



# SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2021 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 29, 2021**  
**Schedule 9**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Friday, February 5.

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

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## **HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 29, 2021**

### **HB 742 Delegate Dumais**

COMPENSATION TO INDIVIDUAL ERRONEOUSLY CONVICTED, SENTENCED, AND CONFINED (THE WALTER LOMAX ACT)

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

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

Assigned to: Judiciary

### **Department of Legislative Services**

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**HB 743 Delegate Dumais****ELECTRICITY – STANDARD OFFER SERVICE – RENEWABLE ENERGY**

Requiring an electric company to contract for certain renewable energy credits and electricity generated from certain Tier 1 renewable sources to meet a portion of the renewable energy portfolio standard for the electric company; requiring an electric company to solicit certain bids and award certain contracts in a certain manner; providing for certain remuneration for certain contracts; providing a required minimum of 10 years and maximum term of 20 years for certain contracts; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PU, § 7-703.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 744 Delegate Dumais****COURTS – COUNSEL APPEARANCE FEES – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Prohibiting the clerk of a circuit court from collecting fees for docketing the appearance of a petitioner's counsel in certain domestic violence cases.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CJ, § 7-204 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 745 Delegate Luedtke****ELECTION LAW – EARLY VOTING CENTERS – NUMBER REQUIRED**

Altering the number of early voting centers certain counties are required to establish.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EL, § 10-301.1 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 746 Delegate Wivell****ELECTION LAW – ABSENTEE BALLOT ENVELOPES – PARTY AFFILIATION**

Prohibiting the form and content required to be prescribed by the State Board of Elections for an envelope enclosing an absentee ballot from including language or information that visibly identifies the party affiliation of the voter; prohibiting ballot/return and return envelopes for absentee ballots from including language or information that visibly identifies the party affiliation of the voter; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EL, § 9-310 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 747 Delegate Brooks****CONSUMER PROTECTION – INTERNET EVENT TICKET SALES – PROHIBITION ON SHARING PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Prohibiting a ticket seller, except under certain circumstances, from disclosing the personal information of a purchaser to a third party; and prohibiting the personal information of a purchaser from being printed on a ticket to an entertainment event unless the purchaser is able to remove, delete, or fully obscure the personal information without invalidating the ticket.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CL, §§ 13-301(14)(xxxiv) and (xxxv), 14-4001, and 14-4004 - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xxxvi) and 14-4004 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 748 Delegate Atterbeary****FAMILY LAW – CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION**

Requiring a court, in a custody or visitation proceeding, to deny custody or visitation rights to a certain party if the court has reasonable ground to believe that a child has been abused or neglected by the party, unless the court specifically finds that there is no likelihood of further child abuse or neglect by the party and states the reasons for the finding; authorizing the court to approve a supervised visitation arrangement under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

FL, §§ 9-101, 9-101.1, and 9-105 - amended and § 9-109 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 749 Delegate Atterbearry****DRUNK DRIVING OFFENSES – IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PROGRAM**

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

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

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 750 Delegate Atterbearry****OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – RIGHT TO COUNSEL IN IMMIGRATION PROCEEDINGS COORDINATOR**

Establishing that certain individuals have a right to legal representation in certain immigration proceedings; establishing the Right to Counsel in Immigration Proceedings Coordinator in the Office of the Attorney General to manage services and resources in order to provide all covered individuals with access to certain legal representation; requiring the Coordinator to designate appropriate community groups to provide outreach and education services to individuals and communities impacted by immigration detention; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SG, §§ 6-601 through 6-609 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 751 Delegate Ebersole****BALTIMORE COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – OVERSIGHT BY THE BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL**

Providing that the Baltimore County Board of Education is subject to the jurisdiction of the Baltimore County Office of Inspector General; specifying the matters for which the Baltimore County Office of Inspector General may receive and investigate complaints concerning the Baltimore County Board of Education; requiring the Baltimore County Office of Inspector General to provide a report of an investigation, on request, to certain entities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

ED, § 4-138 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 752 Delegate Ebersole****INCOME TAX CREDIT – FOOD DONATION PILOT PROGRAM – EXTENSION**

Extending through December 31, 2023, the taxable years for which a qualified farm may claim a certain credit against the Maryland income tax for the donation of fresh farm products for human consumption; extending through December 31, 2023, the period of time during which the State Department of Agriculture may issue certain tax credit certificates; extending through December 31, 2024, the period of time for which the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the Comptroller, shall submit a certain report; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 10-745 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 753 Delegate Ebersole****EDUCATION – STUDENT-ORGANIZED PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS – STUDENT DISCIPLINE AND POLICY**

Prohibiting a public school from prohibiting a student from engaging in a student-organized peaceful demonstration or imposing certain limits on a student's right to free speech, subject to certain limitations; prohibiting a public school from disciplining a student for engaging in a student-organized peaceful demonstration under certain circumstances; authorizing a public school to impose certain limitations on a student-organized peaceful demonstration under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 7-312 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 754 Delegate Pippy****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT – ENTITLEMENT**

Providing that a person is not entitled to expungement of certain records if the court ordered the person to register as a certain sex offender in connection with the disposition of the charge on which the petition is based or the person has not satisfied an obligation to pay court costs, fines, or restitution imposed by the court in connection with the disposition of the charge on which the petition is based.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CP, § 10-105(e) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 755 Delegate Thiam****NATURAL RESOURCES – COMPLIMENTARY ANGLER’S LICENSE – DISABLED VETERANS**

Reducing the qualifying percentage of disability necessary for the Department of Natural Resources to be authorized to issue a lifetime complimentary angler’s license to any Maryland resident who certifies that the resident is a service connected disabled American veteran from 100% to 80%.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

NR, § 4-607 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 756 Delegate Krimm****OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS – ACCEPTANCE AND INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGATIONS OF FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE**

Authorizing the Office of Legislative Audits to compel by subpoena or otherwise certain records and the appearance of a person under oath as a witness; authorizing the Office to coordinate an investigation with certain law enforcement units; requiring certain law enforcement units to cooperate and share information as needed to further an investigation; providing that, except under certain circumstances, certain information obtained in relation to an act or allegation of fraud, waste, or abuse is confidential and may not be disclosed; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SG, §§ 2-1223 and 2-1226 - amended and § 2-1228 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 757 Delegate Bagnall****LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS AND COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES – FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS**

Requiring local health departments and community action agencies to make available to certain women feminine hygiene products in an amount sufficient to meet the needs of the woman obtaining the feminine hygiene products; and prohibiting local health departments and community action agencies from requiring payment for certain feminine hygiene products.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, § 3-501 - added and HS, § 8-107 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 758 Delegate Bagnall****MARYLAND LICENSURE OF CERTIFIED MIDWIVES ACT**

Establishing a licensing and regulatory system for the practice of certified midwifery under the State Board of Nursing; altering the duties of the Board to require the Board to set standards for the practice of certified midwifery and keep a certain list of certain licensed midwives; requiring the Board to give certain persons a hearing before taking certain actions; requiring certain individuals to be licensed before practicing certified midwifery in the State; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HO, §§ 8-205(a)(10)(x), 8-6D-01 through 8-6D-14, and 8-701(g) - added and Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 759 Delegate Kaiser****ELECTION LAW – POSTELECTION TABULATION AUDITS – RISK–LIMITING AUDITS**

Requiring that the State Board of Elections conduct a certain automated software audit in collaboration with the local boards of elections; altering the scope of a certain automated software audit to be of the electronic images of not more than 25% of ballots cast in an election, rather than of all ballots cast; requiring the State Board, in collaboration with the local boards, to conduct a certain risk–limiting audit after each statewide election; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

EL, § 11-309 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 760 Delegate Kaiser****ELECTION LAW – TIME FOR PROCESSING ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

Authorizing a local board of elections to take certain actions to prepare an absentee ballot for tabulation during the period beginning 14 days before election day through 8 p.m. on election day; prohibiting a local board from tabulating absentee ballots before a certain time; altering a requirement that a local board prepare and release a report of the unofficial results of the absentee ballot tabulation at the end of the each day of canvassing to apply the requirement only to a certain period; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EL, § 11-302 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 761 Delegate Kaiser****ELECTION LAW – CONTESTED ELECTIONS**

Prohibiting certain candidates from petitioning for a recount under certain circumstances; prohibiting a registered voter from filing a petition for a recount based on the certified results of a ballot question under certain circumstances; altering the circumstances under which a certain petitioner for a recount is not liable for the costs of the recount; providing that a person may accept a donation or make a disbursement related to a contested election only under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EL, §§ 12-101(a), 12-103(a), 12-107, 13-233, and 13-505 - amended and §§ 12-301 through 12-313 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 762 Delegate Kittleman****STATE DESIGNATIONS – STATE ASTRONOMICAL FEATURE – CRAB NEBULA**

Designating the Crab Nebula as the State astronomical feature.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

GP, § 7-332 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 763 Delegate Shetty****TASK FORCE TO STUDY CRIME CLASSIFICATION AND PENALTIES – ALTERATIONS**

Extending the due date to December 31, 2021, by which the Task Force to Study Crime Classification and Penalties is required to submit a report on certain findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly; and extending the termination date for the Task Force to June 30, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

Chapter 372 of the Acts of 2019, §§ 1(g) and 2 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary



**HB 764 Delegate Kittleman****EDUCATION – BROADENING OPTIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TODAY PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED AND MANDATED FUNDING**

Establishing the Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today Program to provide scholarships for students who are eligible for the free and reduced price lunch program to attend a nonpublic school; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Program and adopt regulations to implement the Program; and requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2022, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$15,000,000 for the Program.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 7-126 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

**HB 765 Delegate Terrasa****WORKERS' COMPENSATION – OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE PRESUMPTIONS – NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (ESSENTIAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT)**

Providing that certain firefighters, rescue squad members, advance life support unit members, police officers, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, correctional officers, and certain health care workers and child care workers, 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; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EMERGENCY BILL

LE, § 9-503 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**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

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 767 Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – VOTING METHODS MC 22–21**

Authorizing the Montgomery County Council to adopt, by law, a ranked choice voting method or an approval voting method for elections for certain local offices; defining “ranked choice voting” and “approval voting”; and authorizing a local law adopting ranked choice voting or approval voting to provide for the ballot format, procedures for tabulating votes, and other provisions necessary to implement ranked choice voting or approval voting.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

EL, §§ 8-101 and 9-204 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 768 Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY – PILOT PROGRAM MC 17–21**

Applying certain laws regarding net energy metering and community solar generating systems to customers served by a community choice aggregator; altering the circumstances under which counties and municipal corporations may act as an aggregator; establishing the Community Choice Aggregator Pilot Program; establishing a process by which, beginning on January 1, 2023, a certain county may form a community choice aggregator; requiring a certain county to develop a plan and give notice of a certain aggregation plan; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

PU, §§ 1-101(b), 7-306(f)(5) and (h), 7-306.2(d)(3), 7-507(a), and 7-510(f) - amended and Various Sections - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 769**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION – PUBLIC BODY MC 07–21

Providing that a committee of the Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County is a public body for purposes of the Open Meetings Act. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HS, § 16-105 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 770**    **Delegate McIntosh**

BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE – PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY

Exempting Baltimore City Community College from certain provisions of the State procurement law; requiring the Board of Trustees of the College, subject to approval by the Board of Public Works and the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review, to develop policies and procedures governing procurement; requiring the Board of Trustees to develop a certain information technology plan; requiring the Board of Public Works and the Board of Trustees of Baltimore City Community College to approve certain contracts; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 16-505.3 - added and SF, §§ 3A-302, 3A-402, 4-401(d), 4-402(a), 4-406(a), 11-203(e), and 12-202 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 771**    **Delegate Queen**

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION SURVEYS – REVISIONS

Requiring the State Department of Education to establish procedures for the administration of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Survey/Youth Tobacco Survey to public middle school and high school students in the State; repealing the authority of the Department to omit a certain amount of survey questions under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to include in the survey certain tiers and questions related to adverse childhood experiences and positive childhood experiences; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 7-420 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 772 Delegate Queen****COURTS – JUDGMENTS – EXEMPTIONS FROM EXECUTION**

Exempting up to \$2,600 in certain accounts of a judgment debtor from execution on the judgment without an election by the debtor to exempt the money; establishing a \$6,000 limit on the cumulative value of property and cash that may be exempted; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CJ, § 11-504 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 773 Delegate Queen****PUBLIC SAFETY – FIREARM TELEMATICS – STUDY**

Defining “firearm telematics” as an electronic sensor or equipment installed on a firearm for purposes of tracking the location of the firearm if it becomes lost or stolen; requiring the Handgun Roster Board under the Department of State Police to study and make recommendations about firearm telematics; requiring the Handgun Roster Board to take certain actions in conducting the study and making recommendations; and requiring the Handgun Roster Board to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by July 1, 2022.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 774 Delegate Queen****PUBLIC HEALTH – ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCE SCREENING – REQUIREMENT AND PRACTITIONER TRAINING PROGRAM**

Requiring a certain physical examination to include a certain screening for adverse childhood experiences beginning with children entering the public school system in the 2022–2023 school year; requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, subject to a certain limitation and as permitted by federal law, to provide reimbursement to a licensed physician, licensed physician assistant, or certified registered nurse practitioner who provides a certain screening under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

ED, HG, and HO, Various Sections - amended and HG, §§ 15-103(a)(2)(xvii) and 15-150 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 775 Delegate Kittleman****TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL CENTERS FOR WOMEN VETERANS**

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Establishment of Regional Centers for Women Veterans to analyze the resources available to women veterans in the State; requiring the Task Force to make recommendations regarding ways to address identified specific needs for services for women veterans residing in the State and to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by October 1, 2022; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 776 Delegate Ebersole****STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – INFANT AND EARLY CHILDHOOD MENTAL HEALTH CONSULTATION PROJECT – STUDY AND REPORT**

Requiring the State Department of Education to perform a thorough study, analysis, and evaluation of the Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Project; requiring that the Department evaluate Project services, capacity, and integration with existing programs; requiring that the Department report on progress toward completing certain recommendations; and requiring the Department to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 777 Delegate Brooks****POWER PLANT RESEARCH PROGRAM – REVIEW OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the circumstances under which the Public Service Commission must notify the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of the Environment about an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity associated with power plant construction; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to complete an independent environmental and socioeconomic project assessment report within 6 months after the Commission determines the application to be complete; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

NR, § 3-306 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 778 Delegate Brooks****INCOME TAX – HEALTHY INDOOR AIR QUALITY TAX CREDIT**

Allowing certain persons to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain costs incurred during the taxable year to purchase and install certain indoor air quality equipment in a home or commercial building; requiring the Comptroller, in consultation with the Maryland Energy Administration, to publish on the Comptroller's website a list of approved indoor air quality equipment on or before September 30 each year; requiring a person to obtain a certain eligibility certificate from the Comptroller in order to claim the credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 10-751 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 779 Delegate Metzgar****CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – FILING FEES – REDUCTIONS**

Reducing on a certain timetable certain annual report filing fees paid by corporations and other business entities to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

CA, § 1-203(b)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 780 Delegate Kerr****MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – STATE-BASED YOUNG ADULT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to establish and implement a State-Based Young Adult Health Insurance Subsidies Pilot Program to provide a means for young adults to reduce the amount they pay for health benefit plans in the individual health insurance market; requiring the Exchange, in consultation with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner and as approved by the Board of Trustees of the Exchange, to establish certain subsidy eligibility and payment parameters for calendar years 2022 and 2023; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

IN, § 31-107 - amended and § 31-122 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 781 Delegate Dumais****CORPORATIONS AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS – MISCELLANEOUS**

Clarifying that the charter or bylaws of a corporation may require that any internal corporate claim be brought only in certain specified courts; repealing the authority of certain corporations to effect a certain reverse stock split; altering the manner in which a corporation may allow stockholders to participate in a certain meeting; authorizing a certain meeting of the stockholders to be held partially or solely by means of remote communication; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CA, Various Sections - amended and §§ 2-606.1 and 8-203(c) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 782 Delegate Patterson****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PURPLE STAR SCHOOLS PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Purple Star Schools Program to recognize public schools that provide strong services and supports for military-connected students and their families; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Program and designate a public school as a Purple Star School under certain circumstances; establishing the qualifications for the designation of a Purple Star School; authorizing a certain school to partner with a county board of education to fulfill certain program requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 7-126 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 783 Delegate Queen****WORKGROUP ON SCREENING RELATED TO ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES**

Establishing the Workgroup on Screening Related to Adverse Childhood Experiences; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to update, improve, and develop certain screening tools, submit certain screening tools to the Maryland Department of Health, study certain actions and best practices, develop a certain template, and make and develop certain recommendations; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings to the Governor and General Assembly by October 1, 2022; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Ways and Means



**HB 784 Delegate Terrasa****RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION – ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING**

Requiring a builder of new housing units including single-family detached homes and townhomes or a builder's agent to provide each buyer or prospective buyer with the option to include on or in a garage, carport, or driveway an electric vehicle charging station or a dedicated electric line capable of providing at least level 2 charging; requiring a certain builder or builder's agent to give to certain buyers and prospective buyers notice of certain options and information about certain rebate programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PS, § 12-205 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 785 Delegate Terrasa****LANDLORD AND TENANT – COMMENCEMENT OF ACTION TO REPOSSESS FOR FAILURE TO PAY RENT – REQUIRED NOTICE AND GRACE PERIOD**

Requiring a landlord or a duly authorized agent of a landlord to provide written notice to a tenant by first-class mail, return receipt requested if the landlord desires to repossess for failure to pay rent; and specifying that a landlord or duly authorized agent of a landlord may file a written complaint to repossess for failure to pay rent no sooner than 10 days after the tenant receives written notice that the rent is unpaid.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

RP, §§ 8-401(b) and (c) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 786 Delegate Kaiser****DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – EASING ACCESS TO FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS**

Establishing that it is the policy of the State to do everything possible to alleviate administrative hurdles for low-income families seeking access to support programs; requiring that the Department of Human Services, the Maryland Department of Health, and the State Department of Education to take certain steps to achieve the policy goal and to simplify the application process for family support programs; requiring a joint progress report be submitted by January 1, 2023 and include areas where legislative changes are needed; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Assigned to: Appropriations



**HB 787 Delegate Kaiser****BURTONSVILLE CROSSING – ACQUISITION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES**

Requiring the Department of General Services to initiate proceedings for the acquisition of the property known as Burtonsville Crossing on or before December 31, 2021; and requiring the Department of General Services to acquire certain property by purchase or condemnation and for a public purpose. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 788 Delegate Krimm****PROCUREMENT OFFICERS – HIRING PRACTICES AND CERTIFICATION**

Requiring the Procurement Advisor to the Board of Public Works to establish common minimum qualifications for vacant procurement officer positions and a standardized selection test to administer to minimally qualified candidates; requiring that training policies for procurement officers require certification in State procurement law within 60 days after hire; requiring that the training policies prohibit a noncertified procurement officer from taking certain actions regarding a procurement contract; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SF, §§ 12-102(a)(2)(xi) through (xiv) and 12-105(g) - amended and § 12-102(a)(2)(xi) and (4) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 789 Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation****WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – VIDEO AND AUDIO STREAMING AND ARCHIVING MEETINGS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MC/PG 100–21**

Requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to stream live video or teleconference audio or other audio of the open meetings of the Commission; requiring the Commission to maintain on its website a complete and unedited archived recording of certain livestreamed open meetings; providing that the inability of the Commission to comply with certain requirements due to a certain technical issue does not affect the validity of actions taken by the Commission at a certain meeting under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PU, §§ 17-106 and 25-501.1(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 790 Delegate P. Young****PROCUREMENT – OFFICE OF SMALL, MINORITY, AND WOMEN BUSINESS AFFAIRS – SMALL BUSINESS RESERVE PROGRAM AND VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM**

Providing that the Small Business Reserve Program includes certain veteran-owned small business enterprises that meet certain criteria; requiring the Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to adopt regulations to establish a certain overall percentage goal of certain procurement contracts to be made with veteran-owned small business enterprises; requiring certain solicitation documents to include certain information; altering the required contents of a certain annual report; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SF, §§ 14-501 and 14-601 through 14-604 - amended and § 14-604.1 - added and SG, § 9-304 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 791 Delegate P. Young****MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT – ELIGIBILITY**

Authorizing certain members and former members of the State Retirement and Pension System to receive credit for certain military service even if the member receives military service credit in another retirement system; and prohibiting an individual from receiving credit more than one time.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SP, § 38-104 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 792 Delegate Anderton****SALES AND USE TAX – TAX-FREE PERIODS – UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE TEXTBOOKS**

Designating, beginning in calendar year 2021, the last 7 days of August each year to be a tax-free period during which an exemption from the sales and use tax is provided for the sale of certain textbooks purchased by individuals enrolled full or part-time at a certain community college, nonprofit institution of higher education, public senior higher education institution or regional higher education center; designating, beginning in calendar year 2022, an additional 7-day sales and use tax-free period in February; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 11-241 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 793 Delegate Anderton****LOCAL GOVERNMENTS – INCOME TAX DISPARITY GRANTS – AMOUNTS**

Altering the calculation of certain income tax disparity grants to counties and Baltimore City under certain circumstances and for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter; and repealing a certain termination provision.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

LG, § 16-501 and Chapter 738 of the Acts of 2016, § 2, as amended - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 794 Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY**

Increasing the salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County to \$125,000, from \$110,000, beginning December 6, 2022 and to \$140,000 beginning December 5, 2023, and thereafter; and providing that the Act does not apply to the salary of the incumbent Sheriff.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CJ, § 2-320(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 795 Wicomico County Delegation****WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – REPEAL OF FOOD SALES REQUIREMENT FOR CLASS B (GOLF COURSE) LICENSE**

Repealing a requirement that a certain golf course have average daily receipts from the sale of food that exceed the average daily receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages to be issued a certain Class B beer, wine, and liquor license by the Board of License Commissioners for Wicomico County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

AB, § 32-1003 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 796 Delegate Buckel****SALES AND USE TAX – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – RATE REDUCTION**

Reducing, from 9% to 6%, the rate of the sales and use tax imposed on the charge for an alcoholic beverage; and terminating the Act after June 30, 2023.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 11-104(g) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 797 Delegate Qi****PROCUREMENT – SMALL BUSINESS RESERVE PROGRAM – ADMINISTRATION AND APPLICATION**

Requiring the Governor's Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to establish certain guidelines for the administration of the Small Business Reserve Program; requiring that certain guidelines for the Program be developed in partnership with certain persons; requiring that a unit assess certain procurements with a total dollar value of \$500,000 or less under the guidelines for the Program and either designate the procurement for the Program or request a certain waiver; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SF, §§ 11-203(e)(5), 14-503, and 14-504 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 798 Frederick County Delegation****FREDERICK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – VACANCIES**

Altering the method for filling a vacancy on the Frederick County Board of Education; specifying that an individual appointed to fill a vacancy serves for the remainder of a certain term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies except that, under certain circumstances, the individual serves only until a successor is elected at the next general election; specifying how certain positions are to be filled at a general election; establishing the manner for nominating candidates for vacated offices; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 3-5B-01(d) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 799 Delegate Clark****AQUACULTURE LEASES AND SHELLFISH NURSERY OPERATIONS – WETLANDS**

Exempting under certain circumstances certain activities and the use of certain equipment associated with an aquaculture lease or a shellfish nursery operation from the requirement to obtain certain licenses from the Department of the Environment or the Board of Public Works; establishing that certain aquaculture activity and the installation of certain equipment on a pier for the cultivation of shellfish seed under a certain permit are lawful uses on private wetlands; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EN, §§ 16-101(i), 16-202(h), and 16-304 and NR, § 4-11A-23(d) - amended and NR, § 4-11A-10(d-1) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 800 Delegate Clark****AQUACULTURE LEASES – MARKING AND RECORDING REQUIREMENTS – MOBILE APPLICATION**

Requiring the Department of Natural Resources to develop a certain mobile application for use by an individual while on the waters of the State to aid the individual in determining the individual's location, in real time in relation to certain relevant data; and authorizing the Department to contract with a third-party developer to develop the mobile application.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

NR, § 4-11A-12(d) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 801 Delegate Clark****CALVERT COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDINGS USED FOR AGRITOURISM**

Adding Calvert County to the list of counties where an existing agricultural building used for agritourism is not considered a change of occupancy that requires a building permit under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PS, § 12-508 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 802 Delegate Clark****CALVERT COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt on each Sunday of the game bird and game mammal season in Calvert County; and authorizing the Department to allow a person to hunt on public land designated for hunting by the Department on Sunday in Calvert County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

NR, § 10-410(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 803 Delegate Solomon****FACILITATING UNIVERSITY TRANSFORMATIONS BY UNIFYING REDUCTIONS IN EMISSIONS (FUTURE) ACT**

Requiring each public senior higher education institution to be carbon neutral for certain emissions on or before certain dates; specifying certain requirements that a certain public senior higher education institution must meet in order to achieve the carbon neutral requirements under the Act; authorizing a certain public senior higher education institution to use carbon offsets that do not meet the requirements of the Act under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 15-126 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 804 Delegate Palakovich Carr****TAXES – WHISTLEBLOWER REWARD PROGRAM AND STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR TAX COLLECTIONS**

Establishing a certain whistleblower reward program within the Office of the Comptroller; providing that a certain whistleblower who voluntarily provides certain information to the Comptroller shall be entitled to receive a certain monetary award under certain circumstances; providing that the determination of the amount of the award shall be solely in the discretion of the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to consider certain factors in determining the amount of the award; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

TG, §§ 1-401 through 1-408 - added and § 13-1103 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 805 Delegate Palakovich Carr****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the circumstances under which the Secretary of Commerce may designate an area as an enterprise zone to include an area identified in the master plan of a county as a priority area, a designated area for future growth, or a priority area for neighborhood or commercial revitalization; prohibiting the Secretary from designating a new enterprise zone or granting an expansion of an existing enterprise zone under certain circumstances; altering a certain limitation on the area by which an existing enterprise zone may be expanded; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

EC, §§ 5-704(a)(1) and (4) and (b), 5-705, and 5-709 and TG, § 10-702 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 806 Delegate K. Young****HEALTH FACILITIES – NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – ESSENTIAL CAREGIVERS**

Requiring each nursing home and assisted living program to establish certain policies and procedures authorizing indoor visitation from an essential caregiver and relating to the designation and use of an essential caregiver; authorizing nursing homes and assisted living programs to consult with a certain local health officer when establishing certain policies and procedures; requiring an essential caregiver to inform the staff of the nursing home or assisted living program if the essential caregiver develops certain symptoms; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, § 19-1418 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 807 Delegate Love****TASK FORCE TO REVIEW AND UPDATE THE MARYLAND RECYCLING ACT**

Establishing the Task Force to Review and Update the Maryland Recycling Act; 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 on how to update the Maryland Recycling Act; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 808 Delegate Haynes****JUVENILE LAW – PROCEDURE – APPEARANCE BY VIDEO CONFERENCE**

Authorizing the juvenile court to permit a child to appear by video conference in certain proceedings.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CJ, § 3-8A-13(f) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 809 Delegate Haynes****PUBLIC SAFETY – USE OF FORCE DE-ESCALATION TRAINING OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS – REPORTS**

Requiring a law enforcement agency to report, beginning October 1, 2021, and every 2 years thereafter, to the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services on certain policies and procedures related to use of force de-escalation training for its law enforcement officers; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to analyze the data collected and report to certain committees of the General Assembly by January 1, 2022, and every 2 years thereafter; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PS, § 3-523 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary



**HB 810 Delegate Cullison****HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – PHARMACISTS – LABORATORY TESTS**

Altering the definition of “practice pharmacy” to include the ordering and administering of certain laboratory tests; and requiring, on or before January 1, 2022, the State Board of Pharmacy to adopt regulations to authorize pharmacists to order and administer certain laboratory tests, without a written, oral, or electronically transmitted prescription from an authorized prescriber, that are used for certain purposes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HO, § 12-101(x) - amended and § 12-513 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 811 Delegate Cullison****STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS – REVISIONS**

Requiring certain individuals employed by federal agencies to comply with certain provisions of law; establishing that an applicant to obtain a certified social worker license is required to meet certain requirements by December 31, 2023; altering the number of hours of certain supervision an applicant for a certified social worker–clinical license is required to complete; specifying that certain supervision is to be provided in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Board of Social Work Examiners; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HO, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 812 Delegate Cullison****MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – 2–1–1 MARYLAND – MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PHONE CALL PROGRAM**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in consultation with 2–1–1 Maryland, to make certain recommendations relating to the establishment of an opt–in mental health services phone call program that would require a center to call individuals who have opted into the mental health services phone call program on a periodic basis and attempt to connect individuals to a provider of mental health services under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, § 24-1204 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 813 St. Mary's County Delegation****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITIES BOND**

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to borrow not more than \$30,000,000 in order to finance the construction, improvement, or development of certain public facilities in St. Mary's County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale at public or private sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 814 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.

EMERGENCY BILL

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**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

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 816 Delegate Shoemaker****FAMILY LAW – SUPPORT OF DESTITUTE ADULT CHILDREN – REPEAL**

Repealing a requirement that a parent provide certain support to the parent's destitute adult child under certain circumstances; repealing related provisions of law regarding penalties and certain complaint, pretrial, and trial procedures; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

FL, §§ 13-101 through 13-109 - repealed

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 817 Delegate Shoemaker****STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS ELIGIBILITY WAIVER – GRADUATE ATHLETES**

Requiring the State Department of Education to waive certain eligibility requirements for participation in interscholastic athletics in order to allow certain graduate athletes to participate in certain interscholastic athletics under certain circumstances; providing that certain graduate athletes may participate in an interscholastic athletic program only at the high school from which they graduated; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 818 Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES**

Expanding the list of organizations in certain counties that may be licensed to operate not more than five instant ticket lottery machines to include certain fraternal and sororal organizations in Carroll County, provided that the organization is not a high school or college fraternity or sorority or any other organization the membership of which is restricted wholly or largely to certain students or graduates; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SG, § 9-112 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 819 Delegate Krebs****PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS – PROHIBITED ACTIONS**

Prohibiting a pharmacy benefits manager from engaging in any practice that bases certain reimbursement for a prescription drug on patient outcomes, scores, or metrics under certain circumstances; prohibiting a pharmacy benefits manager from engaging in the practice of spread pricing; prohibiting a pharmacy benefits manager from denying any pharmacy a certain right; prohibiting a pharmacy benefits manager from taking more than 30 days to review the application of a pharmacy or pharmacist to participate in a certain policy or contract; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

HG, § 15-102.3(j) and IN, § 15-1601(q) - added and IN, §§ 15-1601(q), (r), and (s), 15-1611, and 15-1611.1 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 820 Delegate Rose****COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION – COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring each county board of education, beginning in the 2023–2024 school year, to submit a report on or before April 30 each year to the State Board of Education and the General Assembly on computer science courses offered in public schools in the county in the prior school year; requiring each county board to include certain information in the report; requiring each county board to include certain information in the report and post certain data conspicuously on its website; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 4-111.5 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 821 Delegate Rose****NATURAL RESOURCES – HUNTING LICENSES – NEW RESIDENTS**

Authorizing a person to receive a resident hunting license without submitting a certain application if the person has resided in the State for less than 1 year, held a valid hunting license in the person’s previous state of residence for the previous 3 years, and pays a certain fee.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

NR, § 10-301(d) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 822 Delegate Grammer****BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEMBERS – PUBLICATION OF CONTACT INFORMATION**

Requiring the Baltimore County public school system to publish prominently on its website an e-mail address, a mailing address, and a certain direct telephone number for each member of the Baltimore County Board of Education.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 4-138 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 823 Delegate Rose****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – MATHEMATICS CREDIT – COLLEGE PREPARATORY COMPUTER SCIENCE OR COMPUTER PROGRAMMING COURSE**

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 7-209 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 824 Delegate P. Young****PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CYBER SAFETY GUIDE AND TRAINING COURSE – DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND REPORTING**

Requiring the State Department of Education, the Behavioral Health Administration within the Maryland Department of Health, the Maryland Center for School Safety, and the Department of Information Technology jointly to develop and publish a cyber safety guide and training course on safe Internet, social media, and technology usage for certain students, parents, and school employees to be implemented beginning in the 2022–2023 school year; requiring the guide to be posted on certain websites; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 7-447 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 825 Delegate Healey****COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS – DISPUTE SETTLEMENT AND EVICTION PROCEDURES**

Specifying that a certain dispute settlement mechanism does not apply to complaints or demands arising out of a cooperative housing member's failure to pay certain assessments; repealing a requirement that the governing body of a cooperative housing corporation hold a hearing on a certain alleged violation under certain circumstances; requiring the governing body of a cooperative housing corporation to give certain notice of a member's right to request a hearing on a certain alleged violation under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CA, § 5-6B-30 - amended and § 5-6B-31 - repealed

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 826 Delegate Healey****REAL PROPERTY – CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – DISPUTE SETTLEMENT**

Altering the procedures a council of unit owners or a board of directors of a condominium shall take before a penalty for a violation of the rules of the condominium can be imposed on an alleged violator; altering the procedures a council of unit owners or a board of directors shall take if an alleged violator does not comply with a certain written demand to cease and desist in a certain period of time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

RP, § 11-113 - amended and § 11B-111.8 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 827 Delegate Buckel****NO REPRESENTATION WITHOUT POPULATION ACT – REPEAL**

Repealing certain provisions of law governing the inclusion and counting of incarcerated individuals in the population count used after each decennial census for the purpose of creating congressional and certain legislative districting plans; repealing certain provisions of law requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to submit certain information for certain incarcerated individuals to the Maryland Department of Planning and the Department of Legislative Services; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

EL, § 8-701 - amended and SG, § 2-2A-01 and LG, § 1-1307 - repealed

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

**HB 828 Delegate Cox****GOOD TEACHER PROTECTION ACT**

Providing that a staff member of a school, acting in an official capacity, is not civilly liable for personal injury or property damage resulting from intervention in a student altercation or other student disturbance if the staff member intervened in a reasonably prudent manner and the actions taken do not constitute grossly negligent, willful, wanton, or intentionally tortious conduct.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CJ, § 5-803 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 829 Delegate Lierman****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING –  
LOAN LOSS RESERVE (MARYLAND CAPITAL ACCESS PROGRAM)**

Establishing a Capital Access Program in the Department of Commerce for the purpose of stimulating opportunities for small businesses that may have difficulty in obtaining business financing to have access to credit by establishing a loan loss reserve program; specifying that certain loans qualify under the Program; requiring a lender to enroll a qualifying loan not more than 30 days after the date of the first disbursement; authorizing a lender to enroll all or a portion of a qualifying loan in an amount not more than \$250,000; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EC, §§ 5-1701 through 5-1708 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 830 Delegate Lierman****COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION – FINANCIAL  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS – PROHIBITIONS**

Prohibiting the Community Development Administration from requiring the use of long-term tax-exempt bonds to qualify for Rental Housing Works loans or otherwise conditioning the award of financial assistance under an affordable housing program administered by the Administration on the use of any other Administration resource.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HS, § 4-225 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

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

Establishing the Maryland Food System Resiliency Council; providing 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.

**EMERGENCY BILL**

PS, §§ 14-1101 through 14-1103 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 832 Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo****PUBLIC UTILITIES – ELECTRIC SCHOOL BUS PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the electric school bus pilot program; requiring the Public Service Commission to implement and administer the pilot program; authorizing certain electric companies to apply to the Commission to implement a pilot program if the pilot program meets certain standards; authorizing certain electric companies to recover certain costs under a pilot program in a certain manner, subject to the approval of the Commission; requiring certain electric companies to submit an annual report to certain entities; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PU, § 7-217 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation

**HB 833 Delegate Buckel****NATURAL RESOURCES – STATE LAKES PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND – MANDATORY FUNDING**

Increasing the amount of the appropriation, beginning in fiscal year 2023, that the Governor is required to include in the annual budget bill for the State Lakes Protection and Restoration Fund from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

NR, § 8-205 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations



**HB 834 Delegate Metzgar****PUBLIC HEALTH – FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING FOR ABORTIONS – PROHIBITION AND EXCEPTIONS**

Prohibiting the use of federal and State funds to pay for an abortion procedure or health benefits coverage of abortion procedures; and providing that the prohibition does not apply if the woman's pregnancy is the result of an act of rape or incest or the woman has a life-endangering physical condition caused by or arising from the pregnancy itself that would, as certified by a physician, place the woman in danger of death unless an abortion is performed.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, § 20-217 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 835 Delegate Shoemaker****STATES OF EMERGENCY AND CATASTROPHIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES – RENEWALS – AUTHORIZATION BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE**

Prohibiting the Governor from renewing a state of emergency or catastrophic health emergency for more than 30 days without approval from the General Assembly by joint resolution or, under certain circumstances, by a majority vote of the Legislative Policy Committee; and clarifying that a state of emergency expires under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PS, §§ 14-107(a) and 14-3A-02 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 836 Delegate Pena–Melnyk****COVID–19 TESTING, CONTACT TRACING, AND VACCINATION ACT OF 2021**

Requiring, on or before April 1, 2021, the Maryland Department of Health, in collaboration with local health departments of the State, to adopt and implement a certain plan to respond to the outbreak of COVID–19; requiring, for calendar year 2021, institutions of higher education in the State to adopt and implement a certain COVID–19 testing plan; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for certain COVID–19 tests and associated costs; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EMERGENCY BILL

HG, Various Sections, ED, §§ 11-1701 and 11-1702, and IN, § 15-856 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Appropriations

**HB 837 Delegate Carr****COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – TEACHERS AT THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF – SEPARATE BARGAINING UNIT**

Establishing a separate collective bargaining unit for employees who have been designated with teacher status by the Board of Trustees of the Maryland School for the Deaf, but does not include officers or supervisory employees of the school.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SP, §§ 3-101 and 3-403(f) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 838 Delegate P. Young****BALTIMORE COUNTY – PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – LEED GREEN BUILDING RATING SYSTEM**

Requiring a new school in Baltimore County that receives State public school construction funds to meet or exceed the current version of the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED Green Building Rating System Gold rating.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 5-312 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 839 Delegate Qi****STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION – LISTS OF BUSINESS ENTITIES NOT FILING ANNUAL REPORT**

Limiting, in certain circumstances, the business entities required to be included on certain lists certified by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to those entities that did not file a certain report during the prior year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CA, §§ 3-503(c), 4A-911(c), 9A-1007(c), 10-209(c), and 12-801(c) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 840 Delegate Otto****SOMERSET COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – SUNDAY HUNTING**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Somerset County to hunt on private property on each Sunday of the game bird or game mammal seasons; and establishing an exception to the prohibition against the Department authorizing Sunday hunting on public land for public land in Somerset County leased to a hunt club.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

NR, § 10-410(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 841 Delegate Otto****LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – MARYLAND WAGE AND HOUR LAW – AGRICULTURAL STANDS, RETAIL FARMS, AND FARMERS' MARKETS**

Establishing an exemption from the Maryland Wage and Hour Law for an individual employed at an agricultural stand, a retail farm, or a farmers' market that primarily sells agricultural products that the employer has produced.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

LE, § 3-403 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 842 Delegate Howard****ELECTRIC COMPANIES – BILLING INFORMATION**

Requiring an electric company to provide to a retail electricity customer on request the historic usage and billing information for not less than the preceding 12 months; and providing that the electric company must make the information available, as requested by the customer, either on the company's website, electronically to the customer in a PDF format, or sent to the customer's billing address.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PU, § 7-312 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 843 Delegate Howard**

## ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHING WITH A HAUL SEINE

Repealing certain provisions of law that restrict the length of a haul seine that a person may use in certain waters of Anne Arundel County; repealing a certain penalty for a violation of certain provisions of law that restrict the length of a haul seine that a person may use in certain waters of Anne Arundel County; and authorizing a person to use a haul seine to fish in the waters of Anne Arundel County except under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

NR, § 4-714 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 844 Delegate Lierman (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**

## STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – FIDUCIARY INSURANCE

Authorizing the State to purchase a certain insurance policy to satisfy a bond requirement to protect certain losses of State Retirement and Pension System assets.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

SP, § 21-210 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 845 Delegate Cox**

## PUBLIC SAFETY – PERMIT TO CARRY, WEAR, OR TRANSPORT A HANDGUN – QUALIFICATIONS

Clarifying that personal protection or self-defense can qualify as a good and substantial reason to carry, wear, or transport a handgun for purposes of the issuance by the Secretary of State Police of a permit to carry, wear, or transport a handgun.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PS, § 5-306(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 846 Delegate Cox****PUBLIC HEALTH – ABORTIONS – PRENATAL DIAGNOSIS OF DOWN SYNDROME (DOWN SYNDROME DIGNITY ACT)**

Providing that a certain prohibition on State interference with a certain decision to terminate a pregnancy at a certain time does not apply to a decision to terminate a pregnancy because the fetus has a prenatal diagnosis of Down syndrome except in cases where the fetus was conceived as a result of rape or incest or in cases of medical emergency.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, § 20-209 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 847 Delegate Cox****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS – RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS**

Prohibiting a certain individual registered with the State sex offender registry from residing within 1,000 feet of a school, child care facility, park, playground, designated school bus stop, or place where children regularly congregate; establishing that a person who violates the Act is subject to a penalty of 5 years imprisonment or a \$5,000 fine or both; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

CP, § 11-722.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 848 The Speaker (By Request – Office of the Attorney General)****SMALL CLAIMS – EXAMINATION IN AID OF ENFORCEMENT – PROHIBITION ON ARREST OR INCARCERATION FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR**

Prohibiting an individual from being arrested or incarcerated for failure to respond to certain orders to appear in court relating to an examination in aid of enforcement of a money judgment entered in a small claim action in the District Court; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CJ, § 11-704 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 849 Delegate Rosenberg****PUBLIC HEALTH – MEDICAL RECORDS – FEES**

Repealing the exemption for X-rays from the application of certain provisions of law governing medical records fees; altering the fees that State facilities regulated by the Maryland Department of Health may require a person in interest or any other person who requests a copy of a medical record to pay; reducing to \$5 the cap on the fee that certain health care providers are authorized to charge for certain medical records; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, § 4-304(c) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 850 Delegate Rosenberg****HIGHER EDUCATION – MARYLAND CORPS PROGRAM FUND – COVID-19 EMERGENCY FUNDING PRIORITIES**

Requiring, in fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the Board of Directors of the Maryland Corps Program to give priority to, when awarding Program funds, certain Program participants who serve with certain nonprofit corporations or government agencies that provide certain COVID-19 related services; and providing that if certain funding becomes available from the federal government it is the intent of the General Assembly that the funding be deposited in the Maryland Corps Program Fund.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 24-1109 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 851 Delegate Ruth****CORRECTIONS – RESTRICTIVE HOUSING – SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS**

Prohibiting the placement of an inmate with a serious mental illness in restrictive housing, with certain exceptions; prohibiting the placement of a certain inmate in restrictive housing for more than 15 days; requiring the managing official of a correctional facility to require a daily wellness check of an individual placed in restrictive housing under certain circumstances; requiring the removal of a certain individual from restrictive housing under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CS, § 9-614.2 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 852 Delegate Kaiser****PROPERTY TAX – TAX SALES – HOMEOWNER PROTECTION PROGRAM**

Establishing the Homeowner Protection Program in the Department of Assessments and Taxation; providing that the purpose of the Program is to divert vulnerable homeowners from the private tax lien sale process into an alternative program with certain purposes; altering the transfer tax rate applicable to certain instruments of writing; prohibiting the collector from delivering a certificate of sale to the purchaser of a property at a tax sale until the purchaser has paid a certain fee to the collector; etc.

**VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES**

SF and TP, Various Sections - amended and added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 853 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 \$2,500,000 the aggregate total of certain financial assistance that may be provided in a fiscal year.

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021**

EC, § 5-1501(h) - added and § 5-1501(h) and (i) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 854 Delegate Kaiser****MARYLAND LONGITUDINAL DATA SYSTEM CENTER – INCLUSION OF OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT DATA**

Including placement data from State-sponsored out-of-home care organizations in the data collected, organized, managed, disaggregated, and analyzed by the Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center; altering the purpose of the Center to include generating information about children who were provided with State-sponsored out-of-home care that can be used to improve the State's education and child welfare systems; requiring the Center to publish on its website an easy-to-understand data dashboard with certain information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

ED, §§ 24-701, 24-702, 24-703(f), 24-703.1, and 24-707(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 855 Delegate Hartman****CRIMINAL LAW – LIFE-THREATENING INJURY INVOLVING A MOTOR VEHICLE OR VESSEL – CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE (WADE'S LAW)**

Prohibiting a person from causing a life-threatening injury to another as a result of the person's driving, operating, or controlling a motor vehicle or vessel in a criminally negligent manner; exempting certain conduct that results in a life-threatening injury to another; and establishing a penalty of imprisonment not exceeding 18 months or a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both for a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CR, § 3-212.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 856 Delegate Hartman****WORCESTER COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING – GAME BIRD AND GAME MAMMAL SEASONS AND PUBLIC LAND**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt on each Sunday of the game bird and game mammal seasons in Worcester County; and authorizing the Department to allow a person to hunt on public land designated for hunting by the Department on Sundays in Worcester County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

NR, § 10-410(a)(1), (4), (5), and (15) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation



**HB 857 Delegate Lehman****ENVIRONMENT – SYNTHETIC TURF AND TURF INFILL – CHAIN OF CUSTODY AND REUSE**

Requiring a certain producer of synthetic turf and turf infill to establish a system to track the chain of custody of the synthetic turf and turf infill from their manufacture to their reuse, recycling, and final disposal on or before January 1, 2022, subject to a certain exception; requiring a certain owner of synthetic turf and turf infill to establish a system to track the chain of custody of the synthetic turf and turf infill from their use to their reuse, recycling, and final disposal under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EN, §§ 9-2301 through 9-2304 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

**HB 858 Delegate Hornberger****HIGHER EDUCATION – ACTIVE DUTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS – TUITION EXEMPTION**

Exempting certain active duty law enforcement officers from paying tuition at public institutions of higher education in the State if the law enforcement officer lives and works in the State and is seeking a degree related to conflict resolution, community relations, or criminal justice.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 15-106.11 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 859 Cecil County Delegation****CECIL COUNTY – VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS – DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS**

Increasing from 33% to 40% the percentage of the proceeds from video lottery terminals at the Cecil County video lottery facility that are paid to the video lottery operation licensee of the facility; and requiring that 7% of the proceeds from video lottery terminals at the facility be spent on specified marketing, advertising, and promotional costs and capital improvements at the facility as a condition of receiving the additional proceeds.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

SG, § 9-1A-27(b) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 860 Delegate Gilchrist****STATE PLANNING – PRESERVATION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND – GOAL**

Establishing a State goal of preserving a total of 1,030,000 acres of productive agricultural land by 2030 through the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, the Maryland GreenPrint Program, the Rural Legacy Program, the Maryland Environmental Trust, and local land preservation programs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SF, § 5-7A-03 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 861 Delegate Palakovich Carr****REAL PROPERTY – LANDLORD AND TENANT – REUSABLE TENANT SCREENING REPORTS**

Requiring that a reusable tenant screening report contain certain information regarding a prospective tenant; requiring a landlord that does not accept a reusable tenant screening report to notify prospective tenants in a certain manner; requiring a landlord that maintains a website for certain purposes to state whether the landlord accepts reusable tenant screening reports on the homepage of the website; prohibiting a landlord that accepts a reusable tenant screening report from assessing certain fees; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

RP, § 8-119 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 862 St. Mary's County Delegation****ST. MARY'S COUNTY AND METROPOLITAN COMMISSION – DEBT LIMITATIONS**

Increasing in St. Mary's County the aggregate amount of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness outstanding from 2.15% to 3.15% of certain assessable real property in the County; increasing the total amount of debt the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission may incur from 25% to 40% of the total value of certain property within the sanitary districts in which public water or sewer facilities are located; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

PLL of St. Mary's Co, Art. 19, §§ 27-11 and 113-6 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 863 St. Mary's County Delegation****ST. MARY'S COUNTY – MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTION FOR GOLF CARTS**

Creating an exception from motor vehicle registration requirements under certain circumstances for golf carts in St. Mary's County; providing that a person who operates a golf cart on a county highway in St. Mary's County may operate the golf cart only on certain roads at certain times and only if the golf cart is equipped with certain lighting devices; requiring a person who operates a golf cart on a county highway in St. Mary's County to keep as far to the right of the roadway as feasible and possess a valid driver's license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

TR, § 13-402(c) - amended and § 21-104.5 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 864 Delegate Charles****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – MILITARY RETIREMENT INCOME**

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for the first \$30,000 of military retirement income received by an individual during the taxable year if the individual has received a determination of a 100% service-connected disability from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 10-207(q) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 865 Delegate Smith****HISTORIC REVITALIZATION TAX CREDIT – SMALL COMMERCIAL PROJECTS – ALTERATIONS**

Increasing from \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000 the maximum aggregate amount of initial tax credit certificates that the Director of the Maryland Historic Trust may issue for certain small commercial projects.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SF, § 5A-303(e) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 866 Delegate Smith**

ENVIRONMENT – BUSINESS RECYCLING REPORTING  
REQUIREMENTS

Requiring a business that generated recyclable material to submit a recycling report to the county on or before March 1 each year; specifying the contents of the recycling report; establishing that a business that violates the Act is subject to a civil penalty not exceeding \$50 for each day on which the violation exists; requiring, rather than authorizing, a county to require a certain property owner, manager, or tenant to report to the county on recycling activities in a certain manner.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EN, § 9-1705.1 - added and §§ 9-1711(b)(2) and 9-1714(b)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

**HB 867 Delegate Smith**

BALTIMORE REGIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE PROGRAM  
FUND

Extending the requirement to provide an annual appropriation of \$12,000,000 in the State budget for the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program Fund through fiscal year 2026.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HS, § 6-510 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 868 Delegate Smith**

BALTIMORE CITY – 45TH DISTRICT – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –  
CLASS B–D–7 LICENSE

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class B–D–7 license in the 4800 block of Harford Road in the 45th alcoholic beverages district if the applicant meets certain requirements.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

AB, § 12-1603(c) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 869 Delegate Smith****SALES AND USE AND VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES – PEER-TO-PEER CAR SHARING AND SHORT-TERM VEHICLE RENTALS – ALTERATIONS AND DISTRIBUTION**

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

**CONTINGENT – VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES**

ED, TG, TR, and Chapter 852 of the Acts of 2018, Various Sections - amended and TR, § 13-810(a)(25) - repealed

Assigned 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

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 871 Delegate Charles****CONSOLIDATION OF THE PROCUREMENT IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL AND THE COUNCIL FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATIONAL, AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

Merging the Procurement Improvement Council and the Council for the Procurement of Health, Educational, and Social Services; altering the duties and membership of the Procurement Improvement Council; repealing provisions of law relating to the Council for the Procurement of Health, Educational, and Social Services; and declaring the intent of the General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SF, § 12-105 - amended and § 12-110 - repealed

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 872 Delegate Charles****SHEILA E. HIXSON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Sheila E. Hixson Behavioral Health Services Matching Grant Program for Service Members and Veterans to provide funds to local nonprofit organizations to establish and expand community behavioral health programs to serve members, veterans and their families; requiring the Department of Health to administer the Program and to establish a statewide system to assess the services provided by the nonprofit organizations; authorizing the Governor to provide \$2,500,000 in the annual budget bill for the Program; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HG, § 7.5-210 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Appropriations

**HB 873 Delegate Charles****STATE BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE PROGRAM PROFESSIONALS – CERTIFICATION – REVISIONS**

Requiring the State Board for Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals to maintain an electronic roster of all individuals certified by the Board; requiring that the roster be available for electronic verification of certification through the Board's website; authorizing certain individuals to contact the Board to verify a certificate; and repealing a certain requirement that a certain renewal notice sent by the Board contain certain information.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

HO, §§ 20-307 and 20-310(b) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 874 Delegate Cox**

MARYLAND VETERANS TRUST FUND – CAM FOR VETERANS GRANT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHED (DAVID PEREZ MILITARY HEROES ACT (END 22 A DAY))

Establishing the CAM for Veterans Grant Program to provide grants to veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, anxiety depression, or stress for financial assistance to obtain certain medical treatments; requiring the Maryland Veterans Trust to implement and administer the Program; requiring the Trust to expend money from the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund to provide grants for the Program; and requiring the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to adopt certain regulations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

SG, § 9-914.2 - amended and § 9-914.4 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 875 Delegate D.E. Davis**

ELECTRICITY – RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – QUALIFYING BIOMASS

Altering the definition of “qualifying biomass” for purposes of excluding energy derived from certain material from being eligible for meeting certain Tier 1 obligations under the renewable energy portfolio standard; providing that existing obligations or contract rights may not be impaired by the Act; and applying the Act to all renewable energy portfolio standard compliance years beginning January 1, 2022, or later.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PU, §§ 7-701(l) and 7-704(a) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 876 Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Uninsured Employers’ Fund)**

UNINSURED EMPLOYERS’ FUND AND SUBSEQUENT INJURY FUND – AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT ON AWARDS AND SETTLEMENTS – SUNSET EXTENSION

Extending to June 30, 2022, the termination provision relating to the percentages of certain assessments imposed by the Workers’ Compensation Commission payable to the Uninsured Employers’ Fund and the Subsequent Injury Fund.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

Chapter 495 of the Acts of 2020, § 2 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 877 Delegate Valentino-Smith (Chair, Joint Committee on Ending Homelessness)**

**WORKGROUP ON ADAPTIVE REUSE OF VACANT COMMERCIAL SPACES**

Establishing the Workgroup on Adaptive Reuse of Vacant Commercial Spaces to study the potential for conversion of vacant or underutilized commercial spaces into residential, mix-use, and commercial spaces in order to increase the affordable housing stock in the State; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before November 30, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 878 Delegate Chang**

**BAY RESTORATION FUND – COUNTY AUTHORITY TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS**

Authorizing a county to borrow money and incur indebtedness through the issuance and sale of notes in anticipation of the receipt of the county's allocation of funds from the Bay Restoration Fund; authorizing a county to expend the net proceeds of the sale of a certain issue of notes only for certain purposes; authorizing the principal of certain notes and the interest on certain notes to be paid from certain sources; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

LG, §§ 19-1001 through 19-1004 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 879 Delegate R. Watson**

**MARYLAND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY – CYBERSECURITY COORDINATION AND OPERATIONS OFFICE – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Cybersecurity Coordination and Operations Office within the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to help improve statewide cybersecurity readiness and response; requiring the Director of MEMA to appoint an Executive Director as head of the Office; requiring the Office to be provided with sufficient staff to perform the Office's functions; requiring the Office to establish regional assistance groups to deliver or coordinate support services to political subdivisions, agencies, or regions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PS, § 14-104.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations



**HB 880 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.

EMERGENCY BILL – CONTINGENT

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 881 Delegate Valentino–Smith**

## MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES – SEXUAL ABUSE AND HARASSMENT – REPORTING AND PREVENTION

Requiring residential treatment facilities to report complaints of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to the Behavioral Health Administration, the Office of Health Care Quality, or in the case of a minor, to Child Protective Services; requiring facilities to develop and implement policies and procedures for responding to complaints of sexual abuse and harassment, ensure that staff provide assistance, and develop and oversee training; requiring the Administration to ensure that policies and procedures are uniform in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, § 10-705 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 882 Delegate Barron**

## WORKGROUP TO STUDY PARTIAL EXPUNGEMENT

Establishing 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 to the General Assembly on or before January 5, 2022; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 883 Allegany County Delegation****ALLEGANY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – TRANSFER AND AUCTION OF LICENSES**

Providing for the transfer of certain expired alcoholic beverages licenses by the Board of License Commissioners for Allegany County to the County Commissioners of Allegany County; requiring the Board to issue two new Class D licenses each year to the County Commissioners for public auction; authorizing the Board to determine which types of new Class D licenses are issued to the County Commissioners for public auction; providing that certain licenses are not subject to certain limitations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

AB, § 9-1602 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 884 Delegate Buckel****TASK FORCE ON THE ECONOMIC FUTURE OF WESTERN MARYLAND – EXTENSION OF REPORT DEADLINE AND TASK FORCE**

Extending the deadline for the reporting requirement for the Task Force on the Economic Future of Western Maryland to October 1, 2021; and extending the termination date for the Task Force.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

Chapter 207 of the Acts of 2020, §§ 1(g) and 2 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 885 Delegate R. Watson****COURTS OF APPEALS AND SPECIAL APPEALS – RENAMING**

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

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT**

Maryland Constitution, Art. II, § 6, Art. III, §§ 5, 30, and 52, Art. IV, Various Sections, Art. V, § 6, and Art. XVII, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 886 Delegate J. Lewis****PUBLIC SAFETY – ELEVATOR INSPECTIONS – TRANSIT COMPACT AUTHORITY**

Establishing that certain provisions of law relating to the inspections of elevators do not apply to elevators installed in a building or structure that is owned, operated, or controlled by a transit compact authority with oversight provided by a State Safety Oversight agency that is certified by the Federal Transit Administration.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

PS, § 12-804(a)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

**HB 887 Delegate Chang****STATE DEBT – ANNUITY BOND FUND – USE OF BOND PREMIUMS**

Expanding the authorized use of certain premiums transferred to the Annuity Bond Fund from the sale of State bonds to include paying for capital projects and, if necessary or appropriate from time to time to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, any other use authorized by the Internal Revenue Code.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

SF, § 8-132 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 888 Delegate McKay****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE, RESCUE, OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MEMBERS – ACTIVE STATUS POINTS**

Altering, under certain circumstances, certain service requirements for a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain volunteer fire, rescue, or emergency medical services members; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

TG, § 10-208(i-1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 889 Delegate Chang****PUBLIC HEALTH – COTTAGE FOOD BUSINESSES – ANNUAL REVENUES**

Altering the definition of “cottage food business” for the purpose of increasing from \$25,000 to \$100,000 the cap on the annual revenue from the sale of cottage food products that a cottage food business may earn.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

HG, § 21-301(b-1) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 890 Delegate D.E. Davis****NATURAL GAS – STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT – SURCHARGE AND PLANS**

Increasing, from \$2 to \$2.50, the maximum monthly surcharge that may be assessed on certain natural gas customers for certain infrastructure replacement projects under certain plans approved by the Public Service Commission under the Strategic Infrastructure Development and Enhancement Program; providing for the inclusion of certain project costs in certain gas company base rates during a multiyear rate plan; providing for the continuation of a certain surcharge for certain costs not included in base rates; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

PU, § 4-210(d)(4) and (g) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HOUSE BILL REASSIGNED JANUARY 26, 2021****HB 630 Delegate Solomon****PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION – SCHOOL DISTRICT ENERGY USE – POLICY AND STUDY**

Requiring each school district to adopt or update a school district energy policy beginning July 1, 2022; specifying the contents of a school district energy policy; encouraging school districts to set targets to increase the school district’s use of renewable energy and reduce the school district’s greenhouse gas emissions; requiring that a school district energy policy be posted on the school district’s website and updated every 2 years; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 5-312.1 - added

Reassigned to: Appropriations

