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

17 – *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.

22 – *Human Services – Interagency Council on Homelessness – Membership* – Altering the composition of the Interagency Council on Homelessness; increasing, from six to nine, the number of representatives from diverse geographical regions of the State engaged in homeless advocacy; requiring the Governor to designate as chair of the Council a member who is a secretary or a secretary’s designee with decision making authority on issues that relate to the work of the Council; stating the intent of the General Assembly regarding the decision making authority of a specified designee on the Council; etc.

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39 – General Provisions – State Designations – Great Seal –
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344 – **State Retirement and Pension System – Local Fire and Police System – Commingling of Assets** – Repealing obsolete language authorizing the commingling of Local Fire and Police System assets with other State Retirement and Pension System assets; etc. 

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372 – **Study of Intercepting Horse Racing Winnings for Child Support and Restitution** – Requiring the Department of Information Technology to analyze the logistics of intercepting horse racing winnings to pay for child support or restitution arrears, study the use of specified intercept methods by the State for child support enforcement and restitution collection, and make recommendations regarding specified matters; requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2016; etc. ................................................................. 1577
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379 – **Creation of a State Debt – Qualified Zone Academy Bonds** – Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of $4,680,000, the proceeds to be used as grants to the Interagency Committee on School Construction and the Maryland State Department of Education for the renovation, repair, and capital improvements of qualified zone academies; establishing that proceeds from the sale of qualified zone academy bonds may only be spent on costs that were eligible under the rules and regulations governing the program that were in effect on January 1, 2016; etc.......................................................... 2384
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416 – **Transportation – Toll Transportation Facilities Project – Annual Pass – Study** – Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to study the feasibility of offering motorists, for each transportation facilities project, an option to pay a flat fee for an annual pass to use the toll transportation facilities project; requiring the study to include a cost–benefit analysis covering the potential for benefit to consumers, the programming and other costs associated with implementation of the annual pass option, and the impact on specified toll revenues; etc. .................................................................................. 1293

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420 – **Election Law – Ballot Issues – Contributions or Donations by Foreign Nationals** – Prohibiting a foreign national from making a contribution to a ballot issue committee or making a donation to a person that makes independent expenditures or electioneering communications relating to a ballot issue; and defining a specified term. ................................................................................................................. 2377

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448 – **Guardianship and Child in Need of Assistance Proceedings – Jurisdiction and Authority of Juvenile Court** – Authorizing the juvenile court to direct the provision of specified services to a specified child during a specified disposition hearing; requiring the juvenile court to direct the provision of specified services to a specified child during a permanency planning hearing or guardianship hearing; providing that, if the juvenile court enters an order directing the provision of specified services to a specified child, the juvenile court shall retain jurisdiction over the child for a specified period of time and for specified purposes; etc............................ 1917

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specified institutions of higher education, and develop and implement a specified system to provide specified institutions of higher education with access to a specified student contact list; etc.

465 – **Community Colleges – Tuition Waiver for Disabled Individuals – Requirements** – Repealing the requirement that any student financial aid, other than a student loan, received by a specified disabled student must be applied first to pay the student’s tuition prior to receiving an exemption from the payment of tuition at community colleges; etc.

469 – **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.

471 – **Commercial Law – Debt Settlement Services – Fund and Sunset Repeal** – Altering specified provisions of law relating to the collection, deposit, and purpose of specified fees and revenues related to debt settlement services; repealing the termination date of the Maryland Debt Settlement Services Act; etc.

473 – **Correctional Officers’ Retirement System – Clifton T. Perkins Maximum Security Guards – Allowances** – Altering the age at which a normal service retirement allowance begins for a member of the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System who is a maximum security attendant at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center; altering the age at which a vested allowance begins for specified members of the Correctional Officers’ Retirement System who serve as maximum security attendants at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center; and providing for the prospective application of specified provisions of the Act.

475 – **Vehicle Laws – School Crossing Guards – Authority to Direct Traffic** – Expanding the authority of school crossing guards to direct traffic by authorizing a school crossing guard who meets specified qualifications to direct vehicles and pedestrians on a highway or on school grounds in order to assist nonschool vehicles in entering and leaving school grounds.

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providing less favorable employment opportunities based on sex or
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647 – Physicians – Prescriptions Written by Physician Assistants or Nurse Practitioners – Preparing and Dispensing – Providing that specified provisions of law do not prohibit a licensed physician who complies with specified requirements from personally preparing and dispensing a prescription written by a physician assistant in accordance with a specified delegation agreement or a nurse practitioner who is authorized to practice under a specified provision of law and is working with the physician in the same office setting. ................................................................. 1399

649 – City of Annapolis – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Container Permit for Draft Beer – Authorizing the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for the City of Annapolis to issue a refillable container permit for draft beer to a holder of a Class E license; providing an annual permit fee of $50 for an applicant whose license has an off-sale privilege and $500 for an applicant whose license does not have an off-sale privilege. ................................................................. 2392

651 – State Department of Education – Virtual Learning Opportunities – Survey and Report – Requiring the State Department of Education to conduct a survey of the county boards of education to make a specified determination about the use of virtual learning opportunities for students across the State; and requiring
the Department to develop and adopt specified guidelines and policies regarding the utilization of virtual learning opportunities for all students in the State. ................................................................. 1589,

658 – Retail Business Owners – Automated Teller Machines – Notice of Skimming Device – Requiring the owner of a retail business with an automated teller machine located on the premises of the business who has knowledge of an illegal skimming device installed on or near the automated teller machine to immediately notify the operator of the automated teller machine of the existence of the skimming device and specified identifying information about the automated teller machine to assist the operator in identifying the affected automated teller machine................................................................. 3227

663 – Commercial Sale of Dogs and Cats – Prohibited Acts (Companion Animal Welfare Act) – Prohibiting the sale, transfer, offer to sell or transfer, barter, trade, or auction of dogs and cats at specified locations; authorizing animal control officers and officers of specified humane organizations to enforce specified provisions of the Act; providing that a retail pet store may only offer for sale a dog or cat obtained from specified persons; requiring a retail pet store to post on each dog’s cage specified information and maintain a record that includes information about the breeder or dealer, if applicable; etc................................................................. 1921

2573, 2645 (891)

670 – Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Continuing Care Retirement Community License – Creating in Howard County an exception to the alcoholic beverages license application or renewal requirements for a Class C (continuing care retirement community) beer, wine, and liquor license issued to a nonprofit organization; requiring that the license be applied for and issued to a manager or supervisor and two officers under specified circumstances; allowing residents and their guests in a continuing care retirement community that holds the license to consume beer, wine, or liquor not purchased from the community; etc................................................................. 1590

2573, 2646 (892)

673 – Personal Property Tax – State Land – Exemption – Providing an exemption from property tax for the interest of a person in personal property that is located on property owned by the State if the property is being used for a public purpose under a public–private partnership agreement with a State entity, or for cargo handling purposes; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2016. ................................................................. 2393

676 – College Affordability Act of 2016 – Prohibiting a public institution of higher education from referring a delinquent student account or
debt to the Central Collection Unit under specified circumstances; requiring a public institution of higher education to allow a student with an unpaid balance of $250 or less on a student account to register for specified courses under specified circumstances; authorizing a State income tax credit, not to exceed $5,000, for specified individuals with specified student loan debt; etc. .......................... 2788 3110, 3394, 3455 (1261)

677 – Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages Licenses – Beginning Hour of Sale – Changing to 8 a.m. the beginning hour of sale for specified alcoholic beverages licenses issued in Carroll County. .......... 1504 2733, 3743 (1392)

679 – 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. ................................................................. 2393 3127, 3309 (1201)

682 – Garrett County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Sales – Submitting to a referendum of the qualified voters of specified election districts and precincts of election districts in Garrett County the question of whether the holders of specified alcoholic beverages licenses in Garrett County should be authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for off–premises consumption on Sundays under specified circumstances; etc. .................................................................................................................. 1504 2733, 3744 (1393)

684 – Energy Efficiency Programs – Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Services – Prohibiting an affiliate of an electric company from using the electric company’s trade name, logo, billing services, mail inserts, advertising, or computer services for a plan or program that provides heating, ventilation, air conditioning, or refrigeration services; requiring the Public Service Commission to determine just and reasonable compensation that an affiliate of an electric company shall provide to customers of the electric company’s regulated services; etc. .......... 1922

687 – Charles County – Alcoholic Beverages – Entertainment Concessionaire and Entertainment Facility Licenses – Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Charles County to issue an entertainment concessionaire license to specified persons in conjunction with an entertainment facility; authorizing the Board to issue an entertainment facility license to a person that owns an entertainment facility where video lottery terminals and table games are offered to the public; providing that beer, wine, and liquor
sold under either license may be taken and consumed anywhere on
the licensed premises; etc. ................................................................. 1555
2531, 2588 (843)

693 – Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Hotel Lobby License
  – Establishing in Frederick County a hotel lobby license; authorizing
the Board of License Commissioners to issue the license for use by a
hotel that does not have a restaurant; establishing that the license
authorizes the license holder to sell beer and wine by the bottle to
patrons of the hotel for on-premises consumption; providing for the
hours of sale; and specifying an annual license fee of $100.................. 1556

694 – Frederick County – Alcohol Awareness Program – Absence
From Licensed Premises – Authorizing in Frederick County an
individual certified by an approved alcohol awareness program to be
absent from a licensed premises for a personal or business reason
under specified circumstances......................................................... 1556,
2573, 2646 (893)

695 – Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beauty Salon
License – Establishing in Frederick County a beauty salon beer and
wine license; requiring that a recipient of the license be a holder of a
beauty salon permit; authorizing a license holder to provide beer and
wine by the glass for consumption by a customer receiving
cosmetology services or when a fund-raising event is held;
prohibiting the license from being transferred to another location;
specifying a $100 annual license fee; etc......................................... 1590
2574, 2646 (894),

696 – Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Art Gallery Beer and
Wine License – Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for
Frederick County to issue an art gallery beer and wine license to
nonprofit and for-profit retail businesses that display and sell
original artwork, or copies of original artwork that are produced no
more than 300 times, by an individual or a group of artists;
specifying that a holder of the license may sell or serve beer and wine
at retail for on-premises consumption when snacks are served
during specified hours; specifying a $100 annual license fee; etc...... 1591
3460, 3541, 3742 (1390)

699 – Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Theater and
Entertainment Center License – Altering the scope of a Class C
(theater) beer and wine license in Frederick County so that it may
be issued to a theater with seating for 200 or fewer individuals per
performance; providing a license fee of $100; altering the scope of a
Class EC (entertainment center) license so that it may be issued to
a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license; and providing an
EC license fee of $1,500. ................................................................. 1557
2734, 3744 (1394)
706 – **Maryland Education Credit** – Providing a tax credit against the State income tax for contributions made to specified student assistance organizations; requiring the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce to administer the tax credit; requiring specified entities to submit an application to be a student assistance organization on or before December 1 each year; establishing the Maryland Education Tax Credit Reserve Fund; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015; etc. ................................. 1790

707 – **Freestanding Medical Facilities – Certificate of Need, Rates, and Definition** – Exempting from the certificate of need requirements for change of scope or capital expenditures the conversion of a licensed general hospital to a freestanding medical facility, in accordance with specified requirements; increasing from 45 to 90 the number of days before the proposed closing of a health care facility for the filing of the notice of the proposed closing; establishing the workgroup on rural health care delivery to study health care needs in five specified counties; etc. ......................... 2654

715 – **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. ...... 1791

716 – **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. ................................. 1791

717 – **Environment – Radiation Machines – Registration Fees** – Requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt specified regulations for licensing and registration associated with radiation machines; requiring the Department to adopt regulations that establish a specified rate for the registration of radiation machines; repealing specified provisions of law related to radiation machines in dental offices or facilities; altering a specified exemption from specified fees applicable to specified dental schools; etc. ......................... 1922

724 – **Alcoholic Beverages Article** – Adding a new article to the Annotated Code of Maryland, to be designated and known as the “Alcoholic Beverages Article”, to revise, restate, and recodify the laws of the State relating to the regulation and control of the
manufacture, sale, distribution, transportation, and storage of alcoholic beverages by the State and specified jurisdictions in the State, the establishment of boards of license commissioners in specified jurisdictions, and the establishment of liquor control boards and departments of liquor control; etc. 1505

**725** – *Alcoholic Beverages – Cross-References and Corrections* – Correcting specified cross-references to the Alcoholic Beverages Article in the Annotated Code of Maryland; and correcting specified errors in the Alcoholic Beverages Article. 1506

**726** – *Maryland Clean Energy Center – Task Force* – Establishing the Task Force on the Maryland Clean Energy Center; requiring the Task Force to assess specified programs, review specified State financing instrumentalities, identify specified resources, review specified cost–effective opportunities, and make specified determinations; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2016; etc. 3256

**728** – *Income Tax Credit – New Dwellings – Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems* – Allowing a record owner of a specified new dwelling in a specified county to claim a credit against the State income tax in an amount equal to $1.25 for each square foot of the new dwelling if a specified automatic fire sprinkler system is installed in the new dwelling; requiring the Office of the State Fire Marshal to approve applications for the credit; providing that the Office may not approve a credit in a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2018; limiting the total amount of credits to $1,000,000 in any taxable year; etc. 3102

**729** – *Maryland Income Tax Refunds – Eastern Shore Counties – Warrant Intercept Program* – Altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of specified individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of the Eastern Shore counties or individuals who have outstanding warrants from an Eastern Shore county; making nonsubstantive changes to specified termination provisions; making conforming changes; etc. 1792

**730** – *Vehicle Laws – Manufacturers and Dealers* – Altering the conditions under which a motor vehicle dealer’s failure to comply with a manufacturer’s or distributor’s specific requirements for processing a claim constitutes grounds for denial of a claim or reduction of the amount of compensation; prohibiting a motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch from taking specified
action against a dealer who provides to a customer information given to the dealer by a manufacturer related to any conditions affecting motor vehicle safety, durability, reliability, or performance; etc.

734 – **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.

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2833, 3323, 3539 (1332)

736 – ** Allegany County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Sales for Class A Licenses** – Authorizing a holder of a Class A beer license, a Class A beer and light wine license, or a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license to sell specified alcoholic beverages during specified hours under specified circumstances in Allegany County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County to issue a 2-day Sunday sales permit to holders of specified licenses under specified circumstances; etc.

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2734, 3744 (1395)

746 – **Carroll County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beer, Wine, and Liquor Tasting License** – Creating in Carroll County a beer, wine, and liquor (BWL) tasting license; specifying that the Carroll County Board of License Commissioners may issue the license to a holder of a beer, wine, and liquor (BWL) license; authorizing the license holder to allow the consumption of beer, wine, and liquor for tasting under specified circumstances; requiring the Board to regulate the quantity of beer and wine served to specified individuals; establishing an annual license fee of $150 in addition to the cost of a BWL license; etc.

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2574, 2647 (896)

750 – **Portable Electronics Insurance – Compensation of Vendor Employees – Repeal of Sunset and Reporting Requirement** – Repealing the termination of a provision of law authorizing the employees of a vendor or authorized representative of a vendor of portable electronics insurance to be compensated in a specified manner; and repealing a requirement that the Maryland Insurance Administration keep track of specified complaints, make a specified determination, and, on or before January 1, 2017, make a specified report to specified committees of the General Assembly.

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2574, 2647 (897)
752 – **State Highway Administration – Policy Concerning Sound Barriers Along Highways** – Requiring the State Highway Administration, in collaboration with county governing bodies, to develop and adopt by regulation a policy concerning sound barriers along highways in the State; requiring, on or before December 31, 2019, and every 3 years thereafter, the Administration to review and evaluate the specified policy for effectiveness and continued viability; requiring the Administration to make a specified report regarding sound barriers to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than December 1, 2017; etc. ................................................................. 1563

753 – **Health – Sale of Food Products Containing Alcohol – Requirements and Restrictions** – Repealing a provision of law that provided that a confectionary food product is adulterated if it contains any alcohol in excess of a specified percent by volume or any alcohol derived from anything but flavoring extracts; prohibiting specified provisions of law from being construed to prohibit the addition of alcohol to a food product, including a confectionery and a frozen dessert; prohibiting the sale of a food product that contains more than one-half of one percent of alcohol per volume to an individual under 21 years of age; etc. ................................................................. 1563 (275), 3899 (1458, 1459)

756 – **Primary and Secondary Education – Breakfast Program – School Requirements (Breakfast After the Bell Act)** – Establishing an optional Breakfast After the Bell Program in the State for specified public schools; providing that the purpose of the Program is to ensure that students enrolled in public schools with a high concentration of low-income students have access to breakfast on school days; requiring specified public schools in specified school years to offer breakfast for free to every student using a delivery method that meets specified requirements; requiring participating public schools to participate for an entire school year; etc. .................. 2428

757 – **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................................. 3103 3317, 3946 (1492, 1493)

758 – **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. ........................................................................................................... 1923 2867, 3056 (1035)

759 – **Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit – Alteration and Extension** – Repealing the requirement, for purposes of a
specified tax credit, that specified projects must be located in a sustainable community; requiring the Director of the Maryland Historical Trust to adopt regulations that establish specified procedures to announce to the public the selection of a commercial rehabilitation project for an award of an initial credit certificate not later than 60 days after the selection is made; extending the termination of the sustainable communities tax credit from July 1, 2017, to July 1, 2022; etc. .................................................................................................................. 2393

764 – **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... 2323

765 – **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.................................................................................................................. 2890

766 – **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.................................................................................................................. 2324

770 – **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. ................................................................. 1434
3394, 3455 (1262)

771 – 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................................................. 2655
2833, 3223, 3540 (1333)

774 – Motor Vehicles – Autocycles – Standards and Requirements – Establishing that an autocycle is considered to be a motorcycle for the purposes of the Maryland Vehicle Law; defining the term “autocycle” to include a motor vehicle manufactured in compliance with federal motor vehicle safety standards; prohibiting an applicant for a specified driver skills examination from using an autocycle for the examination; requiring that the form for specified written accident reports distinguish autocycles from motorcycles; etc .......... 2309
3155, 3737 (1385)

775 – Natural Resources – Recreational License Donation Program – Establishment – Authorizing a person to purchase and donate recreational hunting or fishing licenses and any corresponding stamps for specified purposes; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to issue a donated license or stamp only for use by a Gold Star recipient, a disabled veteran, a disabled member of the armed services, or a permanently disabled person who requires the use of a wheelchair; establishing a Recreational License Donation Fund to provide recreational hunting and fishing opportunities for specified persons; etc.......................................................... 1793
3148, 3547 (1343)

777 – Unemployment Insurance – Exemption From Covered Employment – Messenger Service Business – Altering the definition of “messenger service business” for purposes of a specified exemption from covered employment for specified unemployment benefits; specifying that commission includes specified payment arrangements for purposes of the exemption; and applying the Act retroactively. ................................................................. 2394
2903, 3282 (1184)

781 – Education – Maryland Seal of Biliteracy Act – Establishment – Establishing the Maryland Seal of Biliteracy Program; providing
for the purpose of the Program; providing that participation in the Program by a local school system is voluntary; providing that, beginning with the graduating class of 2017, specified eligible students shall receive the Maryland Seal of Biliteracy affixed to a diploma or transcript under specified circumstances; requiring the State Board of Education to establish specified criteria and requirements on or before October 1, 2016; etc. ........................ 1434

3473, 3541 (1337)

783 – Correctional Education Council – Adult Correctional Institutions – Study of Access to the Internet and Higher Education Courses (Raising Education Attainment) – Requiring the Correctional Education Council, in cooperation with the Maryland Higher Education Commission and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, to convene a stakeholder workgroup to identify issues related to Internet access and the availability and demand for higher education courses in correctional institutions; and requiring the workgroup’s findings and recommendations be reported to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2016................................. 2429

784 – 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. .......................... 2607

2834, 2903, 3282 (1185)

785 – Foster Youth Summer Internship Program – Requiring the Secretary of Human Resources to develop and implement the Foster Youth Summer Internship Program; specifying the purpose of the Program is to provide foster youth with training and experience through internships in agencies within the Executive Branch of State government; requiring the Secretary of Human Resources, in consultation with the Secretary of Budget and Management, to issue a report to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2019; providing for a delayed effective date; etc.............. 1794

2618, 2782 (942)

788 – Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – Pub Crawl Promoter’s Permits – Creating a pub crawl promoter’s permit in Baltimore City; authorizing the Baltimore City Board of License Commissioners to issue a pub crawl promoter’s permit to an applicant who has submitted an application to the Board no less than 42 days before the date of the pub crawl; requiring an applicant to obtain a special
event permit, provide a copy of the special event permit and provide a completed application and any other document that the Board requires to the Board before being issued the pub crawl promoter's permit; etc. ................................................................. 3444

