



# SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2017 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 18, 2017**  
**Schedule 6**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** January 24 – Bill request deadline.  
February 3 – Bill introduction deadline.  
All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 6.  
As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

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## **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 18, 2017**

**SB 166** Senator Conway (By Request – Baltimore City Administration), et al  
BALTIMORE CITY – CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD

Altering procedures for filing a complaint with the Baltimore City Civilian Review Board; repealing specified time limits on filing a complaint; authorizing a complainant to request that a complaint be confidential; providing that a specified report, under specified circumstances, remains subject to a specified review and specified recommendations by the Board; repealing a specified period of time within which the Board is required to submit a specified statement to the head of a specified law enforcement unit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

PLL of Baltimore City, Art. 4, §§ 16-41, 16-43(b), 16-44(c) through (e), 16-46, and 16-48(a) - amended and § 16-44(b) - repealed

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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**SB 167**     **Senator Conway****TAX SALES – REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES**

Clarifying that specified costs incurred by the holder of a tax sale certificate shall be reimbursed on redemption of the property; requiring specified payments for reimbursement to be made to the attorney for a holder of a certificate of sale or the holder of a certificate of sale and not the tax collector; providing that the holder of a tax sale certificate shall be reimbursed \$500 for attorney's fees if an action to foreclose the right of redemption has not been filed and establishing that amount as reasonable; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TP, § 14-843(a) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 168**     **Senator Conway****MARYLAND PAINT STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM**

Requiring specified producers or a representative organization to submit a plan for the establishment of a Paint Stewardship Program to the Department of the Environment on or before January 1, 2018, and in accordance with specified requirements; requiring the Department to review and approve specified plans, including a specified assessment, submitted in accordance with the Paint Stewardship Program; prohibiting the sale of specified architectural paint under specified circumstances beginning July 1, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

EN, §§ 9-1701, 9-1702, and 9-1707(f) - amended and § 9-1733 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 169**     **Senators Middleton and Kasemeyer****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – COST OF EMERGENCY ROOM VISITS TO TREAT DENTAL CONDITIONS – STUDY**

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to conduct a study to determine the annual cost of emergency room visits to treat dental conditions of adult enrollees in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly the findings of the study on or before December 1, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 170 The President (By Request – Administration)****BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2018)**

Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 171 The President (By Request – Administration)****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2017, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2009, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, AND 2016**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,013,267,000, the proceeds to be used for specified necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring specified real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to specified subdivisions and other organizations for specified development and improvement purposes, subject to specified requirements; etc.

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

**VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES**

Various Chapters of Various Years, Various Sections - amended and repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 172 The President (By Request – Administration)****BUDGET RECONCILIATION AND FINANCING ACT OF 2017**

Authorizing or altering the distribution of specified revenue; altering or repealing specified required appropriations; authorizing the use of specified funds for specified purposes; altering the Special Fund from which a specified racing purse and a related bonus award program is funded; providing a specified amount of aid to specified institutions; altering a specified rate increase for community service providers; limiting increases in specified mandated spending; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017**

BR, ED, HG, HS, LE, LG, PS, SF, SG, TP, and Various Chapters of the Acts, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 173**     **Senator Manno, et al****COMMISSION ON ACCESS TO TAX-PREFERRED HEALTH AND  
CHILDCARE SAVINGS ACCOUNTS FOR ALL MARYLANDERS**

Establishing the Commission on Access to Tax-Preferred Health and Childcare Savings Accounts for All Marylanders; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Commission to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 174**     **Senators Manno and Madaleno****INCOME TAX CREDIT – CLEAN ENERGY PRODUCTION – QUALIFIED  
ENERGY RESOURCES (MARYLAND CLEAN ENERGY INCENTIVE  
ACT)**

Altering the definition of “qualified energy resources” to mean wind, solar energy, or marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy that may be used to produce energy that qualifies for the clean energy production income tax credit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 10-720 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 175**     **Senator Manno, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – USE OF MEDICAL OXYGEN IN RESIDENTIAL  
DWELLINGS – SMOKING AND OPEN FLAME RESTRICTIONS**

Prohibiting an individual from lighting or smoking specified matters or substances that contain tobacco in a room of a residential dwelling in which medical oxygen is being used and within a specified number of feet of a specified room of a specified residential dwelling; prohibiting an individual from having an open flame in a room of a residential dwelling in which medical oxygen is being used and within a specified number of feet of a specified room of a specified residential dwelling; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HG, §§ 24-1501 through 24-1505 - added

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 176**     **Senators Manno and Smith****LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE – MORATORIUM ON RENEWAL PREMIUM RATE INCREASES**

Prohibiting a carrier from increasing a renewal premium rate for a specified long-term care insurance policy or contract in the years 2017 through 2019.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

IN, § 18-116 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 177**     **Senator Manno, et al****PUBLIC SAFETY – ELEVATOR INSPECTIONS – TESTING**

Requiring that a specified test on an elevator unit performed in connection with an inspection required by specified provisions of law, the Safety Code, or a regulation adopted by the Commissioner be performed by a specified licensed elevator mechanic; and requiring a State inspector or third-party qualified inspector to be physically present during a specified test in its entirety to witness that the test has been performed correctly and to verify the proper recording of the result of a specified test on an elevator unit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PS, § 12-806 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 178**     **Senator Peters, et al****HORSE RACING – BOWIE RACE COURSE TRAINING CENTER – STATE PURCHASE OR CONDEMNATION**

Authorizing the State to acquire, by purchase or condemnation for public use with just compensation, private property relating to the Bowie Race Course Training Center if the owner of the Bowie Race Course Training Center does not meet specified requirements of law; and requiring that all proceedings for condemnation for public use or private property as authorized under this Act are to be in accordance with specified provisions of law and specified rules of procedure.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

BR, § 11-521 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 179**     **Senator Peters, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CALVERT COUNTY – END HUNGER  
IN CALVERT COUNTY WAREHOUSE**

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 End Hunger In Calvert County, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the End Hunger In Calvert County Warehouse, located in Calvert 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 180**     **Senator Peters, et al****INDEPENDENT LIVING TAX CREDIT ACT**

Allowing an individual or a corporation a credit against the State income tax equal to 50% of the renovation or construction costs incurred during the taxable year to provide specified accessibility and visitability features to or within a home; providing that the credit may not exceed \$5,000; requiring applicants to file a specified application before a specified date and to file an amended return; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

TG, § 10-741 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 181 Senator Simonaire****NATURAL RESOURCES POLICE – CONDITIONS OF SENTENCING, PROBATION, PAROLE, OR MANDATORY RELEASE SUPERVISION – DATABASE**

Requiring the Maryland Judiciary to notify the Department of Natural Resources of any person who is subject to a condition of sentencing or probation that specifically prohibits the person from operating a motorized vessel or a sailboat on the waters of the State or any recreational or commercial hunting activity in the State; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to notify the Department of Natural Resources of any person who is subject to specified terms of parole or mandatory release supervision; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

NR, § 1-211 - added

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

**SB 182 Senator Middleton, et al****CHARLES AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTIES – RECALL OF FORMER JUDGE FOR TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT – ELIGIBILITY**

Altering the eligibility requirements for recall of a former judge in Charles County and Prince George's County for temporary assignment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CJ, § 1-302(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 183 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)****MOLD REMEDIATION SERVICES PROVIDERS – LICENSURE AND PROGRAM EVALUATION**

Allowing the Maryland Mold Remediation Services Act to terminate on July 1, 2019, in accordance with provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (Sunset Law); extending to July 1, 2019, the deadline for licensure under the Maryland Mold Remediation Services Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

SG, § 8-403(b)(37) - repealed and Chapter 537 of the Acts of 2008, § 3, as amended - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 184 Senator Middleton****ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS – CALCULATION OF PROGRAM SAVINGS AND CONSIDERATION OF COST-EFFECTIVENESS**

Requiring the Public Service Commission to require each electric company to procure or provide specified energy efficiency and conservation programs and services to its electricity customers on a specified savings trajectory beginning with the 2018–2020 program cycle; establishing a baseline for the savings trajectory; requiring the Commission to update specified gross retail sales for specified plans; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

PU, § 7-211 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 185 Senator Feldman****PUBLIC HEALTH – REPEAL OF AIDS EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR PERSONS CONVICTED OF DRUG– OR SEX–RELATED CRIMES**

Repealing a specified educational program on acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) for persons convicted of specified drug– or sex–related crimes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HG, § 18-339 - repealed

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 186 Senator Kagan, et al****ENVIRONMENT – POLYSTYRENE FOOD SERVICE PRODUCTS AND POLYSTYRENE LOOSE FILL PACKAGING – PROHIBITION ON SALE**

Prohibiting a person from selling in the State specified expanded polystyrene food service products or expanded polystyrene loose fill packaging on or after January 1, 2018; prohibiting specified food service businesses from selling or providing food in specified expanded polystyrene food service products on or after January 1, 2018; authorizing a county health department to impose specified penalties for violations of the Act; requiring a county health department to notify the Department of specified violations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

EN, §§ 9-2101 through 9-2106 - added

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



**SB 187**     **Senators Hough and Young****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – FREDERICK COUNTY – HELEN SMITH STUDIO**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$25,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Luce Fund for Children, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Helen Smith Studio project, located in Frederick 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 188**     **Senators Hough and Young****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – FREDERICK COUNTY – NORTHWEST TREK CONSERVATION AND EDUCATION CENTER PHASE 2**

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 Global Wildlife Trust, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Northwest Trek Conservation and Education Center, located in Frederick 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 189**     **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)****MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – SUNSET REVIEW – REQUIRED REPORTS AND REPEAL OF PRELIMINARY EVALUATION REQUIREMENT**

Repealing the requirement that the Maryland Insurance Administration, and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Administration, be subject to a preliminary evaluation in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (Sunset Law); requiring the Administration to submit specified reports to specified committees of the General Assembly and the Department of Legislative Services at specified times; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

SG, § 8-403(b)(29) - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 190 The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)****ELEVATOR SAFETY REVIEW BOARD – SUNSET EXTENSION, PROGRAM EVALUATION, AND REPORTING REQUIREMENT**

Continuing the Elevator Safety Review Board in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2029 the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that govern the Board be performed on or before a specified date; requiring the Board to study, make recommendations, and report its findings on specified matters on or before October 1, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

PS, § 12-842 and SG, § 8-403(b)(17) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 191 Senator Salling****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROJECT GENESIS: NEW BEGINNINGS, INC. COMMUNITY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Project Genesis: New Beginnings, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Project Genesis: New Beginnings, Inc. Community Center, 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 192 Senator Klausmeier****OFFICE OF CEMETERY OVERSIGHT – CEMETERY FINANCIAL STATEMENT – REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a specified financial statement required to be submitted by a specified cemetery to the Director of the Office of Cemetery Oversight to contain a balance sheet from the most recent federal tax return filed by the business, or on a form specified by the Director; and repealing the requirement that a specified financial statement contain a specified statement by a certified public accountant and a review of the financial stability of the cemetery by a certified public accountant.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

BR, § 5-304 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 193**     **Senator Klausmeier****PHYSICIANS – PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE  
– NOTIFICATION AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring physicians licensed to practice medicine in the State to notify patients in writing and on each visit of specified information relating to professional liability insurance coverage; requiring the notification to be signed by the patient and retained by the physicians as part of the patient records; requiring the physician to post specified information in a specified location in their place of practice; requiring the State Board of Physicians to develop specified language for the notification; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HO, § 14-508 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 194**     **Senator Klausmeier****WORKERS' COMPENSATION – MEDICAL BENEFITS – PAYMENT OF  
MEDICAL SERVICES AND TREATMENT**

Requiring a provider to submit to an employer or an employer's insurer, within 45 days of treatment or medical service to a covered employee, a bill for and documentation summarizing the medical services or treatment provided to a covered employee under a specified provision of law; and prohibiting the employer or the employer's insurer from being required to pay a bill submitted after a specified period of time except under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

LE, § 9-660 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 195**     **Senator Klausmeier****PHYSICIANS – LICENSURE – LIABILITY COVERAGE (JANET'S LAW)**

Requiring licensed physicians to maintain specified minimum amounts of professional liability insurance or attest to specified coverage as a condition of licensure and comply with specified regulations; requiring a licensed physician to notify the State Board of Physicians of the cancellation of the insurance or coverage within a specified time period; requiring a physician to provide the Board with specified verification or documentation on a specified application and at any other time on request of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

HO, §§ 14-205(b)(1), 14-309, 14-316(c), 14-317, and 14-404(a)(41) and (42) - amended and §§ 14-312.1 and 14-404(a)(43) and (44) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 196**     **Senator Kelley, et al****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE – IMPOSITION**

Prohibiting a court from imposing a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole on an individual who was under the age of 18 years at the time the offense was committed.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017

CR, § 1-402 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 197**     **The President (By Request – Administration)****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY BONDS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$4,823,000, the proceeds to be used as grants to the Interagency Committee on School Construction and the Maryland State Department of Education for the renovation, repair, and capital improvements of qualified zone academies; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds and the further grant of funds to eligible school systems for specified purposes, subject to a requirement that the grantees document the provision of a required matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2017

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation