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# **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 8, 2018**

#### **SB 1069** Senator Mathias

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: Senate Rules

#### **SB 1070** Senator Edwards

WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS PROGRAM – STATE–OWNED LAKES – STRUCTURAL SHORELINE STABILIZATION

Specifying that the application fee for a structural shoreline stabilization project that impacts a wetland or waterway of a State—owned lake may not exceed \$250; and requiring the Department of the Environment, in conjunction with the Department of Natural Resources, to identify up to three types of structural stabilization practices that may be implemented on a wetland or waterway of a State—owned lake.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018 EN, 5-203.1(b) and (e) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

### **Department of Legislative Services**

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## SB 1071 Senator Waugh

TASK FORCE TO STUDY ACCESS TO HOME HEALTH CARE FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH MEDICAL DISABILITIES

Establishing the Task Force to Study Access to Home Health Care for Children and Adults with Medical Disabilities; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations for improving access to home health care in all areas of the State, including a recommendation on reimbursement rates; requiring the Task Force to report to certain committees of the General Assembly by November 30, 2018; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

Assigned to: Senate Rules

# **SENATE BILLS REASSIGNED February 7, 2018**

## SB 804 Senator Oaks, et al

MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – FREE RIDERSHIP FOR STATE EMPLOYEES

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to extend to employees of the Judicial Branch and the Legislative Branch of State government the application of any program, policy, or practice through which free ridership on transit vehicles is offered to employees of the Executive Branch of State government. EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

Reassigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

### **SB 1003** Senators Pinsky and Peters

MAGNETIC LEVITATION TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM – LIMITATIONS

Prohibiting a person from constructing a magnetic levitation transportation system or certain facilities or structures in a local jurisdiction unless the local legislative body and the local executive review and approve the construction; prohibiting a unit of State or local government from approving the construction, or condemnation of property for the construction, of a magnetic levitation transportation system or certain facilities or structures in a local jurisdiction unless certain local bodies review and approve; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

LU, § 7-105 - added, PU, §§ 1-101(y) and 5-407 - amended, and SF, § 7-238 - amended and § 7-239 - added

Reassigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

### SB 1016 Senator Rosapepe

STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PROGRAM – EXPANSION OF PARTICIPATING UNITS

Requiring that, on the termination of any health benefits contract that exists on July 1, 2018, a county, municipal corporation, or county board must enroll and participate in the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; requiring the Program to encompass all units in all county governments, municipal corporations, and county boards; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to adopt certain regulations specifying certain employees who are eligible to participate in the Program with certain subsidies; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

SP, §§ 2-501, 2-502, 2-507(a), 2-512(a), and 2-513 - amended and § 2-503(d)(4) - added

Reassigned to: Finance

### SB 1049 Senator Smith, et al

HIGHER EDUCATION – ENDOWED UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Endowed University System of Maryland Scholarship Program; authorizing the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland to transfer up \$50,000,000 from the non–State supported fund balance to a certain quasi–endowment fund; establishing the Endowed University System of Maryland Scholarship Fund as a quasi–endowment fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund is to provide scholarships to certain low–income Maryland residents; requiring the Board to administer the Fund; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, Various Sections - amended and added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)101. and 102. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)103. - added

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