794 – **Education – Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Assessments – Administration** – Requiring a statewide kindergarten assessment to be limited to a representative sample of kindergarten students from within each local school system in the State, subject to a specified exception; authorizing a specified kindergarten assessment to evaluate specified skills; authorizing specified county boards of education and specified principals and teachers to administer a specified statewide kindergarten assessment if the assessment is completed by October 1 and the aggregate results are returned within 45 days; etc. ............................................................................... 2325

2827, 2888 (1014), 3299, 3925 (1475)

795 – **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Movie Theater License** – Establishing a Class MT (movie theater) license in Harford County; authorizing the Harford County Board of License Commissioners to issue the license to an owner of a movie theater; requiring the owner of a movie theater to provide documentation to the Board that the owner has made an investment of at least $250,000 in the movie theater to be eligible for the license; specifying that the license entitles the holder to sell beer, wine and liquor for on–premises consumption from 4 P.M. to midnight on the days the theater is open; etc. .............................................................................. 1559

2734, 3744 (1396)

797 – **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. ........................................................................ 2892

3440, 3738, 3768 (1409)

804 – **State Government – Occupational Licensing of Ex–Offenders – Transfer of Statutory Provisions** – Transferring from the Criminal Procedure Article to the State Government Article the provisions of law relating to the prohibition on the denial by specified departments of State government of an occupational license to an ex–offender solely on the basis that the applicant has been previously convicted of a crime unless a specified determination is made including the factors to be considered in making the determination. ........................................................................ 2395
805 – **Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund – Distributions – Alteration** – Increasing the amount of funding required to be included in the annual State budget for the Senior Citizen Activities Center Operating Fund to $750,000; requiring $400,000 of the Fund to be distributed based on each county’s share of the senior citizen population; providing a minimum distribution of $5,000 per county; and requiring $250,000 of the Fund be distributed to distressed counties in a specified manner. ................................. 2310

2619, 2782 (943)

806 – **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. ................................. 1559

3432, 3470 (1297)

811 – **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. ................................. 1372

2735, 3745 (1397)

815 – **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. ................................. 2852

816 – **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. ........................................ 3445

818 – **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. .... 2430 3116, 3217 (1125)

821 – **Participating Governmental Units – Amortization Schedule** – Altering the calculation of the accrued liability contributions required to be paid by a participating governmental unit on account of members of the Employees’ Retirement System and Employees’ Pension System who are employees of a participating governmental unit; and clarifying the application of a specified amortization period to specified legislative changes ..................................................... 1795 2869, 3057 (1036)

823 – **Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program – Membership, Duties, and Extension** – Altering the membership and duties of the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Program; and changing the date from December 30, 2015, to December 30, 2016, by which the Task Force to Study the Implementation of a Dyslexia Education Program is required to submit specified findings and recommendations to the Governor and to specified committees of the General Assembly......... 1435 2638, 2785 (952)

824 – **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. ..................................................... 1923 2575, 2647 (898)

825 – **Health Occupations – Dental Hygienists – Administration of Nitrous Oxide** – Authorizing, subject to specified requirements,
dental hygienists to administer nitrous oxide to patients; altering the definition of “practice dental hygiene”; etc. .......................... 1372

2556, 2595 (865)

826 – **Construction Contracts – Change Orders (State Procurement Change Order Fairness Act)** – Prohibiting a unit from requiring a prime contractor, and a prime contractor from requiring a subcontractor, to begin change order work under a contract until the procurement officer for the unit issues a specified written change order; providing that written acceptance letters for a State Highway Administration or Maryland Aviation Administration procurement contract for construction have the same force and effect as change orders until the specified units issue written change orders; etc. .......................... 1795

2744, 2843 (977)

828 – **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. .......................... 1924

2904, 3283 (1186)

830 – **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. .......................... 1592

2904, 3283 (1187)

837 – **Crabs – Harvest Times – Trotlines and Crab Pots** – Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to adopt regulations that provide the option to a tidal fish licensee authorized to catch crabs using trotlines and crab pots to work specified hours from July 15 through September 15 of any year; requiring a licensee who chooses a specified hours–of–work option to notify the Department of that choice by a specified date; prohibiting a licensee who chooses a specified hours–of–work option from changing that option until the following license year; etc. .......................... 1796

3149, 3547 (1344), 3766

839 – **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 inspections; requiring the People’s Insurance Counsel Division to maintain the confidentiality of specified proprietary rate–related information; etc................................. 2492

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875 – State Retirement and Pension System – Disability Benefits Study – Requiring the Department of Budget and Management, in
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876 – 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.

877 – Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class CT (Cinema/Theater) License – Establishing a Class CT (cinema/theater) (on-sale) beer, wine, and liquor license in Washington County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Washington County to issue the license for use in a cinema or theater that meets specified requirements; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on-premises consumption under specified circumstances; authorizing a license holder to serve beer, wine, and liquor without serving food; providing an annual license fee of $1,000; etc.

878 – Allegany County – Alcoholic Beverages – Sunday Sales – Expanding the hours for sale of specified alcoholic beverages on Sundays by a holder of a Class D beer license, a Class D beer and light wine license, a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license, and a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license in Allegany County under specified circumstances.

879 – 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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224 – Domestic Violence – 2-Year Protective Order – Specifying that a court may issue a protective order for a period not to exceed 2 years by consent of the respondent under specified circumstances; and authorizing a judge, under specified circumstances, to extend the term of a protective order for a specified period of time if the respondent named in the protective order consents to the extension.

225 – Domestic Violence – Additional Relief – Expanding the relief that may be awarded in a final protective order to include any other relief that a judge determines is necessary to protect a person eligible for relief from abuse.

228 – Public Health – Expedited Partner Therapy Program – Repeal of Termination Date – Establishing the Expedited Partner Therapy Program in the Baltimore City Health Department as a permanent program; authorizing a specified advanced practice registered nurse instead of a certified nurse practitioner to dispense or otherwise provide antibiotic therapy under specified circumstances; repealing a specified reporting requirement; repealing the termination date of the Program; making conforming and clarifying changes; etc.

229 – Human Relations – Employment Discrimination – Protection for Interns – Establishing specified protections for interns and applicants for internships from specified discriminatory acts; providing that a specified intern has access to a specified complaint resolution procedure or, under specified circumstances, may file a complaint with the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights for specified nonmonetary administrative remedies; providing that the Act does not create an employment relationship between an employer and an intern for the purposes of specified remedies or specified provisions of law; etc.

231 – Developmental Disabilities Administration – Low Intensity Support Services – Definition – Altering the definition of “low intensity support services” as it relates to the Low Intensity Support Services Program in the Developmental Disabilities Administration to include a child or an adult who is living in the home, or an adult who is living in the community, and who has a severe chronic disability that is attributable to a physical or mental impairment, other than the sole diagnosis of mental illness, or to a combination of physical and mental impairments and is likely to continue indefinitely; etc.
242 – Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Multiple Event Licenses and Promoter’s License – Authorizing an applicant in Frederick County to purchase specified single–day or multiday alcoholic beverages licenses; specifying the licenses may be issued for a maximum of 50 days to a single applicant in a calendar year; providing for specified license fees; establishing a promoter’s license in the County; requiring a for–profit organization to obtain a promoter’s license from the Board of License Commissioners before the organization may conduct specified activities; etc. .................................

