



# SYNOPSIS

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## **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED *March 13, 2018***

### **SB 1262 Senator Astle, et al**

**PUBLIC SAFETY – BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR FIREARM LICENSE INVESTIGATIONS – SCHOOL CRISIS WELFARE OFFICERS (SCHOOL SAFETY ACT 2018: PREVENTION)**

Requiring the Secretary of State Police to request certain assistance from certain officials, the courts of the State, and health care facilities in the State in conducting an investigation of an applicant for a certain firearm license; establishing the Workgroup on Accurate and Integrated Background Information on Applicants for Firearm Licenses to study how investigations for applicants for firearms licenses are conducted and to recommend the best methods for obtaining the most comprehensive information on applicants; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

PS, § 5-121 and HG, § 10-1403 - amended and PS, § 5-121.1 and CJ, § 2-312 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

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**SB 1263** Senators Waugh and Miller

PUBLIC SAFETY – SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL DISORDER WEAPON RESTRAINING ORDER(SCHOOL SAFETY ACT OF 2018: ANTICIPATION)

Altering a certain prohibition on making certain threats to commit or cause to be committed a crime of violence; requiring the State Department of Education to develop a certain model policy for the establishment of a threat assessment team by January 1, 2019; authorizing a certain petitioner, under certain circumstances, to file a petition for a certain restraining order alleging that, due to a mental disorder, a certain respondent is a danger to self or the person or property of another; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2018

CR, § 3-1001 - amended and ED and HG, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1264** Senator Jennings, et al

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS – LAW ENFORCEMENT PRESENCE (SCHOOL SAFETY ACT 2018: DETERRENCE)

Requiring each public school to have an armed school resource officer present on school grounds during regular school hours on school days; requiring the Department of State Police to assign a State Police officer to a certain public school under certain circumstances; authorizing a private school to have an armed school resource officer on school grounds; requiring a local law enforcement agency to collaborate with a local public school to establish a reasonable time for responding to an emergency at the public school; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, § 7-441 and PS, § 3-520 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 1265** Senator Klausmeier, et al

EDUCATION – SCHOOL SAFETY PROTECTION STANDARDS AND GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED (SCHOOL SAFETY ACT OF 2018: PROTECTION)

Requiring each public school in the State, by the 2020–2021 school year, to have secure, lockable classroom doors, an area of safe refuge in each classroom, and security technology for school monitoring purposes; requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Maryland Center for School Safety, to adopt certain school safety facility requirements; requiring each public school to complete an active threat drill beginning in the 2019–2020 school year; establishing the School Safety Grant Program; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

ED, §§ 4-134, 4-135, and 5-314 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SENATE BILLS REASSIGNED March 12, 2018****SB 1242** Senator Conway

BURIAL SITES – ACCESS, DISINTERMENT, CRIMINAL PENALTIES, AND TAX CREDIT

Requiring a person who brings a certain action for sale of a burial ground to conduct a certain genealogical and historical search; authorizing a court to reject the sale of a burial ground under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from desecrating human remains; requiring that the owner of a burial site that is more than 50 years old and in which the majority of persons interred have been interred for more than 50 years consult with the Maryland Historical Trust regarding certain matters; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

BR, § 5-505, CR, §§ 10-401 and 10-402, and RP, §§ 14-121 and 14-122 - amended and RP, § 14-121.1 and TP, § 9-261 - added

Reassigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

**SB 1257 The President (By Request – Administration)****SAFE SCHOOLS ACT OF 2018**

Requiring each county board of education to employ a designated security administrator; requiring each county board to prepare a school emergency plan for all public schools in the county; requiring each county board to perform a safety assessment of each public school in the county each year; requiring each county board to establish a school threat assessment team; establishing the Safe Schools Fund to provide grants to county boards for the implementation of approved emergency emergency plans; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

**EMERGENCY BILL**

ED, GP, and SF - Various Sections - amended and added

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