



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Effective Dates

2021 Budget Bill – Effective April 2, 2021

(Article III, § 52(6) of the Maryland Constitution states, “... the Budget Bill ..., when and as passed by both Houses, shall be a law immediately without further action by the Governor.”)

HB588 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**
Chapter 357 **BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2022)**

Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

2021 Chapters – Emergency Bills

SB 496
Chapter 39

The President (By Request – Administration), et al

**RECOVERY FOR THE ECONOMY, LIVELIHOODS, INDUSTRIES,
ENTREPRENEURS, AND FAMILIES (RELIEF) ACT**

Providing certain financing during fiscal years 2021 and 2022 for the purpose of relieving the adverse effects of the coronavirus pandemic; allowing, for certain taxable years, a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for certain unemployment insurance benefits; allowing, for certain taxable years, a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for certain coronavirus relief payments received by a person during the taxable year; etc.

SB 218
Chapter 40

Senator King

**INCOME TAX – CHILD TAX CREDIT AND EXPANSION OF THE
EARNED INCOME CREDIT**

Altering the calculation of the Maryland earned income credit to allow certain residents to claim the credit; allowing certain taxpayers with federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year that is \$6,000 or less to claim a credit against the State income tax for each qualified child in an amount equal to \$500; allowing certain taxpayers to claim a refund in the amount of any excess credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2019, but before January 1, 2023; etc.

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HB 1
Chapter 41**The Speaker****HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES – FUNDING**

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to establish a new unit to assist in evaluating and reviewing certain proposals for new programs and substantial modifications of existing programs; requiring the Governor, for fiscal years 2023 through 2032, to include in the annual State operating budget \$577,000,000 to be allocated to certain historically black colleges and universities; establishing the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Reserve Fund; requiring the Cigarette Restitution Fund to include a separate account; etc.

Contingency – Section 1 only

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Chapter 42**Senator Sydnor, et al****HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES – FUNDING**

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HB 907
Chapter 45**Delegate Carey****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – STUDY ON SYSTEM REFORMS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor, in consultation with the Department of Legislative Services, to conduct a study regarding reforms to the State's unemployment insurance system; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to report monthly to the Department of Legislative Services and the Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight on the status of the study, to consult with other stakeholders, and to consider any report of the National Academy of Social Insurance Unemployment Insurance Task Force of 2021; etc.

SB 817
Chapter 46 **Senator Klausmeier (Chair, Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight)**

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HB 908
Chapter 47

Delegate Carey

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS AND REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENTS

Requiring the Secretary of Labor to offer to employing units for certain calendar years a variety of payment plan options that spread certain contribution due dates through the end of August; requiring the Secretary to offer a variety of additional payment plan options; authorizing certain employing units to elect to delay submitting certain contributions for certain calendar quarters; altering the nonprofit organizations and governmental entities that may elect to defer payment of reimbursement bills for calendar year 2021; etc.

SB 816
Chapter 48

Senator Klausmeier (Chair, Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight)

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HB 1002
Chapter 49**Delegate Charkoudian****UNEMPLOYMENT – INSURANCE REVISIONS AND SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD FOR HEALTH BENEFITS**

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to open a special or other enrollment period for an individual who consents to share information through a certain system; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to begin implementing a system, by September 1, 2021, through which an individual who has filed a claim for benefits may consent to the sharing of relevant information by the Department with the Exchange and the Maryland Department of Health to determine whether the individual qualifies for free or low-cost insurance; etc.

HB 1138
Chapter 50**Delegate Carey****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to post on its website certain reports on the administration and operation of the State's unemployment insurance laws by the first day of each month; establishing that a disaster exists if the Department, for 4 consecutive weeks fails to pay at least 82% of first payments within a certain time period; requiring that the disaster reporting requirements remain in effect until the Department processes at least 87% of first payments during a certain period of time; etc.

SB 818
Chapter 51**Senator Klausmeier (Chair, Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight)****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to post on its website certain reports on the administration and operation of the State's unemployment insurance laws by the first day of each month; establishing that a disaster exists if the Department, for 4 consecutive weeks, fails to pay at least 82% of first payments within 21 days after the week ending date of the first compensable week in the benefit year; requiring the Department to submit a disaster report within 7 days after the disaster declaration; etc.

HB 1139
Chapter 52**Delegate Carey****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT – INCOME DISREGARD**

Increasing to \$200 the maximum amount of wages disregarded when computing the weekly benefit amount to be paid to an unemployment insurance benefits claimant; and terminating the Act on the date that the COVID–19 pandemic ends under Title 14 of the Public Safety Article.

SB 819
Chapter 53**Senator Klausmeier (Chair, Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight)****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT – INCOME DISREGARD**

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HB 1143
Chapter 54**Delegate Carey****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – WORK SHARING (WORK SHARE EXPANSION ACT OF 2021)**

Altering the definition of “affected employee” for purposes of certain provisions of unemployment insurance law governing work sharing to include certain individuals who were rehired, subject to a certain limitation, by an affected unit following a temporary closure or layoff due to the COVID–19 pandemic; requiring the Department to ensure that the work sharing unemployment insurance program has sufficient staff and resources to complete the processing of complete applications within 10 days after receipt; etc.

HB 1372
Chapter 55**The Speaker****BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND’S FUTURE – REVISIONS**

Altering certain policy and funding provisions and implementation dates relating to the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future; requiring the State Department of Education to submit a certain report on information technology; requiring, beginning in the 2022–2023 school year, the Department to review schools where students continue to show learning loss related to the COVID–19 pandemic; requiring a certain workgroup for English language learners to study the effects of the COVID–19 pandemic; etc.

SB 771
Chapter 64**Senators Hester and Rosapepe****UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – WORK SHARING (WORK SHARE EXPANSION ACT OF 2021)**

Altering the definition of “affected employee” for purposes of certain provisions of law governing work sharing under the unemployment insurance law to include certain individuals who were rehired by an affected unit following a temporary closure or layoff due to the COVID–19 pandemic subject to flexibility for noncontinuous employment provided under federal guidance; etc.

SB 893
Chapter 65**Senator Rosapepe****UNEMPLOYMENT – INSURANCE REVISIONS AND SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD FOR HEALTH BENEFITS**

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to open a special or other enrollment period for an individual who consents to share information through a certain system; establishing certain requirements for a certain enrollment period; authorizing the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to conduct outreach to an individual who consents to share information using certain methods; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to take certain actions to carry out the State’s unemployment insurance law; etc.

- SB 811**
Chapter 73 **Senator Hershey, et al**
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – COMPUTATION OF EARNED RATE OF CONTRIBUTION – APPLICABLE TABLE OF RATES
Requiring the Governor, based on the availability of certain federal funds, to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal year 2022 a certain appropriation to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund; authorizing the appropriation to be used for certain administrative costs, including the repayment of certain federal funds; and requiring that the earned rate of contributions for calendar year 2023 be calculated using a certain table of unemployment insurance rates.
- SB 66**
Chapter 74 **Senator Elfreth, et al**
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – OFFICE OF STATEWIDE BROADBAND – ESTABLISHED (DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY ACT OF 2021)
Establishing the Office of Statewide Broadband in the Department of Housing and Community Development to ensure that every resident of the State is supported by high-quality, affordable broadband Internet service and has the tools necessary to take advantage of the Internet; requiring the Office to develop, by July 1, 2022, a statewide plan to ensure that all State residents have the ability to connect to reliable broadband Internet by December 31, 2026; establishing the Digital Inclusion Fund to support capacity building in the State; etc.
- SB 877**
Chapter 109 **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**
ANNUAL CORRECTIVE BILL
Correcting certain errors or omissions in certain articles of the Annotated Code; clarifying language; correcting certain obsolete references; reorganizing certain sections of the Annotate Code; providing that the Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; providing for the correction of certain errors and obsolete provisions by the publishers of the Annotated Code; etc.

- SB 878**
Chapter 110 **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**
ANNUAL CURATIVE BILL
Generally curing previous Acts of the General Assembly with possible title defects.
- HB 853**
Chapter 116 **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)**
SMALL, MINORITY, AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES ACCOUNT – ALTERATIONS
Expanding the eligible uses of the Small, Minority, and Women-Owned Businesses Account to include the provision of certain grants and the conversion of certain loan amounts into grants in areas declared to be federal disaster areas or subject to a federal or State declaration of emergency; limiting to \$50,000 the amount of certain grants and loan amounts converted to grants that may be provided to a single business; and limiting to \$10,000,000 the aggregate total of certain financial assistance that may be provided in a fiscal year.
- HB 736**
Chapter 134 **The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**
INTERSTATE LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS COMPACT
Entering the Interstate Licensed Professional Counselors Compact; stating the purpose of the Compact; requiring that a state meet certain requirements to participate in the Compact; establishing duties of member states; authorizing a certain state to charge a certain fee for granting a certain privilege; requiring certain professional counselors to meet certain eligibility requirements to receive certain licensure and exercise a certain privilege; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.
Contingency – Subject to the enactment of a similar Act by at least nine other states

SB 571**Chapter 135****The President (By Request – Administration)****INTERSTATE LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS COMPACT**

Entering the Interstate Licensed Professional Counselors Compact; stating the purpose of the Compact; requiring that a state meet certain requirements to participate in the Compact; establishing duties of member states; authorizing a certain state to charge a certain fee for granting a certain privilege; requiring certain professional counselors to meet certain eligibility requirements to receive certain licensure and exercise a certain privilege; etc.

Contingency – Subject to the enactment of a similar Act by at least nine other states

HB 919**Chapter 151****Delegate Bagnall****MARYLAND INSURANCE COMMISSIONER – SPECIALTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS – ENFORCEMENT**

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to enforce a certain provision of law providing that the provisions of § 15–1005 of the Insurance Article apply to a certain delivery system for specialty mental health services and administered by an administrative services organization; requiring a certain administrative services organization to pay certain interest to certain persons under certain circumstances; etc.

SB 638**Chapter 152****Senator Augustine, et al****MARYLAND INSURANCE COMMISSIONER – SPECIALTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS – ENFORCEMENT**

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to enforce a certain provision of law providing that the provisions of § 15–1005 of the Insurance Article apply to a certain delivery system for specialty mental health services and administered by an administrative services organization; prohibiting a certain administrative services organization from using certain funds or otherwise passing certain expenses onto the State; requiring a certain administrative services organization to pay certain interest to certain persons; etc.

HB 1136
Chapter 229**Delegate Chisholm****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – ANNUAL FEES**

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County, for the 2020–2021 licensing period, to reimburse holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses the entire amount of the annual license fee under certain circumstances; and requiring the Board, for the 2020–2021 licensing period, to reimburse a certain percentage of the annual license fee for certain alcoholic beverages licenses under certain circumstances and to reimburse a certain amount of the annual license fees the next fiscal year under certain circumstances.

SB 944
Chapter 230**Senator Simonaire****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – ANNUAL FEES**

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County, for the 2020–2021 licensing period, to reimburse holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses the entire amount of the annual license fee under certain circumstances; and requiring the Board, for the 2020–2021 licensing period, to reimburse a certain percentage of the annual license fee for certain alcoholic beverages licenses under certain circumstances and to reimburse a certain amount of the annual license fees the next fiscal year under certain circumstances.

HB 428
Chapter 231**Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – ANNUAL FEES MC 19–21**

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Montgomery County, for the 2020–2021 licensing period, to refund holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses the entire amount of the annual license fee and to refund holders of certain other alcoholic beverages licenses a certain amount of the annual license fee for the 2021–2022 licensing period; and requiring the Board, for the 2021–2022 licensing period, to waive the late fee for certain alcoholic beverages licenses.

HB 880
Chapter 232**Allegany County Delegation****ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – ANNUAL FEES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County, for the 2020–2021 licensing period, to reimburse holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses the entire amount of the annual license fee and to reimburse holders of certain other alcoholic beverages licenses a certain amount of the annual license fee for the 2021–2022 licensing period; etc.

SB 679
Chapter 233**Senator Edwards****ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – ANNUAL FEES**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County, for the 2020–2021 licensing period, to reimburse holders of certain alcoholic beverages licenses the entire amount of the annual license fee and to reimburse holders of certain other alcoholic beverages licenses a certain amount of the annual license fee for the 2021–2022 licensing period; etc.

HB 814
Chapter 234**Delegate Morgan****ST. MARY’S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – ANNUAL FEES**

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for St. Mary’s County, for the 2021–2022 licensing period, to waive the entire amount of the annual fee for certain alcoholic beverages licenses under certain circumstances; and terminating the Act on June 30, 2023.

SB 515**Chapter 259****Senator Klausmeier****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS – ENTRY ONTO SCHOOL PROPERTY**

Repealing a certain exception authorizing, under certain circumstances, a student who is a registered sex offender to enter onto real property used for public or nonpublic elementary or secondary education; authorizing a student who is a registered sex offender to receive an education in accordance with State law in a locale other than real property used for public or nonpublic education; requiring a county board of education and the State Board of Education to develop certain guidelines and model policies; etc.

HB 556**Chapter 267****Delegate D.E. Davis****PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Authorizing the Public Service Commission to conduct certain hearings relating to certain rate increases virtually; authorizing the Commission to conduct certain public hearings relating to certain certificates of public convenience and necessity virtually in a certain manner; requiring the Commission to provide information on the virtual hearings prominently on the Commission's website; etc.

SB 430**Chapter 268****Senator Kelley****PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Authorizing the Public Service Commission to conduct certain hearings relating to certain rate increases virtually; authorizing the Commission to conduct certain public hearings relating to certain certificates of public convenience and necessity virtually in a certain manner; requiring the Commission to provide information on the virtual hearings prominently on the Commission's website; etc.

HB 673
Chapter 327**Delegate Valentino–Smith****STATE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – EMPLOYEES –
ALTERNATIVE WORKWEEKS**

Authorizing the Secretary of Health to authorize an employee of a State facility to work according to an “alternative workweek”, which means a work schedule under which a certain employee may work less than 40 hours in a week; requiring that a certain employee be considered a full–time employee of the State; providing that certain provisions of law governing the payment for overtime work do not apply to employees of a State facility who are authorized to work according to a certain alternative workweek; etc.

SB 542
Chapter 328**Senator Eckardt****STATE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – EMPLOYEES –
ALTERNATIVE WORKWEEKS**

Authorizing the Secretary of Health to authorize an employee of a State facility to work according to an alternative workweek if the workweek is consistent with any applicable collective bargaining memorandum of understanding or any other written agreement under certain circumstances; providing that “alternative workweek” means a work schedule under which a certain employee may work less than 40 hours in a week; requiring that a certain employee be considered a full–time employee of the State; etc.

HB 970
Chapter 329**Delegate Johnson****PSYCHOLOGY INTERJURISDICTIONAL COMPACT**

Entering into the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact; stating the purpose of the Compact is to regulate the practice of telepsychology across state boundaries; establishing certain criteria and duties for compact states; requiring certain psychologists to hold a certain license from a home state and meet certain eligibility requirements to exercise certain authority to practice interjurisdictional telepsychology and certain temporary authority to practice in–person, face–to–face psychology in certain compact states; etc.

HB 34
Chapter 347**Delegate Rosenberg**STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – MARYLAND SCHOOL–BASED
HEALTH CENTER STANDARDS – TELEHEALTH

Requiring the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health to authorize a certain health care practitioner at an approved school–based health center to provide health care services through telehealth under certain circumstances; prohibiting the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health from establishing certain requirements for a certain school–based health center to provide health care services through telehealth; etc.

SB 278
Chapter 348**Senator Kagan**STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – MARYLAND SCHOOL–BASED
HEALTH CENTER STANDARDS – TELEHEALTH

Requiring the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health to authorize a certain health care practitioner at an approved school–based health center to provide health care services through telehealth under certain circumstances; prohibiting the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health from establishing certain requirements for a certain school–based health center to provide health care services through telehealth; etc.

HB 940
Chapter 356**The Speaker**GAMING – REGULATION OF FANTASY GAMING
COMPETITIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SPORTS
WAGERING – SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION

Authorizing sports wagering license holders to accept wagers on sporting events by certain methods and in certain locations; requiring certain fantasy competition operators to register with the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission before offering fantasy competition or services; authorizing the Commission to impose a fee for the registration of an operator; establishing the Small, Minority–Owned, and Women–Owned Business Sports Wagering Assistance Fund to assist certain businesses entering the sports wagering market; etc.

