



SYNOPSIS

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Schedule 21

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED *February 3, 2020*

SB 751 Senator Rosapepe

APPRENTICESHIP START-UP ACT OF 2020

Altering the definition of “eligible apprentice” for purposes of a certain credit against the State income tax for the employment of certain eligible apprentices to include certain individuals employed through a youth apprenticeship program; prohibiting a taxpayer from claiming the credit for more than five eligible apprentices in a taxable year; altering the amount of the credit to \$3,000; altering the maximum amount of credits that the Maryland Department of Labor may approve in the aggregate each year to \$15,000 per taxpayer; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TG, § 10-742 and Chapter 149 of the Acts of 2017, § 9 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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SB 752 Senator Rosapepe**PUBLIC HEALTH – NON–CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE
PRESCRIPTION RECORD SYSTEM PROGRAM**

Establishing the NCDS Prescription Record System Program under the Maryland Health Care Commission; providing the purpose of the Program is to improve patient safety and reduce health care costs by allowing a prescriber and prescriber delegate to access NCDS prescription drug history of patients; requiring the Commission to establish standards for selecting a certain prescription information system and any other means for the transmission of certain information within the Program; requiring that certain standards include certain requirements; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 21-2D-01 through 21-2D-07 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 753 Senator Rosapepe**MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT
– CITY OF LAUREL**

Authorizing the City of Laurel to participate in the Maryland Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 14-801(e) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 754 Senator Rosapepe**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – CONSUMER PROTECTION – MONEY
TRANSMISSIONS AND VIRTUAL CURRENCIES**

Adding certain sources of revenue required to be credited to the Nondepository Special Fund; requiring the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to pay certain fines and penalties into the General Fund of the State; altering certain provisions on the regulation of money transmission by the Commissioner; authorizing the Commissioner to identify certain activities as money transmission for certain purposes; establishing licensing requirements for certain money transmission locations; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

FI, Various Sections - added, amended, and repealed and Chs. 18 and 781 of the Acts of 2017, §§ 1(f) and (h) and 2 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 755 **Senator Gallion****EDUCATION – HARFORD COUNTY – LIABILITY OF SCHOOL BUS CONTRACTORS**

Establishing that an entity operating a school bus under a contract with the Harford County Board of Education to provide student transportation services may not be held liable beyond the limits of its insurance coverage through the Maryland Association of Boards of Education in any suit that arises from a vehicular accident or an act or omission of an officer, a director, or an employee of the entity except if the act or omission constitutes gross negligence, reckless, willful, or wanton misconduct, or intentionally tortious conduct.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-810 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 756 **Senator Lam, et al****GENERAL PROVISIONS – PUBLIC GENERAL LAW – PREEMPTION OF LOCAL LAWS**

Providing that a public general law may not be construed to limit a power or function of a local government unless the public general law specifically states that it limits concurrent jurisdiction or that the State’s jurisdiction is exclusive; providing for the construction of the Act; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

GP, § 1-404 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 757 **Senator Lam, et al****ELECTION LAW – VOTING SYSTEMS – ACCESSIBILITY FOR VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES**

Requiring each voter to use a ballot marking device that is accessible to voters with disabilities to vote at early voting centers and election day polling places to ensure that access is provided to voters with disabilities in accordance with a certain provision of law; applying the Act to all elections beginning with the statewide primary election held under a certain provision of law in 2022; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EL, § 9-102(g) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 758 **Senators Lam and Carter**

PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – REMOTE ACCESS, FEE COMPLAINTS, FEE WAIVERS, AND INSPECTION OF JUDICIAL RECORDS (OPEN GOVERNMENT, BETTER GOVERNMENT ACT)

Establishing the intent of the General Assembly that each official custodian adopt a policy to use the Internet and other technological advancements to expand remote access to public records and increase the transparency of government; requiring the Public Information Act Compliance Board to receive, review, and resolve certain complaints alleging that a custodian unreasonably failed to waive a fee under certain circumstances; altering the minimum fee charged under which the Board has authority to review a complaint from \$350 to \$200; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

GP, §§ 4-101, 4-103, 4-1A-04(a), 4-1A-05, 4-205(c), 4-206(a) and (e), and 4-362(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 759 **Senator Lam**

ELECTION LAW – DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY PERSONS DOING PUBLIC BUSINESS – ENFORCEMENT

Altering the manner in which the State Board of Elections is authorized to impose fees for the late filing of certain statements of contributions by persons doing public business; requiring certain persons who violate certain provisions of law requiring disclosure of contributions by persons doing public business to pay a civil penalty in accordance with certain provisions of the Act; prohibiting a certain penalty from exceeding \$10,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

EL, § 14-107 - amended and §§ 14-107.1 and 14-107.2 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 760 **Senator Lam****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – STUDENT MEAL PROGRAMS AND MEAL CHARGE POLICIES**

Requiring each county board of education to establish a meal charge policy that addresses payment for meals, unpaid meal debt, prohibition of stigmatizing actions, and other issues related to the administration of school meal programs and management of payments for school meals; requiring the State Department of Education to create and maintain a database of the county board meal charge policies, publish the policies on its website, and report to the General Assembly on certain matters by December 1, 2020 and 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-125 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 761 **Senator Lam****INCOME TAX – 529 COLLEGE INVESTMENT PLANS – ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION EXPENSES**

Requiring an addition modification for certain distributions made under certain college investment accounts that are used for certain elementary and secondary education expenses; requiring certain account holders to report to the Comptroller in a certain manner whether certain distributions were used for certain education expenses; excluding from a subtraction modification certain contributions to and distributions from a certain college investment plan that is used for certain elementary and secondary education expenses; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, §§ 10-205(h), 10-207(s), and 10-208(o) - amended and §§ 10-205(m) and 10-914 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 762 **Senator Lam****EDUCATION – HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS – APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENT FINANCIAL AID**

Requiring public high school students, beginning in the 2021–2022 school year, to complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the U.S. Department of Education or the Maryland State Financial Aid Application (MSFAA) to the Maryland Higher Education Commission; authorizing a student or the parent or legal guardian of a minor student to submit to a county board of education a statement that the student understands the FAFSA or MSFAA application and declines to complete and submit the application; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ED, § 7-205.1(h) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 763 **Senator Lam****STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIANS – GENETIC COUNSELORS – LICENSING**

Requiring the State Board of Physicians to license genetic counselors; providing that provisions of this Act do not limit the right of certain individuals to practice certain occupations; establishing the Genetic Counseling Advisory Committee within the Board; requiring individuals, on or after October 1, 2022, to be licensed by the Board as genetic counselors before practicing genetic counseling in the State except under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, §§ 14-5G-01 through 14-5G-28 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 764 **Senator Elfreth (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – PENSION BENEFITS
– CALCULATION

Providing that, under certain retirement and pension systems, a member's normal service retirement allowance shall equal the member's annuity under certain circumstances; providing that, under certain pension systems, a former member's vested allowance shall equal the former member's annuity under certain circumstances; and providing for the retroactive application of the Act to certain individuals.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, §§ 20-101(e), 22-401, 23-401, 24-401, 25-401, 26-401, and 29-303 -amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 765 **Senator Miller**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSE APPLICATIONS –
DURATIONAL RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

Repealing certain requirements that a person be a resident for a certain period of time, a taxpayer, or a registered voter to be issued certain statewide alcoholic beverages licenses and permits; requiring that a person, to be issued a certain statewide license or permit, remain a resident for the duration of time that the license or permit is in effect; repealing from certain local alcoholic beverages licenses certain durational residency requirements; making conforming changes; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, Various Sections - amended and repealed

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 766 **Senator Augustine**STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS
– MARYLAND MUSIC THERAPISTS ACT

Establishing the Music Therapist Advisory Committee within the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists; requiring the Board to adopt regulations and a code of ethics for the practice of music therapy; requiring the Board to set reasonable fees for services provided by the Board to music therapists; requiring the Board to pay the fees to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to distribute the fees to the Board; requiring the fees to be used to cover certain costs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HO, §§ 17-6B-01 through 17-6B-31 - added and SG, § 8-403(14) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 767 **Senator Patterson, et al**HIGHER EDUCATION – ADMISSIONS PROCESS – CRIMINAL
HISTORY

Repealing a certain provision of law that authorized an institution of higher education to use a certain third-party admissions application containing questions about the criminal history of an applicant if the institution provided a notice on its website stating that a criminal history does not disqualify an applicant from admission; and prohibiting institutions of higher education from using an admission application that contains criminal history questions about the applicant.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 26-503 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Judicial Proceedings

SB 768 **Senator Patterson, et al****HEALTH – HEALTH AND WELLNESS STANDARDS –
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES AND HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**

Requiring, on or before October 1, 2021, minimum mandatory standards for inmate food services to comply with certain health and wellness standards adopted by the Secretary of Health; requiring certain training standards adopted by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services to include certain standards for health care workers; requiring the Secretary of Health to adopt dietary standards for certain health facilities on or before October 1, 2021, that comply with certain health and wellness standards; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CS, § 8-103 and HG, § 19-308(a) - amended and HG, §§ 21-1301 and 21-1302 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 769 **Senator Patterson****DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES – JUVENILE STRATEGIC
REENTRY PROGRAM**

Requiring the Secretary of Juvenile Services to establish the Juvenile Strategic Reentry Program for children committed to the custody or under the guardianship of the Department of Juvenile Services; establishing the purpose of the Program; requiring the Department to direct reentry specialists to oversee the return of certain children to the community; requiring that a reentry specialist meet with a child at least 45 days before the release of the child from an out-of-home placement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HU, § 9-247 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 770 **Senators Patterson and Augustine****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – SMALL, MINORITY, AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES ACCOUNT – DISTRIBUTION**

Requiring that the Department of Commerce ensure that certain fund managers distribute a certain portion of the Small, Minority, and Women-Owned Businesses Account to the communities and jurisdictions surrounding a video lottery facility in proportion to the percentage of the account generated through the video lottery facility in each jurisdiction or community.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

EC, § 5-1501 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 771 **Senator Patterson****STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL AGENCY – GAMING STUDY – USE OF GAMING PROCEEDS**

Requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to conduct a certain study on the use of proceeds from certain gambling activities; requiring the Agency to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2020; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 772 **Senator Patterson****STATE PROCUREMENT – SMALL BUSINESS RESERVE PROGRAM**

Increasing to 25% the minimum percentage of a unit's total dollar value of contracts that are, to the extent practicable, to be made directly to small businesses; providing that certain preferences do not apply to certain procurement contracts; requiring a certain unit to apply a 5% percentage price preference on procurement contracts designated for the small business reserve under certain circumstances; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, §§ 14-501, 14-502, and 14-504 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 773 Senator Lam**BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS MD BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE**

Establishing a Class MD beer, wine, and liquor license in Baltimore County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County to issue the license for use by an establishment that is located in an arts and entertainment district and averages a certain percentage of its daily receipts from food sales; authorizing the license holder to sell beer, wine, and liquor manufactured in the State, at retail, for on-premises consumption; exempting the license from certain license quota limitations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 13-905 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 774 Senator Kelley**HOSPITALS – COMMUNITY BENEFITS**

Requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to establish a Community Benefit Reporting Workgroup; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations relating to the community health needs of nonprofit hospitals and reporting by nonprofit hospitals regarding community health needs and benefits provided by the hospital; requiring the Commission, on or before October 1, 2020, to issue a certain report, take certain other actions, and submit a copy of a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HG, § 19-303 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 775 Senator Guzzone**INCOME TAX – ENERGY STORAGE TAX CREDIT – ALTERATIONS**

Defining “taxpayer” as the owner of residential or commercial property who purchases and installs an energy storage system or an individual that owns or pays for the installation of an energy storage system that supplies energy for use on a residential or commercial property; providing a credit against the State income tax for the costs of installing an energy storage system; increasing from \$75,000 to \$150,000 the maximum tax credit certificate that may be issued for the installation of an energy storage system on certain property; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 10-719 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 776 Senator Kelley**HEALTH INSURANCE, HEALTH CARE FACILITIES, AND PROVIDERS
– BALANCE BILLING – LIMITATIONS**

Defining “health care facility–based physician” for the purpose of applying certain provisions of law relating to the assignment of benefits and the reimbursement of nonpreferred providers who are physicians to physicians based in certain health care facilities; requiring a carrier to provide certain coverage and apply certain cost–sharing requirements for certain services under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

HG, § 19-710.1 and IN, §§ 14-201, 14-205, 14-205.1(a), 14-205.2, and 14-205.3 - amended and IN, §§ 15-6A-01 through 15-6A-07 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 777 Senator Gallion**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – EMERGENCY
SERVICE TRANSPORTERS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
PROVIDERS – REIMBURSEMENT**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse certain emergency medical services providers for certain services provided to Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients in an amount specified by certain regulations that is at least \$200 per transport; specifying the minimum reimbursement rate of \$100 per interaction for certain services provided by emergency service transporters; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 15-114.1 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 778 Senator Ready**VEHICLE LAWS – LIENS – ELECTRONIC RECORDING**

Requiring certain persons to record electronically a release related to motor vehicle liens with the Motor Vehicle Administration within 3 days; requiring, rather than authorizing, the Administration to develop and implement an electronic system for recording and releasing security interests; authorizing the Administration to make certain information available electronically; authorizing certain parties to submit to the Administration certain electronic lien information on behalf of certain other parties; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

CL, §§ 12-622 and 12-1024 and TR, §§ 13-108.1 and 13-610 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 779 **Senator Griffith****COMMISSION ON MINORITY- AND WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION IN STATE PROCUREMENT**

Establishing the Commission on Minority- and Women-Owned Small Business Participation in State Procurement; providing for the duties, membership, cochairs, and staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to study, determine, review, and make recommendations regarding best practices for improving outcomes for minority- and women-owned small businesses; authorizing the Commission to create certain committees for a certain purpose; requiring the Commission to make a certain report by December 1, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 780 **Senator Griffith****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT – REVISIONS**

Requiring the Secretary of Labor to develop certain mandatory, rather than voluntary, guidelines for employers faced with a reduction in operations; altering required contents of the guidelines; requiring an employer to provide written notice to certain persons at least 90 days before initiating a reduction in operations; requiring that the notice include certain information and a certain statement; requiring the Commissioner to issue a certain order under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 11-301 and 11-304(b) - amended and §§ 11-305 and 11-306 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 781 Senator Zucker**ELECTION LAW – DISCLOSURE OF QUALIFYING PAID DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS – REVISIONS**

Repealing a requirement that an online platform maintain and make available to the State Board of Elections on request certain records regarding certain qualifying paid digital communications that a purchaser requests to disseminate through the online platform; and requiring an online platform to maintain and make available to the State Board on request, within 48 hours after the qualifying paid digital communication is first disseminated on the online platform and for at least 1 year after the general election, certain records; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

EL, § 13-405 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 782 Senator Zucker**STATE PROCUREMENT – PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE EXPENSES – REVISIONS**

Requiring the Maryland Stadium Authority and the University System of Maryland, by regulation, to establish certain procedures for each bidder, contractor, or subcontractor that performs work on certain construction projects to certify that the bidder, contractor, or subcontractor pays certain employee health care expenses; authorizing a certain bidder, contractor, or subcontractor to demonstrate the payment of certain employee health care expenses in a certain manner on or before July 1, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SF, §§ 17-801(g), 17-802, and 17-803 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 783 Senators Zucker and Patterson**SPECIAL EDUCATION – JUDICIAL ACTIONS – ATTORNEY’S FEES AND RELATED COSTS**

Authorizing a court to award attorney’s fees and related costs to the parent of a child with a disability who is the prevailing party in a certain special education proceeding; prohibiting a court from awarding attorney’s fees and related costs to certain parents in a certain proceeding under certain circumstances; and authorizing an award of attorney’s fees and related costs to a parent of a child with a disability who is a prevailing party under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 8-413 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 784 Senator Klausmeier**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – HERNIA CLAIMS**

Altering the time period from 30 to 45 days within which a covered employee must report to the employer a hernia caused by an accidental personal injury or by a strain arising out of and in the course of employment for the purpose of filing a claim for compensation; authorizing a covered employee to file a claim for compensation for a hernia caused by an accidental personal injury within 2 years after the date the accidental personal injury occurred under certain circumstances; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, §§ 9-504 and 9-709(a) and (b) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 785 Senator Klausmeier**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – CLEAN ENERGY WORKFORCE ACCOUNT – GRANTS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to administer the Clean Energy Workforce Account; requiring the Department to award grants from the Account in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring the Department to develop certain application guidelines; and requiring the Department, in developing the application guidelines, to provide opportunity for certain individuals involved with certain programs to review and comment on the guidelines and incorporate certain comments into the guidelines.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 11-708.1(a) and (c)(1) - amended and § 11-708.1(f) - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 786 Senator Klausmeier**INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR LONG-TERM CARE PREMIUMS**

Altering a limitation on claiming the income tax credit for eligible long-term care insurance premiums for more than 1 year with respect to the same insured individual; altering the amount of the credit from a one-time \$500 credit to a maximum of \$250 for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2020, but before January 1, 2023, and a maximum of \$500 for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2022; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 10-718 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 787 **Senator Klausmeier****FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE – ELIGIBILITY**

Prohibiting reducing or terminating temporary cash assistance for certain individuals under certain circumstances; prohibiting reducing or terminating temporary cash assistance for certain individuals because of good cause as determined by the Secretary of Human Services; requiring local departments of social services to provide a conciliatory period of 30 days to certain individuals who are not in compliance with the Family Investment Program; requiring 25% of funding be withheld upon certain acts of noncompliance; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HU, §§ 5-308(b) and (c), 5-309, 5-310, and 5-312 - amended and § 5-308(c) - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 788 **Senator Eckardt****INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR COMMUNITY-BASED FACULTY CLINICIANS**

Authorizing a credit against the State income tax for certain individuals who serve as certain community-based faculty clinicians for a certain clerkship approved by the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the Department on application of a taxpayer, to issue a tax credit certificate under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to approve applications on a first-come, first-served basis; limiting to \$100,000 the total amount of tax credit certificates that may be issued by the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 10-751 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 789 **Senator Eckardt**

PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND SUICIDE FATALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE (SUICIDE MORTALITY REVIEW AND PREVENTION ACT OF 2020)

Establishing the Maryland Suicide Fatality Review Committee to identify and address the factors contributing to suicide deaths and facilitate system changes in the State to prevent suicide deaths; requiring the Committee to meet at least quarterly each year, report at least annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on certain matters, perform certain annual studies, and disseminate certain findings and recommendations to policymakers, health care providers, health care facilities, and the public; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 5-1001 through 5-1009 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 790 **Senator Eckardt**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – COMMUNICATIONS LINES – INSTALLATION

Providing that certain provisions of law governing resource sharing do not apply to any private industry entities that have separate legal rights of access under State or local law to install communications lines and associated facilities in the State rights-of-way; and requiring the Department of Information Technology to waive certain fees for all last mile broadband telecommunications projects in unserved areas.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, §§ 3A-307(d), 3A-801, and 3A-802 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 791 **Senator Lam****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – PREGNANT AND PARENTING STUDENTS – POLICIES AND REPORTS**

Requiring each county board of education to establish a certain policy to support certain goals and improve the educational outcomes of pregnant and parenting students, collect and track certain data, and, on or before June 1 each year, beginning in 2021, submit the data in a certain manner to the University of Maryland Institute for Innovation and Implementation; requiring the Institute to analyze the data and submit certain reports to the General Assembly on or before June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2024; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 4-138 - added and § 7-301.1 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 792 **Senator Hershey****KENT COUNTY ALCOHOL ACT OF 2020**

Altering the days and hours of sale under a Class B wine shop and lounge license in Kent County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Kent County to issue a refillable container permit for draft beer to certain license holders; establishing an application process, hours of sale, and fees for the permit; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; authorizing the Board to issue a Class C multiple event beer, wine, and liquor license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, §§ 24-1003 and 24-1101 - amended and §§ 24-1102, 24-1309, and 24-1310 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 793 **Senator Hershey****NATURAL RESOURCES – LIMITED FISHING GUIDE LICENSE – PROPULSION OF BOATS AND VESSELS**

Providing that a boat or vessel used under a limited fishing guide license may be propelled by human power.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

NR, § 4-210(g) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 794 **Senators Hershey and Rosapepe****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – ESTABLISHING REGIONAL CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION SCHOOLS – AUTHORITY**

Authorizing the county boards of education in Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne’s, and Talbot counties to establish a regional Career and Technical Education (CTE) school to provide career and technical education programs to public high school students in the counties; requiring a regional CTE school to operate under the terms of a certain collective bargaining agreement; requiring the Interagency Commission on School Construction to study and develop a certain cost–share formula for certain county boards of education; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ED, § 21-207 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 795 **Senator Rosapepe, et al****YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP 2.0 ACT OF 2020**

Establishing the High School Level of Registered Youth Apprenticeships Program in the Maryland Department of Labor to enable high school students to accelerate their acquisition of occupational skills and work experience; requiring each local board of education to cooperate with the Department and certain sponsors for certain purposes; authorizing a student participating in the Program to start at a certain time; requiring participating employers to pay a student at least a certain minimum wage; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 11-410 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 796 **Senator Guzzone****DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION – PROGRAM CHANGES AND REQUIRED REPORTS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to ensure that providers of and individuals who receive certain services are not negatively impacted when using a certain software system or function; requiring that an individual receiving certain services who receives a certain notice have 30 days to appeal a certain eligibility determination; requiring certain services to continue uninterrupted under certain circumstances until the outcome of a certain appeal is complete; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

HG, § 7-309 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 797 **Senator Kelley, et al****COMPENSATION TO INDIVIDUAL ERRONEOUSLY CONVICTED, SENTENCED, AND CONFINED OR WHOSE CONVICTION OR ADJUDICATION IS REVERSED**

Altering a provision of law to require, rather than authorize, the Board of Public Works to pay certain compensation to a certain individual who has been erroneously convicted, sentenced, and confined on a finding of eligibility by an administrative law judge within 60 days after receiving the order; authorizing an administrative law judge to issue a certain order of eligibility under certain circumstances; requiring certain compensation made by the Board to be equal to a certain amount; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SF, § 10-501 - amended and §§ 10-502 and 10-503 - added and SG, § 9-1604(a)(4) and (b)(1)(i) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 798 **Senator Kelley****EDUCATION – JUVENILE SERVICES EDUCATION SYSTEM – ESTABLISHMENT, POWERS, AND DUTIES**

Repealing certain provisions of law regarding educational programs for juveniles in residential facilities; establishing a Juvenile Services Education System; establishing the Board of Education for the Juvenile Services Education System; requiring the Board to have the authority and responsibility for all functions relating to the juvenile services education programs in the State beginning July 1, 2021; requiring each county board of education to pay to the Board a certain cost for certain juveniles; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, §§ 22-301 through 22-310 - repealed and §§ 22-301 through 22-309 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 799 **Senator Ready**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES
– WAIVER OF APPLICATION FEES

Requiring units of the Maryland Department of Labor to waive certain application fees for certain applicants who hold valid out-of-state licenses in good standing from a state whose licensure requirements exceed or are substantially equivalent to the requirements of this State; authorizing a unit to adopt regulations to carry out certain provisions of this Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

BR, § 2-111 - added and § 2.5-105 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 800 **Senator Ready**ELECTION LAW – CASTING GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT IN
MULTIPLE LOCATIONS – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a person from willfully or knowingly casting a ballot in a general election in more than one location in the same year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EL, § 16-201 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 801 **Senator Reilly**CIVIL ACTION – SURETY INSURANCE – FAILURE TO ACT IN GOOD
FAITH

Authorizing the recovery of actual damages, expenses, litigation costs, and interest in obligee claims against surety insurance providers under certain circumstances; applying certain provisions of law on unfair claim settlement practices to surety insurance; requiring an obligee to comply with certain procedures before bringing a certain claim against a surety insurance provider; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 3-1701 and IN, §§ 27-302 through 27-304 and 27-1001 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 802 **Senator Reilly and Anne Arundel County Senators**

PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION – MARYLAND FARM BUREAU, INC.

Exempting from the property tax property that is owned by the Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc., and used exclusively for education of the public, encouraging agriculture in the State, assisting in the dissemination of information relating to agriculture, or the maintenance of a natural or recreational area for public use; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2020; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TP, § 7-246 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 803 **Senator Ellis, et al**

PUBLIC ETHICS – LEGISLATIVE UNIT – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of “legislative unit” to include a caucus of members of the General Assembly officially recognized by a presiding officer of the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

GP, § 5-101(w) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 804 **Senator Ellis**

CHARLES COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS

Authorizing the governing body of Charles County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on a dwelling located in the county that is owned by a certain public safety officer; requiring the credit to equal 50% of the property tax imposed on the dwelling; authorizing the governing body of Charles County to provide, by law, for certain matters relating to the credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TP, § 9-310(l) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 805 Charles County Senators**TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL FOR SOUTHERN MARYLAND – FUNDING**

Increasing, to \$125,000, the amount of money that the county commissioners of Calvert County, Charles County, and St. Mary's County are required to appropriate each year for the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland to foster cooperative planning and development in the region.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

EC, § 13-611 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 806 Senator Hayes (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**REAL PROPERTY – REDEMPTION OR EXTINGUISHMENT OF GROUND RENTS**

Providing that the redemption or extinguishment of a certain ground rent is effective to conclusively merge the reversion into the title, and eliminate all right, title, or interest of the ground lease holder, any lien of a creditor of the ground lease holder, and any person claiming by, through, or under the ground lease holder when the leasehold tenant records the certificate in the land records of the county in which the property is located.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

RP, § 8-804(f)(8) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 807 Senators Hettleman and Elfreth**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – VICTIMS OF SEXUALLY ASSAULTIVE BEHAVIOR – WAIVERS OF RIGHTS – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a criminal justice unit from presenting certain victims of sexually assaultive behavior with forms or verbal agreements purporting to limit the obligations of the criminal justice unit to the victim or limit the rights of the victim; prohibiting evidence of certain forms or agreements from being introduced in certain court proceedings; authorizing victims affected by a violation of the Act to bring an action for injunctive or declaratory relief; applying the Act retroactively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP, § 11-929 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 808 Senator Elfreth**NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLANS – OYSTERS**

Altering the date from June 1, 2019, to April 1, 2020, by which the Department of Natural Resources is required to convene in a certain manner the Oyster Advisory Commission; altering the version of the fishery management plan for oysters that the Department is required to develop before taking certain management action governing oyster sanctuaries; repealing a certain provision of law authorizing the Commission to meet and deliberate in closed session under certain circumstances; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

NR, §§ 4-204(c)(2)(i) and 4-215(e)(4) and (5) and Chapters 5 and 9 of the Acts of 2020, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 809 Senator Elfreth (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – REEMPLOYMENT EARNINGS OFFSET – CLARIFICATION**

Clarifying certain provisions of law pertaining to a certain reemployment earnings offset of a retirement allowance for certain retirees of the State Retirement and Pension System that are reemployed in certain positions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 810 Senator Waldstreicher**STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – ELECTRONIC SIGNS ALONG HIGHWAYS – SUICIDE PREVENTION**

Authorizing the State Highway Administration to post information on suicide prevention, including a hotline number, on electronic signs along any highway within a 5-mile radius of a high suicide risk zone, as identified by the Administration; and authorizing the Administration to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 8-662 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 811 Senator Waldstreicher**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT**

Providing that a person who, on or after October 1, 2020, has been charged with the commission of a certain crime, has been charged with a certain civil offense or infraction, or is the subject of a certain warrant, is entitled to automatic expungement of certain records under certain circumstances; specifying that certain dispositions are eligible for automatic expungement at certain times; prohibiting a person entitled to automatic expungement from being required to pay any fee or costs in connection with the expungement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP, § 10-105.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 812 Senator Waldstreicher**MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION POLICE – POWERS**

Authorizing members of the Motor Vehicle Administration Police to enforce the general criminal laws of the State and to make arrests in connection with provisions of law relating to the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission and the Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP and PS, Various Sections - amended and CP, § 2-101(c)(27) and PS, §§ 3-101(e)(1)(ii)27. and 3-201(f)(1)(ii)23. - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 813 Senator Waldstreicher**VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS**

Requiring, within 60 days after receiving notice of a proposed transfer of a vehicle dealer franchise, vehicle manufacturers to consent to the transfer or provide a written statement with specific grounds for the refusal of the manufacturer to consent to the transfer; and altering the standards for determining reasonable compensation to be paid by vehicle manufacturers to vehicle dealers for warranty work.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, §§ 15-211(e) and 15-212(c)(2), (4), and (6) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 814 **Senator Waldstreicher****CRIMINAL LAW – HUMANE SOCIETY AND ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS – EDUCATION AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring an officer of a humane society and an animal control officer to receive at least 80 hours of training within 12 months of employment; and requiring an officer of a humane society and an animal control officer to complete at least 6 hours of continuing education every year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 10-609 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 815 **Senator Waldstreicher****VEHICLE LAWS – VIOLATIONS INVOLVING PEDESTRIANS OR BICYCLISTS – PENALTIES (PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ACT OF 2020)**

Establishing minimum fines of \$150 for certain traffic violations relating to the driver of a vehicle failing to stop or yield to certain pedestrian and bicycle traffic; altering the source of funds for the Pedestrian Safety Fund; and requiring the Secretary of Transportation, in administering the Fund, to prioritize enhancing the safety and quality of pedestrian and bicycle transportation near schools and school bus stops.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, §§ 21-202(e) and (k), 21-204(c), 21-502, 21-502.1, 21-504, 21-511, 21-705, and 21-707 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 816 **Senator Waldstreicher****PUBLIC SAFETY – LICENSED FIREARMS DEALERS (FIREARMS DEALERS’ SAFETY ACT)**

Requiring a certain licensed firearms dealer to keep certain electronic records; requiring a licensed dealer to update records 1 business day after the acquisition of a firearm and 7 days after the sale or disposition of a firearm; requiring a licensed dealer to create a certain video and audio recording and to keep the recording for a certain period of time; requiring a licensed dealer to provide a certain video and audio recording to certain persons under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 5-145 - amended and §§ 5-147 through 5-150 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 817 **Senator Waldstreicher, et al****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – PAROLE – LIFE IMPRISONMENT**

Altering, from 15 years to 20 years, the time period that certain inmates sentenced to life imprisonment for a crime committed on or after October 1, 2020, must serve before becoming eligible for parole consideration; repealing certain provisions that provide that inmates serving a term of life imprisonment may be paroled only with the Governor’s approval, subject to certain provisions; repealing certain provisions that require certain parole decisions to be transmitted to the Governor under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CS, §§ 4-305(b) and 7-301(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 818 **Senator Klausmeier****RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTERS AND FACILITIES – SEXUAL ABUSE AND HARASSMENT – REPORTING AND PREVENTION**

Defining “covered entity” for the purpose of applying certain provisions of law regarding the reporting and prevention of abuse and harassment in certain State facilities to forensic residential centers and residential treatment centers for emotionally disturbed children and adolescents; requiring certain entities to report certain complaints of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to certain entities; requiring certain entities to develop and implement certain policies and procedures; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 10-705 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 819 **Senator Klausmeier****DISTRACTED DRIVING MONITORING SYSTEMS – AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing certain agencies to place distracted driver monitoring systems on certain highways under certain circumstances; requiring that a recorded image made by a distracted driver monitoring system include two or more photographs, microphotographs, or electronic images or videotape, or other medium as well as clear identification of the registration plate number; providing that the owner or driver of a motor vehicle recorded committing a certain violation is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$500; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, §§ 4-401(13), 7-302(e), and 10-311 - amended and TR, § 21-1124.4 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 820 **Senator Klausmeier****PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS – SUPPLIER REQUIREMENTS (WATER QUALITY ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2020)**

Requiring a supplier of water to inspect certain valves in a public water system in a certain manner, repair or replace certain valves, inspect certain fire hydrants, formulate and implement a certain plan, identify the locations of certain valves, and record certain characteristics and identifiers of certain valves; requiring a supplier of water to develop a certain cybersecurity program by February 1, 2021; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EN, §§ 9-429 through 9-437 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 821 **Senator Klausmeier****CANNABIS – MEDICAL CANNABIS BOUTIQUE GROWER LICENSE AND PESTICIDES**

Authorizing a person to submit a certain application to the Department of Agriculture to approve the use of a pesticide in the production of cannabis; requiring that an application include a certain certified risk assessment; requiring the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission to license a medical cannabis boutique grower that meets certain requirements to provide medical cannabis to certain licensed and registered entities; limiting to 10 the number of boutique licenses the Commission may issue; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

AG, § 5-105(i) and HG, § 13-3306.1 - added and HG, § 13-3313(a) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 822 **Senator McCray****HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – DOWN PAYMENT AND SETTLEMENT EXPENSE LOAN PROGRAM – HOMEBUYER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

Altering homebuyer education requirements for a loan recipient in the Down Payment and Settlement Expense Loan Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to require the loan recipient to take a homebuyer education course or complete online homebuyer education with a HUD–approved product and require the recipient to receive one–on–one counseling for at least 1 hour, in person or by phone; and requiring the Secretary of Housing and Community Development to make a certain annual report by December 31.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HS, § 4-308 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 823 **Senator McCray****SHERIFF OF BALTIMORE CITY – SALARIES AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

Authorizing certain sworn law enforcement officers and court security officers in Baltimore City to collectively bargain with the Secretary of Budget and Management and the Sheriff of Baltimore City; requiring the Sheriff and the Secretary to recognize a certain exclusive representative for the purpose of collective bargaining; authorizing the Sheriff, the Secretary, and the exclusive representative to select the number of individuals designated to represent certain parties in collective bargaining; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 2-316 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 824 **Senator McCray****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS C BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class C beer, wine, and liquor license to a club in the 45th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 12-1603(c) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 825 **Senator McCray****SALES AND USE TAX – PEER-TO-PEER CAR SHARING – SUNSET REPEAL AND RATE ALTERATION**

Repealing the termination of certain provisions of law making sales and charges related to peer-to-peer car sharing subject to a certain sales and use tax rate; repealing an exemption for certain peer-to-peer car sharing programs from certain requirements that marketplace facilitators collect the sales and use tax on certain sales; altering the sales and use tax rate imposed on certain shared motor vehicles used for peer-to-peer car sharing; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

Chapter 852 of the Acts of 2018, § 7 and TG, §§ 11-101(c-2) and 11-104(c)(1) - amended and TG, § 11-104(c-1) - repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 826 **Senator McCray****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MAKERSPACE INITIATIVE PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Makerspace Initiative Pilot Program in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to encourage the establishment and expansion of makerspaces throughout the State; authorizing the Corporation to award certain financial assistance to local governments, certain designees of local governments, and certain nonprofit entities for the establishment of makerspaces in the State; requiring the Corporation, after consulting with the Secretary of Commerce, to adopt certain standards; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EC, §§ 10-495.1 through 10-495.5 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 827 **Senators McCray and Hayes**

STATE PERSONNEL – EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION – OVERTIME PAY

Establishing and altering certain rates of overtime pay for certain work performed by certain employees of the Executive Branch of State government to one and one-half times the employee's regular hourly rate of pay for time worked in excess of 80 hours up to and including 100 hours in a 2-week period and two times the employee's regular hourly rate of pay for time worked in excess of 100 hours in the 2-week work period; and providing for the application of certain provisions of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SG, § 8-305 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 828 **Senator McCray**

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM – REGULATORY WAIVERS (SUMMER MEALS WAIVER ACT)

Requiring the State Department of Education, on behalf of certain sponsors, to submit to the U.S. Department of Agriculture certain waivers relating to the federal Summer Food Service Program; requiring the Department to prepare and submit certain waiver requests in accordance with certain guidelines; and requiring the Department to apply to renew certain waivers under certain circumstances.

EMERGENCY BILL

ED, § 7-606 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 829 **Senator McCray, et al**

BALTIMORE CITY – CIVIL CLAIM AGAINST PRIVATE POLICE – PROHIBITION AGAINST NONDISCLOSURE PROVISION IN SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Prohibiting the use or enforcement of a confidentiality or nondisclosure provision in a settlement agreement or other release of liability between the parties in a claim of misconduct in the performance of duties against a law enforcement officer of a private law enforcement agency in Baltimore City.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 5-644 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 830 **Senator McCray, et al**

EDUCATION – ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring each county board of education, beginning in the 2020–2021 school year, to report certain data and information for each alternative school within its jurisdiction to the State Department of Education; requiring the Department, on or before October 1 each year, beginning in 2021, to report to the Governor and the General Assembly the data and information required to be reported by the county boards; and defining “alternative school”.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-125 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 831 **Senator Jennings**

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION – GENERAL CONTRACTOR LIABILITY

Altering the circumstances under which general contractors are jointly and severally liable for violations of the wage payment and collection law by subcontractors; prohibiting an obligation of contract right from being impaired by the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 3-507.2 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 832 **Senator Jennings**

PROCUREMENT – MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Requiring the Secretary of Information Technology to conduct a certain risk assessment of certain major information technology development projects under certain circumstances; requiring the risk assessment to consider certain factors; authorizing the Secretary to recommend an increase in a certain limitation of liability amount under certain circumstances; requiring a certain recommendation to be made in a certain manner and include certain information; requiring the Chief Procurement Officer to review a certain recommendation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, §§ 3A-308 and 3A-309(m) - amended and § 13-228 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 833 **Senators Benson and Augustine****ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES – VULNERABLE ADULTS REGISTRY
– INVESTIGATIONS AND RECORDS OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND
WORKGROUP STUDY**

Authorizing the Social Services Administration to establish and maintain a centralized confidential database for abused and neglected vulnerable adults; authorizing the Department of Human Services or a local department of social services to identify in the database an individual as responsible for abuse and neglect of a vulnerable adult in certain circumstances; establishing a Workgroup to Study Best Practices for a Vulnerable Adult Registry in Maryland; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

FL, § 14-101 - amended and FL, §§ 14-305.1, 14-306, and 14-306.1 and HU, §§ 1-202.1 and 1-203.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 834 **Senator Benson****MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – PROVISION OF
RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCY SERVICES**

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide services provided by a residential service agency that has a certain license and is accredited by the Joint Commission on Home Care.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 15-103(a)(2)(xiii) and (xiv) - amended and § 15-103(a)(2)(xv) - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 835 **Senator Lee****COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL STREET LIGHTING INVESTMENT ACT**

Authorizing a certain county or municipality, after giving 60 days written notice to the electric company and the Public Service Commission, to convert its street lighting service to a certain alternative–energy–only tariff, submit a request to acquire certain street lighting equipment from the electric company, and enter into an agreement to purchase electricity for a certain use from any available electricity supplier under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

LG, § 1-1309 - amended and PU, § 4-212 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 836 **Senator Lee****PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND IMAGE REPOSITORY SYSTEM – ACCESS**

Requiring any agency that accesses the Maryland Image Repository System to produce and maintain a document with certain information; requiring agencies that use the system to make available certain documents to the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services on request under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to conduct certain audits of agencies using the system; requiring a federal agency to enter into a certain agreement with the Department under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CS, §§ 2-301 through 2-304 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 837 **Senators Kagan and Reilly (By Request – Commission to Advance Next Generation 9–1–1 Across Maryland)****CRIMINAL LAW – PUBLIC SAFETY – INTERFERENCE WITH AGENCIES AND SERVICES – PROHIBITIONS**

Prohibiting a person from using telephone facilities or equipment to make calls or send data intended to annoy, abuse, torment, or harass a public safety answering point or public safety agency; prohibiting a person from using telephone facilities or equipment to make calls or send data to a public safety answering point or a public agency with the intent to trigger an emergency response or impair certain functions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, §§ 3-801, 3-804, 7-302(c) and (d), and 9-501 - amended and § 3-804.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 838 **Senators Kagan and Reilly (By Request – Commission to Advance Next Generation 9–1–1 Across Maryland)**

PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Altering references to the terms “9–1–1 fee” and “additional charge”, respectively, to be “State 9–1–1 fee” and “county 9–1–1 fee”, respectively, and altering the definition of “public safety answering point” for purposes of provisions of law concerning the 9–1–1 emergency telephone system; renaming the Emergency Number Systems Board to be the Maryland 9–1–1 Board; altering the composition of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 839 **Senator Simonaire**

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MANUFACTURER’S PERMITS AND BREWERY LIMITS

Repealing provisions on brewing company off–site permits, distillery off–site permits, and winery off–site permits; establishing a manufacturer’s off–site permit with certain privileges; authorizing the Comptroller to issue a permit to the holder of certain manufacturer’s licenses; authorizing a permit holder to sell and provide products at events; requiring a permit holder to have an employee trained in alcohol awareness present at events; specifying events at which certain permits may be used; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, Various Sections - repealed, added, and amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 840 **Senator Hershey**

ENVIRONMENT – EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE FOOD SERVICE PRODUCTS – DEFINITION

Altering the definition of “expanded polystyrene food service product” to exclude certain egg cartons shipped into the State for packaging, or within the State.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

EN, § 9-2201 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 841 **Senator Lam, et al****WATER POLLUTION CONTROL – DISCHARGE PERMITS – INDUSTRIAL POULTRY OPERATIONS**

Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing certain discharge permits to a person for a new industrial poultry operation or for the purpose of extending or expanding an industrial poultry operation in operation on or before September 30, 2020.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EN, § 9-323 - amended and § 9-323.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 842 **Senators Hershey and Ready****VEHICLE LAWS – DIGITAL REGISTRATION PLATES – PROHIBITED ACTS**

Prohibiting the Motor Vehicle Administration from issuing to the owner of a vehicle a digital registration plate that transmits the location of the vehicle or the vehicle miles traveled for the vehicle to any unit of State or local government.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 13-410(i) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 843 **Senator Peters, et al****SALES AND USE TAX – LICENSED STATEWIDE CATERERS – EXEMPTION**

Providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for the sale of certain materials and supplies to a licensed statewide caterer if, under certain circumstances, the materials and supplies will be used by the caterer to perform a catering contract; requiring the holder of the statewide caterer's license to apply to the Comptroller for an exemption certificate in order to qualify for the exemption; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 11-236 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 844 **Senator Peters**

VEHICLE LAWS – COMMERCIAL MOTOR CARRIERS – SAFETY, MAINTENANCE, AND INSURANCE INFORMATION (JAMES’S LAW)

Requiring certain employers of commercial motor vehicle drivers to provide safety records, maintenance records, and insurance information to a prospective employee driver; requiring a contract between a certain employer of commercial motor vehicle drivers and a subcontractor to require the subcontractor periodically to update safety records, maintenance records, and insurance information to the employer; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 16-806 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 845 **Senators Ferguson and Hettleman**

HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND CORPS PROGRAM FUND – ALTERATIONS

Expanding the purpose and authorized uses of the Maryland Corps Program Fund to include covering expenses incurred to study certain matters and providing funding to match certain gifts or grants; requiring, in fiscal year 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter, funds for the Maryland Corps Program to be as provided in the State budget to cover certain additional expenses; and requiring, for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$150,000 to the Fund.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, §§ 24-1108 and 24-1109 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 846 Senator Sydnor**PEACE ORDERS – WORKPLACE VIOLENCE**

Making certain provisions of law relating to the filing, issuance, and modification of certain peace orders and to the shielding of certain court records of certain peace order proceedings apply to certain peace orders filed by certain employers on the basis of certain acts committed against certain employees under certain circumstances; requiring an employer to notify an employee before the employer files a certain petition; providing immunity from civil liability to a certain employer under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, §§ 3-1501, 3-1502, 3-1503, 3-1503.1, 3-1504, 3-1505, 3-1506, and 3-1510 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 847 Senator Sydnor**CHILD SUPPORT – GUIDELINES**

Authorizing a court, in determining whether the application of the child support guidelines would be unjust or inappropriate in a particular case, to consider whether an obligor's monthly obligation would leave the obligor with a monthly actual income below the 2019 federal poverty level for an individual; authorizing the court to decline to establish a child support order under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

FL, §§ 12-201, 12-202, and 12-204(b) and (e) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 848 Senator Sydnor**PUBLIC SAFETY – DNA COLLECTION, RECORDS, ANALYSIS, AND REPORTING**

Prohibiting the collection of a DNA sample without the consent of a certain individual, subject to certain exceptions; prohibiting a person from performing a search of the statewide DNA data base or statewide DNA repository for the purpose of identification of an offender in connection with a crime for which the offender may be a biological relative of the individual from whom the DNA sample was acquired; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, §§ 2-501, 2-504, 2-506, 2-508(a)(1), 2-511(a), and 2-513(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 849 **Senators Sydnor and Smith**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – MEDICAL EMERGENCY – IMMUNITY

Altering a provision of law to specify that a person who is experiencing a medical emergency, rather than a person who reasonably believes that the person is experiencing a medical emergency, after ingesting or using alcohol or drugs is immune from criminal arrest, charge, or prosecution for a drug or alcohol-related misdemeanor if the evidence for the arrest, charge, or prosecution was obtained solely as a result of the person seeking or receiving medical assistance; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP, § 1-210 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 850 **Senator Sydnor, et al**

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – IMMIGRATION DETENTION – PROHIBITION (DIGNITY NOT DETENTION ACT)

Stating certain findings of the General Assembly; prohibiting certain governmental entities from entering into agreements facilitating immigration-related detention by private entities; prohibiting governmental entities from entering into certain agreements to house immigration-related detainees; requiring governmental entities to terminate existing contracts for the detention of immigration-related detainees not later than October 1, 2021; and making the provisions of the Act severable.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

CS, § 1-101 - amended and §§ 1-102 and 1-103 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 851 **Senator Kagan**

HUMAN SERVICES – DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES – ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAMS

Transferring the administration and management of the Telecommunications Access of Maryland and Telecommunications Devices and Distribution of Accessible Information for Disabled Individuals programs from the Department of Information Technology to the Department of Disabilities; requiring the Department of Disabilities to provide staff, including a director, to the Governor's Advisory Board for Telecommunications Relay; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HU, §§ 7-114(b), 7-120, 7-801, 7-803, 7-804, 7-806, 7-901, 7-902, 7-903, 7-905, and 7-906 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 852 Senator Patterson**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS – LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT**

Requiring a candidate for the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County to provide letters of recommendation from senators; requiring the Board to consider demographic information of certain applicants for positions with the Board; requiring the Board to establish a platform for the reception of certain complaints; authorizing the Board to respond directly to complaints; and requiring the Office of Legislative Audits to conduct audits on Board accounts and report results to the General Assembly annually for 3 years.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, §§ 26-202 and 26-206(a) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 853 Senators Patterson and Benson**EDUCATION – VOLUNTARY ETHICAL SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVOCATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM**

Requiring the State Department of Education to establish the Voluntary Ethical Special Education Advocate Certificate Program on or before July 1, 2021, for administration of a voluntary certificate program for ethical special education advocates; specifying qualifications and application procedures for a certificate; requiring the Department to issue a certificate to a certain applicant; authorizing an applicant to petition for judicial review of a decision of the Department that relates to issuing or renewing a certificate; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 8-420 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 854 Senator Sydnor (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**BALTIMORE CITY – SPEED LIMITS – ESTABLISHMENT**

Authorizing Baltimore City to establish the maximum speed limit on a highway under its jurisdiction without performing an engineering and traffic study.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 21-803 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 855 **Senator Sydnor (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)****BALTIMORE CITY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – INTERSTATE 83**

Authorizing the placement and use of a speed monitoring system on Interstate 83 in Baltimore City.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(v) through (vii) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 856 **Senator Sydnor, et al****HIGHER EDUCATION – HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES – COMPARABILITY AND COMPETITIVENESS**

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to work with the historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) in the State to approve and prioritize certain academic programs and to promote the overall competitiveness of the HBCUs; requiring the Governor, in fiscal years 2022 through 2031, to include in the annual State operating budget certain funds for certain HBCUs to be used for a specific purpose; requiring that certain funds become part of the base funds for certain HBCUs; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, §§ 11-206 and 11-206.1 - amended and §§ 12-119 and 14-111 - added

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

SB 857 **Senator Sydnor****FACIAL RECOGNITION SERVICES – MORATORIUM**

Prohibiting certain persons and certain units of State and local government from using a facial recognition service or any information derived from a facial recognition service in the State; declaring certain findings of the General Assembly; granting certain authority to the Office of the Attorney General to enforce certain provisions of the Act; establishing that certain violators of certain provisions of the Act may be subject to an injunction and certain penalties; and terminating the Act 1 year after it is enacted.

EMERGENCY BILL

CL, §§ 14-4201 through 14-4204 and SG, §§ 10-1701 through 10-1703 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 858 **Senator Sydnor****PROCUREMENT AND CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR FORMERLY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS**

Requiring, beginning on January 1, 2021, certain invitations to bid and certain requests for proposals to require bidders and offerors to provide certain documentation; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and county departments of corrections to give a preference to certain bidders and offerors based on the number of formerly incarcerated individuals the bidder or offeror employs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CS, §§ 8-7A-01 through 8-7A-03 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 859 **Senator Sydnor****VEHICLE LAWS – REGISTRATION PLATE FRAMES AND BORDERS – ENFORCEMENT**

Providing for enforcement only as a secondary offense for a violation of the requirement to maintain vehicle registration plates to be free from foreign material and to be clearly legible.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 13-411(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 860 **Senator Sydnor****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – POSTCONVICTION REVIEW – MOTION TO VACATE**

Altering the authority to file a certain motion to vacate a probation before judgment or judgment of conviction to include a certain defendant; expanding the grounds upon which a certain motion to vacate may be based; requiring a certain defendant to notify the State of the filing of a certain motion in a certain manner; authorizing the State to file a response to a certain motion at a certain time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP, § 8-301.1 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 861 **Senator Sydnor**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL SERVICES AND BENEFITS – STUDY OF
DIVERSITY OF EMPLOYEES IN STATE AGENCIES

Requiring the Office of Personnel Services and Benefits within the Department of Budget and Management to study the number and salaries of certain employees employed by certain State agencies in a position of grade 19 or above who are African American, Hispanic, or any other racial minority and report its findings to the Governor and a certain committee of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2020, and June 1, 2021; and terminating the Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

Assigned to: Finance

SB 862 **Senator Edwards**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MINIMUM WAGE – ALLEGANY
COUNTY AND GARRETT COUNTY

Establishing a minimum wage rate for Allegany County and Garrett County.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 3-413 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 863 **Senator Edwards**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – LONG-TERM
CARE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS – PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish a personal needs allowance of not less than \$450 per month or \$5,400 per year for certain Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients who receive certain long-term care services and supports.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 15-122.3 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 864 **Senator Edwards**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – ACQUISITION OF LAND,
WATER, OR EASEMENTS IN GARRETT AND ALLEGANY COUNTIES
– SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY

Establishing that, for certain areas of water or land or easements that have been subdivided in Garrett County or Allegany County, the Department of Natural Resources may acquire the area only if the acquisition of the area will not, when added to the acreage of any other areas or easements the Department has acquired from that subdivision over the previous 5 years, exceed 100 acres, subject to approval by the county.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

NR, §§ 4-401, 5-207, 5-910, and 10-801 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 865 **Senator Edwards**PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FRANCHISE TAX – CREDIT FOR
PURCHASE OF MARYLAND–MINED COAL – EXTENSION

Extending to December 31, 2030, the termination of a credit against the public service company franchise tax for the purchase of Maryland–mined coal; authorizing the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to approve up to \$3,000,000 in total credits each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 8-406(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 866 **Senator Edwards**RESIDENT HUNTING LICENSES AND STAMPS – MEMBERS OF THE
ARMED FORCES

Authorizing an individual who is serving in the armed forces of the United States to purchase a resident hunting license, resident bow and arrow stamp, resident black powder stamp, and resident bonus antlered deer stamp if the individual is stationed in the State.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

NR, § 10-301(g) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 867 Senator Edwards**ALLEGANY COUNTY AND GARRETT COUNTY – DEFINITION OF “TREE EXPERT” – ALTERATION**

Altering the definition of “tree expert” to exclude, in Allegany County and Garrett County, a person who, for the immediately preceding 3 years, has participated in a certain program and has been engaged continuously in the practice of timber harvesting, carries certain liability and property damage insurance, and is compensated for cutting, trimming, or removing certain trees on private property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

NR, § 5-415 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 868 Senator Rosapepe**APPRENTICESHIP MARYLAND 2030**

Establishing the Career and Technology Education Committee; requiring the Committee to establish certain statewide goals for career and technical education; stating the purpose of the Career and Technology Education Innovation Grant in fiscal years 2021 or 2022; requiring the Committee to administer the Career and Technology Education Innovation Grant; extending the termination date for a certain tax credit; etc.

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

CONTINGENT – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

ED and LE, Various Sections - amended and added and Chapter 149 of the Acts of 2017, § 9 - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 869 Senator Waldstreicher**ESTATES AND TRUSTS – MARYLAND REVISED UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT – REVISIONS**

Altering the purposes for which certain anatomical gifts may be used; repealing provisions of law that require certain persons to search certain individuals for a document of gift or any other information identifying the individual as a donor, that specify procedures to be taken if a document is located, and that concern certain administrative sanctions; requiring a certain procurement organization to make a certain search of certain registries under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ET, §§ 4-509(e) and (f) and 4-512(a) and (d) - amended and § 4-510 - repealed

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 870 **Senator Waldstreicher****DRUNK DRIVING OFFENSES – IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PROGRAM**

Requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to require certain persons who are convicted of, or granted certain probation for, certain criminal offenses to participate in the Ignition Interlock System Program for certain periods of time. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 16-404.1(c)(1) and (d)(1)(i)1. and 2., (2)(i), and (4) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 871 **Senator Jennings****MAIL ORDER AND SPECIALTY DRUGS – PHYSICIAN DISPENSING**

Providing that certain provisions of law do not prohibit a physician from personally dispensing to a patient by mail order certain prescription drugs and devices; prohibiting certain entities, policies, and contracts from imposing certain cost-sharing requirements and conditions on an insured or a certificate holder who uses certain services; requiring certain entities to allow certain insureds, enrollees, and beneficiaries to obtain a covered drug from a certain physician; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

HG, § 12-102 and IN, §§ 15-805, 15-847(a) and (d), 15-1611.1, and 15-1612 - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 872 **Senator Feldman, et al****HEALTH INSURANCE – CONSUMER PROTECTIONS**

Authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to enforce certain provisions of law under certain applicable powers; requiring the Commissioner to adopt certain regulations under certain circumstances that are consistent with certain federal regulations, rules, and guidance; prohibiting certain carriers from excluding or limiting certain benefits or denying certain coverage because a certain health condition was present on a certain date; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

IN, § 15-137.1 - repealed and §§ 15-1A-01 through 15-1A-22 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 873 **Senator Feldman, et al**

HEALTH FACILITIES – HOSPITALS – MEDICAL DEBT PROTECTION

Requiring a hospital to annually submit a report to the Health Services Cost Review Commission on the total number of patients by race or ethnicity, gender, and zip code against whom the hospital has filed an action to collect a debt, or to whom the hospital has and has not reported or classified a bad debt, and the total amount of costs owed but not collected; requiring that a certain policy provide a mechanism to a patient to modify a payment plan and prohibit the hospital from collecting a certain debt for a certain patient; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 19-214.2 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 874 **Senator Feldman**

VEHICLE LAWS – PERSONAL DELIVERY DEVICES – STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS

Establishing an exception to motor vehicle registration requirements for personal delivery devices; authorizing a personal delivery device to operate on any highway, sidewalk, or crosswalk in the State; prohibiting a personal delivery device from being operated in certain manners; creating certain marking, equipment, and insurance requirements for personal delivery devices operated on highways, sidewalks, or crosswalks; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, §§ 11-135, 11-176, and 13-402(c)(13) and (14) - amended and §§ 13-402(c)(15) and 21-104.5 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 875 **Senator Feldman, et al**

HOSPITALS – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICIES AND BILL COLLECTIONS

Increasing the family income threshold to between 200% and 500% of the federal poverty level at which a hospital's financial assistance policy must provide free medically necessary care to patients; requiring that a certain financial assistance policy include a certain payment plan and a certain mechanism for a patient to request a certain reconsideration; requiring that a certain financial assistance policy provide presumptive eligibility for certain care to certain patients; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 19-214.1 and 19-214.3 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 876 **Senator Feldman****ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES – REGULATION AND TAXATION**

Limiting the in-person sales or distributions of vaping liquid by electronic smoking devices retailers and vape shop vendors to age-restricted areas; requiring electronic smoking devices retail licensees and vape shop vendors selling vaping liquid to post a certain sign in a certain manner; requiring a certain licensee who sells electronic smoking devices through a website to use a certain third-party age verification service for a certain purpose; etc.

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

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

BR, §§ 16.7-301 through 16.7-303 and TG, § 11-104(j) - added and CR, § 10-107 and HG, § 13-1015 - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 877 **Senators Feldman and Hershey****UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION – REVISION**

Revising provisions relating to the Maryland Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Authority; altering the application and scope of certain provisions relating to underground facilities and damage prevention; requiring certain newly installed underground facilities to be detectable or locatable after October 1, 2021; requiring certain previously detectable or locatable facilities to be restored to a certain status after a certain date; altering the qualifications of certain members of the Authority; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PU, Various Sections - amended, § 12-103 - repealed, and §§ 12-103 and 12-130 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 878 **Senator Carozza, et al****WORCESTER COUNTY – SPECIAL EVENT ZONES – PROHIBITIONS**

Prohibiting a person from engaging in exhibition driving within a special event zone in Worcester County; prohibiting a person from committing certain violations of the Maryland Vehicle Law within a special event zone in Worcester County; defining “exhibition driving” to include the operation of a vehicle in a manner that produces abrupt acceleration or deceleration, skidding, swerving, raucous engine noise, gear grinding, or wheels losing contact with the ground; establishing certain penalties for violations of the Act; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

TR, § 21-811 - repealed and § 21-1132 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 879 **Senator Kelley****PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND INFANT LIFETIME CARE TRUST FUNDED BY HSCRC AND MARYLAND PATIENT SAFETY CENTER DUTIES**

Establishing certain requirements and procedures regarding certain settlement agreements for claims arising out of a birth-related neurological injury subject to certain provisions of the Act; requiring a certain board to allocate a grant of \$1,000,000 to the Maryland Department of Health to study disparities in and improvement to maternal and fetal outcomes in the State; establishing the Maryland Infant Lifetime Care Trust; providing for the governance, administration, and purposes of the Trust; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

CJ, §§ 3-2D-01 and 3-2D-02 and HG, §§ 20-2001 and 20-2101 through 20-2115 - added and HG, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Judicial Proceedings

SB 880 **Senators Bailey and Hough****FIREARMS – DEALER’S LICENSE AND HANDGUN PERMIT – NOTICE OF EXPIRATION**

Requiring the Secretary of State Police to provide a certain notice to a certain firearms dealer and to a holder of a certain handgun permit of the impending expiration of the dealer’s license or handgun permit at least 60 days before the expiration of the license or permit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, §§ 5-111 and 5-309 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 881 **Senator Bailey****FIREARMS – HANDGUN QUALIFICATION LICENSE – FIREARMS SAFETY TRAINING**

Repealing a requirement to obtain a handgun qualification license that a certain firearms safety training course include a certain firearms orientation component.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 5-117.1(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 882 **Senator Bailey****RECREATIONAL STRIPED BASS FISHERY – STUDY ON HARVEST DATA**

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to conduct a study on methods of obtaining more accurate harvest data for the recreational striped bass fishery; requiring the study to examine certain issues relevant to obtaining more accurate harvest data for the recreational striped bass fishery; requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 883 **Senator Klausmeier****BUSINESS REGULATION – SECURITY SYSTEMS – BATTERY-CHARGED FENCES**

Making certain provisions of law that prohibit a local government from imposing certain requirements relating to wireless security systems also apply to certain battery-charged fence security systems; defining “battery-charged fence security system” as an alarm security system that includes a fence and any ancillary components and attached equipment; prohibiting a local government from imposing certain additional installation or operational requirements or prohibitions on certain battery-charged fence security systems; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

BR, § 19-901 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 884 **Senator Klausmeier****STATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS – RETIREE BENEFITS – REVISIONS**

Altering the date on which the State shall discontinue certain prescription drug benefits to certain persons if a certain event occurs; altering the date by which the Department of Budget and Management is required to establish certain retiree prescription drug coverage programs; altering the eligibility criteria for participation in the retiree prescription drug coverage programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, § 2-509.1 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 885 **Senator Zucker, et al****MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION – RECORDS – VOLUNTARY DISCLOSURE OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY**

Authorizing certain persons over the age of 18 to voluntarily disclose a diagnosed developmental disability to the Motor Vehicle Administration; requiring the Administration to keep records of a voluntary disclosure separate from other records; prohibiting the Administration from opening a voluntary disclosure to public inspection, subject to certain exceptions; and prohibiting the Administration from using a voluntary disclosure by a person as a basis for referring the person to the Medical Advisory Board.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 12-111(b) - amended and § 16-118.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 886 **Senator West****MARYLAND TRUST ACT – LIABILITY OF TRUSTEE – REPORT AND RELEASE BY INTERESTED PARTY**

Authorizing a trustee to send certain interested parties in a certain manner a certain report when the trust terminates or on the resignation or removal of the trustee; and providing that, if an interested party does not submit an objection to the report within 90 days after the trustee mailed the report, the interested party shall be deemed to have released the trustee and to have consented to and ratified the actions of the trustee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ET, §§ 14.5-904 and 14.5-907 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 887 **Senator West, et al****ELECTRIC GENERATION – TRANSITION FROM FOSSIL FUELS – CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS RATE AND TRANSITION ACCOUNT**

Prohibiting the carbon dioxide emissions rate for certain affected electric generating units from exceeding a certain amount; establishing the Fossil Fuel Community Transition Account to provide grants to certain individuals and communities; requiring the Department of Commerce to establish certain policies and procedures for the administration of the Account; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to use the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund to provide funding for the Account; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EN, §§ 2-10A-01 through 2-10A-03 and EC, §§ 5-1701 through 5-1704 - added and SG, § 9-20B-05(f) and (g) - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 888 **Senator West****CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES AND PARTNERSHIPS – SERIES – CONVERSION**

Providing that, under certain circumstances, the personal representative or guardian of the last remaining member of a limited liability company shall automatically be admitted as a new member, unless a certain action is taken; authorizing certain persons to wind up the affairs of a limited liability company in certain circumstances; authorizing a court to wind up the affairs of a limited liability company on the application of certain persons under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CA, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 889 **Senator West, et al****ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS – ATTORNEY SECURITY PASSES FOR ATTORNEYS IN GOOD STANDING**

Requiring the Administrative Office of the Courts to adopt certain procedures in consultation with the Maryland State Bar Association relating to the issuance and renewal of attorney security passes and to statewide acceptance of attorney security passes at State court facilities; and authorizing the Maryland State Bar Association to manage and administer the issuance of an attorney security pass.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 13-101.2 - added and SF, § 4-607 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 890 Senator Hershey**CLEAN ENERGY ATTRIBUTE CREDITS AND PROCUREMENT**

Establishing a clean energy attribute credit standard for certain purposes; repealing certain provisions relating to the renewable energy portfolio standard; stating certain findings of the General Assembly; stating certain policies of the State regarding certain energy sources and markets; requiring the Public Service Commission to appoint an independent administrator for certain purposes with certain qualifications and certain duties; providing for the term and reappointment of the independent administrator; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

PU, Various Sections - repealed, amended, and added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 891 Senators Hershey and Feldman**ENVIRONMENT – SOLAR PANEL STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMS**

Requiring the Department of the Environment to develop certain guidelines for solar panel stewardship programs to ensure the environmentally sound recycling of out-of-service solar panels and their components; requiring the Department to adopt certain guidelines in regulation on or before July 1, 2021; prohibiting a certain manufacturer from selling or offering for sale in the State a solar panel on or after January 1, 2022, unless the manufacturer has a solar panel stewardship plan approved by the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EN, §§ 9-1733 through 9-1739 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 892 Senator Hester**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – MATHEMATICS CREDIT – COMPUTER SCIENCE OR COMPUTER PROGRAMMING COURSE**

Authorizing a student who is enrolled at a public high school to satisfy a certain requirement to earn credits in mathematics by completing a credit in a computer science or computer programming course selected by the county board; and requiring the county board to certify to the State Department of Education that the computer science or computer programming course may count toward the mathematics graduation requirement.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-209 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 893 **Senator Hester****PUBLIC HEALTH – CYBER SAFETY HANDBOOK – HANDBOOK DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLICATION**

Requiring the State Department of Education, the Maryland Department of Health, and the Behavioral Health Administration jointly to develop and publish a certain handbook regarding safe Internet, social media, and technology usage for certain students, parents, and teachers on or before July 1, 2021; requiring the handbook to include certain information and best practices; requiring certain agencies to consult with certain professionals when developing a certain handbook; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 894 **Senator Hester****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES**

Requiring each county board of education, beginning in the 2022–2023 school year, to submit a report on or before April 30 each year to the State Board of Education and the General Assembly on computer science courses offered in public schools in the county in the prior school year; requiring each county board to include certain information in the report and post certain data on its website; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ED, § 4-111.5 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 895 **Senator Hester**

MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM – UNITS OF STATE GOVERNMENT

Altering the purpose of the Maryland Technology Internship Program; providing for the cumulative 2.5 grade point average that an individual shall maintain to qualify for participation in the Program with a unit of State or local government; providing for the qualifications that a technology-based business or unit of State or local government must meet to participate in the Program; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, §§ 18-3003, 18-3005, 18-3006, 18-3008, and 18-3010 - amended and § 18-3008.1 - added

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

SB 896 **Senator Hester**

COMMISSION ON STUDENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT

Establishing the Commission on Student Behavioral Health and Mental Health Treatment; requiring the Commission to study, evaluate, update, and revise guidelines for student behavioral health treatment and practices in general, including school-based health centers; requiring the Commission to make recommendations to improve current practices and revise guidelines for student behavioral health treatment and to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2020, and December 1, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 897 **Senator Hester****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring each residential service agency to ensure that certain individuals receive certain training relating to dementia; requiring each residential service agency to ensure that individuals providing certain training have certain experience and have completed certain training; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to provide a list of training programs to each residential agency; requiring an individual employed as a residential service agency's direct care or supervisory staff to complete certain training; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 19-4A-03.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 898 **Senators Beidle and West****VEHICLE LAWS – RENTAL VEHICLES – DRIVER'S LICENSE VERIFICATION AND RECORDS**

Prohibiting a vehicle lessor from renting a vehicle to another person unless the lessor verifies that the person's driver's license is not expired; authorizing a vehicle lessor to meet certain inspection and verification requirements related to the driver's license of a vehicle lessee through electronic or digital means; authorizing a vehicle lessor to keep certain records in an electronic or digital format; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 18-103 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 899 **Senator Smith****MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION – BODY-WORN CAMERA POLICY**

Requiring a certain policy developed and published by the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to address the use of a body-worn camera by an off-duty law enforcement officer authorized or approved by a law enforcement agency to work secondary employment who is in the uniform of the agency or is carrying or possessing a firearm as a part of the officer's official duties.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 3-511 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 900 **Senator Smith****CRIMINAL RECORDS – DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION – PROHIBITED ACTS**

Prohibiting certain entities from requiring the disclosure of a conviction that the Governor pardoned in an application, interview or other means; prohibiting an educational institution from refusing a person's admission solely because the person refused to disclose information about a conviction that the governor pardoned or charges which were expunged; prohibiting a private entity from disclosing information relating to a certain conviction or certain records; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CP, § 10-109 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 901 **Senator Smith****STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT – PARTICIPATION IN FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT**

Providing that a certain official is immune from criminal and civil liability for refusing to provide information to the federal government or another state for a certain purpose; authorizing the State to indemnify a certain official for certain costs or a certain judgment; expressing the intent of the General Assembly to maintain community trust in Maryland governmental operations and law enforcement efforts by clarifying the parameters of State and local participation in federal immigration enforcement efforts; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 5-527, CP, § 5-103, GP, §§ 9-101 through 9-104, and SF, § 7-240 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 902 **Senator Smith****COAL – TAX CREDITS AND EXEMPTION – REPEAL**

Repealing a certain credit against the public service company franchise tax for the purchase of Maryland–mined coal during a certain year; repealing a certain credit against the State income tax that certain cogenerators or electricity suppliers may claim for the purchase of Maryland–mined coal during a certain taxable year; repealing an exemption to the sales and use tax for the sale of coal used in certain residential properties; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TG, §§ 8-406 and 11-207(a)(3) - amended and § 10-704.1 - repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 903 **Senator Smith****IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT – PUBLIC SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS,
AND COURTHOUSES – POLICIES**

Requiring the Attorney General, in consultation with certain stakeholders, to develop guidelines to assist public schools, hospitals, and courthouses to draft policies that limit civil immigration enforcement activities on their premises in order to ensure these facilities remain safe and accessible to all; and authorizing public schools, hospitals, and courthouses to establish and publish policies that limit immigration enforcement on their premises to the fullest extent possible.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SG, § 6-111 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 904 **Senator Smith****SHEILA E. HIXSON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES MATCHING
GRANT PROGRAM FOR SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS –
ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Sheila E. Hixson Behavioral Health Services Matching Grant Program for Service Members and Veterans; providing for the purpose of the Program; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to administer the Program; requiring the Program to award certain grants to nonprofit organizations to establish and expand certain community behavioral health programs; establishing a certain eligibility requirement; requiring an eligible nonprofit organization to secure certain contributions for the proposal; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HG, § 7.5-210 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 905 **Senator Smith****STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – CONSTRUCTION AND
MAINTENANCE – PERMIT REQUIREMENTS (NIGHTTIME
CONSTRUCTION NOISE REDUCTION ACT)**

Prohibiting the State Highway Administration from issuing a permit for work to be conducted on State highways between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. the following day unless a zoning official determines that issuing the permit is in the interest of public safety, health, or welfare; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 8-662 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 906 Senator Carozza**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND HEALTHY WORKING FAMILIES ACT – SEASONAL TEMPORARY WORKERS**

Increasing, from 106 to 120 days, the period during which an employer is not required to allow an employee to use earned sick and safe leave; altering the circumstances under which an employer is required to reinstate certain unused sick and safe leave; and altering the circumstances under which an employer is authorized to require an employee who uses earned sick and safe leave to provide certain verification.

