May 12, 2022

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On May 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:

**SB 394**  
Chapter 239  
**The President (By Request – Administration), et al**  
STATEWIDE TARGETED OVERDOSE PREVENTION (STOP) ACT OF 2022  
Authorizing certain emergency medical services providers to offer opioid overdose reversal drugs approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration to individuals who received treatment for a nonfatal drug overdose or were evaluated by a crisis evaluation team; requiring certain community services programs, certain private and public entities, and hospitals to have a protocol to offer overdose reversal drugs free of charge to certain individuals under certain circumstances; etc.  
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**HB 1187**  
Chapter 240  
**Delegate Anderton, et al**  
TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY USER REVENUES – REVENUE AND DISTRIBUTION  
Altering the amount of income tax revenue from corporations that is distributed to a certain fund each year; and altering, beginning in fiscal year 2020, the amounts of capital grants calculated based on highway user revenues that are required to be to Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities.  
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**SB 754**
Chapter 241

**Senator Hester, et al**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CYBERSECURITY – COORDINATION AND OPERATIONS (LOCAL CYBERSECURITY SUPPORT ACT OF 2022)

Establishing the Cyber Preparedness Unit in the Maryland Department of Emergency Management; establishing certain responsibilities of the Unit; requiring local governments to report certain cybersecurity incidents in a certain manner and under certain circumstances; requiring the State Security Operations Center to notify appropriate agencies of a cybersecurity incident in a certain manner; establishing the Office of Security Management within the Department of Information Technology and certain Office positions; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

**SB 812**
Chapter 242

**Senator Hester, et al**

STATE GOVERNMENT – CYBERSECURITY – COORDINATION AND GOVERNANCE

Establishing the Office of Security Management within the Department of Information Technology; establishing the Maryland Cybersecurity Coordinating Council; requiring certain IT units to certify compliance with certain cybersecurity standards; requiring each unit of the Executive Branch of State government and certain local entities to report certain cybersecurity incidents in a certain manner; requiring the Department of General Services to establish certain basic security requirements in be included in certain contracts; etc.

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**Delegate P. Young, et al**

STATE GOVERNMENT – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND CYBERSECURITY–RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE (MODERNIZE MARYLAND ACT OF 2022)

Requiring a public or private water or sewer system that serves 10,000 or more users and receives financial assistance from the State to, on or before a certain date, assess its vulnerability to a cyber attack, develop a cybersecurity plan if appropriate, and submit a certain report to the General Assembly; authorizing the Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration to provide financial assistance to a public water or wastewater system to assess system cybersecurity vulnerabilities and develop a cybersecurity plan; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

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**Delegate Watson**

PUBLIC SAFETY – RESILIENT MARYLAND REVOLVING LOAN FUND – ALTERATIONS

Altering the Resilient Maryland Revolving Loan Fund to provide for loans to be made to private property owners; authorizing the Fund to include money from the Federal Emergency Management Agency; requiring a portion of the Fund to be used for the hazard mitigation of buildings; and authorizing loan forgiveness under certain circumstances.

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**Senator Hester**

PUBLIC SAFETY – RESILIENT MARYLAND REVOLVING LOAN FUND – ALTERATIONS

Altering the Resilient Maryland Revolving Loan Fund to provide loans to private property owners for hazard mitigation projects, including wind retrofits, flood mitigation elevation, floodproofing, wildland fire retrofit mitigation, and earthquake retrofit mitigation; authorizing the Fund to include money from the Federal Emergency Management Agency; requiring a portion of the Fund to be used for hazard mitigation projects for buildings under certain circumstances; and authorizing loan forgiveness under certain circumstances.

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**SB 215**
Chapter 246  
Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Energy Administration)

ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS – INCOME TAX CREDIT AND GRANT PROGRAM

Altering from December 31, 2022, to December 31, 2024, the date by which an energy storage system is required to be installed for purposes of eligibility for a certain credit against the State income tax for the costs of installing an energy storage system; establishing the Energy Storage System Grant Program in the Maryland Energy Administration to provide grants to certain applicants for the purchase and installation of energy storage systems; establishing the Energy Storage System Grant Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

**SB 179**
Chapter 247  
Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – General Services)

ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS – DURATION

Extending to 30 years the maximum duration of an energy performance contract by a unit of State government.

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**HB 730**
Chapter 248  
Delegate Buckel

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND E–INNOVATION INITIATIVE PROGRAM – QUALIFYING DONATIONS

Altering the minimum threshold for a qualified donation or pledge made to a research endowment of a nonprofit institution of higher education for purposes of the Maryland E–Innovation Initiative Program if the nonprofit institution of higher education has an annual unrestricted current funds budget of less than $250,000,000.

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**SB 473**  
Chapter 249  
**Senators Edwards and Corderman**  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND E-NNOVATION INITIATIVE PROGRAM – QUALIFYING DONATIONS  
Altering the minimum threshold for a qualified donation or pledge made to a research endowment of a nonprofit institution of higher education for purposes of the Maryland E–Nnovation Initiative Program if the nonprofit institution of higher education has an annual unrestricted current funds budget of less than $250,000,000.  
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**HB 1477**  
Chapter 250  
**Washington County Delegation**  
WASHINGTON COUNTY – MOBILE HOME PARKS AND MOBILE HOME TAX – REVISIONS AND REPEAL  
Authorizing Washington County to impose a certain tax on the amounts paid for certain accommodations in or services provided by a mobile home park; repealing provisions of law authorizing Washington County to impose, by ordinance, a tax on the use of a mobile home in the county; repealing a requirement that the Director of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation direct the Department to assess the value of certain mobile homes in Washington County under certain circumstances; and applying the Act retroactively.  
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**HB 971**  
Chapter 251  
**Delegate Kipke**  
MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT – NETWORK ADEQUACY  
Requiring the Maryland Department of Health and the Behavioral Health Administration to ensure that the delivery system for specialty mental health services under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program has an adequate network of providers available to provide substance use disorder treatment for children under the age of 18 years.  
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**Senator Corderman**

MARYLAND STADIUM AUTHORITY – HAGERSTOWN MULTI-USE SPORTS AND EVENTS FACILITY – ALTERATIONS

Altering the entity with which the Maryland Stadium Authority must enter into a written operating agreement before issuing bonds to finance the Hagerstown Multi–Use Sports and Events Facility from the Hagerstown–Washington County Industrial Foundation to The Hagerstown Multi–Use Sports and Events Facility, Inc.; and requiring The Hagerstown Multi–Use Sports and Events Facility, Inc., to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the assessment of the maintenance and repair needs of the facility.

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**Delegate McIntosh, et al**

MARYLAND PEDIATRIC CANCER FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Pediatric Cancer Fund to be used only for pediatric cancer research, prevention, and treatment; requiring the Secretary of Health to adopt regulations to implement a pediatric cancer research grant program; requiring the Governor in fiscal year 2023 to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $5,000,000 for the Fund; providing that if the $5,000,000 is not included in the fiscal year 2023 appropriation, then the Governor is required to include it in the fiscal year 2024 budget bill; etc.

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**Senator Jackson, et al**

MARYLAND PEDIATRIC CANCER FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Pediatric Cancer Fund to provide grants to certain eligible persons, institutions, and organizations to conduct pediatric cancer research, prevention, and treatment; and requiring the Secretary of Health to adopt regulations to implement a pediatric cancer research grant program.

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**SB 929**  
Chapter 255  
**Senator Guzzone**  
ADMISSIONS AND AMUSEMENT TAX – SPORTS WAGERING – PROHIBITION  
Prohibiting the application of the admissions and amusement tax to proceeds from sports wagering.  
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**SB 792**  
Chapter 256  
**Senator Guzzone**  
HORSE RACING – SATELLITE SIMULCAST BETTING FACILITIES AND PERMIT HOLDERS – ALTERATIONS  
Providing that zoning approval is not required to use a facility for satellite simulcast betting if the facility is properly zoned for operation of a video lottery facility, a sports wagering facility or electronic bingo or tip jar machines; authorizing the State Racing Commission to waive review of an applicant for a satellite simulcast betting permit if the applicant is licensed to conduct certain gaming activities; repealing certain requirements for the standard of and amenities offered by a satellite simulcast facility; etc.  
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**HB 942**  
Chapter 257  
**Delegate Luedtke**  
SATELLITE SIMULCAST BETTING FACILITIES AND PERMIT HOLDERS AND SPORTS WAGERING FACILITIES – ALTERATIONS  
Providing that certain zoning approval is not required to use a facility for satellite simulcast betting if the facility is zoned for operation of a video lottery facility, a sports wagering facility, or electronic bingo or tip jar machines; altering certain provisions of law governing the awarding of certain sports wagering facility licenses to facilities located within a certain distance of certain other sports wagering facilities; repealing certain requirements related to the amenities of satellite simulcast facilities; etc.  
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Delegates Atterbeary and Ivey

INCOME TAX – THEATRICAL PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT

Allowing certain theatrical production entities to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain costs incurred for certain theatrical productions within the State; making the credit refundable under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Commerce to administer the credit; and prohibiting the Secretary from issuing tax credit certificates for credit amounts in the aggregate totaling more than $5,000,000 in any fiscal year.

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Senator Guzzone, et al

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Delegate Smith

HUMAN SERVICES – CASH CAMPAIGN – ANNUAL APPROPRIATION

Increasing, from $200,000 to $500,000 beginning in fiscal year 2024, the amount of an appropriation that the Governor is required to provide in the annual budget bill for the CASH Campaign of Maryland.

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Senator Guzzone

HUMAN SERVICES – CASH CAMPAIGN – ANNUAL APPROPRIATION

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**HB 49**
Chapter 262

Delegate Johnson, et al
PUBLIC HEALTH – EMERGENCY AND ALLERGY TREATMENT PROGRAM – NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Authorizing registered nurse practitioners to prescribe and dispense auto–injectable epinephrine to certain certificate holders who operate youth camps.
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**SB 380**
Chapter 263

Senator Benson, et al
PUBLIC HEALTH – EMERGENCY AND ALLERGY TREATMENT PROGRAM – NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Authorizing registered nurse practitioners to prescribe and dispense auto–injectable epinephrine to certain certificate holders who operate youth camps.
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**SB 239**
Chapter 264

Senator Simonaire
ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN FINANCE – PROTECTION OF CONTRIBUTOR

Prohibiting a person from using contributor information from any report or statement required under provisions of law governing campaign finance for commercial solicitation purposes; and prohibiting a person from publishing contributor information from any report or statement required under provisions of law governing campaign finance in newspapers, magazines, books, websites, or other similar media for the purpose of facilitating commercial solicitation.
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**Delegate Shetty**

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – SYSTEM FOR NEWBORN SCREENING – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the newborn screening program in the Maryland Department of Health to require testing for each condition listed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Recommended Uniform Screening Panel; and requiring by January 1, 2023, the Department to include in the system for newborn screening any core condition added to the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel within 1 year after the addition of the condition to the panel.

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**Senator Hershey, et al**

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – SYSTEM FOR NEWBORN SCREENING – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the newborn screening program in the Maryland Department of Health to require testing for each condition listed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Recommended Uniform Screening Panel, subject to the approval of the State Advisory Council on Hereditary and Congenital Disorders and the Secretary of Health; and establishing certain requirements related to the approval or disapproval of the inclusion of a condition and the implementation of testing for a condition in the system for newborn screening.

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**Delegate Reilly, et al**

PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS AND VETERANS TAX CREDIT – AMOUNT AND DURATION

Authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to determine the amount and duration of a certain tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on the dwelling of certain elderly individuals and veterans; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022.

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Senator Hershey, et al
PROPERTY TAX – ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS AND VETERANS TAX CREDIT – AMOUNT AND DURATION
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SB 679
Chapter 269
Cecil County Senators
FAIR HILL IMPROVEMENT FUND – SPECIAL EVENT AREA AND OPERATIONS
Requiring that certain funds credited to the Fair Hill Improvement Fund be used exclusively for the grounds and facilities within the special event area at Fair Hill; authorizing the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $1,800,000 to the Fund; and authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to use certain funds for certain grants to certain entities for certain purposes.
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HB 794
Chapter 270
Delegate Rosenberg
PUBLIC HEALTH – OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL
Establishing the Opioid Restitution Fund Advisory Council in the Maryland Department of Health to provide specific findings and recommendations regarding the allocation of money from the Opioid Restitution Fund; and altering the permissible uses for the Fund and the requirement that the Governor consult with certain persons to identify recommended appropriations from the Fund.
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HB 912  
Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al  
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HEALTH INSURANCE – PROVIDER PANELS – COVERAGE FOR NONPARTICIPATION  
Requiring each carrier to inform members and beneficiaries of the procedure to request a referral to a specialist or nonphysician specialist who is not part of the carrier’s provider panel; establishing a certain requirement on certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations related to the provision of certain mental health and substance use disorder services provided to a member by a nonparticipating provider; etc.  
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SB 707  
Senator Klausmeier  
Chapter 272  
HEALTH INSURANCE – PROVIDER PANELS – COVERAGE FOR NONPARTICIPATION  
Requiring each carrier to inform members and beneficiaries of the procedure to request a referral to a specialist or nonphysician specialist who is not part of the carrier’s provider panel; establishing a certain requirement on certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations related to the provision of certain mental health and substance use disorder services provided to a member by a nonparticipating provider; etc.  
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SB 574  
Senator Klausmeier  
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ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AWARENESS FUND – ANNUAL FUNDING AND EXTENSION  
Altering from $400,000 to $500,000, beginning in fiscal year 2024, the annual amount to be distributed from the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Fund to a certain qualified nonprofit entity; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal years 2024 through 2027 a certain appropriation to the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Fund; and extending the termination date for certain provisions of law governing the distribution of money from the Fund.  
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HB 1370  
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Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al

ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AWARENESS FUND – ANNUAL FUNDING AND EXTENSION

Altering from $400,000 to $500,000, beginning in fiscal year 2024, the annual amount to be distributed from the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Fund to a certain qualified nonprofit entity; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal years 2024 through 2027 a certain appropriation to the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Fund; and extending the termination date to September 30, 2027, for certain provisions of law governing the distribution of money from the Fund.

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HB 945  
Chapter 275  
Delegates Shoemaker and Rose

CARROLL COUNTY – MULTI–DRAWING RAFFLES

Increasing, from 30 to 52, the number of weekly drawings in a multi–drawing raffle that certain organizations in Carroll County may conduct; and repealing the $1,100 limitation on the value of the major prize in a multi–drawing raffle in Carroll County.

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SB 371  
Chapter 276  
Carroll County Senators

CARROLL COUNTY – PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK

Repealing provisions relating to obtaining a criminal history records check in Carroll County; and authorizing the Department of Human Resources in Carroll County to request, after the submission of two complete sets of the employee’s or volunteer’s fingerprints and certain fees, from the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository a State and national criminal history records check for a prospective county employee or volunteer who will be assigned to a certain position.

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**HB 692**  
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Carroll County Delegation  
CARROLL COUNTY – STATE’S ATTORNEY – RESTRICTIONS ON PRACTICE  
Prohibiting the State’s Attorney in Carroll County from engaging in the private practice of law.  
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**SB 906**  
Chapter 278  
Carroll County Senators  
CARROLL COUNTY – STATE’S ATTORNEY – RESTRICTIONS ON PRACTICE  
Prohibiting the State’s Attorney in Carroll County from engaging in the private practice of law.  
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**HB 1188**  
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Delegate Patterson, et al  
PUBLIC HEALTH – SICKLE CELL DISEASE  
Renaming the Statewide Steering Committee on Services for Adults with Sickle Cell Disease to be the Statewide Steering Committee on Sickle Cell Disease; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish and implement a system of providing information on the sickle cell trait or the thalassemia trait to individuals diagnosed with either trait or the individual’s family; requiring the Department to maintain on its website a list of resources for health care practitioners and a plan for updating its website to meet certain requirements; etc.  
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**SB 859**  
Chapter 280  
Senator Watson  
PUBLIC HEALTH – SICKLE CELL DISEASE  
Renaming the Statewide Steering Committee on Services for Adults with Sickle Cell Disease to be the Statewide Steering Committee on Sickle Cell Disease; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish and implement a system of providing information on the sickle cell trait or the thalassemia trait to certain individuals; and requiring the Department to maintain on its website a certain list of resources for health care practitioners and establish a plan for updating its website to meet certain requirements.  
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SB 932  
Chapter 281  
Senator Watson  
MARYLAND INTRASTATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT – CITY OF BOWIE

Authorizing the City of Bowie to participate in the Maryland Intrastate Emergency Management Assistance Compact.  
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HB 615  
Chapter 282  
Delegates Healey and Holmes  
REAL PROPERTY – CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

Altering the procedures for dispute settlement between a council of unit owners or a board of directors and an alleged violator under the Maryland Condominium Act; establishing procedures for dispute settlement between a board of directors or other governing body and an alleged violator under the Maryland Homeowners Association Act; and applying the Act prospectively.  
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HB 1340  
Chapter 283  
Montgomery County Delegation  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS MC 08–22

Altering the membership and appointment of the board of directors of a district corporation in Montgomery County; altering the procedures by which certain persons may apply to establish a district corporation or expand the geographic area of a district; limiting the imposition of a certain tax to certain owners of nonexempt property within a district; applying the Act retroactively; etc.  
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Prince George’s County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

HB 1059
Chapter 284

BICOUNTY COMMISSIONS – ETHICS – CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE PG/MC 103–22

Requiring each bicounty commission to certify to the Ethics Commission that the bicounty commission is in compliance with requirements relating to conflicts of interest, financial disclosure, and lobbying; and providing that regulations adopted by a bicounty commission relating to lobbying may be modified to make regulations relevant to the bicounty commission.
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Delegate Shetty

HB 33
Chapter 285

CRIMINAL LAW – CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES – SCHEDULES – ADJUSTMENT

Repealing certain lists of substances designated as controlled dangerous substances under certain schedules under the Maryland Controlled Substances Act.
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Senator Waldstreicher

SB 614
Chapter 286

CRIMINAL LAW – CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES – SCHEDULES – ADJUSTMENT

Repealing certain lists of substances designated as controlled dangerous substances under certain schedules under the Maryland Controlled Substances Act.
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Delegate Solomon

CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – USE OR MAINTENANCE OF IMPROPER OR OUTDATED ADDRESSES IN DOCUMENTS

Prohibiting the use or maintenance of an improper or outdated address in documents filed for inclusion in records of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; authorizing a person listed as an owner of real property in the Department’s records to file an affidavit with the Department stating that the property’s address on record with the Department is being used or maintained in violation of the Act; etc.

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Senator Waldstreicher

CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – USE OR MAINTENANCE OF IMPROPER OR OUTDATED ADDRESSES IN DOCUMENTS

Prohibiting the use or maintenance of an improper or outdated address in documents filed for inclusion in records of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation; authorizing a person listed as an owner of real property in the Department’s records to file an affidavit with the Department stating that the property’s address on record with the Department is being used or maintained in violation of the Act; etc.

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Delegate Brooks

CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – RATIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE CORPORATE ACTS

Establishing a process by which a defective corporate act may be ratified by a board of directors of a corporation; requiring a corporation ratifying a defective corporate act that would have required a filing with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to file articles of validation with the Department; authorizing an adversely affected person or entity to file an action contesting a ratification under the Act; and applying the Act to real estate investment trusts.

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Senator Waldstreicher
CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – RATIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE CORPORATE ACTS

Establishing a process by which a defective corporate act may be ratified by a board of directors of a corporation; requiring a corporation ratifying a defective corporate act that would have required a filing with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to file articles of validation with the Department; authorizing an adversely affected person or entity to file an action contesting a ratification under the Act; and applying the Act to real estate investment trusts.
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HB 186  
Chapter 291
Delegate Brooks
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION FOR CENTENARIANS

Authorizing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for up to $100,000 of income received during a taxable year by an individual who is at least 100 years old; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021.
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HB 999  
Chapter 292
Delegate Brooks
CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – REVISIONS

Revising and clarifying laws relating to the formation, organization, and operation of corporations; repealing certain redundant and obsolete provisions; correcting certain references; authorizing a certain dissent to be submitted by electronic transmission; adding limited liability companies to the list of entity types that certain persons may serve in certain capacities and be eligible for insurance provided by certain other corporations; etc.
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**SB 431**  
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**Senators West and Waldstreicher** 
CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – REVISIONS  
Revising and clarifying laws relating to the formation, organization, and operation of corporations; repealing certain redundant and obsolete provisions; correcting certain references; authorizing a certain dissent to be submitted by electronic transmission; adding limited liability companies to the list of entity types that certain persons may serve in certain capacities and be eligible for insurance provided by certain other corporations; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022  

**HB 342**  
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**Delegate Brooks** 
CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES AND PARTNERSHIPS – OPERATING AGREEMENTS AND PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS  
Authorizing the operating agreement of a limited liability company to provide for the transfer or assignment of an interest in the company to a certain person on the occurrence of certain events regardless of whether the person is a member; authorizing a member of a limited liability company to retain the member’s noneconomic interest in the company on assignment of all of the member’s economic interest in the company under certain circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022  

**SB 261**  
Chapter 295 

**Senator West** 
CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS – LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES AND PARTNERSHIPS – OPERATING AGREEMENTS AND PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS  
Authorizing the operating agreement of a limited liability company to provide for the transfer or assignment of an interest in the company to a certain person on the occurrence of certain events regardless of whether the person is a member; authorizing a member of a limited liability company to retain the member’s noneconomic interest in the company on assignment of all of the member’s economic interest in the company under certain circumstances; etc. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
Delegate Pendergrass  
HB 1127  
Chapter 296  
PUBLIC HEALTH – STATE DESIGNATED EXCHANGE – HEALTH DATA UTILITY

Requiring the State designated exchange to operate as a health data utility for the State for certain purposes; requiring dispensers to provide certain medication data to the State designated exchange; requiring dispensers to submit certain prescription information to the State designated exchange; and requiring the State designated exchange to establish a consumer advisory council to bring the perspective of individuals and organizations with an interest in protecting consumers into the delivery of services provided by the exchange.  
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Delegate Pendergrass, et al  
HB 1148  
Chapter 297  
HEALTH INSURANCE – TWO-SIDED INCENTIVE ARRANGEMENTS AND CAPITATED PAYMENTS – AUTHORIZATION

Providing that value–based arrangements established under certain provisions of federal law are exempt from certain provisions of State law regulating health care practitioner referrals; providing that a health care practitioner or set of health care practitioners that accepts capitated payments in a certain manner but does not perform certain other acts is not considered to be performing acts of an insurance business; etc.  
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**SB 834**
*Chapter 298*

**Senators Beidle and Kelley**

HEALTH INSURANCE – TWO–SIDED INCENTIVE ARRANGEMENTS AND CAPITATED PAYMENTS – AUTHORIZATION

Providing that value–based arrangements established under certain provisions of federal law are exempt from certain provisions of State law regulating health care practitioner referrals; providing that a health care practitioner or set of health care practitioners that accepts capitated payments in a certain manner but does not perform certain other acts is not considered to be performing acts of an insurance business; prohibiting participation in a certain arrangement from being the sole opportunity for increases in reimbursement; etc.

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**HB 452**
*Chapter 299*

**Delegate Kerr**

FREDERICK COUNTY – DISPOSITION OF MARRIAGE CEREMONY FEE

Requiring the clerk of the circuit court of Frederick County to pay $15 of the fee for performing a marriage ceremony in Frederick County to Heritage Frederick; and providing for the reporting and auditing of certain financial records.

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**Senators Young and Hough**

FREDERICK COUNTY – DISPOSITION OF MARRIAGE CEREMONY FEE

Requiring the clerk of the circuit court of Frederick County to pay $15 of the fee for performing a marriage ceremony in Frederick County to Heritage Frederick; and providing for the reporting and auditing of certain financial records.

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022**
Delegate Kerr

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES – WORKGROUP

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to convene a workgroup of interested stakeholders to study palliative care services in the State; requiring the Commission to submit an interim report to the Governor and General Assembly by July 1, 2023, and a final report by November 1, 2023, to include findings and recommendations to improve palliative care services in the State and the need for any legislative initiatives; etc.

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Delegate Cullison, et al

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DENTAL COVERAGE FOR ADULTS

Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, beginning January 1, 2023, and subject to certain limitations, to provide dental services, including diagnostic, preventive, restorative, and periodontal services, for adults whose annual household income is at or below 133 percent of the federal poverty level; and repealing certain provisions of law requiring the implementation of a pilot program to provide limited dental coverage to adult recipients under the Program.

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Senators Augustine and Guzzone

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Delegate Cullison  

**HEALTH INSURANCE – NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Requiring the board of directors of a nonprofit health service plan to be composed of at least 11 members and no more than 23 members; requiring the Board to seek to include individuals with a diverse range of experience relevant to the nonprofit health service plan, including experience in data, consumer experience, government programs, population health, geriatrics, diversity, and other areas; and requiring the three consumer members to be either subscribers or certificate holders of a certain health service plan.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

Senator Feldman  

**HEALTH INSURANCE – NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Altering the required composition of the board of directors of a nonprofit health service plan; requiring the Board to consist of at least 11 and not more than 23 members; requiring that three consumer members be covered by the nonprofit health service plan or its affiliates; requiring the Board to include individuals with diverse and relevant experience, including experience in data, consumer experience, government programs, population health, geriatrics, diversity, equity and inclusion, and human resources; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

Senator Feldman  

**HEALTH – AUTHORIZATION TO PRESCRIBE AND ADMINISTER AMYGDALIN – REPEAL**

Repealing certain provisions of law relating to the prescription, administration, and regulation of amygdalin.  
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Delegate Kelly

PHARMACY SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATIONS AND PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS – CONTRACTS

Requiring pharmacy benefits managers or group purchasing organizations, rather than pharmacy services administrative organizations, to submit contracts between pharmacy services administrative organizations and pharmacy benefits managers or group purchasing organizations to the Maryland Insurance Administration; allowing pharmacy services administrative organizations to provide copies of certain documents to independent pharmacies in an electronic or paper format; etc.
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Senator Kramer

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HB 969  
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Delegate Kelly, et al

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS – TRAINING AND DISCIPLINARY PROCESSES – REVISIONS

Establishing training requirements for members of the State Board of Dental Examiners; and establishing and codifying Board disciplinary processes related to the issuance of final decisions and summary suspensions of licenses by the Board.
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HB 1073
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Delegate Cullison, et al
HEALTH – ACCESSIBILITY OF ELECTRONIC ADVANCE CARE PLANNING DOCUMENTS

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to coordinate the accessibility of electronic advance care planning documents in the State; requiring certain health care facilities, managed care organizations, and carriers to take certain actions relating to electronic advance care planning documents; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to submit a report regarding the implementation of certain provisions of law relating to advance directives; etc.
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Senator Kramer
HEALTH – ACCESSIBILITY OF ELECTRONIC ADVANCE CARE PLANNING DOCUMENTS

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INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT – SUNSET EXTENSION AND REPORTING

Extending from September 30, 2022, to June 30, 2030, the termination date of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact and other provisions of law related to the Compact; and requiring the State Board of Physicians to include an update on the status of the Compact in its 2023 annual report.

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**SB 696**  
Chapter 314  
Senator Beidle, et al  
MARYLAND LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT FOR NURSES AND NURSING SUPPORT STAFF – PROGRAM ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNDING

Establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Nurses and Nursing Support Staff to assist certain nurses and nursing support staff with the repayment of certain education loans; establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program Fund for Nurses and Nursing Support Staff; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to convene a certain stakeholder workgroup for a certain purpose.

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**SB 496**  
Chapter 315  
Senator Beidle  
BUSINESS REGULATION – MISCELLANEOUS STATE BUSINESS LICENSES – ALTERATIONS

Altering certain administrative and enforcement provisions for business licenses issued in the State; altering certain licensing provisions for certain businesses in the State, including construction, garages, peddlers, junk dealers and scrap metal processors, laundries and dry cleaners, storage warehouses, restaurants, chain stores, traders, and vending machines; etc.

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REVIVAL OF NONSTOCK AND RELIGIOUS CORPORATIONS  
Establishing that nonstock corporations and religious corporations must file only the seven most recently due annual reports when filing articles of revival and past–due annual reports online.  
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**Delegate Saab, et al**  
**HB 853**  
Chapter 317  
REVIVAL OF NONSTOCK AND RELIGIOUS CORPORATIONS  
Establishing that nonstock corporations and religious corporations must file only the seven most recently due annual reports when filing articles of revival and past–due annual reports online.  
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WORKGROUP ON BLACK, LATINO, ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER, AND OTHER UNDERREPRESENTED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS  
Establishing the Workgroup on Black, Latino, Asian American Pacific Islander, and Other Underrepresented Behavioral Health Professionals; and requiring the Workgroup, on or before July 1, 2023, to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly.  
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**Delegates Bhandari and R. Lewis**  
**HB 28**  
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PHARMACISTS – NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY MEDICATION  
Authorizing a pharmacist who meets the requirements of regulations adopted by the State Board of Pharmacy to prescribe and dispense nicotine replacement therapy medications approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the purpose of aiding in tobacco cessation or smoking cessation.  
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**Senator Washington**

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Chapter 320

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**Delegate Carr**

**HB 820**

Chapter 321

HEALTH INSURANCE – PEDIATRIC AUTOIMMUNE NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS – MODIFICATION OF COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS

Removing a requirement that rituximab be approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration to be subject to a requirement on certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for the treatment of certain pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders; etc.

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**Senators McCray and Edwards**

**SB 453**

Chapter 322

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND MAKERSPACE INITIATIVE PROGRAM

Establishing the Maryland Makerspace Initiative Program in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation to encourage the establishment of makerspaces throughout the State; authorizing the Corporation to partner with a certain entity to provide technical assistance to certain nonprofit entities and to award certain financial assistance to local governments, certain designees of local government, and certain nonprofit entities for the establishment of makerspaces in the State; etc.

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Senator McCray, et al  
INCOME TAX – FILM PRODUCTION ACTIVITY TAX CREDIT – DIGITAL ANIMATION PROJECTS

Expanding eligibility for the credit against the State income tax for certain film production activities to include certain digital animation projects; defining “digital animation project” as the creation, development, and production of computer-generated animation content for distribution or exhibition to the general public; etc.  
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HB 456  
Chapter 324

Delegates Valentino-Smith and Ruth  
SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – STATE SUPPLEMENT

Increasing the amount of the supplemental benefit that the State must provide under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program by increasing the minimum total monthly benefit from $30 to $40.  
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HB 78  
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Delegates Rogers and Charkoudian  
DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT – REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR APPLICANTS WITH DISABILITIES

Prohibiting an employer from failing or refusing to make a certain accommodation for the known disability of an applicant for employment; and establishing that an employer is not required to accommodate an applicant for employment’s disability if the accommodation would cause undue hardship on the conduct of the employer’s business.  
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HB 91  
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Delegate Holmes  
IRREDEEMABLE GROUND RENTS – NOTICE AND FILING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the online registry of properties subject to ground leases maintained by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to include certain information; and requiring the holder of an irredeemable ground rent to file a renewal notice of intention to preserve irredeemability of the ground rent with the Department within a certain period of time.  
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Delegate Henson, et al

**PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTIONS FOR BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY – ALTERATIONS**

Altering eligibility for exemptions from the personal property tax for personal property of a home business or personal property with a total original cost below $20,000; and prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from collecting personal property information or requiring the submission of a personal property tax return from certain businesses that qualify for certain personal property tax exemptions.

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Senator Hayes, et al

**PROPERTY TAX – EXEMPTIONS FOR BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY – ALTERATIONS**

Altering eligibility for exemptions from the personal property tax for personal property of a home business or personal property with a total original cost of less than $20,000; and prohibiting the State Department of Assessments and Taxation from collecting certain information or requiring the submission of a personal property tax return from certain businesses that qualify for certain personal property tax exemptions.

**EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022**

Delegate Smith

**PROPERTY TAX – RENTERS’ PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM – APPLICATION PERIOD**

Authorizing the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to accept an application for the property tax relief program for renters within 3 years after the calendar year for which property tax relief is sought under certain circumstances; and applying the Act retroactively to affect all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2019.

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Chapter 330  
Baltimore City – Homestead Property Tax Credit – Notice

Requiring Baltimore City to mail a certain notice of the homestead property tax credit to certain homeowners in Baltimore City whose dwellings have increased in value by more than 10%.  
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HB 660  
Delegate Guyton, et al  
Chapter 331  
Commission to Study the Division of Rehabilitation Services (Student Job Training Reformation Act)

Establishing the Commission to Study the Division of Rehabilitation Services to evaluate and make recommendations on improving various aspects of the Division of Rehabilitation Services’ programs and services; and requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 15, 2022.  
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HB 1398  
Delegate Attar, et al  
Chapter 332  
Property Taxes – Baltimore City Residential Retention Credit – Termination of Sunset

Terminating the sunset of a certain property tax credit against the property tax imposed on a certain dwelling in Baltimore City that is newly purchased by a homeowner who has received the homestead property tax credit for a dwelling in Baltimore City.  
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HB 807  
Delegate Queen  
Chapter 333  
Real Estate Brokers, Salespersons, and Associate Brokers – Continuing Education Courses – Verification of Identity

Requiring an entity that conducts a continuing education course for real estate brokers, salespersons, and associate brokers to require an individual enrolled in a course to provide, to verify the individual’s identity, a photo identification for an in–person course and a signed affidavit attesting to the identity of the individual for a virtual or other remote course.  
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**HB 296**
Chapter 334

**Delegate Crutchfield**

TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDERS – ELECTRONIC FILING AND VIDEO CONFERENCING HEARINGS

Authorizing a petitioner receiving medical treatment at a hospital to electronically file a petition for a temporary protective order while at the hospital; requiring hospitals to refer petitioners to certain programs; authorizing a petitioner to electronically file a petition for a temporary protective order from certain programs and centers; and requiring a court that receives an electronically filed petition to hold a hearing through video conferencing either the same or next business day under certain circumstances.

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**SB 280**
Chapter 335

**Senator Hettleman, et al**

TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDERS – ELECTRONIC FILING AND VIDEO CONFERENCING HEARINGS

Authorizing a petitioner receiving medical treatment at a hospital to electronically file a petition for a temporary protective order while at the hospital; requiring certain hospitals to refer a petitioner filing a petition on the grounds of domestic violence to a hospital–based or community–based domestic violence prevention program; and authorizing a petitioner to electronically file a petition for a temporary protective order from certain programs and centers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

**HB 927**
Chapter 336

**Delegate Palakovich Carr**

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – AFFORDABLE HOUSING – EXCESS REAL PROPERTY

Requiring the Department of Planning to provide a list of excess real property owned by the State to the Department of Housing and Community Development; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to determine whether any of the listed properties are suitable for use or redevelopment as affordable housing; altering the contents of the Rental Housing Fund; requiring the Comptroller to distribute $30,000,000 of income tax revenue from individuals to the Rental Housing Fund on or before June 30, 2022; etc.

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**Senator Hettleman**

**SB 744**  
Chapter 337  
**HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – AFFORDABLE HOUSING – EXCESS REAL PROPERTY**

Requiring the Department of Planning to provide a list of excess real property owned by the State to the Department of Housing and Community Development; requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to determine whether any of the listed properties are suitable for use or redevelopment as affordable housing; establishing the Rental Housing Fund; requiring the Comptroller to distribute $30,000,000 of income tax revenue from individuals to the Rental Housing Fund on or before June 30, 2022; etc.

**VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES**

**HB 680**  
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**Baltimore County Delegation**  
**BALTIMORE COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – SUPERMARKETS**

Authorizing the governing body of Baltimore County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the personal property tax imposed on personal property of a supermarket that completes construction of a new supermarket or any substantial renovation of an existing supermarket and is located in a food desert retail incentive area; and requiring the governing body of Baltimore County to designate what constitutes a food desert retail incentive area for purposes of the tax credit.

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**HB 884**  
Chapter 339  
**Delegate Gilchrist, et al**  
**STATE CONSERVATION LAND – OLD–GROWTH FORESTS – MANAGEMENT**

Requiring that whenever the Department of Natural Resources identifies an old–growth forest on State conservation land, the land shall be managed in a way that prohibits logging; and providing that nothing in the Act may be interpreted to prohibit the Department from taking certain actions to protect old–growth forest from certain harms subject to certain conditions.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
Senator Elfreth, et al

PUBLIC HEALTH – PARKINSON’S DISEASE REGISTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE – ESTABLISHED

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish a Parkinson’s Disease Registry Advisory Committee to assist in the development and implementation of a Parkinson’s Disease Registry, determine what data should be collected and stored in a registry and the methods to ensure the privacy and confidentiality of the data, and advise the Department on Parkinson’s disease and maintaining a registry; and requiring the Department to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on recommendations for the establishment of a registry.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

Senators Elfreth and Pinsky

BAY RESTORATION FUND – INTENDED USE PLANS AND PRIVATELY OWNED WASTEWATER FACILITIES

Requiring the Department of the Environment to provide a certain intended use plan to the General Assembly within 5 days of the plan’s publication for public comment; altering the definition of “privately owned wastewater facility” as it relates to the awarding of grants from the Bay Restoration Fund; requiring the Department to report on or provide certain information regarding funding for privately owned wastewater facilities to the General Assembly and the Department of Budget and Management; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

Delegate Stein

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SB 1005 Chapter 343

Senator Elfreth (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions), et al

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – DIVESTMENT FROM RUSSIA

Requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to review investment holdings in certain eligible accounts to determine the extent to which funds are invested in Russia–restricted investments; requiring the Board of Trustees to take certain divestment actions; prohibiting the Board of Trustees from making certain new investments; providing certain immunities from liability for certain persons; requiring the Board of Trustees to act in good faith in taking certain actions in a certain manner; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

On May 12, 2022, the Honorable Bill Ferguson, President of the Senate; and the Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House of Delegates, signed the following joint resolutions, which you passed:

HJ 8 Res. No. 6

Delega te Reznik, et al

SOLIDARITY WITH THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

Stating that the State of Maryland stands in solidarity with the government and people of Ukraine as they resist the unprovoked invasion of their territory by the Russian Federation.

SJ 11 Res. No. 7

Senator Hough, et al

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Sincerely,

Victoria L. Gruber
Executive Director