SB 821**Chapter 359****Senators Hester and Gallion****ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MANUFACTURER’S LICENSES AND OFF-SITE PERMITS**

Repealing certain provisions relating to brewing company, winery, and distillery off-site permits; establishing a manufacturer’s off-site permit with certain privileges; authorizing the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to issue a brewery special event permit; altering the volumes of beer that the holders of certain licenses may produce and distribute annually; authorizing holders of certain manufacturer’s licenses to sell and deliver products produced under the holder’s license to individuals located in the State; etc.

HB 1232**Chapter 360****Delegate Brooks****ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MANUFACTURER’S LICENSES AND OFF-SITE PERMITS**

Repealing certain provisions relating to brewing company, winery, and distillery off-site permits; establishing a manufacturer’s off-site permit with certain privileges; authorizing the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to issue a brewery special event permit; altering the volumes of beer that the holders of certain licenses may produce and distribute annually; authorizing holders of certain manufacturer’s licenses to sell and deliver products produced under the holder’s license to individuals located in the State; etc.

HB 571**Chapter 367****Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – DISABLED ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS, DISABLED VETERANS, AND SURVIVING SPOUSES – PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT MC 20-21**

Authorizing the governing body of Montgomery County to authorize, by law, for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2018, and under certain circumstances, an abatement of any overdue property tax on dwelling houses owned by disabled active duty service members, disabled veterans, or surviving spouses who qualify for a certain property tax exemption; making the Act an emergency measure; etc.

HB 882**Chapter 376****Delegate Barron****WORKGROUP TO STUDY PARTIAL EXPUNGEMENT**

Altering the name of the Partial Expungement Workgroup to be the Workgroup to Study Partial Expungement; requiring the Workgroup to study and develop a plan and legislative recommendations for enabling the expungement of criminal charges that are currently not eligible for expungement because of the requirements of § 10–107 of the Criminal Procedure Article; requiring the Workgroup to submit a report on its recommendations to the General Assembly on or before January 5, 2022; etc.

SB 874**Chapter 377****Senator Jackson****WORKGROUP TO STUDY PARTIAL EXPUNGEMENT**

Altering the name of the Partial Expungement Workgroup to be the Workgroup to Study Partial Expungement; altering the composition of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to study and develop a plan and legislative recommendations for enabling the expungement of criminal charges that are currently not eligible for expungement because of the requirements of § 10–107 of the Criminal Procedure Article; requiring the Workgroup to submit a report to the General Assembly on or before January 5, 2022; etc.

HB 799**Chapter 457****Delegate Clark****AQUACULTURE COORDINATING COUNCIL – APPLICATION OF TIDAL WETLANDS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS TO AQUACULTURE OPERATIONS – STUDY**

Requiring the Aquaculture Coordinating Council, in coordination with the Department of the Environment, to review policies regarding the application of State or tidal wetlands license and permit requirements to aquaculture operations; and requiring, by December 1, 2021, the Council and the Department to submit to the Governor and the General Assembly their findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, on changes necessary to eliminate conflicts or redundancies in the oversight of aquaculture operations in the State.

SB 442**Chapter 458****Senator Klausmeier****AQUACULTURE COORDINATING COUNCIL – APPLICATION OF TIDAL WETLANDS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS TO AQUACULTURE OPERATIONS – STUDY**

Requiring the Aquaculture Coordinating Council, in consultation with the Department of the Environment, to review the policies of the Department regarding the application of State or tidal wetlands license and permit requirements to aquaculture operations in the State, and to report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2021, on the Council's recommendations, including any proposed legislation, on changes needed to eliminate redundancies and conflicts in the oversight of aquaculture operations; etc.

HB 14**Chapter 489****Delegate Kerr****PHARMACISTS – PRESCRIPTION DRUG AND DEVICE LABELS – EXPIRATION DATES**

Altering the expiration date that is required to be included, except under certain circumstances, on labels on drugs and devices dispensed in the manufacturer's original packaging by a pharmacist to the expiration date set by the manufacturer or a shorter period determined by the pharmacist.

HB 606**Chapter 638****Delegate D.E. Davis****ELECTRICITY AND GAS – LIMITED-INCOME MECHANISMS AND ASSISTANCE**

Authorizing certain gas and electric utilities to adopt a limited-income mechanism to benefit certain eligible limited-income customers, subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission; expanding the electric universal service program to customers who are at least 67 years old with annual incomes at or below 200% of the federal poverty level; establishing a Workgroup on Low-Income Utility Assistance to examine the forms of federal, State, local, and private assistance available to low-income residential energy customers; etc.

- SB 392**
Chapter 639 **Senator Augustine**
ELECTRICITY AND GAS – LIMITED-INCOME MECHANISMS AND ASSISTANCE
- Authorizing certain gas and electric utilities to adopt a limited-income mechanism to benefit certain eligible limited-income customers, subject to the approval of the Public Service Commission; expanding the electric universal service program to customers who are at least 67 years old with annual incomes at or below 200% of the federal poverty level; establishing a Workgroup on Low-Income Utility Assistance to study low-income energy assistance programs; etc.
- HB 1108**
Chapter 663 **Delegate Wivell**
WASHINGTON COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS FOR WINERIES
- Increasing from 32 to 60 the number of times per year a holder of a Class 3 winery license or a Class 4 limited winery license may use a certain special event permit in Washington County.
- SB 472**
Chapter 667 **Senator Washington**
BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICTS – LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTING PLAN REFERENCES
- Updating certain provisions of law regarding Baltimore City alcoholic beverages districts to refer to the Legislative Districting Plan of 2012 rather than the corresponding plan of 2002; requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to grant a certain exemption to certain persons under certain circumstances; etc.

SB 787**Chapter 669****Senator Ferguson****DIGITAL ADVERTISING GROSS REVENUES, INCOME, SALES AND USE, AND TOBACCO TAXES – ALTERATIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION**

Exempting, from a certain tax on annual gross revenues derived from digital advertising services in the State, advertisement services on digital interfaces owned or operated by or operated on behalf of a broadcast entity and news media entity; prohibiting a person who derives gross revenues from digital advertising in the State from passing on the cost to a certain customer; allowing, for a certain taxable year, a subtraction under the Maryland income tax for certain utility arrearages forgiven during that taxable year; etc.

SB 551**Chapter 698****Senator Rosapepe****21ST CENTURY SCHOOL FACILITIES ACT AND BUILT TO LEARN ACT – REVISIONS**

Requiring certain public school facilities projects to comply with a certain memorandum of understanding; prohibiting the Interagency Commission on School Construction from the unreasonable delay of certain approval under certain circumstances; adding roofs and pipe insulation to reduce condensation in order to prevent mold to the list of issues that require priority in awarding a grant under the Healthy Schools Facility Fund; requiring the Maryland Stadium Authority to use certain funds for certain purposes; etc.

HB 251**Chapter 719****Delegate Carr****MARYLAND FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT – REAL PROPERTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENT FUND AND NONBUDGETED STATE AGENCIES**

Altering the Maryland Funding Accountability and Transparency Act to require the Department of Information Technology to include in a searchable website payments made by certain units of State government; requiring the Department to update the payment data on the searchable website by the 15th day of the month that follows the month in which an agency makes a payment; authorizing the Judiciary, by June 30, 2021, to transfer up to \$12,000,000 of a general fund appropriation to the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund; etc.

HB 831
Chapter 724**Delegate Charkoudian****MARYLAND FOOD SYSTEM RESILIENCY COUNCIL**

Establishing the Maryland Food System Resiliency Council; providing that the goals of the Council are to address the food insecurity crisis in the State due to the pandemic, develop recommendations to increase the long-term resiliency of the food system, and develop by November 1, 2021, a plan to increase the production and procurement of Maryland certified food; requiring the Council to submit an interim report by November 1, 2021, and recommendations on a statewide food policy council to the General Assembly by November 1, 2022; etc.

SB 723
Chapter 725**Senator Hester****MARYLAND FOOD SYSTEM RESILIENCY COUNCIL**

Establishing the Maryland Food System Resiliency Council; providing that the goals of the Council are to address the food insecurity crisis in the State due to the pandemic, develop recommendations to increase the long-term resiliency of the food system, and develop by November 1, 2021, a plan to increase the production and procurement of Maryland certified food; requiring the Council to submit an interim report by November 1, 2021, and recommendations on a statewide food policy council to the General Assembly by November 1, 2022; etc.

HB 581
Chapter 736**Delegate D.E. Davis****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS DURING AN EMERGENCY (MARYLAND ESSENTIAL WORKERS' PROTECTION ACT)**

Requiring each essential employer to take certain actions related to occupational safety and health during an emergency; providing that an essential worker has the right to refuse to perform a certain task as provided under certain provisions of law; requiring essential employers to take certain steps to minimize the risk of transmission of an infectious disease; requiring essential employers to report certain test results to the Maryland Department of Health; requiring the Department to categorize and the publish the results; etc.

SB 172
Chapter 741**Senator Hayes, et al****MARYLAND HEALTH EQUITY RESOURCE ACT**

Establishing a Pathways to Health Equity Program in the Community Health Resources Commission to provide the foundation and guidance for a permanent Health Equity Resource Community program; requiring the Program to provide grant funding to reduce health disparities, improve health outcomes, improve access to primary care, promote primary and secondary prevention services, and reduce health care costs; requiring the Commission to establish Health Equity Resource Communities to target State resources to certain areas for certain purposes; etc.

HB 463
Chapter 742**Delegate Barron****MARYLAND HEALTH EQUITY RESOURCE ACT**

Establishing a Pathways to Health Equity Program in the Community Health Resources Commission to provide the foundation and guidance for a permanent Health Equity Resource Community program; altering the purposes of the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange Fund; requiring the Commission to designate certain areas as Health Equity Resource Communities to target State resources toward reducing health disparities, improving health outcomes and access to primary care, and reducing health care costs; etc.

HB 135
Chapter 757**Delegate K. Young****PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF SELF-ADMINISTERED MEDICATIONS AND MAINTENANCE INJECTABLE MEDICATIONS (CHRISTOPHER KING ACCESS TO TREATMENT ACT)**

Authorizing a pharmacist who meets certain requirements to administer maintenance injectable medications to a patient under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Pharmacy, by September 1, 2021, and in consultation with the State Board of Physicians and the State Board of Nursing to adopt certain regulations establishing standard procedures to include notification of patients about payment for services before the pharmacist administers a maintenance injectable medication; etc.

SB 84**Chapter 758****Senators Young and Waldstreicher**

PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF SELF-ADMINISTERED MEDICATIONS AND MAINTENANCE INJECTABLE MEDICATIONS (CHRISTOPHER KING ACCESS TO TREATMENT ACT)

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HB 1324**Chapter 767****Delegate P. Young**

TOBACCO TAX AND SALES AND USE TAX – OUT-OF-STATE SALES OF PREMIUM CIGARS AND PIPE TOBACCO AND TOBACCO SMOKING DEVICES

Altering the definition of “other tobacco products” to exclude a certain item; requiring a person located outside the State to have a certain license in order to sell premium cigars or pipe tobacco to a consumer in the State; requiring the Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to issue a certain license; authorizing the holder of a remote tobacco seller license to sell premium cigars and pipe tobacco to consumers in the State; establishing the requirements for an applicant for a remote tobacco seller license; etc.

Except Section 2

SB 883**Chapter 768****Senator Guzzone**

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HB 983**Chapter 789****Delegate Lehman**

NURSING HOMES – COVID-19 AND OTHER CATASTROPHIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES – VISITATION (THE GLORIA DAYTZ LEWIS ACT)

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop certain guidelines relating to the restrictions on personal and compassionate care visitation that a nursing home may impose to reduce the spread of COVID-19 or another disease that constitutes a catastrophic health emergency; declaring that it is the intent of the General Assembly that during a catastrophic health emergency visitation in nursing homes be prioritized to balance the physical needs of the residents with the mental and spiritual needs of the residents; etc.

SB 67
Chapter 799 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems), et al**

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – PARAMEDICS – VACCINATION ADMINISTRATION

Authorizing a paramedic to administer certain immunizations and skin testing to certain ambulance service personnel under certain circumstances; authorizing a paramedic to administer influenza and 2019CoV immunizations if the immunizations are under the direction of a certain physician and authorized by the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems, part of a certain outreach effort, and provided in accordance with a certain written agreement; etc.

Except Section 2