EMERGENCY BILL

LE, §§ 3-1304(c) and (h) and 3-1305(g) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 907 Senator Smith**PUBLIC SAFETY – CRIME PLAN AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COUNCILS (MARYLAND STATE CRIME PLAN)**

Establishing the Law Enforcement Coordinating Council to prevent and reduce crime by coordinating and focusing State resources and ensuring interagency communication and intelligence-sharing; requiring the Council to prepare a certain comprehensive crime plan for the State; requiring the Council to meet quarterly; requiring the Governor to attend at least one Council meeting each year; and requiring the Council to submit a report with its recommendations by December 1 each year to the Governor and the General Assembly; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EMERGENCY BILL

PS, §§ 2-315 and 2-316 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 908 Senator Salling**TRANSPORTATION – RAILROAD GRADE CROSSING OVER PRIVATE ROAD – STOP SIGN**

Requiring the State Highway Administration to install a stop sign at each railroad grade crossing over a private road.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, §§ 8-639 and 8-640 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 909 **Senator Salling****EDUCATION – SUMMER SPORTS PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Summer Sports Program to provide funding to county boards to establish programs to provide students with opportunities during the summer for physical activity and sports at public schools that have adequate facilities; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$700,000 annually to the Program; requiring each county to provide \$300,000 annually for the Program; and directing the State Department of Education to direct funding for the Program to county boards; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 7-409.1 - added

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

SB 910 **Senators Lam and Carter****PUBLIC HEALTH – SOLEMN COVENANT OF THE STATES TO AWARD PRIZES FOR CURING DISEASES – COMPACT**

Entering into the Solemn Covenant of the States to Award Prizes for Curing Diseases Compact; establishing the Solemn Covenant of States Commission to administer the Compact; providing for the composition, voting procedures, operation, and powers and duties of the Commission; establishing certain procedures for the making of rules by the Commission; authorizing the Commission to establish a management committee; providing for the composition, operation, and powers and duties of the management committee; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 18-1201 - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 911 **Senator Kramer****ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION – CLARIFICATIONS**

Clarifying the authority, powers, and duties of officers and employees of the Field Enforcement Division in the Office of the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission over certain matters; authorizing the officers and employees to make certain cooperative arrangements with the Office of the Comptroller; authorizing the Division to recommend certain changes to improve the administration of certain provisions; authorizing the Executive Director to delegate certain duties to certain persons; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

AB and TG, Various Sections, CP, § 2-101, PS, § 3-201, and Ch. 12 of the Acts of 2019, § 7 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 912 **Senator Kramer****ENVIRONMENT – CLIMATE CRISIS AND EDUCATION ACT**

Establishing a Climate Crisis Initiative in the Department of the Environment for certain purposes; requiring the Secretary of the Environment to administer certain schedules of greenhouse gas pollution fees; requiring the Secretary to delegate certain collection and benefit functions to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to carry out certain functions; requiring the collection of a certain greenhouse gas pollution fee on certain fuels for certain purposes; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

EN, §§ 2-1214 through 2-1228 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. through 125. - added

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

SB 913 **Senator Kramer****COMMERCIAL LAW – MERCHANT CASH ADVANCE – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a buyer from arranging, facilitating, or consummating a merchant cash advance transaction with a seller in the State; providing that a violation of the Act is an unfair, abusive, or deceptive trade practice subject to certain enforcement and penalties; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CL, §§ 12-1501 and 13-301(14)(xxxiv) - added and § 13-301(14)(xxxii) and (xxxiii) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 914 **Senator Lam, et al****DOULAS – DOULA TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP AND CERTIFICATION**

Establishing the Doula Technical Assistance Advisory Group; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Advisory Group; requiring the Advisory Group to study certain programs, review certain studies and reports, invite certain stakeholders to meetings, and make certain recommendations; requiring the Advisory Group to submit a final report to the Maryland Department of Health and certain committees of the General Assembly by January 1, 2022; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

HG, § 13-4101 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 915 **Senator Kramer****MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – PHARMACY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATIONS – REGULATION**

Requiring, on or after July 1, 2021, pharmacy services administrative organizations to register with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner before providing certain services in the State; requiring certain applicants to file an application on a certain form and pay a certain fee; providing for the expiration and renewal of certain registration; prohibiting certain pharmacy services administrative organizations from entering into certain contracts; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

IN, §§ 15-2001 through 15-2021 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 916 **Senator Carter****MEDICAL CANNABIS – DISPENSARIES AND MEDICAL CANNABIS LABORATORY ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Prohibiting penalty and arrest for a medical cannabis dispensary or its agents for acquiring, possessing, transferring, transporting, selling, distributing, or dispensing medical cannabis, products containing medical cannabis, related supplies, or educational materials for use by a certain independent testing laboratory or its agents; establishing the Medical Cannabis Laboratory Advisory Council; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Advisory Council; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 13-3307 - amended and § 13-3311.2 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 917 **Senator Carter****TRANSPORT OF A BODY AFTER ANATOMICAL GIFT – FEES – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting certain entities that provide certain services for the transportation of a body from charging a fee to certain individuals if the body has undergone a procedure to provide an anatomical gift and the deceased's custodian is indigent or medically indigent; and prohibiting a unit of State government that provides services for the transportation of a body under certain circumstances from charging a fee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 5-515 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 918 **Senator Carter****HUMAN SERVICES – TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE – COMMISSION AND TRAINING**

Establishing the Commission on Trauma-Informed Care to coordinate a statewide initiative to prioritize the trauma-responsive and trauma-informed delivery of State services that impact children, youth, and families; requiring the Commission to submit a certain report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 30 each year; requiring certain State agencies to designate certain staff members to participate in a certain training each year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HU, §§ 8-1301 through 8-1310 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 919 **Senator Carter****CRIMINAL LAW – FELONY FIRST-DEGREE MURDER – LIMITATION AND REVIEW OF CONVICTION**

Altering the elements of murder in the first degree to require that a certain murder be committed by a principal in the first degree in the perpetration of or an attempt to perpetrate a certain crime, rather than any participant in the crime; authorizing a certain person to apply for a review of conviction under certain circumstances; requiring a court to hold a hearing on application for review of conviction to make a certain determination; establishing a certain Task Force; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

CR, § 2-201 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 920 **Senator Carter****BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM – SCHOOL NAMED FOR WALTER P. CARTER**

Requiring the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners of the Baltimore City Public School System to ensure that a public school in Baltimore City is named exclusively for Walter P. Carter at all times without regard to any closure or merger of public schools.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 4-321 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 921 **Senator Carter****COURTS – JURY SERVICE – DISQUALIFICATION**

Altering certain circumstances under which an individual who has been convicted of a crime is not qualified for jury service; and repealing a provision specifying that an individual is not qualified for jury service if the individual has a certain charge pending for a certain crime.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CJ, § 8-103 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 922 **Senator Carter****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – DIMINUTION CREDITS – EDUCATION**

Awarding a diminution credit of 90 days to reduce the term of confinement of an inmate if the inmate successfully obtains a certain educational certificate, diploma, or degree; prohibiting an inmate who is serving a sentence for a certain sexual offense from receiving a diminution of the term of confinement; requiring the Commissioner of Correction to establish a uniform system of deductions and participation criteria for awarding a certain diminution credit; applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CS, § 3-706.1 - added and § 3-708 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 923 **Senator Ready**

REAL PROPERTY – RESIDENTIAL LEASE – TERMINOLOGY

Replacing the term “landlord” with “residential housing provider” and “tenant” with “resident” in the context of residential leases.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

BOP, BR, CA, EN, HG, HS, HU, PS, PU, RP, SG, and TP, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 924 **Senators Ready and Salling**

MARYLAND CHILD ABDUCTION PREVENTION ACT

Authorizing a court in a custody or visitation proceeding to require a party to provide a written notice of the intent to travel internationally with a child a certain period of time prior to the planned travel; authorizing a court, on its own motion, to order child abduction prevention measures in certain child custody proceedings; authorizing certain parties to petition the court for child abduction prevention measures; applying the Act retroactively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

FL, § 9-106 - amended and §§ 9.6-101 through 9.6-108 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 925 **Senators Ready and Hough**

CRIMINAL LAW – DANGEROUS AND POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS DOGS – CLASSIFICATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Repealing a certain provision of law authorizing an appropriate unit of a county or municipal corporation to determine whether a dog is potentially dangerous under certain circumstances and relating to ownership of a dangerous dog; requiring an appropriate unit of a county or municipal corporation to classify a certain dog by level of potential danger as determined by certain factors, subject to certain exceptions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 10-619 - repealed and added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 926 **Senator Pinsky, et al****CLIMATE SOLUTIONS ACT OF 2020 – GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT**

Increasing the greenhouse gas emissions reductions that the State must achieve by 2030; requiring the State to achieve net-zero statewide greenhouse gas emissions by 2045; requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt a final plan that reduces statewide greenhouse gas emissions by 60% by 2030 and sets the State on a path toward achieving net-zero statewide greenhouse gas emissions by 2045, on or before December 31, 2020; establishing the Climate Jobs Workgroup; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

EN, PS, PU, SF, and NR, Various Sections - repealed, added, and amended

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

SB 927 **Senator Pinsky, et al****PUBLIC ETHICS – ISSUE LOBBYING COMMUNICATIONS – LOBBYIST REGISTRATION AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a certain entity to register with the State Ethics Commission as a regulated lobbyist if, during a certain reporting period, the entity spends a certain amount for issue lobbying communications; requiring a certain regulated lobbyist to report certain information to the Ethics Commission in addition to certain other reports; requiring a certain regulated lobbyist to report certain information to the Ethics Commission within a certain period of time on receipt of an aggregate donation of a certain amount; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

GP, §§ 5-701, 5-702(a), and 5-705(d) - amended and §§ 5-717 and 5-718 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 928 **Senator Pinsky**

ENVIRONMENT – CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION CONSTRUCTION OR EXPANSION – MANURE TRANSPORT PLAN REQUIREMENT

On or after October 1, 2021, prohibiting the Department of the Environment from approving coverage under a concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) Discharge permit for a certain CAFO, unless the permit applicant submits a certain manure transport plan to the Department as part of the permit application; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EN, § 9-326.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 929 **Senators Hayes and Smith**

PUBLIC SAFETY – BALTIMORE CITY – P.R.O.T.E.C.T. (PUBLIC RESOURCES ORGANIZING TO END CRIME TOGETHER) PROGRAM

Authorizing certain employees of the Department of State Police to enforce certain motor vehicle laws within Baltimore City; establishing the P.R.O.T.E.C.T. (Public Resources Organizing to End Crime Together) Program for a certain purpose; requiring the Department of State Police, the Division of Parole and Probation, and the Department of Juvenile Services to establish and operate a warrant apprehension task force partnership; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

PS, § 2-412(c) - amended and §§ 4-1501 through 4-1504 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Budget and Taxation

SB 930 **Senator Bailey**

NATURAL RESOURCES – RESIDENT CANADA GEESE – RESTRICTIONS ON SHOOTING IN CHARLES COUNTY

Prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from authorizing a person to shoot resident Canada geese in Charles County unless the Department extends the same privileges to persons in St. Mary's County.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

NR, § 10-427 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 931 **Senator Hayes**

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND HEALTH INSURANCE – SPECIALTY DRUGS – DEFINITION

Prohibiting the Secretary of Health from considering drugs prescribed to treat diabetes, HIV, or AIDS to be specialty drugs for the purposes of providing services under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; and excluding certain prescription drugs from the definition of “specialty drug” for the purposes of certain provisions of law limiting the authority of certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to impose copayment and coinsurance requirements.

EMERGENCY BILL

HG, § 15-118.1 - added and IN, § 15-847 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 932 **Senator Hayes (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**

PUBLIC SAFETY – DNA COLLECTION – CRIMINAL OFFENSES RELATING TO FIREARMS

Requiring the collection of a DNA sample from a certain individual convicted of or charged with certain criminal offenses relating to firearms in accordance with certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, § 2-504 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 933 **Senator Hayes, et al**

STATE AND LOCAL PROCUREMENT – PAYMENT PRACTICES

Altering a State policy to make a payment under a procurement contract or after receipt of a proper invoice in 15 days rather than the current policy of 30 days; requiring each county and municipality to adopt a certain policy; reducing the number of days from 45 to 15 following receipt of an invoice after which the State owes interest on unpaid amounts and interest begins to accrue on unpaid amounts; and repealing a requirement that a contractor submit an invoice within a certain amount of time in order to receive interest payments.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, §§ 15-103 through 15-105 - amended and LG, § 1-404 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 934 **Senator Hayes, et al****BALTIMORE CITY AND PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – LIFELINE
LOW-COST AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PROGRAM**

Establishing the Lifeline Low-Cost Automobile Insurance Program to offer certain low cost insurance policies to residents of Baltimore City and Prince George’s County who are in households with a gross annual household income not exceeding 300% of the federal poverty level and who meet certain other requirements; providing that the Program is part of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund; requiring the Program, on receipt of a certain premium, to sell, issue, and deliver policies of automobile insurance to certain individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

IN, § 20-301 - amended and §§ 20-6A-01 through 20-6A-10 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 935 **Senator Hayes****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – NORTH HOWARD
CORRIDOR – RESTRICTIONS**

Prohibiting a license holder in an area known as W North Avenue in Baltimore City from opening before 10 a.m. or closing after 10 p.m., with certain exceptions; defining “W North Avenue”; and making a technical correction.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, § 12-2005 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 936 **Senator Hayes, et al****ELECTION ADMINISTRATION – DUTIES OF STATE
ADMINISTRATOR, LOCAL BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, AND ELECTION
DIRECTORS AND CYBERSECURITY REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring the State Administrator of Elections to exercise disciplinary authority over the local election directors for non-compliance with State rules, regulations, and policies; requiring a local board of elections to notify the State Administrator in writing within 24 hours after becoming aware of a certain security violation or a certain significant attempted security violation involving an election system; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EL, §§ 2-103, 2-108, 2-202, 2-206, and 3-101 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 937 **Senators Hayes and McCray****BALTIMORE CITY – CIGARETTES, OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS,
AND ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES – LOCAL LAWS
AUTHORIZATION**

Authorizing Baltimore City to enact and enforce local laws regulating the sale and distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products, and electronic smoking devices, subject to certain exceptions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

BR, §§ 16-308.4, 16.5-104, and 16.7-103 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 938 **Senator Hayes****HOSPITALS – CHANGES IN STATUS – HOSPITAL EMPLOYEE
RETRAINING AND PLACEMENT**

Requiring each hospital to pay a certain fee directly to the Maryland Department of Labor on a certain date each year; requiring the Secretary of Labor to pay certain fees into a certain fund; requiring the State Health Services Cost Review Commission to collect certain additional fees for a certain purpose under certain circumstances; requiring each hospital to submit certain reports to the Commission and the Department; altering the purposes of a certain program required to be established by the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 19-326.1 - repealed and §§ 19-326.1 and 19-326.2 - added and LE, § 11-201 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 939 **Senator Hayes****FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – CHECK CASHING SERVICES –
REGISTRATION AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION**

Repealing an exemption for certain check cashing services from certain provisions of law governing the licensure of check cashing services; authorizing a person to provide check cashing services without obtaining a certain license by registering with the Commissioner of Financial Regulation under certain circumstances; requiring a person to provide the Commission with certain information in a certain form to register as a check cashing service; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

FI, §§ 12-102, 12-105(a), and 12-118 - amended and § 12-105.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 940 **Senator Hayes****HEALTH SERVICES INITIATIVE – VISION CARE FOR LOW-INCOME CHILDREN**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, under certain circumstances, to establish a certain Health Services Initiative; requiring the Health Services Initiative to apply to certain individuals, require certain schools to provide certain services, offer services from certain providers, and require the Department to reimburse certain providers in a certain manner for certain services; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

HG, § 15-150 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 941 **Senator Hayes****MOTOR FUEL TAX – CLAIMS FOR REFUND**

Altering the period within which a claim for refund of motor fuel tax may be filed by providing that the claim may be filed up to 3 years, rather than 1 year, after the date of purchase, except under certain circumstances; and applying the bill retroactively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 13-1104(f) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 942 **Senator Hayes (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)****BALTIMORE CITY – POLICE OFFICERS – WARRANTLESS ARRESTS**

Authorizing a Baltimore City police officer without a warrant to arrest a person suspected of committing battery against a certain Baltimore City special enforcement officer, special parking enforcement officer, or special traffic enforcement officer under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PLL of Baltimore City, Art. 4, § 16-3 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 943 **Senator Hayes****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – HEALTH CARE FACILITIES –
WORKPLACE SAFETY (SAFE CARE ACT)**

Requiring State residential centers and State–operated hospitals to develop a workplace safety plan; establishing certain requirements for a certain workplace safety plan; requiring that certain training address certain risks and include certain instruction on certain matters; requiring certain State residential centers and State–operated hospitals to collaborate with a certain committee for certain purposes; requiring that certain procedures include certain other procedures; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, §§ 5-1101 and 5-1102 - amended and §§ 5-1104 through 5-1110 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 944 **Senator Hayes****HOSPITALS – CARE OF INFANTS AFTER DISCHARGE**

Requiring a hospital to provide certain instructions to the parent or legal guardian of an infant before the hospital discharges the infant into the care of the parent or legal guardian; requiring a hospital before discharging an infant to inquire as to whether a parent or legal guardian is able to provide the infant with a certain environment and a certain item, inform a parent or legal guardian of certain matters, and provide each parent or legal guardian with a certain form; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 19-308.9 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 945 **Senator Hayes****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LIQUOR STORE
CAMERAS**

Requiring certain alcoholic beverages license holders in Baltimore City to install and operate a digital surveillance system on the licensed premises in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City; requiring the digital surveillance system to be equipped with high–definition cameras; requiring the cameras to be placed in certain places; requiring the video recorded from the surveillance system to be retained for at least 14 days; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

AB, §§ 12-901 and 12-902 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 946 **Senator Hayes****HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION – PASSIVE HOUSE PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Passive House Pilot Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development; establishing the purposes of the Program; requiring the Department to solicit proposals from nonprofit organizations that feature certain elements; requiring the Department to give priority to proposals for which a nonprofit organization partners with certain educational institutions; establishing the Passive House Pilot Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HS, §§ 6-801 through 6-805 and SF § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. - amended

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

SB 947 **Senator Pinsky****PUBLIC FINANCING ACT – STATE SENATE AND HOUSE OF DELEGATES CANDIDATES AND MATCHING FUND REVISIONS**

Altering the candidates authorized to receive public contributions from the Fair Campaign Financing Fund to include candidates for State Senator and member of the House of Delegates; requiring the Comptroller to distribute public contributions to a certain campaign finance entity established to receive public contributions for certain eligible candidates; altering the frequency with which the Comptroller is required to submit a certain statement to the State Board of Elections; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

EL, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added

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

SB 948 **Senator Pinsky****NATURAL RESOURCES – COMMERCIAL OYSTER AUTHORIZATIONS – REQUIREMENTS**

Removing the authorization to harvest oysters from the list of activities authorized under an unlimited tidal fish license; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to, by regulation, modify the total number of certain commercial oyster authorizations based on certain factors; for the license year beginning on September 1, 2020, requiring the Department to issue a certain commercial oyster authorization only to a licensee who meets certain requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

NR, § 4-701(d)(2)(ii)2., (g)(1), (j), (l)(1), and (m)(1)(i) - amended and § 4-701(s) - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 949 **Senator Elfreth, et al****FAMILY LAW – AUTHORIZATION FOR A MINOR TO MARRY**

Extending the jurisdiction of the equity court to include a petition for authorization for a minor to marry; altering the conditions under which an individual who is 17 years old is authorized to marry; prohibiting an individual under the age of 17 years from marrying; requiring an applicant for a marriage license to provide a certain document to a clerk of the court; requiring a clerk of the court to review a certain order before issuing a marriage license under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

FL, §§ 1-201(b), 2-301, 2-402(b), and 2-405(c) - amended and §§ 5-2A-01 through 5-2A-04 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 950 **Senator Pinsky****AQUACULTURE LEASE APPLICATIONS – NOTICE, PROTESTS, AND MEETINGS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the persons that the Department of Natural Resources is required to notify of applications for certain aquaculture leases to be issued in the Chesapeake Bay or the Atlantic Coastal Bays; requiring the Department to work with both a person that files a certain protest petition related to a proposed aquaculture lease and the applicant for the aquaculture lease to mitigate the concerns raised in the petition; and establishing conditions under which the Department is required to hold a certain public information meeting.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

NR, § 4-11A-09(g) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 951 **Senators Benson and Hettleman****CRIMINAL LAW – FELONY FIRST-DEGREE MURDER – LIMITATION AND RESENTENCING PROCEDURE**

Altering the provisions relating to murder in the first and second degree; authorizing persons convicted of felony first-degree murder to apply for resentencing; authorizing a court to vacate a certain conviction and sentence and resentence a person under the penalties provided for second-degree murder; prohibiting a court from increasing the sentences of certain persons; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, §§ 2-201 and 2-204 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 952 **Senator Benson****HEALTH INSURANCE – REQUIREMENTS FOR ESTABLISHING STEP THERAPY PROTOCOL AND REQUESTING EXCEPTIONS**

Repealing certain prohibitions on certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations regarding the imposition of step therapy or fail-first protocols; requiring a step therapy protocol to be established by using certain criteria based on certain guidelines; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, or health maintenance organizations to establish a certain process for requesting an exception step therapy protocol; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

HG, § 19-108.2(a)(5), (b), and (c)(4) - amended and IN, § 15-142 - repealed and added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 953 **Senator Benson, et al****MEDICAL CANNABIS – DISPENSARY GROWER-PROCESSOR LICENSE**

Requiring the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission to license medical cannabis dispensary grower-processors under certain circumstances; requiring an applicant to meet certain conditions to be licensed as a dispensary grower-processor; providing that an applicant for a dispensary grower-processor license may not have received certain disciplinary action from the Commission or have failed to meet certain deadlines; requiring the Commission to establish a certain application review process; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 954 **Senator Hershey, et al**

PROPERTY TAX – SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

Establishing certain solar energy property as a subclass of personal property; providing that the county tax rate applicable to certain solar energy property may be a different rate from the county tax rate applicable to other personal property, subject to a certain limitation; exempting personal property that is a certain community solar energy generating system from a county or municipal corporation property tax; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

TP, §§ 6-302(b)(1) and 8-101(c) - amended and §§ 7-402 and 8-105(a)(4) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 955 **Senator Hershey, et al**

FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT – AUTHORITY OF STATE

Prohibiting the State from entering into an agreement that waives the State's authority under § 401 of the federal Clean Water Act as part of exercising the State's authority and carrying out the State's duties under the federal Clean Water Act and State law, including the State's authority and duties related to the federal relicensing of the Conowingo Dam.

EMERGENCY BILL

EN, § 9-353 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 956 **Senators Hershey and Edwards**

STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PROGRAM – PARTICIPATION – COUNTY, MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, OR COUNTY BOARD RETIREES

Authorizing certain retired employees of a county, municipal corporation, or county board to participate in the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits program under certain circumstances; and requiring the governing body of a county, municipal corporation, or county board to pay certain costs and to make certain determinations with regard to certain retirees under certain circumstances.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, §§ 2-508 and 2-513 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 957 **Senator Lee, et al**

MARYLAND ONLINE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

Requiring certain businesses that collect a consumer's personal information to provide certain clear and conspicuous notices to the consumer at or before the point of collection; authorizing a consumer to submit a certain request for information to a certain business that collects the consumer's personal information; requiring a certain business to comply with a certain request for information in a certain manner and within 45 days after receiving a verifiable consumer request; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

CL, §§ 14-4201 through 14-4214 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 958 **Senator Lee, et al**

CRIMINAL LAW – UNTRACEABLE FIREARMS

Prohibiting a person from manufacturing, causing to be manufactured, assembling, constructing, possessing, selling, offering to sell, transferring, purchasing, or receiving certain firearms; prohibiting a person from using a certain 3-dimensional printer to manufacture, cause to be manufactured, assemble, or construct a certain firearm; prohibiting a person from distributing a certain computer program; establishing certain penalties for violations of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, §§ 4-601 through 4-604 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 959 **Senator Lee, et al**

PUBLIC HEALTH – DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Establishing the State Advisory Council on Self-Directed Services; providing for the purposes of the Advisory Council; requiring the Advisory Council to take certain actions regarding certain matters; requiring the Advisory Council to submit a certain report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1 each year; requiring that certain waiver services include support broker services; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

HG, § 7-408 - added, HG, § 15-132 & Ch. 447 of the Acts of 2018, §§ 1 & 2 - amended, & Ch. 446 of the Acts of 2018, §§ 1 & 2 - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 960 **Senator Hettleman****OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM – MEMBERSHIP**

Prohibiting certain individuals who are members of the Employees' Pension System of the State Retirement and Pension System from becoming a member of the Optional Retirement Program of the State Retirement and Pension System on or after July 1, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 961 **Senator Hettleman****SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION TRAINING – DESIGNATED COORDINATOR – UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND**

Repealing the requirement that a certain representative designated by a unit of the University System of Maryland to coordinate certain sexual harassment prevention training be the unit's Title IX Coordinator.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SP, § 2-203.1(d)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 962 **Senator Hettleman****COMMUNITY PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS PROGRAM – BALTIMORE COUNTY AND HOWARD COUNTY – EXPANSION**

Altering the purpose of the Community Parks and Playgrounds Program to include making flexible grants available to the governing bodies of Baltimore County and Howard County for certain purposes; and altering a certain public policy.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

NR, § 5-9C-02 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 963 **Senator Hettleman****MARYLAND OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR HEALTH**

Renaming the Office of the Inspector General in the Maryland Department of Health to be the Maryland Office of the Inspector General for Health and providing that the Office is an independent unit of the State, rather than a unit in the Department; requiring an annual report by December 1 of the Office's activities investigating fraud and waste of certain funds, referrals to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, recoveries of mistaken claims paid in error, recoveries of the cost of benefits mistakenly paid, and regulatory changes; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 2-501(e-1), 2-502.1, and 2-506 - added and § 2-502 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 964 **Senator Hettleman****AGRICULTURE – HEMP RESEARCH AND PRODUCTION – PROHIBITIONS**

Prohibiting the Maryland Department of Agriculture from certifying and registering a site that will be used to grow or cultivate hemp under the Hemp Research Pilot Program if the area on which the hemp will be grown is located within 2 miles of a residential community with 10 or more residences; and prohibiting the Department from issuing a license to a person to produce hemp in the State if the area on which the hemp will be produced is located within 2 miles of a residential community with 10 or more residences.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

