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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED MARCH 1, 2021

HB 1367 Delegate Jalisi

GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANIES – DEPOSIT CHARGES

Prohibiting a gas company or an electric company from imposing a certain deposit requirement on customers who are at least 65 years old and have an annual income at or below 300% of the federal poverty level; prohibiting a gas company or an electric company from terminating certain service for failure to pay all or part of a deposit if the customer pays when due all current charges for gas or electricity delivered and consumed; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PU, § 7-305 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1368 Delegate Jalisi

OVERDUE STATE PROPERTY TAXES – WAIVER OF INTEREST AND PENALTIES

Requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, during the state of emergency declared by the Governor due to the COVID-19 pandemic, to waive any interest or penalties imposed on a certain person for the late payment of the State property tax on residential real property if the person's mortgage loan on the residential real property is in forbearance or deferment status and the property is used as the person's principal residence; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

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Delegate Jalisi HB 1369

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - SHELTER AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM MANDATED FUNDING

Altering from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000, beginning in fiscal year 2023 and for each fiscal year thereafter, the amount the Governor is required to include in the annual budget bill or the capital budget bill for the Shelter and Transitional Housing Facilities Grant Program within the Department of Housing and Community Development.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HS, § 4-216 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1370 Delegate Jalisi

NONFEDERAL RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LOANS – FORBEARANCE DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND CATASTROPHIC HEALTH EMERGENCY FOR COVID-19

Requiring, not less than 60 days before sending a notice of foreclosure, a nonfederal mortgage lender or servicer of residential property to notify a borrower of the borrower's right to request a forbearance under certain circumstances; authorizing a borrower to request a forbearance within 90 days after receiving the notice; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1371 Delegate Carr

BUSINESS REGULATION – LANDLORD LICENSE

Requiring a person to have a landlord license to do business as a landlord in the State; establishing a licensee fee of \$2 per dwelling unit for rent up to a maximum of \$100 for an applicant for a landlord license; prohibiting a person who is issued a landlord license from prohibiting a cable television company from entering a dwelling unit for the purpose of constructing, installing, or servicing cable television system equipment if a tenant has requested cable television system service or discriminating based on certain grounds; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

BR, § 17-201(b)(24) and (25) - amended and §§ 17-201(b)(26) and 17-2101 through 17-2104 - added

HB 1372 The Speaker

BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S FUTURE - REVISIONS

Altering certain policy and funding provisions relating to the Blueprint for Maryland's Future; altering certain dates for the implementation of the Blueprint for Maryland's Future; requiring the State Department of Education to submit certain data to the Department of Budget and Management and the Department of Legislative Services; specifying that the target per pupil foundation amount includes educational technology costs; altering the amount of a certain personnel grant; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EMERGENCY BILL

ED, LE, TP, and Chapter 36 of the Acts of 2021, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1373 Delegate Love

HIGHWAYS – PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS – CULTURAL PRESERVATION

Prohibiting the Maryland Department of Transportation from acquiring a right—of—way or exercising eminent domain, and prohibiting a person from acquiring a right—of—way, for a highway project that encroaches on or adversely affects certain cultural and historic sites and properties unless the General Assembly approves the development of the project by a majority vote in each of the two Houses.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SF, § 5A-325 - amended

HB 1374 Delegate B. Barnes

PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS OF STATE DEBT – ALTERATIONS

Amending certain prior authorizations of State Debt to alter the requirement that certain grantees provide certain matching funds; extending the termination date of certain grants; changing the locations of certain capital projects; altering the purposes of certain grants; changing the names of certain grantees; altering the authorized uses of certain grants; altering certain matching fund and expenditure requirements; repealing certain provisions that require grantees to provide and expend a certain matching fund; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

Various Chapters - amended, repealed, and added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1375 Delegate Kelly

HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGES – ELECTRONIC HEALTH INFORMATION – SHARING AND DISCLOSURE

Requiring that certain regulations adopted by the Maryland Health Care Commission require the State-designated health information exchange to develop and maintain a certain consent management application and provide for certain penalties, including fines that do not exceed \$10,000 per day; providing that certain regulations may not prohibit certain sharing and disclosing of certain information or certain uses of electronic health information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, §§ 4-301, 4-302.2(b), 4-302.3, 19-142, and 19-143(a)(2) and (f)(1)(ii) - amended

HB 1376 Delegate Washington

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – VIRTUAL EDUCATION – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the State Department of Education to establish a statewide universal learning management system on or before July 1, 2022; authorizing a county board of education to create a permanent virtual school or to transition a school to virtual learning on a temporary basis under certain circumstances; requiring a county board to establish certain plans, methods, and processes for temporary and permanent virtual schools; requiring the Department to expand computer and Internet security infrastructure for virtual education; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, §§ 6-121(b) and (f), 7-202.1, 7-1401 through 7-1408, and 9.9-103 - amended and §§ 7-128, 7-1404, 7-1406, and 7-1410 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1377 Delegate Howard

INCOME TAX - CREDIT FOR LONG-TERM CARE PREMIUMS

Altering a limitation on claiming the income tax credit for eligible long-term care insurance premiums for more than 1 year with respect to the same insured individual; altering the amount of the credit from a one-time \$500 credit to a maximum of \$250 for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2021, but before January 1, 2024, and a maximum of \$500 for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2023; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 10-718 - amended