



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2020 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 24, 2020
Schedule 11

PLEASE NOTE: February 7 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 6.

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

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 24, 2020

HB 454 Delegate Rosenberg

DRIVER'S LICENSES AND VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS –
DISTRIBUTION OF TAX PAYMENTS AND UNEMPLOYMENT
INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS – TAX CLINICS FOR LOW-INCOME
MARYLANDERS

Requiring that each fiscal year up to \$450,000 of undisputed taxes or unemployment insurance contributions collected as a result of the Motor Vehicle Administration's refusal to renew or transfer certain vehicle registrations or renew the driver's license of certain applicants be distributed to the Tax Clinics for Low-Income Marylanders Fund; establishing the Tax Clinics for Low-Income Marylanders Fund to provide grants to certain law schools to operate tax clinics for low-income Marylanders; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 11-409 - added and TR, §§ 13-406.2 and 16-115(k) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Economic Matters

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HB 455 Delegate Kelly**HEALTH INSURANCE – COVERAGE FOR MENTAL HEALTH BENEFITS AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER BENEFITS – TREATMENT CRITERIA**

Requiring certain carriers, on or before March 1 each year, to submit a report to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to demonstrate the carrier's compliance with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act; requiring a carrier, on or before March 1 each year, to submit a report to the Commissioner on certain data for certain benefits by certain classification; establishing the Parity Enforcement and Education Fund to provide funds to support and conduct outreach to inform certain consumers of certain rights; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

IN and SF, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 456 Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – PUBLIC HEALTH OUTREACH PROGRAMS – COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT, ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, AND OTHER TYPES OF DEMENTIA**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in partnership with the Department of Aging, the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Council, and the Alzheimer's Association, to incorporate information regarding cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease, and other types of dementia into relevant public health outreach programs administered by the Maryland Department of Health in order to educate health care providers and increase understanding of matters related to certain types of cognitive impairment; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 18-110 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 457 Delegate Rosenberg**ENVIRONMENT – DRINKING WATER OUTLETS IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS – TESTING FOR ELEVATED LEVEL OF LEAD**

Altering the definition of “elevated level of lead” for purposes of certain provisions of law relating to testing for the presence of lead in certain drinking water outlets in certain school buildings to be a lead concentration in drinking water that exceeds 5 parts per billion rather than a certain standard recommended by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and requiring certain regulations adopted by the Department of the Environment to require that certain testing be conducted at least once every 18 months.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

EN, §§ 6-1501(c), 6-1502(c) and (e), and 6-1503(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 458 Delegate Atterbeary**FAMILY LAW – MINORS – EMANCIPATION (EMANCIPATION OF MINORS ACT OF 2020)**

Extending the jurisdiction of the equity court to include a petition for the emancipation of a minor; altering the conditions under which an individual who is 17 years old may marry; requiring a clerk of the court to review a certain order before issuing a marriage license under certain circumstances; altering what is required to be kept as a record by a clerk of the court under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

FL, §§ 1-201(b), 2-301(a), and 2-405(c) - amended and §§ 5-2A-01 through 5-2A-06 - added and GP, § 1-401(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 459 Delegate Cain, et al**CRIMINAL LAW – VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING – AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Establishing an affirmative defense to certain crimes if a defendant committed an act as a result of being a victim of an act of another in violation of certain State and federal provisions of law prohibiting human trafficking; prohibiting a defendant from asserting the affirmative defense established by the Act unless the defendant provides a certain notice to the State’s Attorney at least 10 days prior to trial; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 1-402 - added and §§ 11-303, 11-306, and 11-307 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 460 Delegate Shetty, et al**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION – ONLINE COURSE**

Requiring the Department of Human Services to post on its website a free online course on the identification, prevention, and reporting of child abuse.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

FL, § 5-716 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 461 Delegate Rogers, et al**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SALARIES OF INSPECTORS**

Raising the salaries of part–time inspectors employed by the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County from \$10,000 to \$11,000 for one part–time chief inspector, from \$8,000 to \$9,000 for one part–time deputy chief inspector, and for other part–time inspectors from \$6,000 to \$7,000 annually.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 11-206(a) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 462 Delegate Arentz, et al**QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – RESTAURANT FOOD SALES REQUIREMENTS**

Altering, for a restaurant with a Class B license in Queen Anne's County, the minimum percentage of the average daily gross receipts that must be from the sale of food from 51% to 25%; altering certain statements regarding gross receipts from food sales in a restaurant that must be made by an applicant for or a holder of a Class B license at certain times; and authorizing the Board to revoke a license of a license holder who fails to maintain gross receipts from food sales of least 25% of gross receipts during any 6-month period.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, §§ 27-101(a) and 27-902 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 463 Delegate Arentz, et al**QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – FINANCIAL INTEREST**

Defining the phrase "financial interest" as it applies to applications for alcoholic beverages licenses in Queen Anne's County to refer to an applicant who is the owner of a controlling interest in a place of business where or for which a license had been applied for or issued.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 27-1404 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 464 Delegate Hettleman, et al**PUBLIC HEALTH – OVERDOSE AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE PREVENTION SERVICES PROGRAM**

Authorizing the establishment of an Overdose and Infectious Disease Prevention Services Program by a community-based organization to provide a place for the consumption of preobtained drugs, provide sterile needles, administer first aid, and provide certain other services; providing the Maryland Department of Health may approve not more than six programs, two programs in urban areas, two in suburban areas, and two in rural areas, to operate at a single location in areas with a high incidence of drug use; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HG, §§ 24-1701 through 24-1706 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 465 Delegates Cain and Rosenberg**ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN MATERIAL – DISCLOSURE OF THE USE OF BOTS**

Requiring certain persons that use a bot to publish, distribute, or disseminate campaign material online to another person in the State for the purpose of influencing an election to disclose in a clear and conspicuous manner on the campaign material that the person is using a bot to publish, distribute, or disseminate the campaign material; authorizing the State Board of Elections to seek to remove a bot under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

EL, § 13-401.1 - added and §§ 13-602(a)(9) and 13-604.1(b) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 466 Delegate Arentz, et al**QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – INSPECTOR**

Repealing the authority of the Board of License Commissioners for Queen Anne’s County to appoint a certain inspector; and requiring the Queen Anne’s Board of County Commissioners, with the advice of the Board of License Commissioners, to appoint a certain inspector.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 27-205 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 467 Delegate Arentz, et al**QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PETITION OF SUPPORT**

Repealing, in Queen Anne’s County, the requirement that certain applicants for certain local alcoholic beverages licenses include a petition of support with the license application.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 27-1401(a) and (b) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 468 Delegate Arentz, et al**QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – UNDERAGE EMPLOYEES**

Prohibiting the employment of an individual under the age of 21 years to act as a bartender in Queen Anne's County; and requiring an individual at least 18 years old and under the age of 21 years to be certified by an approved alcohol awareness training program in order to serve alcoholic beverages in the county.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 27-1902 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 469 Delegate Hettleman, et al**INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION – DISORDERLY SCHOOL CLOSURES**

Authorizing the Secretary of Higher Education to require certain institutions of postsecondary education to refund all tuition and fees to certain Maryland students if the institution does not file all essential records of the academic achievement of a former student with the Commission in a certain manner; establishing that an institution that closes programs in a manner that is a disorderly closure is in violation of the enrollment agreement or other contract with a student enrolled at the time of the closure; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

CL, § 13-301(14)(xxxii), ED, §§ 11-107 and 11-401, and SG, § 9-1A-30 - amended and CL and ED, Various Sections - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 470 Delegate Hettleman, et al**FOR-PROFIT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOLS – INSTRUCTIONAL SPENDING – REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring certain for-profit institutions of higher education and private career schools to report certain information on revenues and spending to the Maryland Higher Education Commission on or before June 30 each year; annually requiring that, on or after July 1, 2022, in order to maintain approval to operate in the State and enroll certain students, the institutions and schools must submit a certain plan and provide certain refunds under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 11-210 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 471 Delegate Bagnall

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS – DENTAL SPECIALIZATION – REQUIREMENTS

Altering, from the American Dental Association to the National Commission on Recognition of Dental Specialties and Certifying Boards, the entity whose requirements regarding specialties an applicant for a teacher's license to practice dentistry must meet under certain circumstances; providing that certain qualifications required for applicants for Board recognition as a specialist may include requirements established by certain specialty certification boards; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, §§ 4-302(g) and 4-504 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 472 Delegate Lierman

HOUSING – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ACT – FUNDING

Requiring the Administrator of a certain abandoned property fund to distribute \$5,000,000 to the Community Development Program Fund; altering the contents of the Community Development Program Fund to include any money distributed from a certain abandoned property fund; and repealing certain provisions providing for the construction of certain Acts of the General Assembly concerning the Community Development Program Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

CL, § 17-317 and HS, § 6-606 - amended and Chapters 801 and 802 of the Acts of 2018, § 2 - repealed

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 473 Delegate Stewart, et al

CORPORATE INCOME TAX – THROWBACK RULE

Requiring that certain sales of tangible personal property be attributed to the State for apportionment purposes under the corporate income tax if the corporation is not taxable in the state of the purchaser; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 10-402(d) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 474 Delegate R. Watson, et al**COURT OF APPEALS AND COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS – RENAMING**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to change the name of the Court of Appeals to be the Supreme Court of Maryland, to change the name of the Court of Special Appeals to be the Maryland Appellate Court, to change the name of a Judge of the Court of Appeals to be a Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland, and to change the name of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals to be the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. II, § 6, III, §§ 5, 30, & 52, IV, §§ 1, 3, 3A, 4B, 5A, 10, 14-18, 22, & 41E, V, § 6, & XVII, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 475 Delegate Cain, et al**COMMUNITY COLLEGES – STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to consult with the Maryland Association of Community Colleges when establishing a certain review process and adopting certain guidelines or regulations for a grant program for supplemental services and supports for students with disabilities in community colleges; and requiring, beginning in fiscal year 2022, that the Governor include in the annual budget bill a General Fund appropriation of at least \$2,500,000 to the Commission to be used to award grants under the program.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 16-319 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 476 Delegate Cain, et alEDUCATION – CERTIFICATION IN SECONDARY EDUCATION
CONTENT AREAS – EXPANDED GRADE RANGE

Requiring the State Board of Education to authorize a teacher certificated in secondary education to provide instruction in the teacher's content area to students in grades 6 through 12; and requiring the State Board to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 6-124 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 477 Delegate DumaisESTATES AND TRUSTS – GUARDIANSHIP OF THE PROPERTY OF
DISABLED PERSONS – COURT-APPOINTED ATTORNEYS

Requiring the State to pay reasonable attorney's fees incurred in representing an alleged disabled person who is indigent in a petition for the appointment of a guardian of the property of the person; and requiring the court, under certain circumstances, to appoint, for the alleged disabled person, an attorney who has contracted with the Maryland Department of Human Services, subject to a certain exception.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ET, § 13-211 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 478 Delegate Dumais

COURTS – CIVIL CAUSES OF ACTION – THEFT

Establishing a civil cause of action for damages from theft; establishing that a person may recover certain costs under a certain cause of action; requiring a person claiming injury to make a certain written demand prior to filing an action for damages, subject to an exception; requiring a certain person to give a person who complies with a written demand a certain written release from civil liability; and authorizing a court to award punitive damages for a certain cause of action.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, §§ 3-2201 through 3-2203 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 479 Delegate Dumais**PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION – CITATIONS IN LIEU OF ARREST**

Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission, in consultation with the Anne Arundel County Police Academy, to develop and maintain a uniform statewide training and certification curriculum that includes role-playing exercises to ensure the use of best practices in the issuance of citations in lieu of arrest.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 3-207(j) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 480 Delegate Grammer**TRANSPORTATION – FRANCIS SCOTT KEY BRIDGE – SHOPPERS DISCOUNT PLAN**

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to offer a shoppers toll discount plan that allows, on Sundays through Thursdays, 20 crossings of the Francis Scott Key Bridge within a period of 90 days for a fee of \$20, subject to mandatory renewal for 1 year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 4-312(c) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 481 Delegate Grammer**TRANSPORTATION – COMMERCIAL SIGNS – PENALTY**

Increasing, from \$25 to \$1,000, the maximum civil penalty for placing or maintaining a commercial sign within the right-of-way of a State highway.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 8-605(f) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 482 Charles County Delegation**SOUTHERN MARYLAND – HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION COMMISSION – ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION AUTHORITY**

Expanding the authority of certain homeowners association commissions in Calvert County, Charles County, and St. Mary's County to hear and resolve certain issues between a homeowners association and a homeowner regarding certain governing documents, including bylaws, through alternative dispute resolution.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

RP, § 11B-104(c) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 483 Delegate Krebs**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT – DISPOSITIONS AND SUMMARY SUSPENSIONS – TIME PERIODS**

Requiring an agency or the Office of Administrative Hearings to dispose of a contested case within 90 days from a certain evidentiary hearing; authorizing a certain named party to provide certain written notice that a decision is due; establishing that a certain decision shall be deemed in favor of the named party under certain circumstances; and requiring a certain unit to issue a certain order on a certain summary suspension within 30 days from the date of the summary suspension.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SG, §§ 10-210 and 10-226 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 484 Delegate Impallaria, et al**COURTS – AGGRAVATED MURDER COURT**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to authorize the General Assembly to create an Aggravated Murder Court that shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction over all presentments or indictments for offenses previously punishable by death; vesting the judicial power of the State in the Aggravated Murder Court as the General Assembly may create by law; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, §§ 1, 3, and 8 and Art. V, § 3 - amended and Art. IV, § 27 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 485 Delegate Stewart

CRIMINAL LAW – HATE CRIMES – PENALTY (EDUCATE AGAINST HATE ACT)

Requiring the court to impose, on a person convicted of a hate crime, at least 8 hours of educational instruction relating to the group or community against whom the person convicted has committed a prohibited act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 10-306 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 486 Delegate Cox

CORPORAL WILLIAM KYLE FERRELL EMERGENCY VEHICLE SAFETY ACT

Authorizing certain emergency personnel to equip certain privately owned motor vehicles with certain emergency lights for use only while at the scene of an accident or other emergency.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 22-218(c)(1) and (3) and (e) - amended and § 22-218(c)(14) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 487 Delegate Crosby, et al

ELECTION LAW – EARLY VOTING CENTERS – ACCESSIBILITY BY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Requiring that, in a county that has fixed–route public transportation service, each early voting center must be located not more than one–quarter mile from a public transportation station or stop.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

EL, § 10-301.1 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 488 Delegate Palakovich Carr, et al**CRIMES – MITIGATION – SEX, GENDER IDENTITY, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION**

Establishing that the discovery or perception of, or belief about, another person's sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation, whether or not accurate, does not constitute legally adequate provocation to mitigate a killing from the crime of murder to manslaughter or an assault from the crime of assault in the first degree to assault in the second degree or another lesser crime.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, §§ 2-207 and 3-209 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 489 Delegate Haynes, et al**INCOME TAX CREDIT – STUDENT EMPLOYEES**

Allowing certain business entities a credit against the State income tax for the cost of hiring student employees who attend a high school at which at least 80% of the registered students are eligible for the federal free or reduced price meal program and who work for the business entity for at least 3 months and at least 20 hours each week during the employment period; providing that the credit may not exceed \$5,000 for any taxable year; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 10-751 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 490 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**BALTIMORE CITY – ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES – COMPENSATION**

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to determine the salary of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore City; authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to determine the pension of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Baltimore City; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ET, § 2-108(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 491 Delegate Rosenberg**LANDLORD AND TENANT – REPOSSESSION FOR FAILURE TO PAY RENT – LEAD RISK REDUCTION COMPLIANCE**

Requiring an action for repossession for failure to pay rent to contain certain statements on whether the property is registered or licensed under local law and is an affected property under certain lead-based paint abatement laws; authorizing a court to adjourn a certain trial to enable either party to obtain documents or certain other proof under certain circumstances; repealing a certain prohibition against raising as an issue of fact a landlord's compliance with certain lead-based paint abatement laws; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

RP, § 8-401(b) and (c) and PLL of Baltimore City, Art. 4, §§ 9-2 and 9-5(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 492 Delegate B. Barnes, et al**SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER NETWORK FUND – MINIMUM APPROPRIATION**

Increasing the required minimum appropriation for the Small Business Development Center Network Fund from \$950,000 to \$1,500,000 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 13-104 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 493 Delegates Cox and Arikan**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION FUND – CONDITIONS FOR AWARDS ON CLAIMS**

Authorizing the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board to make an award if a crime or delinquent act directly resulted in damage to the property of a certain victim under certain circumstances; and requiring the Board to waive certain requirements if good cause is shown.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP, § 11-810 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 494 Delegate Cox, et al**RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – SOLAR ENERGY – MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITIES**

Altering the percentage, to 2.5% in 2020 and later, of a municipal electric utility's renewable energy portfolio standard that must be derived from solar energy.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

PU, § 7-703(e) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 495 Delegate Pippy, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – OUT OF COURT STATEMENT OF CHILD VICTIM – NEGLIGENCE OF A MINOR**

Adding cases concerning neglect of a minor under a certain provision of law as a type of case in which a court may admit into evidence a certain out of court statement made by a certain child.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP, § 11-304 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 496 Delegates Crosby and C. Watson**MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – LAPSE – ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL**

Prohibiting an insurer from canceling, failing to renew, or reducing certain private passenger motor vehicle insurance coverage due to a lapse in coverage of the policyholder if the lapse occurred while the policyholder was deployed overseas with the United States armed forces.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

IN, § 27-613(b)(4) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 497 Delegate R. Lewis

EDUCATION – SCHOOL PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

Altering the types of health care providers required to complete a physical examination of a student entering the Maryland Public School System for the first time to include a physician assistant.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-402 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 498 Delegate Hill, et al

DEPARTMENT OF AGING – GRANTS FOR AGING-IN-PLACE PROGRAMS – FUNDING

Requiring that the Governor include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$1,000,000 to be used to make grants to certain nonprofit organizations and area agencies on aging to expand and establish aging-in-place programs for seniors; requiring at least 10% of the appropriated funding be used to support senior villages; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

HU, § 10-1201 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 499 Delegate Moon, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – CELL SITE SIMULATOR

Authorizing a court to issue an order authorizing or directing a law enforcement officer to use a cell site simulator after making a certain determination; limiting to 30 days or less the time period during which a cell site simulator may be used or location information may be obtained under the authority of a certain order; requiring cell site simulator use by law enforcement to begin 10 days after issuance of an order; providing that evidence obtained in violation of the Act is subject to the exclusionary rule, as judicially determined; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP, § 1-203.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 500 Delegate Walker**STATE LOTTERY – UNCLAIMED PRIZES – DISTRIBUTION TO LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION**

Requiring the Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency, at the end of each fiscal year, to remit money in the unclaimed prize fund to the Comptroller for distribution to each county board of education in the State on a pro rata basis determined by the total lottery sales made in each county; and providing that a distribution from the fund is supplemental to and is not intended to take the place of funding that otherwise would be appropriated for county boards of education.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SG, § 9-122(f) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 501 Delegate Moon, et al**CRIMINAL LAW – CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND EXHIBITION AND DISPLAY OF OBSCENE ITEMS TO MINORS**

Establishing certain exceptions to provisions of law relating to the display and exhibition of a certain item to a minor, child pornography, and possession of a visual representation of a child under the age of 16 years; prohibiting a minor from engaging in certain conduct involving the display or exhibition of an item to another minor, child pornography, and possession of certain visual representations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 3-8A-19(d) and CR, §§ 11-203, 11-207, and 11-208 - amended and CR, § 11-212 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 502 Delegate Lierman, et al**PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – REVISIONS**

Requiring each official custodian to adopt a certain policy of proactive disclosure; requiring each official custodian to publish a certain annual report on a certain website, to the extent practicable; requiring the Public Information Act Compliance Board to receive, review, and resolve certain complaints from applicants and applicants' designated representatives; requiring the Board to receive and review complaints from any custodian alleging that an applicant's request or pattern of requests is frivolous or vexatious; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

GP, §§ 4-104 and 4-105 - added and §§ 4-1A-02(a), 4-1A-03(d), 4-1A-04 through 4-1A-07, 4-1B-02(b), 4-1B-04, and 4-402 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 503 Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al**PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS – DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF SERVICE MEMBERS – ENROLLMENT AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a county superintendent of schools to allow a dependent child of a service member relocating to the State on military orders to enroll in a school in the county in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring a county superintendent to allow a dependent child of a certain service member to apply for enrollment in a certain public school in the same manner and at the same time as individuals domiciled in the county; requiring the service member to provide certain documentation to the school by a certain time; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-101(b)(2)(i) - amended and § 7-115.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 504 Delegate Metzgar, et al**MARYLAND BOAT ACT – ABANDONED AND SUNKEN VESSELS**

Altering the definition of “abandoned or sunken vessel” for purposes of certain provisions of the Maryland Boat Act to include a vessel that has remained moored or anchored in waters of the State for more than 30 days and is in such a condition of disrepair that the vessel will not keep afloat with ordinary care.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

NR, § 8-721 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 505 Delegate Metzgar, et al**BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR SENIORS TO OFFSET PROPERTY TAX RATE INCREASE**

Authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on a dwelling owned by an individual who is at least 65 years old; requiring the amount of the credit to equal 100% of any increase in the property tax imposed on the dwelling attributable to a property tax rate that exceeds \$1.10 for each \$100 of assessment; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TP, § 9-305(g) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 506 Delegate Valentino–Smith, et al**HIGHER EDUCATION – NONRESIDENT TUITION EXEMPTION FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL, SPOUSES, AND DEPENDENTS – ALTERATIONS**

Exempting spouses and financially dependent children of active duty members of the United States armed forces from paying nonresident tuition at a public institution of higher education in the State if certain requirements are met at the time of acceptance to attend the institution; and requiring the exemption to continue if the qualifying individual enrolls and remains continuously enrolled at the institution, regardless of changes in the station, residency, or domicile of the active duty member.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 15-106.4 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 507 Delegate Palakovich Carr, et al**INCOME TAX – PASS–THROUGH ENTITY – ADDITIONAL TAX**

Imposing a State income tax on income distributed to certain members of certain pass–through entities from the pass–through entity’s taxable income exceeding \$1,000,000; providing that the tax does not apply to the income of a pass–through entity that is a sole proprietorship or has implemented a certain employee stock ownership plan; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 10-102.1(d) - amended and § 10-102.2 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 508 Delegates Walker and Anderton

**EDUCATION – PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS – FINANCIAL LITERACY
CURRICULUM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENT**

Requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a half–semester–long course in financial literacy; requiring each county board of education to implement the financial literacy curriculum content in every public high school in the county; and requiring students to complete a course in financial literacy in order to graduate from a public high school.

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ED, § 7-205.5 - added

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