



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2018 Maryland General Assembly Session

February 2, 2018
Schedule 17

PLEASE NOTE: February 2 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 5.

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

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 2, 2018

SB 679 Senator Smith

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ARTS ON THE BLOCK STUDIO EXPANSION

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 Artpreneurs, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Arts on the Block studio expansion, 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: Budget and Taxation

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SB 680 **Senator King, et al**

GENERAL ASSEMBLY – PREFILED BILLS – DEADLINES

Altering the date from November 15 to November 1 by which a member of the General Assembly may request the Department of Legislative Services to prepare a bill for prefile at a regular session under certain circumstances; and altering the date from the second Friday after Thanksgiving to the preceding November 20 by which a member may direct the Department to prefile a bill under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SG, § 2-1502(c) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 681 **Senator King**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – SENECA PARK NORTH

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$7,400, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Seneca Park North Homeowners Association, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of lighting in the Seneca Park North community, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 682 **Senators Hershey and Middleton**

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH INSURANCE – EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDERS – COVERAGE AND REIMBURSEMENT OF SERVICES

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse emergency medical services providers for mobile integrated health services provided to Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients; requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide health insurance benefits under certain insurance policies or contracts to provide coverage for mobile integrated health services provided by certain emergency medical services providers; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 15-114.1 - amended and IN, § 15-853 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 683 **Senator Hershey, et al****GENERAL ASSEMBLY – BILLS ALTERING SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS – INTRODUCTION DEADLINE**

Requiring that, in an election year, a bill that alters the salary of a State or local elected official and takes effect at the beginning of the immediately following term of office be filed for introduction on or before the deadline established under a certain provision of law for filing a certificate of candidacy for that office.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SG, § 2-1515 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 684 **Senator Lee****CHILD CUSTODY – LEGAL DECISION MAKING AND PARENTING TIME**

Repealing references to the terms “child custody” and “visitation” and substituting the terms “legal decision making” and “parenting time” in certain instances; requiring the court, in determining the appropriate allocation of legal decision making or parenting time between the parties, to consider certain factors; authorizing the court to award joint legal decision making to both parties under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

FL, §§ 5-203(d) and 9-107 - repealed and Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 685 **Senator Manno****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – MELVIN J. BERMAN HEBREW ACADEMY**

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 Melvin J. Berman Hebrew Academy for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Melvin J. Berman Hebrew Academy, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 686 **Senator Astle****HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER
CONTRACEPTIVE DRUGS AND DEVICES**

Requiring certain entities to provide certain coverage for certain contraceptive devices that are available over the counter; prohibiting certain entities from applying certain copayments or coinsurance for certain contraceptive devices dispensed without a prescription; providing for the application of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020

IN, § 15-826.1(e) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 687 **Senator Ferguson, et al****STATE VACANCY REFORM ACT**

Providing that an individual who was appointed to fill a vacancy in an office during the recess of the Senate or who was nominated to fill a vacancy in an office during a regular session of the Senate is not qualified to serve in the office and is prohibited from continuing to serve in the office after a certain time under certain circumstances; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

SG, § 8-3A-01 - amended and § 17-109 - added

Assigned to: Executive Nominations

SB 688 **Senator Hershey****PUBLIC UTILITIES – RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD
– REVISIONS**

Altering the renewable energy portfolio standard percentage derived from Tier 1 renewable sources for certain years; and extending the renewable energy portfolio standard percentage derived from Tier 2 renewable sources for certain years.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

PU, § 7-703(b)(14) and (15) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 689 **Senator DeGrange**

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ST. PHILIP NERI COMMUNITY HALL

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$72,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the St. Philip Neri School, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the St. Philip Neri Community Hall, located in Anne Arundel County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; prohibiting the use of the loan proceeds for sectarian religious purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 690 **Senator Benson, et al**

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – BASIC HEALTH PROGRAM – IMPLEMENTATION

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to provide certain Basic Health Program coverage in the State; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to report to the Department of Legislative Services and the General Assembly on or before June 1, 2019, on whether the State can implement, beginning January 1, 2020, a Basic Health Program that accomplishes certain objectives and take other certain action related to the implementation of the Program; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HG, § 15-1101 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 691 **Senator Jennings, et al**

ELECTRIC FACILITIES – CONDEMNATION – CONSERVED LAND

Establishing certain restrictions on the acquisition of certain property by condemnation in connection with a certificate of public convenience and necessity for certain facilities used in the transmission of electricity; providing that a property or right may not be taken by eminent domain for certain transmission or lead lines unless certain conditions are met; and requiring certain compensation to be paid based on a certain valuation and to reimburse certain entities.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

PU, § 7-207 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 692 **Senator Jennings, et al****PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – CONSTRUCTION OF OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION LINES – LOCATION**

Prohibiting the Public Service Commission from issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of an overhead transmission line that is designed to carry a voltage in excess of 69,000 volts unless the overhead transmission line will be located on certain sites or on property subject to an existing easement; authorizing the Commission to issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of an overhead transmission line at a location other than certain locations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

PU, § 7-207 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 693 **Senator Feldman****COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION – TICKET WEBSITE DOMAIN NAMES**

Prohibiting a person who owns, operates, or controls a ticket website from using in the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the ticket website certain lower-level domain names that contain the name of the venue for which the tickets grant admission, the name of certain entertainment events, or certain other names; providing for the application of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

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

Assigned to: Finance

SB 694 **Senator Feldman, et al****ASSISTED LIVING EDUCATION ON INFLUENZA**

Requiring each assisted living program to provide its residents with educational material on the influenza virus by posting the educational material in each assisted living program facility on or before September 1 each year; requiring that the educational material include certain information; and prohibiting an assisted living program from being required to pay for or provide an influenza virus vaccine, unless otherwise required by law.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HG, § 19-1813 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 695 **Senator Jennings, et al****ELECTRICITY – CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY OR RIGHTS FOR OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION LINES – PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION APPROVAL**

Subjecting the condemnation of certain property or rights for the construction or maintenance of overhead transmission lines to approval by the Public Service Commission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

PU, § 7-207(b)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 696 **Senator Jennings, et al****CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSMISSION LINES – LANDOWNERS – NOTIFICATION AND COMPENSATION**

Requiring a public service company or an applicant to provide certain notice to owners of land located within 2,500 feet of proposed transmission lines under certain circumstances; requiring the Public Service Commission to consider, and authorizing the Commission to require, as a condition of the issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity, an applicant to compensate owners of land located within 2,500 feet of a proposed transmission line that are directly or indirectly impacted by the transmission line; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

PU, §§ 7-204, 7-207(b) and (c), and 7-208(e) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 697 **Senator Guzzone****INCOME TAX – COMMUNITY INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT – VERIFICATION OF CREDIT ELIGIBILITY**

Requiring the Comptroller to use the information contained in a certain report to verify that a certain business entity or individual is eligible for a credit against the State income tax for contributions to certain projects; prohibiting the Comptroller from requiring a business entity or an individual to submit additional information with the business entity's or individual's income tax return to claim a certain income tax credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HS, § 6-404 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 698 **Senator Conway****STATE BOARD OF NURSING – ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES – CERTIFICATION AND PRACTICE**

Providing that an advanced practice registered nurse’s certification expires on the same date as a certain license; authorizing a nurse anesthetist to provide certain care, administer certain drugs, manage certain therapy, order and evaluate certain tests and studies, perform certain tests, and perform certain acts; requiring a nurse anesthetist to administer anesthesia in collaboration with certain health care practitioners; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HO, §§ 8-101(k) and (m), 8-312(h), and 8-513 - added and § 8-101(k) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 699 **Senator Guzzone (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)****ALTERNATE CONTRIBUTORY PENSION SELECTION – FORMER MEMBERS – MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS**

Requiring that certain active members of the Employees’ Pension System or the Teachers’ Pension System who are subject to the Reformed Contributory Pension Benefit earn a certain rate of interest on certain former member contributions in the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

SP, § 23-213 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 700 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A SHELTER ANIMAL REFUGE**

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a Shelter Animal Refuge; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study, analyze, identify, evaluate, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2018; and terminating the Act after May 31, 2019.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 701 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES – RECOGNITION, PREVENTION,
AND REPORTING OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to include questions on human trafficking recognition, prevention, and effective reporting as part of the commercial driver's license knowledge test; requiring commercial driver's license training schools to include training on human trafficking recognition, prevention, and effective reporting as part of the curriculum; requiring the Administration to include content on human trafficking recognition, prevention, and effective reporting in its Commercial Driver's License Manual; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

TR, § 16-807(b) - amended and § 16-807.2 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 702 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ASSESSMENTS,
SERVICES, AND TREATMENT FOR PATIENTS PROVIDED OPIOIDS –
COVERAGE**

Requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that provide certain benefits to provide certain coverage for a certain behavioral health assessment and certain services provided by certain comprehensive pain management programs for opioid weaning or substance use disorder treatment programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

IN, § 15-853 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 703 **Senator Klausmeier****BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Behavioral Health Crisis Response Grant Program to provide funds to local jurisdictions to establish and expand community behavioral health crisis response systems; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to administer the Program; authorizing certain uses of funds distributed under the Program; requiring the Department, by December 1 each year, beginning in 2020, to report to the Governor and the General Assembly certain data regarding the Program; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

HG, § 7.5-208 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 704 **Senator Klausmeier, et al****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – TELEMEDICINE – ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT AND MOBILE TREATMENT SERVICES**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, under certain circumstances, to include psychiatrists who are providing Assertive Community Treatment or mobile treatment services to certain Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients in the types of providers eligible to receive reimbursement for health care services that are delivered through telemedicine and provided to Program recipients; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 15-105.2 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 705 Senator Klausmeier**PUBLIC SAFETY – SWAT TEAM ACTIVATION AND DEPLOYMENT – REPORTS**

Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission, in consultation with the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention, to develop a standardized format that certain law enforcement agencies shall use in reporting certain data relating to the activation and deployment of certain SWAT teams to the Office and to certain local officials; requiring the Office to submit and publish a certain report; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

PS, § 3-520 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 706 Senator Klausmeier, et al**TELEHEALTH – COVERAGE FOR BREAST CANCER SERVICES**

Requiring that the health care services appropriately delivered through telehealth include diagnostic and symptom management services for breast cancer delivered to a patient in a home setting for the purpose of certain provisions of law requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations and the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide certain coverage and reimbursement for health care services delivered through telehealth; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

HG, § 15-105.2(b)(2) and IN, § 15-139(c) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 707 Senator Ramirez, et al**CRIMINAL LAW – FIREARM CRIMES – RAPID FIRE TRIGGER ACTIVATOR**

Prohibiting a person from transporting a certain rapid fire trigger activator into the State or manufacturing, possessing, selling, offering to sell, transferring, purchasing, or receiving a certain rapid fire trigger activator; defining “rapid fire trigger activator” as any device, part, or combination of devices or parts that is designed and functions to accelerate the rate of fire of a firearm beyond the standard rate of fire for firearms that are not so equipped, including a bump stock and trigger crank; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CR, §§ 4-301 and 4-306 - amended and § 4-305.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 708 **Senators Nathan–Pulliam and Kelley****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – NATIONAL CENTER ON INSTITUTIONS AND ALTERNATIVES EXPANSION**

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 National Center on Institutions and Alternatives, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the National Center on Institutions and Alternatives facility, located in Baltimore County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 709 **Senators Eckardt and Ferguson****ENVIRONMENT – WATER AND SEWER SERVICE**

Declaring the intent of the General Assembly that homeowners have access to certain affordability programs for water and sewer services; authorizing a political subdivision, a sanitary commission, or an authority to develop and implement certain affordability programs; authorizing a sanitary commission, a political subdivision, or an authority to disconnect certain service to properties that meet certain criteria; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

EN, §§ 9-202, 9-670, and 9-728 - added and § 9-951 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 710 **Senator Eckardt****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – DORCHESTER COUNTY – MACES LANE COMMUNITY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Good Shepherd Association for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Maces Lane Community 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, 2018

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 711 **Senator Eckardt****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – APPLICATIONS FOR RENEWAL OF LICENSES, PERMITS, CERTIFICATIONS, OR REGISTRATIONS – AVAILABLE BY MAIL**

Requiring a health occupations board to send by first-class mail a renewal application at the request of a licensee, permit holder, certificate holder, or registrant if the health occupations board chooses to send renewal notices or renewed licenses, permits, certifications, or registrations exclusively by e-mail under certain provisions of law.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HO, § 1-220 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 712 **Senator Serafini****MARYLAND HEALTHY WORKING FAMILIES ACT – EXEMPTIONS**

Repealing the inclusion of local governments in the definition of “employer” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing earned sick and safe leave; exempting from certain provisions of law governing earned sick and safe leave certain employees who are employed by county boards of education or nonprofit entities or who regularly work at facilities at which their employers offer the employees access to an on-site health clinic that has operating costs of at least \$1,000,000 per year; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

LE, §§ 3-1301(f) and 3-1303(a) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 713 **Senator Serafini****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WASHINGTON COUNTY – NATIONAL ROAD MUSEUM**

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 National Road Heritage Foundation, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the National Road Museum, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 714 **Washington County Senators****WASHINGTON COUNTY – POSSESSION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – PROHIBITION**

Providing that a certain provision of law may not be construed to authorize the possession of marijuana or cannabis on the grounds of a correctional facility in Washington County; authorizing the imposition of certain penalties for the possession of marijuana or cannabis on the grounds of a correctional facility in Washington County; applying the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

HG, § 13-3314 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 715 **Senator Serafini****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WASHINGTON COUNTY – VIETNAM WAR MONUMENT**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$40,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Joint Veterans Council of Washington County, Maryland, Inc. and the Mayor and City Council of the City of Hagerstown for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a Vietnam War Monument, located in Washington County; providing for the disbursement of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 716 **Senator Edwards****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ALLEGANY COUNTY – FROSTBURG MUSEUM RELOCATION PROJECT**

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 Frostburg Museum Association for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Frostburg Museum, located in Allegany 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 717 **Senator Edwards****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ALLEGANY COUNTY – CAMP POTOMAC**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$160,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Laurel Highlands Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of a new shower house facility at Camp Potomac, located in Allegany 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 718 **Senator Edwards****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – GARRETT COUNTY – BLOOMINGTON WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$164,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of County Commissioners of Garrett County for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of storage tanks at the Bloomington Water Distribution System facility, located in Garrett 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 719 **Senator Robinson****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – TEACHER RESOURCE CENTER**

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 Baltimore Teacher Network, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Teacher Resource Center 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 720 **Senator Lee****INTERCEPTION OF ORAL COMMUNICATION – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

Repealing a requirement that a law enforcement officer provide a certain notice to an individual who is being recorded in a certain manner in order to lawfully intercept a certain oral communication.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CJ, § 10-402(c)(11) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 721 **Senator Lee****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FORFEITURE PROCEEDINGS – NOTICE**

Authorizing a certain notice in a certain forfeiture proceeding to be posted for 30 days on a certain website as an alternative to publishing the notice in a certain newspaper.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CP, § 12-306 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 722 **Senator Lee****MOTOR VEHICLES – ALCOHOL– OR DRUG–RELATED DRIVING OFFENSES – TESTING REQUIREMENT**

Requiring a police officer who has reasonable grounds to believe that an individual has been driving or attempting to drive while under the influence or while impaired by alcohol, drugs, or controlled dangerous substances in violation of certain laws to provide certain medical personnel with a certain signed statement; and requiring medical personnel, on receipt of a signed statement from a police officer, to perform a certain test regardless of whether the person to be tested consents to the test.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

TR, § 16-205.1(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 723 **Senator Lee****BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – ERRONEOUSLY CONVICTED INDIVIDUAL – RESTITUTION**

Requiring a certain grant made to a certain erroneously convicted individual by the Board of Public Works to include the amounts of certain fines, fees, costs, and restitution; requiring the Board to make a certain grant to a certain individual under certain circumstances; and requiring the Board to use money in the General Emergency Fund or money that the Governor provides in the annual budget in making a certain grant.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SF, § 10-501 - amended and § 10-502 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 724 **Senator Rosapepe****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – RIVERFRONT PARK HIKER AND BIKER PATH**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Laurel for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Riverfront Park Hiker and Biker Path, 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: Budget and Taxation

SB 725 **Senator Zirkin****BULLYING, CYBERBULLYING, HARASSMENT, AND INTIMIDATION – CIVIL RELIEF AND SCHOOL RESPONSE**

Authorizing a victim of cyberbullying or a parent or guardian of a victim of cyberbullying to bring a certain action for injunctive relief against a certain individual; authorizing a school principal to make a certain report if, after an investigation is completed, the school principal has reason to believe that a student has engaged in conduct that constitutes a certain criminal offense; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CJ, §§ 3-2101 through 3-2104 and 5-643 - added and ED, §§ 7-303.1 and 7-305.2 - added and §§ 7-424(a), 7-424.1, and 7-424.3 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 726 Senator Zirkin**CRIMINAL LAW – ELECTRONIC HARASSMENT AND BULLYING
(GRACE’S LAW 2.0)**

Altering prohibited actions relating to electronic harassment; prohibiting a person from engaging in electronic communication under certain circumstances with a certain intent; prohibiting a person from using an electronic communication to maliciously engage in a certain act or in a course of conduct that, when considered in its entirety, has a certain result; prohibiting a person from using a computer or a computer network to engage in certain activity with the intent to seriously annoy, alarm, intimidate, torment, or harass a minor; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CR, § 3-805 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 727 Senator King, et al**STATE PERSONNEL – EMPLOYEE MENTORING LEAVE**

Entitling State employees to receive up to 40 hours per year of mentoring leave to mentor at-risk youth in certain approved organizations; requiring employees to match certain compensated time for mentoring with personal leave; requiring certain employees to assist with academic tutoring at public schools or nonprofit organizations or to engage in site or community-based mentoring; requiring the Department of Budget and Management to approve certain organizations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SP, § 9-1108 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 728 Senator King, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – BATTERY OPERATED SMOKE ALARMS**

Prohibiting a person from selling a battery operated smoke alarm in the State or transporting a battery operated smoke alarm into the State for consumer use on or after October 1, 2018, unless the smoke alarm is a sealed, tamper resistant unit incorporating a silence/hush button and using one or more long-life batteries; and defining “long-life battery”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

PS, § 9-101 - amended and § 9-106.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 729 **Senator King, et al**

COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR –
ADJUSTMENTS

Authorizing a county board of education to extend the length of the school year for up to 5 days without approval from the State Board of Education; and requiring a county board to submit a written application to the State Board for permission to increase the length of the school year for more than a certain number of school days in accordance with a certain provision of law or to decrease the length of the school year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, § 7-103(b) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs