



SYNOPSIS

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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 15, 2017

HB 1527 Delegate Bromwell

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – DOUBLE ROCK PARK

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Baltimore County for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Double Rock Park, located in Baltimore County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1528 Delegate Rey, et al

INCOME TAX – OYSTER SHELL RECYCLING CREDIT – SUNSET REPEAL

Repealing the termination of and making permanent a State income tax credit for each bushel of oyster shells recycled during a taxable year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

Chapter 278 of the Acts of 2013, § 2 and Chapter 279 of the Acts of 2013, § 2 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

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HB 1529 Delegate Walker**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS – DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
(STUDENT HEALTH AND FITNESS ACT)**

Requiring a public school student in elementary school to be provided a daily program of physical activity totaling 150 minutes each week to include physical education, and developmentally appropriate, moderate-to-vigorous activity, including recess; requiring that the program of physical activity for a specified category of student be consistent with the student's Individualized Education Plan; requiring public elementary schools to designate a physical activity leadership team to plan and coordinate specified activities; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, § 7-409(a) - amended and § 7-409(b) - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1530 Delegate Waldstreicher**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – TORAH
SCHOOL OF GREATER WASHINGTON**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$375,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Torah School of Greater Washington, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Torah School of Greater Washington, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1531 Delegate Lisanti**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LIMITED WINERY LICENSES –
AUXILIARY WINERY PERMITS**

Establishing an auxiliary winery permit; authorizing the Comptroller to issue the permit to a Class 4 limited winery for use at a location off the licensed premises anywhere in the State; authorizing the holder of the permit to exercise specified privileges that are allowed at the premises for which the holder's Class 4 license is issued; requiring, with a specified exception, the license holder to own or have under contract at least 20 acres of grapes or other fruit in cultivation for use in the State wine industry; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, § 2-132.4 - added and §§ 2-205 and 2-206 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1532 Delegate Walker**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – FINANCIAL LITERACY
CURRICULUM – GRADUATION REQUIREMENT**

Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a semester-long course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the financial literacy curriculum content developed by the State Board in every high school in the county; and requiring students to complete a course in financial literacy in order to graduate from high school.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, § 7-205.4 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1533 Delegate Fennell**TERMINATION OF ELECTRIC OR GAS SERVICE – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a public service company from terminating, under specified circumstances, electric or gas service to a residential customer during a severe weather period for a severe weather event and on specified days; prohibiting a public service company, on receipt of a specified request or subsequent request, from terminating, under specified circumstances, electric or gas service to a residential customer for 30 days beyond a scheduled termination of service date under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PU, §§ 7-307.3, 7-307.4, and 7-307.5 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1534 Delegate Conaway**TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF DUAL ENROLLMENT IN HIGH SCHOOL**

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Economic Benefits of Dual Enrollment in High School; providing that the Task Force shall study the economic benefits of students who enroll in postsecondary coursework while also enrolled in high school and make recommendations regarding an expansion of the dual enrollment program; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1535 Delegate Hixson**INCOME TAX CREDIT – HVAC AIR STRATIFICATION TECHNOLOGY**

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for the total installed costs of specified HVAC air stratification technology installed on or after January 1, 2017; providing that the credit may not exceed a specified amount; providing that the credit may not be carried forward to another taxable year; requiring a taxpayer claiming the credit to attach proof of the total installed costs to the taxpayer's return; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2016; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 10-741 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1536 Delegate Hayes**STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – ATHLETIC TRAINERS – SCOPE OF PRACTICE**

Altering the definition of “practice athletic training” to allow athletic trainers to apply, under the supervision of a licensed physician, specified principles and methods for managing injuries suffered by individuals in good overall health who are employed in professions specified by the State Board of Physicians in regulations; requiring the Board to adopt regulations specifying the professions that involve athletic activities and may result in an individual who is employed in the profession suffering a specified injury; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HO, § 14-5D-01 - amended and § 14-5D-06(c) - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1537 Delegate Bromwell**VIDEO LOTTERY FACILITIES – DONATION OF COINS FROM GAMING PAYOUTS – EXPANSION**

Requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission to adopt regulations that require each video lottery operator to adopt specified procedures to offer specified players the opportunity to donate coins when receiving cash on payout to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

SG, § 9-1A-04(d) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1538 Delegate Gaines, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – HYATTSVILLE VETERAN’S MEMORIAL**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$30,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Hyattsville Community Development Corporation for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Hyattsville Veteran’s Memorial, located in Prince George’s County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1539 Delegate Beidle**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS H LICENSES**

Increasing to five the number of Class H beer, wine, and liquor or Class H beer and wine licenses that the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County may issue to a specified license holder under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, § 11-1609 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1540 Delegate B. Barnes, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – RIVERDALE PARK STATION PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$350,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the College Park City–University Partnership, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of walkways, trails, and a public “Village Green” at Riverdale Park Station, located in Prince George’s County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1541 Delegate Brooks**MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND – OPERATIONS**

Repealing an exception for the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund from specified provisions of law governing the imposition of a specified premium tax; altering the scope of provisions of law governing prior approval rate making to exclude the Fund; providing that provisions of law governing competitive rating rate making apply to the Fund under specified circumstances; repealing a provision of law that makes the Fund subject to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

IN, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1542 Delegate Beitzel**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – GARRETT COUNTY – BELIEVE IN TOMORROW CHILDREN’S HOUSE AT DEEP CREEK LAKE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Believe in Tomorrow National Children’s Foundation, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Believe in Tomorrow Children’s House at Deep Creek Lake respite housing facility, located in Garrett County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1543 Delegate Conaway**TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF INSTALLING SOLAR PANELS ON BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Installing Solar Panels on Baltimore City Public Schools; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to report its finding and recommendations to the Baltimore City Delegation to the General Assembly by December 31, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1544 Delegate Haynes**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – MY BROTHER’S KEEPER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$280,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Irvington My Brother’s Keeper, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the My Brother’s Keeper building, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1545 Delegate Valderrama, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – HARD BARGAIN FARM ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Alice Ferguson Foundation, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Hard Bargain Farm Environmental Center, located in Prince George’s County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1546 Delegate Hixson, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – GANDHI BRIGADE MEDIA CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$125,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Gandhi Brigade Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Gandhi Brigade Media Center facility, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1547 Cecil County Delegation**PUBLIC SAFETY – AGRITOURISM – PERMIT EXEMPTION**

Adding Cecil County to the list of counties that exempt agricultural buildings engaged in agritourism from a specified permit requirement; and providing that no more than 200 people at one time be allowed to occupy a building engaged in agritourism in Cecil County under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PS, § 12-508 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1548 Delegate Ebersole, et al**INCOME TAX CREDIT – RENEWABLE ENERGY PROPERTY**

Allowing specified individuals or business entities a credit against the State income tax for a specified percentage of the eligible cost of specified renewable energy property constructed or purchased and placed in service in the State; establishing a specified application fee and making the fee nonrefundable under specified circumstances; limiting the aggregate amount of tax credit certificates that may be issued during a specified period; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 10-741 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HOUSE BILL REASSIGNED FEBRUARY 13, 2017**HB 1351 Delegate Rose, et al****EDUCATION – FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT – COMPUTER PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE COURSES**

Allowing county boards of education to authorize a student to satisfy a State or county middle or high school foreign language requirement by completing a course in computer programming language; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, § 7-205.4 - added

Reassigned to: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL REASSIGNED FEBRUARY 14, 2017**HB 1482 Delegate Brooks, et al****HEALTH – MEDICAL CANNABIS GROWER, PROCESSOR, AND DISPENSARY LICENSES – SALE OR TRANSFER AND FORFEITURE**

Authorizing a medical cannabis grower, processor, or dispensary to sell or transfer a license under specified circumstances; requiring specified licensees to forfeit a license under specified circumstances; authorizing the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission to extend the time frame for specified licensees to become operational under specified circumstances; and requiring specified entities buying or obtaining a specified license to meet specified requirements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HG, § 13-3311.1 - added

Reassigned to: Health and Government Operations