes completed during the year in a specified territory; etc.
- SB 824** **Senator Conway**
Chapter 432 **REAL ESTATE LICENSEES – VERIFICATION OF SERVICE PROVIDER LICENSING STATUS**
- Providing that a licensee of the State Real Estate Commission need not verify that a specified service provider is currently licensed by the State to perform the services if the licensee offers the name of the service provider to a client in the provision of real estate brokerage services, notwithstanding any other provision of law and with a specified exception; requiring a licensee to verify annually that a home improvement contractor is licensed by the Maryland Home Improvement Commission under specified circumstances; etc.

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HB 1453 **Delegate Vaughn****Chapter 433****REAL ESTATE LICENSEES – VERIFICATION OF SERVICE PROVIDER LICENSING STATUS**

Providing that a licensee of the State Real Estate Commission need not verify that a specified service provider is currently licensed by the State to perform the services if the licensee offers the name of the service provider to a client in the provision of real estate brokerage services, notwithstanding any other provision of law and with a specified exception; requiring a licensee to verify annually that a home improvement contractor is licensed by the Maryland Home Improvement Commission under specified circumstances; etc.

SB 830 **Senator Conway****Chapter 434****STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGISTS – LIMITED LICENSE – HAIR SERVICES – BLOW DRYING**

Establishing a limited license to provide hair services – blow drying; requiring the State Board of Cosmetologists to establish by regulation specified curriculum standards for providing hair services – blow drying for use by specified entities for a specified purpose; establishing qualifications for a limited license to provide hair services – blow drying; providing that a specified limited license authorizes the licensee to provide only specified services; etc.

HB 1291 **Delegate Kelly****Chapter 435****STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGISTS – LIMITED LICENSE – HAIR SERVICES – BLOW DRYING**

Establishing a limited license to provide hair services – blow drying; requiring the State Board of Cosmetologists to establish by regulation specified curriculum standards for providing hair services – blow drying for use by specified entities for a specified purpose; establishing qualifications for a limited license to provide hair services – blow drying; providing that a specified limited license authorizes the licensee to provide only specified services; etc.

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- SB 853** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 438 **GUARDIANS OF PROPERTY AND CUSTODIANS – AUTHORITY TO FUND CERTAIN TRUSTS AND ACCOUNTS**
- Authorizing a guardian of the property of a specified minor or disabled person to pay or apply income or principal from a specified estate to establish or fund a specified special needs trust, a pooled asset special needs trust account, or an Achieving a Better Life Experience account for the benefit of the minor or disabled person, without court authorization or confirmation; etc.
- HB 960** **Delegate Kelly, et al**
Chapter 439 **GUARDIANS OF PROPERTY AND CUSTODIANS – AUTHORITY TO FUND CERTAIN TRUSTS AND ACCOUNTS**
- Authorizing a guardian of the property of a specified minor or disabled person to pay or apply income or principal from a specified estate to establish or fund a specified special needs trust, a pooled asset special needs trust account, or an Achieving a Better Life Experience account for the benefit of the minor or disabled person, without court authorization or confirmation; etc.
- SB 856** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 440 **PUBLIC HEALTH – HIV TESTING DURING PREGNANCY**
- Requiring specified health care providers to obtain consent for HIV testing in accordance with specified provisions of law and to test pregnant patients, except under specified circumstances, during the first and third trimesters of pregnancy; repealing specified provisions of law made obsolete by the Act; and providing that specified health care providers may not be subject to specified disciplinary action under specified circumstances.

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- HB 180** **Delegate West, et al**
Chapter 441 **PUBLIC HEALTH – HIV TESTING DURING PREGNANCY**
Requiring specified health care providers to obtain consent for HIV testing in accordance with specified provisions of law and to test pregnant patients, except under specified circumstances, during the first and third trimesters of pregnancy; repealing specified provisions of law made obsolete by the Act; and providing that specified health care providers may not be subject to specified disciplinary action under specified circumstances.
- SB 926** **Senator Young, et al**
Chapter 450 **LYME DISEASE – LABORATORY TEST – REQUIRED NOTICE**
Requiring specified health care providers and specified medical laboratories to provide a specified written notice to a patient for whom the health care provider or medical laboratory performs a laboratory test for the presence of Lyme disease; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide written notice to specified committees of the General Assembly before submitting any proposed regulations under the Act; etc.
- HB 399** **Delegate Afzali, et al**
Chapter 451 **LYME DISEASE – LABORATORY TEST – REQUIRED NOTICE**
Requiring specified health care providers and specified medical laboratories to provide specified notice to a patient for whom the health care provider or medical laboratory performs a laboratory test for the presence of Lyme disease; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide written notice to specified committees of the General Assembly before submitting any proposed regulations under the Act; etc.

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- HB 1236** **Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al**
Chapter 457 **VEHICLE EQUIPMENT – COUNTERFEIT AND NONFUNCTIONAL AIRBAGS – PROHIBITIONS**
- Prohibiting a person from knowingly importing, manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale a counterfeit airbag or a nonfunctional airbag; prohibiting a person from knowingly installing a counterfeit airbag or a nonfunctional airbag in a motor vehicle; prohibiting a person from knowingly selling or installing a device that causes the vehicle diagnostic system to inaccurately indicate that the airbag is functional when a counterfeit airbag, a nonfunctional airbag, or no airbag is installed; etc.
- SB 1020** **Senator Pugh**
Chapter 460 **STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – PHYSICIAN LICENSING RECIPROCITY**
- Requiring the State Board of Physicians to license applicants to practice medicine who became licensed or certified as a physician in another jurisdiction under specified requirements, are in good standing in the other jurisdiction, submit the Board–required application, and pay the Board–imposed application fee; and requiring the Board to adopt regulations relating to reciprocal licensure for physicians.
- HB 998** **Delegate Hill, et al**
Chapter 461 **STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – PHYSICIAN LICENSING RECIPROCITY**
- Requiring the State Board of Physicians to license specified applicants to practice medicine who became licensed or certified as a physician in another jurisdiction under specified requirements, are in good standing in the other jurisdiction, submit the Board–required application, and pay the Board–imposed application fee and whose jurisdiction offers a similar reciprocal licensure for physicians.

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- SB 1069** **Senator Middleton, et al**
Chapter 464 **PUBLIC UTILITIES – APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY – PUBLIC NOTICE**
- Requiring the Public Service Commission to provide a weekly notice of a public hearing and an opportunity for public comment on two types of social media and on the Commission’s Web site with a specified frequency before the public hearing date; requiring the Commission, before a public hearing, to coordinate with a specified governing body or municipal corporation to identify additional options for providing, in an efficient and cost-effective manner, notice of the public hearing to the specified residents; etc.
- SB 1106** **Senator Simonaire, et al**
Chapter 467 **ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY AND HARFORD COUNTY – COURTHOUSE DOG AND CHILD WITNESS PILOT PROGRAM**
- Establishing the Courthouse Dog and Child Witness Pilot Program in the circuit courts for Anne Arundel County and Harford County to determine whether to establish a structured, defined, and systematic approach for providing a courthouse dog to a child witness in any circuit court proceeding in the State; requiring the Administrative Office of the Courts to develop a plan to implement the pilot program; requiring the Administrative Office to establish procedures for requesting a specified dog and handler to assist a child witness; etc.
- SB 1119** **Senator Rosapepe (By Request – Joint Committee on the Management of Public Funds), et al**
Chapter 469 **STATE TREASURER – SUPRANATIONAL ISSUERS**
- Authorizing the Treasurer to invest or reinvest specified funds in a specified obligation issued and unconditionally guaranteed by a supranational issuer; defining a specified term; etc.

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- SB 1135** **Washington County Senators**
Chapter 471 **WASHINGTON COUNTY – BUSINESS LICENSES – REPEAL OF ZONING CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT**
- Repealing the prohibition on the clerk of the Circuit Court for Washington County from issuing a specified business license under specified circumstances unless the applicant submits to the clerk a certification that the location of the business for which the license is sought has proper zoning; and repealing a specified prohibition on the clerk of the Circuit Court of Washington County endorsing a change in a place of business in Washington County until specified zoning requirements are met.
- HB 117** **Delegate Barron, et al**
Chapter 475 **STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR PHARMACISTS – PROOF OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH**
- Providing that, for applicants for a license to practice pharmacy, graduation from a recognized English-speaking professional school accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education is acceptable proof of proficiency in the oral communication of the English language.
- SB 469** **Senator McFadden**
Chapter 476 **STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR PHARMACISTS – PROOF OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH**
- Providing that, for applicants for a license to practice pharmacy, graduation from a recognized English-speaking professional school accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education is acceptable as proof of proficiency in the oral communication of the English language.

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- HB 202** **Delegate Bromwell, et al**
Chapter 479 **PILOT PROGRAM – DONATION OF COINS FROM GAMING PAYOUTS – MARYLAND VETERANS TRUST FUND**
- Requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to adopt regulations requiring one video lottery facility licensee to adopt procedures to offer players the opportunity to donate coins, when receiving cash on payout, to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund and to require the licensee to attach donation boxes near exits in the video lottery facility, with the proceeds dedicated to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund; and requiring the Commission to report to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2019.
- HB 472** **Delegate Miele, et al**
Chapter 486 **ESTATES AND TRUSTS – REGISTERS OF WILLS – RETENTION OF ESTATE FILES**
- Repealing a requirement that a register of wills in a county return specified estate files to the personal representative of the estate under specified circumstances; authorizing a register to dispose of specified estate files no sooner than 180 days after the closing of an estate if copies of the files are retained in a specified manner; applying the Act retroactively to estates opened on or after October 1, 2014; etc.
- HB 501** **Delegate Chang**
Chapter 488 **MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – VOLUNTEER DRIVERS**
- Prohibiting insurers that issue, sell, or deliver policies of motor vehicle liability insurance in the State from canceling the policy of a named insured or refusing to issue a policy to an applicant solely because the named insured or applicant is a volunteer driver; prohibiting specified insurers from imposing a surcharge solely because a driver under the policy is a volunteer driver; applying the Act prospectively to specified insurance policies issued, sold, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1, 2017; etc.

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- HB 534** **Delegate Sanchez, et al**
Chapter 489 **FAMILY LAW – PROTECTIVE ORDERS – NOTIFICATION OF SERVICE – SUNSET REPEAL**
- Repealing the termination date of provisions of law related to notice of the service on a respondent of specified protective orders; and repealing obsolete provisions relating to a specified contingency.
- HB 555** **Delegate Kipke**
Chapter 490 **OFFICE OF CEMETERY OVERSIGHT – PERPETUAL CARE TRUST FUNDS – REPORT SUBMISSION REQUIREMENT**
- Increasing from 120 to 150 days the time period within which a sole proprietor registered cemeterian, specified permit holders, or specified other persons subject to specified perpetual care trust requirements are required to submit a specified report regarding a specified perpetual care trust fund to the Director of the Office of Cemetery Oversight.
- HB 567** **Delegate Kipke**
Chapter 492 **BARBERS AND COSMETOLOGISTS – MOBILE BARBERSHOPS AND BEAUTY SALONS – PERMIT REQUIREMENT**
- Altering the definition of “barbershop” to include a mobile barbershop; requiring an applicant for a mobile barbershop permit to hold a permit to operate a nonmobile barbershop and to lease or own a vehicle or trailer in which the mobile barbershop is located; altering the definition of “beauty salon” to include a mobile beauty salon; requiring an applicant for a mobile beauty salon permit to hold a nonmobile beauty salon permit and to lease or own the motor vehicle or trailer in which the mobile beauty salon is located; etc.
- HB 631** **Howard County Delegation**
Chapter 493 **WORKERS’ COMPENSATION – PERMANENT PARTIAL DISABILITY – HOWARD COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFFS HO. CO. 11-16**
- Altering the circumstances under which Howard County deputy sheriffs are eligible for a compensable permanent partial disability of less than 75 weeks; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

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HB 675 **Delegate Branch****Chapter 494****VEHICLE LAWS – MECHANICAL REPAIR CONTRACTS**

Altering the definition of “mechanical repair contract”; authorizing an agent and a registered obligor under a mechanical repair contract to offer, sell, or negotiate a mechanical repair contract; establishing that an obligor or a vehicle dealer is liable for the actions of its agent under specified circumstances; requiring an obligor or a licensed vehicle dealer that uses an agent to sell a mechanical repair contract to maintain a specified list and, on request, make the list available to the Insurance Commissioner; etc.

HB 676 **Delegate McCray, et al****Chapter 495****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL – ANNUAL REPORT**

Requiring the Maryland Apprenticeship and Training Council to report to the General Assembly, on or before June 30 each year, specified information regarding each apprenticeship program registered in the State and the individuals enrolled in those programs; and requiring the Council to sort the information in a specified manner and publish the report on the Council’s Web site.

HB 727 **Delegate West, et al****Chapter 496****HORSE RACING – SATELLITE SIMULCAST BETTING – PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the State Racing Commission, before granting a permit to a person for satellite simulcast betting, to hold public hearings within 10 miles of the proposed satellite simulcast facility; requiring the Commission to advertise specified information in a local publication at least 30 days before the hearing; requiring the Commission to provide written notice of specified information to the Senators, Delegates, and county–elected officials representing the jurisdiction within which the proposed satellite facility is to be located; etc.

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- HB 815** **Cecil County Delegation and Delegate Metzgar**
Chapter 497 HORSE RACING – FAIR HILL – ARABIAN BREED RACING
AUTHORIZATION
- Authorizing a licensee at the Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area to conduct live racing of Arabian breed horses under specified circumstances.
- HB 958** **Delegate Jameson**
Chapter 499 INSURANCE – RATE FILINGS – TRADE SECRETS
- Establishing the confidentiality, under specified circumstances, of information that an insurer files with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner as proprietary rate-related information; requiring the Commissioner, if the Commissioner makes a specified determination, to give an insurer specified notice of a determination and to make specified material open to specified public inspection; requiring the People’s Insurance Counsel Division to maintain the confidentiality of specified proprietary rate-related information; etc.
- HB 1128** **Prince George’s County Delegation and Montgomery County**
Chapter 501 **Delegation**
- WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – DRINKING WATER – TESTING PG/MC 113–16
- Altering which cycle of specified regulations adopted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency is the basis for the requirement that the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission conduct quarterly testing of drinking water in the Commission system for unregulated contaminants.
- HB 1129** **Prince George’s County Delegation and Montgomery County**
Chapter 502 **Delegation**
- WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED FROM MONTGOMERY COUNTY – QUALIFICATIONS PG/MC 116–16
- Repealing a requirement that members of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission from Montgomery County reside in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District.

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- HB 1217** **Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al**
Chapter 505 **MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – SPECIALTY MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SERVICES – PARITY**
- Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations to ensure that the Maryland Medical Assistance Program is in compliance with specified federal laws; providing that the Department is not required to adopt specified regulations for any changes that may be made through a process other than the regulatory process; requiring the regulations to include standards regarding treatment limitations for specialty mental health and substance use disorder services that comply with the federal laws; etc.
- HB 1268** **Calvert County Delegation**
Chapter 506 **CALVERT COUNTY – PRETRIAL RELEASE PROGRAM – NONVIOLENT FELON**
- Repealing a provision of law that prohibits an individual in detention for or previously convicted of a felony that is not a crime of violence from being eligible for a specified pretrial release program in Calvert County; and providing that an individual in detention for or previously convicted of a specified crime is not eligible for a specified program.
- HB 1385** **Delegate Morhaim, et al**
Chapter 510 **PUBLIC HEALTH – ADVANCE DIRECTIVES – PROCEDURES, INFORMATION SHEET, AND USE OF ELECTRONIC ADVANCE DIRECTIVES**
- Providing that any authentic expression made by an individual while competent of the individual’s wishes regarding health care for the individual be considered in the absence of a validly executed or witnessed advance directive; providing that a witness to an electronic advance directive is not required; establishing an Advance Directive Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Department to encourage the use of electronic advance directives and provide outreach services to increase public awareness; etc.

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SB 945 **Senator Raskin, et al****Chapter 512****DRUNK DRIVING REDUCTION ACT OF 2016 (NOAH'S LAW)**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to require a person who is convicted of specified offenses relating to driving under the influence of alcohol to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for specified periods of time; increasing the suspension periods for the driver's license of a person who has refused or has specified results after a test for breath alcohol concentration; requiring a person whose license is suspended after specified results from a specified test to participate in the Program; etc.

HB 409 **Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo, et al****Chapter 513****CRIMINAL LAW – PROVIDING ALCOHOL TO UNDERAGE DRINKERS – PENALTIES (ALEX AND CALVIN'S LAW)**

Prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully allowing an individual under 21 years old to possess or consume an alcoholic beverage at a residence the person owns or leases and in which the person resides or furnishing an alcoholic beverage for consumption to an individual under 21 years old if the adult knew or reasonably should have known the individual would operate a motor vehicle and did operate the vehicle under the influence of alcohol and caused serious injury or death; etc.

HB 565 **Delegates Dumais and Vallario****Chapter 514****CRIMINAL LAW – POSSESSION OF LESS THAN 10 GRAMS OF MARIJUANA – CODE VIOLATION**

Specifying that a person who violates a provision of law involving the use or possession of marijuana in the amount of 10 grams or more is guilty of the misdemeanor of possession of marijuana; altering a specified provision of law so as to provide that a finding of guilt, rather than a violation, of a provision of law is a civil offense punishable by a fine; establishing procedures for a specified Code violation proceeding; providing that prepayment of a specified fine shall be considered a plea of guilty to a code violation; etc.

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SB 1005 **The President (By Request – Justice Reinvestment
Chapter 515** **Coordinating Council)**

JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT

Requiring the Division of Parole and Probation to conduct a risk and needs assessment on inmates as soon as feasible after sentencing and develop a case plan to guide an inmate’s rehabilitation while in custody; altering the manner in which specified diminution credits may be earned; authorizing expungement for convictions for specified misdemeanors after 10 years, or 15 years under specified conditions; establishing the Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board and the Local Government Justice Reinvestment Commission; etc.

Except Section 2 and Section 4

SB 160 **Senator Cassilly, et al**

Chapter 517 **DEATH OR LIFE–THREATENING INJURY BY MOTOR VEHICLE
OR VESSEL – SUBSEQUENT OFFENDERS – PENALTIES**

Establishing specified subsequent offender penalties for specified offenses that result in the death or life–threatening injury to another as the result of a specified person driving, operating, or controlling a vehicle or vessel; and providing that specified offenses committed in another state or federal jurisdiction are to be considered for the application of specified subsequent offender penalties.

HB 157 **Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al**

Chapter 518 **DEATH OR LIFE–THREATENING INJURY BY MOTOR VEHICLE
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Establishing subsequent offender penalties for specified offenses that result in the death or life–threatening injury to another as the result of a specified person driving, operating, or controlling a vehicle or vessel; and providing that specified offenses committed in another state or federal jurisdiction are to be considered for the application of specified subsequent offender penalties.

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HB 1016 **The Speaker (By Request – Workgroup on Public Safety and**
Chapter 519 **Policing), et al**

PUBLIC SAFETY AND POLICING WORKGROUP –
RECOMMENDATIONS

Prohibiting retaliatory personnel action against a law enforcement officer who discloses specified information; authorizing the appointment of a member of the public who has received specified training to an administrative hearing board; establishing the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission as an independent commission in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; establishing the Community Law Enforcement Program Fund; requiring the Governor to include an appropriation to the Fund of \$500,000 annually; etc.

Section 1 Only

HB 22 **Delegate Krimm**
Chapter 520

ETHAN SAYLOR ALLIANCE FOR SELF-ADVOCATES AS
EDUCATORS – MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES – COMMUNITY
INCLUSION TRAINING OVERSIGHT

Altering the membership of the Steering Committee of the Ethan Saylor Alliance for Self-Advocates as Educators; and requiring the Steering Committee to review, or request that the Alliance review, the content and monitor the implementation of the training objectives and curriculum adopted by the Police Training Commission for a community inclusion training program at least once every 4 years or more frequently if requested by the Commission.

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- SB 417** **Senator Kelley, et al**
Chapter 521 **INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES – MINIMUM WAGE AND COMMUNITY INTEGRATION (KEN CAPONE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT ACT)**
- Prohibiting the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, under specified circumstances, from authorizing work activities centers and specified sheltered workshops to pay employees with disabilities less than a specified minimum wage; authorizing specified work activities centers and specified sheltered workshops to pay new employees less than the minimum wage only under specified circumstances; requiring the Development Disabilities Administration and the Department of Disabilities to develop and implement a specified plan; etc.
Except Section 2 and Section 3
- HB 420** **Delegate Waldstreicher, et al**
Chapter 522 **INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES – MINIMUM WAGE AND COMMUNITY INTEGRATION (KEN CAPONE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT ACT)**
- Prohibiting the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, under specified circumstances, from authorizing work activities centers and specified sheltered workshops to pay employees with disabilities less than a specified minimum wage; authorizing specified work activities centers and specified sheltered workshops to pay new employees less than the minimum wage only under specified circumstances; requiring the Developmental Disabilities Administration and the Department of Disabilities to develop and implement a specified plan; etc.
Except Section 2 and Section 3
- SB 818** **Senator Peters**
Chapter 523 **STATE PERSONNEL – INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES – HIRING PREFERENCES**
- Requiring an appointing authority to apply a credit of five points on a selection test for specified positions in the State Personnel Management System for an individual with a specified disability; requiring a specified appointing authority for a specified position in the Executive Branch of State government to develop a hiring preference for an individual with a specified disability that is equivalent to the credit applied on a specified selection test; etc.

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- HB 928** **Delegate Kramer**
Chapter 524 **STATE PERSONNEL – INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES – HIRING PREFERENCES**
- Requiring an appointing authority to apply a credit of five points on a selection test for specified positions in the State Personnel Management System for an individual with a specified disability; requiring a specified appointing authority for a specified position in the Executive Branch of State government to develop a hiring preference for an individual with a specified disability that is equivalent to the credit applied on a specified selection test; etc.
- SB 42** **Senator Conway**
Chapter 528 **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 from a list of names submitted to the Governor by the Board.
- SB 83** **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**
Chapter 529 **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; requiring the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to consider the geographic distribution of grant recipients before making a grant from the Fund; prohibiting a law enforcement agency or board of education from using a grant to fund the installation or maintenance of a speed monitoring system in or around a school zone; etc.

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- SB 150** **Senator Lee, et al**
Chapter 530 **COURTS – PROHIBITION AGAINST TESTIMONY BY CONVICTED PERJURER – REPEAL**
- Repealing the prohibition on a person convicted of perjury from testifying in a proceeding; and providing that evidence that a witness has been convicted of perjury shall be admitted for the purpose of attacking the credibility of the witness, regardless of the date of the conviction, if the evidence is elicited from the witness or established by public record during examination of the witness.
- HB 237** **Delegate Smith, et al**
Chapter 531 **COURTS – PROHIBITION AGAINST TESTIMONY BY CONVICTED PERJURER – REPEAL**
- Repealing the prohibition on a person convicted of perjury from testifying in a proceeding; and providing that evidence that a witness has been convicted of perjury shall be admitted for the purpose of attacking the credibility of the witness, regardless of the date of conviction, if the evidence is elicited from the witness or established by public record during examination of the witness.
- SB 156** **Senator Cassilly**
Chapter 532 **CRIMINAL LAW – PARTICIPATION IN COURT PROCEEDINGS – RETALIATION**
- Prohibiting a person from retaliating against a juror or an officer of the court for any reason relating to the performance of official duties in a pending or completed case in a State or federal court; prohibiting a person from soliciting another to retaliate against a juror or an officer of the court for any reason relating to the performance of official duties in a pending or completed case in a State or federal court; applying specified penalties to a violation of the Act; etc.

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- HB 98**
Chapter 533 **Delegate B. Wilson, et al**
CRIMINAL LAW – PARTICIPATION IN COURT PROCEEDINGS – RETALIATION
- Prohibiting a person from retaliating against a juror or an officer of the court for any reason relating to the performance of official duties in a pending or completed case in a State or federal court; prohibiting a person from soliciting another to retaliate against a juror or an officer of the court for any reason relating to the performance of official duties in a pending or completed case in a State or federal court; applying specified penalties for a violation of the Act; etc.
- SB 173**
Chapter 534 **Senator Feldman, et al**
LOCAL GOVERNMENT – CLEAN ENERGY LOAN PROGRAMS – COMMERCIAL PROPERTY OWNERS – RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS
- Removing the limitation that renewable energy projects by commercial property owners financed through a clean energy loan program have an electric generating capacity of not more than 100 kilowatts.
- HB 105**
Chapter 535 **Delegate Clippinger**
LOCAL GOVERNMENT – CLEAN ENERGY LOAN PROGRAMS – COMMERCIAL PROPERTY OWNERS – RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS
- Removing the limitation that renewable energy projects by commercial property owners financed through a clean energy loan program have an electric generating capacity of not more than 100 kilowatts.
- SB 178**
Chapter 536 **Senator Lee, et al**
CRIMINAL LAW – EXTORTION – IMMIGRATION STATUS
- Prohibiting a person from committing a specified act of extortion by wrongful use of actual or threatened notification of law enforcement officials about another person’s undocumented or illegal immigration status.

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- HB 493** **Delegate Morales, et al**
Chapter 537 **CRIMINAL LAW – EXTORTION – IMMIGRATION STATUS**
Prohibiting a person from committing a specified act of extortion by wrongful use of actual or threatened notification of law enforcement officials about another person’s undocumented or illegal immigration status.
- SB 187** **Senator Lee, et al**
Chapter 540 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIM’S RIGHT TO RESTITUTION – APPEAL**
Authorizing a specified victim to file an application for leave to appeal to the Court of Special Appeals from an interlocutory order or appeal to the Court of Special Appeals from a final order that denies or fails to consider the victim’s right to restitution after the filing of a specified motion requesting relief under a specified provision of law.
- HB 659** **Delegate Proctor, et al**
Chapter 541 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIM’S RIGHT TO RESTITUTION – APPEAL**
Authorizing a specified victim to file an application for leave to appeal to the Court of Special Appeals from an interlocutory order or appeal to the Court of Special Appeals from a final order that denies or fails to consider the victim’s right to restitution after the filing of a specified motion requesting relief under a specified provision of law.
- SB 233** **Senator Norman, et al**
Chapter 542 **PUBLIC SAFETY – MOTORCYCLE PROFILING – TRAINING**
Requiring the Police Training Commission to require a specified statement condemning motorcycle profiling to be included in existing written policies regarding other profiling; requiring the Commission to include in specified curriculum and courses of study training on motorcycle profiling in conjunction with existing training regarding other profiling; and defining the term “motorcycle profiling”.

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SB 346 **Senator Ramirez, et al****Chapter 550** **PEACE ORDERS – GROUNDS FOR RELIEF**

Adding misuse of telephone facilities and equipment, misuse of electronic communication or interactive computer service, revenge porn, and visual surveillance to the list of offenses alleged to have been committed by a respondent against a victim for which a peace order request or a peace order petition may be filed under specified circumstances.

HB 314 **Delegate Atterbeary, et al****Chapter 551** **PEACE ORDERS – GROUNDS FOR RELIEF**

Adding misuse of telephone facilities and equipment, misuse of electronic communication or interactive computer service, revenge porn, and visual surveillance to the list of offenses alleged to have been committed by a respondent against a victim for which a peace order request or a peace order petition may be filed under specified circumstances.

SB 427 **Senator Pinsky, et al****Chapter 552** **HIGHER EDUCATION – INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY
EDUCATION – CONSUMER PROTECTION PROVISIONS**

Prohibiting specified private career schools and specified for-profit institutions of higher education from enrolling a student in a program that is intended to lead to employment in a field that requires licensure or certification in the State if successful completion of the educational course offerings will not meet the State educational requirements for licensure or certification, or the school is aware of any other factors that may lead to the ineligibility of the student to pursue or obtain licensure or certification in the State; etc.

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HB 741 Delegates Stein and Kaiser**Chapter 553****HIGHER EDUCATION – INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION – CONSUMER PROTECTION PROVISIONS**

Prohibiting specified private career schools and specified for-profit institutions of higher education from enrolling a student in a program that is intended to lead to employment in a field that requires licensure or certification in the State if successful completion of the educational course offerings will not meet the State educational requirements for licensure or certification, or the school is aware of any other factors that may lead to the ineligibility of the student to pursue or obtain licensure or certification in the State; etc.

SB 439 Senator Lee**Chapter 554****CORRECTIONAL TRAINING COMMISSION – DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES EMPLOYEES – REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATION AND REINSTATEMENT**

Authorizing the Correctional Training Commission to revoke the certification of a Department of Juvenile Services employee in conjunction with specified disciplinary actions; authorizing the court to reinstate the certification of a correctional officer with no further examination or condition under specified circumstances; and authorizing the Office of Administrative Hearings to reinstate the certification of a Department of Juvenile Services employee with no further examination or condition under specified circumstances.

HB 855 Delegate Morales, et al**Chapter 555****CORRECTIONAL TRAINING COMMISSION – DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES EMPLOYEES – REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATION AND REINSTATEMENT**

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SB 481 **Senator Lee, et al****Chapter 556****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK**

Altering a specified provision of law concerning equal pay for equal work to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex or gender identity; prohibiting an employer from discriminating between employees by providing less favorable employment opportunities based on sex or gender identity; providing that specified provisions of the Act do not preclude an employee from demonstrating that an employer's reliance on a specified exception is a pretext for discrimination on the basis of sex or gender identity; etc.

HB 1003 **Delegate Valderrama, et al****Chapter 557****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK**

Altering a specified provision of law concerning equal pay for equal work to prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender identity; prohibiting an employer from discriminating between employees in any occupation by providing less favorable employment opportunities based on sex or gender identity; prohibiting an employer from forbidding an employee from inquiring about, discussing, or disclosing the wages of specified employees or requesting that the employer provide a reason why the employee's wages are a condition of employment; etc.

SB 557 **Senators Astle and Salling****Chapter 560****MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD – EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS – ENFORCEMENT**

Authorizing members of the National Guard whose employment and reemployment rights have been violated to bring a civil action for economic damages, including lost wages and benefits; and authorizing a court to award specified damages, fees, costs, and other relief to members of the National Guard if the court determines that the member's employment and reemployment rights were violated.

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- HB 249** **Delegate Smith, et al**
Chapter 561 **MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD – EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS – ENFORCEMENT**
- Authorizing members of the National Guard whose employment and reemployment rights have been violated to bring a civil action for economic damages, including lost wages and benefits; and authorizing a court to award specified damages, fees, costs, and other relief to members of the National Guard if the court determines that the member's employment and reemployment rights were violated.
- SB 570** **Senator Lee**
Chapter 562 **MARYLAND TRUST ACT – REPRESENTATION**
- Providing that, if a minor, an incapacitated, unborn, or unknown individual, or an individual whose location is unknown and not reasonably ascertainable is not otherwise represented under a specified provision of law relating to specified trusts, a grandparent or more remote ancestor may represent and bind that individual in specified circumstances; etc.
- HB 887** **Delegate West**
Chapter 563 **MARYLAND TRUST ACT – REPRESENTATION**
- Providing that, if a minor, an incapacitated, unborn, or unknown individual, or an individual whose location is unknown and not reasonably ascertainable is not otherwise represented under a specified provision of law relating to specified trusts, a grandparent or more remote ancestor may represent and bind that individual in specified circumstances; etc.
- SB 603** **Senator Pugh**
Chapter 567 **CRIMINAL LAW – PRETRIAL RELEASE – PRIOR CRIMES**
- Prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant charged with a crime of violence if the defendant has previously been convicted of a specified crime; and prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing release of a defendant charged with a specified crime if the defendant has previously been convicted of a crime of violence.

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- SB 631** **Senator Hershey**
Chapter 568 **LOCAL FACILITY CLOSURE RESERVE FUNDS – INVESTMENTS AND REINVESTMENTS**
- Authorizing the trustees or other officers in charge of specified facility closure reserve funds to invest and reinvest money in a specified manner and sell, redeem, or exchange specified investments or reinvestments; requiring the trustees or other officers in charge of the funds to comply with specified fiduciary standards; authorizing a political subdivision or unit of a political subdivision to enter into a specified agreement; altering the definition of “public money” as it relates to local government investment guidelines; etc.
- HB 835** **Cecil County Delegation**
Chapter 569 **LOCAL FACILITY CLOSURE RESERVE FUNDS – INVESTMENTS AND REINVESTMENTS**
- Authorizing the trustees or other officers in charge of specified facility closure reserve funds to invest and reinvest money in a specified manner and sell, redeem, or exchange specified investments or reinvestments; requiring the trustees or other officers in charge of the funds to comply with specified fiduciary standards; authorizing a political subdivision or unit of a political subdivision to enter into a specified agreement; altering the definition of “public money” as it relates to local government investment guidelines; etc.
- SB 637** **Senator Cassilly**
Chapter 570 **EVIDENCE – ADMISSIBILITY OF DNA PROFILE – DEFINITION AND VALIDATION OF DNA PROFILE**
- Altering the definition of “DNA profile” for purposes of provisions of law concerning the admissibility of a DNA profile in a criminal proceeding; providing that a DNA profile is admissible for specified purposes if accompanied by a specified statement that analysis of genetic loci has been validated according to specified quality assurance standards of the Technical Working Group on DNA Analysis Methods (TWGDAM) or of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and applying the Act prospectively.

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- HB 641** **Delegate Sophocleus, et al**
Chapter 571 **EVIDENCE – ADMISSIBILITY OF DNA PROFILE – DEFINITION AND VALIDATION OF DNA PROFILE**
- Altering the definition of “DNA profile” for purposes of provisions of law concerning the admissibility of a DNA profile in a criminal proceeding; providing that a DNA profile is admissible for specified purposes if accompanied by a specified statement that analysis of genetic loci has been validated according to specified quality assurance standards of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and applying the Act prospectively.
- SB 679** **Senator Astle, et al**
Chapter 574 **UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – EXEMPTION FROM COVERED EMPLOYMENT – NAIL TECHNICIANS**
- Providing that work is not covered employment when performed by a holder of a limited license to provide nail technician services who leases or otherwise agrees to the use of a chair, booth, or space from a holder of a barbershop permit, a beauty salon permit, or an owner–manager permit who operates a barbershop or beauty salon under specified circumstances.
- SB 716** **Cecil County Senators**
Chapter 575 **PUBLIC SAFETY – FIRE POLICE – CECIL COUNTY**
- Authorizing a specified commanding officer to designate to the Sheriff of Cecil County up to 20 individuals who are members of fire or ambulance companies to serve as fire police in Cecil County; authorizing the Sheriff of Cecil County to appoint specified individuals to serve as fire police in Cecil County; providing that specified powers are granted to individuals appointed to serve as fire police in Cecil County; etc.

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- HB 246** **Cecil County Delegation**
Chapter 576 **PUBLIC SAFETY – FIRE POLICE – CECIL COUNTY**
- Authorizing a specified commanding officer to designate to the Sheriff of Cecil County up to 20 individuals who are members of fire or ambulance companies to serve as fire police in Cecil County; authorizing the Sheriff of Cecil County to appoint specified individuals to serve as fire police in Cecil County; providing that specified powers are granted to individuals appointed to serve as fire police in Cecil County; etc.
- SB 771** **The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)**
Chapter 579 **COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – CONSUMER DEBT COLLECTION ACTIONS – RESTRICTIONS**
- Prohibiting a creditor or a debt collector from initiating or filing a specified consumer debt collection action under specified circumstances; specifying that any subsequent payment toward, written or oral affirmation of, or any other activity on the debt after the expiration of the statute of limitation does not revive or extend the limitations period; applying the Act prospectively so that it may not be applied to any debt collection action begun before October 1, 2016; etc.
- SB 876** **Senator Serafini**
Chapter 584 **NATURAL RESOURCES – BLACK FLY MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL – WASHINGTON COUNTY**
- Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources, in conjunction with the Department of Agriculture, to establish a program to control the spread of black flies in the State under specified circumstances; requiring that the program be implemented initially in Washington County on State-owned property, property owned by a local government, and private property with the owner's consent; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture to accept, use, or expend specified funding to implement the Act; etc.

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- HB 870** **Delegate Parrott**
Chapter 585 **NATURAL RESOURCES – BLACK FLY MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL – WASHINGTON COUNTY**
- Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources, in conjunction with the Department of Agriculture, to establish a program to control the spread of black flies in the State under specified circumstances; requiring that the program be implemented initially in Washington County on State-owned property, property owned by a local government, and private property with the owner's consent; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture to accept, use, or expend specified funding to implement the Act; etc.
- SB 879** **Senator Edwards**
Chapter 590 **GARRETT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – VARIOUS LICENSES**
- Specifying annual fees for specified alcoholic beverages licenses; altering the number of days after the expiration date of a wine festival license that a holder of a State wholesale, Class 3 winery, or Class 4 limited winery license may accept returns from a holder of a wine festival license; and providing that the Garrett County Board of License Commissioners is not required to hold a hearing before issuing specified Class C temporary licenses.
- HB 1072** **Delegate Beitzel**
Chapter 591 **GARRETT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – VARIOUS LICENSES**
- Specifying annual fees for specified alcoholic beverages licenses; altering the number of days after the expiration date of a wine festival license that a holder of a State wholesale, Class 3 winery, or Class 4 limited winery license may accept returns from a holder of a wine festival license; and providing that the Garrett County Board of License Commissioners is not required to hold a hearing before issuing specified Class C temporary licenses.

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- SB 946** **Senator Gladden, et al**
Chapter 596 **CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – RESTRICTIVE HOUSING – REPORT**
Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services on or before December 31 each year to submit specified data to the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention and the General Assembly relating to the use of restrictive housing in correctional facilities; and requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to make the information submitted available on its Web site.
- HB 1180** **Delegate Carter, et al**
Chapter 597 **CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – RESTRICTIVE HOUSING – REPORT**
Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services on or before December 31 each year to submit specified data to the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention and the General Assembly relating to the use of restrictive housing in correctional facilities; and requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to make the information submitted available on its Web site.
- HB 36** **Baltimore City Delegation**
Chapter 607 **REBUILDING BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITIES ACT OF 2016**
Exempting a demolition or partial demolition of a school building under the Baltimore City Public Schools’ 10-year Plan from specified notice requirements; altering the definition of “vacant dwelling” for purposes of property tax credits against the property tax imposed on specified vacant dwellings and newly constructed dwellings located in Baltimore City; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to grant a property tax credit against property tax imposed on property in specified neighborhoods in Baltimore City; etc.

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- HB 58** **Delegate O'Donnell**
Chapter 608 **VEHICLE LAWS – HISTORIC MOTOR VEHICLES – AUTHORIZED USES AND INSPECTIONS**
- Requiring the owner of a historic motor vehicle to certify for the vehicle in a registration application that it will not be used for daily transportation, for transportation of passengers, for employment, for transportation to and from employment or school, or for commercial purposes; limiting the application of the exemption from specified motor vehicle inspection requirements and enforcement procedures to historic motor vehicles with a specified model year; etc.
- HB 76** **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State**
Chapter 610 **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.
- HB 77** **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request – Departmental – State**
Chapter 611 **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.

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- HB 121** **Delegate Carozza, et al**
Chapter 612 **CRIMINAL LAW – FALSE STATEMENT CONCERNING
DESTRUCTIVE DEVICE OR TOXIC MATERIAL – VENUE**
- Adding an additional venue in which a person may be prosecuted for a false statement concerning a destructive device or toxic material.
- HB 127** **Delegate Reznik, et al**
Chapter 613 **GAMING – HOME GAMES**
- Allowing an individual who is at least 21 years old to conduct a home game involving wagering if the home game is conducted in a specified manner; and limiting to \$1000 the total amount of money, tokens representing money, or any other thing or consideration of value that may be wagered by all players during any 24-hour period.
- HB 133** **Charles County Delegation**
Chapter 615 **CHARLES COUNTY – ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND
ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT – FILING DATE**
- Altering the date by which Charles County is required to file a specified financial report with the Department of Legislative Services and report the results of a specified audit with the Legislative Auditor.
- HB 166** **Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al**
Chapter 616 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PRETRIAL RELEASE – OUT-OF-STATE
SEX OFFENDERS**
- Prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant who is a sex offender who is required to register by another jurisdiction, a federal, military, or tribal court, or a foreign government.

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- HB 177** **Delegate Bromwell, et al**
Chapter 617 **CRIMINAL LAW – PROHIBITION ON MARKING FLAGS – REPEAL**
Repealing a criminal prohibition on making specified markings on a flag authorized by the United States or this State for exhibition or display, publicly exhibiting a flag of the United States or this State that has specified markings, or displaying merchandise with a flag of the United States or this State to advertise, decorate, or mark the merchandise.
- HB 312** **Delegate Saab, et al**
Chapter 618 **PUBLIC SAFETY – RENEWAL OF HANDGUN PERMITS – FINGERPRINTING**
Specifying that a person who applies for the renewal of a handgun permit is not required to be fingerprinted except under specified circumstances.
- HB 336** **Delegate Vallario, et al**
Chapter 619 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE**
Authorizing the forfeiture of specified property under specified circumstances; repealing a specified provision authorizing the forfeiture of specified money or weapons relating to possession of a controlled dangerous substance; requiring that a specified seizing authority provide a receipt for property on seizure that includes specified information; requiring that a specified seizing authority mail notice with specified information to the owner of seized property within a specified period of time; etc.
- HB 636** **Delegate Smith, et al**
Chapter 623 **MARYLAND TORT CLAIMS ACT – CERTAIN CLAIM REQUIREMENT – EXCEPTION**
Providing a specified exception, to a requirement that a claimant submit a claim within a specified time to the State Treasurer or a designee of the State Treasurer under the Maryland Tort Claims Act; and applying the Act prospectively.

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HB 773 **Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al****Chapter 630****DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING – EVIDENCE OF BLOOD TEST**

Providing that, if a law enforcement officer testifies that the officer witnessed the taking of a blood specimen by a person who the officer reasonably believed was a qualified medical person, the officer’s testimony shall be sufficient evidence that the person was a qualified medical person and that the blood was obtained in compliance with specified provisions without testimony by the person who obtained the blood specimen; etc.

HB 816 **Cecil County Delegation****Chapter 632****CECIL COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY**

Providing the salary of the Sheriff of Cecil County beginning with the term of office that begins in fiscal year 2019 to be not less than \$100,000, as determined by the County Council of Cecil County; and providing for the application of the Act.

HB 822 **Delegate Atterbeary, et al****Chapter 633****CRIMINAL LAW – ALTERING REFERENCES FROM MENTALLY DEFECTIVE TO SUBSTANTIALLY COGNITIVELY IMPAIRED INDIVIDUAL**

Altering references to the term “mentally defective” individual to “substantially cognitively impaired” individual in provisions of law concerning specified sexual offenses and in provisions of law concerning the licensing of specified individuals to engage in business as an explosives manufacturer or dealer or to possess explosives for specified purposes.

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- HB 871** **Delegate Parrott**
Chapter 636 **AGREEMENTS TO DEFEND OR PAY THE COST OF DEFENSE – VOID**
- Providing that specified provisions in a contract or an agreement relating to architectural, engineering, inspecting, or surveying services that purport to require the promisor or indemnitor to defend or pay the costs of defending specified promisees or indemnitees against liability for specified damages are against public policy and are void and unenforceable under specified circumstances; and applying the Act prospectively.
- HB 989** **Delegate Holmes**
Chapter 638 **RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY – SALES CONTRACTS – NOTICE OF WATER AND SEWER CHARGES**
- Making clarifying changes to a specified notice requirement about water and sewer charges in a contract for the initial sale of residential real property; requiring a contract for the resale of residential real property that is served by public water or wastewater facilities for which deferred water and sewer charges have been established by a recorded covenant or declaration to contain a specified notice; providing for the application of specified provisions of the Act; etc.
- HB 1059** **Delegate Morales, et al**
Chapter 643 **LANDLORD AND TENANT – SECURITY DEPOSIT – CONTENTS OF LEASE**
- Requiring a written lease for residential property to include a specified receipt for the security deposit.

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HB 1182 **Delegate Sydnor****Chapter 649****CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS AND REPRESENTATIVES –
FUND–RAISING COUNSEL – DEFINITION**

Providing that a person who is engaged as an independent contractor directly by a charitable organization and who provides specified services relating to written materials prepared by a charitable organization or an employee of the charitable organization or provides specified services relating to event planning is not included in the definition of fund–raising counsel.

HB 1371 **Delegate Folden****Chapter 651****CRIMINAL LAW – STRANGULATION – LETHALITY SCREENING
PROTOCOL AND TRAINING**

Requiring, on or before January 1, 2017, the Police Training Commission to develop a lethality screening protocol and training for law enforcement officers to employ when investigating complaints of domestic violence and assault by strangulation; and requiring the Commission to make a specified report to the General Assembly.

HB 1444 **Delegate Aumann****Chapter 652****MARY BYRD WYMAN MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION OF BALTIMORE
CITY**

Altering the incorporation of the Mary Byrd Wyman Memorial Association of Baltimore City; altering the purpose of the Association; stating the principal address of and the name and address of the resident agent of the Association; prohibiting the Association from issuing capital stock; providing that the business and affairs of the Association is managed by the Board of Trustees; providing for the Board of Trustees; etc.

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- HB 1446** **Delegate McComas**
Chapter 653 **STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION –
RECORDATION OF GOVERNING AND CHARTER DOCUMENTS –
PROHIBITIONS**
- Prohibiting a person from causing to be recorded a governing document or charter document of an entity that the person knows is not authorized by a specified individual or that otherwise does not conform to State law; authorizing a person who believes that a governing document or charter document was recorded in violation of a specified provision of the Act to submit a specified affidavit to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; requiring the Department to send a specified notice in a specified manner; etc.
- SB 161** **Senator Hough, et al**
Chapter 658 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE**
- Authorizing the forfeiture of specified property under specified circumstances; repealing a specified provision authorizing the forfeiture of specified money or weapons relating to possession of a controlled dangerous substance; requiring that a specified seizing authority provide a receipt for property on seizure that includes specified information; requiring that a specified seizing authority mail notice with specified information to the owner of seized property within a specified period of time; etc.
- SB 198** **Senator Nathan–Pulliam, et al**
Chapter 661 **NEONICOTINOID PESTICIDES – RESTRICTIONS ON SALES AND
USE (POLLINATOR PROTECTION ACT OF 2016)**
- Prohibiting a person from selling, on or after January 1, 2018, a neonicotinoid pesticide unless the person also sells a restricted use pesticide; prohibiting a person from using a neonicotinoid pesticide on or after January 1, 2018, unless the person is a certified applicator or a person working under specified circumstances; requiring the Department of Agriculture to incorporate pollinator habitat expansion and enhancement practices into the State’s Managed Pollinator Protection Plan; requiring a specified report; etc.

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- HB 211** **Delegate Healey, et al**
Chapter 662 **NEONICOTINOID PESTICIDES – RESTRICTIONS ON SALES AND USE (POLLINATOR PROTECTION ACT OF 2016)**
- Prohibiting a person from selling, on or after January 1, 2018, a neonicotinoid pesticide unless the person also sells a restricted use pesticide; prohibiting a person from using a neonicotinoid pesticide on or after January 1, 2018, unless the person is a certified applicator or a person working under specified circumstances; requiring the Department of Agriculture to incorporate pollinator habitat expansion and enhancement practices into the State’s Managed Pollinator Protection Plan; requiring a specified report; etc.
- SB 322** **Senator Pinsky, et al**
Chapter 667 **HOMEOWNERS’ PROPERTY TAX CREDIT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**
- Requiring, on or before May 1 of each year, the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to provide the Comptroller information identifying residential property owners who failed to claim the homeowners’ property tax credit; requiring the Comptroller to cooperate with the Department in auditing credit applications and to provide specified information to the Department; requiring the Department to contact each specified individual to inform them that they may be eligible for the property tax credit; etc.
- HB 378** **Delegate Tarlau, et al**
Chapter 668 **HOMEOWNERS’ PROPERTY TAX CREDIT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**
- Requiring, on or before May 1 of each year, the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to provide to the Comptroller information identifying specified residential property owners who failed to claim the homeowners’ property tax credit; requiring the Comptroller to cooperate with and assist the Department in auditing credit applications and to provide specified information to the Department; requiring the Department to contact specified individuals to inform them they may be eligible for the property tax credit; etc.

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- SB 390** **Senator Middleton**
Chapter 669 **CHARLES COUNTY SHERIFF – SALARIES AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**
- Requiring the salary schedule for deputy sheriffs of Charles County to correspond to the Department of State Police salary schedule; authorizing sworn law enforcement officers and correctional officers in Charles County to collectively bargain with the County Commissioners of Charles County, in addition to the Sheriff; requiring the Sheriff and the County Commissioners, to recognize the specified exclusive representatives as of September 30, 2016 as the exclusive representative of those specified employees; etc.
- HB 505** **Charles County Delegation**
Chapter 670 **CHARLES COUNTY SHERIFF – SALARIES AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**
- Requiring the salary schedule for deputy sheriffs of Charles County to correspond to the Department of State Police salary schedule; authorizing sworn law enforcement officers and correctional officers in Charles County to collectively bargain with the County Commissioners, in addition to the Sheriff, with respect to specified matters; requiring the Sheriff and the County Commissioners to recognize specified exclusive representatives as of September 30, 2016, as the exclusive representatives of specified employees; etc.
- SB 426** **Senator Astle**
Chapter 673 **MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT – CITY OF ANNAPOLIS**
- Authorizing the City of Annapolis to participate in the Maryland Emergency Management Assistance Compact, the purpose of which is to provide for mutual assistance between the jurisdictions in managing an emergency.

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- HB 383** **Delegates Busch and McMillan**
Chapter 674 **MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE**
 COMPACT – CITY OF ANNAPOLIS
- Authorizing the City of Annapolis to participate in the Maryland Emergency Management Assistance Compact, the purpose of which is to provide for mutual assistance between the jurisdictions in managing an emergency.
- SB 508** **Senator Ramirez, et al**
Chapter 679 **CIVIL REMEDIES FOR SHOPLIFTING AND EMPLOYEE THEFT**
- Repealing a specified provision of law providing that a responsible person is civilly liable to a merchant for specified civil penalties for shoplifting and employee theft; altering requirements for specified demand letters relating to alleged acts of shoplifting or employee theft; providing that a responsible person who prevails in a specified civil action is entitled to an award of court costs and reasonable attorney’s fees, under specified circumstances; etc.
- SB 575** **Senator Ramirez**
Chapter 680 **COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – LIMIT ON LIABILITY**
- Increasing to \$400,000 per claim the limit on liability of a county board of education; increasing to \$400,000 per occurrence the minimum amount of liability coverage that a county board must maintain and for which the State Board of Education must establish standards; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

- SB 614** **Senator Conway**
Chapter 687 **VETERINARIANS, PHARMACIES, AND PHARMACISTS –**
 DISPENSING COMPOUNDED PREPARATIONS FOR USE BY
 NONFARM ANIMALS
- Providing specified exceptions to a specified prohibition on the practice of veterinary medicine and dispensing specified medication that is not in a specified manufacturer’s container for a person who sells or dispenses specified medication in a container with a label showing specified information for use by a specified nonfarm animal and for a licensed veterinarian who dispenses specified compounded preparations to be used for a specified nonfarm animal under specified circumstances; etc.
- HB 1462** **Delegate Bromwell, et al**
Chapter 688 **VETERINARIANS, PHARMACIES, AND PHARMACISTS –**
 DISPENSING COMPOUNDED PREPARATIONS FOR USE BY
 NONFARM ANIMALS
- Providing specified exceptions to a specified prohibition on the practice of veterinary medicine and dispensing specified medication that is not in a specified manufacturer’s container for a person who sells or dispenses specified medication in a container with a label showing specified information for use by a specified nonfarm animal and for a licensed veterinarian who dispenses specified compounded preparations to be used for a specified nonfarm animal under specified circumstances; etc.
- SB 758** **Senator Madaleno, et al**
Chapter 696 **FOOD STAMP PROGRAM – MINIMUM BENEFIT – STATE**
 SUPPLEMENT
- Requiring the State to provide a supplement to increase the total benefit to \$30 per month to a household that includes an individual who is at least 62 years old and receives a federally funded benefit in an amount less than \$30 per month under the food stamp program.

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- SB 797** **Senators Pugh and Muse**
Chapter 698 **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – SHELTER AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM – MANDATED FUNDING**
- Requiring, beginning in fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor to include at least \$3,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the Shelter and Transitional Housing Facilities Grant Program within the Department of Housing and Community Development.
- HB 1476** **Delegate Jalisi, et al**
Chapter 699 **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – SHELTER AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM – MANDATED FUNDING**
- Requiring, beginning in fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor to include \$3,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the Shelter and Transitional Housing Facilities Grant Program within the Department of Housing and Community Development.
- SB 806** **Senator Pugh**
Chapter 700 **STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS – ESTABLISHMENT OF NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS FORMULARY COUNCIL AND NATUROPATHIC FORMULARY**
- Establishing a Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council within the State Board of Physicians; requiring the Council to develop and recommend to the Board a specified formulary to include nonprescription drugs and devices, prescription oxygen and auto-injectable epinephrine and specified contraceptive devices; requiring the Council to provide specified reviews of the formulary, and make specified recommendations to the Board; requiring the Board to adopt a specified formulary; etc.

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- SB 942** **Senator Ramirez, et al**
Chapter 704 **STATE GOVERNMENT – ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT –**
 CONTESTED CASES – JUDICIAL REVIEW
- Altering the circumstances under which a court may reverse or modify the decision of an agency in specified contested cases on judicial review under the Administrative Procedure Act.
- SB 968** **Senator Astle**
Chapter 705 **BUSINESS REGULATION – HOME BUILDER REGISTRATION –**
 FEES
- Increasing specified fees for applicants for a home builder registration and a home builder sales representative registration; increasing the administrative fee for the Home Builder Guaranty Fund for specified home builders; increasing the fee for renewal of a specified registration or registration certificate; and adding a renewal of registration fee based on a specified number of specified building permits issued to a specified registrant.
- HB 1448** **Delegate Vaughn**
Chapter 706 **BUSINESS REGULATION – HOME BUILDER REGISTRATION –**
 FEES
- Increasing specified fees for applicants for a home builder registration and a home builder sales representative registration; increasing the administrative fee for the Home Builder Guaranty Fund for specified home builders; increasing the fee for renewal of a specified registration or registration certificate; and adding a renewal of registration fee based on a specified number of specified building permits issued to a specified registrant.
- SB 1009** **Senator Benson, et al**
Chapter 707 **PROCUREMENT – PREVAILING WAGE – LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**
- Making a contractor under a public work contract that knew or reasonably should have known of the contractor’s obligation to pay the prevailing wage rate and that deliberately failed or refused to pay to the prevailing wage rate liable to the public body for liquidated damages of \$250 for each laborer or other employee under specified circumstances.

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SB 1054 **Senator Mathias**
Chapter 708 **COMMERCIAL NORTHERN SNAKEHEAD BOWFISHING LICENSE**
 – ESTABLISHMENT

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to adopt regulations governing the use of bowfishing gear; establishing a commercial northern snakehead bowfishing license; authorizing a licensee to catch for sale northern snakeheads in the tidal waters of the State using a bow and arrow attached to a retrieval line; prohibiting a licensee from fishing under the license under specified circumstances; establishing a specified application process for the license; establishing an annual fee of \$15 for the license; etc.

HB 1387 **Delegate Hornberger, et al**
Chapter 709 **COMMERCIAL NORTHERN SNAKEHEAD BOWFISHING LICENSE**
 – ESTABLISHMENT

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to adopt regulations governing the use of bowfishing gear; establishing a commercial northern snakehead bowfishing license; authorizing a licensee to catch for sale northern snakeheads in the tidal waters of the State using a bow and arrow attached to a retrieval line; prohibiting a licensee from fishing under the license under specified circumstances; establishing a specified application process for the license; establishing an annual fee of \$15 for the license; etc.

SB 1094 **Senator Astle**
Chapter 710 **HEALTH – RECOVERY RESIDENCES – CERTIFICATION**

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to approve a credentialing entity to develop and administer a certification process for recovery residences; requiring the certification entity to establish requirements and processes, conduct inspections, and issue certificates of compliance; providing that a certificate of compliance is valid for 1 year; requiring, on or before November 1, 2017, a credentialing entity to publish on its Web site a list of recovery residences that hold valid certificates of compliance; etc.

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HB 1411 **Delegate McMillan, et al****Chapter 711** **HEALTH – RECOVERY RESIDENCES – CERTIFICATION**

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to approve a credentialing entity to develop and administer a certification process for recovery residences; requiring the certification entity to establish specified requirements and processes, conduct a specified inspection, and issue a specified certificate of compliance; providing that a certificate of compliance is valid for 1 year; requiring, on or before November 1, 2017, the Department to publish on its Web site a list of each credentialing entity and its contact information; etc.

SB 1171 **Senator Pugh, et al****Chapter 714** **ENOCH PRATT FREE LIBRARY – HOURS OF OPERATION – FUNDING**

Requiring a state grant be made available to fund the increased operating expenses for the branches of the Enoch Pratt Free Library that increase their operating hours above the hours in effect as of January 1, 2016; requiring the Governor to include in the State operating budget \$3,000,000 to support specified additional operating expenses of the Enoch Pratt Free Library branches in fiscal years 2018 through 2022; stating the intent of the General Assembly regarding increased hours in poor and underserved communities; etc.

HB 1401 **Delegate B. Robinson, et al****Chapter 715** **ENOCH PRATT FREE LIBRARY – HOURS OF OPERATION – FUNDING**

Requiring a State grant to be made available to fund the increased operating expenses for the branches of the Enoch Pratt Free Library that increase their operating hours above the hours in effect as of January 1, 2016; requiring the Governor to include in the State operating budget, in fiscal years 2018 through 2022, \$3,000,000 in general funds to support the increased Library operating expenses; requiring Baltimore City to provide a 25% match for each dollar of State funds granted to support increased Library expenses; etc.

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HB 525
Chapter 720**Delegate Beidle, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS**

Altering the conditions under which a motor vehicle dealer's failure to comply with specified requirements constitutes grounds for denial of a specified claim or reduction of the amount of specified compensation; prohibiting a motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from taking specified action against a dealer for the provision of specified information to specified persons; specifying that a dealer may provide specified information only to a specified customer; etc.

HB 535
Chapter 721**The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Attorney General), et al****COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – STRUCTURED SETTLEMENTS – TRANSFERS AND REGISTRATION OF STRUCTURED SETTLEMENT TRANSFEREES**

Making legislative findings and declarations that it is necessary to regulate transfers of structured settlement payment rights to ensure that the transfers are effectuated on fair and reasonable terms and are in the best interest of payees, and to protect payees against deceptive practices; establishing specified requirements on a proposed transfer of structured settlement payment rights if the settlement was established in resolution of a tort claim seeking compensation for cognitive injuries arising from childhood exposure to lead paint; etc.

SB 734
Chapter 722**The President (By Request – Office of the Attorney General), et al****COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – STRUCTURED SETTLEMENTS – TRANSFERS AND REGISTRATION OF STRUCTURED SETTLEMENT TRANSFEREES**

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HB 724 **Delegate Oaks, et al****Chapter 724** **PUBLIC HEALTH – COPIES OF MEDICAL RECORDS – FEES**

Altering a specified provision of law to authorize health care providers to require specified persons to pay a cost-based fee for providing specified information; altering the fees health care providers and hospitals may charge for copying and mailing specified medical records and for retrieving and preparing specified medical records; authorizing specified hospitals and other health care providers to charge specified fees for electronic copies of specified medical records; etc.

HB 963 **Delegate Luedtke, et al****Chapter 725** **CAMPAIGN FINANCE – BALLOT ISSUE COMMITTEES – PROSPECTIVE QUESTIONS**

Altering specified campaign finance law definitions to include campaign finance activity relating to prospective questions to be placed on the ballot; prohibiting a chief election official from certifying a petition if the petition sponsor fails to provide proof of filing a specified campaign finance report; repealing specified requirements that a statement of contributions and expenditures for a petition be filed at the time the petition is filed; etc.

SB 459 **Senator Conway****Chapter 726** **CAMPAIGN FINANCE – BALLOT ISSUE COMMITTEES – PROSPECTIVE QUESTIONS**

Altering specified campaign finance law definitions to include campaign finance activity relating to prospective questions to be placed on the ballot; prohibiting a chief election official from certifying a petition if the petition sponsor fails to provide proof of filing a specified campaign finance report; repealing specified requirements that a statement of contributions and expenditures for a petition be filed at the time the petition is filed; etc.

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- HB 986** **Delegate Beidle**
Chapter 728 **VEHICLE LAWS – TRADE-IN ALLOWANCE – LEASED VEHICLES**
Altering the definition of “total purchase price” for the purposes of the vehicle excise tax to exclude from the computation of the tax an allowance for the trade-in of a leased vehicle under specified circumstances.
- HB 990** **Delegate Morhaim**
Chapter 729 **CIVIL ACTIONS – LIABILITY OF DISABILITY INSURER – FAILURE TO ACT IN GOOD FAITH**
Authorizing the recovery of actual damages, expenses, litigation costs, and interest in first-party claims against disability insurers in specified civil actions that allege that the insurer failed to act in good faith under specified circumstances; requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration to include in a specified annual report to the General Assembly specified information on specified complaints regarding first-party insurance claims under individual disability insurance policies; etc.
- HB 1024** **Prince George’s County Delegation and Montgomery County**
Chapter 731 **Delegation**
MONTGOMERY COUNTY – MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY TO REGULATE STRUCTURES – CLARIFICATION PG/MC 112-16
Clarifying that a municipal corporation or governed special taxing district in Montgomery County may adopt an additional or stricter building requirement than is required by a State, regional, or county unit to regulate the construction, repair, or remodeling of specified structures on land zoned for single-family residential use.

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- HB 1115** **Montgomery County Delegation**
Chapter 732 MONTGOMERY COUNTY – CIGARETTE RETAILERS – COUNTY
LICENSE FEE MC 12–16
- Increasing from \$25 to \$125 the license fee that an applicant for a county license to sell cigarettes at retail in Montgomery County must pay; requiring the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County to distribute a specified amount of each license fee to the Comptroller and to Montgomery County; and prohibiting the use of specified funds to supplant existing funding for the enforcement of laws banning the sale or distribution of tobacco or tobacco products to minors.
- HB 1179** **Delegate McMillan, et al**
Chapter 734 VEHICLE LAWS – HOV LANES – PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE AND
HYBRID VEHICLES
- Authorizing specified hybrid vehicles to use a specified high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane regardless of the number of passengers under specified circumstances; making specified requirements regarding the use of HOV lanes by plug–in electric drive vehicles applicable to qualified hybrid vehicles; extending the termination date for the exemption allowing the use of HOV lanes by plug–in electric drive vehicles; terminating specified provisions in the Act; etc.
- HB 1192** **Delegate McMillan, et al**
Chapter 735 REAL PROPERTY – CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS
ASSOCIATIONS – RESALES – DISCLOSURES AND FEES
- Altering the contents of the certificate that a unit owner is required to furnish to a purchaser on resale of a unit; specifying a maximum fee of \$250 that a council of unit owners may charge for furnishing a certificate to a unit owner; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to adjust in a specified manner the maximum fee that a council of unit owners may charge for furnishing a certificate to a unit owner; requiring a homeowners association to provide specified information to a lot owner on resale of a lot; etc.

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HB 1420 **Delegate Cullison****Chapter 739****STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS –
LICENSURE, REGISTRATION, AND REGULATION**

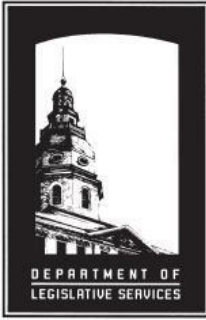
Establishing the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; renaming the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners, altering the membership of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, and transferring specified authority to license massage therapists and register massage practitioners to the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners; etc.

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Chapter 450

Delegate Malone, et al

MOTOR VEHICLES – EXCEPTIONAL MILK HAULING PERMIT – ESTABLISHMENT

Authorizing the State Highway Administration to issue an exceptional milk hauling permit that authorizes an axle configuration of not less than six axles and a front-to-rear centerline axle spacing of not less than 50 feet and specified increased weight limitations; requiring the Administration to enter into an agreement with the Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers Cooperative Association to collect specified data; requiring specified data to be compiled in an annual report; etc.

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