AG, §§ 14-202(d) and 14-308 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 965 **Senator Hettleman****DAY CARE CENTERS FOR THE ELDERLY AND DAY CARE CENTERS FOR ADULTS – REIMBURSEMENT**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse day care centers for the elderly and day care centers for adults for a day of care even if the day care center could not provide the minimum 4 hours of care in a day because of a weather-related closure or a medical emergency experienced by the participant while at the center.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 14-205 and 14-304 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 966 **Senator Hettleman****HEALTH FACILITIES – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – REFERRALS AND LICENSES**

Authorizing the Office of the Attorney General to seek certain injunctive or other relief for a certain purpose under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully referring another person to a certain assisted living program; establishing certain penalties for certain violations of the Act; requiring the Secretary of Health to remit certain penalties to the Office of Health Care Quality for a certain purpose; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, § 19-1809 - amended and § 19-1813 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 967 **Senator Washington, et al****LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS – CRITERIA AND OPEN HEARING PROCESS (FAIR MAPS ACT)**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to amend the standards to which legislative districts are required to conform; proposing adding a new article to the Maryland Constitution to require that congressional districts conform to certain standards; requiring that due regard be given to certain boundaries; requiring the General Assembly to establish and implement an open hearing process for public input and deliberation; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 4 - amended and Art. XX - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 968 **Senator Washington, et al****BALTIMORE CITY – IMITATION FIREARMS – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting the sale and display of certain imitation firearms in Baltimore City; and providing that a certain violation is a civil offense subject to a fine of \$500 for the first offense and \$1,500 for each subsequent offense.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CR, § 4-111 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 969 **Senator Washington****HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – REGULATIONS, STAFFING, AND TRAINING**

Requiring that certain regulations adopted by the Maryland Department of Health relating to assisted living programs include requiring an assisted living program to complete a certain assessment tool within a certain period of time and requiring a certain program manager to invite certain individuals to participate in certain resident assessments; requiring that certain assisted living programs have certain staff-to-resident ratios at certain assisted living program facilities under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

HG, §§ 19-1805(b) and 19-1807 - amended and § 19-1805.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 970 **Senator Washington****PUBLIC ETHICS – DISCLOSURES AND FINES AND PENALTIES – REVISIONS**

Altering the amount of certain fees and fines that may be imposed by the State Ethics Commission for certain purposes; altering a certain requirement for a certain official to disclose the acceptance of certain tickets or free admission to certain events on a financial disclosure statement; altering the amount of a certain fine that a court may impose for a certain violation of law; and requiring the Ethics Counsel to submit a certain list of names to the presiding officers of the General Assembly each year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

GP, §§ 5-405(d) and (g), 5-607(e), 5-902, and 5-903 and SG, § 2-709 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 971 **Senator Carter****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – DIMINUTION CREDITS – EDUCATION MILESTONES**

Awarding a one-time diminution credit to reduce the term of confinement of an inmate if the inmate successfully obtains a certain educational certificate, diploma, or degree; establishing the diminution credit that may be awarded to certain inmates; requiring the Commissioner of Correction to establish a uniform system of deductions and participation criteria for awarding a certain diminution credit; and establishing a certain exception to a certain maximum deduction that may be earned by an inmate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

CS, § 3-706.1 - added and § 3-708 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 972 **Senator Carter****BALTIMORE CITY – COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY COMMISSION OF BALTIMORE CITY**

Repealing provisions of law establishing and relating to the Civilian Review Board of Baltimore City; establishing the Community Oversight and Accountability Commission of Baltimore City; specifying the purpose of the Commission; providing for the composition, chair, voting, terms, powers, duties, staffing, procedures, and reporting of the Commission; establishing certain requirements for members of the Commission; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PS, §§ 3-104 and 3-110 - amended and PLL of Baltimore City, Art. 4, §§ 16-41 through 16-54 - repealed and added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 973 **Chair, Joint Committee on Ending Homelessness****JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENDING HOMELESSNESS – REPORTS ON HOUSING STATUS**

Requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission, the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, the Department of Labor, and the Department of Human Services to make certain reports to the Joint Committee on Ending Homelessness on or before November 15, 2020, and November 15, 2021.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 974 **Senator Washington****PUBLIC ETHICS – LOBBYISTS – GIFT EXCEPTION AND REGULATED ACTIVITIES EXEMPTION**

Specifying an exception to the definition of the term “entity” to include a governmental unit that employs an individual regulated lobbyist for the purposes of allowing certain officials and employees to accept certain gifts under certain circumstances; and repealing a provision of law that exempts from regulation of lobbying activities an appearance of a certain employee of an association engaged only in representing counties or municipal corporations under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

GP, §§ 5-505(b) and 5-702(b)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 975 **Senators Hershey and Kagan****GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES – AUTHORIZATION TO BANK WITH CREDIT UNIONS**

Authorizing certain governmental entities or their authorized agents to deposit certain money in a credit union under certain circumstances; authorizing a credit union to act as a fiscal agent for and receive deposits from certain governmental entities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

FI, § 6-312, LG, § 17-101, and SF, §§ 6-201, 6-209, and 6-210 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 976 **Senator Carter****SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – SCHOOL ZONES – HOURS AND DAYS OF OPERATION**

Repealing a requirement that a speed monitoring system in a school zone may operate only Monday through Friday between 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(ix) - repealed and § 21-809(b)(1)(x) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 977 **Senator Hester, et al****MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – FUNDING FOR SMALL BUSINESS INSURANCE SUBSIDIES AND OUTREACH**

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter an annual appropriation of \$17,000,000 for the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange; and requiring the appropriation to be allocated in a certain manner to fund certain subsidies and activities.

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

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

IN, § 31-107.2 - amended

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

SB 978 **Senator Hester, et al****HISTORIC REVITALIZATION TAX CREDIT – TRANSFERABILITY, FUNDING, AND EXTENSION (HISTORIC REVITALIZATION TAX CREDIT IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2020)**

Making a certain tax credit for commercial rehabilitations under the historic revitalization tax credit program transferable and refundable under certain circumstances; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$15,000,000 in fiscal year 2022, increasing in each intervening fiscal year up to \$30,000,000 in fiscal year 2025, for the tax credit reserve fund; extending the tax credit through fiscal year 2028; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

SF, § 5A-303(b)(1)(xi) and (c)(6) - added and § 5A-303(b)(1)(xi) and (xii), (c)(2), (d), and (j) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 979 **Senator Hester, et al****INCOME TAX CREDIT – VALUE-ADDED PROCESSING EXPENSES**

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for certain qualified capital expenses for use in value-added processing conducted in the State; requiring the Department of Commerce to administer the tax credit; prohibiting a certain business entity from claiming, for the same qualified capital expenses, the credit under the Act and a certain credit against the State income tax for certain expenditures at certain wineries and certain vineyards; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 10-735(b) - amended and § 10-735.1 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 980 **Senator Hester****INDUSTRIAL PARTNERSHIPS – SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED**

Requiring the Maryland Industrial Partnerships Program to enter into a certain memorandum of understanding with certain agencies to establish a Sustainable Materials Management Program; requiring the Governor to appropriate a certain amount in certain fiscal years to the Maryland Technology Development Corporation for a certain program; requiring the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to distribute certain funds to the Maryland Industrial Partnerships Program; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 12-119 - added

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

SB 981 **Senators Washington and Salling****WORKGROUP TO STUDY LONG-TERM CARE MEDICAID
ELIGIBILITY AND PAYMENTS TO PROVIDERS**

Establishing the Workgroup to Study Long-Term Care Medicaid Eligibility and Payments to Providers; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Workgroup to submit an interim and a final report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021, respectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

Assigned to: Finance

SB 982 **Senators Serafini and McCray**

HIGHWAY USER REVENUES – REVENUE AND DISTRIBUTION

Repealing an exclusion of certain motor fuel tax revenue from distribution as highway user revenues to the Gasoline and Motor Vehicle Revenue Account; repealing an exception for highway user revenues to the requirement that supermajorities of the General Assembly approve transfers from the Transportation Trust Fund; altering the amounts of capital grants calculated based on highway user revenues that are required to be appropriated to Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities in certain fiscal years; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

TG, § 2-1103 - amended and TR, §§ 3-216(f), 8-402, and 8-403 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 983 **Senators Hester and Serafini**

EDUCATION – MARYLAND DATA ANALYSIS AND ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Maryland Data Analysis and Accountability Program in the Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center; stating the purpose of the Program; requiring the Center to perform certain functions and duties; establishing a certain governing board with certain membership subject to certain terms; providing for the duties of the Board; requiring the Center to make a certain report to the General Assembly, the Governor, certain oversight boards, and local boards on or before a certain date; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

ED, §§ 24-7A-01 through 24-7A-05 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 984 **Senators Hester and Rosapepe****DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – STATE INNOVATION PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the State Innovation Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose, use, and contents of the Fund; requiring the Secretary of General Services to administer the Fund; requiring the Secretary to establish the State Innovation Program in accordance with certain requirements; requiring certain information regarding the Program to be posted on a certain website; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, §§ 4-1201 through 4-1204 and 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. - added and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 985 **Senator Hester, et al****CERTIFIED LOCAL FARM ENTERPRISE PROGRAM AND CERTIFIED LOCAL FARM ENTERPRISE FOOD AGGREGATION GRANT FUND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Office for the Certified Local Farm Enterprise Program in the Department of Agriculture; establishing the Certified Local Farm Enterprise Program in the Office to encourage certain units to try to achieve an overall percentage goal of 20% of the unit's total dollar value of procurement contracts for food from certain certified local farm enterprises; establishing a Certified Local Farm Enterprise Food Aggregation Grant Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

SF, §§ 6-226(a)(2)(ii)121. and 122. and 11-203(e)(4) and (5) - amended and §§ 6-226(a)(2)(ii)123. and 14-701 through 14-708 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 986 **Senator Hester, et al****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND GRANT PROGRAMS**

Requiring each county board of education, beginning in a certain school year, to implement a certain agriculture science curriculum; requiring each county board to implement an agricultural education program that prepares students for certain careers and informed choices in a certain manner; establishing the Maryland Agricultural Education Grant Program; requiring the Governor to include an appropriation of \$785,000 to the Program for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, § 4-111.3 - amended

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

SB 987 **Senator Guzzone, et al****RACING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2020**

Authorizing, subject to the approval of the Board of Public Works, the Maryland Stadium Authority to issue up to \$375,000,000 of bonds for the redevelopment of the Laurel Park and Pimlico racing facilities; requiring the Authority, before issuing certain bonds, to ensure certain long-term agreements are finalized; altering the distribution of proceeds from video lottery terminals to provide for the repayment of the bonds; establishing a certain Advisory Committee to provide certain recommendations; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

BR, EC, SF, SG, TG, and TP, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 988 **Senators Hettleman and Lee**

HEALTH INSURANCE – IN VITRO FERTILIZATION – REVISIONS

Prohibiting certain entities from discriminating on the basis of the marital status of a policyholder or subscriber when providing coverage for certain expenses arising from in vitro fertilization procedures; altering the circumstances under which certain entities are required to provide coverage for certain expenses arising from in vitro fertilization procedures; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

IN, § 15-810 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 989 **Senators Hettleman and Lee**

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: Judicial Proceedings

SB 990 **Senator 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 that the Maryland Department of Health may approve not more than six programs, with two in urban areas, two in suburban areas, and two in rural areas, that operate at a single location in an area with a high incidence of drug use; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

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

Assigned to: Finance

SB 991 **Senator McCray****APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL – JOURNEYWORKER–
APPRENTICE RATIOS – ELECTRICAL CRAFT OR TRADE**

Requiring the Apprenticeship and Training Council, on or before October 1, 2021, to adopt regulations establishing a certain ratio of journeyworkers to apprentices employed in the electrical craft or trade; prohibiting the Council from establishing a ratio of less than a certain amount; requiring an employer in the electrical craft or trade to comply with certain regulations; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to investigate a certain suspected violation under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

LE, § 11-405.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 992 **Senator McCray****SCHOOL BUILDINGS – DRINKING WATER OUTLETS – ELEVATED
LEVEL OF LEAD (SAFE SCHOOL DRINKING WATER ACT)**

Altering the definition of “elevated level of lead” for purposes of certain provisions of law requiring the periodic testing for the presence of lead in drinking water outlets in occupied public and nonpublic school buildings.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

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

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 993 **Senator McCray****COUNTY BOARDS AND PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC
PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS AND SCHOOLS –
DISCRIMINATION – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a county board, public or nonpublic prekindergarten programs, and public or nonpublic primary or secondary schools that receive State funds from discriminating against a person because of certain factors, refusing enrollment of, expelling, or withholding privileges from any student or prospective student because of certain factors, and from taking a certain retaliatory action; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

ED, §§ 2-303(b) and 4-108 - amended and §§ 26-701 through 26-705 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 994 **Senator McCray, et al****MARYLAND ELECTRICIANS ACT OF 2020**

Altering the composition, powers, and duties of the State Board of Master Electricians; changing the name of the State Board of Master Electricians to the State Board of Electricians; establishing a low-voltage electrician license as a State license to be awarded to qualifying electricians; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt regulations to establish the education requirements and qualifications for a State apprentice electrician license and a State-registered apprentice electrician license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

BOP, Various Sections - amended, §§ 6-104, 6-307.1, and 6-605 through 6-608 - added, and § 6-605 - repealed

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 995 **Carroll County Senators****CARROLL COUNTY – CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES**

Increasing to \$35,000 the cost of a public work or improvement or the purchase price of supplies or equipment for which the County Commissioners of Carroll County may enter into a contract; requiring that when the cost of a public work or improvement or the purchase price of supplies or equipment in Carroll County exceeds \$35,000 under certain conditions, the Chief of the Bureau of Purchasing for the County Commissioners shall advertise for bids for a certain amount of time in a media accessible to the general public.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

PLL of Carroll Co, Art. 7, § 3-401 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules