



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Effective Dates

2022 Budget Bill – Effective April 1, 2022

(Article III, § 52(6) of the Maryland Constitution states, “... the Budget Bill ..., when and as passed by both Houses, shall be a law immediately without further action by the Governor.”)

SB290

Chapter 484

The President (By Request – Administration)

BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2023)

Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

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2022 Chapters – Emergency Bills

HB 1486
Chapter 1

Delegate Johnson, et al

MOTOR FUEL TAXES – TAX-FREE PERIOD

Providing that, for the 30-day period beginning on the effective date of the Act, certain motor fuel taxes that would otherwise be imposed do not apply; requiring the Comptroller to pay a refund advance of motor fuel tax to qualifying retailers under certain circumstances; requiring a qualifying retailer to pay certain motor fuel tax to the Comptroller within 30 days after the expiration of the tax-free period; authorizing the suspension of certain licenses of a qualifying retailer under certain circumstances; etc.

SB 1010
Chapter 2

The President, et al

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SB 1012
Chapter 16

The President

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTING PLAN

Establishing the composition of the eight districts in the State of Maryland for the election of members to the United States House of Representatives; and requiring that a certain question be submitted to the qualified voters of the State if the Act is petitioned to referendum under Article XVI of the Maryland Constitution.

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SB 158
Chapter 35**Senator Kagan****ELECTION LAW – VOTING SYSTEMS COSTS AND POLLING PLACES – REQUIREMENTS**

Codifying a requirement that a county pay its share of 50% of the State's costs to acquire and operate the uniform statewide voting systems; requiring that a county's share of the cost of acquiring and operating the uniform statewide voting system be based on the county's voting age population; and requiring that, in both the 2022 statewide primary election and the 2022 statewide general election, in-person voting on election day be conducted at a certain number of precinct polling places.

HB 417
Chapter 57**The Speaker (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 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.

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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- SB 226**
Chapter 134 **The President (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**
ANNUAL CURATIVE BILL
Generally curing previous Acts of the General Assembly with possible title defects.

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

HB 576 **Delegate W. Fisher, et al**
Chapter 176 **WILLS AND TRUST INSTRUMENTS – ELECTRONIC EXECUTION**

Authorizing a person to execute an electronic will or remotely witnessed will without a notary public if the supervising attorney creates a certified will that contains a certain form attached or annexed to the will; prohibiting a supervising attorney from being a witness to an electronic will or remotely witnessed will if the will is executed without a notary public; and authorizing a notary public located in the State to perform a notarial act using communication technology for a remotely located individual for a trust instrument.

SB 36 **Senator West**
Chapter 177 **WILLS AND TRUST INSTRUMENTS – ELECTRONIC EXECUTION**

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HB 328
Chapter 191**Delegate D. Jones****ELECTIONS – POLLING PLACE LOCATION RESTRICTIONS – REPEAL**

Repealing restrictions on holding an election in a building used, owned, or occupied by an establishment that holds an alcoholic beverages license; requiring the State Board to adopt regulations regarding the use of a building or part of a building that is owned, occupied, or partially occupied by an establishment that holds an alcoholic beverages license as a polling place; and requiring certain regulations to prioritize the placement of polling places in a facility not owned by the holder of an alcoholic beverage license.

Except Section 1**SB 907**
Chapter 192**Senator Simonaire****ELECTIONS – POLLING PLACE LOCATION RESTRICTIONS – REPEAL**

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Except Section 1**SB 499**
Chapter 193**Senator Simonaire****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS TERM LIMITS AND COMMERCIAL BINGO LICENSE**

Prohibiting members of the Board of License Commissioners for Anne Arundel County from serving more than four consecutive terms; extending the term of a certain member of the Board; and authorizing the Board to issue a commercial bingo license to the owner of a licensed commercial bingo establishment.

SB 500
Chapter 194**Senator Simonaire**

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – REPUBLICAN PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE – ELECTIONS

Altering, from three to two, the number of members elected from each councilmanic district of Anne Arundel County to the Anne Arundel County Republican Party Central Committee.

HB 1471
Chapter 197**Delegate Beitzel**

GARRETT COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – LEASE AUTHORIZATION AND ALTERATIONS TO BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Authorizing the County Commissioners of Garrett County and the Board of Governors of the Garrett County Memorial Hospital to lease the hospital or certain portions of the hospital under certain circumstances; and providing for alterations to the Board of Governors under certain circumstances.

SB 978
Chapter 198**Senator Edwards**

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Authorizing the County Commissioners of Garrett County and the Board of Governors of the Garrett County Memorial Hospital to lease the hospital or certain portions of the hospital under certain circumstances; and providing for alterations to the Board of Governors under certain circumstances.

- SB 79**
Chapter 202 **Senator Bailey**
HIGHER EDUCATION – SENATORIAL AND DELEGATE SCHOLARSHIPS – PROGRAM ACCREDITATION
- Authorizing each Senator to award not more than 10% of funds available under the Senatorial Scholarship Program, and authorizing Delegates to award Delegate Scholarships, to applicants planning to attend certain accredited institutions outside the State, provided that the applicant will be studying in an academic area that is not offered in a program accredited by a national accrediting association approved by the United States Department of Education in any institution in the State.
- HB 89**
Chapter 206 **Delegate Queen**
STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – CHILD CARE STABILIZATION GRANTS
- Requiring the State Department of Education to administer, in fiscal years 2022 and 2023, child care stabilization grants to provide financial support to child care providers that have faced financial hardship or suffered an operational burden during the COVID–19 pandemic; and providing for the priority in grant awards.
- SB 480**
Chapter 207 **Senator Hester, et al**
STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – CHILD CARE STABILIZATION GRANTS
- Requiring the State Department of Education to administer, in fiscal years 2022 and 2023, child care stabilization grants to provide financial support to child care providers that have faced a financial hardship or suffered an operational burden during the COVID–19 pandemic; and providing for the priority in grant awards.

HB 289
Chapter 213**Delegate Otto****SOMERSET COUNTY – ELECTIONS – COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DISTRICTS AND BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATE FILINGS**

Establishing new boundaries for the county commissioner districts in Somerset County; providing for the reopening of the candidate filing deadline for a candidate for the office of member of the Somerset County Board of Education who will be elected at the 2022 general election; and prohibiting an individual who files for the office of member of the Somerset County Board of Education from withdrawing the candidacy.

SB 270
Chapter 214**Senator Carozza****SOMERSET COUNTY – ELECTIONS – COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DISTRICTS AND BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATE FILINGS**

Establishing new boundaries for the county commissioner districts in Somerset County; providing for the reopening of the candidate filing deadline for a candidate for the office of member of the Somerset County Board of Education who will be elected at the 2022 general election; and prohibiting an individual who files for the office of member of the Somerset County Board of Education from withdrawing the candidacy.

HB 1057
Chapter 218**Prince George’s County Delegation****PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – RECREATION BLUE RIBBON WORKGROUP PG 406–22**

Establishing the Prince George’s County Recreation Blue Ribbon Workgroup to study and make recommendations to the Prince George’s County Council on improving access to certain programming, facilities, and opportunities, the potential costs, benefits, and advantages of transferring the responsibility for certain operations from the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission to another entity; and requiring the Workgroup to submit its recommendations to the Prince George’s County Council by April 11, 2023.

SB 180 **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland**
Chapter 229 **Insurance Administration)**

INSURANCE – CONFORMITY WITH FEDERAL LAW – THE NO SURPRISES ACT AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021

Providing that the federal No Surprises Act and certain other provisions of the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 regarding transparency apply to all insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that deliver or issue for delivery in the State policies or contracts for a health benefit plan, blanket health insurance, or short-term limited duration insurance; and authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to enforce the Act.

SB 754 **Senator Hester, et al**
Chapter 241

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.

HB 1205 **Delegate P. Young, et al**
Chapter 243

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.

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.

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.

SB 373
Chapter 347**Senator Kagan****DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – NOTICE OF ENTRY ONTO PRIVATE PROPERTY**

Requiring the State Highway Administration or the Maryland Transit Administration, when it gives certain notice to a property owner or posts certain notice to property, to send a copy of a certain notice to the General Assembly members who represent the legislative district in which the property is located.

HB 163
Chapter 348**Delegate Carr****DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – NOTICE OF ENTRY
ONTO PRIVATE PROPERTY**

Requiring the State Highway Administration or the Maryland Transit Administration, when giving certain notice to a property owner or posts certain notice to property, to send a copy of a certain notice to the General Assembly members who represent the legislative district in which the property is located.

SB 771
Chapter 373**Senator Ferguson****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSES AND
OUTDOOR TABLE SERVICE PRIVILEGES**

Altering certain hours of sale, certain square footage requirements, and a certain license fee for the holder of a public market license in the 46th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to waive certain distance restrictions for an application for the transfer of a license into a certain area; repealing a provision of law authorizing the Board to issue not more than two Class B licenses in a certain area in the 46th alcoholic beverages district; etc.

HB 1221
Chapter 374**Delegate Amprey****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 40TH
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue certain licenses in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; and prohibiting certain license holders in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district from selling alcoholic beverages at certain times of day.

SB 757**Chapter 375****Senator Hayes****BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 40TH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue certain licenses in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; and prohibiting certain license holders in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district from selling alcoholic beverages at certain times of day.

SB 642**Chapter 379****Senator Cassilly****HARFORD COUNTY – VEHICLE HEIGHT MONITORING SYSTEMS**

Authorizing the use of vehicle height monitoring systems in Harford County to enforce certain State and local laws restricting the presence of certain vehicles during certain times subject to certain requirements.

HB 1473**Chapter 454****Prince George’s County Delegation****PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICTS – REDISTRICTING PLAN PG 507–22**

Altering the boundaries of the school board districts for election of the members of the Prince George’s County Board of Education.

SB 444**Chapter 455****Prince George’s County Senators****PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICTS – REDISTRICTING PLAN**

Altering the boundaries of the school board districts for election of the members of the Prince George’s County Board of Education.

HB 536
Chapter 495**Delegate Pendergrass****MARYLAND INSURANCE COMMISSIONER – AUTHORITY – FEDERAL HEALTH EMERGENCY**

Requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to adopt regulations that may be applied when a national or public health emergency that affects the State is issued by the President of the United States or the Secretary of Health and is based on a serious health threat resulting from the existence of a certain deadly agent; and requiring that a carrier that issues Medicare supplement policies establish a special enrollment period for individuals enrolled in Medicare Part B and the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

HB 1182
Chapter 605**Carroll County Delegation****CARROLL COUNTY – COMMISSIONERS – COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS**

Limiting the type of group insurance program and the type of pension plan the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County may establish for the Board of County Commissioners; altering the compensation and expenses to which the county commissioners are entitled; specifying that a county commissioner may participate in a defined benefit or defined contribution pension plan offered to full-time county employees, but is not eligible for any employer matching contribution; etc.

SB 545
Chapter 606**Carroll County Senators****CARROLL COUNTY – COMMISSIONERS – COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS**

Limiting the type of group insurance program and type of pension plan the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County may establish for the Board of County Commissioners; altering the compensation and expenses to which the county commissioners are entitled; specifying that a county commissioner may participate in a defined benefit or defined contribution pension plan offered to full-time county employees, but is not eligible for any employer matching contribution; etc.

HB 716
Chapter 615**Delegate Lehman, et al****PATUXENT RIVER COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP**

Altering the membership of the Patuxent River Commission by increasing the voting membership from 34 to 36 members and including 1 individual representing an organization or unit of local government engaged in watershed management and restoration, the Patuxent Riverkeeper, and the President of the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science or a designee.

HB 753
Chapter 662**Delegates D. Jones and Lisanti****PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS – BUS DRIVER WAGES – STUDY**

Requiring the Governor’s Workforce Development Board, on or before September 1, 2022, to evaluate, study, and identify certain issues relating to wages paid to certain bus drivers and report its findings to the governing body of each county and Baltimore City, each county board of education, including Baltimore City, the Governor, and the General Assembly.

HB 932
Chapter 671**Delegate Stewart, et al****LANDLORD AND TENANT – RIGHT TO REDEMPTION OF LEASED PREMISES – FORM OF PAYMENT**

Providing that, in an action of summary ejectment for failure to pay rent where a landlord or park owner is awarded a judgment giving restitution of the leased premises, a tenant or resident who has the right to redemption of the leased premises by tendering all past due amounts plus court awarded costs and fees may tender those amounts, costs, and fees in an electronic or written check issued by a political subdivision or on behalf of a governmental entity.

SB 592
Chapter 672**Senator Lee, et al****LANDLORD AND TENANT – RIGHT TO REDEMPTION OF LEASED PREMISES – FORM OF PAYMENT**

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HB 625
Chapter 707**Delegate Kelly****COMMISSION TO STUDY THE HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE CRISIS IN MARYLAND – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Commission to Study the Health Care Workforce Crisis in Maryland to examine certain areas related to health care workforce shortages in the State, including the extent of the workforce shortage, short-term solutions to the workforce shortage, future health care workforce needs, and the relationship between the Maryland Department of Health and the health occupations boards; and requiring the Commission to submit its final report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2023.

SB 440
Chapter 708**Senator Beidle****COMMISSION TO STUDY THE HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE CRISIS IN MARYLAND – ESTABLISHMENT**

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HB 493
Chapter 756**Harford County Delegation****HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SERVICE UNDER STADIUM LICENSE**

Repealing the requirement that an individual serve beer, wine, and liquor under a Harford County stadium beer, wine, and liquor license only in plastic, Styrofoam, or paper containers; and authorizing an individual to serve beer, wine, and liquor in a glass container in an area in the stadium designated by the license holder to hold a special event.

HB 1050
Chapter 762**Prince George's County Delegation****PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – LIMITS AND RENEWAL APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR CLASS B LICENSES PG 305–22**

Increasing the maximum number of Class B beer, wine, and liquor licenses that the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County may issue; requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Prince George's County to accept on or before May 1, 2022, a license renewal application filed by the holder of a Class B license set to expire on May 31, 2022; and authorizing the Board to impose a late fee of \$1,000 for each license renewal application filed after April 1, 2022, that the Board accepts under certain circumstances.