

April 12, 2022

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On April 12, 2022, the Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., Governor; the Honorable Bill Ferguson, President of the Senate; and the Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House of Delegates, signed the following pieces of legislation, which you passed:

<b>HB 417</b> Chapter 57	<b>The Speaker (By Request – Administration), et al</b> <b>EMPLOYEES’ RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEMS –</b> <b>REEMPLOYMENT EARNINGS LIMITATION – COVID–19</b> <b>EXEMPTION</b>  Exempting retirees of the Employees’ Retirement and Pension Systems from a reemployment earnings limitation for up to 3 years when the retiree’s previous employer, the State of Maryland, rehires the retiree not later than December 31, 2022, to assist with the administration of federally funded grants or benefits related to the COVID–19 pandemic; and applying the Act retroactively to January 1, 2020. <b>EMERGENCY BILL</b>
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**SB 402**

Chapter 58

**The President (By Request – Administration), et al**

**EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEMS –  
REEMPLOYMENT EARNINGS LIMITATION – COVID-19  
EXEMPTION**

Exempting retirees of the Employees' Retirement and Pension Systems from a reemployment earnings limitation for up to 3 years when the individual was previously employed by the State of Maryland and is rehired by the Maryland Department of Health or the Maryland Department of Labor not later than December 31, 2022, to assist with the administration of federally funded grants or benefits related to the COVID-19 pandemic or to work as a member of the COVID Unified Command; and applying the Act retroactively to January 1, 2020.

EMERGENCY BILL

**HB 413**

Chapter 59

**The Speaker (By Request – Administration)**

**HEALTH INSURANCE – INDIVIDUAL MARKET STABILIZATION  
– EXTENSION OF PROVIDER FEE**

Continuing the stabilization of the individual health insurance market by extending to calendar year 2028 the assessment of a health insurance provider fee; exempting stand-alone vision and dental plan carriers that are subject to the health insurance provider fee assessment from the health care regulatory assessment fee and annual assessment fee in certain years; and providing that funds from the distribution of the health insurance provider fee assessment can be used only for certain purposes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**HB 896**

Chapter 60

**Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request –  
Departmental – Stadium Authority)**

**MARYLAND STADIUM AUTHORITY – INCREASE OF BOND  
AUTHORIZATION – CAMDEN YARDS**

Altering the amount of taxable or tax exempt bonds that the Maryland Stadium Authority may issue for certain sports facilities at Camden Yards and the purposes for which the proceeds from those bonds may be utilized; specifying the maximum amount of bonds that may be issued for certain facilities; altering the amount that the Comptroller is required to distribute from the State Lottery Fund to the Maryland Stadium Facilities Fund; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**HB 897**                      **Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request –**  
Chapter 61                    **Departmental – Stadium Authority)**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – SPORTS ENTERTAINMENT  
FACILITIES AND EVENTS, PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY BLUE  
LINE CORRIDOR FACILITIES, AND RACING FACILITIES**

Authorizing the Maryland Stadium Authority to issue certain bonds to finance site acquisition, design, and construction of any portion of a certain sports entertainment facility, subject to certain limitations; authorizing the Authority to issue certain bonds to finance the planning, design, and construction of certain Prince George’s County Blue Line Corridor facilities, subject to certain limitations; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**HB 838**                      **Delegate Buckel, et al**  
Chapter 62

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – WESTERN MARYLAND  
ECONOMIC FUTURE INVESTMENT BOARD AND SENATOR  
GEORGE C. EDWARDS FUND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Western Maryland Economic Future Investment Board; establishing the Senator George C. Edwards Fund to provide grant or loan funding to capital infrastructure and business development projects that improve the economic conditions in the region; requiring the Board to develop criteria to review, evaluate, and rate certain proposals for funding, to distribute certain funding, and to monitor and track the progress of certain projects that have received funding; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**SB 474**                      **Senator Edwards, et al**  
Chapter 63

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EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

- HB 227**  
Chapter 64      **Delegate Harrison, et al**  
STATE GOVERNMENT – LEGAL AND EMPLOYEE HOLIDAY – JUNETEENTH NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY  
Establishing Juneteenth National Independence Day as a State legal holiday and State employee holiday.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
- HB 277**  
Chapter 65      **Delegate Patterson, et al**  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PURPLE STAR SCHOOLS PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT  
Establishing the Purple Star Schools Program to recognize public schools that provide strong services and support for military-connected students and their families when, as a result of military service, a military-connected student transfers schools; establishing certain minimum criteria to qualify as a Purple Star School; and authorizing a public school to partner with the county board to fulfill the Department requirements to qualify as a Purple Star School under the Act.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 234**  
Chapter 66      **Senator Jackson**  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PURPLE STAR SCHOOLS PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT  
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EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**SB 5**

Chapter 67

**Senator Patterson, et al**

**GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS –  
TUSKEGEE AIRMEN COMMEMORATION DAY**

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim the fourth Thursday in March as Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day; and requiring the proclamation to urge educational and cultural organizations to observe Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day through appropriate and informative programs and activities.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**HB 479**

Chapter 68

**Delegate Fennell, et al**

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EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 365**

Chapter 69

**Senator Simonaire**

**STATE GOVERNMENT – MARYLAND VETERANS COMMISSION  
– MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the membership of the Maryland Veterans Commission by adding a representative of the Reserve Organization of America.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 109**

Chapter 70

**Senator Elfreth, et al**

**VEHICLE EXCISE TAX – EXEMPTION – ACTIVE DUTY  
MILITARY**

Exempting a vehicle owned by a member of the military on active duty or who returns to the State from active duty from the vehicle excise tax under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

- HB 497**  
Chapter 71      **Delegate Buckel**  
VEHICLE EXCISE TAX – EXEMPTION – ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY
- Exempting a vehicle owned by a member of the military on active duty or who returns to the State from active duty from the vehicle excise tax under certain circumstances.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- HB 279**  
Chapter 72      **Delegate Rogers, et al**  
VETERANS AFFAIRS – COMMUNICATIONS, OUTREACH, AND ADVOCACY PROGRAM – VETERANS ADVOCACY AND EDUCATION ACT
- Altering the name of the Outreach and Advocacy Program in the Department of Veterans Affairs to be the Communications, Outreach, and Advocacy Program; requiring the Program, in collaboration with the Maryland Higher Education Commission, to actively help veterans and their dependents become aware of and access education and training benefits to which they are entitled; altering certain responsibilities of the director of the Program; repealing a requirement that the Department develop and maintain a certain database of veterans; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 654**  
Chapter 73      **Senator Klausmeier**  
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EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

- HB 900**  
Chapter 74      **Delegates McKay and Kipke**  
DEATH CERTIFICATES – FEES – FIRST RESPONDERS KILLED  
IN THE LINE OF DUTY
- Prohibiting the Maryland Department of Health and local health departments from collecting fees for certified or abridged copies of death certificates for first responders killed in the line of duty if the copy is provided to the first responder’s surviving spouse or child for a certain purpose.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- SB 50**  
Chapter 75      **Senator Young, et al**  
HIGHER EDUCATION – RETURNED PEACE CORPS  
VOLUNTEERS – IN-STATE TUITION
- Exempting returned Peace Corps volunteers who are domiciled in the State from paying nonresident tuition at a public institution of higher education in the State; establishing that returned Peace Corps volunteer students shall be included as in-State residents for the computation of State aid to community colleges; and requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt regulations.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- HB 87**  
Chapter 76      **Delegate Hill**  
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EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**HB 1444**

Chapter 77

**Delegate Wilkins, et al**

**INCOME TAX CREDIT – ENDOWMENTS OF MARYLAND  
HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES – EXTENSION**

Altering the termination date of certain provisions of law that allow a credit against the State income tax for a certain amount of donations to certain permanent endowment funds at certain institutions of higher education.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**SB 299**

Chapter 78

**Senator Young, et al**

**EDUCATION – PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – SEIZURE  
ACTION PLANS (BRYNLEIGH'S ACT)**

Requiring a county board of education and authorizing a nonpublic school, beginning in the 2023–2024 school year, to require at least two school personnel to complete paid professional development training, administered in person or online, in certain seizure recognition and response methods; requiring a public school to require certain school personnel to present, every 2 years, to all school personnel who have direct contact with and supervision of students an abridged version of certain best practices for seizure response; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**SB 2**

Chapter 79

**Senator Augustine**

**MENTAL HEALTH LAW – PETITIONS FOR EMERGENCY  
EVALUATION – ELECTRONIC RECORD**

Authorizing a petition for emergency evaluation to be in the form of an electronic record and transmitted and received electronically.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022



**HB 48**

Chapter 80

**Delegate Belcastro**

**PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND SUICIDE FATALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Establishing the Maryland Suicide Fatality Review Committee; providing that a person has immunity from liability for certain actions related to the Committee; providing for the sharing of information with and confidentiality of information obtained by the Committee; exempting Committee meetings from the Open Meetings Act; and prohibiting certain persons from testifying in any proceeding about details of a Committee meeting.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 94**

Chapter 81

**Senator Eckardt, et al**

**PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND SUICIDE FATALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Establishing the Maryland Suicide Fatality Review Committee, also referred to as the State team, to identify and address the factors contributing to suicide deaths and facilitate system changes in the State to prevent suicide deaths; requiring the State team to report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly; providing for the sharing of information with and confidentiality of information obtained by the State team; exempting State team meetings from the Open Meetings Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 323**

Chapter 82

**Senator Augustine**

**PUBLIC HEALTH – MEDICATIONS TO TREAT AN OPIOID USE DISORDER – PREFERRED AND NONPREFERRED MEDICATIONS**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to adopt a certain reporting system, analyze patterns of prescribing medications in the State, conduct outreach, and identify certain barriers related to prescribing medications to treat an opioid use disorder; requiring the Department to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on its findings by October 1, 2023, and each October 1 thereafter; and requiring the Department to submit a report with a certain initial analysis by October 1, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**HB 578**

Chapter 83

**Delegate Kaiser, et al**

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EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**HB 1086**

Chapter 84

**Delegate Rosenberg**

**OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND – APPROPRIATION OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS AND GRANT PROGRAM**

Requiring the appropriation of certain funds from the Opioid Restitution Fund to be made in accordance with certain settlement agreements; requiring the Secretary of Health to establish and administer a grant program for the distribution of certain opioid restitution funds to political subdivisions in accordance with a certain agreement; and requiring the Attorney General to identify and designate the controlling version of the settlement agreements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 419**

Chapter 85

**Senator Feldman, et al**

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EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

- HB 1110**      **Delegate Holmes**  
Chapter 86      ENVIRONMENT – LEAD POISONING PREVENTION –  
ELEVATED BLOOD LEAD LEVEL
- Altering the elevated blood lead level that initiates certain case management, environmental investigation, notification, and lead risk reduction requirements; and requiring the Department of the Environment to study and report on the most effective means of incorporating the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Blood Lead Reference Value into the State’s lead poisoning prevention programs on or before December 31, 2022.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 178**      **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**  
Chapter 87      **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**  
PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – LOCAL PROJECTS – FEDERAL FUNDS
- Altering a requirement for an applicant to make a certain certification relating to the availability of federal funds for a certain project on an application for a certain local projects grant under Program Open Space.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 190**      **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**  
Chapter 88      **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**  
TIDAL FISHERIES ADVISORY COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP TERM – ALTERATION
- Altering the term of the members of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission from 2 years to 4 years; and providing the Act applies only to members appointed on or after February 1, 2023.  
EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2023
- HB 882**      **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By**  
Chapter 89      **Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)**  
NATURAL RESOURCES – POCOMOKE RIVER WILDLAND –  
ALTERATION OF BOUNDARIES
- Altering the boundaries of the Pocomoke River Wildland by exempting a certain tract of land that serves as a trail course and adding a certain tract of land.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

- HB 221**  
Chapter 90      **Delegate Thiam**  
NATURAL RESOURCES – HEALING HUNTING AND FISHING  
FUND – NO-COST LICENSES AND STAMPS
- Authorizing an eligible sponsor organization providing recreational opportunities with grant funding from the Healing Hunting and Fishing Fund to provide at no cost an angler’s license and trout stamps, a Chesapeake Bay and coastal sport fishing license, or a hunting license and any corresponding stamps to certain persons.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 665**  
Chapter 91      **Senator Corderman, et al**  
NATURAL RESOURCES – HEALING HUNTING AND FISHING  
FUND – NO-COST LICENSES AND STAMPS
- Authorizing an eligible sponsor organization providing recreational opportunities with grant funding from the Healing Hunting and Fishing Fund to provide at no cost an angler’s license and trout stamps, a Chesapeake Bay and coastal sport fishing license, or a hunting license and any corresponding stamps to certain persons.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 206**  
Chapter 92      **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs  
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)**  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – SPAY/NEUTER FUND –  
EXTENSION
- Extending the termination date to September 30, 2032, for provisions of law relating to the Spay/Neuter Fund; and requiring the Department of Agriculture, by October 1, 2022, to report to the General Assembly on the Spay/Neuter Fund.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**SB 171**  
Chapter 93      **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs  
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Environment)**

**ENVIRONMENT – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MODERNIZATION  
ACT**

Authorizing the Department of the Environment to hold certain public meetings and hearings regarding certain licensing, permitting, and regulatory responsibilities using teleconference or Internet-based conferencing technology under certain circumstances; requiring that certain hearings regarding sewage sludge permits be held in accordance with provisions of law regarding public participation rather than with the Administrative Procedure Act; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**HB 586**  
Chapter 94      **Delegate Arentz, et al**  
**QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDINGS  
USED FOR AGRITOURISM**

Adding Queen Anne’s County to the list of counties that exempt agricultural buildings used for agritourism from certain building performance standards; and exempting a building used for agritourism in Queen Anne’s County from a certain permit requirement under certain circumstances.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**SB 489**  
Chapter 95      **Senator Hershey**  
**QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDINGS  
USED FOR AGRITOURISM**

Adding Queen Anne’s County to the list of counties that exempt agricultural buildings used for agritourism from certain building performance standards; and exempting a building used for agritourism in Queen Anne’s County from a certain permit requirement under certain circumstances.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**HB 12**

Chapter 96

**Worcester County Delegation**

**WORCESTER COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDINGS USED FOR AGRITOURISM**

Adding Worcester 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 if the subordinate use of agritourism does not require more than 200 people to occupy an individual building at any one time and the total width of means of egress meets or exceeds the International Building Code standard that applies to egress components other than stairways in a building without a sprinkler system.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**SB 32**

Chapter 97

**Senator Carozza**

**WORCESTER COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDINGS USED FOR AGRITOURISM**

Adding Worcester 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 if the subordinate use of agritourism does not require more than 200 people to occupy an individual building at any one time and the total width of means of egress meets or exceeds the International Building Code standard that applies to egress components other than stairways in a building without a sprinkler system.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**SB 539**

Chapter 98

**Senators Elfreth and Beidle**

**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS – EXEMPTIONS**

Providing that certain taxes or assessments imposed by Anne Arundel County in certain special taxing districts do not apply to certain property that is exempt from taxation; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**HB 635**

Chapter 99

**Delegate Rogers, et al**

**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS – EXEMPTIONS**

Providing that certain taxes or assessments imposed by Anne Arundel County in certain special taxing districts do not apply to certain property that is exempt from taxation; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**HB 302**

Chapter 100

**Baltimore County Delegation**

**BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR HOMEOWNERS WHO HAVE SUFFERED A HARDSHIP**

Authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on a dwelling that is owned by a homeowner whose combined gross income exceeds \$60,000 if the homeowner demonstrates certain criteria, including that the homeowner or member of the homeowner's immediate family suffered a hardship related to an illness or an accident or a property casualty event at the homeowner's dwelling.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

**SB 349**

Chapter 101

**Senator Hettleman, et al**

**BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR HOMEOWNERS WHO HAVE SUFFERED A HARDSHIP**

Authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county property tax imposed on a dwelling that is owned by a homeowner whose combined gross income exceeds \$60,000 if the homeowner demonstrates certain criteria, including that the homeowner or a member of the homeowner's immediate family suffered a hardship related to an illness or accident-related injury or a property casualty event at the homeowner's dwelling.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

- SB 641**  
Chapter 102      **Carroll County Senators**  
**CARROLL COUNTY – COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS – REDISTRICTING PLAN**  
Altering the boundaries for the county commissioner districts in Carroll County.  
EMERGENCY BILL
- HB 1247**  
Chapter 103      **Howard County Delegation**  
**HOWARD COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX – CREDIT FOR SENIORS TO OFFSET PROPERTY TAX RATE INCREASE HO. CO. 10–22**  
Authorizing the governing body of Howard County to grant, by law, a property tax credit, equal to 100% of any rate increase that exceeds \$1.014 for each \$100 of assessment, against the county property tax imposed on a dwelling if the dwelling is owned by an individual who is at least 65 years old, has resided in the dwelling for 30 consecutive years, and whose combined income does not exceed \$75,000; and authorizing the governing body of Howard County to provide, by law, for certain matters relating to the credit.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
- HB 914**  
Chapter 104      **Calvert County Delegation**  
**CALVERT COUNTY – PROCUREMENT – AWARD OF MULTIYEAR CONTRACTS**  
Altering the conditions for the award of certain multiyear contracts approved by resolution of the Commissioners of Calvert County.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- HB 503**  
Chapter 105      **Montgomery County Delegation**  
**MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION RESIDENCE DISTRICTS – KEN GAR NEIGHBORHOOD MC 26–22**  
Altering the boundaries of certain residence districts for the Montgomery County Board of Education for the purpose of changing the district in which the Ken Gar Neighborhood is located.  
EMERGENCY BILL



**HB 804**                    **Delegates Queen and Hill**

Chapter 106

**COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION – ENHANCED  
CONSUMER PROTECTIONS AND ENFORCEMENT TOOLS**

Prohibiting a regulated person from performing acts that are anticompetitive, unfair, deceptive, abusive, or injurious to the public interest; authorizing the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to issue orders requiring the correction of a violation of law subject to the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, including the restitution of money or property; and providing for certain information sharing by the Commissioner involving entities engaging in activity over which the Commissioner has jurisdiction.

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022**

**SB 252**                    **Senator Kelley**

Chapter 107

**COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION – ENHANCED  
CONSUMER PROTECTIONS AND ENFORCEMENT TOOLS**

Prohibiting a regulated person from performing acts that are anticompetitive, unfair, deceptive, abusive, or injurious to the public interest; authorizing the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to issue orders requiring the correction of a violation of law subject to the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, including the restitution of money or property; and providing for certain information sharing by the Commissioner involving entities engaging in activity over which the Commissioner has jurisdiction.

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022**

**HB 448**                    **Delegate Smith**

Chapter 108

**STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGISTS – LICENSEES –  
SUPERVISION OF APPRENTICES**

Increasing, from one to two, the maximum number of apprentices that certain licensed cosmetologists may directly train and supervise; and requiring the State Board of Cosmetologists in the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt regulations consistent with the Act.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022**

**HB 17**

Chapter 109

**Delegate Palakovich Carr**

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE – RECURRING CONTRIBUTIONS AND DONATIONS – REQUIREMENTS**

Establishing requirements for the solicitation of a recurring contribution for a political committee or a recurring donation for an independent expenditure or electioneering communication; and providing that the amount of any donation obtained in violation of these requirements is an outstanding obligation of the person making independent expenditures or electioneering communications who obtained the donation until the donation is repaid to the donor.  
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023

**HB 252**

Chapter 110

**Delegate Palakovich Carr, et al**

**INCOME TAX – MARYLAND EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES**

Establishing the Maryland Earned Income Tax Credit Assistance Program for Low-Income Families to identify residents who are eligible to claim the credit but have failed to do so; requiring the Comptroller, for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2024, to provide, as a part of the Program, certain forms to claim the Maryland earned income tax credit to certain eligible residents; requiring the Comptroller to provide certain notice to eligible residents concerning the Program; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 369**

Chapter 111

**Senator King**

**INCOME TAX – MARYLAND EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES**

Establishing the Maryland Earned Income Tax Credit Assistance Program for Low-Income Families to identify residents who are eligible to claim the Maryland earned income tax credit but have failed to do so and to provide these residents with a streamlined method to claim the credit; requiring the Comptroller, for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2024, to provide certain forms to eligible residents to claim the credit; requiring the Comptroller to provide certain notice to eligible residents concerning the Program; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

- HB 483**  
Chapter 112      **Delegate Ivey**  
**HOMEOWNERS' PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – IDENTIFICATION OF ELIGIBLE HOMEOWNERS**  
Requiring the Comptroller, for the purpose of identifying homeowners who are eligible for but have failed to claim the homeowners' property tax credit, to identify individuals who did not file an income tax return for the 3 most recent taxable years and provide the State Department of Assessments and Taxation those individuals' contact information.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- HB 350**  
Chapter 113      **Delegate Brooks**  
**UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION – ENFORCEMENT**  
Authorizing the Maryland Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Authority to impose, instead of or in addition to assessing a civil penalty, enforcement measures on persons that perform excavation or demolition without providing required notice.  
EMERGENCY BILL
- SB 464**  
Chapter 114      **Senator Feldman, et al**  
**UNDERGROUND FACILITIES DAMAGE PREVENTION – ENFORCEMENT**  
Authorizing the Maryland Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Authority to impose, instead of or in addition to assessing a civil penalty, enforcement measures on persons that perform excavation or demolition without providing required notice.  
EMERGENCY BILL
- SB 183**  
Chapter 115      **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Information Technology)**  
**STATE GOVERNMENT – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – REVIEW OF PROJECTS AND PROPOSALS**  
Altering the information technology proposals about which a unit of State government is required to advise the Secretary of Information Technology to include those involving the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of communications sites, communications facilities, or communications frequencies for certain purposes.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 191**  
Chapter 116 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Commerce)**

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND PURPLE LINE CONSTRUCTION ZONE GRANT PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the definition of “economic development program” for purposes of certain data collection, tracking, and reporting requirements of the Maryland Jobs Development Act to include certain tax credit programs; altering the purpose of the Purple Line Construction Zone Grant Program; requiring the Department of Commerce to distribute certain funds under the Grant Program in a certain manner; requiring a county that receives funds under the Program to implement a process for awarding grants to qualified small businesses; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**SB 192**  
Chapter 117 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

**STATE PROCUREMENT – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM – REAUTHORIZATION EXTENSION**

Altering the termination date for certain provisions of law concerning the Minority Business Enterprise Program; and altering the date by which the final report on a certain study of the Minority Business Enterprise Program is required to be submitted to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly to before September 30, 2023, so that the General Assembly may review the report before the 2024 Session.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**SB 210**  
Chapter 118 **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

**TAX CREDITS – EMPLOYER-PROVIDED COMMUTER BENEFITS – EXPANSION AND ADMINISTRATION**

Expanding the types of commuter benefits for which a business entity may claim a tax credit to include a certain carpool program, telework program, active transportation program, and multimodal commuter program; requiring the Department of Transportation to administer an application process for the tax credit; and limiting the total amount of tax credits that may be authorized each year to \$1,000,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

**SB 218**                      **Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request –**  
Chapter 119                **Departmental – Transportation)**

**VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVER'S LICENSES AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS – TEMPORARY RENEWAL**

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue a temporary renewal for a driver's license or identification card for a period not exceeding 2 years for certain applicants.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 167**                      **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**  
Chapter 120                **Maryland Insurance Administration)**

**MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to require an insurer that holds a certificate of authority to fulfill the holder's obligations or pay a claim or an amount due instead of, or in addition to, suspending or revoking the certificate; and authorizing the Commissioner, on a finding of a violation of certain provisions of law, to require an insurer, a nonprofit health service plan, or a health maintenance organization to provide to a claimant a certain payment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 188**                      **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**  
Chapter 121                **Maryland Insurance Administration)**

**INSURANCE – MANAGING GENERAL AGENTS – REVIEW REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing the requirement that an insurer's review of the underwriting and claims processing operations of its managing general agent be conducted on-site.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 182**                      **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**  
Chapter 122                **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

**STATE BOARD OF ELECTRICIANS – SUNSET EXTENSION**

Continuing the State Board of Electricians in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board to July 1, 2033.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 184**  
Chapter 123 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs  
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

**STATE BOARD OF HEATING, VENTILATION,  
AIR-CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS –  
SUNSET EXTENSION**

Continuing the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2033, the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 193**  
Chapter 124 **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs  
Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

**STATE BOARD OF PLUMBING – SUNSET EXTENSION**

Continuing the State Board of Plumbing in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2033, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 205**  
Chapter 125 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –  
Labor)**

**DIVISION OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND ADULT  
LEARNING – APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL –  
SUNSET EXTENSION**

Continuing the Apprenticeship and Training Council in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2034, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Council.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**SB 211**                    **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**  
Chapter 126           **Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)**

**STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS – SUNSET  
EXTENSION**

Continuing the State Board for Professional Engineers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2033, the termination provisions relating to certain statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022**

**SB 219**                    **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental –**  
Chapter 127           **Labor)**

**OFFICE OF CEMETERY OVERSIGHT – SUNSET EXTENSION**

Continuing the Office of Cemetery Oversight in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2033, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Office.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022**

**SB 204**                    **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs**  
Chapter 128           **Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Library)**

**STATE LIBRARIES – MARYLAND STATE LIBRARY BOARD –  
MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the ex officio membership of the Maryland State Library Board by removing the position of the Secretary of Higher Education and substituting the position of the President of the Congress of Academic Library Directors.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022**

**SB 197**                    **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –**  
Chapter 129                **Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

**HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT PROGRAM –  
RETROACTIVE QUALIFICATION AND CALCULATION OF THE  
CREDIT**

Authorizing, under certain circumstances, a homeowner to retroactively qualify for the Homestead Tax Credit Program for a certain taxable year and the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to calculate a certain assessment as if the credit had been granted for that taxable year; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022**

**HB 203**                    **Delegate Attar**  
Chapter 130

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**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022**

**SB 181**                    **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –**  
Chapter 131                **Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**

**HOMEOWNERS' PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – APPLICATION  
FILING DEADLINE – EXTENSION**

Authorizing the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to accept an application for the homeowners' property tax credit submitted by a homeowner within 1 year after April 15 of the taxable year for which the credit is sought if the homeowner is applying for the credit for the first time or has filed a timely application for the credit for the 3 immediately preceding taxable years.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022**



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EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
- SB 201**                    **Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request –**  
Chapter 133                **Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)**
- STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION – PROPERTY APPRAISAL AIDS AND RECORD RETENTION (MICROFILM TO DIGITAL ACT OF 2022)**
- Altering the requirement that the State Department of Assessments and Taxation prepare, install, and maintain certain property appraisal aids; and authorizing the Department to retain property records in an electronic medium and transfer property records to the State Archives for retention.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- SB 226**                    **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative**  
Chapter 134                **Services)**
- ANNUAL CURATIVE BILL**
- Generally curing previous Acts of the General Assembly with possible title defects.  
**EMERGENCY BILL**

**SB 406**      **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative**  
Chapter 135 **Services)**

**ANNUAL CORRECTIVE BILL**

Correcting certain errors or omissions in certain articles of the Annotated Code; clarifying language; correcting certain obsolete references; reorganizing certain sections of the Annotated Code; providing that the Act is not intended to affect any law other than to correct technical errors; and providing for the correction of certain errors and obsolete provisions by the publishers of the Annotated Code.

**EMERGENCY BILL**

Sincerely,

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