



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2021 Maryland General Assembly Session

February 3, 2021
Schedule 10

PLEASE NOTE: For the bill introduction, all bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 8.
As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 3, 2021

SB 710 Senator King

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE EMPLOYERS – TELEWORKING

Requiring each governing body, or the governing body's designee, of a county or municipality to establish a certain telework program and adopt a certain telework policy and telework guidelines; requiring the State Court Administrator and the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to establish a certain telework program and adopt a certain telework policy and telework guidelines; requiring, by December 1 each year, a report to certain committees on the number of eligible employees participating in the telework program; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

LG, § 1-206 - added and SP, § 2-308 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

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SB 711 **Senator King****GROWING FAMILY CHILD CARE OPPORTUNITIES PILOT PROGRAM
– ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Growing Family Child Care Opportunities Pilot Program in the Department of Education; authorizing the Department to provide grants to local jurisdictions or child care licensing regions to increase the supply and ensure the sustainability of family child care providers in areas with above average rates of poverty and unemployment; requiring the Department to report to the General Assembly by December 1, 2021, and each year thereafter, on the status of the program and an evaluation of local pilot programs; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 9.5-113 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 712 **Senator Hough, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR REQUIREMENT FOR
MOTORCYCLE RIDERS – EXCEPTION**

Providing that the prohibition against operating or riding on a motorcycle without certain protective headgear does not apply to an individual at least 21 years old who has been licensed to operate a motorcycle for at least 2 years, has completed a certain motorcycle safety course, or is a passenger on a motorcycle operated by a driver who has been licensed for at least 2 years or has completed a certain motorcycle safety course.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

TR, § 21-1306 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 713 Senator Hough, et al**ELECTION LAW – THEFT OR DESTRUCTION OF CAMPAIGN SIGNS – PENALTIES**

Prohibiting a person from willfully and maliciously destroying, injuring, or defacing a campaign sign that is on another person's property; establishing that a violation of the Act is a misdemeanor with a fine of up to \$1,000, or imprisonment for not more than 60 days or both; prohibiting a person from willfully or knowingly obtaining or exerting unauthorized control over a certain campaign sign under certain circumstances; and establishing a fine of up to \$1,000, or imprisonment of up to 60 days, or both for a violation of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EL, § 16-904 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 714 Senator Kagan, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM – ALTERATIONS**

Requiring that certain commercial mobile radio service providers and 9–1–1 service carriers provide notice to certain entities in the event of a certain service outage lasting more than 30 minutes; altering the composition of the Maryland 9–1–1 Board; altering responsibilities and standards of the Board to include support for certain 9–1–1 specialist recruitment activities; altering the purposes of the 9–1–1 Trust Fund to include funding for 9–1–1 specialist recruitment activities; prohibiting the Fund from being used for a certain purpose; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2021

PS, Various Sections - added and amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 715 Senators Carozza and Eckardt**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: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 716 **Senator Carozza, et al****SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT – PROHIBITION ON RELEASING A BALLOON INTO THE ATMOSPHERE**

Prohibiting a person who is at least 13 years old, a corporation, a partnership, an association, a nonprofit entity, the State, or any unit or political subdivision of the State from knowingly and intentionally releasing, or causing to be released, or organizing the release of, a balloon into the atmosphere, with certain exceptions; requiring a certain unit, officer, or official of a local government with delegated enforcement authority to report certain violations; establishing a civil penalty of \$250 for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

EN, § 9-2301 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 717 **Senator Zucker****STATE PERSONNEL – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING – EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIVE ACCESS TO NEW EMPLOYEES**

Altering the type of access and the circumstances under which certain access to new employees by exclusive representatives is required to be permitted by the State, a system institution, Morgan State University, St. Mary's College of Maryland, and Baltimore City Community College; altering from 20 minutes to 30 minutes, the period of time for which an exclusive representative is required to be permitted to address certain new employees under certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SP, § 3-307 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 718 **Senator Zucker****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: Budget and Taxation

SB 719 **Senators Zucker and Augustine**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: Finance

SB 720 **Senator Zucker**

EDUCATION – MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND – PAY PLAN

Requiring a single, uniform pay plan for teachers and professional personnel at the Maryland School for the Blind; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to establish the pay plan after considering recommendations by the Board of Directors of the School; requiring the Board to review certain salaries in determining the pay plan recommendations; requiring the Board to submit the recommendations to the Secretary by June 1 prior to the July 1 of the first fiscal year in which the pay plan will take effect; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 8-308 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs