



# SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2018 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 29, 2018**  
**Schedule 13**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** February 9 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 8.

As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

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## **HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 29, 2018**

**HB 555** Delegate Sydnor

JUVENILE LAW – RECORDS – JUVENILES CHARGED AS ADULTS

Establishing that, pending a determination by a court exercising criminal jurisdiction in a case involving a child whether to transfer its jurisdiction to the juvenile court, provisions of law relating to the confidentiality of juvenile records apply to all police records and court records concerning the child; and repealing provisions of law relating to the expungement of criminal charges transferred to the juvenile court.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CP, § 4-202(i) - added, §§ 4-202(i) and (j) and 10-105(a) - amended, and § 10-106 - repealed

Assigned to: Judiciary

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**HB 556 Delegate Sydnor****ESTATES AND TRUSTS – ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES – WAIVER OF FEES**

Authorizing the registers of wills to waive certain fees for the administration of an estate if certain real property subject to administration in the State is to be transferred to a certain individual or is encumbered by a lien and subject to sale under certain provisions of law, and the estate is unable to pay the fees by reason of poverty; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

ET, § 2-206(a) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 557 Delegate M. Washington, et al****PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – EDUCATION TRUST FUND – USE OF FUND**

Altering the allowable uses of the Education Trust Fund; defining “direct education aid” as the total financial assistance provided by the State to a county board of education under certain programs; requiring the Governor to provide a certain annual appropriation to county boards of education from the Education Trust Fund beginning in fiscal year 2020; prohibiting money in the Education Trust Fund from being used to supplant required funding for certain programs and formulas; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SG, § 9-1A-30 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations and Ways and Means

**HB 558 Delegate Reznik, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – RCI GROUP HOME RENOVATIONS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$400,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Residential Continuum, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of RCI group homes, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 559 Delegates Holmes and Vallario****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB SPORTS PARK**

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 Prince George’s County Boys & Girls Club, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of Boys and Girls Club Sports Park, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 560 Delegate Malone****CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE CROSSING – EASTERN SHORE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONSENT – REPEAL**

Providing that a requirement that a majority of the governments of certain Eastern Shore counties affected by the construction of a toll road, toll highway, or toll bridge consent to the construction does not apply to the construction of a toll road, toll highway, or toll bridge crossing the Chesapeake Bay.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

TR, § 4-407 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 561 Delegate McCray, et al****OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS – AUDITS OF THE BALTIMORE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Requiring the Office of Legislative Audits to conduct an audit of the Baltimore City Police Department to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of the financial management practices of the Department beginning July 1, 2019, and at least once every 6 years thereafter; and requiring the Office of Legislative Audits to provide certain information to the Baltimore City Police Department.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SG, § 2-1220(h) - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 562 Delegate K. Young, et al****HOSPITALS – PATIENT’S BILL OF RIGHTS**

Requiring each administrator of a hospital to provide patients with a certain patient’s bill of rights; requiring each administrator of a hospital to provide certain patients with a translator, an interpreter, or another accommodation to provide certain assistance to patients; requiring each administrator of a hospital to conspicuously post copies of the patient’s bill of rights on the hospital’s website and in areas of the hospital accessible to patients; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 19-342 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 563 Delegate Conaway, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME/AFTER SCHOOL FACILITY**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Unified Efforts, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement and capital equipping of an out-of-school time/after school facility, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 564 Delegate Holmes****REAL PROPERTY – CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – GOVERNING BODIES**

Requiring the governing body of a condominium to convene at least two meetings each year; requiring the developer of a condominium to appoint a certain board of directors that includes a unit owner to the governing body within 30 days from the date 25% of units are conveyed under certain circumstances; requiring a developer to deliver certain notices regarding a bond provided by the developer to a governmental unit to each officer or member of the board of directors within 15 days from the meeting of the council of unit owners: etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

RP, §§ 11-109(c), 11-114.1(d), 11-116, 11-132, 11B-106.1, 11B-111, 11B-111.6(d), and 11B-112(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 565 Delegate Moon, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – CRUELTY TO ANIMALS – SEIZURE AND REMOVAL**

Requiring a court to order the removal of a mistreated animal on the conviction of a certain owner or custodian of the animal of an act of animal cruelty; establishing that the ownership of an animal that is ordered to be removed from an owner or a custodian is transferred to a certain impounding agency; requiring an impounding agency to post in a conspicuous place at the location where the animal was seized and removed a certain notice to an animal's owner or custodian; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CR, § 10-615 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 566 Delegate Healey, et al****BUSINESS RELIEF AND TAX FAIRNESS ACT OF 2018**

Prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from imposing a fee for the filing of certain documents by corporations or business entities with 10 or fewer employees; requiring certain corporations to compute Maryland taxable income using a certain combined reporting method; requiring, subject to certain regulations, certain groups of corporations to file a combined income tax return reflecting the aggregate income tax liability of all the members of the group; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

CA, § 1-203(b)(3)(ii) and TG, § 10-811 - amended and TG, §§ 10-402.1 and 10-402.2 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 567 Delegate Barron****ESTATES AND TRUSTS – INTESTATE SUCCESSION – SHARE OF SURVIVING SPOUSE AND ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION**

Altering the share of the intestate estate of a decedent inherited by a surviving spouse under certain circumstances; altering, for purposes of certain provisions of law concerning the distribution of the net estate or residue of the net estate, the order of distribution to certain individuals; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

ET, §§ 3-102 and 3-104 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 568 Delegate Kaiser, et al**

## EDUCATION – STUDENT DATA GOVERNANCE

Requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Information Technology and county boards of education, to develop and update certain best practices for certain county boards on data governance policies and procedures and for certain professional development; requiring the State Department of Education to develop certain strategies to coordinate and assist certain data governance staff to implement certain practices; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, §§ 7-2001 through 7-2005 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 569 Delegate Morales, et al**

## VITAL STATISTICS AND RECORDS – DEFINITION OF LICENSED HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

Altering the definition of “licensed health care practitioner” for the purposes of certain provisions of law governing vital statistics and records to include a physician assistant licensed under Title 15 of the Health Occupations Article.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 4-201(l) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 570 Delegate Gilchrist, et al**

## INCOME TAX – STANDARD DEDUCTION

Repealing the computation under the Maryland income tax of the standard deduction based on 15% of an individual’s Maryland adjusted gross income; setting the amount of the standard deduction to be \$2,000 for an individual and \$4,000 for spouses filing a joint return, a head of household, or a surviving spouse; and applying the Act to all taxable years after December 31, 2017.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

TG, § 10-217 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 571 Delegate Kelly, et al****GENERAL ASSEMBLY – LACTATION ROOM – REQUIRED**

Requiring the General Assembly to maintain on its premises a private lactation room that may be used by General Assembly members, General Assembly employees, and members of the public to nurse and express breast milk; and requiring that the lactation room include certain items.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SG, § 2-109 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

**HB 572 Delegate Rey, et al****INCOME TAX – OYSTER SHELL RECYCLING CREDIT – MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE AMOUNT AND SUNSET REPEAL**

Increasing the maximum allowable amount from \$750 to \$1,500 of a certain credit against the State income tax for certain bushels of oysters shells recycled during a taxable year; applying certain provisions of the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; and repealing certain termination provisions.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

TG, § 10-724.1 and Chs. 278 and 279 of the Acts of 2013, § 2 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 573 Delegate Platt, et al****INCOME TAX – EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT – ELIGIBILITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**

Requiring the Department of Human Services, in consultation with the Comptroller, to implement and administer an earned income tax credit eligibility awareness campaign to encourage eligible individuals to claim the federal and State earned income tax credits; establishing the Earned Income Tax Credit Eligibility Awareness Campaign Fund; requiring the Department to request certain taxpayer information from the Comptroller, to identify potentially eligible individuals, and to contact the individuals by mail for certain purposes; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HU, §§ 2-501 through 2-504 and TG, § 2-115 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 574 Delegates Sydnor and P. Young****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – MORNING STAR FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

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 MSBC Five Star Program, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Morning Star Family Life 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 575 Delegate Holmes****CONDOMINIUMS – SUSPENSION OF USE OF COMMON ELEMENTS**

Authorizing a declaration of a condominium to provide for the suspension of the use of certain common elements by a unit owner that is more than 60 days in arrears in the payment of any assessment due; requiring a declaration containing a certain suspension provision to state that the provision may be repealed by an affirmative vote of at least 60% of the total eligible voters and that a suspension of the use of common elements may not be implemented until the council of unit owners provides certain notice and holds a hearing; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

RP, § 11-103(c)(1) - amended and § 11-103(d) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 576 Delegate Fisher, et al****BAY RESTORATION FUND – ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM GRANTS AND LOANS – PROOF OF INCOME**

Authorizing a homeowner to submit a copy of the homeowner's income tax return for the previous taxable year, or a letter from a certified public accountant or tax preparer certifying the homeowner's income as proof of income for a grant or loan to upgrade or repair certain on-site sewage disposal systems.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

EN, § 9-1605.2(h)(8) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation



**HB 577 Delegate Conaway, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – NEW CITY OF HOPE COMMUNITY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of Positive Youth Expressions, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the New City of Hope Community Center, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 578 Delegate Sydnor, et al****TASK FORCE TO STUDY LAW ENFORCEMENT SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGIES**

Establishing the Task Force to Study Law Enforcement Surveillance Technologies for the purpose of reviewing the current and planned use of surveillance technology by law enforcement agencies in the State, including certain matters; requiring State agencies represented to staff the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 5, 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 579 Delegate McComas, et al****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – MURDER – DIMINUTION CREDITS**

Prohibiting the earning of diminution credits to reduce the term of confinement of an inmate who is serving a sentence for murder in the first degree or murder in the second degree in a State or local correctional facility; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CS, §§ 3-702 and 11-502 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 580 Delegate Lafferty****LANDLORD AND TENANT – PROHIBITED LEASE PROVISIONS – LATE FEES FOR TENANTS RECEIVING GOVERNMENT BENEFITS**

Prohibiting a landlord from including a certain provision in a residential lease that provides for a penalty for the late payment of rent if the tenant receives a government benefit under certain circumstances; and defining the term “government benefit”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

RP, § 8-208(d) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 581 Delegate Carozza, et al****HOME GAMING – BUNCO**

Adding bunco to the games for which an individual who is at least 21 years old may conduct a home game involving wagering under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SG, § 9-1C-01 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 582 Delegate Wivell****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WASHINGTON COUNTY – SMITHSBURG TOWN HALL TOWER**

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 Smithsburg Historical Society, Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Smithsburg Town Hall Tower, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 583 Delegate Long****BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – HOMEOWNERS’  
PROPERTY TAX CREDIT SUPPLEMENT**

Requiring the governing body of Baltimore County to grant a certain property tax credit to supplement the State homeowners’ property tax credit; providing for the calculation of the credit; prohibiting the county from granting the credit under certain circumstances; providing that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation is responsible for certain administrative duties with respect to the credit; requiring the county to reimburse the Department for the reasonable cost of administering the property tax credit; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

TP, § 9-215(a) - amended and § 9-305(f) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 584 Delegate Vogt, et al****FAMILY LAW – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENT REPORT –  
DISSEMINATION**

Requiring a certain law enforcement unit to provide a copy of a certain domestic violence incident report on request to the victim without charge and within 48 hours after the request.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

FL, § 4-503.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 585 Delegate Krebs, et al****INCOME TAX SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – RETIREMENT  
INCOME (FAIRNESS IN TAXATION FOR RETIREES ACT)**

Including income from certain retirement plans within a certain subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for certain individuals who are at least 65 years of age or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; repealing a certain obsolete provision relating to a rollover individual retirement account; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

TG, § 10-209 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 586 Delegate Krebs, et al**

## STATE PROPERTY TAX – HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT CAP REDUCTION

Reducing from 110% to 105% the homestead property tax credit percentage for the State property tax; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2019.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

TP, § 9-105(e)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 587 Delegate Krebs, et al**

## CALCULATION OF TAXABLE INCOME – ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS – PROPERTY TAXES

Allowing an individual, under certain circumstances, to increase the amount of itemized deductions used to determine Maryland taxable income by the amount of certain real or personal property taxes paid by the individual and not included as part of the individual's federal itemized deductions; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

TG, 10-218(b) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 588 Delegate Krebs, et al**

## INCOME TAX – RATE BRACKETS, PERSONAL EXEMPTIONS, AND STANDARD DEDUCTION – COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS

Altering certain State income tax rate bracket thresholds by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; altering the amount of certain exemptions allowed under the State income tax for certain taxable years by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; altering the minimum and maximum limitation amounts of certain standard deductions allowed under the State income tax for certain taxable years by a certain cost-of-living adjustment; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

TG, §§ 10-105(e), 10-211(c), and 10-217(d) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 589 Delegate Krebs, et al****INCOME TAX – ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS**

Allowing an individual to itemize deductions to compute Maryland taxable income whether or not the individual itemizes deductions on the individual's federal income tax return; providing that, for an individual who does not itemize deductions on the individual's federal income tax return, Maryland itemized deductions shall be determined as if an individual itemized deductions on the federal income tax return; applying the Act to tax years after 2018; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

TG, §§ 10-217(a)(1) and 10-218 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 590 Delegate Mosby****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – DOUGLAS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CHURCH VILLAGE APARTMENTS**

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 Douglas Memorial Community Church Village, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of apartment units for the Douglas Memorial Community Church Village, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 591 Delegate Platt****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – DISPENSING OF DRUGS UNDER A DELEGATION AGREEMENT**

Altering the required contents of a certain delegation agreement in order for a primary supervising physician to delegate to a certain physician assistant the dispensing of certain substances, drugs, and devices; prohibiting a primary supervising physician from delegating the dispensing of controlled dangerous substances identified as Schedule I; authorizing a physician assistant, under certain circumstances, to personally prepare and dispense a drug that the assistant is authorized to prescribe; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HO, §§ 15-101(j) and 15-302.2 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 592 Delegate McMillan, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – THE BERNIE 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 Bernie House, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a transitional housing facility for The Bernie House, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 593 Delegate Hettleman, et al****INCOME TAX – STUDENT LOAN TAX CREDIT**

Expanding the student loan tax credit that allows certain individuals with certain student loan debt amounts to claim a credit against the State income tax to include graduate student loan debt.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

TG, § 10-740 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 594 Montgomery County Delegation****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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 595 Delegate Dumais****EVIDENCE – VIOLATION OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM REQUIREMENT**

Providing for the admissibility of a certain report of an approved service provider in a court proceeding to prove a violation of a requirement imposed by a court that the defendant use an ignition interlock system as a sentence, part of a sentence, or condition of probation for a certain violation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CJ, § 10-313 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 596 Delegate Hill, et al****INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT**

Entering into the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact to strengthen access to health care by developing a comprehensive process to complement existing licensing and regulatory authority and provide a streamlined method to allow physicians to become licensed in multiple states; requiring a physician to meet certain eligibility requirements to receive certain licensure; requiring physicians to designate a certain state as the state of principal license for purposes of registration for certain expedited licensure; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HO, § 14-3A-01 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 597 Delegate Patterson, et al****COMMISSION ON AFRICAN AMERICAN PATRIOTS IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR**

Establishing the Commission on African American Patriots in the American Revolutionary War; requiring the Commission, in consultation with certain persons, to conduct research to advance the documentation of African American patriots in the American Revolutionary War; requiring the Commission to determine and send to the county boards of education certain information; requiring the Commission to develop and print a certain publication; terminating the Act as of September 30, 2023;; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

ED, § 7-106(b) - amended and ED, § 7-441 and SG, § 9-3301 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 598 Delegate Lam, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – PLUG-IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLES – RESERVED PARKING SPACES**

Prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle that is not a plug-in electric drive vehicle in a parking space that is designated for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles; requiring that a parking space for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles have green pavement markings; requiring that a parking space for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles be counted as part of the overall number of parking spaces for certain purposes; establishing a civil penalty of \$50 for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

TR, § 21-1003.2 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 599 Delegate McComas, et al****PEACE ORDERS AND PROTECTIVE ORDERS – COERCIVE CONTROL**

Authorizing a certain person to petition for a peace order or protective order against another person whom the petitioner alleges has engaged in certain behavior toward the petitioner that is controlling or coercive.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CJ, §§ 3-1501 and 3-1503(a) and FL, § 4-501(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 600 Delegate McComas, et al****CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – TRAINING**

Requiring that each health practitioner, police officer, educator, and human service worker in the State receive periodic training on the obligation to report child abuse and neglect and on the identification of abused and neglected children; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

FL, § 5-704 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary



**HB 601 Delegate Hayes, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – OPIOIDS – DISPENSING REQUIREMENT**

Requiring a drug classified as an opioid to be dispensed with a nontoxic composition designed to permanently and chemically sequester or deactivate the drug and be used for disposal of the drug; and establishing that a certain provision of the Act does not relieve a person from certain requirements of law regarding controlled dangerous substances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 21-221.1 - added and § 21-222 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 602 Delegate Lam, et al****REAL PROPERTY – INSTALLATION AND USE OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT**

Providing that certain provisions of a recorded covenant or restriction, a declaration, or the bylaws or rules of a condominium or homeowners association are void and unenforceable; establishing certain requirements and procedures relating to an application to the governing body of a condominium or homeowners association to install or use electric vehicle recharging equipment; requiring certain owners of electric vehicle recharging equipment to be responsible for certain costs and disclosures; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

RP, §§ 11-111.4 and 11B-111.7 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 603 Delegate Hornberger, et al****PUBLIC SENIOR HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS – DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS – STUDENTS AND STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Establishing the right to an attorney or a nonattorney advocate for a student or student organization at public senior higher education institutions at certain disciplinary proceedings designed to address a violation of the institution's rules; requiring certain represented persons to pay for the attorney or nonattorney advocate; authorizing the attorney or nonattorney advocate to participate throughout the disciplinary proceedings, including by performing certain services; applying the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

ED, §§ 11-1401 through 11-1408 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 604 Delegate Mosby, et al****BALTIMORE CITY LEAD REMEDIATION AND RECOVERY ACT**

Establishing that the Act applies only to an action against a certain manufacturer of lead pigment for certain damages allegedly caused by the presence of lead-based paint in a residential building located in Baltimore City; providing that the Act does not apply to certain actions for certain damages arising from personal injury or death, to certain actions against a person other than a manufacturer, or to certain actions brought by a person other than the City of Baltimore, the Housing Authority of Baltimore City, or a certain owner; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CJ, §§ 3-2101 through 3-2106 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Judiciary

**HB 605 Delegate Kaiser, et al****STATE STUDENT LOAN REFINANCING PROGRAM – MARKET-SPECIFIC CONSULTANT STUDY**

Requiring the Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority to engage an outside consultant to conduct a market-specific study to make certain determinations related to a State student loan refinancing program in Maryland; requiring the consultant to report to the Authority and requiring the report to include certain elements; requiring the Authority to review the consultant's report and make certain comments or recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly; terminating the Act after June 30, 2020; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 606 Delegate Rosenberg, et al****PUBLIC HEALTH – TOBACCO CONTROL FUNDING**

Requiring \$21,000,000 in funding for fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter for activities aimed at reducing tobacco use in Maryland.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HG, § 13-1015 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 607 Delegate West, et al****CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES – SELECTION AND TENURE**

Proposing amendments to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection and tenure of circuit court judges; requiring Senate confirmation of individuals appointed by the Governor to the office of a judge of a circuit court; providing for contested elections following an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of a judge of a circuit court under certain circumstances; providing for the reappointment of certain judges; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT**

Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, §§ 3 and 5 - repealed and added and Art. XVIII, § 6 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Ways and Means

**HB 608 Delegate Hayes****STATE GOVERNMENT – STATE SONG – REVISION**

Revising the State song to be the poem “Maryland, my Maryland!”, written by Sean Tully in 2017 and derived from the poem “Maryland! My Maryland!”, written by James Ryder Randall in 1861.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

GP, § 7-318 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 609 Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITIES BONDS**

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Carroll County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$32,700,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in Carroll County, including water and sewer projects, to finance loans for fire or emergency-related equipment, buildings, and other facilities of volunteer fire departments in the County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 610 Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – GAMING – REPEAL OF SUNDAY PROHIBITION**

Repealing the provision of law prohibiting in Carroll County the issuance of a permit authorizing the operation of a card game, card tournament, or casino event after 1 a.m. on Sunday.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CR, § 13-906.1 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 611 Delegate Shoemaker****CARROLL COUNTY – INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES – FRATERNAL AND SORORAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Expanding the list of organizations in certain counties that may be licensed to operate not more than five instant ticket lottery machines to include certain fraternal and sororal organizations in Carroll County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SG, § 9-112 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 612 Carroll County Delegation****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – CARROLL COUNTY – CARROLL COUNTY VETERANS INDEPENDENCE PROJECT**

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 Carroll County Veterans Independence Project, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Carroll County Veterans Independence Project facility, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 613 Delegates Hornberger and Buckel****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – EMPLOYEE-OWNED BUSINESSES**

Allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for income from a qualified transfer of stock or membership interest of a Maryland corporation or limited liability company to certain employee ownership entities; limiting the amount of the subtraction if the transfer is to a direct share ownership plan; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

TG, § 10-207(gg) - added and § 10-307(g) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 614 Delegate Lisanti, et al****HOSPITALS – CHANGES IN STATUS – HOSPITAL EMPLOYEE RETRAINING AND PLACEMENT**

Requiring a hospital that downsizes to pay a fee directly to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation if workers are displaced; requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to prorate the total amount of certain fees among all hospitals in a certain manner to derive the individual fee for each hospital; requiring the Department to establish a program for retraining and placement of certain hospital employees; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 19-326.1 and LE, § 11-201 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 615 Delegate Lisanti****MUNICIPALITIES – CHARTER AMENDMENTS – PROCEDURES**

Requiring the legislative body of a municipality to hold a public hearing and give at least 21 days' advance notice of the public hearing before adopting a resolution initiated by the legislative body that proposes an amendment to the municipal charter; prohibiting a proposed charter amendment that changes a municipality's form of government from taking effect unless the amendment is submitted to referendum and approved by voters at the next regular municipal general election; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

LG, §§ 4-304 and 4-305 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 616 Delegate M. Washington, 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 certain circumstances; altering a certain audit requirement to apply only to an entity with total direct costs that exceed \$500,000; altering the amount of certain tax credit certificates that the Secretary of Commerce may issue under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

TG, § 10-730 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 617 Delegate Ebersole, et al****EDUCATION – ASSESSMENTS – ADMINISTRATION BY PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES**

Authorizing the principal of a public school to select any employee to administer certain assessments.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, § 7-203.3 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 618 Delegate A. Miller, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – CRUELTY TO ANIMALS – TRAVELING ELEPHANT ACTS**

Prohibiting a person from knowingly using, or causing the use of, an elephant to participate in a certain traveling animal act; establishing that a certain prohibition does not apply to a certain elephant exhibition at a nonmobile, permanent institution or facility; establishing a civil penalty for violation of the Act; providing that a person who violates the Act may be issued a certain citation; establishing certain requirements for a citation issued under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CR, § 10-627 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 619 Delegate Wivell****SURFACE MINING – ZONE OF DEWATERING INFLUENCE – WATER SUPPLY REPLACEMENT**

Requiring a surface mining permittee to permanently replace a certain water supply within a certain zone of dewatering influence within 45 days of the date on which the permittee knew of the water supply failure; authorizing a surface mining permittee to seek reimbursement for water supply replacement costs under certain circumstances; and providing for the construction of certain provisions of law relating to a contested case hearing.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

EN, § 15-813 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 620 Delegate Luedtke, et al****COUNTY AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAMS – RECERTIFICATION AND REMITTANCE OF UNEXPENDED FUNDS – EXTENSIONS**

Extending from 3 to 5 years the certification period for certain county agricultural land preservation programs that the Department of Planning and the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation determine are consistently effective in the achievement of certain goals; extending from 3 to 6 years the length of time a county may retain certain revenue from the agricultural land transfer tax for use in certain agricultural land preservation programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SF, § 5-408(i) and TP, § 13-306(c) and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 621 Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

Providing a scholarship for the student representative of the Carroll County Board of Education; specifying that a student who completes a full term on the county board is entitled to a scholarship of \$3,500; requiring the scholarship to be used for certain purposes and to be paid directly to a certain institution; providing that the scholarship may not be considered compensation for certain purposes; allowing the student representative to be reimbursed for certain expenses; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, § 3-403 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 622 Delegate Patterson, et al****PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – STUDENT SICKLE CELL DISEASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS**

Requiring the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health to establish certain guidelines for certain employees to utilize in the management of a student's sickle cell disease while the student is on the premises of a public or nonpublic school during certain hours and at school-sponsored activities, in collaboration with certain individuals; requiring a county board of education, on or before July 1, 2019, to establish a policy for public schools within its jurisdiction to utilize certain guidelines; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, § 7-441 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means



**HB 623 Delegate Sydnor****EDUCATION – STUDENT USE OF BACKPACKS – ASSESSMENT AND REDUCTION OF HEALTH EFFECTS**

Requiring that public school personnel, parents, and students receive educational information concerning the health effects of student use of overweight backpacks; authorizing a county board of education to allow Doctors of Chiropractic Medicine to conduct scoliosis examinations on students in the county schools; requiring school personnel to engage parent–teacher associations and students to assess matters concerning students’ use of backpacks and to promote certain strategies relating to students’ backpack usage; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

ED, § 7-405 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 624 Delegate Ali, et al****PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – FAMILY MEMBERS OF KILLED OR DISABLED FIRST RESPONDERS – TUITION EXEMPTION (SEAN SUITER ACT)**

Exempting a family member of a certain first responder who was killed or disabled in the line of duty from paying tuition and certain fees at a public institution of higher education; and defining the term “family member” as a spouse, domestic partner, or child.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, § 15-106.10 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 625 Delegates Rosenberg and Luedtke****JANET L. HOFFMAN LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM – LOCAL POLICE – ELIGIBILITY**

Requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance in the Maryland Higher Education Commission to assist in the repayment of the amount of a certain loan for an individual who completes a degree program at a community college in the State and is a member of a local police force.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, § 18-1502 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 626 Delegate Cullison, et al****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – MEDICATION ADHERENCE TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing a certain pilot program to expand the use of medication adherence technology to increase prescription drug adherence of Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients who are diagnosed as having a severe and persistent mental illness; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to administer the pilot program; requiring the Department to provide a medication adherence technology system to certain recipients; requiring the Department to report on the program to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HG, § 15-149 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 627 Calvert County Delegation****CALVERT COUNTY – LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM – DEATH BENEFITS**

Altering the availability of certain death benefits of a qualified volunteer of a fire company, rescue squad, or rescue dive team in Calvert County who is unmarried at the time of death if an alternate beneficiary who is a child, grandchild, or great grandchild of the volunteer has been designated; providing for the termination of certain death benefits of a qualified volunteer in Calvert County who is unmarried at the time of death under certain circumstances; and applying the Act retroactively to July 1, 2015.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

PLL of Calvert Co., Art. 5, § 14-102 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 628 Delegate Wilkins, et al****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INMATES – LABOR**

Requiring the Commissioner of Correction to include in an annual report certain statistics related to inmate employment and wages at certain facilities; and requiring the Division of Correction to include in a report regarding Maryland Correctional Enterprises certain statistics regarding inmate employment and wages.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CS, §§ 3-207 and 3-509 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 629 Delegate Krimm, et al****STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PROGRAM – RETIREE DEPENDENT PARTICIPATION IN THE MARYLAND RX PROGRAM**

Altering a certain date to January 1, 2020, by which the State is required to discontinue a certain prescription drug benefit for certain retirees; authorizing certain retirees who participate in a certain prescription drug benefit plan with a certain dependent to elect to have the dependent covered under a certain State prescription drug benefit plan; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to provide a certain notice to certain retirees of certain changes not later than July 1, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SP, § 2-509.1 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 630 Frederick County Delegation****FREDERICK COUNTY – ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY – GOVERNING BODY, COUNTY BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS, AND BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**

Prohibiting an agent of a certain applicant from making a contribution to a member of the governing body of Frederick County during the pendency of a certain application; requiring certain members of the Frederick County Board of Zoning Appeals, Ethics Commission, or Planning Commission or the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County who establish an authorized candidate campaign committee to vacate office no more than 48 hours after opening a campaign account through a campaign finance entity; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

AB, § 20-202(g) and GP, §§ 5-865 and 5-866 - added and GP, §§ 5-857, 5-858, 5-860, and 5-862 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 631 Delegate Otto****SOMERSET COUNTY – FINES AND FORFEITURES – DISTRIBUTION**

Providing that, in Somerset County, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County shall transmit monthly a certain amount to a certain Court and Bar Library Account.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CJ, § 7-507 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 632 Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – UNLICENSED JUNK VEHICLES AND PARTS – REPEAL**

Repealing certain provisions of law authorizing the removal and impoundment of certain unlicensed junk motor vehicles and parts in Carroll County under certain circumstances; and repealing a certain prohibition and fine.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

PLL of Carroll Co, Art. 7, § 7-102 - repealed

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 633 Delegate Healey****SECRETARY OF STATE – ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAMS – SHIELDING OF REAL PROPERTY RECORDS**

Enabling certain private entities to accept the use of a certain substitute address by a victim of domestic abuse who is a participant in an address confidentiality program; authorizing an individual who acquires an ownership interest in real property while participating in a certain address confidentiality program to request the shielding of real property records concerning the property in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring the Secretary of State to adopt regulations to carry out certain provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

FL and SG, Various Sections - amended and added and RP, §§ 3-114 through 3-120 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 634 Delegate Jackson, et al****COMMISSION TO ADVANCE NEXT GENERATION 9–1–1 ACROSS MARYLAND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Commission to Advance Next Generation 9–1–1 Across Maryland to study emerging communications technologies and develop a strategy for implementation of Next Generation 9–1–1 services across the State; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to report its final findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 635 Delegate Sydnor****COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS – CONSUMER CONTRACTS**

Prohibiting a merchant in a certain consumer contract from extending the period of time during which the merchant may file a civil action at law against a consumer; prohibiting a merchant in a certain consumer contract from shortening the period of time during which a consumer may file a civil action at law against a merchant; establishing that a violation of certain provisions of the Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice and is subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CL, § 13-301(14)(xxix) and CJ, § 5-102 - amended and CL, § 13-301(14)(xxxi) and CJ, § 5-101.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 636 Delegate Vogt, et al****BOW HUNTING – POSSESSION OF HANDGUNS FOR PROTECTION**

Expanding to apply statewide the prohibition against the Department of Natural Resources restricting licensed bow hunters from carrying a handgun under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

NR, § 10-408 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 637 Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al****COUNTIES – ASSET TRANSFER FOR HIGH-SPEED TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM – HEARING AND APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the governing body of a county to hold a public hearing before the transfer of an asset of the county as part of the development of a high-speed transportation system; requiring notice of the public hearing to be delivered by first-class mail to homeowners and businesses within 500 feet of the asset; requiring a supermajority vote for approval by certain county and municipal entities of a transfer of an asset of a county as part of the development of a high-speed transportation system; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

LG, § 12-413 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 638 Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al****COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES – ASSET TRANSFER FOR HIGH–SPEED TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM – AGREEMENTS**

Requiring a county, before the transfer of an asset of the county as part of the development of a high–speed transportation system that passes through the county, if the asset is located in a municipality, to negotiate a certain written agreement with the municipality concerning the approval by and financial remuneration to the municipality.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

LG, § 12-413 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 639 Delegate A. Miller, et al****HEALTH – ALLEGED RAPE, SEXUAL OFFENSE, OR CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE – HIV POST–EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to compensate a physician or hospital that provides certain post–exposure prophylaxis treatment under certain circumstances for the prevention of HIV to a victim of alleged rape or sexual offense or a victim of alleged child sexual abuse without charge to the victim; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 15-127 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 640 Delegate Dumais****REGISTER OF WILLS – SALARY**

Increasing from \$114,500 to \$124,500 the maximum salary of a register of wills; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

ET, § 2-205 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 641 Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – COIN OPERATED GAMES – REPEAL OF LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing licensing requirements for certain coin operated games in Carroll County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

PLL of Carroll Co, Art. 7, § 6-102 - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 642 Delegate Gutierrez, et al****EDUCATION – DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM – AUTHORIZATION**

Requiring the State Board of Education, on or before July 1, 2019, to establish guidelines for the implementation of dual language immersion programs in public schools; providing for the content of the guidelines; and requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, § 7-117 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 643 Delegate Jones, et al****STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – EMPLOYMENT CATEGORIES AND PRACTICES**

Altering the employment categories of certain 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 certain 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, 2018

ED, §§ 2-104 and 2-105 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 644 Delegate Lam, et al****STATE INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION –  
ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION EXPENSES**

Excluding from a subtraction modification certain contributions to and distributions from a certain investment plan that is used for certain elementary and secondary education expenses; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

TG, §§ 10-207(s) and 10-208(o) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 645 Delegate Branch, et al****BUSINESS REGULATION – WIRELESS SECURITY SYSTEMS – LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT LICENSES AND PERMITS**

Prohibiting a local government from requiring a license or permit, including a license to perform electrical work, to install, maintain, inspect, replace, or service certain wireless security systems if the wireless security system does not require submission of a fire protection plan review to a local government for compliance with the State or local building code.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

BR, § 19-901 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 646 Delegate Reilly, et al****MOTOR VEHICLES – GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT – AGRICULTURAL  
PRODUCTS**

Establishing a 5% tolerance from the gross vehicle weight limits for certain vehicles used in certain agricultural activities during harvest time under certain circumstances; and limiting the distance within which a certain vehicle operating under a certain tolerance from a certain gross vehicle weight limit may travel.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

TR, § 24-109 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation



**HB 647 Delegate Reilly, et al****PUBLIC SAFETY – PERMIT TO CARRY, WEAR, OR TRANSPORT A HANDGUN – QUALIFICATIONS**

Clarifying that personal protection or self–defense can qualify as a good and substantial reason to wear, carry, or transport a handgun for purposes of the issuance by the Secretary of State Police of a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

PS, § 5-306(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 648 Delegate A. Miller, et al****MARYLAND CONSUMERS' RIGHTS**

Authorizing a court to award actual damages or \$1,000, whichever is greater, and treble damages under certain circumstances to a person who is injured by a violation of the Maryland Consumer Protection Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CL, § 13-408 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 649 Delegate Reilly, et al****CRIMINAL LAW – OPIOIDS – DISTRIBUTION CAUSING DEATH OF MINOR**

Prohibiting the distribution of a certain opioid or opioid analogue, the use of which causes the death of a minor; establishing a penalty of up to 30 years imprisonment for a violation of the Act; clarifying that certain conduct constitutes distribution under the Act; providing that certain conduct does not establish a defense under the Act; providing a certain defense under the Act; providing immunity for certain conduct under the Act; providing that a sentence imposed under the Act shall be consecutive to a certain other sentence; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CR, § 5-602.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 650 Delegates Reilly and Cassilly****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – HARFORD COUNTY – THE CHILDREN’S CENTER OF NORTH HARFORD**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$180,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Children’s Center of North Harford, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Baity Building at The Children’s Center of North Harford, located in Harford 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 651 Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – SMOKING MARIJUANA IN VEHICLES – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a driver of a motor vehicle from smoking or consuming marijuana in a passenger area of a motor vehicle on a highway; and prohibiting an occupant of a motor vehicle from smoking marijuana in a passenger area of a motor vehicle on a highway.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

TR, § 21-903 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 652 Delegate West, et al****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – VIOLATIONS OF THE MARYLAND DENTISTRY ACT – PENALTIES AND CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS**

Authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners to issue a cease and desist order for certain violations; establishing penalties for a person who aids or abets a person who practices or attempts to practice dentistry without a license; altering certain penalties for certain acts related to the unauthorized practice of dentistry or dental hygiene; altering certain penalties for violating certain provisions of law related to dental laboratory work or advertising a dental appliance; authorizing certain civil fines; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

HO, § 4-321 - added and § 4-606 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 653** Delegate K. Young, et alHEALTH CARE PROVIDERS – OPIOID PRESCRIPTIONS –  
DISCUSSION OF INFORMATION AND RISKS

Requiring certain health care providers to discuss certain information and risks associated with the prescription of opioids that are controlled dangerous substances with the patient or, if the patient is a minor, the parent or guardian of the minor before issuing an initial prescription and before issuing a third prescription in the same course of treatment; requiring certain health care providers to obtain a certain written acknowledgment and include the acknowledgment in the patient's medical record; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HO, § 1-223 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 654** Delegate BuschCREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY –  
ANNAPOLIS MARITIME MUSEUM AND PARK

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$125,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Annapolis Maritime Museum, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Back Creek Campus of the Annapolis Maritime Museum and Park, 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, 2018

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 655** Delegate K. Young, et al

## MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – BIOSAFETY LEVEL 3 LABORATORIES

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop and make available a certain form; requiring certain biosafety level 3 (BSL-3) laboratories to report, on or before September 30 each year, certain information to the Department; requiring the Department to report, on or before December 31 each year, certain information regarding the number and location of the laboratories to the Maryland Emergency Management Agency and certain local officials, and the total number of the laboratories to the Governor and the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 17-701 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 656** Delegate Sydnor, et al

## MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – DISCRIMINATION IN UNDERWRITING AND RATING – USE OF OCCUPATION OR EDUCATION LEVEL

Prohibiting an insurer, with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance, from refusing to underwrite, canceling, refusing to renew, rating a risk, or increasing a renewal premium based, in whole or in part, on the occupation, or on the education level attained by, the insured or applicant.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

IN, § 27-501(e-2) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 657** Delegate Sydnor, et al**MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – DISCRIMINATION IN UNDERWRITING AND RATING – USE OF MARITAL STATUS OR GENDER**

Repealing a certain provision of law prohibiting an insurer, with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance, from increasing a certain premium for a certain spouse based on a certain change in marital status; and prohibiting an insurer, with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance, from refusing to underwrite, canceling, refusing to renew, rating a risk, or increasing a renewal premium based, in whole or in part, on the marital status or the gender of the insured or applicant.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

IN, § 27-501(e-2) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 658** The Speaker**STATE HOUSE TRUST – DUTIES – LANDSCAPING AND CONSTRUCTION OF LAWYER’S MALL**

Requiring the State House Trust to be responsible for the landscaping and construction of Lawyer’s Mall; requiring the Trust to disapprove or approve and supervise any proposed repair, improvement, or other change to Lawyer’s Mall; and providing that the Trust is not required under certain provisions of the Act to be responsible for, or disapprove or approve and supervise, the coordination, security, and scheduling of rallies and other events held on Lawyer’s Mall.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SG, § 9-505 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 659 Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al****COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES – CONTINUITY OF FUNDING**

Establishing the Community Action Agency Continuity Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to ensure the continuity of services provided by community action agencies in the State; requiring the Program to provide funding for previously funded community action agencies for use in certain authorized activities; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations; and requiring the Secretary to repeal certain regulations under certain circumstances.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HS, §§ 8-108 and 8-109 - amended and § 8-110 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 660 Delegate Reznik****PUBLIC HEALTH – STATE–PROVIDED HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FOR STATE RESIDENTS (HEALTHCAREMARYLAND)**

Establishing the Office of Health Care Coverage in the Maryland Department of Health to establish and carry out the HealthcareMaryland Program to provide benefits to State residents who do not receive federal benefits through Medicare, TRICARE, plans that are subject to ERISA, or any other federal medical program; requiring the Office to contract with a certain number of managed care organizations; requiring certain employers to pay to the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation a certain annual payroll tax; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HG, §§ 2-901 through 2-906, LE, § 13-101, and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii) 103. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)101. and 102. - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Economic Matters

**HB 661 Delegate Miele, et al****CRIMES – FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION – PENALTIES**

Increasing the maximum penalties for female genital mutilation from 5 years imprisonment or a \$5,000 fine or both to 20 years imprisonment or a \$10,000 fine or both; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 20-603 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED JANUARY 29, 2018**

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UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION – AMENDMENTS CONVENTION –  
CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS AMENDMENT

Applying to the U.S. Congress for an amendments convention called under Article V of the U.S. Constitution, on the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states, to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that limits the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives and a member of the U.S. Senate.

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