



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
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SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED *February 21, 2021*

SB 959 **Senator Lam**

EDUCATION – RESIDENTIAL BOARDING PROGRAMS FOR AT-RISK YOUTH – EXPANSION

Authorizing the State Department of Education to contract with an operator to provide at-risk youth in the State with the opportunity to participate in a program providing a student with the opportunity to attend a multiweek accelerated learning residential boarding education program; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an amount to cover the transportation, boarding, and other costs associated with the program; requiring the Governor in fiscal years 2023 and beyond to include \$4,300,000 in budget for the program; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, § 8-704(a) - amended and § 8-711 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

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SB 960 **Senator Lee****HIGHWAYS – PUBLIC–PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS – CULTURAL PRESERVATION**

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

SF, § 5A-325 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 961 **Senator Corderman****CONSORTIUM ON COLLECTIVE IMPACT FOR STUDENT AND FAMILY WELL–BEING – RENAMING AND REVISIONS**

Renaming the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports to be the Consortium on Collective Impact for Student and Family Well–Being; requiring the Consortium to dedicate staff to coordinate with behavioral health services coordinators and local education agency staff; altering the duties of behavioral health services coordinators; requiring the Department of Human Services to designate a primary contact for school services; requiring the Governor’s Office for Children to provide staff for the Consortium; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

ED, §§ 7-446.1 and 7-446.2 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)129. - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 962 **Senator Jackson****REAL PROPERTY – SATISFACTION OF A MORTGAGE – REQUIRED HOMEOWNER’S INSURANCE (CASSIDY’S LAW)**

Requiring an owner of residential real property in the State that is not subject to a mortgage to maintain homeowner’s insurance coverage on the property with liability coverage of at least \$100,000 for bodily or personal injury occurring on the property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

RP, § 14-133 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 963 **Senator Klausmeier**

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT – CLOSED AGAINST ENTRY

Authorizing a person to file a petition for expungement of certain records based on a conviction of a closed against entry offense under the Natural Resources Article or regulations adopted by the Department of Natural Resources.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

CP, § 10-110(a) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 964 **Senator Jennings**

PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS – DEFINITION OF PURCHASER AND ERISA

Altering the definition of “purchaser” for the purposes of certain provisions of State insurance law governing pharmacy benefits managers to repeal the exclusion of certain persons that provide prescription drug coverage or benefits through plans subject to ERISA; and repealing the definition of “ERISA”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

IN, § 15-1601 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 965 **The President**

BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND’S FUTURE – REVISIONS

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

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

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

EMERGENCY BILL

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

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 966 **Senator Hester****VIRTUAL SCHOOLS – STATEWIDE EDUCATION PLATFORM –
PROCUREMENT AND ESTABLISHMENT**

Authorizing the State Department of Education to make a procurement on an expedited basis with the approval of the State Board of Education; authorizing virtual schools to operate on a year-round basis; requiring the Department, in accordance with the expedited procurement process, to issue a request for proposals for a statewide platform to provide virtual education on or before May 1, 2021; requiring the Department to award a contract for the virtual education platform on or before June 1, 2021; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EMERGENCY BILL

ED, §§ 7-103(e), 7-1401 through 7-1403, 7-1405, and 7-1407 - amended and §§ 7-211 and 7-212 - added and SF, § 13-108(c) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules