HB1141 through HB1253 and HJ6 appear on Part A of Schedule 12

HB1254 through HB1331 appear on Part B of Schedule 12

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 8, 2021

HB 1141 Delegate Boteler

BALTIMORE COUNTY – PUBLIC SCHOOLS – AIR QUALITY TESTING

Requiring the Baltimore County Board of Education to retain the services of an independent air quality inspector to conduct any air quality testing the county board chooses to have conducted in a public school in the county; requiring the county board, on receipt of the results of an air quality test, to make the information available to the public on its website and submit the information to the State Department of Education; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 7-447 - added
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 1142  Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – SCHOOL REDISTRICTING – PUBLIC TESTIMONY HO. CO. 07–21

Requiring, during a school redistricting process in which the redistricting plan proposed by the Howard County Board of Education differs from the redistricting plan proposed by the Howard County Superintendent of Schools, that the county board allow one or more members of a household whose school assignment is changed only in the county board’s plan to provide public testimony before the final vote on either school redistricting plan.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 4-109.1 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1143  Delegate Carey

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 interns and apprentices and certain individuals who were rehired by an affected unit following a temporary closure or layoff due to the COVID–19 pandemic; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to undertake any actions necessary to achieve the goal of having 4% work sharing claims as a percentage of total unemployment claims by June 1, 2021; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL
LE, §§ 8-1201(b) and 8-1204(a)(1) - amended and § 8-1202.1 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 1144  Delegate Buckel

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – WESTERN MARYLAND ECONOMIC FUTURE INVESTMENT BOARD AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Western Maryland Economic Future Investment Board; prohibiting a member of the Board from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; establishing the Western Maryland Economic Future Investment Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide grant funding to capital infrastructure projects and business development projects that improve the economic conditions in the region; requiring the Tri–County Council for Western Maryland to administer the Fund; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1145  Delegate Cox

ELECTION LAW – ABSENTEE BALLOTS – REQUESTS AND SIGNATURE VERIFICATION

Requiring that certain guidelines for absentee voting provide for the verification of signatures on absentee ballot envelopes; requiring a voter to include certain documentation with an absentee ballot application; prohibiting an absentee ballot from being removed from a certain envelope or counted except under certain circumstances; requiring each local board of elections to verify the signature of a voter on an absentee ballot envelope in a certain manner; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
EL, §§ 9-303 and 9-305 and TR, § 12-301(b) - amended and EL, § 9-310.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1146 Delegate Hill

ENVIRONMENT – OFFICE OF RECYCLING – MATTRESSES AND BOX SPRINGS

Requiring a county to include, in a certain recycling plan by December 31, 2024, a certain plan for decreasing the amount of mattresses and box springs disposed of in landfills; requiring the Office of Recycling within the Department of the Environment to provide to local communities certain encouragement, information, and examples relating to certain programs that divert mattresses and box springs from disposal in landfills and incinerators and that recycle or reuse mattresses and box springs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
EN, §§ 9-505(a)(18) and (19) and 9-1702(d) and (e) - amended and §§ 9-505(a)(20) and 9-1715 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1147 Delegate Parrott

TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL MODERNIZATION FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Requiring the District Court to impose certain additional court costs on a defendant convicted of or found liable for certain violations of the Maryland Vehicle Law; establishing the Traffic Control Signal Modernization Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to finance the modernization of traffic control signals; requiring the State Highway Administration to develop and implement a certain plan for modernizing traffic control signals in the State on or before December 31 2028; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
CJ, SF, and TR, Various Sections - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)122. and 123. - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 1148 Delegate Cullison
SECRETARY OF HEALTH – SCHOOL–BASED HEALTH CENTERS – GUIDELINES AND ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS

Requiring the Secretary of Health, in consultation with the State Department of Education and other stakeholders, to develop guidelines to support the expansion of school–based health centers; requiring the Governor to transfer the administration of school–based health center grants from the State Department of Education to the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health within the Maryland Department of Health on or before July 1, 2022; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Ways and Means

HB 1149 Delegate Cox
SMALL BUSINESS TAX RELIEF – STATE OF EMERGENCY ORDERS

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain earned income of a certain small business for a period during which the State or county in which the small business is located was under a certain state of emergency and the Governor’s emergency order required the small business to close or limit its operation; providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for certain small businesses for a certain period of time under certain emergency circumstances; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
TG, §§ 10-207(jj) and 11-241 - added and § 10-307(g) - amended and TP, § 7-249 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1150  Delegate Cox

HEALTH – AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MEDICAL INFORMATION

Altering a provision of law that prohibits a parent or guardian from being required to present a certain certificate of immunization under certain circumstances to be admitted to school to apply only to public schools; requiring the Secretary of Health to include an exclusion for certain individuals when exercising certain authority; and prohibiting an individual from being required to provide proof of a medical examination, a vaccination, a medical test, or any other medical information to obtain employment or to travel by air or otherwise.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
ED, § 7-403 - amended and HG, §§ 18-901.1 and 20-2001 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1151  Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – CLASS A ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – QUOTA BY ELECTION DISTRICT HO. CO. 02 –21

Altering the quota system for Class A licenses in Howard County so as to limit the issuance of the licenses to not more than one for every 4,000 residents in each election district, rather than in the county.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
AB, § 23-1601 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1152  Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR LICENSE – OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION HO. CO. 04–21

Authorizing the holder of a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in Howard County to sell beer, wine, and liquor for off-premises consumption, subject to certain requirements; and repealing certain provisions that authorize the Board of License Commissioners for Howard County to issue a certain permit to a certain holder of a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
AB, § 23-902 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 1153  Delegate Adams

NAMES OF ENTITIES WITH PHYSICIAN MEMBERSHIP – APPROVAL REQUIREMENT – EXEMPTION

Exempting a professional entity whose members are licensed physicians from a requirement that the name of the entity be approved by the State Board of Physicians; authorizing the State Board of Physicians and MedChi after receiving a certain notice, to take certain actions and make certain referrals if there is reason to believe that the name of a certain professional entity violates the Maryland Consumer Protection Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
CA, §§ 5-107 and 5-108 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1154  Delegate C. Jackson

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT – ALTERATIONS

Prohibiting an employee from counting in the determination of a reduction in operations if the employers offers to transfer the employee to certain other sites of employment, for the purposes of certain provisions of law; altering the persons to whom an employer is required to provide certain notice of a reduction in operations; altering the information required to be included in a certain notice of a reduction in operations; exempting an employer from a certain notice requirement under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
LE, §§ 11-301, 11-302, and 11-305 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1155  Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – DELIVERY HO. CO. 01–21

Authorizing a holder of a Class A alcoholic beverages license in Howard County to deliver alcoholic beverages in the county; requiring that an employee making deliveries be at least 21 years old; requiring an individual receiving an alcoholic beverages delivery to provide certain proof of age; providing for the manner in which an individual receiving a delivery of alcohol provides proof of age; requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Howard County to approve a certain certification; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
AB, § 23-1904 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 1156 Delegate Metzgar

COMMISSION ON MEN AND FATHERHOOD (FATHERHOOD PROTECTION ACT)

Establishing the Commission on Men and Fatherhood; providing for the composition and chair of the Commission; authorizing the secretaries of certain departments to serve as ex officio nonvoting members; providing for the terms of members of the Commission; providing that a majority of the members serving on the Commission is a quorum; requiring the Commission to elect annually a chair; requiring the Commission to meet a certain amount of times per year; authorizing the Commission to make advisory committees on certain subjects; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL
HU, §§ 2-601 through 2-606 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1157 Delegate Thiam

EDUCATION – MARYLAND HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA – CIVICS TEST REQUIREMENT

Requiring an individual to take a certain civics test, and achieve a passing score by correctly answering at least 60% of the questions, in order to, on or after January 1, 2023, graduate from a public high school, meet certain alternative requirements for obtaining a Maryland high school diploma, or qualify for a Maryland high school diploma by examination; requiring the State Board of Education to determine the means of providing each high school student an opportunity to take the required civics test; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 7-205.5 - added and LE, §§ 11-807(b) and 11-808 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
**HB 1158** Delegate M. Fisher

**CALVERT COUNTY – TRAINING ON THE 1776 REPORT – REFERENDUM**

Requiring the Calvert County Superintendent of Schools, the members of the Calvert County Board of Education, and public school teachers and administrators to receive annual training that reflects the findings of The 1776 Report beginning in 2023; requiring the County Commissioners of Calvert County to identify entities that can provide the training and select the entity that will provide the training by a majority vote; and submitting the Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of Calvert County.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 4-138 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 1159** Delegate Thiam

**HIGHER EDUCATION – COMMUNITY COLLEGE CREDITS – GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES**

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission, in collaboration with the public institutions of higher education in the State, to develop and implement a statewide transfer agreement whereby all general education credits that a student earns at any community college in the State toward an associate of arts or associate of science degree shall be transferable to any public senior higher education institution in the State for credit toward a bachelor’s degree without further review or a testing requirement.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 11-207 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 1160** Calvert County Delegation

**CALVERT COUNTY – LONG-TERM CONTRACTS FOR CELLULAR TOWER LEASES**

Authorizing Calvert County to enter into a contract for a cellular tower lease, including a cellular tower lease on a water tower, if the initial term of the lease is not more than 20 years.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
PLL of Calvert Co, Art. 5, § 6-103 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 1161 Delegate Thiam

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for up to $250 of expenses paid or incurred by a parent or guardian of a student in kindergarten through grade 12 during taxable years 2020 and 2021 for certain school supplies used by the student; and terminating the Act after June 30, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
TG, § 10-208(y) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1162 Delegate Thiam

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND STADIUM AUTHORITY – HAGERSTOWN MULTI–USE SPORTS AND EVENTS FACILITY

Authorizing the Maryland Stadium Authority to review certain matters and make certain recommendations relating to the Hagerstown Multi–Use Sports and Events Facility; authorizing the Authority to acquire by certain means a Hagerstown Multi–Use Sports and Events Facility site or an interest in the site; requiring the Authority to transfer certain lease payments to the Hagerstown Multi–Use Sports and Events Facility Fund under certain circumstances; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
EC and SF, Various Sections - amended and added and SG, § 9-120 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1163 Caroline County Delegation

CAROLINE COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING – DEER HUNTING SEASONS

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer on each Sunday of the deer hunting seasons from the first Sunday in October through the second Sunday in January, inclusive, in Caroline County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
NR, § 10-410(a)(2), (4), and (5) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 1164 Delegate Ghrist

CRIMINAL LAW – HOMICIDE BY VEHICLE OR VESSEL – PENALTIES

Increasing the maximum term of imprisonment for the offense of manslaughter by vehicle or vessel from 10 to 20 years, and from 15 to 25 years for an individual who has previously been convicted of certain other driving-related offenses, and the maximum term of imprisonment for the offense of homicide by motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or alcohol per se from 5 to 10 years, and from 10 to 15 years for an individual previously convicted of certain other driving-related offenses.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
CR, §§ 2-209 and 2-503 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1165 Delegate Cox

ELECTION LAW – MANUAL POSTELECTION TABULATION AUDIT – TIMING AND EFFECT

Requiring that the manual postelection tabulation audit be completed before the certification of statewide general election results, rather than within 120 days after the general election; and requiring that, if the manual audit finds that the vote totals produced by the electronic voting system are incorrect, the official results of the election be altered to match the result found by the manual audit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
EL, § 11-309 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1166 Delegate Ebersole

EDUCATION – PHYSICAL RESTRAINT AND SECLUSION – REQUIREMENTS, REPORTING, AND TRAINING

Prohibiting a public agency or nonpublic school from using a physical restraint on a student as a behavioral health intervention, except under certain circumstances; prohibiting a public agency or nonpublic school from using seclusion as a behavioral health intervention for a student, except under certain circumstances; requiring a certain risk assessment to be completed at certain points for a student who has an individualized education plan and experiences a seclusion; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, §§ 7-1101, 7-1103, and 7-1105 - amended and § 7-1102 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1167 Delegate Cox

MARYLAND NONDISCRIMINATION IN HEALTH CARE COVERAGE ACT

Requiring a health care provider or health care institution to ensure the provision or continuation of certain care under certain circumstances; authorizing a certain health care provider or health care institution to transfer a patient to a certain health care provider or health care institution under certain circumstances and in a certain manner; prohibiting an agency from developing or using certain measures as a threshold for certain determinations and decisions; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
HG, §§ 5-6A-01 through 5-6A-06 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1168 Delegate M. Fisher

CALVERT COUNTY – PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTION

Exempting certain personal property from the Calvert County property tax; providing that certain personal property remains subject to the Calvert County property tax, including the operating personal property of a railroad or public utility and certain property used to provide cable television, data, or telecommunication services; providing that certain personal property subject to a payment–in–lieu–of–taxes agreement is subject to the Calvert County property tax on the termination of the agreement; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
TP, § 7-402 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1169 Delegate Buckel

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND INNOVATION INITIATIVE UNIVERSITY EXPANSION PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Innovation Initiative University Expansion Pilot Program within the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to expand opportunities for technology validation, entrepreneurial development, and industry engagement at Frostburg State University; requiring the Maryland Innovation Initiative within the Corporation to implement the Program; authorizing Frostburg State University to participate in the Program; requiring the university to pay an annual contribution of $50,000 to participate in the Program; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

EC, § 10-457(b) and (d) - amended and § 10-461 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1170 Delegate Szeliga

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – VIRTUAL SCHOOLS – ALTERATIONS

Authorizing the State Department of Education, a county board of education, or a public institution of higher education to establish a statewide public virtual school in the State; repealing certain provisions of law regarding the establishment and operation of virtual schools; authorizing eligible students to enroll in any State virtual school; prohibiting a virtual school from enrolling a certain number of certain students and from charging fees or tuition; requiring the State to distribute certain funds to virtual schools; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, §§ 4-109, 7-1401 through 7-1404, 7-1407, and 7-1408 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations
HB 1171 Delegate Charles

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND EMPLOYEE PROTECTION PLAN FOR VACCINE REFUSAL

Prohibiting an employer from terminating an employee solely on the basis of the employee’s refusal to receive a vaccination against COVID–19; specifying that an employee waives the right to file a civil action against the employer if the employee refuses to receive a certain vaccination and the employee contracts COVID–19 in the course of employment; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL
LE, § 3-718 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1172 Delegate Hill

HIGHER EDUCATION – PAY IT FORWARD PROGRAM AND PAY IT FORWARD FUND – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Pay It Forward Program to encourage and facilitate foundations and other organizations to partner with the Maryland Higher Education Commission and historically black colleges and universities to pay the tuition and fees of students enrolled in the institutions with the promise of repayment from the students’ gross income after graduation; requiring the Commission to implement and administer the Program; establishing the Pay It Forward Fund; requiring the Commission to administer the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1173 Calvert County Delegation

CALVERT COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITIES BOND

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Calvert County, from time to time, to borrow not more than $26,453,345 to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public buildings, roads, and facilities in Calvert County, as herein defined, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds in like par amount; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 1174  Calvert County Delegation

STATE BOAT ACT – REMOVAL OF VESSELS FROM MARINAS – CALVERT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FACILITIES

Defining the term “marina” as it relates to the authority to remove a vessel under the State Boat Act to include all docks, ramps, mooring locations, and pump stations owned and operated by the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

NR, § 8-721.1 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1175  Delegate Brooks

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR DISABLED VETERANS – ESTABLISHED

Requiring the governing body of a county or of a municipal corporation to grant a tax credit against the property tax imposed on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans; establishing a tax credit against the State property tax on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans; providing for the calculation of the credit; requiring certain disabled veterans to provide certain documents when applying for the credits under the Act; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2021; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

TP, § 9-112 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1176  Delegate Hartman

INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR TRAVEL, HOSPITALITY, AND ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES

Allowing an individual to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain travel, hospitality, and entertainment expenses paid or incurred by the individual during taxable years 2021 and 2022 under certain circumstances; providing that the credit may not be allowed for certain travel expenses for which the individual claimed a certain federal deduction; requiring the Department of Commerce, on application by an individual, to issue a tax credit certificate in a certain amount; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 10-751 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1177 Delegate Hartman

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – COVID–19–RELATED DISTRIBUTION OF RETIREMENT INCOME

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for taxable years 2020, 2021, and 2022 for income that is the result of certain COVID–19–related distributions of retirement income during certain taxable years; prohibiting the subtraction from exceeding $100,000 in a taxable year; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL
TG, § 10-207(jj) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1178 Delegate Brooks

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – FIRST–TIME HOMEBUYER SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for contributions to a certain first–time homebuyer savings account during a taxable year and certain earnings on the account; providing that an account holder may claim the subtraction modification under certain circumstances; providing that transfers of money to or from the account are subject to certain requirements and limitations; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
TG, § 10-208(y) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1179 Wicomico County Delegation

WICOMICO COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – HOTEL OR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

Authorizing the governing body of Wicomico County or the governing body of a municipal corporation in Wicomico County to grant a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property that is used for hotel or residential development projects that add substantially to the assessed value of the property; authorizing the governing body of Wicomico County or the governing body of a municipal corporation in Wicomico County to provide for certain matters relating to the tax credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
TP, § 9-324(d) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1180 Delegate Hill

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – AIRPORT NOISE ZONES – ELIGIBILITY

Altering eligibility for a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on certain residential real property located within a certain airport noise zone; clarifying that the governing body of a county or municipal corporation may provide, by law, for a tiered system that varies the amount and duration of the credit based on where the property is situated within the airport noise zone; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2021.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
TP, § 9-216 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1181 Delegate Guyton

COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS – DIGITAL TOOLS (NONVISUAL ACCESS ACCOUNTABILITY ACT FOR GRADES K–12 EDUCATION)

Requiring digital tools developed or purchased by a county board of education to include specifications for access by students with disabilities, including nonvisual access; requiring a county board to provide a student with disabilities access to digital tools that enable students with disabilities to acquire the same information and access the same services as students without disabilities; requiring each invitation for bids or request for proposals for a digital tool to require submission of an accessibility conformance report; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 8-317 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1182 Delegate Kipke

TAX – PROPERTY – TAX SALES

Requiring a tax sale of certain property if the tax has been in arrears for at least 5 years, subject to certain exceptions.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
TP, § 14-811 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1183 Delegate Kipke

INCOME TAX – STANDARD DEDUCTION – CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Altering the calculation of the standard deduction allowed under the Maryland income tax to include, under certain circumstances, an adjustment for certain charitable contributions; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 10-217 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1184 Delegate Cardin

MARYLAND JUDICIARY – PERSONAL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION – PROTECTION

Authorizing a judge, recalled judge, or retired judge of a State court to file a certain notice with a data broker, person, business, or other entity requesting the removal of personal identifying information within 72 hours of receipt of the notification; prohibiting a data broker, person, business, or other entity that receives a certain notice from publicly displaying certain information or from selling, licensing, trading, purchasing, or otherwise providing or making available certain information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CL, §§ 14-4301 through 14-4303 and SG, §§ 7-401 through 7-406 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1185 Delegate Kipke

PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS ELIGIBILITY – RECLASSIFICATION OF STUDENT ATHLETES

Requiring the State Department of Education to allow, and authorizing nonpublic schools to allow, certain student athletes who are high school seniors to be reclassified as high school juniors to provide an opportunity for the student athletes to participate in interscholastic athletics as juniors for the purpose of recruitment by the National Collegiate Athletic Association during the 2021–2022 school year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1186 Delegate Clippinger

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – FIREARM CRIME, INJURIES, FATALITIES, AND CRIME FIREARMS – STUDY EXTENSION

Altering certain dates by which the Office of the Attorney General is required to provide certain reports to the Governor and the General Assembly relating to firearm crimes, firearm injuries and fatalities, and crime firearms; requiring an additional report to be submitted by December 1, 2024 by the Office of the Attorney General under a certain Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
Chapter 491 of the Acts of 2020, §§ 1 and 2 - amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1187 Delegate Clippinger

JUVENILE LAW – JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM

Altering provisions of law relating to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; providing that a child who is under 13 years of age is not subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court and may not be charged with a crime; establishing an exception to the requirement that a certain intake officer must forward a complaint alleging the commission of an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult and copy of a certain intake case file to the State’s Attorney under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
CJ, ED, PS, and SG, Various Sections - added and amended and Chapter 253 of the Acts of 2019, § 1(g)(2) and (3) and 2 - added and amended
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1188 Delegate Barron

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – CORRECTIONAL OMBUDSMAN

Establishing the Correctional Ombudsman in the Office of the Attorney General; providing for the appointment, qualifications, term, salary, and removal of the Ombudsman; establishing the powers and duties of the Ombudsman; requiring the Ombudsman to conduct certain investigations, conduct certain reviews and assessments, cooperate with a certain agency for a certain purpose, inspect certain facilities, and seek to resolve certain complaints through certain methods; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
CS, §§ 8-114 and 8-117 - amended and SG, §§ 6-601 through 6-608 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary and Health and Government Operations
HB 1189  Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – SCHOOL SAFETY PERSONNEL HO. CO. 10–21

Requiring the Howard County Board of Education to develop a plan to implement the guidelines developed by the Maryland Center for School Safety that does not assign school resource officers to public schools in Howard County and uses adequate local law enforcement coverage to implement the guidelines.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 7-1508(d) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1190  Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – REDETERMINATION OF GEOGRAPHIC ATTENDANCE AREA HO. CO. 05–21

Requiring the Howard County Board of Education to submit to the General Assembly and the Howard County Delegation to the General Assembly an annual report on the program capacity of each permanent school facility, beginning in the 2021–2022 school year; requiring the county board to submit a report to the General Assembly and the Howard County Delegation on a plan to adjust student enrollment to meet target utilization, if student enrollment at a permanent school facility is not within 10% of target utilization; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 4-138 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1191  Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INSPECTORS HO. CO. 03–21

Authorizing an alcoholic beverages inspector to issue a citation in Howard County; requiring an inspector to complete a training program in the use of arrest authority and pertinent police procedures; prohibiting an inspector from carrying a firearm in the performance of the inspector’s duties; requiring the Howard County Police Department to employ certain inspectors, rather than requiring the Chief of the County Police Department to provide a sworn member of the County Police Department as an inspector; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

AB, § 23-207(d) and CR, § 10-119(b) - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1192  Delegate Parrott

ELECTION LAW – SIGNATURE VERIFICATION OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS AND BALLOT CANVASSING

Requiring that certain guidelines for absentee voting provide for the verification of signatures on absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots; requiring that certain absentee ballot applications and requests require a voter to indicate the voter’s preferred method to receive communication; requiring an election director to verify the signature on an absentee ballot application, a certain form, or a certain written request in a certain manner; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024

EL, §§ 9-303, 9-305(a), 9-306, 11-302(d), and 11-303(d)(2) - amended and § 9-310.1 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1193 Delegate Adams

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS – CERTIFICATE RENEWAL – TRAINING PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Altering the circumstances under which a certified nursing assistant may renew the certificate to allow the nursing assistant to provide, under certain circumstances, certain evidence of completion of a certain nursing assistant training program or a certain refresher training program as required in certain regulations adopted by the State Board of Nursing; and requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HO, § 8-6A-08(c) - amended and § 8-6A-08(m) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1194 Dorchester County Delegation

CHARTER AND CODE HOME RULE COUNTIES – COUNTY PROPERTY LEASES – NOTICE EXEMPTIONS

Authorizing a charter or code home rule county to enter into a lease without giving certain notice if the lease is not renewable and has a term of 5 years or less.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

LG, § 10-312 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1195 Delegate Adams

INCOME TAX – CREDITS FOR PRECEPTORS IN AREAS WITH HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE SHORTAGES – ELIGIBILITY AND SUNSET REPEAL

Reducing, from 160 to 100 hours, the number of training hours that a licensed physician is required to perform in a preceptor program rotation in order to qualify for a certain credit against the State income tax; repealing the termination date for certain credits against the State income tax for certain individuals who serve as preceptors in certain preceptorship programs and work in areas of the State with health care workforce shortages; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021


Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1196 Delegate Adams

COMMERCIAL LAW – CREDIT REGULATION – REVERSE MORTGAGE LOANS ACT – REVISIONS

Requiring that a borrower of a reverse mortgage loan be at least 60 years old and occupy the dwelling that secures the reserve mortgage loan as a principal residence; requiring a certain lender or an arranger of financing to provide a prospective borrower certain documents at certain times; requiring a certain lender to provide to the borrower a certain statement by January 31 each year and a certain disclosure at certain times; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
CL, Various Sections - added, repealed, and amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1197 Delegate Boteler

BALTimore COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – LEGAL COUNSEL AND CHIEF BUDGET ANALYST

Requiring the Baltimore County Board of Education to employ legal counsel and a Chief Budget Analyst; providing for the terms of employment of the legal counsel and Chief Budget Analyst; requiring the legal counsel to serve as the legal advisor to the County Board; requiring the Chief Budget Analyst to review the County Board’s budget and approve or return the budget with suggested changes; requiring the Chief Budget Analyst to ensure that education spending is in accordance with the County Board’s budget; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, § 4-104 - amended and § 4-104.1 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1198 Delegate Cox

PUBLIC HEALTH – ABORTION – DRUG–INDUCED ABORTIONS

Providing that an abortion–inducing drug may be prescribed only by a qualified physician; requiring a qualified physician to meet certain requirements to be authorized to prescribe an abortion–inducing drug; requiring a physician to take certain actions before prescribing an abortion–inducing drug; prohibiting certain consent from being considered completed except under certain circumstances; providing that a physician who violates certain provisions of the Act in a certain manner is guilty of a felony; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
HG, §§ 20-201 through 20-203 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 1199 Delegate Valderrama

WORKERS’ COMPENSATION – OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE PRESUMPTIONS – COVID–19

Providing that certain covered employees who are suffering from the effects of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 are presumed, under certain circumstances, to have an occupational disease the was suffered in the line of duty or course of employment and is compensable in a certain manner; requiring an individual who is eligible for certain benefits to provide a copy of the positive test or the written documentation confirming the diagnosis to the employer or insurer; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL
LE, § 9-503 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1200 Delegate Luedtke

DIGITAL ADVERTISING GROSS REVENUES TAX – EXEMPTION AND RESTRICTION

Exempting, from a certain tax on certain annual gross revenues derived from certain 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 services in the State from passing on the cost of the tax to a certain customer in a certain manner; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
TG, § 7.5-101 - amended and § 7.5-102(c) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1201 Delegate Conaway

REAL PROPERTY – RESIDENTIAL LEASE PROVISIONS – RESPONSIBILITY OF TENANT FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

Requiring, under certain circumstances, that a residential lease include certain provisions regarding the obligation of a tenant to maintain and repair a heating unit or an air conditioning unit on the premises as well as a space for the tenant to acknowledge the obligations with the tenant’s initials.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
RP, § 8-208(c) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation
HB 1202  Delegate Wilkins
HOSPITALS AND BIRTH CENTERS – COVID–19 VISITATION POLICIES – DOULAS
Requiring that a doula be authorized to be present with a woman during labor, delivery, and postpartum recovery under certain circumstances; prohibiting a doula from being considered a support person or visitor under certain circumstances; making the Act and emergency measure; and terminating the Act at the end of July 31, 2023.
EMERGENCY BILL
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1203  Delegate Belcastro
CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH AND MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES – ISSUANCE OF NEW CERTIFICATES – SEX DESIGNATION
Requiring the Secretary of Health to make a new certificate of birth for an individual for purposes related to the sex designation of a parent listed on the certificate of birth under certain circumstances; requiring a clerk who issues a marriage license to issue a new marriage certificate that includes a different sex designation and, if appropriate, name for a party to the marriage under certain circumstances; prohibiting a new certificate from showing that changes have been made to the original certificate; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
HG, § 4-211 - amended and FL, § 2-411 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1204  Delegate Ruth
EQUITY IN TRANSPORTATION SECTOR – GUIDELINES AND ANALYSES (TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ANALYSES AND ASSURANCES ACT OF 2021)
Requiring the Maryland Transportation Plan to include achieving equity in the transportation sector in the State transportation goals; requiring the State Report on Transportation to include certain measurable transportation indicators; requiring the State Department of Transportation to evaluate the transportation indicators to identify any racial disparities; requiring the Department to evaluate certain indicators to identify any impact on persons with disabilities; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
TR, § 2-103.1(d),(h), and (j) - amended and §§ 7-713 and 7-714 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations
HB 1205 Delegate Mautz

ELECTIONS – 2020 PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION – REPORT ON USE OF MAIL-IN BALLOTS

Requiring the State Board of Elections to submit a certain report to the General Assembly regarding the use of mail–in ballots in the 2020 presidential general election on or before July 4, 2021; and requiring the report to include certain information.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
Assign to: Ways and Means

HB 1206 Delegate Mautz

PUBLIC HEALTH – COVID–19–RELATED ORDER VIOLATIONS – NOTICE

Requiring a local health officer, within 24 hours after receiving an anonymous tip alleging that a business is in violation of a COVID–19–related order, to provide notice to the business; requiring the local health officer to provide the business with information regarding the anonymous tip that would help determine the nature and veracity of the anonymous tip; prohibiting the local health officer from providing the business with the name of the person who submitted the anonymous tip; and terminating the Act at the end of June 30, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
Assign to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1207 Delegate Bridges

ENVIRONMENT – COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES – REFORM

Altering the membership of the Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities; requiring the membership of the Commission to reflect the diversity of the State to the extent practicable; specifying the term of certain members; requiring the Department of the Environment to provide a new member with an orientation reviewing environmental justice issues in the State; altering the manner in which a chair is chosen for the Commission; requiring the Commission to meet at least six times per calendar year; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
EN, § 1-701 - amended
Assign to: Environment and Transportation
HB 1208  Delegate Solomon

TASK FORCE TO STUDY ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Establishing the Task Force to Study Credit for Prior Learning in Higher Education; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2022; and terminating the Act after September 30, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1209  Delegate Luedtke

SALES AND USE TAX – PEER–TO–PEER CAR SHARING – ALTERATIONS

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; altering the definition of “marketplace facilitator” to include certain peer–to–peer car sharing programs for purposes of a requirement to collect certain sales and use taxes; altering, under certain circumstances, the sales and use tax rate imposed on shared motor vehicles used for peer–to–peer car sharing; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

Chapter 852 of the Acts of 2018, § 7, as amended, and TG, §§ 2-1302.1, 11-101(c-2), and 11-104(c-1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1210  The Speaker

CORPORATE DIVERSITY – BOARD, EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP, AND MISSION

Prohibiting an entity from qualifying for certain State benefits unless certain criteria relating to underrepresented communities are met; requiring the Department of Commerce and the Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to develop, maintain, and publicly post a State Equity Scorecard; requiring the Department and the Office to promulgate regulations to carry out the Act; requiring a certain entity to include certain diversity data in a certain annual report; providing for a delayed effective date; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
BR, § 19-106 - added and TP, § 11-101 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1211  Delegate D. Barnes

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – PRE-SEED BUILDER FUND

Establishing the Pre–Seed Builder Fund in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation as a special, nonlapsing fund to support the development of start–up companies run by entrepreneurs from socially or economically disadvantaged backgrounds that hinder access to traditional forms of capital and executive networks at the pre–seed stage; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill a certain appropriation to the Fund; providing for the investment of money in the Fund; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1212 Delegate Washington

PROCUREMENT – SOcially AND ecOnomically disAdvantaged WORKERS’ PROTECTION PREFERENCE

Requiring each unit of State government to apply a percentage preference of 10% for bidders and offerors on a procurement contract who agree to the inclusion in the contract of a certain clause requiring that at least 50% of workers on the contract be socially and economically disadvantaged individuals under certain circumstances and the inclusion of a similar clause in certain subcontracts under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
SF, § 14-701 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1213 Delegate Queen

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – DETERMINATION OF CREDITWORTHINESS – ALTERNATIVE METHODS

Requiring certain credit grantors to consider alternative methods of evaluating an applicant’s creditworthiness, including the applicant’s history of rent or mortgage payments, history of utility payments, school attendance, and work attendance when determining whether to accept an application for a primary residential mortgage loan or an extension of credit.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
FI, § 1-212 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1214 Delegate Wilson

PROCUREMENT – TRANSPARENCY AND APPLICATION TO COUNTY CONTRACTS

Altering the definition of “unit” for the purposes of applying certain provisions of law governing procurement to certain county procurement contracts using State funds or for the benefit of the State; requiring certain invitations for bids and requests for proposals to include certain instructions; altering the period of time within which a unit is required to publish a certain notice of award in a competitive sealed bid or sole source procurement in eMaryland Marketplace; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 1215  Delegate Rosenberg

INTERNERSHIP PROGRAMS – ALTERATION, CREATION, AND INCOME TAX CREDIT

Increasing the maximum annual reimbursement for stipends paid to each intern under the Maryland Technology Internship Program; establishing the Maryland Internship Opportunities Program; requiring the University of Maryland Baltimore County to administer the Program and, in collaboration with the Department of Commerce, undertake certain activities to carry out the purposes of the Program; allowing certain employers a credit of up to $4,200 against the State income tax for certain eligible interns; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, §§ 18-405(b) and (c), 18-501(b), 18-506(b)(2), and 18-3008(a) - amended
and ED, §§ 18-3701 through 18-3710 and TG, § 10-751 - added
Assigned to: Appropriations and Ways and Means

HB 1216  Delegate Rosenberg

HUMAN RELATIONS – PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION DISCRIMINATION – ENFORCEMENT AND REMEDIES

Authorizing complainants, respondents, and the Commission on Civil Rights to elect to have claims of public accommodation discrimination determined in a civil action brought by the Commission under certain circumstances and subject to certain requirements; requiring the remedy for public accommodation discrimination to include the greater of certain damages; authorizing the remedy for public accommodation discrimination to include certain remedies; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
SG, §§ 20-1001, 20-1006(b), 20-1007(a) and (b), 20-1009, 20-1012, and 20-1013 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1217  Delegate Conaway

BALTIMORE CITY – TAX SALES – OWNER–OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

Prohibiting the tax collector in Baltimore City from selling owner–occupied residential property for unpaid taxes that are less than $2,500.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
TP, § 14-811(b) - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1218 Delegate Conaway

LANDLORD AND TENANT – ESTOPPEL CERTIFICATES – NOTICE OF RECEIPT BY LANDLORD

Requiring a landlord, not later than 15 days after receiving an estoppel certificate from a tenant, to send the tenant a written statement containing certain information; and requiring delivery of the statement by hand delivery or certified mail.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

RP, § 8-119 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1219 Delegate Conaway

BALTIMORE CITY – TAX SALES – NOTICE

Requiring a certain notice of tax sale of property in Baltimore City to be sent by first-class certified mail.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

TP, § 14-812(e) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1220 Delegate Conaway

LANDLORD AND TENANT – CANCELLATION OR RENEWAL OF LEASE – NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT

Requiring a landlord that sends notification by e-mail about the cancellation or renewal of a lease to a tenant to also provide notification by first-class mail within 5 days following the date of the e-mailed notification.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

RP, § 8-119 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1221 Delegate Conaway

BALTIMORE CITY – TAX SALES – WATER AND SEWER LIENS

Prohibiting the amount of any lien for unpaid charges for water and sewer service from being considered in determining the amount of total taxes on a property for purposes of a certain requirement that certain owner-occupied property in Baltimore City be withheld from tax sale.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

TP, § 14-811(b)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1222 Delegate Conaway

BALTIMORE CITY – TAX SALES – NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Requiring that, in Baltimore City, a notice pertaining to tax sales for properties contain an itemized list of the source and amount of each tax due that the collector seeks to recover by means of a tax sale.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

TP, § 14-812 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1223 Delegate Lehman

LANDLORD AND TENANT – SCREENING OF TENANTS AND RENEWAL OF TENANCY – STANDARDS

Expanding the application of a certain requirement regarding the return of certain fees by a landlord; limiting the number of times that a certain landlord may require a prospective tenant to pay a fee arising out of an application within 60 days, subject to certain exceptions; prohibiting a landlord from denying a certain lease application based on certain information, or a lack of certain information, discovered as the result of a certain background check, credit history check, or rental history check; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

RP, § 8-213 - amended and §§ 8-213.1 through 8-213.3 and 8-402.5 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1224 Delegate Pippy

GAMING – SPORTS AND EVENT WAGERING LICENSE – LONG SHOT’S

Requiring the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission, under certain circumstances, to issue a sports and event wagering license to 5400 Holiday Entertainment, LLC trading as Long Shot’s; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

SG, § 9-109(d) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1225  Delegate Conaway

BUSINESS REGULATION – CASH TRANSACTIONS DURING NATIONAL COIN SHORTAGE

Requiring businesses required to file a State sales and use tax return with the Comptroller to account for and pay, with the return, money not returned to customers during the period covered by the return due to a certain national coin shortage, subject to certain exceptions; requiring the Comptroller to pay the money collected under the Act to the General Fund of the State; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
BR, § 19-106 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1226  Delegate Lisanti

MUNICIPAL INCORPORATION – COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR COUNTY COUNCIL – REQUIRED APPROVAL OF REFERENDUM REQUEST

Requiring the county commissioners or county council to approve a certain referendum request if a valid petition to incorporate a certain area as a municipality is presented by not less than 40% of the registered voters who are residents of the area proposed to be incorporated.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
LG, § 4-207 - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1227  Delegate Rosenberg

PUBLIC SAFETY – TASK FORCE ON PREVENTING AND COUNTERING DOMESTIC TERRORISM

Establishing the Task Force on Preventing and Countering Domestic Terrorism to consider optimal policies and practices for preventing and countering domestic terrorism; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation; requiring the Task Force to make recommendations based on the role of the State, the level of resources needed, public transparency, and online extremism; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2022; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 1228 Delegate Lisanti

ELECTION LAW – BALLOT DROP BOXES – PROHIBITED ACTS

Prohibiting a person from removing, defacing, damaging, destroying, or preventing the correct operation of a ballot drop box; prohibiting a person from unlocking a ballot drop box except under certain circumstances; and providing that a person who violates the Act is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to a fine of not more than $10,000 or imprisonment for not more than 3 years or both.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
EL, § 16-805 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1229 Delegate Lisanti

PUBLIC ETHICS – LOCAL OFFICIALS – ELECTRONIC FILING OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Requiring certain provisions concerning financial disclosure enacted by a county or a municipal corporation to require that a local official file a financial disclosure statement in an electronic format; and requiring certain regulations concerning financial disclosure adopted by a school board to require that school board members and certain school system officials and employees file a financial disclosure statement in an electronic format.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
GP, §§ 5-809(c) and 5-817(c) - amended
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1230 Delegate Lisanti

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

Allowing, for taxable years 2020 and 2021, a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for up to $180 of the total sales and use tax paid for the purchase of certain computer equipment from March 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, that is used by students participating in distance or remote learning, regardless of education level, or individuals who work remotely.

EMERGENCY BILL
TG, § 10-208(y) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1231 Delegate Brooks

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – DAMAGED, OBSOLETE, OR EXCESSIVE LINES – FINES

Requiring the Public Service Commission to promptly notify the owner of a utility pole about damaged, dangling, obsolete, or redundant lines or blight or public nuisance caused by an excessive number of lines on a utility pole under certain circumstances; requiring the owner of a utility pole to require the person that controls the line or lines to investigate and repair or remove offending lines within 30 days after receiving a certain notice from the Commission; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PU, § 5-107 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1232 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.

EMERGENCY BILL

AB, §§ 2-130, 2-132.2, 2-133, and 2-210(j) - repealed and Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 1233  Delegate Feldmark

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INMATES – INTAKE AND RELEASE REQUIREMENTS (REENTRY SUCCESS ACT OF 2021)

Requiring the Division of Correction to provide screening for and access to private mediation between a certain inmate and an individual identified by the inmate as essential for the successful reentry of the inmate into society; requiring the Division of Correction at certain times to work with an inmate to ensure that an inmate has access to certain medication, social service programs, and public transportation at the time of the inmate’s release; and requiring the Commissioner of Correction to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
CS, § 3-610 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1234  Delegate Feldmark

HOMEOWNERS’ PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – ELIGIBILITY AND AUTOMATIC RENEWAL

Altering the definition of “gross income” for purposes of eligibility for and calculation of a certain homeowners’ property tax credit; requiring that a certain homeowner be presumed to be eligible for and granted the homeowners’ property tax credit under certain circumstances; providing that, under certain circumstances, a homeowner remains eligible for the tax credit and may not be required to submit an application for renewal of the credit; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
TP, § 9-104(a)(8) and (l) - amended and § 9-104(v) - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1235 Delegate Brooks

COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION – ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS AND TICKETING PRACTICES

Requiring an entertainment event ticketing system to allow a purchaser to buy and transfer a ticket without additional fees or the consent of a certain person; requiring an entertainment event ticketing system to give a purchaser the option to remove any personal information from the purchaser’s ticket; prohibiting a certain entertainment event or venue from denying a certain person admission to an event based on the fact that the ticket has been resold; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
CL, §§ 13-301(14)(xxxiv) and (xxxv), 14-4001, and 14-4004 - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xxxvi), 14-4004, and 14-4005 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1236 Delegate Kipke

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – VIOLENT CRIMES SPECIAL PROSECUTION UNIT FOR BALTIMORE CITY

Establishing the Violent Crimes Special Prosecution Unit for Baltimore City in the Office of the Attorney General; providing that the purpose of the Unit is to prosecute violent crimes in Baltimore City, in coordination with local, State, and federal law enforcement; providing for the composition of the Unit and the appointment of the Chief Special Prosecutor; establishing the salaries of the members of the Unit; authorizing the nomination and appointment to the Unit of certain Assistant State’s Attorneys; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
SG, §§ 6-601 through 6-607 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 1237 Delegate Korman

BUDGET BILL – APPROPRIATIONS STATEMENT – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR STATE PERSONNEL

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to require the Governor to include with the budget bill a statement showing the appropriations necessary to implement and fund each memorandum of understanding that incorporates wages and terms and conditions of employment for Executive Department, higher education, and other State personnel; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT
Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 52 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1238 Delegate Forbes

MARYLAND 529 PROGRAM – BOARD AUTHORITY AND STATE CONTRIBUTION – ALTERATIONS

Authorizing the Maryland 529 Board to distribute certain fees in a certain manner; requiring an account holder of the Maryland Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer College Investment Plan to be a State resident and file taxes before July 15 each year to qualify for a State contribution; requiring a qualified beneficiary to be under 26 years of age to receive a State contribution; prohibiting an account holder from qualifying for more than $9,000 of State contributions through a certain time period; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
ED, §§ 18-1901(n), 18-1905(f)(8), 18-19A-01(g) and (h), and 18-19A-04.1 - amended
Assigned to: Appropriations
HB 1239 Delegate Lierman

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – APPRAISAL GAP FROM HISTORIC REDLINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Appraisal Gap From Historic Redlining Financial Assistance Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development to make financial assistance available to affordable housing developers working in low-income census tracts in order to help close appraisal gaps that occur in historically redlined neighborhoods; providing for the calculation of the financial assistance as equal to the lesser of 35% of the appraisal gap or 80% of the national median sale price of certain new homes; etc.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
HS, §§ 4-2801 through 4-2806 - added
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1240 Frederick County Delegation

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – STADIUM LICENSE

Altering the authorization of the holder of a stadium license in Frederick County to sell beer and wine in styrofoam containers on the licensed premises.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
AB, § 20-1013 - amended
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1241 Frederick County Delegation

FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B LICENSES – OFF–PREMISES CONSUMPTION

Authorizing the holders of certain Class B licenses that authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages at a restaurant in Frederick County to sell certain alcoholic beverages for off–premises consumption or delivery in a sealed or closed container under certain circumstances; altering the application of a certain provision on delivery of alcoholic beverages in the county; establishing certain requirements for the sale and delivery of alcoholic beverages for off–premises consumption in the county; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
AB, §§ 20-902, 20-904, and 20-1901 - amended and § 20-1904 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 1242 Frederick County Delegation
FREDERICK COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CONSUMPTION PERMITS

Establishing a beer and wine consumption permit and a beer, wine, and liquor consumption permit in Frederick County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue the permits to holders of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses to allow for on-premises consumption of beer and wine; requiring an applicant for a permit to submit an application to the Board; authorizing the Board to issue a permit under certain circumstances; providing for the renewal of a permit; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
AB, §§ 20-1102.1 and 20-1102.2 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1243 Delegate Sample–Hughes
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND VOLUNTARY PLACEMENT AGREEMENTS – CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS – REPORT MODIFICATIONS

Requiring that the Director of the Behavioral Health Administration’s annual report on behavioral health services for children and young adults in the State include certain information relating to outpatient and substance-related disorders program services used by children and young adults and behavioral health services provided through telehealth; altering the scope of certain data required to be included in the report; requiring that certain data in the report be grouped by race and ethnicity; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
HG, § 7.5-209 and FL, § 5-505.1 - amended
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1244 Delegate Sample–Hughes
STATE PROCUREMENT – CONCRETE – PREFERENCE

Requiring each unit of State government responsible for the procurement of concrete to give consideration and preference to the procurement of certain concrete mix designs that consist of Type 1L or a certain blended cement and that meet certain other standards and specifications; and requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt certain regulations and publish certain guidelines on its website.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SF, § 14-417 - added
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations
HB 1245 Delegate Washington

GUARANTEED ACCESS GRANT AND NEXT GENERATION SCHOLARS OF MARYLAND – ALTERATIONS

Providing that students in grade 9 who are eligible for free or reduced price meals are prequalified for a Guaranteed Access Grant under the Delegate Howard P. Rawlings Educational Excellence Award; requiring the Next Generation Scholars of Maryland Program to provide matriculation assistance to students entering an institution of higher education directly from high school; requiring the Governor to include an appropriation of $5,000,000 in the annual budget bill for the Program each fiscal year; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, §§ 18-303(e) and 18-303.1(e), (g), and (j) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1246 Delegate Attar

VEHICLE EXCISE TAX – LEASED VEHICLES – ALTERATION

Altering the calculation of the vehicle excise tax imposed for the issuance of a certificate of title for certain leased vehicles to be 6% of the capitalized cost reduction and each monthly lease payment; repealing certain provisions of law that define the “total purchase price” used to calculate the vehicle excise tax for certain leased vehicles to mean a certain retail value of the vehicle less an allowance for the trade-in of a vehicle; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TR, § 13-809 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1247 Delegate Washington

WORKERS’ COMPENSATION – OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE PRESUMPTIONS – COVID-19

Providing that certain covered employees who are suffering from the effects of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 are presumed, under certain circumstances, to have an occupational disease that was suffered in the line of duty or course of employment and is compensable in a certain manner.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EMERGENCY BILL

LE, § 9-503 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters
HB 1248  Delegate Washington
PUBLIC SAFETY – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING

Requiring certain law enforcement agencies to report by March 1, 2022, and each March 1 thereafter, certain information to the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services regarding law enforcement officer-involved incidents that resulted in a monetary settlement or judgment against the law enforcement agency; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to adopt certain procedures and compile and report certain information to the General Assembly by June 30 each year; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
PS, § 3-523 - added
Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1249  Delegate Washington
STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND LOCAL BOARDS OF ELECTIONS – MEMBERSHIP AND STAFF

Requiring each member of the State Board of Elections to have at least 5 years of experience in administering elections and have extensive knowledge of State election laws; establishing the position of Racial Equity Coordinator within the State Board to ensure that all registered voters across the State receive the same treatment and access to resources, investigate racial disparities in ballot access and voter turnout, and make recommendations on ways to improve racial equity in the administration of elections in the State; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
EL, §§ 2-101 and 2-201 - amended and § 2-103.1 - added
Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1250  Delegate Malone
TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE LAWS OF INTESTACY IN MARYLAND

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Laws of Intestacy in Maryland; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to examine the laws of intestacy in Maryland and make recommendations about how to improve the laws of intestacy in Maryland; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2022; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021
Assigned to: Judiciary
HB 1251 Delegate Washington

MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – RATE FILINGS – DISCRIMINATION, TRADE SECRETS, AND STATES OF EMERGENCY

Authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to require an insurer to reduce certain rates for certain private passenger automobile insurance policies and file certain changes and amendments or rates under certain circumstances; repealing certain confidentiality protections for certain proprietary rate–related information; exempting private passenger motor vehicle insurance from certain provisions of law governing the use of territory as a factor in establishing certain automobile insurance rates; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
IN, §§ 11-216, 11-307, 11-319, and 27-501(e-2) - amended and § 11-320 - added
Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1252 Delegate Sample–Hughes

INCOME TAX – CREDITS FOR PRECEPTORS IN AREAS WITH HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE SHORTAGES

Authorizing a credit against the State income tax for certain health care practitioners who serve as certain preceptors for a certain preceptorship program approved by the Maryland Department of Health for physician assistant students; requiring the Department, on application of a health care practitioner, to issue a tax credit certificate under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to approve applications on a first–come, first–served basis and notify applicants of approval or denial within 45 days after receipt; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
TG, § 10-751 - added and HO, § 15-206(a) and (b) and Chapters 385 and 386 of the Acts of 2016, § 2 - amended
Assigned to: Ways and Means
HB 1253  Delegate Washington

NATIONAL CAPITAL STRATEGIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY

Altering the definition of “national capital region” for the purposes of the National Capital Strategic Economic Development Program; and requiring 100% of the National Capital Strategic Economic Development Fund to be used for community enhancement projects in sustainable communities located in certain areas in fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HS, §§ 6-701 and 6-710 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 8, 2021

HJ 6  Delegate M. Fisher

UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION – AMENDMENTS CONVENTION – LIMITATIONS ON FEDERAL POWER

Applying to the U.S. Congress for an amendments convention called under Article V of the U.S. Constitution, on the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states, to propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office for officials of the federal government and for the members of the U.S. Congress.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
HOUSE BILLS REASSIGNED FEBRUARY 5, 2021

HB 766  Delegate Terrasa
ESTATES AND TRUSTS – ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES – FEES

Providing that, except under certain circumstances, a register of wills is not required to record or provide certain documents until certain fees for the administration of an estate have been paid; altering certain probate fees on estates that are valued at a certain amount; requiring a register of wills to collect and assess certain fees at a certain time; authorizing registers of wills to provide certain services and charge certain fees for those services; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
ET, §§ 2-206 and 5-606 - amended
Reassigned to: Judiciary

HB 815  Delegate Shoemaker
STATE AGRICULTURAL LAND TRANSFER TAX – APPLICATION OF NONAGRICULTURAL USE REDUCTION AND EXEMPTION

Clarifying that certain provisions of law concerning the method of calculating a certain reduction in the State agricultural land transfer tax apply to a transfer under a contract of sale dated on or after July 1, 2019; clarifying that a certain exemption from the State agricultural land transfer tax applies to a transfer under a contract of sale dated on or after July 1, 2019; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021
Chapters 566 and 567 of the Acts of 2019, § 2 - amended
Reassigned to: Ways and Means

HB 870  Delegate Hill
MARYLAND GENERAL AND LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY ACT – ASSISTANCE WITH GOVERNMENTAL BENEFITS AND PROGRAMS

Altering statutory forms for a limited and general power of attorney to include certain provisions relating to the authority of an agent to perform certain acts to assist the principal in meeting eligibility requirements and qualifying for certain governmental benefits or programs.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021
ET, §§ 17-202 and 17-203 - amended
Reassigned to: Judiciary