



SYNOPSIS

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SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED *February 3, 2017*

SB 715 Senator Rosapepe, et al

CLEAN ENERGY – ENERGY STORAGE TECHNOLOGY STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Clean Energy Center to conduct a study of regulatory reforms and market incentives that may be necessary to increase the use of energy storage devices in the State; requiring the Center to consult with specified entities and interests in conducting the study; providing required considerations and criteria to be used in conducting the study; requiring the Center to make its final report and recommend policy actions to specified Committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2018; etc.

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Assigned to: Finance

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SB 716 **Senator Eckardt, et al****ADMISSIONS AND AMUSEMENT TAX – EXEMPTION –
AGRICULTURAL TOURISM AND PROMOTION OF AGRICULTURAL
PRODUCTS**

Providing that the admissions and amusement tax may not be imposed by a county on gross receipts derived from any admissions and amusement charge for activities related to agricultural tourism or the promotion of valued-added agricultural products on a farm or by a specified organization; and defining “agricultural tourism” as any agricultural or horticultural activity conducted for the purpose of entertainment or education; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, §§ 4-101 and 4-103(a) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 717 **Senator Eckardt****TASK FORCE ON INTERNET, WIRELESS, AND CELLULAR SERVICE
ON THE EASTERN SHORE**

Establishing the Task Force on Internet, Wireless, and Cellular Service on the Eastern Shore; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations on ways the Eastern Shore counties can work together to obtain federal assistance to improve communications services and accessibility on the Eastern Shore; requiring the Task Force to report its specified findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Finance

SB 718 **Senator Eckardt****ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – AUXILIARY WINERY PERMIT**

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 the privileges with specified exceptions that are allowed at the premises for which the holder’s Class 4 license is issued; providing for a \$250 annual permit fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, § 2-134.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 719 **Senator Eckardt****CONSERVING WORKING WATERFRONT FARMS ACT OF 2017**

Altering the contents of the criteria developed by the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation for counties to consider when determining whether a property qualifies for the Critical Farms Program to include other benefits attributable to wildlife habitat enhancement and shoreline and water quality protection; and requiring the State Department of Agriculture to report to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2017, on its efforts to encourage easement purchases on working waterfront farms.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

AG, § 2-517(b) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 720 **Senator Eckardt****SALES AND USE TAX – EXEMPTION – ALL-TERRAIN OR UTILITY-TERRAIN VEHICLES FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES**

Providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for the sale of an all-terrain or utility-terrain vehicle when purchased by a farmer and used exclusively for an agricultural purpose on the farmer's property.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 11-201 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 721 **Senator Eckardt****PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – EVENTS HELD BY CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS**

Authorizing a conservation organization to hold a specified event on the campus of a public institution of higher education notwithstanding a provision of law, regulation, or policy that prohibits the carrying or possession of a firearm on the campus of the institution; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, § 15-121 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 722 **Senator Conway****PUBLIC SAFETY – LIGHT FRAME COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION – REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development, by October 1, 2018, to adopt by regulation a specified statewide building code relating to specified buildings constructed with or being constructed by specified light frame combustible construction; establishing requirements for the construction of specified buildings; prohibiting a specified construction project using a specified type of construction from proceeding unless a specified fire watch warden is present; establishing qualifications and responsibilities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PS, §§ 12-1201 through 12-1206 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 723 **Senator Young, et al****INCOME TAX – FILM PRODUCTION ACTIVITY TAX CREDIT – SMALL OR INDEPENDENT FILM ENTITIES**

Authorizing a Maryland small or independent film entity to qualify as a film production entity under specified circumstances; altering a specified audit requirement to apply only to an entity with total direct costs that exceed \$500,000; altering the amount of specified tax credit certificates that the Secretary of Commerce may issue under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

TG, § 10-730 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 724 **Senator Smith****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – TAKOMA PARK LIBRARY**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Takoma Park for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Takoma Park Library, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 725 **Senator Smith, et al****CIVIL ACTIONS – DISCOVERY IN AID OF ENFORCEMENT OF MONEY JUDGMENT – BODY ATTACHMENT**

Prohibiting a court from issuing a body attachment for an individual for failure to appear in court in response to a specified show cause order unless the court makes specified findings; prohibiting money paid by an individual arrested on a body attachment or another person on behalf of the individual to obtain the individual's release from being applied to reduce the amount of an outstanding money judgment or otherwise forfeited to the judgment creditor unless the court makes specified findings; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 6-411 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 726 **Senator Smith, et al****MARYLAND WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION LAW – AWARDS OF CERTAIN FEES AND COSTS AND PROHIBITION AGAINST RETALIATION**

Authorizing a court, on a specified finding in an action on behalf of an employee for a violation of the Maryland Wage Payment and Collection Law, to award the Attorney General reasonable counsel fees and other costs; authorizing a court, on a specified finding in an action by an employee for a violation of the Maryland Wage Payment and Collection Law, to award the employee reasonable counsel fees and other costs; prohibiting an employer from taking specified adverse action against an employee under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LE, §§ 3-507 and 3-507.2 - amended and § 3-507.3 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 727 **Senator Smith, et al**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FIREARMS – TRANSFER

Requiring a court to inform a person convicted of a specified disqualifying offense that the person is prohibited from possessing a firearm under specified provisions of law; requiring the court to advise the person that specified proof must be provided to the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services that specified firearms owned by the person or in the person's possession have been transferred from the person's possession; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CP, § 6-234 and PS, § 5-133(f) - added and § 5-205(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 728 **Senator Smith, et al**

HOME ACT OF 2017

Stating that the Act seeks to deconcentrate poverty by providing additional opportunities for tenants utilizing public subsidies to live in neighborhoods other than the neighborhoods in which those individuals are currently and disproportionately residing; expanding the housing policy of the State regarding the provision of fair housing to include providing for fair housing regardless of source of income; prohibiting specified discriminatory acts based on a person's source of income; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

SG, §§ 20-701, 20-702, 20-704, 20-705, 20-707, and 20-1103 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 729 **Senators Smith and Lee**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – KOREAN
COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER BRANCH OFFICE

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$265,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Korean Community Service Center of Greater Washington, Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a branch office for the Korean Community Service Center, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 730 **Senators Jennings and Middleton****HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM – FARMERS**

Establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Farmers; requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the Maryland Higher Education Commission to assist in the repayment of a higher education loan obtained for tuition, educational expenses, or living expenses for undergraduate or graduate study leading to a degree in agriculture or an agriculture–related field, including farming; requiring the Office, in consultation with the Department of Agriculture, to adopt specified regulations; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

ED, § 18-1505 - amended and §§ 18-28A-01 through 18-28A-05 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 731 **Senator Norman, et al****TASK FORCE ON ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME RINGS**

Establishing the Task Force on Organized Retail Crime Rings; 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 study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 732 **Senators Feldman and Klausmeier****HOSPITALS – ACQUISITIONS OF PHYSICIAN OFFICES, GROUP PRACTICES, AND OUTPATIENT HEALTH CARE ENTITIES – NOTICE**

Requiring a hospital to provide specified patients of a specified office, practice, or entity specified notice of a specified acquisition at least 30 days before the acquisition; requiring a specified notice to be in a specified form; establishing that a violation of the Act is a misdemeanor carrying a maximum fine of \$500; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HG, § 19-349.2 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 733 Senator Robinson**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – ARCH SOCIAL CLUB HISTORIC SITE RESTORATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Arch Social Community Network, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Arch Social Club Historic Site, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 734 Senator Kasemeyer, et al**SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS RESOURCES ACT OF 2017**

Expanding the services to be provided by specified sexual assault crisis programs; specifying criteria for receiving specified grant funding; requiring the Governor to include \$3,000,000 each fiscal year in the State budget; providing for the allocation of specified grant money; stating specified findings of the General Assembly; establishing the Maryland Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Committee; requiring Attorney General to adopt specified regulations in consultation with the Committee; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

CP, § 11-923 - amended and § 11-927 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation and Judicial Proceedings

SB 735 Senator Waugh**ST. MARY'S COUNTY – METROPOLITAN COMMISSION – AUTHORITY TO BORROW MONEY**

Requiring the Board of County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, when the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission plans to borrow any money, to review and approve any loan application before the Commission submits the loan application to a lender.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PLL of St. Mary's Co, Art. 19, § 113-2 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 736 **Senator Waugh****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITY BONDS**

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to borrow not more than \$26,300,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of specified public facilities in St. Mary's County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; making the Act contingent on the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County repealing a specified ordinance imposing the sales and use tax on energy or fuel used or consumed in St. Mary's County; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 737 **Senator Waugh****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – BONDS AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS – LIMITATIONS**

Altering specified limits on debt in St. Mary's County to reflect the changes in the computation of assessments as a result of the transition to full value assessments; and subjecting specified bonds and other evidences of indebtedness issued under the authority of the St. Mary's County Sanitary Commission Act to a specified limitation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PLL of St. Mary's Co, Art. 19, §§ 27-11 and 113-6 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 738 **Senator Waugh****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – CIRCUIT COURT PERSONNEL – REPEAL**

Repealing specified provisions of law concerning the appointment and compensation of a law clerk for the St. Mary's County Circuit Court resident judge; and repealing specified provisions of law concerning the appointment and compensation of secretaries for judges in the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PLL of St. Mary's Co, Art. 19, §§ 19-1 and 19-2 - repealed

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 739 **Senator Zirkin, et al**PROCUREMENT AND PENSIONS – STATE SANCTIONS –
DISCRIMINATORY BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL

Altering specified provisions of the State procurement law relating to the debarment of specified persons engaged in investment activities in Iran to include persons participating in a boycott of the State of Israel; and altering specified provisions of law requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to take divestment action with regard to investments in a company doing business in Iran or Sudan to include a company participating in a boycott of Israel.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

SF, §§ 17-701 and 17-703 through 17-707 and SP, § 21-123.1 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 740 **Senator Zirkin, et al**OIL AND NATURAL GAS – HYDRAULIC FRACTURING –
PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a person from engaging in the hydraulic fracturing of a well for the exploration or production of oil or natural gas in the State; repealing a provision of law that requires the Department of the Environment to adopt specified regulations; and repealing a provision of law that prohibits the Department from issuing a specified permit until October 1, 2017.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

EN, § 14-107.1 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 741 **Senator Zirkin**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – JEWISH
TEEN ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM HOUSE

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Teen Advancement Program, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Jewish Teen Advancement Program facility, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 742 **Senator Zirkin**

MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND – NOTICE OF CLAIM FOR DAMAGES – REPEAL

Repealing the requirement that notice of a claim for damages must be filed with the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund within 180 days after the accident before a person may apply or sue for payment from the Fund; repealing provisions of law that prohibit filing or maintaining a specified claim or suit if notice of a claim is not filed within a specified period of time, unless the claimant provides proof that the claimant took specified actions; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

IN, § 20-603 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 743 **Senator Zirkin**

BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SUNDAY SALES

Authorizing in Baltimore County the holder of a manufacturer's license or a wholesaler's license to sell or deliver alcoholic beverages to a holder of a retail alcoholic beverages license on Sunday; and authorizing holders of specified classes of retail alcoholic beverages licenses to sell alcoholic beverages on Sunday during the same hours as on the other days of the week.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, §§ 13-402, 13-502, 13-2003, and 13-2004 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 744 **Senator Zirkin**

ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES – NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS

Establishing a method of electing judges to the circuit court on a nonpartisan basis, without regard to political party affiliation; establishing a primary election for candidates for nomination for a circuit court judgeship to be administered in a specified manner under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

EL, §§ 5-703(a), 5-703.1(a), 5-706, and 9-210(a) - amended and §§ 8-901 through 8-905 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 745 **Senator Zirkin****DISCLOSURE OF MEDICAL RECORDS – COMPULSORY PROCESS –
TIMELINE**

Requiring a health care provider to disclose a specified medical record in accordance with compulsory process no later than 30 days after receiving specified documentation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HG, § 4-306(d) - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 746 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial
Conference)****DISTRICT COURT COMMISSIONERS – RESIDENCY IN CONTIGUOUS
COUNTY**

Providing that a District Court Commissioner may be a resident of a county contiguous to the county in which the commissioner serves.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 2-607(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 747 **Senator Zirkin, et al****STATE GOVERNMENT – ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, OATHS, AND
AFFIRMATIONS – RECORDATIONS AND NOTARIZATIONS**

Authorizing a notary public to perform notarial acts electronically; requiring a specified notary public to register with the Secretary of State before performing specified electronic notarizations; requiring the Secretary to develop a specified registration form for an electronic notary; requiring an electronic notary to reregister with the Secretary under specified circumstances; specifying requirements for electronic notarizations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

SG, Various Sections - added and amended and RP, §§ 3-102 and 3-104(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 748 **Senator DeGrange, et al****SALES AND USE TAX – EXEMPTIONS – GIRL SCOUTS AND BOY SCOUTS**

Exempting from the sales and use tax a sale by a chartered organization of the Boy Scouts of America or a scout unit chartered by a local council of the Boy Scouts of America in the State, or by a troop of the Girl Scouts of the USA.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 11-204(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 749 **Senator Astle****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ARUNDEL LODGE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$60,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Arundel Lodge, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Arundel Lodge, located in Anne Arundel County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 750 **Senator Guzzone****PUBLIC HEALTH – HEALTH RECORD AND PAYMENT CLEARING HOUSE – PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, on or before December 31, 2017, to research and evaluate public and private health record and payment clearing houses, develop standards, determine specified information, and report its recommendations and fund requests to the General Assembly; requiring the Commission to establish for use in a pilot program a health record and payment clearing house on or before January 1, 2019; specifying the capabilities of the proposed health records and payment clearing house; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

HG, §§ 19-150 and 19-151 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 751 **Senator Guzzone**

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – DISABILITY RETIREMENT AND WORKERS’ COMPENSATION BENEFITS – OFFSETS

Exempting ordinary disability retirement benefits from the requirement to be offset by related workers’ compensation benefits; repealing the requirement for the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to reduce accidental or special disability retirement benefits by related workers’ compensation benefits; and requiring the Workers’ Compensation Commission to reduce workers’ compensation benefits by related accidental or special disability retirement benefits under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

LE, § 9-610 - amended and SP, § 29-118 - repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation and Finance

SB 752 **Senator Guzzone**

OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM – ANNUITY CONTRACT PROVIDERS

Repealing a default inclusion as an optional retirement program annuity contract provider of a company designated by a governing board of an employing institution on or before a specified date; repealing a requirement that a designated company provide specified information regarding compensation of specified employees of the company; and altering the definition of “designated company”.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

SP, §§ 30-101(c), 30-202, and 30-211 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 753 **Senator Guzzone**

TAX SALES – FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION – NAMING OF DEFENDANTS

Establishing requirements for naming of the defendants in an action to foreclose the right of redemption on property sold at a tax sale; and establishing requirements for filing a specified affidavit in an action to foreclose the right of redemption on property sold at a tax sale.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

TP, § 14-836(b)(8) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 754 Senator Guzzone**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM – MEMBERSHIP**

Authorizing specified individuals to transfer into the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; requiring an individual who transfers into the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System to submit a specified application to the State Retirement Agency; requiring the State Retirement Agency to provide a specified application form; requiring an individual who transfers into the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System to make specified deposits in the annuity savings fund of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 755 Howard County Senators**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – HOWARD COUNTY – CHRYSALIS PAVILION IN MERRIWEATHER PARK AT SYMPHONY WOODS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Inner Arbor Trust, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Chrysalis Pavilion in Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods, located in Howard County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 756 Senators Astle and Feldman**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – MEDICATION ADHERENCE TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing a specified pilot program to expand the use of medication adherence technology to increase prescription drug adherence of specified Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to administer the pilot program; requiring the Department to select and provide a medication adherence technology system to specified Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

HG, § 15-149 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 757 **Senator Guzzone, et al**

STATE PERSONNEL – DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE – FORENSIC SCIENTIST SALARIES

Requiring the salaries of specified persons in the Forensic Sciences Division in the Department of State Police to be not less than another salary in a specified salary plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

SP, § 8-203 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 758 **Senator Guzzone**

INCOME TAX CREDIT – ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for the total installed costs of specified energy storage systems installed on or after January 1, 2017, but before January 1, 2021; 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, § 10-719 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 759 **Senator Guzzone**

PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR ACCESSIBILITY DESIGN FEATURES – NEWLY CONSTRUCTED APARTMENT BUILDINGS

Expanding a specified property tax credit authorized against the county or municipal corporation property tax for residential real property equipped with a specified accessibility feature to include specified newly constructed apartment buildings; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to define, by law, specified accessibility or universal design features that qualify for the credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

TP, § 9-250 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 760 **Senator Guzzone, et al**

EDUCATION – GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE

Altering specified procedures for suspending or dismissing specified public school personnel; authorizing specified public school personnel to request arbitration under specified circumstances; specifying the procedures for arbitration; assigning responsibility for specified costs to the county board; and providing that an arbitrator's award is final and binding on the parties, subject to review by a circuit court.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, § 6-202 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 761 **Senator Peters**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY –
CHAMP HOUSE

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Champ House Recovery, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Champ House facilities, located in Prince George's County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 762 **Senator Peters**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY –
COLLINGTON STATION SAFETY AND SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$24,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Collington Station Homeowners Association, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of community safety and surveillance systems, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 763 Senator Peters**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – MARLTON SWIM AND RECREATION CLUB**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Marlton Swim and Recreation Club, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Marlton Swim and Recreation Club facility, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 764 Senator Peters**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – PATUXENT RIVER 4–H CENTER DENNIS COOPER CABIN**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Patuxent River 4–H Center Foundation, Inc. the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Dennis Cooper Cabin at the Patuxent River 4–H Center, located in Prince George’s County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 765 Senator Peters**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ALPHA HOUSE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$75,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the St. Matthews Housing Corporation for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Alpha House transitional housing facility, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 766 **Senator Ferguson****PUBLIC UTILITIES – TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES – OPERATORS’ LICENSES AND VEHICLE PERMITS**

Requiring that a passenger motor vehicle used to provide transportation network services have a specified safety inspection certificate issued within 90 days after the first use of the vehicle to provide the services; prohibiting the Public Service Commission from denying an application for specified transportation network operators’ licenses due to a criminal conviction or traffic violation that occurred more than 7 years before the application, with an exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PU, § 9-209 - added and § 10-404 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 767 **Senator Ferguson****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – CREATIVE ALLIANCE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$600,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Creative Alliance, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a new Creative Alliance 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 768 **Senator Feldman, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – FORMULARY CHANGES**

Prohibiting insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from making specified formulary changes during the plan year and the open enrollment period that precedes the plan year; and applying the Act to all policies, contracts, and health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after October 1, 2017.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

IN, § 15-831 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 769 **Senator Manno****PROPERTY TAX – RENTERS’ PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM – ASSETS**

Excluding the cash value of qualified retirement savings plans or individual retirement accounts from the definition of “assets” for purposes of specified renters’ property tax relief; and applying the Act to all calendar years beginning after December 31, 2016.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

TP, § 9-102(a)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 770 **Senator Zucker****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – OLNEY BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB COMMUNITY PARK EXPANSION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Olney Boys and Girls Community Sports Association, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping for the Olney Boys and Girls Club Community Park, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 771 **Senator Middleton, et al****ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES – RATE REGULATION – FIXED CHARGES FOR DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM COSTS**

Authorizing an electric cooperative to propose a fixed charge for specified fixed costs; requiring the fixed charge to be applied in a specified manner; prohibiting an electric cooperative from proposing an increase to a fixed charge that is more than \$2.50 greater than the fixed charge in effect 1 year before the effective date of the proposed increase; specifying the manner in which an electric cooperative may propose a fixed charge; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PU, § 4-307 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 772 **Senator Madaleno, et al**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE – EMPLOYEES
– JOB TITLES, POSITION DESCRIPTIONS, AND COMPENSATION
LEVELS

Requiring the Director of the Behavioral Health Administration to compensate employees of the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center who are required to attend a correctional training school at a pay rate equivalent to similar employees in the Division of Correction; and requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to review positions filled by State employees who are required to work with individuals ordered by the court to receive treatment services from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

HG, § 7.5-204(e) - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 773 **Senator Madaleno, et al**

COMMUNITY HEALTHY AIR ACT

Requiring the Department of the Environment, on or before July 1, 2018, to conduct a specified assessment of the Department's compliance and the compliance of specified concentrated animal feeding operations with specified air quality laws and regulations; and requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2018 on specified emissions and the Department's compliance and the compliance of specified feeding operations with specified State and federal regulations and the findings of the specified assessment; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 774 **Senator Bates**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PETITION FOR EXPUNGEMENT

Prohibiting expungement of a specified assault in the second degree offense if the victim of that offense was disabled, a vulnerable adult, or a minor; limiting expungement of a specified offense relating to prostitution; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CP, § 10-110(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 775 Harford County Senators**HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – TOBACCONIST LICENSE**

Establishing a Class B (tobacconist) beer, wine, and liquor license in Harford County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue not more than three licenses to holders of a State tobacconist license; specifying that the license authorizes the holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor for on-premises consumption and to conduct tastings; specifying that the license holder need not sell food; requiring an applicant for the license or license renewal to meet specified requirements; providing a license fee of \$500; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, § 22-1007 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 776 Senator Jennings, et al**ENVIRONMENT – ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS – NONPROFIT CAMPGROUNDS**

Requiring the Department of the Environment to authorize a specified nonprofit campground to use specified on-site sewage disposal systems under specified circumstances; prohibiting the Department from applying specified criteria to a nonprofit campground; providing that specified requirements for using the best available technology for nitrogen removal do not apply to a nonprofit campground; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

EN, § 9-1112 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 777 Senator Astle**STATE LOTTERY – LICENSED AGENTS – COMMISSIONS**

Increasing the commissions from 5.5% to 6% that specified licensed agents receive from specified lottery ticket sales.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

SG, § 9-117(a)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 778 **Senator Lee**MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – VIDEO TOLLS –
NOTICE OF TOLL DUE

Requiring a notice of toll due to include notice of each video toll transaction that occurs during a 14–day period; requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to send specified vehicle owners a notice of toll due within 14 days after a video toll is incurred; requiring a specified person to pay each video toll included in a specified notice; providing that failure to pay each video toll under a specified notice constitutes a toll violation; requiring a specified citation to contain specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

TR, § 21-1414 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 779 **Senator Lee**

VEHICLE LAWS – INTERSECTIONS – PROHIBITED ACTS

Prohibiting vehicle traffic from entering specified intersections against specified traffic signals if the vehicle is unable to safely and completely proceed through the intersection; prohibiting the driver of a vehicle approaching a stop sign at an intersecting highway from crossing the intersecting highway if the driver is unable to safely and completely proceed through the intersection; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

TR, §§ 21-202 and 21-403 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 780 **Senator Lee**LOCAL GOVERNMENT – SEXUAL ASSAULT CASES – LOCAL
AUDITS

Authorizing a county or municipality to conduct a third–party audit of specified sexual assault cases; requiring a county or municipality to arrange a third–party audit of sexual assault cases under specified circumstances; establishing the requirements for a third–party audit of sexual assault cases; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to establish and maintain guidelines for third–party audits of sexual assault cases; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LG, § 1-1312 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 781 **Senator Lee**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – TESTING – HIV AND HEPATITIS C

Including hepatitis C as a disease for which a person charged with causing prohibited exposure may be tested under specified circumstances; authorizing a judge to issue a search warrant to obtain a buccal sample from a person to be tested for the presence of HIV when it is made to appear there is probable cause to believe that the person has caused prohibited exposure to a victim; requiring a law enforcement officer to deliver a buccal sample to a local health official or health care provider for immediate testing; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CP, §§ 11-107(e) and (f), 11-109, 11-110, 11-112(a), 11-113(a), and 11-117 - amended and § 11-110.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 782 **Senator Salling**MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2014 –
BALTIMORE COUNTY – CHESAPEAKE HIGH STADIUM

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2014 to remove the matching fund requirement for specified grants for Chesapeake High Stadium.

EMERGENCY BILL

Chapter 463 of the Acts of 2014, § 1(3) Item ZA02(AC) and Item ZA03(AA) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 783 **Senator Cassilly**

PATIENT EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAMS

Providing that a statement made by a party during a discussion held in accordance with a patient safety early intervention program is inadmissible in specified legal proceedings; authorizing a hospital or a related institution to establish a specified patient safety early intervention program; establishing specified requirements for a patient safety early intervention program; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 10-920.1 and HG, § 19-304.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 784 **Senator Madaleno, et al**DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES – YOUTH SERVICES
BUREAU – BUDGET APPROPRIATION

Requiring the Governor to appropriate any funding in the State budget for an eligible youth services bureau in the Department of Juvenile Services budget. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

HU, § 9-233(e)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 785 **Senator Astle**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – THE
BERNIE HOUSE

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Bernie House, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of The Bernie House transitional housing facility, located in Anne Arundel County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 786 **Senator Zucker, et al**EDUCATION – BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION PLANS – PHYSICAL
RESTRAINT AND SECLUSION

Prohibiting a public agency and a nonpublic school from using physical restraint except under specified circumstances; prohibiting a public agency and a nonpublic school from using seclusion except under specified circumstances; requiring a public agency or a nonpublic school that uses seclusion to take specified actions; requiring schools to report to the State Department of Education on or before December 1 each year specified information relating to physical restraint and seclusion incidents; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

ED, §§ 7-1101, 7-1103, and 7-1104 - amended and § 7-1102 - repealed and added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 787 **Senator Edwards**GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – MARIJUANA FACILITIES –
LOCATION

Authorizing the County Commissioners of Garrett County to enact a local law and adopt regulations relating to the location of any marijuana facility in Garrett County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LG, § 13-411 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 788 **Senator Edwards**NATALIE M. LAPRADE MEDICAL CANNABIS COMMISSION –
MEDICAL CANNABIS GROWER LICENSES

Requiring the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission, on or before December 31, 2017, to license 25 medical cannabis growers; requiring the Commission to actively seek to achieve geographic diversity when licensing medical cannabis growers, while giving additional weight and consideration to specified applicants; requiring the Commission to actively seek applicants for a medical cannabis grower license that incorporate elements of a specified research program in their applications; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

HG, § 13-3306(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 789 **Senator Smith**COMMERCIAL LAW – UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE – REPEAL OF
TITLE 6

Repealing Title 6 of the Maryland Uniform Commercial Code governing bulk transfers; making specified conforming changes; and providing that the rights and obligations that arose under Title 6 of the Maryland Uniform Commercial Code before its repeal by the Act remain valid and may be enforced as though Title 6 had not been repealed.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CL, §§ 1-301(c) and 2-403(4) - amended and §§ 6-101 through 6-111 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 790 **Senator Smith**

CRIMINAL LAW – ANIMAL CRUELTY – APPLICABILITY

Clarifying that a person who has charge or custody of an animal and who unnecessarily fails to provide the animal with proper air, proper space, proper shelter, or proper protection from the weather is guilty of violating a specified prohibition against abuse or neglect of an animal; and clarifying that a person who intentionally mutilates, intentionally tortures, intentionally cruelly beats, or intentionally cruelly kills an animal is guilty of violating a specified prohibition against aggravated cruelty to animals.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CR, §§ 10-604 and 10-606 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 791 **Senator Smith**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – PAINT
BRANCH STREAM VALLEY PARK TRAIL

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Paint Branch Stream Valley Park Trail, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 792 **Senator Smith**MARYLAND TRUST ACT – NOTICE AND REPORTING
REQUIREMENTS – EXEMPTIONS

Exempting specified persons from specified requirements under the Maryland Trust Act to provide specified notice and specified information to themselves.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ET, §§ 14.5-109 and 14.5-813 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 793 **Senator Smith****MARYLAND TRUST ACT – REPRESENTATIVES OF BENEFICIARIES**

Authorizing a settlor of a trust to designate specified persons to serve as a representative or successor representative of a beneficiary of the trust, to designate specified persons who may in turn designate a representative or successor representative of a beneficiary of the trust, and to specify the order of priority among those persons; prohibiting a trustee from serving as a representative of a specified beneficiary under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ET, § 14.5-105 - amended and § 14.5-306 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 794 **Senator Smith****LEGAL ADVICE TO CORPORATIONS – CLARIFICATION**

Altering an exception to the requirement that an individual be admitted to the Maryland Bar before the individual may practice law in the State by authorizing an individual who is admitted to the bar of any other state to provide legal advice to the individual's employer or the employer's organizational affiliates.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

BOP, § 10-206(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 795 **Senator Smith****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – EASTER SEALS INTER-GENERATIONAL CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Easter Seals Serving DC/MD/VA, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Inter-Generational Center, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 796 **Senator Edwards, et al****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TAX INCENTIVES PROGRAM AND ONE MARYLAND TAX CREDIT**

Establishing the County Economic Development Tax Incentives Program to encourage businesses to locate and expand in specified counties of the State; providing that after a business is designated as a qualified business, the business is eligible for a specified State property tax exemption, income tax subtraction modification, and sales and use tax exemption; authorizing a county and municipal corporation to provide a specified exemption from the county and municipal corporation property tax; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

EC, TG, and TP, Various Sections - added and EC and TG, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 797 **Senator Ready, et al****CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – REPORTING – DEFINITIONS**

Altering the definitions of “educator or human service worker” and “health practitioner” in provisions of law relating to the reporting of child abuse and neglect; and defining the terms “mandated reporter” as specified individuals acting in a professional capacity who are required to report suspected abuse or neglect and “youth-serving organization” as an organization whose goal is to educate, serve, or assist in the development of children of any age in provisions of law relating to the reporting of abuse and neglect.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

FL, §§ 5-701, 5-704(a), and 5-705(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 798 **Senator Muse, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – USE OR POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE – DE MINIMIS QUANTITY**

Making specified violations relating to the use or possession of specified de minimis quantities of specified controlled dangerous substances a civil offense rather than a misdemeanor; applying penalties for a first or second finding of guilt involving the use or possession of less than 10 grams of marijuana to a first or second finding of guilt involving the use or possession of a de minimis quantity of specified controlled dangerous substances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CR, §§ 5-601 and 5-601.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 799 **Senator Muse, et al****DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENSIONS – PENALTIES AND ASSESSMENT OF POINTS**

Repealing the term of imprisonment for a person convicted of driving a vehicle on a highway or specified property while the person's driver's license or privilege to drive is suspended in the State; reducing the number of points assessed to a person convicted of driving a vehicle on a highway or specified property while the person's driver's license or privilege to drive is suspended in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

TR, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 800 **Senator Middleton****NATALIE M. LAPRADE MEDICAL CANNABIS COMMISSION – MEDICAL CANNABIS GROWER LICENSES – REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

Increasing the number of medical cannabis growers that may be licensed by the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission; requiring the Commission to review specified applications and award Stage One pre-approval to at least one applicant located in southern Maryland, which includes Charles County, Calvert County, and St. Mary's County; and requiring an applicant awarded Stage One pre-approval to meet the standards for licensure as a medical cannabis grower as set by the Commission.

EMERGENCY BILL

HG, § 13-3306(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 801 **Senator Zirkin, et al****BALTIMORE COUNTY – CLASS 5 BREWERY**

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County to issue an on-site consumption permit to the holder of a Class 5 brewery license located in a specified enterprise zone at the time the permit is first issued; providing for the sale of a specified quantity of beer under the permit each year under specified circumstances; and providing that beer may be sold in excess of 5,000 barrels in a year only if purchased from a licensed beer wholesaler.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, § 13-401 - amended and § 13-403 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 802 **Senator Kelley, et al**

COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – VENUE – HEALTH CARE

Specifying that the venue for the purposes of specified health care proceedings is the county where an alleged negligent act or omission occurred; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 6-203(f) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 803 **Senator Young**

FREDERICK COUNTY – BLIGHTED PROPERTY – NUISANCE ABATEMENT

Authorizing a local government in Frederick County to use a specified process to remediate blighted property; requiring the owner of a blighted property, on notification from the appropriate unit of local government, to remediate the property's blighted condition in a specified manner; requiring the appropriate unit of local government to send a written notice to all lienholders of record; authorizing the appropriate unit of local government to grant an extension of the required time periods; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

RP, § 14-120.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 804 **Senator Young**

FREDERICK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT MEMBER

Altering the duties, rights, and privileges of the student member of the Frederick County Board of Education; altering the group of students who elect the student member; requiring the student member–elect to shadow the student member officeholder for the period of time between the election and the end of the officeholder's term; requiring the student member to comply with specified ethics and financial disclosure requirements, and vote on specified matters; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

ED, §§ 3-5B-01, 3-5B-03, and 3-5B-04 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 805 **Senator Young****FREDERICK COUNTY – ETHICS – PROHIBITED CONTRIBUTIONS TO PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Prohibiting a specified applicant from making a contribution to a member of the Planning Commission in Frederick County who is a candidate for Frederick County Council or Frederick County Executive during a specified period of time; prohibiting a specified member of the Planning Commission from voting or participating in the proceedings on a specified application if the member, the treasurer, or the political committee of the member received a contribution from a specified applicant; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

GP, §§ 5-857, 5-858, 5-859, and 5-861 - amended and § 5-860 - repealed

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 806 **Senator King, et al****EDUCATION – HEALTHY OUT OF SCHOOL TIME HEROES RECOGNITION PROGRAM**

Establishing the Healthy Out of School Time Heroes Recognition Program; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Program; requiring the Department to develop a specified recognition process; requiring the Department to use specified standards; requiring the Department to create a specified certificate; establishing that a specified certificate is valid for a specified amount of time; requiring the Department to maintain a specified list of programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, §§ 7-2001 through 7-2005 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 807 **Senators Smith and Astle****INCOME TAX CREDIT – WAGES PAID TO QUALIFIED VETERAN EMPLOYEES (HIRE OUR VETERANS ACT OF 2017)**

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for specified wages paid by specified small businesses to specified qualified veteran employees; providing for the calculation of the credit; prohibiting a small business from claiming the credit for a qualified veteran employee who is hired to replace a laid-off or striking employee; requiring the small business to submit specified documentation to qualify for the credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2016; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 10-741 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 808 **Senators Smith and Manno****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – JEWISH FOUNDATION FOR GROUP HOMES, INC.**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Foundation for Group Homes, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of multiple group homes within the Jewish Foundation for Group Homes program, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 809 **Senator Muse, et al****CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – SALES OF COMMON ELEMENTS AND COMMON AREAS**

Requiring the governing body of a condominium to provide a written notice no less than 30 days before the sale of any common element in the condominium; requiring the governing body of a homeowners association to provide a specified notice before the sale of any common area owned by the homeowners association; requiring that when a tax lien is imposed on specified properties, the governing body imposing the lien must notify each member of the condominium association or homeowner's association; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

RP, §§ 11-108(d) and 11B-106.2 - added and TP, § 14-804 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 810 **Senators Smith and Ramirez****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CORAM NOBIS – TIME FOR FILING**

Providing that, unless good cause is shown, a petition for writ of error coram nobis may not be filed more than 3 years after the petitioner knew or should have known that the petitioner faces a significant collateral consequence from the conviction that is the basis for the petition.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CP, § 8-401 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 811 **Senator Zirkin, et al****CIVIL CASES – MARYLAND LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION FUND – SURCHARGES – REPEAL OF SUNSET**

Repealing the termination date of specified provisions of law altering specified surcharges on specified fees, charges, and costs in specified civil cases and requiring a specified informational budget to be prepared for the Maryland Legal Services Corporation and submitted to the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

Chapter 486 of the Acts of 2010, § 2, as amended - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 812 Senator Madaleno, et al**HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ACT**

Establishing the Community Development Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development; requiring the Department to administer the Program; establishing the Community Development Board in the Department; establishing the Community Development Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; providing for the imposition of a specified community development transfer fee on residential and commercial property under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HS, §§ 6-601 through 6-609 and TP, §§ 13-601 through 13-607 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 813 Senator Madaleno, et al**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS – DURATION OF ASSISTANCE**

Specifying that payments to low-income households by the Secretary of Housing and Community Development through the Rental Allowance Program be made for not less than 4 consecutive years, subject to a specified condition; and altering specified criteria concerning time frames for assistance for specified rental assistance programs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HS, §§ 4-1403 and 4-1405 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 814 Senator Rosapepe, et al**PHARMACISTS – DISPENSING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – SINGLE DISPENSING OF DOSAGE UNITS**

Authorizing a pharmacist to dispense, in a single dispensing and exercising the pharmacist's professional judgment, a quantity of a prescription drug that is up to a specified number of authorized dosage units and does not exceed a 90-day supply of the prescription drug; and providing that the Act does not apply to a specified controlled dangerous substance.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HO, § 12-511 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 815 Senator Rosapepe**STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY – REGISTERED PHARMACY TECHNICIANS – EXEMPTION FOR PHARMACY STUDENTS**

Providing that a specified provision of law requiring an individual to be registered and approved by the State Board of Pharmacy as a pharmacy technician before performing delegated pharmacy acts does not apply to a pharmacy student who is currently completing the first year of a professional pharmacy education program and performs, under the direct supervision of a licensed pharmacist, delegated pharmacy acts in accordance with specified regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HO, § 12-6B-01 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 816 Cecil County Senators**CECIL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR TASTING LICENSE**

Establishing a beer, wine, and liquor tasting license in Cecil County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Cecil County to issue the beer, wine, and liquor tasting license to a holder of a Class A beer, wine, and liquor license; authorizing the license holder to allow on-premises consumption of beer, wine, and liquor for tasting; specifying the term of the license; requiring a license holder to provide specified notice before exercising specified privileges; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, § 17-1306 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 817 Cecil County Senators**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: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 818 **Senator Hershey****MARYLAND OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT – VOLUNTARY PROTECTION PROGRAM**

Establishing a Voluntary Protection Program in the Division of Labor and Industry to encourage participating employers to have exemplary worker safety and health programs; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to recognize specified employers under the Program; requiring an employer who wishes to participate in the Program to submit a specified application; authorizing the Commissioner to perform specified evaluations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LE, §§ 5-1001 through 5-1004 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 819 **Senator Hershey****QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INSPECTORS – QUALIFICATIONS, POWERS, AND DUTIES**

Specifying that an alcoholic beverages inspector in Queen Anne’s County or any member of the inspector’s immediate family may not have a personal or financial interest, directly or indirectly, in a license, license holder, or licensed premises; specifying the powers and duties of an alcoholic beverages inspector in Queen Anne’s County; requiring the Queen Anne’s County Office of the Sheriff to enforce specified violations; providing that an inspector has no power of arrest; and requiring an inspector to take a specified oath.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, § 27-205 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 820 **Senator Hershey****QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS D BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR AND CLASS 9 LIMITED DISTILLERY LICENSES**

Authorizing in Queen Anne’s County a holder of a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license and a Class 9 limited distillery license to sell liquor distilled at the location for off-premises consumption; prohibiting the holder of a Class D beer, wine, and liquor license and a Class 9 limited distillery license from selling beer for off-premises consumption; and providing an annual license fee of \$1,800.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

AB, § 27-906 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 821 **Senator Eckardt**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – DORCHESTER COUNTY –
CHESAPEAKE GROVE SENIOR HOUSING AND
INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$225,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Delmarva Community Services, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Chesapeake Grove Senior Housing and Intergenerational Center, located in Dorchester 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 822 **Senator Eckardt**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – TALBOT COUNTY – ST. LUKE’S
PRESCHOOL

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$19,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of St. Luke’s Methodists Church of St. Michaels, Maryland for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of playground equipment for St. Luke’s Preschool, located in Talbot 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 823 **Senator Eckardt**

TASK FORCE TO STUDY TAX SALES IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Task Force to Study Tax Sales in Maryland to examine the tax sale system to maximize resources, facilitate properties getting to productive use, and protecting residents; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 824 **Senator Eckardt****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – TALBOT COUNTY – ST. MICHAELS FAMILY YMCA**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association of the Chesapeake, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the St. Michaels Family YMCA facility, located in Talbot 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 825 **Senator Ramirez****EDUCATION – NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

Requiring specified nonpublic schools, in consultation with the State Department of Education, to develop and implement a program for students with special needs on or before July 1, 2018; and requiring the State Board of Education to adopt specified regulations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

ED, § 7-440 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 826 **Senator Conway****WEARING, CARRYING, OR TRANSPORTING A HANDGUN – PENALTIES – SUBSEQUENT OFFENDERS**

Prohibiting the suspension of a sentence for wearing, carrying, or transporting a handgun under specified circumstances for a person previously convicted of specified crimes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CR, § 4-203(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 827 **Senators Hough and Young****FREDERICK COUNTY – STATE’S ATTORNEY – ANNUAL SALARY**

Altering the annual salary of the State’s Attorney for Frederick County; requiring the salary of the State’s Attorney for Frederick County to increase in a percentage equal to the average annual increment and salary adjustment given to Frederick County employees over the State’s Attorney’s prior 4–year term; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CP, § 15-411(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 828 **Senator Hough****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CARROLL COUNTY – MT. AIRY CABOOSE AND VISITOR CENTER PAVILION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$12,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Foundation of Carroll County, Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Mt. Airy Caboose and Visitor Center Pavilion, located in Carroll 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 829 **Senator Pinsky****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – RIVERDALE PARK STATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Riverdale Park 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, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 830 **Senator Hough, et al****CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – INDIVIDUAL SUBJECT TO IMMIGRATION DETAINER – HOMELAND SECURITY NOTIFICATION**

Requiring a State or local correctional facility that is notified by the United States Department of Homeland Security that a specified individual is subject to an immigration detainer to provide a specified notice to the United States Department of Homeland Security at least 72 hours before the individual is released from the facility; authorizing a State or local correctional facility to maintain custody of an individual for period not to exceed 48 hours beyond the time the individual would have been released for a specified purpose; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CS, § 9-616 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 831 **Senator Pinsky****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – MARYLAND MILESTONES HERITAGE CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc. and the Board of Directors of Pyramid Atlantic, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Maryland Milestones Heritage Center, located in Prince George’s County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds: etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 832 **Senator Pinsky, et al****PUBLIC FUNDING AND SMALL DONOR ACT FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS**

Establishing a system of public financing of campaigns for specified General Assembly candidates; requiring the State Board of Elections to administer the system; requiring the Comptroller to credit to the Fair Campaign Financing Fund money collected under specified provisions of the Act and to distribute public contributions to the campaign finance entities of specified candidates; specifying procedures, requirements, and conditions participating candidates must meet to receive a distribution from the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

EL, § 15-106 - repealed, §§ 13-235 and 15-103 - amended, and §§ 15.5-101 through 15.5-118 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 833 **Senator Pinsky, et al****CORPORATE INCOME TAX – THROWBACK RULE**

Requiring that specified sales of tangible personal property be attributed to the State for apportionment purposes under the corporate income tax if the corporation is not taxable in the state of the purchaser; and applying the Act to taxable years after 2016.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 10-402(c) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 834 **Senator Lee, et al****HUMAN RELATIONS – DISCRIMINATION BY A PLACE OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION – ENFORCEMENT AND REMEDIES**

Authorizing specified persons to elect to have the claims asserted in a specified complaint alleging discrimination by a place of public accommodation determined in a civil action brought by the Commission on Civil Rights under specified circumstances; requiring a civil action brought by the Commission to be filed within a specified time period after an election; expanding the remedies available for discrimination by a place of public accommodation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

SG, §§ 20-1001, 20-1006(b), 20-1007(a), 20-1009, 20-1012(a) and (b), 20-1013, and 20-1016(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 835 **Senator Ramirez, et al****MARYLAND LAW ENFORCEMENT AND GOVERNMENTAL TRUST ACT**

Prohibiting a specified government agent from taking specified actions for immigration enforcement purposes; prohibiting a law enforcement official from stopping, arresting, searching, or detaining an individual for purposes of investigating a suspected immigration violation or inquiring about specified matters; requiring the Attorney General, in consultation with stakeholders, to develop and adopt model policies for a specified purpose; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CP, § 5-103 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 836 **Senators Norman and Smith****CIVIL ACTIONS – PUNITIVE DAMAGE AWARDS**

Providing that punitive damages may be awarded in a civil action only if the plaintiff proves by clear and convincing evidence that the defendant acted with wantonness, fraud, or malice; requiring a trier of fact to consider a defendant's liability for punitive damages concurrently with other specified issues; requiring a trier of fact to determine the amount of punitive damages to be awarded based on specified factors under specified circumstances; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 10-913 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 837 **Washington County Senators****WASHINGTON COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PENALTIES**

Authorizing the Washington County Board of License Commissioners to impose on a license holder or an employee of a license holder a maximum fine of \$200 for a first offense for selling or providing alcoholic beverages to an individual under the age of 21 years; specifying criminal procedures for a subsequent offense for a license holder or an employee of a license holder who sells or provides alcoholic beverages to an individual under the age of 21 years; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, § 31-2702 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 838 Senator Serafini**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WASHINGTON COUNTY – HAGERSTOWN URBAN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Hagerstown Urban Improvement Project, located in Washington 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 839 Senator Serafini**STATE BUDGET – APPROPRIATIONS – FUNDING PRIORITIES**

Requiring the Governor, in each proposed budget, to designate the funding priority for specified appropriations; providing that specified appropriations with a specified designation may not be reduced; providing that specified appropriations with a specified designation may receive funding only under specified circumstances; requiring that specified appropriations with a specified designation be reduced under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

SF, §§ 7-105 and 7-213 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 840 Carroll County Senators**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CARROLL COUNTY – BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF WESTMINSTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Boys & Girls Club of Westminster, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Boys and Girls Club of Westminster building, located in Carroll 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 841 **Senator Ready, et al**UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION FROM DISMEMBERMENT ABORTION
ACT OF 2017

Prohibiting, except under specified circumstances, the performance of or the attempt to perform a dismemberment abortion that kills an unborn child on a pregnant woman; authorizing a specified individual to seek a hearing before the State Board of Physicians on a specified issue; providing that specified findings of the Board from a specified hearing are admissible on that issue at a specified trial; providing for the delay of a specified trial for a specified purpose for a specified number of days; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HG, §§ 20-217 through 20-223 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 842 **Senator Ready, et al**

VOTER REGISTRATION INTEGRITY ACT OF 2017

Requiring a jury commissioner to provide prospective juror information concerning individuals who are not citizens of the United States to the State Board of Elections within 5 days after receiving the information; requiring the State Administrator of Elections to make specified arrangements to receive the information; requiring the State Administrator to retain a list of individuals whose information has been submitted; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 8-105 - amended and EL, § 3-504(a)(4) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 843 **Senator Mathias**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WORCESTER COUNTY – BELIEVE IN
TOMORROW COTTAGE BY THE SEA

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 Believe in Tomorrow National Children's Foundation, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping related to the Believe in Tomorrow Cottage By the Sea respite housing facility, located in Worcester County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 844 **Senator Mathias****NATURAL RESOURCES – HUNTING – DEER MANAGEMENT PERMITS**

Authorizing a person to hunt deer under a Deer Management Permit on any Sunday throughout the year, including all deer hunting seasons; altering the application of specified provisions of law governing Deer Management Permits in Charles County and St. Mary's County; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

NR, §§ 10-410(a)(1) and (2) and 10-415(d)(1) and (2) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 845 **Senator Mathias****EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM – OPTIONAL MEMBERSHIP – CONCURRENT MEMBERSHIP PROHIBITION**

Providing that specified membership in the Employees' Pension System shall terminate for specified individuals as of July 1, 2017; providing that specified individuals may receive a return of employee contributions under specified circumstances; clarifying that a specified individual shall remain a member of the Employees' Pension System with respect to specified employment; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 846 **Senator Conway (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)****BALTIMORE CITY – HOTEL ROOM TAX – CONVENTION CENTER PROMOTION**

Extending, through fiscal year 2022, provisions requiring that 40% of the proceeds from a hotel room tax imposed by Baltimore City be appropriated specifically for Convention Center marketing and tourism promotion; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

The Charter of Baltimore City, Art. II, § (40)(e) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 847 **Senator Kagan****RETAIL SERVICE STATION DEALERS – GAS PRICES – REQUIRED SIGNAGE**

Altering the information about a specified measurement of specified gasoline that must be stated on a sign on the premises of a retail service station dealer to require the highest price, or the cash price and the credit price, be stated in a clear and visible manner; authorizing a specified sign to state the highest price for a specified measurement of specified other motor fuel products; and repealing a specified exemption from a specified signage requirement for specified retail service station dealers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

BR, § 10-315 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 848 **Senator Kagan****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – DISPENSING AUTHORITY**

Authorizing a physician assistant to personally prepare and dispense any drug that the physician assistant may prescribe to the extent permitted by law in the course of treating a patient at specified facilities, clinics, health centers, and hospitals; requiring a physician assistant who personally dispenses a drug to comply with specified requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HO, §§ 12-102(a), (c) through (g), and (m) and 15-302.2 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 849 **Senator Kagan, et al**NONPUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS –
DISCRIMINATION – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a nonpublic elementary or secondary school that receives State funds from refusing enrollment of, expelling, withholding privileges from, or otherwise discriminating against any student or prospective student because of specified factors; making specified provisions of law prohibiting discrimination in employment applicable to nonpublic elementary and secondary schools that receive State funds; making specified remedies and procedures regarding discrimination applicable to specified discriminatory acts; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, §§ 26-501 & 26-502 - added & SG, §§ 20-101(d), 20-604, 20-1001, 20-1006, 20-1007, 20-1009, 20-1012, 20-1013, & 20-1017 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 850 **Senator Mathias**

CHESAPEAKE BAY WATER TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

Requiring the Department of Transportation and the Maryland Transit Administration to study the feasibility of using the navigable waters of Chesapeake Bay as a water transportation network to link waterfront communities along the Chesapeake Bay; requiring the Department and the Administration to prepare an inventory of specified facilities on the Chesapeake Bay and to estimate the cost of implementing the specified network; requiring a specified report be made to the Governor and General Assembly by June 30, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TR, § 8-102 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 851 **Senator Ready****PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY – CONSISTENCY WITH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Requiring the Public Service Commission to provide a copy of specified application materials for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to each appropriate unit of local government in which the construction of a generating station or of a specified overhead transmission line is proposed to be located; requiring each unit of local government to review the application materials and make a specified determination as to whether the application is consistent with the jurisdiction's comprehensive plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LU, §§ 1-301 and 1-302 and PU, § 7-207(d) and (e) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 852 **Senator Ready****PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND ACCESSIBILITY CODE – APPLICABILITY**

Clarifying that the Maryland Accessibility Code does not apply to a change of use that is not a specified change of occupancy.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PS, § 12-202 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 853 **Senator Madaleno, et al****TRANSITIONAL SUPPORTS FOR EX-OFFENDERS – REPEAL OF RESTRICTIONS (MARYLAND EQUAL ACCESS TO FOOD ACT OF 2017)**

Repealing specified provisions of law subjecting specified individuals convicted of specified felonies involving a controlled dangerous substance who apply for temporary cash assistance or food stamps to specified testing and treatment requirements and sanctions; altering the criminal violations that make specified recipients ineligible for temporary cash assistance or food stamps for 1 year after conviction and subject to specified testing and treatment requirements and sanctions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HU, § 5-601 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 854 **Senator Madaleno, et al**

DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARIES – CAMPAIGN AND WORKING HOUR ACTIVITIES

Prohibiting a secretary of a principal department of the Executive Branch of State government from soliciting, accepting, transmitting, or depositing in a campaign account contributions or donations for the benefit of a candidate or political party; prohibiting a secretary from being a candidate for a public elective office while serving as secretary; authorizing the State Board of Elections to impose a civil penalty on specified entities as a result of a violation of this Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

EL, § 13-244 and SG, § 8-207 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 855 **Senator Madaleno, et al**

MAIN STREET FAIRNESS ACT OF 2017

Altering the definition of “engage in the business of an out-of-state vendor”, for purposes of establishing nexus under the sales and use tax law, to include vendors who sell or deliver, during the preceding four quarterly periods, tangible personal property or taxable services to customers in the State if the cumulative gross receipts are greater than \$10,000 or the sales or deliveries are made in at least 200 separate transactions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 11-701(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 856 **Senator Guzzone, et al**

MARYLAND LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION FUNDING – ABANDONED PROPERTY FUNDS

Altering the amount that the State Comptroller is required to distribute of specified abandoned property funds each year to the Maryland Legal Services Corporation Fund.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

CL, § 17-317 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 857 **Senators Smith and Waugh**STATE GOVERNMENT – DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS –
VETERANS’ SERVICES SPECIALISTS

Requiring specified units of State government to assign a full-time employee of the unit as a veterans’ services specialist to coordinate services with the director of the veterans Outreach and Advocacy Program in the Department of Veterans Affairs and attend specified training, to provide the Department of Veterans Affairs with specified information, and to post specified information on the unit’s Web site; making the Act applicable to specified units of State government; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

SG, § 9-944 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 858 **Senator Smith**COMMERCIAL LAW – MARYLAND ANTITRUST ACT – INDIRECT
PURCHASERS

Altering the circumstances under which a person, whose business or property has been injured or threatened with injury by a violation of specified provisions of law, may maintain an action for damages, an injunction, or both, against any person who has committed the violation, regardless of whether the person maintaining the action dealt directly or indirectly with the person who has committed the violation; altering a specified defense that a defendant may raise in specified actions for damages; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CL, § 11-209(b) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 859 **Senator Ferguson**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – BAYBROOK
PARK ATHLETIC FIELD

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the athletic field lighting at Baybrook Park, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 860 **Senator Ferguson****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – RASH FIELD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$2,000,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Rash Field in the Inner Harbor, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 861 **Senator Smith, et al****FAMILY LAW – MARRIAGE – AGE REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing specified provisions authorizing specified individuals under the age of majority to marry under specified circumstances

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

FL, §§ 2-301, 2-402(e), and 2-405 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 862 **Senator Conway, et al****ENVIRONMENT – HYDRAULIC FRACTURING – MORATORIUM AND REFERENDA**

Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a permit for the hydraulic fracturing of a well for the exploration or production of natural gas in the State until October 1, 2019, and only under specified circumstances; prohibiting a person from engaging in hydraulic fracturing in a local jurisdiction unless the local jurisdiction has submitted to a referendum of the voters of the local jurisdiction a specified question and a majority of the voters have voted in a specified manner; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

EN, § 14-107.1 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 863 **Senator Mathias****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – SOMERSET COUNTY – TEACKLE MANSION AND THE SARAH MARTIN DONE HOUSE**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Somerset Co Historical Society Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Teackle Mansion and the Sarah Martin Done House, located in Somerset 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 864 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****EDUCATION – OVERDOSE ON PUBLIC SCHOOL PREMISES – SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS**

Altering the exclusive original jurisdiction of a circuit court for a county sitting as the juvenile court to include a child who is alleged to have overdosed on public school premises; requiring a school official to file with a juvenile court a petition alleging a child has overdosed on public school premises in violation of specified regulations; requiring a juvenile court to order a child who has overdosed on public school premises to enter a State certified substance abuse treatment program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

CJ, § 3-8A-03(a) - amended and ED, § 7-440 and HG, § 8-5A-01 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Judicial Proceedings

SB 865 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – SCHOOL ZONE CROSSWALKS – TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS**

Requiring the State Highway Administration or a local authority to place traffic control signals at specified locations in specified school zones; and requiring that a traffic control signal placed on a highway under the Act may operate only during specified hours.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TR, § 21-803.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 866 Senator Klausmeier**ADULT HIGH SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing an Adult High School Pilot Program; providing for the purpose of the Program; providing that the Program is under the authority and supervision of the State Department of Education and the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; authorizing the Department, in consultation with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, to approve up to six pilots; establishing requirements for a pilot under the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

ED, §§ 9.7-101 through 9.7-111 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 867 Senator Klausmeier, et al**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – FAILURE TO REPORT ACCIDENT OR ACTION TO DETER OR DISSUADE FROM FILING A CLAIM – PENALTIES**

Altering the penalties imposed on an employer who fails to report an accidental personal injury within the time required under the workers' compensation law; providing that an employer who takes an action to deter or dissuade a covered employee from filing a specified claim application form is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to specified penalties; requiring an employer to pay to a covered employee a specified amount of compensation or benefits under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LE, § 9-1102 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 868 Senator Klausmeier, et al**OVERDOSE RESPONSE PROGRAM – PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING OF NALOXONE – NONCERTIFICATE HOLDERS**

Notwithstanding specified provisions of law, authorizing a specified physician or a specified advanced practice nurse to prescribe and dispense naloxone to individuals who have not completed specified training; authorizing, notwithstanding specified provisions of law, a specified physician or a specified advanced practice nurse to prescribe and dispense naloxone to individuals who have not completed specified training by issuing a standing order under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HG, §§ 13-3101(h), 13-3102, 13-3108, 13-3109, and 13-3110 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 869 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****HIGHER EDUCATION – COMMUNITY COLLEGES – WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SEQUENCE GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

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

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

ED, §§ 18-3301 through 18-3307 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

SB 870 **Senator Mathias, et al****PREVAILING WAGE – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DEVELOPMENTS – APPLICATION**

Altering the prevailing wage law to apply to specified structures or works constructed in tax increment financing developments established under State or local law; applying the Act only to a contract executed on or after July 1, 2017; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

SF, § 17-202 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 871 **Senator Zucker**

EDUCATION – ACCOUNTABILITY – CONSOLIDATED STATE PLAN AND SUPPORT AND IMPROVEMENT PLANS (PROTECT OUR SCHOOLS ACT OF 2017)

Requiring an educational accountability program to include at least three school quality indicators; prohibiting the school quality indicators from being based on student testing; requiring academic and school quality indicators to be given equal weight; requiring a county board of education to develop and implement a Comprehensive Support and Improvement Plan for specified schools under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

ED, § 7-203 - amended and § 7-203.4 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 872 **Senator Zucker, et al**

JAMES W. HUBBARD INCLUSIVE HIGHER EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM

Establishing the James W. Hubbard Inclusive Higher Education Grant Program; providing for the purpose of the Program; requiring the Program to be administered jointly by the Maryland Higher Education Commission, the Department of Disabilities, and the Developmental Disabilities Administration; providing for the duties of the Commission, the Department, and the Administration under the Program; requiring the Governor to include a \$250,000 appropriation in the annual budget bill in fiscal years 2019, 2020, 2021; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

ED, §§ 11-1201 through 11-1205 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 873 **Senator Madaleno (By Request – Tax Credit Evaluation Committee)**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – JOB CREATION TAX CREDIT – ALTERATION

Altering the definitions of “qualified position” and “State priority funding area” for purposes of the job creation tax credit program; requiring the Department of Commerce to certify the amount of the tax credit for which a qualified business entity is eligible; prohibiting the Department from certifying tax credits in a taxable year in excess of a specified amount; applying the Act to job creation tax credits certified after December 31, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

EC, §§ 6-301(d)(1) and (f), 6-303(b) and (e), 6-304, 6-305(c), 6-307, and 6-309 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 874 **Senator Kelley**

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – EMPLOYMENT CATEGORIES AND PRACTICES

Altering the employment categories of specified employees of the State Department of Education; requiring that all positions in the Department be appointed positions in the professional service and skilled service as well as the executive service and management service, subject to a specified exception; repealing the authority for special appointment positions in the Department; altering the procedures for appointment, the setting of qualifications, and the transfer of employees of the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, §§ 2-104 and 2-105 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 875 **Senator Kelley**

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY – NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Requiring a person authorized to sell residential property subject to foreclosure to file a notice of foreclosure with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation under certain circumstances; establishing that a notice of foreclosure may be filed through the Foreclosed Property Registry; establishing that the notice of foreclosure contain specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

RP, § 14-126.1(j) - repealed and §§ 14-126.2 and 14-126.3 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 876 **Senator Kelley****INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES – ESTABLISHING COMMUNITY–BASED LONG–TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS (MARYLAND DISABILITY INTEGRATION ACT)**

Requiring public entities to provide community–based long–term services and supports to specified individuals; requiring the Department of Disabilities to adopt a comprehensive plan that includes a specific and reasonable time frame and that is funded from any source; requiring the Department to complete its comprehensive plan no later than a specified date; providing that public entities may not discriminate against individuals who require long–term services and supports by specified means; etc.