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

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

280 – Carroll County – Gaming Events – Authorizing specified organizations in Carroll County to conduct a card game, card tournament, or casino event under specified circumstances; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the Board of County Commissioners for Carroll County before conducting a card game, card tournament, or casino event; requiring an organization that seeks a permit to meet specified requirements; requiring a permit holder to submit to the County Commissioners a financial report including information about winners of prizes; etc. ..........................

297 – Higher Education – Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Tuition Exemption – Modification – Altering the definition of unaccompanied homeless youth by requiring specified
documentation that establishes that the child or youth has had a consistent presence in the State for at least 1 year before enrollment in a public institution of higher education that is documented by school, employment, or other records; requiring a determination of homelessness by a specified individual; and requiring a financial aid administrator to annually make a specified verification.

312 – **Commercial Law – Secured Transactions – False Financing Statements** – Prohibiting a person from causing a financing statement to be filed or recorded with a filing office under specified circumstances; requiring a filing office to accept for filing a financing statement that meets specified requirements and send a specified notice in a specified manner to specified persons under specified circumstances; authorizing a specified person to submit a specified affidavit stating specified information; requiring a filing office to send a specified notice if the filing office receives a specified affidavit; etc.

330 – **Alcoholic Beverages – Micro-Breweries – Additional License** – Authorizing the holder of a micro-brewery license to apply for and obtain an additional micro-brewery license for another premises; specifying limitations on the distribution and sale of beer brewed by a holder of an additional micro-brewery license; providing that provisions of law that prohibit a holder of a micro-brewery license from owning, operating, or being affiliated with other manufacturers of beer, or being granted a wholesaler alcoholic beverages license, do not apply in Allegany County or Frederick County; etc.

339 – **Vehicle Laws – Race-Based Traffic Stops – Policy and Reporting Requirements** – Requiring that specified law enforcement officers record specified information pertaining to traffic stops; requiring specified law enforcement agencies to report specified information to the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center; requiring the Police Training Commission to develop a specified format and guidelines and a standardized format for the reporting of specified data; requiring the Police Training Commission to develop a specified model policy; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.

341 – **Underground Utility Damage Prevention – Connecting Buildings to Water Supply Systems and Sewerage Systems – Detectable Wires** – Requiring that any new or replacement piping that is buried or installed for the purpose of connecting a building to a water supply system or sewerage system be buried or installed with an insulated copper tracer wire that is suitable for direct burial and has an American wire gauge (AWG) of at least 10, or an
equivalent product that makes the piping detectable; providing for the prospective application of the Act; etc. ................................................. 9

353 – **State Government – Automated Mapping–Geographic Information Systems – System Services Costs** – Repealing the authority of specified governmental units to adopt a fee structure to cover specified costs for system services; altering a specified definition for the purpose of repealing the authority of specified governmental units to adopt a fee structure to cover specified costs relating to existing system products; authorizing specified governmental units to adopt a fee structure for system products that includes an additional charge of no more than $50; repealing a specified requirement; etc................................................................. 9

369 – **Public Safety – Appointment of Members of Fire Companies as Deputy Sheriffs – Caroline County and Talbot County** – Altering the applicability in Caroline County of specified provisions governing the appointment and duties of members of fire companies as deputy sheriffs; and providing for the appointment and duties of members of fire companies as deputy sheriffs in Talbot County. .......... 9

388 – **Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council** – Establishing the Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council in the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention; requiring the Council to develop a statewide framework of sentencing and corrections policies to further reduce the State’s incarcerated population, reduce spending on corrections, and reinvest in strategies for specified purposes; requiring the Council to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before December 31, 2015; etc........................................................................................................ 9

396 – **Election Law – Primary Election Dates in the Presidential Election Year** – Altering the date of the statewide primary election in the year in which the President of the United States is elected; altering the date of the primary election for municipal offices in Baltimore City in the year in which the President of the United States is elected; altering the deadline from 6 to 9 days after the filing dates for filing a petition to challenge a candidate’s residency; clarifying specified provisions of law concerning the filing of specified vacancies in nomination; etc........................................................................... 9

405 – **Maryland False Claims Act** – Prohibiting specified actions constituting false claims against a governmental entity; providing specified penalties for making false claims; requiring the court to consider and give special attention to specified factors in determining the amount of fines and penalties to be levied under the
Act; authorizing a person and the governmental entity to file a civil action against a person that makes a specified false claim under specified circumstances; providing for the prospective application of the Act; etc.......................................................... 9

439 – Family Law – Information and Services for Foster Children and Former Foster Children – Requiring the juvenile court to determine whether a local department made a reasonable effort, for a child at least 18 years of age, to enroll the child in health insurance that will continue after the child is emancipated, screen and assist the child with eligibility for public assistance, and ensure the child has stable housing for at least 12 months and sufficient income after emancipation; requiring a local department to advise a child before emancipation of the right to reenter care and procedures for reentering care; etc. .......................................................... 9

450 – State Highway Administration – Bicycle and Pedestrian Priority Areas – Requiring the State Highway Administration, under specified circumstances, to make a determination on whether to designate specified areas as bicycle and pedestrian priority areas by specified dates; clarifying that the Administration and a local government each must make a specified designation before a specified plan is required to be implemented; etc................................. 9

462 – Public Safety – Statewide Accounting of Sexual Assault Evidence Kits – Requiring a specified law enforcement agency or other State or local agency to conduct an inventory of specified sexual assault kit evidence on or before January 1, 2016; requiring a specified agency to prepare a report regarding untested sexual assault evidence collection kits on or before March 1, 2016; requiring the report to be submitted to the Attorney General; and requiring the Attorney General to prepare and submit to the General Assembly a specified report and specified recommendations on or before December 1, 2016. .......................................................... 9

468 – Chesapeake Employers’ Insurance Company – Authorizing the Chesapeake Employers’ Insurance Company to take specified actions relating to a subsidiary for specified purposes subject to specified requirements and under specified circumstances; altering the staggering of terms of members of the Board; authorizing the Governor to remove specified members for incompetence or misconduct; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to remove specified members under specified circumstances; etc........... 9

469 – Public Utilities – Electricity – Construction of Overhead Transmission Lines – Altering the scope of persons who may apply
to begin construction of a new overhead transmission line for electricity under specified circumstances to include an electric company or a person who is or will be subject to regulation as a public utility by an officer or an agency of the United States; prohibiting the Public Service Commission from issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of a specified overhead transmission line to an applicant other than an electric company under specified circumstances; etc. .................................................

475 – **Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Refillable Wine Container Permits** – Establishing a refillable wine container permit in Harford County; authorizing the Harford County Liquor Control Board to issue a refillable container permit for wine to a holder of a specified license under specified circumstances and conditions; providing that the permit authorizes the permit holder to sell wine for off-premises consumption in a refillable container under specified circumstances and conditions; etc. ...............................

506 – **Baltimore City – Vehicle Laws – Traffic Safety** – Adding Baltimore City to the list of local authorities that under specified circumstances may impose specified restrictions on vehicles passing over a bridge or culvert under the jurisdictions of the local authorities without the approval of the State Highway Administration. ........................................................................................................

507 – **Baltimore City – Property Tax Credit – Supermarkets** – Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the personal property tax imposed on personal property of a supermarket that completes specified construction and is located in a specified food desert retail incentive area; requiring the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to designate what constitutes a food desert retail incentive area for purposes of the tax credit; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2015; etc. .................................................................

512 – **Office of Cemetery Oversight – Preneed Burial Contracts – Report Submission Requirement** – Increasing the time period, from 120 to 150 days, within which a seller of preneed goods or preneed services who is subject to the preneed trust account requirements is required to submit a report regarding preneed burial contracts and preneed trust accounts to the Director of the Office of Cemetery Oversight. ........................................................................................................

523 – **Alcoholic Beverages – Garrett County – Multiple Event License** – Requiring the holder of a specified special multiple event license in Garrett County to ensure that at least one individual who is certified
by an approved alcohol awareness program is on the premises when alcoholic beverages are served; authorizing the license holder to store specified alcoholic beverages between specified events under specified circumstances and conditions; requiring the license holder to keep accurate records, for each individual event, of all alcoholic beverages purchased and sold on the licensed premises; etc.

526 – Alcoholic Beverages – Brewing Company Off-Site Permit and Nonprofit Beer Festival Permit – Requiring specified licensing boards to collect a $100 fee for a nonprofit beer festival permit; authorizing the Comptroller to issue a brewing company off-site permit to specified persons who meet specified requirements; establishing that specified holders of a brewing company off-site permit may use the permit for specified activities during specified events; authorizing a nonprofit beer festival permit holder to purchase beer at wholesale to provide and sell beer for specified purposes under specified circumstances; etc.

529 – Criminal Law – Identity Fraud – Name of the Individual – Repealing, for purposes of a provision of law prohibiting a person from knowingly, willfully, and with fraudulent intent, possessing, obtaining, or helping another to possess or obtain personal identifying information for specified purposes, a limitation that a specified benefit, credit, good, service, thing of value, health information, or health care be obtained or accessed in the name of an individual.

574 – State Board of Physicians – Physicians, Physician Assistants, and Allied Health Practitioners – Licensure Requirements – Requiring specified criminal history records checks for physicians, physician assistants, respiratory care practitioners, radiation oncology/therapy, medical radiation, and nuclear medicine technologists, polysomnographic technologists, athletic trainers, perfusionists, and naturopathic practitioners; requiring, beginning October 1, 2016, specified criminal history records check for specified annual renewal applicants and former licensees who file for reinstatement under specified circumstances; etc.

592 – State Donor Registry – Information and Methods of Registration – Clerks of Circuit Courts, Registers of Wills, and Motor Vehicle Administration (Enhancing Organ Donation Rates Act) – Requiring the clerks of the circuit courts and registers of wills to make available to the public information about registering with the State donor registry; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to provide a method by which an individual doing business with the Administration can register as a donor with the
State donor registry for a specified purpose and select to have a donor designation on the individual’s driver’s license or identification card; etc. ................................................................................................................................. 10

602 – **University of Maryland School of Medicine – Workgroup to Study Issues Related to Uterine Fibroids** – Requiring the University of Maryland School of Medicine to convene a workgroup that includes representatives from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, specified experts, and interested stakeholders to study issues related to the incidence of uterine fibroids in the State; requiring the workgroup to examine specified issues; and requiring, on or before June 30, 2016, the University of Maryland School of Medicine to report specified findings to specified committees of the General Assembly. ................................................................................................................................. 10

616 – **St. Mary’s County – Animal Regulations** – Repealing provisions authorizing the County Commissioners of St. Mary’s County to pass rules, regulations, or resolutions relating to dog licenses, the prohibition of dogs running at large off the property of the owner, the seizure and disposal of dogs found running at large, and the confinement of female dogs in heat; authorizing the county commissioners to enact a local law to provide a comprehensive system for the regulation, humane treatment, and keeping of specified animals; etc. ................................................................................................................................. 10

623 – **Estates – Modified Administration – Final Report and Distribution – Extension** – Authorizing, under specified circumstances, a register of wills to extend the time periods for filing a final report and for making distribution of an estate in a modified administration of the estate for an additional specified period on the filing of a specified request; requiring a request for the extension to be signed by the personal representative and consented to by each interested person; requiring the request to be delivered to the register of wills no later than a specified date; applying the Act prospectively; etc. ................................................................................................................................. 10

629 – **Health Occupations – Alcohol and Drug Counselors – Qualifications and Practice Limitations** – Altering the qualifications individuals are required to meet to be licensed to practice clinical alcohol and drug counseling, to qualify to practice as a licensed graduate alcohol and drug counselor under supervision for a limited period of time, to qualify as a certified associate counselor–alcohol and drug, or to qualify as a certified supervised counselor–alcohol and drug; etc. ................................................................................................................................. 10
642 – **Children – Child Care Facilities, Public Schools, and Nonpublic Schools – Contractors and Subcontractors** – Prohibiting specified county boards of education and specified nonpublic schools from hiring or retaining specified individuals who have been convicted of specified crimes; requiring specified contracts to provide that specified contractors and subcontractors for specified nonpublic schools and specified local school systems may not knowingly assign employees to work on school premises with direct, unsupervised, and uncontrolled access to children if the employee has been convicted of a specified crime; etc. .......................................................... 10

643 – **Department of Human Resources – State Child Welfare System – Report** – Requiring the Department of Human Resources, on or before December 1 of each year, to report to the General Assembly specified information regarding children and foster youth in the State child welfare system; requiring the Department to maintain the confidentiality of specified information and disaggregate the information by county, age, gender, race, and ethnicity; requiring the Department to publish specified reports on the Department’s Web site within 30 days of submission of the report to the General Assembly; etc. .......................................................... 10

658 – **Public Health – Emergency and Allergy Treatment Program** – Altering the name of the Insect Sting Emergency Treatment Program to be the Emergency and Allergy Treatment Program; establishing the program as a means of authorizing specified individuals to administer life-saving treatment to individuals who have severe adverse reactions to allergens or insect stings when physician or emergency medical services are not immediately available in a youth camp; authorizing specified certificate holders and agents to administer auto-injectable epinephrine to an individual under specified circumstances; etc. .......................................................... 10

660 – **Health Insurance – Expense Reimbursement Claims Forms – Methods for Submission** – Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to permit an insured, a subscriber, or a member to submit a claim for reimbursement for specified expenses by first-class mail and by facsimile transmission or through a Web site; requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations annually to provide a specified notice and instructions on how to submit a claim by facsimile transmission or through a secure Web site; etc. .......................................................... 10

662 – **Consultation, Diagnosis, and Treatment of Mental and Emotional Disorders – Consent by Minors** – Altering the health
care providers who provide consultation, diagnosis, and treatment of a mental or emotional disorder to which minors who are 16 years old and older have the same capacity as an adult to consent; providing that the capacity to consent does not include the capacity to refuse consultation, diagnosis, or treatment for a mental or emotional disorder by specified health care providers for which a parent, guardian, or custodian of the minor has given consent; etc. 

664 – **Frederick County Property Tax Fairness Act of 2015 (Strengthening Frederick Municipalities)** – Removing Frederick County from the list of counties required to grant specified property tax setoffs to municipal corporations; requiring the governing body of Frederick County to annually meet and discuss with the governing body of each municipal corporation in the county the county property tax rate to be set for assessments of property; requiring, if the county and the municipal corporation fail to reach an agreement, the county to grant a tax setoff in accordance with the formula used in the preceding taxable year; etc. 

697 – **Life Insurers – Reserve Investments – Loans Secured by Real Estate** – Altering the maximum term, to not more than 30 years, of specified loans on specified nonresidential and nonfarm real estate that a life insurer may include in its reserve investments; and making conforming changes.

732 – **Insurance – Motor Vehicle Rental Companies – Limited Lines License to Sell Insurance** – Applying specified provisions of law relating to employees of a motor vehicle rental company that holds a specified limited lines license to authorized representatives of the motor vehicle rental company; requiring a motor vehicle rental company that holds a specified limited lines license to maintain a specified register and to make the register available for inspection by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner as the Commissioner requires; etc.

739 – **Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health** – Establishing the Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 15, 2016; and terminating the Act after December 31, 2016.

745 – **Public Health – Overdose Response Program** – Authorizing specified advanced practice nurses, in addition to specified nurse
practitioners and pharmacists, to conduct specified overdose prevention educational training programs; providing for an exception to specified training requirements for a patient who receives a naloxone prescription under specified provisions of law; exempting specified persons who are authorized to dispense naloxone from specified prescription drug dispensing permit requirements; providing immunity from liability for specified persons; etc. ................................................................. 10

770 – **Insurance – Standard Valuation Law and Reserve and Nonforfeiture Requirements** – Establishing requirements relating to the reserves and opinions relating to the reserves for specified life insurance policies, accident and health insurance contracts, and deposit-type contracts issued by specified companies on or after the operative date of a specified valuation manual; authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to exempt a domestic company from specified reserve requirements and specified information submission requirements under specified circumstances; etc. ............................................................................................................. 10

781 – **Health Insurance – Coverage for Ostomy Equipment and Supplies – Required** – Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide specified health insurance benefits under specified insurance policies or contracts to provide coverage for specified equipment and supplies used for the treatment of ostomies; providing that the required coverage may be subject to specified deductibles and coinsurance; providing for the application of the Act; etc........................................... 10

785 – **Recreational Fishing Licenses – Duration and Expiration Date** – Altering the expiration date for and, under specified circumstances, the duration of specified recreational fishing licenses; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish by regulation a term for a specified recreational fishing license; and requiring the Department to proportionally prorate the annual license fees for specified recreational fishing licenses................... 10

794 – **Washington County – Liquor Tasting License** – Authorizing a special liquor tasting license to be issued in Washington County; authorizing the license to be issued only to a holder of Class A (off-sale) beer, wine and liquor license; establishing the annual license fee of $300 for 12 tastings and $500 for 24 tastings; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Washington County to issue the license for specified purposes; prohibiting the holder of the license from charging for the liquor tasting or sampling; etc......................................................................................................................... 10
809 – **Municipalities – Parking Authorities** – Authorizing a municipality that is organized under Article XI–E of the Maryland Constitution to create a parking authority as a body politic and corporate as provided under the Parking Authorities Act; authorizing a municipality to authorize an authority to take specified actions; requiring a municipality to determine specified matters by local law in connection with the authorization, issuance, sale, delivery, and payment of specified revenue bonds as authorized under the Parking Authorities Act; etc................................. 10

826 – **Estate Tax – Alternative Payment Schedule – Penalty Prohibition** – Prohibiting a specified penalty for late payment of the Maryland estate tax if an alternative payment schedule is allowed by the Comptroller and the tax is paid in accordance with the alternative payment schedule; and providing that the Act will apply to an estate that applies for an alternative payment schedule for payment of the Maryland estate tax on or after July 1, 2015, and receives approval by the Comptroller to pay the estate tax in accordance with an alternative payment schedule.............................. 10

836 – **Washington County – Alcoholic Beverages – Wine Tasting License for Class B License Holders – Repeal** – Repealing the authority for a special wine tasting license to be issued to a Class B (on–off sale) beer, wine and liquor license holder in Washington County. .................................................................................................................. 10

851 – **Alcoholic Beverages – Towne Centre at Laurel – Class A License PG 316–15** – Increasing the maximum number of specified Class A alcoholic beverages licenses in Prince George’s County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to convert a specified Class B–DD alcoholic beverages license to be a specified Class A alcoholic beverages license to be issued to an establishment located within the Towne Centre at Laurel; and prohibiting the Board of License Commissioners from issuing more than a specified number of Class B–DD (Development District) licenses under specified circumstances................................................................. 10

887 – **Health Insurance – Abuse–Deterrent Opioid Analgesic Drug Products – Coverage** – Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for at least two brand name abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug products and, if available, at least two generic abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug products; prohibiting the insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from requiring an insured or an enrollee to first use a specified drug
product before providing coverage for a specified abuse–deterrent opioid analgesic drug product; etc. ................................................................. 10

895 – Baltimore County – Education – Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Instructors – Applying to Baltimore County a definition of “public school employee” that includes Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) instructors for the purpose of specified provisions of law related to organizations of certificated employees. ................................................................. 10

902 – Calvert County – Public Facilities Bonds – Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Calvert County, from time to time, to borrow not more than $51,925,000 to finance the construction, improvement, or development of specified public facilities in Calvert County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale of its general obligation bonds; etc. ................. 10

907 – Employees’ Pension System – Town of Sykesville – Service Credit – Authorizing the Town of Sykesville to purchase specified additional service credit for specified employees; requiring specified additional service credit to be credited to specified employees on July 1 of the fiscal year in which the additional service credit is purchased; requiring a specified adjustment to a specified new entrant valuation that is used to determine a specified employer contribution in the fiscal year in which a specified purchase of services credit is made; etc. ................................................................. 10

909 – Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders – Establishing the Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex–Offenders to encourage the establishment of small businesses by individuals exiting the correctional system; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority, to establish by January 1, 2016, a pilot program for the training of individuals exiting the correctional system; etc. ............... 10

923 – Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms – Establishing the Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms; requiring the Interagency Committee on Public School Construction to implement and administer the Program; specifying requirements for grants awarded under the Program; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2016, to provide $20,000,000 in the State budget for the Program each fiscal year; etc. .................................................. 10
925 –  **Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 – Montgomery County – Water Park at Bohrer Park** – Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 to provide that specified grants for the Water Park at Bohrer Park may not terminate before June 1, 2016; etc. ................................................................. 10

926 –  **Baltimore City and Baltimore County – Police Behavioral Health Units – Pilot Program** – Requiring, on or before October 1, 2016, the Baltimore City and Baltimore County police departments to establish behavioral health units; requiring a behavioral health unit to consist of at least six officers who are specially trained to understand the needs of individuals with mental health, substance use, or co–occurring mental health and substance use disorders and in cultural sensitivity and cultural competency; establishing the purpose and goals of a behavioral health unit; etc. ................................................................. 10

932 –  **Prince George’s County – City of College Park – Class D Beer and Wine License PG 317–15** – Authorizing a specified Class D (on–sale) beer and wine license issued for specified premises in the City of College Park to be converted, on or after July 1, 2015, into a specified Class D (on– and off–sale) beer and wine license for specified other premises in the City of College Park................................. 10

938 –  **Prince George’s County – Maryland–Washington Regional District – Fairness in Zoning MC/PG 112–15** – Requiring that, in Prince George’s County, the zoning hearing examiner shall issue a decision on a zoning matter not more than 30 days after the matter is remanded and relevant information is received from the applicant or the district council; altering the circumstances under which a specified person or entity aggrieved by a specified decision of the district council may request judicial review of any final decision of the district council; etc................................................................. 10

945 –  **Registered Nurses – Local Health Departments – Requirements for Personally Preparing and Dispensing Drugs and Devices** – Requiring specified registered nurses who personally prepare and dispense specified drugs and devices in local health departments in accordance with specified provisions of law or to specified patients to comply with a specified formulary and specified requirements; establishing the Committee on Personally Preparing and Dispensing Drugs and Devices by Registered Nurses in Local Health Departments; providing for the composition, terms, chair, and staffing of the Committee; etc................................................................. 10
970 – **Prince George’s County – Transfer Tax – Deputy Sheriffs** – Extending a specified tax rate reduction under the Prince George’s County transfer tax to the sale of specified property to a Prince George’s County deputy sheriff under specified circumstances.  

971 – **Public Health – Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund** – Altering the definition of “eligible populations” to allow funds from the Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund to be used for services provided to drug offenders under the supervision of the problem solving courts; altering the information an applicant is required to include in a request for Partnership funding; authorizing a participating county, under specified circumstances, to use Partnership funding to continue or expand funding for eligible functions; etc.  

980 – **Election Law – Voting Rights – Ex-Felons** – Altering specified qualifications for voter registration; and providing that individuals discharged from incarceration are qualified to register to vote.  

1009 – **Criminal Procedure – Immunity – Alcohol- or Drug-Related Medical Emergencies** – Establishing that the act of seeking assistance by a person who experiences a medical emergency after ingesting or using alcohol or drugs may be used as a mitigating factor in a criminal prosecution of the person; extending the applicability of specified immunity from a criminal arrest charge or prosecution and providing immunity when a person is reasonably believed to be experiencing a medical emergency rather than when the person is experiencing a medical emergency; etc.  

1069 – **Education – Professional Development for Teachers and Providers of Early Childhood Education – Master Plan** – Requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Maryland Higher Education Commission and specified representatives from specified institutions of higher education, to develop a master plan that focuses on specified issues relating to qualified providers of early childhood education services; requiring the Department and the Commission to submit a specified plan and specified recommendations to the Governor and specified committees of the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2015; etc.  

1105 – **Disabled Individuals – Task Force on the Maryland ABLE Program** – Establishing a Task Force on the Maryland Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Program to investigate ways to assist disabled individuals and their families to establish savings accounts to pay qualified expenses for specified disabled individuals;
requiring the Task Force to report its findings to the Governor and General Assembly on or before December 1, 2015; requiring the General Assembly to consider legislation proposed by the Task Force to establish an ABLE Program; etc. ................................................................. 10

1176 – **Video Lottery Terminal Revenues – Standardbred Owners and Trainers – Benefit Programs** – Authorizing the organization that represents a majority of the standardbred owners and trainers in the State to apply to the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation for the reimbursement of specified expenditures not to exceed 2% of all open purses; providing that the reimbursement amount be deducted from the Purse Dedication Account funded by video lottery terminal revenues; specifying programs for which reimbursement is allowable; etc. ................................................................. 10

1233 – **Tax Amnesty Program** – Requiring the Comptroller to declare an amnesty period for delinquent taxpayers from September 1, 2015, through October 30, 2015, for civil penalties and half the interest attributable to nonpayment, nonreporting, or underreporting of specified taxes under specified circumstances; authorizing the Comptroller to enter into agreements to provide a specified waiver under specified circumstances; providing that the amnesty program does not apply to specified taxpayers under specified circumstances; etc. ......................................................................................... 10

**Victims** —

See also Criminal Injuries Compensation

Civil Action – Offense Against Vulnerable or Elderly Adult – See HB 495

Commission on the Solemn Remembrance of the Victims of Lynching – See HB 173

Consumer Protection – Asset Recovery for Exploited Seniors Act – See HB 718

Correctional Services – Special Requirements for Elderly, Chronically Ill, and Terminally Ill Inmates – See HB 906

Criminal Law –

Human Trafficking – Adult Victim – Penalty – See HB 219

Life Without the Possibility of Parole – First Degree Murder – See HB 757

Solicitation for Prostitution – Fine – See HB 1089

Criminal Procedure –

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Postconviction Review – Conviction of Human Trafficking Victim – See HB 623

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Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Health Care Facilities – Abuser Registry – See HB 265

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Confidentiality of Locations of Shelters – See HB 946
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Income Tax Credit – Holocaust Survivors – See HB 1050
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Juvenile Court – Jurisdiction – See HB 304
Juvenile Services – Child Victims of Human Trafficking – See HB 811
Labor and Employment – Maryland Healthy Working Families Act – See HB 580
Law Enforcement – Body-Worn Cameras – Release of Information to Public – See HB 669
Peace Orders – Grounds for Relief – See HB 314; SB 346
Police Training Commission – Training Requirements – Human Trafficking – See HB 292
Public Health – State Funding for Abortions – Prohibition and Exceptions – See HB 1357
Public Information Act – Inspection of Records From Body-Worn Digital Recording Devices – See HB 947
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Task Force to Study Welfare Reform in Maryland – See SB 880
Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking – Sunset Extension – See HB 786; SB 863

Video —
Allegany County – Video Lottery Terminals – Ownership Costs – See HB 1540
Baltimore County Police Officers – Body–Worn Cameras – See HB 239
Cecil County – Video Lottery Terminals – Distribution of Proceeds – See HB 761
Charles County – Alcoholic Beverages – Entertainment Concessionaire and Entertainment Facility Licenses – See HB 706; SB 687
Commercial Daily Fantasy Sports – Authorization and Regulation – See SB 976
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Department of Legislative Services – Office of Information Systems – Video and Audio Recordings – See HB 308
Election Law – Campaign Finance – Coordinated Expenditures – See HB 1201
General Assembly – Live and Archived Video Streaming of Meetings – See HB 316
Health Care Practitioners – Use of Teletherapy – See HB 1103
Maryland General Assembly – Pilot Program on Closed Captioning for Video Streaming – See HB 413
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