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

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HU, §§ 7-801 through 7-804 - added and § 7-801 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 877 **Senator Kelley, et al****MARYLAND NO–FAULT BIRTH INJURY FUND**

Establishing a system for adjudication of a claim involving a birth–related neurological injury; providing equitable compensation, on a no–fault basis, for a limited class of catastrophic injuries that result in unusually high costs for custodial care and rehabilitation; establishing the Maryland No–Fault Birth Injury Fund to provide compensation and benefits to eligible claimants; providing for specified premiums and insurance surcharges to be used to finance and administer the Fund; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

CJ, §§ 3-2D-01 through 3-2D-08, HG, §§ 20-1801 through 20-1803, and IN, §§ 32-101 through 32-304 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Finance

SB 878 **Senator Kelley****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CELL SITE SIMULATOR TECHNOLOGY**

Authorizing a court to issue an order authorizing or directing a law enforcement officer to use a cell site simulator device after making a specified determination; requiring an application for a specified court order to contain specified information; requiring a law enforcement agency authorized to use a cell site simulator device in accordance with the Act to take specified actions; limiting the period of time during which information may be obtained under an order authorizing the use of a cell site simulator device; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CP, § 1-203.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 879 **Senator Kelley****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PRETRIAL RELEASE – PILOT PROGRAM AND CONDITIONS**

Requiring the Pretrial Release Services Program in the Division of Parole and Probation to establish a pretrial resource center; establishing a Pretrial Release Pilot Program in two counties and Baltimore City that utilizes a pretrial safety assessment tool in pretrial release considerations; authorizing a cash bond deposited by a defendant or on behalf of a defendant by an individual other than a surety to be used for specified financial obligations; requiring the Division to report to the Governor and General Assembly; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

CS, CP, and SG, Various Sections - amended and CP, §§ 5-201.1 and 15-102.1 and SG, § 9-3207(a)(9) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 880 **Senator Kelley**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PRETRIAL RELEASE – REFORM

Altering a requirement for the construction of a specified provision of law relating to pretrial release of a specified defendant on personal recognizance and unsecured bond; requiring a judicial officer to impose a specified condition or combination of conditions of release under specified circumstances; authorizing a judicial officer to impose one or more specified nonfinancial conditions of release under specified circumstances; providing that a judicial officer may impose financial conditions only under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

CP, §§ 5-101, 5-201, 5-202, 5-205, and 5-206 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 881 **Senator Kelley**

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – ELECTIVE SHARE OF SURVIVING SPOUSE

Repealing specified provisions of law relating to a surviving spouse making an election to take a specified share of the net estate of the decedent instead of the property left to the surviving spouse under the will; providing that a surviving spouse may take a specified elective share amount of a specified augmented estate; establishing the priority to be used in determining the sources from which a specified elective share amount is payable; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ET, Various Sections - amended, §§ 3-203 through 3-208 - repealed, and §§ 3-401 through 3-411 and 14.5-605 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 882 **Senator Simonaire**

ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN SIGNS AT POLLING PLACES

Altering the time period during which campaign signs shall be allowed on the premises of polling places for an election.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

EL, § 10-101(a) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 883 **Senator Simonaire****MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS – VOTING BY INDIVIDUALS NOT LAWFULLY PRESENT IN THE UNITED STATES**

Prohibiting individuals who are not lawfully present in the United States from voting in municipal elections; and providing that if a municipality allows individuals who are residents of the municipality but are not citizens of the United States to vote in its municipal elections, the municipality shall verify the lawful presence of each such individual in the United States before the individual votes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LG, § 4-108.5 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 884 **Senator Rosapepe, et al****MARYLAND FINANCIAL CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMISSION**

Establishing the Maryland Financial Consumer Protection Commission; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; authorizing the Commission to hold public meetings across the State and provide specified reports to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Maryland Congressional Delegation under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Finance

SB 885 **Senator Rosapepe****ENVIRONMENT – RECYCLING – SPECIAL EVENTS**

Altering the application of specified provisions of law relating to recycling at special events; requiring a county, a municipality, or any other local government to provide to an organizer of a special event a written statement that describes specified requirements and penalties before issuing a permit for the special event; requiring a county, a municipality, or any other local government to enforce specified provisions of law relating to recycling at a special event; and altering specified penalties.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

EN, § 9-1712 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 886 **Senator Rosapepe****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – COLLEGE PARK COMPLETE AND GREEN STREETS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of College Park for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the College Park Complete and Green Streets project, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 887 **Senator Rosapepe****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – DUVALL FIELD RENOVATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$150,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of College Park for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Duvall Field, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 888 **Senator Rosapepe****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – COLLEGE PARK WOODS HIKER/BIKER CONNECTOR TRAIL**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Prince George’s County Department of Parks and Recreation for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the College Park Woods Hiker/Biker Connector Trail, located in Prince George’s County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 889 **Senator Rosapepe**MARYLAND–NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING
COMMISSION – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – APPOINTMENT
PROCEDURES

Repealing specified provisions of law establishing the appointment procedures for a member of the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission from Prince George’s County; requiring the Prince George’s County Council to appoint each commissioner from Prince George’s County subject to the approval of the Prince George’s County Executive; requiring the County Council to make an appointment from a list of applicants completed at least 3 weeks before an appointment is made and which is made available to the public; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LU, §§ 15-102(a) and 15-103 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 890 **Senator Rosapepe**ENVIRONMENT – REFUSE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS – PUBLIC NOTICE
AND HEARING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Department of the Environment to provide specified notice and hold a specified public hearing before the Secretary of the Environment may approve the amendment or renewal of a permit for a refuse disposal system.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

EN, § 9-291 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 891 **Senator Feldman, et al**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CANNABIS – RIGHT TO USE,
POSSESS, AND CULTIVATE

Amending the Maryland Constitution to establish that, subject to specified exceptions, an individual in the State who is at least 21 years old has the right under State law to use cannabis, possess up to 2 ounces of cannabis, and cultivate up to 6 cannabis plants; providing that the right enumerated in the amendment may not be infringed except that the transfer of cannabis by purchase or sale shall be regulated as necessary to ensure health and safety and taxed for specified purposes; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Declaration of Rights, Art. 48 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 892 **Senator Feldman, et al**COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION –
NONTRANSFERABLE TICKETING SYSTEMS

Prohibiting a ticket issuer from using a nontransferable ticketing system under specified circumstances; prohibiting a purchaser or a seller of a ticket from being penalized, discriminated against, or denied access to an event under specified circumstances; authorizing a ticket issuer, an operator of a venue, or an agent of the operator to maintain and enforce specified policies, establish specified limits, revoke or restrict specified tickets and opt not to sell tickets in a specified form under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CL, §§ 14-4001 through 14-4003 - amended and §§ 14-4002 and 14-4003 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 893 **Senator Feldman**COMMERCIAL LAW – CREDIT SERVICES BUSINESSES –
AUTHORITY TO CHARGE AND RECEIVE CONSIDERATION

Limiting the circumstances under which a credit services business is prohibited from charging or receiving any money or other valuable consideration prior to full and complete performance of the services that the credit services business has agreed to perform for or on behalf of the consumer; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

CL, § 14-1902 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 894 **Senator Feldman**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY –
POOLESVILLE GRAPE CRUSHING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
FACILITY

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$1,000,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Montgomery County Revenue Authority for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Poolesville Grape Crushing Economic Development 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 895 **Senator Feldman**

MARYLAND COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT

Authorizing a court to appoint a receiver under specified circumstances; providing that a specified mortgagee is entitled to the appointment of a receiver; requiring a court to appoint a receiver under specified circumstances; authorizing a court to condition the appointment of a receiver on the giving of a specified security under specified circumstances; authorizing a court to appoint a specified person as an ancillary receiver for specified property; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CL, § 15-103 - repealed and §§ 24-101 through 24-801 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 896 **Senators Astle and Middleton**

NATURAL RESOURCES – PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – USE OF LOCAL FUNDS

Repealing a requirement that specified local governing bodies use at least a specified amount of the local governing body's annual apportionment for acquisition projects under Program Open Space; authorizing a local governing body to use all of the local governing body's annual apportionment for acquisition projects; altering the required contents of a local land preservation and recreation plan; repealing a requirement that the Department of Planning prepare specified guidelines; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

NR, § 5-905 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 897 **Senator Astle**

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: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 898 **Senator Astle, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – DISPENSING SYNCHRONIZATION**

Requiring specified insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to allow and apply a prorated daily copayment or coinsurance amount for a partial supply of a prescription drug dispensed by an in-network pharmacy under specified circumstances; prohibiting a specified insurer, nonprofit health service plan, and health maintenance organization from denying payment of benefits to an in-network pharmacy for a covered prescription drug solely on a specified basis; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

IN, § 15-850 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 899 **Senator Astle****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – SELECTION OF MEMBERS**

Requiring that, beginning with the 2018 general election, specified members of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education be elected by councilmanic districts and at large; altering the membership, purpose, and duties of the renamed School Board Appointment Commission of Anne Arundel County; providing for the term of office of a specified member of the Commission; repealing the Commission on November 1, 2020; providing for the expiration of the terms of specified appointed members of the county board; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

ED, §§ 3-108(a), 3-110, 3-114(a), 3-2A-03(c), and 3-2B-01(b)(2) - amended and Various Sections - added and repealed

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 900 **Senator Peters, et al**

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – EDUCATION AND DEFINITION OF ABUSE

Requiring the State Board of Education to encourage county boards of education to incorporate age-appropriate lessons on domestic violence into a specified curriculum; altering the definition of “abuse” for purposes of specified provisions of law relating to domestic violence to include harassment and malicious destruction of property; and defining harassment and malicious destruction of property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, § 7-411.1 and FL, § 4-501 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 901 **Senator Peters**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC CHURCH PARISH HALL

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Archdiocese of Washington–St. Nicholas Catholic Church for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the parish hall for St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 902 **Senator Ferguson**

VEHICLE LAWS – SAFE AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE (SAVE) ACT

Authorizing specified manufacturers of autonomous and connected (AV/CV) vehicles to establish a safe autonomous vehicle (SAVE) project authorizing the manufacturer to supervise the driving of AV/CV vehicles on highways in the State; requiring an AV/CV vehicle manufacturer to certify to the Motor Vehicle Administration that the AV/CV vehicles in its fleet under a SAVE project meet specified standards; establishing that an AV/CV vehicle may be driven on a highway only as part of a SAVE project; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

TR, §§ 11-103.4, 11-103.5, 13-939.3, and 21-1130 - added and § 11-135 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 903 Senator Ferguson**HEALTH AND AGING PROGRAMS – ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS**

Establishing the Administrative Care Coordination Unit Program and the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; providing for the purposes of the Programs; requiring the Department to develop and use specified formulas to allocate funding under the Programs; establishing a mandated minimum appropriation to increase funding for specified programs over specified established funding levels; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

HG, §§ 15-149 and 20-1801 through 20-1803 and HU, §§ 10-1101 through 10-1103 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 904 Senator Muse**JUVENILE LAW – CONTINUED DETENTION – MINIMUM AGE**

Prohibiting the continued detention, beyond emergency detention, of a child under the age of 13 years unless the child is alleged to have committed a specified crime of violence.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 3-8A-15 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 905 Senator Muse**LEGAL DECISION MAKING AND PARENTING TIME – SHARED PARENTING TIME FOR FAMILY EQUALITY ACT**

Creating a rebuttable presumption in specified legal decision making and parenting time proceedings that specified co-parenting arrangements are in the best interests of a child; authorizing a court to consider specified factors when determining the best interests of the child; authorizing the court to award primary legal decision making and parenting time under specified circumstances; requiring the court to enter specified information on the record; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

FL, § 9-109 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 906 **Senator Muse****CHILD SUPPORT – SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYMENT-RELATED LICENSE FOR ARREARS – HARDSHIP EXCEPTION AND REINSTATEMENT**

Requiring that notice of a proposed action to suspend a license necessary for an individual to engage in a particular business, occupation, or profession for failure to pay child support contain information on specified grounds for requesting an investigation; authorizing the Child Support Enforcement Administration to choose temporarily not to request a suspension of a license necessary to engage in a particular business, occupation, or profession under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

FL, § 10-119.3(f) and (j) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 907 **Senator Muse****JUVENILE LAW – PROCEDURE – APPEARANCE BY VIDEO CONFERENCE**

Authorizing the juvenile court to permit a child to appear by video conference in specified proceedings.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 3-8A-13(f) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 908 **Senator Ferguson, et al****MARYLAND EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATIVE – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Maryland Education Development Collaborative; providing that the Collaborative is an instrumentality of the State; providing for the purposes of the Collaborative; establishing a Governing Board of the Collaborative; providing for the composition, residency requirement, appointment considerations, removal, chair, and quorum requirements for the Governing Board; requiring the Governing Board to establish an Advisory Council, made up of specified persons, to advise in specified matters; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

ED, §§ 9.7-101 through 9.7-113 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 909 Charles County Senators (By Request)**CHARLES COUNTY – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS**

Authorizing specified fire, emergency medical service, paramedic, and rescue employees of Charles County to collectively bargain with the County Commissioners of Charles County with respect to specified matters; prohibiting the County Commissioners from recognizing an exclusive representative except under specified circumstances; requiring negotiations for the collective bargaining agreement to begin on or before a specified date; specifying the time period during which an exclusive bargaining agreement may be valid; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LE, §§ 4-501, 4-504, and 4-505 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 910 Senator Middleton**MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND – OPERATIONS**

Repealing an exception for the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund from certain 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: Finance

SB 911 **Senator Zirkin****COURTS – DIRECT ACTION AGAINST INSURER**

Requiring a specified insurance policy issued, sold, or delivered in the State to be construed to make the insurer directly liable, within the terms and limits of the policy, to specified third party claimants; providing that a third party claimant has a right of direct action against a specified insurer subject to specified requirements; authorizing a third party claimant to bring an action against the insurer alone or the insurer and the insured jointly under specified circumstances; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, §§ 3-1702(a) thru (c) & 5-118 & IN, § 27-1001(b), (c)(1), (d)(1), & (h)(1) and (2) - amended & CJ, §§ 3-1701 & 3-1703 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 912 **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Maryland Judicial Conference)****CHILDREN IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE – SEX TRAFFICKING**

Altering the definition of “sexual abuse” in provisions of law relating to children in need of assistance to include an act that involves the sex trafficking of a child by any individual; and defining the terms “sexual molestation or exploitation” and “sex trafficking” in provisions of law relating to children in need of assistance.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

CJ, § 3-801(x) - added and § 3-801(x), (y), (z), (aa), (bb), and (cc) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 913 **Senator Guzzone (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – DEATH BENEFITS**

Altering the distribution of specified survivor benefits to surviving children of specified members of the State Retirement and Pension System; requiring a disabled child to receive specified survivor benefits; allowing a death benefit to be paid if special death benefits are waived; altering the distribution of special death benefits to surviving children of members of the State Retirement and Pension System; requiring a surviving disabled child to receive specified special death benefits; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

SP, §§ 2-507, 24-403, 26-402, 27-403, 29-202, 29-203, 29-204, 29-204.1, and 29-204.2 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 914 **Senator Guzzone**STATE RETIREMENT AGENCY – INVESTMENT DIVISION
PERSONNEL

Authorizing the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to determine the qualifications and compensation of specified positions in the Investment Division in the State Retirement Agency; authorizing the Board of Trustees to create specified positions in the Investment Division; requiring specified positions to be funded from specified existing funds; requiring the Board of Trustees to report specified information to specified General Assembly committees on or before October 1 annually; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

SP, §§ 21-122 and 21-315 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 915 **Senator Guzzone**

REAL PROPERTY TAX – ASSESSMENT APPEALS PROCESS

Requiring a hearing on an appeal to a supervisor of assessments concerning the value or classification of real property to occur no later than 90 days after the Department of Assessments and Taxation received the appeal; allowing a hearing to occur on a later date if the supervisor and the person who has appealed the value or classification agree to the later date; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018

TP, §§ 8-405, 8-407, 14-509, and 14-511 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 916 **Senator Feldman, et al**MARYLAND COLLECTION AGENCY LICENSING ACT – STUDENT
EDUCATION LOAN SERVICERS

Altering the definition of “collection agency” under the Maryland Collection Agency Licensing Act to include a person who directly or indirectly engages in the business of servicing a student education loan of any student borrower.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

BR, § 7-101 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 917 **Senator Mathias, et al****MOTOR VEHICLES – GROSS WEIGHT AND AXLE LOAD AND EXCEPTIONAL HAULING PERMIT – POULTRY**

Exempting a specified combination of vehicles with a trailer or semitrailer from specified gross weight limits; establishing the gross weight limit for a specified combination of vehicles with a trailer or semitrailer that are carrying poultry under specified circumstances; authorizing a specified combination of vehicles with a trailer or semitrailer to have a specified axle load limit tolerance and gross weight limit tolerance under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

TR, §§ 24-109 and 24-113.2 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 918 **Senator Mathias****HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE OF FERTILITY PRESERVATION PROCEDURES FOR IATROGENIC INFERTILITY**

Requiring specified insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide specified benefits under specified insurance policies or contracts to provide coverage for specified fertility preservation procedures; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018

IN, § 15-810.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 919 **Senator Mathias****PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER CANCER TREATMENT ACCESS ACT**

Prohibiting a specified insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization from imposing a step therapy or fail-first protocol on an insured or an enrollee for a specified prescription drug used in the treatment of a specified cancer under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

IN, § 15-142 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 920 **Senators Mathias and Eckardt****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WICOMICO COUNTY – LOWER SHORE CLINIC DAY PROGRAM FOR SENIORS WITH DISABILITIES FACILITY**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Lower Shore Clinic, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a facility for the Lower Shore Clinic Day Program for Seniors with Disabilities, located in Wicomico 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 921 **Senator Benson****STATE PERSONNEL – SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS IN THE SKILLED AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Requiring the Chief Executive Officer of Maryland Correctional Enterprises and the Secretary of Human Resources to transfer, on or before July 1, 2017, specified special appointment positions to specified employment categories of the State Personnel and Management System; establishing that certain staff in the Child Support Enforcement Administration may not be considered special appointments; repealing the special appointment status of specified employees of the Office of the Attorney General; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

CS, § 3-506, FL, § 10-106, and SG, § 6-105 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 922 **Senator Benson****BUSINESS REGULATION – STATE JUNK LICENSES AND TRADER’S LICENSES – APPLICANTS**

Requiring applicants for a State junk license and a trader’s license to disclose specified information and make specified attestations under specified circumstances; prohibiting a clerk of a circuit court from issuing a State junk license or a trader’s license to an applicant if the applicant or a specified interested party has been convicted of specified offenses or has had a specified judgment entered against the applicant or interested party; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

BR, § 17-1008 - amended and § 17-1806.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 923 **Washington County Senators****WASHINGTON COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SALES AT WINERY SPECIAL EVENTS**

Authorizing a holder of a Class 3 winery license or a Class 4 limited winery license in Washington County to sell beer, light wine produced at the winery or at another winery, and liquor for on–premises consumption at a special event such as a wedding reception that is approved by the Board of License Commissioners; and providing for a license fee of \$50.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

AB, §§ 31-401 and 31-701 - amended and § 31-402.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 924 **Senator Serafini****COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION AND STATE COLLECTION AGENCY LICENSING BOARD – SURETY BOND REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSEES AND REGISTRANTS**

Altering and establishing specified surety bond requirements for specified persons licensed or registered by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation and specified persons licensed by the State Collection Agency Licensing Board; requiring a specified applicant for a new license to file, with the application, a surety bond with the Board; requiring the bond to run to the Board, as obligee, for the benefit of the State and specified persons; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

BR, § 7-304 and FI, §§ 11-206, 11-508, 11-511, 12-412, 12-914, and 12-1014 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 925 **Senator Madaleno, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – BICYCLES, PLAY VEHICLES, AND UNICYCLES – OPERATION ON SIDEWALKS AND IN CROSSWALKS**

Providing that, subject to specified provisions of law, a person has specified rights and is subject to specified restrictions applicable to pedestrians while the person is lawfully operating a bicycle, play vehicle, or unicycle on a sidewalk or sidewalk area or in or through a crosswalk; providing that, at an intersection, a person operating a bicycle, play vehicle, or unicycle is subject to specified traffic control signals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

TR, §§ 21-101(m) and 21-1202 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 926 **Senator Madaleno, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 927 **Senator Madaleno, et al****EXCISE TAX AND SALES TAX – CANNABIS**

Establishing an excise tax on specified sales of cannabis; providing for the distribution of cannabis excise tax revenues; establishing specified excise tax rates on the sale of cannabis; excluding specified sales of cannabis from the excise tax; requiring the State Comptroller to administer the cannabis excise tax and adopt specified regulations; establishing the Cannabis Tax Distribution Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide supplemental funding for specified programs and purposes; etc.

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

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

TG, §§ 2-1701, 2-1702, and 12.5-101 through 12.5-401 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation and Judicial Proceedings

SB 928 **Senator Madaleno, et al**

CRIMINAL LAW – CANNABIS – LEGALIZATION

Repealing specified civil and criminal prohibitions against the use and possession of marijuana; establishing exemptions from prosecution for specified persons for using, obtaining, purchasing, transporting, or possessing cannabis under specified circumstances; establishing exemptions from prosecution for specified retailers, cannabis product manufacturers, cannabis cultivation facilities, craft cannabis cultivators, and safety compliance facilities under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CR, §§ 5-601(c) and 5-601.1 - amended, § 5-601(d) - repealed, and §§ 5-1101 through 5-1135 - added and CJ, § 3-8A-19(d)(7) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 929 **Senator Astle**

COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION – DOOR-TO-DOOR SALES

Recodifying, in part, the definition of “door-to-door sale” as provisions that establish the application of the Maryland Door-to-Door Sales Act; altering the transactions to which the Maryland Door-to-Door Sales Act applies; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

CL, § 14-301 - amended and § 14-301.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 930 **Chair, Anne Arundel County Senators**

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES AGREEMENTS – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Providing for specified payment in lieu of taxes agreements for specified economic development projects located in Anne Arundel County that provide a specified public benefit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TP, § 7-520 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation