

# MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

# DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

### Effective Dates

# 2022 Chapters - Effective October 1, 2022

## HB 20 Chapter 17

## **Delegate Chang**

## MARYLAND STADIUM AUTHORITY - MEMBERSHIP

Increasing the membership of the Maryland Stadium Authority from seven to nine; and altering the number of members of the Authority needed to constitute a quorum and the number of affirmative votes of the Authority needed to take certain actions.

## SB 708 Chapter 43

#### **Senators Lam and Hettleman**

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

Providing that there is a Compliance Officer within the Office of the Inspector General in the Maryland Department of Health; authorizing the Inspector General to investigate behavior in the Department that threatens public safety or demonstrates negligence, incompetence, or malfeasance; and requiring the Inspector General, the Compliance Officer, or a designated Assistant Inspector General to respond within 30 business days to an individual who has filed a complaint or allegation.

## HB 90 Chapter 46

### **Delegate Henson**

STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM – OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER – PLACEMENT AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Establishing that, within the Office of the Public Defender, the deputy public defender, district public defenders, and assistant public defenders are placed in certain employment categories in the State Personnel Management System; altering certain provisions of law regarding personnel actions within the Office that relate to the hiring, discipline, and termination of employees; providing that employees of the Office are subject to collective bargaining under the State Personnel Management System; etc.

## SB 1 Chapter 49

## Senator Beidle, et al

STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – PREVAILING WAGE – STOP WORK ORDERS

Authorizing the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to issue a stop work order for each work site where the Commissioner has made an initial determination that a contractor or subcontractor may have violated the prevailing wage requirements; requiring a prompt investigation of compliance with certain wage requirements if a complaint of a violation is received or a violation is made known; authorizing the Commissioner to impose a penalty of up to \$5,000 for each day a stop work order is violated; etc.

## SB 53 Chapter 50

### Senator Carter, et al

### JUVENILE LAW – CHILD INTERROGATION PROTECTION ACT

Requiring a law enforcement officer who takes a child into custody or charges a child with a criminal violation to provide actual notice to the child's parents, guardian, or custodian; requiring the notice to include the child's location, the reason for the custody action or charge, and instructions on how to make in–person contact; prohibiting the interrogation of a child by a law enforcement officer until the child has consulted with a certain attorney and a notice has been provided to the child's parents, guardian, or custodian; etc.

## Senator Feldman, et al

## **Chapter 51**

### PROCUREMENT - PREVAILING WAGE - APPLICABILITY

Applying the Prevailing Wage Law to a certain contract for the construction of a public work by expanding the definition of "construction" to include services provided under a mechanical systems service contract.

#### **HB 609**

## Delegate Pena-Melnyk, et al

## Chapter 53

### LOCAL HEALTH OFFICERS – REMOVAL – PROCESS

Repealing a provision of law providing that a health officer serves at the pleasure of the Secretary of Health and the governing body of the county; establishing notice and hearing requirements related to a removal of a health officer from office; and prohibiting a health officer who appeals a certain decision of the Secretary from carrying out the duties of health officer while the appeal is pending.

## **HB 1021**

## Chapter 55

## The Speaker

# PUBLIC SAFETY – LICENSED FIREARMS DEALERS – SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

Prohibiting a certain licensed firearms dealer from storing a firearm on a certain premises where the licensed firearms dealer conducts business, unless the premises is equipped with certain security features; requiring a licensed firearms dealer to lock certain firearms in a certain location outside business hours; and requiring the Secretary of State Police to suspend or revoke a certain dealer's license if the dealer is found in violation of certain offenses.

## 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.

### **SB 5**

### Senator Patterson, et al

## Chapter 67

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.

# HB 479

## **Delegate Fennell, et al**

# **Chapter 68**

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# **SB 365**

## **Senator Simonaire**

# **Chapter 69**

STATE GOVERNMENT – MARYLAND VETERANS COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP

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

### **Delegates McKay and Kipke**

## Chapter 74

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.

#### **SB 2**

## **Senator Augustine**

## Chapter 79

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.

## 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.

## 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.

## HB 882 Chapter 89

Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## HB 448 Chapter 108

**Delegate Smith** 

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.

## 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.

# **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.

## 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.

# **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.

## SB 218 Chapter 119

# Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – 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.

# **SB 167** Chapter 120

# Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – 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.

# **SB 188** Chapter 121

# Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – 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.

# **SB 182** Chapter 122

# Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 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.

# **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.

## **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.

## 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.

## **SB 211**

## **Chapter 126**

Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 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.

## SB 219 Chapter 127

# Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – 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.

# **SB 204** Chapter 128

# Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 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.

## SB 201 Chapter 133

# Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – 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.

# **HB 1052** Chapter 140

## **Delegates Holmes and Stein**

PUBLIC SAFETY – NATURAL GAS AND LIQUEFIED PROPANE PIPING SYSTEMS – CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS (FLYNN AND LAIRD ACT)

Prohibiting the use of non-arc-resistant jacketed corrugated stainless steel tubing in any building that uses certain fuel gas piping systems; and applying the Act prospectively.

# **SB 763**

## **Senator Sydnor**

# **Chapter 141**

PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE – TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Requiring the Division of Parole and Probation to report certain information annually to the General Assembly; requiring a certain annual report by the State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy to identify certain information for crimes of violence; requiring the Commission to include certain information in a data dashboard on its public website; altering the definition of "student data" to allow certain criminal and CINA records to be shared with the Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center; etc.

**Section 1 only** 

## Senator Beidle, et al

## Chapter 142

CRIMES – FIREARMS AND INMATES – ENFORCEMENT, PROCEDURES, AND REPORTING

Expanding the types of cases in which the State may appeal from a decision of a trial court; establishing the Maryland State Police Gun Center as a statewide firearms enforcement center for the tracking, screening, and vetting of all firearm crimes in the State; requiring the Center to create a statewide database to track certain information related to crimes committed with crime firearms; requiring the Commissioner of Correction to include in a certain report certain statistics related to the cost of living of inmates; etc.

## HB 148 Chapter 148

## **Delegate Bartlett**

## CRIMINAL LAW - STALKING - DEFINITION

Altering the definition of stalking to include conduct that occurs in person, through electronic communication, or through the use of a device that can pinpoint or track the location of another without the person's knowledge or consent.

# **SB 328**

## Senator Waldstreicher, et al

### Chapter 149

### CRIMINAL LAW - STALKING - DEFINITION

Altering the definition of stalking to include certain conduct that occurs in person, by electronic communication, or through the use of a device that can pinpoint or track the location of another without the person's knowledge or consent.

## HB 581 Chapter 151

## Delegate P. Young, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – FIRE, RESCUE, OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ENTITIES – PEER SUPPORT PROGRAMS

Establishing certain confidentiality requirements for peer support counseling programs for fire, rescue, or emergency medical services entities; and requiring the Behavioral Health Administration, in consultation with the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems, to issue a report on certain best practices relating to peer support counseling for fire, rescue, or emergency medical services entities and to make certain information regarding peer support counseling publicly available on the Administration's website.

# **SB 446** Chapter 152

### Senator Waldstreicher, et al

PUBLIC SAFETY – FIRE, RESCUE, OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ENTITIES – PEER SUPPORT PROGRAMS

Establishing certain confidentiality requirements for peer support counseling programs for fire, rescue, or emergency medical services entities; and requiring the Behavioral Health Administration, in consultation with the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems, to issue a report on certain best practices relating to peer support counseling for fire, rescue, or emergency medical services entities and to make certain information regarding peer support counseling publicly available on the Administration's website.

## HB 254 Chapter 153

## Delegate Palakovich Carr, et al

STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLIST FATALITIES – INFRASTRUCTURE REVIEW (VISION ZERO IMPLEMENTATION ACT OF 2022)

Requiring the State Highway Administration to conduct an infrastructure review of each pedestrian or bicyclist fatality that occurs on a State highway or at an intersection of a State highway and another highway or a municipal street to identify certain deficiencies and identify appropriate corrective actions; and requiring the Administration to complete the review within 6 months after being notified by law enforcement of a pedestrian or bicyclist fatality and publish the review on its website.

## Senator Waldstreicher, et al

Chapter 154

STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLIST FATALITIES – INFRASTRUCTURE REVIEW (VISION ZERO IMPLEMENTATION ACT OF 2022)

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# HB 13

## **Delegate Carr**

Chapter 159

PROCUREMENT – DISCRIMINATORY HIRING PRACTICES – DEBARMENT

Establishing that a person may be debarred from entering into a contract with the State if a certain finding is made that the person or certain related individuals have violated certain provisions of law prohibiting discrimination in employment or been debarred from federal contracts under a certain federal executive order; and applying the Act prospectively.

# HB 1433

# Delegate Walker, et al

Chapter 160

STATE HIGHWAYS – DESIGNATIONS – PISCATAWAY HIGHWAY

Requiring the State Highway Administration to designate Maryland Route 210 as the Piscataway Highway.

#### **HB 284**

## **Delegate Crutchfield**

Chapter 161

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – OUT OF COURT STATEMENTS – CHILD VICTIMS AND WITNESSES

Authorizing the court to admit into evidence in certain criminal proceedings certain out of court statements made by a child victim or witness who is under the age of 13 years and an alleged victim or a witness in a case concerning a crime of violence, subject to certain requirements.

## **Senator Lee**

## Chapter 162

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – OUT OF COURT STATEMENTS – CHILD VICTIMS AND WITNESSES

Authorizing the court to admit into evidence in certain criminal proceedings certain out of court statements made by a child victim or witness who is under the age of 13 years and an alleged victim or a witness in a case concerning a crime of violence, subject to certain requirements.

## HB 645 Chapter 166

## **Delegate Jackson**

HATE CRIMES – FALSE STATEMENT TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Clarifying that the making or causing to be made a false statement, report, or complaint that a person knows to be false, in whole or in part, to a law enforcement officer of the State, of a county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State, or of the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Police about a person or group with the intent to deceive and to cause investigation or other action may form the basis for a certain hate crime.

# SB 151

### **Senator Carter**

# Chapter 167

HATE CRIMES – FALSE STATEMENT TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Clarifying that the making of a certain false statement, report, or complaint that a person knows to be false as a whole or in material part to a law enforcement officer of the State, of a county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State, or of the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Police may form the basis for a certain hate crime.

## **Delegate Shetty**

Chapter 168

CRIMINAL LAW – VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER – MERGER PROHIBITION AND SEPARATE SENTENCE AUTHORIZATION

Prohibiting a conviction for violation of a certain protective order from merging with a conviction for a certain other crime; and authorizing a sentence for violation of a certain protective order to be imposed separate from and consecutive to or concurrent with a certain other sentence.

## **HB** 73

## **Delegate R. Lewis**

**Chapter 171** 

BALTIMORE CITY – COMPLETE STREETS AND SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAMS – FUNDING

Requiring Baltimore City to spend, after recovering costs, the remaining balance of fines collected as a result of violations enforced by certain traffic and vehicle monitoring systems on activities eligible for funding under the State Highway Administration's Safe Routes to School Program or public safety or transportation infrastructure improvements consistent with the purpose and goals of the Complete Streets Program and the Complete Streets Transportation System; etc.

## **SB 585**

## Senator McCray, et al

## Chapter 174

#### PUBLIC SAFETY – WARRANTS AND ABSCONDING

Altering a certain definition of "absconding" as it relates to parole and probation, to include leaving an inpatient residential treatment facility in which an individual was placed under court order for drug or alcohol treatment without the permission of an administrator; requiring, for fiscal years 2024 through 2026, the Governor to include in the annual budget an appropriation of \$2,000,000 for warrant apprehension grants; and requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to administer the grant funds.

**Section 1 only** 

## HB 83 Chapter 175

## **Delegate Atterbeary**

## FAMILY LAW - MARRIAGE OF MINORS

Authorizing a minor to file a petition for authorization to marry in the minor's own name in the circuit court for the county in which the minor resides; authorizing a married minor to file an action for divorce; extending the jurisdiction of the equity court to include a petition for authorization for a minor to marry; authorizing an individual who is 17 years old to marry under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person under the age of 17 from marrying; etc.

## HB 22 Chapter 178

## Delegate Charkoudian, et al

## ANIMAL WELFARE - DECLAWING CATS - PROHIBITED ACTS

Prohibiting a veterinary practitioner from performing certain declawing procedures on a cat unless the procedure is necessary for a therapeutic purpose; authorizing the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to impose certain disciplinary actions on a veterinary practitioner for willful violations of the prohibition; providing that a violation of the Act is a civil offense; and providing that a person who violates the Act is subject to a fine of up to \$1,000.

## SB 67 Chapter 179

## Senator Kagan

#### ANIMAL WELFARE – DECLAWING CATS – PROHIBITED ACTS

Prohibiting a veterinary practitioner from performing certain declawing procedures on a cat unless the procedure is necessary for a therapeutic purpose; authorizing the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to impose certain disciplinary actions on a veterinary practitioner for willful violations of the prohibition; providing that a violation of the Act is a civil offense; and providing that a person who violates the Act is subject to a fine of up to \$1,000.

# **HB** 1062 Chapter 180

## **Delegate Moon**

CRIMINAL LAW – ANIMAL CRUELTY – PETITION FOR COSTS FOR CARE OF SEIZED ANIMAL

Establishing procedures to authorize a certain officer or agent of a humane society or a police officer or certain other public official to recover reasonable costs of care from the owner or custodian of a certain seized animal; and limiting the reasonable costs of care for a seized animal to \$15 per day per animal and the costs of necessary medical care, as determined by a licensed veterinarian, to \$50 per day per animal.

## HB 16 Chapter 181

## Delegate Lehman, et al

CRIMES – UNATTENDED DOGS – EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS AND HEAT

Prohibiting a person from leaving a dog outside and unattended for longer than 30 minutes without access to continuous suitable shelter or suitable shade during extreme weather conditions or temperatures, subject to certain exceptions; defining "extreme weather conditions" as temperatures below 32 degrees Fahrenheit or during an active winter or cold weather warning; making a violation a civil offense; applying penalties ranging from a warning for a first violation to a fine of up to \$1,000 for a third or subsequent offense; etc.

## SB 44 Chapter 182

### Senator West, et al

CRIMES – UNATTENDED DOGS – EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS AND HEAT

Prohibiting a person from leaving a dog outside and unattended for longer than 30 minutes without access to continuous suitable shelter during extreme weather conditions or suitable shelter or suitable shade when temperatures are above 90 degrees Fahrenheit, subject to certain exceptions; defining "extreme weather conditions" as temperatures below 32 degrees Fahrenheit or conditions during an active winter or cold weather warning or advisory; making a violation of the Act a civil offense and applying certain penalties; etc.

#### **Senator Kramer**

## Chapter 185

PUBLIC SAFETY – FIRE AND RESCUE – VETERINARY CARE OF RETIRED FIRE AND RESCUE K–9S

Requiring certain State or local fire and rescue entities to reimburse individuals who take possession of dogs formerly used in fire and rescue work under a written agreement for reasonable and necessary veterinary treatment not to exceed \$2,500 per year; authorizing State fire and rescue entities to accept certain donations and requiring that the donations be disbursed to a certain fund; and authorizing local fire and rescue entities to establish a separate fund to accept public donations for the payment of certain veterinary expenses.

# **SB 817**

### **Senator Jackson**

## Chapter 186

CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS – YOUTH CAMPS AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

Authorizing the operator of a certain youth camp or youth development organization or program to request a certain determination from the Maryland Department of Health before making a certain offer of employment to a job applicant; requiring the Department to issue a certain determination to a youth camp or youth development organization or program at a certain time; and providing that a certain determination is binding under certain circumstances.

### HB 519 Chanter 189

# **Delegates Williams and Crutchfield**

## Chapter 188

CIRCUIT COURT CLERKS – SALARY INCREASE

Increasing to \$146,500 the maximum salary that the Board of Public Works may set for a clerk of a circuit court.

#### **SB 74**

#### **Senator Jackson**

## Chapter 189

CIRCUIT COURT CLERKS – SALARY INCREASE

Increasing to \$146,500 the maximum salary that the Board of Public Works may set for a clerk of a circuit court.

## HB 809 Chapter 195

## Delegate Kipke, et al

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION – DISABLED VETERAN, ACTIVE DUTY, AND SURVIVING SPOUSE – APPLICATION PROCESS

Authorizing an individual to submit, and requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to accept, an application for a property tax exemption for a specific dwelling house that the individual intends to purchase before the individual purchases the dwelling house; requiring the Department, within 15 business days, to process the application and send the applicant a letter regarding preliminary approval or denial of the application; etc.

## **SB 975**

## **Senator Jennings**

Chapter 196
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION – DISABLED VETERAN, ACTIVE DUTY, AND SURVIVING SPOUSE – APPLICATION PROCESS

Authorizing an individual to submit, and requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to accept, an application for a property tax exemption for a specific dwelling house that the individual intends to purchase before the individual purchases the dwelling house; requiring the Department, within 15 business days, to process the application and send the applicant a letter regarding preliminary approval or denial of the application; etc.

# **HB 1248** Chapter 200

## **Delegate Valentino-Smith**

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT – INVESTIGATIONS – TIMELINESS

Requiring the State Department of Human Services to implement policies requiring a local department of social services or the appropriate law enforcement agency that fails to conduct a child abuse or neglect investigation or complete a certain report within certain statutory time frames to report the delay and the reason for the delay in a certain manner; requiring the Department to assess certain studies and methodologies, develop a certain assessment, and complete the assessment by December 1, 2024; etc.

# **HB** 1150 Chapter 204

### Delegate Jacobs, et al

VEHICLE EQUIPMENT – HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE – GREEN FLASHING LIGHTS

Authorizing certain highway maintenance and service equipment and vehicles, while in use for snow removal or the protection of highway maintenance workers, to be equipped with and display green flashing lights simultaneously with yellow or amber flashing lights.

# **SB 174** Chapter 221

# Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

MORTALITY AND QUALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE – DUTIES, REPORTS, AND DATA – SUNSET EXTENSION

Extending the termination date to December 31, 2032 of certain provisions of law governing the Mortality and Quality Review Committee, including provisions related to the review of data, Committee recommendations, reporting requirements, and the provision of aggregate incident data to the Committee by the Office of Health Care Quality.

## SB 200 Chapter 224

# **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**

PUBLIC HEALTH – PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM – NALOXONE MEDICATION DATA

Altering the requirements of the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program to require the Program to monitor the dispensing of naloxone medication by all prescribers and dispensers in the State and to require dispensers to report naloxone medication data to the Program.

# **SB 216** Chapter 226

# Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

EVIDENCE – APPROVAL OF BREATH AND BLOOD TESTS FOR ALCOHOL, DRUGS, OR CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES

Transferring certain duties relating to the approval of breath and blood tests as evidence for alcohol, drugs, or controlled dangerous substances from the State Toxicologist to the Department of State Police.

# **SB 175** Chapter 227

# Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)

FIDUCIARY INSTITUTIONS – INVESTIGATION OF FINANCIAL ABUSE AND FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION – RECORDS DISCLOSURE

Requiring a fiduciary institution to disclose certain financial records from a specified period of time that are requested in writing by an adult protective services program that is investigating suspected financial abuse or financial exploitation; authorizing an adult protective services agency or a law enforcement agency to share certain information with a fiduciary institution that made a report of suspected financial abuse or financial exploitation; etc.

# **SB 203** Chapter 228

# Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)

CHILDREN IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE – CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP AND REVIEW HEARINGS

Altering provisions relating to certain orders granting custody and guardianship of a child in need of assistance to a relative or nonrelative; and altering provisions relating to review hearings to review the permanency plan for a certain child in an out–of–home placement.

## SB 207 Chapter 231

# Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration) and Senator Hester

INSURANCE CARRIERS AND MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS – CYBERSECURITY STANDARDS

Establishing certain cybersecurity standards applicable to insurance carriers, including health maintenance organizations and third-party administrators; requiring a carrier to take certain actions related to cybersecurity, including developing, implementing, and maintaining a written information security program, identifying certain threats, and establishing a certain incident response plan; applying certain requirements relating to cybersecurity to managed care organizations; etc.

# **SB 176** Chapter 232

# Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)

VEHICLE LAWS – REAR–FACING CHILD SAFETY SEATS – REQUIREMENT

Requiring a person transporting a child under the age of 2 years in a motor vehicle to secure the child in a rear—facing child safety seat that complies with applicable federal regulations until the child reaches the manufacturer's weight or height limit for the child safety seat; providing that a person who violated the Act is subject to a written warning for a first violation; and providing that a judge may waive a certain fine for a violation of the Act under certain circumstances.

## HB 52 Chapter 235

## Delegate Love, et al

NATURAL RESOURCES – WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING PREVENTION

Prohibiting a person from purchasing, selling, offering for sale, or possessing with the intent to sell parts or products of certain animal species under certain circumstances, subject to certain exceptions; requiring that fines and restitution imposed under the Act be credited to the Department of Natural Resources for the benefit of the State Wildlife Management and Protection Fund to be used for the preservation of threatened or endangered species; providing increasing penalties for repeated violations of the Act; etc.

# **SB 381** Chapter 236

## Senator Smith, et al

NATURAL RESOURCES – WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING PREVENTION

Prohibiting a person from purchasing, selling, offering for sale, or possessing with the intent to sell certain parts or products of certain animal species under certain circumstances, subject to certain exceptions; requiring that fines and restitution imposed under the Act be credited to the Department of Natural Resources for the benefit of the State Wildlife Management and Protection Fund to be used for the preservation of threatened or endangered species; etc.

## **Delegate Watson**

## Chapter 244

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.

### **SB 814**

#### **Senator Hester**

# Chapter 245

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.

# **SB** 911

### **Senator Corderman**

# Chapter 252

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.

### Delegate Johnson, et al

## Chapter 262

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.

#### **SB 380**

### Senator Benson, et al

# Chapter 263

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.

# HB 109

## **Delegate Shetty**

# **Chapter 265**

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.

#### SB 242 Chapter 266

## Senator Hershey, et al

# Chapter 266 MADVIAN

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.

## **Delegate Rosenberg**

## Chapter 270

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.

### **HB 945**

## **Delegates Shoemaker and Rose**

## Chapter 275

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.

#### HB 692

## **Carroll County Delegation**

## Chapter 277

CARROLL COUNTY – STATE'S ATTORNEY – RESTRICTIONS ON PRACTICE

Prohibiting the State's Attorney in Carroll County from engaging in the private practice of law.

#### **SB 906**

### **Carroll County Senators**

### Chapter 278

CARROLL COUNTY – STATE'S ATTORNEY – RESTRICTIONS ON PRACTICE

Prohibiting the State's Attorney in Carroll County from engaging in the private practice of law.

### **SB 932**

### **Senator Watson**

### Chapter 281

MARYLAND INTRASTATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT – CITY OF BOWIE

Authorizing the City of Bowie to participate in the Maryland Intrastate Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

## 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.

# **HB 1059** Chapter 284

# **Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation**

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.

## HB 390 Chapter 287

## **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.

## **Senator Waldstreicher**

## Chapter 288

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.

## HB 996 Chapter 289

## **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.

# **SB 879 Chapter 290**

#### 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.

## **Delegate Brooks**

# Chapter 292 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.

## **SB 431**

#### **Senators West and Waldstreicher**

# Chapter 293

### 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.

# HB 342

## **Delegate Brooks**

# Chapter 294

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.

## 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.

# **HB 1127** Chapter 296

## **Delegate Pendergrass**

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.

# **HB 1148** Chapter 297

## Delegate Pendergrass, et al

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.

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.

## 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.

## SB 649 Chapter 300

## **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.

## **Delegate Kerr**

## Chapter 301

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.

#### **SB 144**

#### **Senator Feldman**

## Chapter 306

HEALTH – AUTHORIZATION TO PRESCRIBE AND ADMINISTER AMYGDALIN – REPEAL

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

## HB 973

## **Delegate Kelly**

## Chapter 307

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.

#### **Senator Kramer**

## **Chapter 308**

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.

## HB 969 Chapter 309

## 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.

# SB 611

### Senator Beidle, et al

# **Chapter 310**

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.

#### **SB 496**

#### **Senator Beidle**

# Chapter 315

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.

#### **Senator Beidle**

## Chapter 316

### 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.

#### HB 853

## Delegate Saab, et al

## **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.

#### **HB 28**

## Delegates Bhandari and R. Lewis

## Chapter 319

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.

## SB 62 Chapter 320

## **Senator Washington**

# 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.

### **Senators McCray and Edwards**

## **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.

### **HB 456**

# Delegates Valentino-Smith and Ruth

# **Chapter 324**

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.

#### **HB 78**

## **Delegates Rogers and Charkoudian**

# **Chapter 325**

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.

#### **HB 91**

## **Delegate Holmes**

# Chapter 326

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.

## HB 807 Chapter 333

## **Delegate Queen**

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.

## 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.

## 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.

### 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.

### **Section 2 only**

# SB 744 Chapter 337

# **Senator Hettleman**

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.

# **Section 2 only**

# 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.

# HB 246 Chapter 345

# **Delegates Carr and Lehman**

OPEN MEETINGS ACT – NOTICES AND CLOSED SESSIONS – RETENTION PERIODS AND ONLINE POSTING

Altering from 1 year to 3 years the period of time a public body is required to retain a certain notice and a certain written statement under the Open Meetings Act; and requiring a public body, to the extent practicable, to post a certain written closing statement online.

# SB 269 Chapter 346

### **Senator Kagan**

OPEN MEETINGS ACT – APPLICATION AND ENHANCED REQUIREMENTS (MARYLAND STATE AGENCY TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2022)

Repealing exemptions from the Open Meetings Act for certain independent and regional development units; establishing enhanced requirements under the Open Meetings Act for specified public bodies; and providing that a project site visit or educational field tour is not a meeting for purposes of the Open Meetings Act for certain public bodies if no organizational business is conducted.

# SB 633 Chapter 349

# Senators Kagan and Reilly

PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM – ALTERATIONS

Making alterations to the 9–1–1 Emergency Telephone System in the State; altering the classification of 9–1–1 specialists; authorizing 9–1–1 specialists to seek treatment for job—related audible or visual trauma confidentially; requiring the Maryland 9–1–1 Board to establish certain procedures governing vacancies on the Board; altering the powers and duties of the Board with respect to public safety answering point personnel and cybersecurity standards; requiring the Comptroller to submit certain updates regarding certain audits; etc.

# **HB 1018** Chapter 350

### **Delegate Carey**

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND VICTIM SERVICES – REQUIRED PERFORMANCE DATA AND SCORECARD

Requiring the Governor, in fiscal year 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 for the Maryland Behavioral Health and Public Safety Center of Excellence; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to take certain actions related to the inclusion of performance data and information in reports and the creation of a scorecard of quantifiable safety indicators; etc.

# **SB 90**

### **Senator West**

# Chapter 352

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS DATABASE

Requiring the Department of the Environment to create and maintain a database of supplemental environmental projects that the Department may consider for implementation as part of a settlement of an enforcement action; and requiring the Department to prioritize the selection of a supplemental environmental project located in the same geographic area as the alleged violation and to ensure that the scope and cost of a chosen project are sufficient to allow the Department and the alleged violator to reach a settlement.

# SB 272

# **Senator Guzzone (By Request – Comptroller)**

# Chapter 357

DISCLOSURE OF TAX INFORMATION – FRAUD IDENTIFICATION, PREVENTION, OR RESPONSE

Authorizing, subject to certain limitations, the disclosure of tax information to certain persons or governmental entities authorized by the Comptroller in writing to receive the tax information for the purpose of identifying, preventing, or responding to fraud.

## **Senator Guzzone (By Request – Comptroller)**

# **Chapter 361**

COMMERCIAL LAW – DISPOSITION OF ABANDONED PROPERTY – WAIVER OF PENALTIES

Authorizing the Comptroller to waive certain penalties related to abandoned property in the State.

#### **HB 968**

# Delegate Kipke, et al

# **Chapter 364**

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL ASSISTANTS – CERTIFICATION AND REGULATION

Establishing a certification and regulatory scheme to certify dental assistants to perform certain intraoral procedures; specifying the intraoral procedures a dental assistant is authorized to perform without being certified by the State Board of Dental Examiners and the intraoral procedures that require certification; and authorizing the Board to penalize a licensed dentist who allows a dental assistant to provide dental care in an unauthorized manner or without required instruction or supervision.

# HB 1274

# **Delegate Kipke**

# Chapter 365

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS – FEDERAL 340B PROGRAM

Establishing requirements and prohibitions on pharmacy benefits managers related to the federal 340B Program, including requirements related to coverage and reimbursement for drugs purchased under the Program.

# HB 228

## **Delegate Crosby**

# Chapter 366

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – RATE SUSPENSION PROCEEDINGS

Altering the number of days from 150 to 180 for which the Public Service Commission may initially suspend a public service company's proposed rate; and allowing the Commission to extend a rate suspension for up to an additional 90 days if the filing is for an alternative form of ratemaking for a public service company.

# SB 131 Chapter 367

## **Senator Kelley**

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – RATE SUSPENSION PROCEEDINGS

Altering the number of days the Public Service Commission may initially suspend a new rate or change in rate proposed by the public service company from 150 to 180; repealing the Commission's authority to extend the rate suspension for an additional 30 days if the Commission makes a certain finding; and authorizing the Commission to extend the rate suspension for 90 days if the filing is for an alternative form of ratemaking for a public service company.

### **SB 147**

### Senator Waldstreicher

# Chapter 382

MOTOR VEHICLES – OPERATION WHEN APPROACHING STOPPED, STANDING, OR PARKED VEHICLES

Requiring a driver to make a certain lane change or to slow the speed of the driver's vehicle with due regard for safety and traffic conditions when approaching from the rear a stopped, standing, or parked vehicle displaying hazard warning lights, road flares, or other caution signals.

# SB 134

### **Senator Lee**

# **Chapter 383**

MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION – TRAINING REQUIREMENTS – ELECTRONIC STALKING

Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to require certain entrance—level and in—service police training conducted by the State and each county and municipal police training school to include certain training related to the criminal laws concerning stalking as they pertain to electronic surveillance or tracking, including services available to victims, related prevention methods for victims, and how victims may request additional assistance to identify and preserve digital evidence.

# SB 826 Chapter 384

# Senator Klausmeier, et al

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND WATERMEN'S MICROLOAN PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Watermen's Microloan Program in the Maryland Agricultural and Resource–Based Industry Development Corporation to provide loans to qualified commercial fishermen to continue commercial operations in the State; providing, beginning July 1, 2025, that generational watermen, beginner watermen, and seafood processing businesses are eligible to receive loans under the Program; and requiring that a loan made under the Program be at least \$7,000 and not more than \$15,000.

# SB 950

### **Senators Eckardt and Carozza**

# Chapter 385

WICOMICO COUNTY – ORPHANS' COURT – SALARY OF ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES

Increasing the salary of a judge of the Orphans' Court of Wicomico County from \$9,500 to \$11,600.

# SB 988 Chapter 386

# Senator Eckardt (By Request – Dorchester County Council)

DORCHESTER COUNTY – ORPHANS' COURT – SALARY AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES

Increasing, from \$4,700 to \$6,000, the salary of a judge of the Orphans' Court for Dorchester County; and increasing, from \$800 to \$1,000, the annual expense allowance of a judge of the Orphans' Court for Dorchester County.

# HB 193 Chapter 387

# **Dorchester County Delegation, et al**

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTIONS FOR GOLF CARTS – HOOPERS ISLAND AND TAYLORS ISLAND

Creating an exception to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts on Upper Hoopers Island, Middle Hoopers Island, and Taylors Island; providing that a person operating a golf cart on Upper or Middle Hoopers Island and Taylors Island may only operate a golf cart that is equipped with certain lighting devices, on highways with a maximum speed limit of 30 miles per hour, and between dawn and dusk; requiring the operator to have a valid driver's license; etc.

# SB 80 Chapter 388

### **Senator Eckardt**

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTIONS FOR GOLF CARTS – HOOPERS ISLAND AND TAYLORS ISLAND

Creating an exception to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts on Upper Hoopers Island, Middle Hoopers Island, and Taylors Island, in Dorchester County; providing that a person who operates a golf car on a highway in Upper Hoopers Island, Middle Hoopers Island, and Taylors Island may operate the golf cart only on highways on which the maximum speed does not exceed 30 miles per hour between dawn and dusk and only if the golf cart is equipped with certain lighting devices; requiring the operator to have a valid driver's license; etc.

# HB 855 Chapter 393

## **Delegate Boyce**

AGRICULTURE – URBAN AGRICULTURE WATER AND POWER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Program in the Department of Agriculture to increase the viability of urban farming and community gardens and improve access to urban—grown foods; establishing the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Fund to provide grants to urban agricultural producers and qualified nonprofit organizations for the purchase and installation of agricultural equipment associated with water supply and irrigation and electric power access; etc.

# SB 942 Chapter 394

# **Senators Griffith and Hayes**

AGRICULTURE – URBAN AGRICULTURE WATER AND POWER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Program in the Department of Agriculture to increase the viability of urban farming and community gardens and improve access to urban—grown foods; and establishing the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Fund to provide grants to urban agricultural producers and qualified nonprofit organizations for the purchase and installation of agriculture equipment associated with water supply and irrigation and electric power access.

Chapter 397

# **Senator Augustine**

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA – COUNCIL AND COORDINATION OF SERVICES (DEMENTIA SERVICES ACT OF 2022)

Renaming the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Council to be the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Council; establishing 3—year terms for the appointed members of the Council; requiring the Council, by September 1, 2022, and by September 1 every 5 years thereafter, to issue and publish an update to the State Plan on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias; establishing the position of Director of Dementia Services and Brain Health to facilitate communication relating to dementia services; etc.

# HB 166 Chapter 398

### Delegate Sample-Hughes, et al

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# **HB 777 Chapter 401**

# **Delegates Rosenberg and Stein**

### REAL PROPERTY – PARTITION OF PROPERTY

Requiring the court in an action to partition real property to determine whether the property is heirs property for the purpose of partition of the property among certain cotenants and if so, to determine the market value of the property unless the court makes certain determinations; etc.

# Senator Augustine, et al

### Chapter 402

### REAL PROPERTY – PARTITION OF PROPERTY

Requiring the court in an action to partition real property to determine the market value of the property unless the court makes certain determinations; and establishing procedures for the purchase of interests in real property by cotenants, for the partition in kind of real property among cotenants, and for the partition by sale of real property on the open market by a real estate broker licensed in this State.

### **SB 518**

### **Senator Augustine**

# Chapter 403

### CAREER PATHWAYS FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS PROGRAM

Establishing the Career Pathways for Health Care Workers Program in the Maryland Department of Labor for the purpose of providing matching grants to eligible employers for training programs attended by health care workers; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill and appropriation of at least \$1,000,000 for the Program; etc.

#### **HB 178**

## Delegate Chang, et al

# **Chapter 406**

PUBLIC HEALTH – COTTAGE FOOD BUSINESSES – ANNUAL REVENUES

Altering the definition of "cottage food business" for the purpose of increasing from \$25,000 to \$50,000 the cap on the annual revenue from the sale of cottage food products that a cottage food business may earn.

#### **SB 876**

### **Senators Bailey and Carozza**

# **Chapter 411**

WATER POLLUTION – OYSTER REPLETION SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Requiring the Department of the Environment to include oyster repletion projects in a certain database; and requiring the Department to prioritize a supplemental environmental project involving certain oyster repletion projects for a party who is in violation of a certain effluent limitation or unpermitted discharge.

Chapter 412

### Delegate Jacobs, et al

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### **SB 146**

## Senator Young, et al

# **Chapter 417**

VEHICLE LAWS – PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLES – RESERVED PARKING SPACES

Prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle that is not a plug–in electric drive vehicle plugged into charging equipment in a parking space that is designated by certain signage indicating for the use of plug–in electric drive vehicles only; requiring that a parking space for the use of plug–in electric drive vehicles be counted as part of the overall number of parking spaces for certain purposes; establishing a civil penalty of \$100 for a violation of the Act; etc.

# HB 157

# Delegate Barve, et al

# Chapter 418 VEHICLE LAWS – PL

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Prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle that is not a plug—in electric drive vehicle plugged into charging equipment in a parking space that is designated for the use of plug—in electric drive vehicles; establishing certain standards for signage designating reserved parking for certain plug—in electric drive vehicles; requiring that a parking space that is for the use of plug—in electric drive vehicles be counted as part of the overall number of parking spaces for purposes of complying with certain laws; etc.

### **Delegate Stein**

## Chapter 421

SENATOR WILLIAM H. AMOSS FIRE, RESCUE, AND AMBULANCE FUNDS – PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES

Repealing certain requirements regarding the location of land that may be acquired by the State under the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund; and authorizing the use of the Fund for certain construction.

## **HB 1380**

# Delegate P. Young, et al

# **Chapter 422**

GENERAL PROVISIONS – LGBTQ VETERANS – HONORABLE DISCHARGE (RESTORATION OF HONOR ACT)

Defining "honorable discharge" with respect to any State program of benefits, rights, or privileges applicable to a veteran to include certain discharge that is less than honorable; requiring a veteran to submit to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs documentation that provides the basis for the veteran's discharge; and requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations to determine whether an individual qualifies as an honorably discharged veteran.

#### **SB 232**

### **Senator Jackson**

### Chapter 427

REGISTERS OF WILLS – MAXIMUM SALARY – INCREASE

Increasing from \$124,500 to \$146,500, the maximum annual salary that the Board of Public Works may set for a register of wills.

### HB 195

### Delegate Clark, et al

# Chapter 428

MARINE CONTRACTOR LICENSE – AUTHORIZATION, REQUIREMENTS, AND FEES

Authorizing a unit of local government to qualify for a marine contractor license; exempting an individual employed by a county or municipality in the State who performs marine contractor services while in the performance of the duties of their employment from paying a fee for the issuance or renewal of a marine contractor license or a test administered by the Marine Contractors Licensing Board; etc.

## **Delegate Clark**

### Chapter 430

LAND USE - AGRITOURISM - DEFINITION

Altering the definition of "agritourism" to include camping and incidental stays for the purpose of a certain provision of law authorizing a local jurisdiction to adopt the definition of "agritourism".

### **SB 296**

### **Senators Gallion and Carozza**

# Chapter 431

LAND USE - AGRITOURISM - DEFINITION

Altering the definition of "agritourism" to include camping and incidental outdoor stays for the purpose of a certain provision of law authorizing a local jurisdiction to adopt the definition of "agritourism".

#### **HB 527**

## St. Mary's County Delegation

### Chapter 432

ST. MARY'S COUNTY – EMERGENCY SERVICES APPLICANTS – POLYGRAPH EXAMINATIONS

Exempting applicants for employment as a paramedic or an emergency medical technician with St. Mary's County or employment with the St. Mary's County Emergency Communications Center from the prohibition on employers requiring or demanding that an individual submit to or take a polygraph examination as a condition of employment.

# **HB 1143** Chapter 433

# **Allegany County Delegation and Garrett County Delegation**

ALLEGANY COUNTY AND GARRETT COUNTY – ALL–TERRAIN VEHICLES AND SNOWMOBILES

Expanding the definition of "all-terrain vehicle" in provisions governing the use of all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles in Allegany County and Garrett County to include off-highway motorcycles; and expanding the area of a highway from 2 miles to 5 miles on which Allegany County and Garrett County may authorize all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles to operate.

# **Delegate Wivell**

# Chapter 434

VEHICLE LAWS – ELECTRONIC OR DIGITAL 24–HOUR REGISTRATION

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue an electronic or digital 24—hour registration authorizing an owner of a vehicle to operate the vehicle on a highway in the State.

### **HB 205**

# **Delegate Bartlett**

# Chapter 440

CLERKS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS – BONDS, LICENSES, OATHS, AND COMMISSIONS

Altering certain provisions and procedures relating to the clerks of the circuit courts, including the execution of certain bonds and the issuance of certain licenses.

#### **SB 97**

## **Senator Beidle**

# Chapter 441

CLERKS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS – BONDS, LICENSES, OATHS, AND COMMISSIONS

Altering certain provisions and procedures relating to the clerks of the circuit courts, including the execution of certain bonds and the issuance of certain licenses.

# **HB 1323**

### **Delegate Bartlett**

# Chapter 442

VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE – PROVISION OF SERVICES – TECHNICAL CORRECTION

Correcting a cross—reference relating to a requirement that a physician or hospital provide certain services to victims of sexual abuse without charge to the victim.

# **Delegates Korman and Solomon**

# **Chapter 446**

YOUNG READERS PROGRAMS – ESTABLISHMENT (YOUNG READERS PROGRAM EXPANSION ACT)

Establishing the Baltimore City Young Readers Program within the Division of Children and Youth of the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to mail free, high—quality books to children in Baltimore City; establishing the Young Readers Matching Grant Program within the Division to provide matching grants to affiliated services to support the establishment and operation of certain book—gifting services; and requiring the Deputy Director of the Division to administer the programs.

# **SB 438**

### **Senator McCray**

# Chapter 447

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Establishing the Baltimore City Young Readers Program within the Division of Children and Youth of the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to mail free, high—quality books to certain children; establishing the Young Readers Matching Grant Program within the Division to provide matching grants to affiliated services to support the establishment and operation of certain book—gifting services; requiring the Deputy Director of the Division to administer the programs; etc.

### **SB 278**

## **Senator McCray**

# **Chapter 453**

MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND – INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLANS

Altering certain restrictions and requirements related to the authority of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund to accept premiums on an installment payment basis for motor vehicle liability insurance policies; and authorizing the Fund to charge and collect, if approved by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner, reasonable installment fees or reasonable fees for late payment of premiums by policyholders.

# HB 396 Chapter 456

# **Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD – OPEN MEETINGS – VIDEO AND AUDIO STREAMING AND MINUTES PG/MC 101–22

Requiring the Montgomery County Planning Board to stream live video or teleconference audio or other audio of the open meetings of the Board and to prepare minutes of each open meeting; requiring the Board to maintain on its website complete and unedited archived recordings of livestreamed open meetings and the minutes of its open meetings; and providing that the inability of the Board to comply with the livestreaming requirements due to technical issues does not affect the validity of actions taken by the Board at an open meeting.

# HB 400 Chapter 457

# **Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation**

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – HIRING AND PROMOTION PREFERENCES – VETERANS AND THEIR SPOUSES PG/MC 106–22

Authorizing the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to grant a preference in hiring and promotion to eligible veterans, spouses of eligible veterans who have service—connected disabilities, and surviving spouses of deceased eligible veterans; and defining the term "eligible veteran" as any veteran of any branch of the armed forces of the United States who has an honorable discharge or a certificate of satisfactory completion of military service.

# HB 75

# Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo, et al

# Chapter 459

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION – HEMP INDUSTRY MEMBER

Increasing, from 29 to 30, the number of members of the Maryland Agricultural Commission appointed by the Governor; and requiring the Governor to appoint one member from a list of at least two nominees representing the hemp industry.

# Senator Zucker, et al

**Chapter 464** 

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – WAIVER PROGRAMS – WAITLIST AND REGISTRY REDUCTION (END THE WAIT ACT)

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop plans to reduce the waitlist or registry for certain waiver programs by 50% beginning in fiscal year 2024.

### **HB 869**

### Delegate Gilchrist, et al

**Chapter 465** 

WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS PROGRAM DIVISION – PERMITTING FOR ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROJECTS – REQUIRED STUDY

Requiring the Department of the Environment's Wetlands and Waterways Program Division to study permitting for ecological restoration projects; requiring the Department to report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 1, 2024; etc.

# **HB 446**

### **Delegate Forbes**

Chapter 467

BALTIMORE COUNTY – DISPOSITION OF MARRIAGE CEREMONY FEE

Altering the distribution of the fee for performing a marriage ceremony in Baltimore County to require the clerk of the circuit court to pay the entire \$25 amount to the Baltimore County Historical Trust, Inc.

#### **HB 53**

### Delegate R. Lewis, et al

Chapter 468

VEHICLE LAWS – DEDICATED BUS LANES – PROHIBITION AND MONITORING SYSTEMS

Prohibiting a person from driving a motor vehicle in a dedicated bus lane unless authorized by a local jurisdiction, subject to certain exceptions; requiring the City of Baltimore to issue a new competitive request for proposals to select a certain contractor to carry out certain provisions of the Act; requiring the Baltimore City Police Department to issue a warning notice in place of a citation to a liable owner during the first 45 days that the bus lane monitoring system is in operation; etc.

# HB 40 Chapter 479

## Delegate Watson, et al

CONDOMINIUMS – DISCLOSURES TO UNIT OWNERS AND PROHIBITED PROVISIONS IN INSTRUMENTS

Clarifying that certain provisions of law related to closed—door meetings of a board of directors of a condominium do not allow the board to withhold or agree to withhold the terms of certain legal agreements from the unit owners; making unenforceable a certain contract unless the contract contains a certain notice; requiring a board to disclose to the council of unit owners any agreement by the board for the purpose of settling a disputed common element warranty claim at least 21 days before the execution of the agreement; etc.

# **SB 630** Chapter 482

### Senator Hester, et al

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – OFFICE OF RESILIENCE

Establishing the Office of Resilience in the Maryland Department of Emergency Management; requiring the Secretary of Emergency Management to appoint a Chief Resilience Officer to direct the Office of Resilience; and requiring the Office of Resilience to coordinate with appropriate State agencies and State entities to meet certain goals.

# HB 210 Chapter 486

# **Delegate Grammer**

CRIMINAL TRIALS – SPOUSAL PRIVILEGE – EXCEPTION

Providing that the spouse of a person on trial for a crime may be compelled to testify as an adverse witness if the spouse and the person on trial married after the date on which the alleged crime for which the person is on trial occurred.

# HB 270 Chapter 487

### **Delegate Ebersole, et al**

BUSINESS REGULATION – INNKEEPERS – MAINTENANCE OF GUEST RECORDS AND EMPLOYEE HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS TRAINING AND POLICY

Requiring an innkeeper to establish and maintain a computerized record–keeping system for guest transactions and receipts; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services and the Maryland Department of Labor to approve educational training programs for the accurate and prompt identification and reporting of suspected human trafficking; and requiring an innkeeper to take certain actions to provide employees with training on the prevention, identification, and reporting of human trafficking.

# SB 91 Chapter 488

#### **Senator Jackson**

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# HB 866 Chapter 501

## **Delegate Qi**

GENETIC INFORMATION PRIVACY – CONSUMER PROTECTION AND FORENSIC GENEALOGY

Regulating the use of genetic data by direct—to—consumer genetic testing companies, including by requiring a direct—to—consumer genetic testing company to provide consumers with clear and complete information regarding the company's policies and procedures, obtain certain consents from consumers before collecting, using, or disclosing the consumer's genetic data, and develop and implement policies and procedures to protect genetic data and provide certain disclosures to law enforcement or other government agencies; etc.

# **HB 962** Chapter 502

## **Delegate Carey**

# COMMERCIAL LAW – MARYLAND PERSONAL INFORMATION PROTECTION ACT – REVISIONS

Requiring a business that maintains personal information of an individual residing in the State to implement and maintain reasonable security procedures and practices that are appropriate to the nature of the personal information maintained; and altering certain requirements related to notifications of breaches of the security of systems, including the circumstances under which the owner or licensee of certain computerized data is required to notify certain individuals of a breach.

# SB 643 Chapter 503

### Senator Lee, et al

# COMMERCIAL LAW – MARYLAND PERSONAL INFORMATION PROTECTION ACT – REVISIONS

Requiring a business that maintains personal information of an individual residing in the State to implement and maintain reasonable security procedures and practices that are appropriate to the nature of the personal information owned, maintained, or licensed; and altering certain requirements related to notifications of breaches of the security of systems, including the circumstances under which the owner or licensee of certain computerized data is required to notify certain individuals of a breach.

# **HB 1041** Chapter 506

# **Delegate Valentino-Smith**

# DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – CONTRACT AND PROGRAM REVIEW

Requiring certain contractors with the Family Investment Program to provide services in a manner that complies with federal law; requiring the Department of Human Services annually to review contracts with certain nongovernmental entities in place as of October 1, 2024; requiring the Department to hire a consultant to conduct a certain review of the Family Investment Program; and authorizing the Department to reallocate funds from a certain program to support any necessary contract costs to complete the review.

#### Senator Klausmeier

# Chapter 507

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – CONTRACT AND PROGRAM REVIEW

Requiring certain contractors with the Family Investment Program to provide services in a manner that complies with federal law; requiring the Department of Human Services annually to review contracts with certain nongovernmental entities in place as of October 1, 2024; requiring the Department to hire a consultant to conduct a certain review of the Family Investment Program; and authorizing the Department to reallocate funds from a certain program to support any necessary contract costs to complete the review.

# **HB 1043** Chapter 509

## Delegate Valentino-Smith

FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY, WORK EXPERIENCE, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND REPORTS – ALTERATIONS

Establishing a limit on the hours the Department of Human Services may require an individual in the Family Investment Program to participate in work activities; establishing that an individual may participate in certain work experience or community service work activities and that the purpose of the work experience is to improve the employability of individuals who cannot find unsubsidized full—time employment; requiring the Department to include in its annual report information on work experience and community service activity placements; etc.

# **SB 828** Chapter 510

# Senator Klausmeier

FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY, WORK EXPERIENCE, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND REPORTS – ALTERATIONS

Establishing a limit on the hours the Department of Human Services may require an individual in the Family Investment Program to participate in work activities; establishing the manner in which an individual in the Program may participate in certain work experience or community service work activities; and requiring the Department to include in its annual report to the General Assembly due October 1 each year certain information on work experience and community service work activity placements.

### **Senator Carter**

## Chapter 513

FACILITIES – DISABILITIES, JUVENILES, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, AND HEALTH CARE – PLANS

Requiring that regulations adopted by the Department of Juvenile Services governing juvenile care facilities and juvenile detention facilities include the establishment, implementation, and revision of safety plans related to the persons in the care of the facility; requiring residential centers and group homes to establish, implement, and revise a certain safety plan; requiring regulations adopted by the Behavioral Health Administration to include a revision for safety plans not less than every 5 years; etc.

# **SB 568 Chapter 517**

# **Senator McCray (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**

HEALTH RECORDS AND REPORTING OF OVERDOSES – LIMITATIONS ON USE IN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION OR PROSECUTION

Prohibiting certain overdose information reported by an emergency medical services provider or the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems from being obtained by a law enforcement officer as part of a criminal investigation or prosecution.

# **HB 441** Chapter 520

# **Delegate Clippinger**

BALTIMORE CITY – PRETRIAL RELEASE OF DEFENDANT – NOTICE

Requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, if a defendant is released before trial, to notify the Baltimore Police Department within 24 hours of the release; and requiring that the notice be provided in a manner that allows the sorting and filtering of the information provided by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

# **Senator Augustine**

### Chapter 529

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – PATIENT SAFETY CENTER – DESIGNATION AND FUND

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to designate a center as the Patient Safety Center for the State on or before December 31, 2025; requiring the Center to develop, coordinate, and implement patient safety initiatives across the State, be a model for innovation and implementation, convene health care providers, patients, and families to improve the quality of health care, and share information on best practices; establishing the Patient Safety Center Fund to subsidize a portion of the costs of the Center; etc.

# HB 915

### **Delegate Sample-Hughes**

## Chapter 530

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#### **HB 885**

# **Howard County Delegation**

# Chapter 538

HOWARD COUNTY – SHERIFF – SALARY HO. CO. 03–22

Altering the salary of the Sheriff of Howard County.

### **HB 369**

### **Delegate Belcastro**

## Chapter 540

MARRIAGE RECORDS – NAME CHANGE

Establishing certain procedures for the issuance of a new marriage record when the name of a party to the marriage has been changed.

### Delegate Moon, et al

## Chapter 541

CIVIL ACTIONS – DAMAGES – USE OF RACE, ETHNICITY, AND GENDER DATA

Prohibiting a calculation of damages for loss of earnings resulting from personal injury or wrongful death from being reduced based on race, ethnicity, or gender; and applying the Act prospectively.

### **HB 176**

# **Delegate Cardin**

# Chapter 542

COURTS – SERVICE OF PROCESS – FEES COLLECTED BY SHERIFF

Altering certain fees charged by a sheriff for service of process of certain papers.

### **HB 67**

## **Delegate J. Lewis**

# Chapter 543

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – RESTRICTIVE HOUSING – DIRECT RELEASE

Prohibiting, to the extent possible, the Commissioner of Correction from prohibiting an inmate placed in restrictive housing from having access to a reentry specialist or case manager within 180 days before the direct release of the inmate from a correctional facility to the community.

### **HB 208**

# Delegate Moon, et al

# Chapter 545

COURTS – PAYMENT FOR JURY SERVICE

Increasing from \$15 to \$30 the State per diem for jury service under certain circumstances.

### **SB** 775

### **Senator Carter**

# Chapter 546

COURTS – PAYMENT FOR JURY SERVICE

Increasing from \$15 to \$30 the State per diem for jury service under certain circumstances.

### **Delegates Ghrist and Jacobs**

### Chapter 547

CAROLINE COUNTY – STATE'S ATTORNEY AND SHERIFF – SALARIES

Altering the annual salary of the State's Attorney for Caroline County and the Sheriff of Caroline County.

### **SB 341**

## **Caroline County Senators**

# Chapter 548

CAROLINE COUNTY – STATE'S ATTORNEY AND SHERIFF – SALARIES

Altering the annual salary of the State's Attorney for Caroline County and the Sheriff of Caroline County.

# **HB 368**

## Delegate Korman, et al

# Chapter 549

VEHICLE LAWS – PENALTIES FOR LAPSE OF SECURITY – GRACE PERIOD

Prohibiting the Motor Vehicle Administration from assessing a penalty for a vehicle whose required security has terminated or lapsed under certain circumstances if the vehicle's registration plates are returned to the Administration within 10 days after the termination or lapse of the required security.

# HB 15 Chapter 551

# **Delegates Luedtke and D. Jones**

INVASIVE AND NATIVE PLANTS – CLASSIFICATION, LISTING, AND USE

Requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to classify certain plants as a tier 1 or tier 2 invasive plant; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to create, maintain, and publish on its website a list of plant species native to the State; requiring that each entity that receives State funding and each State agency prioritize the use of plants native to the State for every planting project; requiring the Department to notify nurseries, landscapers, plant wholesalers, and plant retailers of the provisions of the Act; etc.

## **Senator Elfreth**

## Chapter 552

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Requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to classify certain plants as a tier 1 or tier 2 invasive plant; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to create, maintain, and publish on its website a list of plant species native to the State; requiring that each entity that receives State funding and each State agency prioritize the use of plants native to the State for every planting project; and requiring the Department to notify nurseries, landscapes, plant wholesalers, and plant retailers of the Act's requirements.

# **HB 870** Chapter 560

## **Delegates Foley and Fraser-Hidalgo**

VEHICLE TOWING OR REMOVAL – SECURED PARTIES – ELECTRONIC NOTIFICATION

Authorizing a person who undertakes the towing or removal of a vehicle from a parking lot to notify any secured party electronically if that form of notice is agreed to by the tower and the secured party in a writing or by electronic communication.

# SB 731

### Senator Watson, et al

# Chapter 561

VEHICLE TOWING OR REMOVAL – SECURED PARTIES – ELECTRONIC NOTIFICATION

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## **Delegate Ruth**

# Chapter 564

MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY STANDARDS – ALTERATIONS

Altering the application of certain testing, certification, and enforcement requirements for certain efficiency standards; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to review certain efficiency standards on or before January 1, 2023; prohibiting the sale, offering for sale, and installation of certain products in the State under certain circumstances beginning on a certain date; requiring the Administration to adopt regulations on efficiency standards for certain products on or before January 1, 2023; etc.

# HB 222

# **Delegate Parrott**

# Chapter 565 VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVING IN RIGHT-HAND LANES – INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS IN RURAL AREAS

Requiring the driver of a vehicle traveling slower than the general speed of traffic on an interstate highway in a rural area to drive the vehicle in the right—hand lanes under certain circumstances; prohibiting the issuance of a citation for a violation of the Act; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to include information about the requirement in the State's driver education curriculum and to inform drivers of the requirement through certain signage; etc.

# HB 206

# **Delegate Moon**

# Chapter 567

VEHICLE LAWS – LICENSES AND PERMITS – PROHIBITED ACTS

Repealing a certain prohibition relating to licenses to drive and moped operator's permits; and prohibiting a person from engaging in any fraudulent or dishonest conduct in the examination or testing process for the issuance or renewal of a driver's license or moped operator's permit.

# **SB 465** Chapter 568

#### **Senator Carter**

### VEHICLE LAWS – LICENSES AND PERMITS – PROHIBITED ACTS

Repealing a certain prohibition relating to licenses to drive and moped operator's permits; and prohibiting a person from engaging in any fraudulent or dishonest conduct in the examination or testing process for the issuance or renewal of a driver's license or moped operator's permit.

# Delegate Stein, et al

# Chapter 573

VEHICLE LAWS – LICENSING OF BUSINESSES AND OCCUPATIONS – DEFINITION OF VEHICLE SALESMAN

Altering the definition of "vehicle salesman" as it relates to certain vehicle laws governing the licensing of businesses and occupations to include certain individuals who, for a commission or other compensation, negotiate with or induce other persons to enter into a financial security or warranty agreement on behalf of a dealer in connection with the sale of a vehicle.

# HB 487

## **Delegates Foley and Fraser-Hidalgo**

# Chapter 575

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES – POLICE–INITIATED TOWING – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Department of State Police to make a tow list of qualified towing companies for use by the Department in carrying out police—initiated towing of disabled or abandoned commercial vehicles and to make certain rate sheets available to the public on request; and establishing certain requirements and procedures for the police—initiated towing of certain commercial vehicles at the direction of the Department.

# SB 526

#### **Senator Feldman**

Chapter 578

RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS – OFFSHORE WIND

Altering the application of the offshore wind energy component of the renewable energy portfolio standard to apply only to distribution sales of electric companies; altering the manner in which an electric company may reflect and recover offshore wind renewable energy credit costs; altering certain compliance fees for shortfalls from the offshore wind energy component of the renewable energy portfolio standard; etc.

# HB 440 Chapter 581

# **Delegate Clippinger**

ELECTRICITY – COMMUNITY SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS – NET ENERGY METERING AND GENERATING CAPACITY

Altering the maximum generating capacity of a community solar energy generating system for purposes of net energy metering; increasing the maximum generating capacity of a community solar energy generating system from 2 megawatts to 5 megawatts; and specifying that a community solar energy generating system is not a generating station if the generating capacity of the community solar energy generating system does not exceed 2 megawatts.

# **HB 434** Chapter 582

# **Delegate Wells**

MOTOR VEHICLES – SPEED LIMITS – ESTABLISHMENT AND ENFORCEMENT

Authorizing Baltimore City to decrease or raise to a previously established level the maximum speed limit on a highway under its jurisdiction without performing an engineering and traffic investigation; and prohibiting a local jurisdiction from using a speed monitoring system to enforce speed limits on any portion of a highway for which the speed limit has been decreased without performing an engineering and traffic investigation.

# **SB 520** Chapter 583

# **Senator Washington**

MOTOR VEHICLES – SPEED LIMITS – ESTABLISHMENT AND ENFORCEMENT

Authorizing Baltimore City, without performing an engineering and traffic investigation, to decrease or raise to a previously established level the maximum speed limit on a highway under its jurisdiction; and prohibiting a local jurisdiction from using a monitoring system to enforce speed limits on any portion of a highway for which the speed limit has been decreased without performing an engineering and traffic investigation.

## **Delegate Boyce**

### Chapter 584

BALTIMORE CITY - VEHICLE LAWS - TOWING

Authorizing Baltimore City to tow vehicles blocking access to driveways, alleys, transit lanes, or parking facilities.

#### **SB 750**

# **Senator McCray (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**

# Chapter 585

BALTIMORE CITY - VEHICLE LAWS - TOWING

Authorizing Baltimore City to tow vehicles blocking access to driveways, alleys, transit lanes, or parking facilities.

### **HB 926**

### **Delegate Valderrama**

# Chapter 586

VEHICLE LAWS – MECHANICAL REPAIR CONTRACTS – POLICIES OF INSURANCE

Requiring an insurance policy of an obligor under a mechanical repair contract to provide certain coverage for contract nonperformance; and authorizing certain policies of insurance for mechanical repair contracts to be issued by certain certain risk retention groups.

### **SB 697**

### **Senator Beidle**

# Chapter 587

VEHICLE LAWS – MECHANICAL REPAIR CONTRACTS – POLICIES OF INSURANCE

Requiring an insurance policy of an obligor under a mechanical repair contract to provide certain coverage for contract nonperformance; and authorizing certain policies of insurance for mechanical repair contracts to be issued by certain risk retention groups.

# **HB 1200** Chapter 588

## **Delegate Wells**

ENVIRONMENT – PERMIT APPLICATIONS – ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE SCREENING

Requiring a person applying for a certain permit from the Department of the Environment to include in the application the EJ Score from the Maryland EJ tool for the census tract where the applicant is seeking the permit; requiring the Department, on receiving a certain permit application, to review the EJ Score for the census tract where the applicant is seeking a permit using the Maryland EJ tool to verify the applicant's information; etc.

# **SB 86**

### **Senator Hester**

# Chapter 590

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – LEASE AGREEMENTS – TRAIL ACCESS PROVISION

Requiring certain leases executed by the Department of Natural Resources to include a provision requiring a lessee to maintain unobstructed access to trail heads by trail users and first responders and ensure that trail heads remain free of obstructions at all times; and requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to submit an annual report of the leases executed by the Department of Natural Resources to the Department of General Services.

# HB 522 Chapter 597

# St. Mary's County Delegation

ST. MARY'S COUNTY – TAX SALES – AUCTIONEER EXPENSES

Including the actual cost of an auctioneer fee for the tax sale of property in St. Mary's County as an expense of the sale of the property.

# **HB 526** Chapter 598

# **Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation**

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – PLUMBING AND FUEL GAS SERVICES – LICENSES AND PENALTIES PG/MC 109–22

Prohibiting a person from providing, attempting to provide, or offering to provide certain plumbing services in any area under the regulatory jurisdiction of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission without a license from the Commission; prohibiting a person from assisting, attempting to assist, or offering to assist in providing certain fuel gas services in any area under the regulatory jurisdiction of the Commission without a license from the Commission; establishing a certain penalty for certain violations; etc.

# **HB 528** Chapter 599

# **Delegate McKay**

TOWN OF WILLIAMSPORT (WASHINGTON COUNTY) – URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY FOR BLIGHT CLEARANCE

Granting the Town of Williamsport in Washington County the authority to exercise urban renewal powers in areas zoned for commercial use for blight clearance and redevelopment under Article III, Section 61 of the Maryland Constitution; and authorizing the municipality to levy certain taxes and issue general obligation bonds and revenue bonds to carry out urban renewal powers.

# HB 543 Chapter 600

# **Delegate McKay**

TOWN OF HANCOCK (WASHINGTON COUNTY) – URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY FOR BLIGHT CLEARANCE

Granting the Town of Hancock in Washington County the authority to exercise urban renewal powers in areas zoned for commercial use for blight clearance and redevelopment under Article III, Section 61 of the Maryland Constitution; and authorizing the municipality to levy certain taxes and issue general obligation bonds and revenue bonds to carry out urban renewal powers.

Chapter 601

# **Delegate P. Young**

BALTIMORE COUNTY – ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES AND SURVIVING SPOUSES – PENSIONS

Requiring Baltimore County to pay Orphans' Court judges, if the judge was in office on or after January 1, 2022, and their surviving spouses a certain pension under certain circumstances; and requiring the County Council of Baltimore County to establish, by law, certain requirements and procedures relating to the pension of a judge of the Orphans' Court.

### **SB 432**

### Senator Klausmeier

# Chapter 602

BALTIMORE COUNTY – ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES AND SURVIVING SPOUSES – PENSIONS

Requiring Baltimore County to pay Orphans' Court judges, if the judge was in office on or after January 1, 2022, and their surviving spouses a certain pension under certain circumstances; and requiring the County Council of Baltimore County to establish, by law, certain requirements and procedures relating to the pension of a judge of the Orphans' Court.

# HB 391 Chapter 608

### **Delegate Bartlett**

FALSE CLAIMS – CIVIL PENALTIES OR DAMAGES – AUTHORIZATION TO RECOVER AND EXCEPTIONS TO GENERAL FUND DEPOSIT BY COMPTROLLER

Authorizing a governmental entity to recover certain court costs and attorney's fees for certain actions; requiring that the Comptroller deposit civil penalties or damages collected by the State under the Maryland False Claims Act or other provisions of law prohibiting false claims against State health plans and health programs into certain funds or special funds rather than the General Fund of the State; and establishing the False Claims Fund to be used by the Attorney General to investigate and litigate suspected violations of the Act.

# SB 114 Chapter 609

### Senator Waldstreicher

FALSE CLAIMS – CIVIL PENALTIES OR DAMAGES – AUTHORIZATION TO RECOVER AND EXCEPTIONS TO GENERAL FUND DEPOSIT BY COMPTROLLER

Authorizing a governmental entity to recover certain court costs and attorney's fees for certain actions; requiring that the Comptroller deposit civil penalties or damages collected by the State under the Maryland False Claims Act or other provisions of law prohibiting false claims against State health plans and health programs into certain funds or special funds rather than the General Fund of the State; establishing a False Claims Fund to be used by the Attorney General to investigate and litigate suspected violations of the Act; etc.

# HB 397 Chapter 611

# **Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation**

MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – COUNTY COUNCIL AND DISTRICT COUNCIL – VOTING THRESHOLDS PG/MC 100–22

Adjusting the voting thresholds necessary for the Montgomery County Council or the Montgomery County District Council to take certain actions related to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

# HB 382 Chapter 613

### **Delegate Otto**

SOMERSET COUNTY – LOCAL OFFICIALS – SALARIES AND DAILY ALLOWANCE FOR TRAVELING EXPENSES

Altering the salaries of the Sheriff of Somerset County, the State's Attorney for Somerset County, the County Commissioners of Somerset County, the President of the County Commissioners of Somerset County, members of the County Roads Board of Somerset County, and the President of the County Roads Board of Somerset County and the salaries and daily allowance for certain expenses of the Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court for Somerset County and associate judges of the Orphans' Court for Somerset County.

### **Senator Carozza**

## Chapter 614

SOMERSET COUNTY - LOCAL OFFICIALS - SALARIES AND DAILY ALLOWANCE FOR TRAVELING EXPENSES

Altering the salaries of the Sheriff of Somerset County, the State's Attorney for Somerset County, the County Commissioners of Somerset County, the President of the County Commissioners of Somerset County, members of the County Roads Board of Somerset County, and the President of the County Roads Board of Somerset County and the salaries and daily allowance for certain expenses of the Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court for Somerset County and associate judges of the Orphans' Court for Somerset County.

# **HB 424**

## The Speaker (By Request – Governor's Salary Commission)

# Chapter 616

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS – SALARIES

Providing for the annual salaries of the Comptroller, the Treasurer, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of State.

# **HB 128** Chapter 618

## **Delegate Lopez**

DEBT SETTLEMENT SERVICES - STUDENT EDUCATION LOAN DEBT RELIEF - DISCLOSURES AND PROHIBITIONS

Requiring a person registered to provide debt settlement services to make certain disclosures to consumers relating to student education loan debt; requiring that an advertisement for debt settlement services for student education loan debt relief include a certain disclosure; and prohibiting debt settlement services providers from taking certain actions with respect to student education loan debt relief.

# Delegate Crutchfield

# Chapter 619

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – GUARDIANSHIP OF MINORS – APPOINTMENT BY COURT

Altering the circumstances under which a court may appoint a guardian of the person of a minor if the court finds, by a preponderance of the evidence that the appointment is in the best interests of the minor, no testamentary appointment has been made, no parent is willing or able to serve as the minor's guardian, each parent consents to the appointment, or no parent files an objection to the appointment; and providing that the appointment of a guardian of the person of a minor does not require the termination of parental rights.

# **SB 508**

### **Senator West**

# Chapter 620

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – GUARDIANSHIP OF MINORS – APPOINTMENT BY COURT

Altering the circumstances under which a court may appoint a guardian of the person of a minor if the court finds, by a preponderance of the evidence that the appointment is in the best interests of the minor, no testamentary appointment has been made, no parent is willing or able to serve as the minor's guardian, each parent consents to the appointment, or no parent files an objection to the appointment; and providing that the appointment of a guardian of the person of a minor does not require the termination of parental rights.

# HB 907 Chapter 621

# **Delegate Chang**

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE CAMPUS – EMPLOYEES – AUTHORIZATION TO FUND–RAISE

Authorizing an employee of the University of Maryland, Baltimore Campus to solicit gifts or proposals for grants for the benefit of the University of Maryland Medical System Corporation in accordance with certain provisions of law and policies.

### **Senator Hayes**

## Chapter 622

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE CAMPUS - EMPLOYEES – AUTHORIZATION TO FUND–RAISE

Authorizing an employee of the University of Maryland, Baltimore Campus to solicit gifts or proposals for grants for the benefit of the University of Maryland Medical System Corporation in accordance with certain provisions of law and policies.

# HB 662 Chapter 627

# **Delegate Guyton**

ADVISORY STAKEHOLDER GROUP ON AUTISM-RELATED NEEDS AND THE STATE COORDINATOR FOR AUTISM STRATEGY – MEMBERSHIP, STAFFING, AND APPOINTMENT

Altering the membership and staffing of the Advisory Stakeholder Group on Autism–Related Needs; requiring the Governor to appoint the State Coordinator for Autism Strategy; and requiring the Governor, in fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation sufficient to fund the position of State Coordinator and, in fiscal year 2024 and each year thereafter, an appropriation to fund one support staff position for the State Coordinator for Autism Strategy.

# SB 468 Chapter 630

### **Senator West**

ESTATES AND TRUSTS – PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES – PAYMENT OF COMMISSIONS AND ATTORNEY'S FEES WITHOUT COURT APPROVAL

Providing that a personal representative may pay commissions and attorney's fees without court approval only if the payments consented to are for services rendered prior to the consent.

#### Senator Waldstreicher, et al

## Chapter 631

#### ESTATES AND TRUSTS – SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING

Authorizing the use of supported decision making to assist an adult through the provision of certain support for the adult in making, communicating, or effectuating certain decisions and preventing the need for the appointment of certain substitute decision makers for the adult; recognizing the right of an adult to enter into a supported decision—making agreement with one or more supporters under certain circumstances; providing immunity from civil or criminal liability under certain circumstances; etc.

# **HB 1049** Chapter 632

#### **Delegate Cardin**

## MARYLAND TRUST ACT – TRUSTEE LIABILITY – RELEASE BY INTERESTED PARTIES

Altering a provision of law requiring that a trustee seeking a release of the trustee from liability for administration of a trust send a certain interested party from whom the trustee is seeking the release a certain report; providing for the submission of a statement by an interested party to a trust under the Maryland Trust Act that the interested party does not object to the release from liability of a trustee for administration of the trust under certain circumstances; etc.

### SB 878 Chapter 633

#### Senator Waldstreicher

# MARYLAND TRUST ACT – TRUSTEE LIABILITY – RELEASE BY INTERESTED PARTIES

Altering a provision of law providing that a trustee seeking a release of the trustee from liability for administration of a trust send a certain interested party from whom the trustee is seeking the release a certain report; providing for the submission of a statement by an interested party to a trust under the Maryland Trust Act that the interested party does not object to the release from liability of a trustee for administration of the trust under certain circumstances; etc.

#### HB 331 Chapter 638

#### **Delegates Boteler and Buckel**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT – REGULATION OF AMATEUR RADIO STATION ANTENNA STRUCTURES

Requiring that an ordinance adopted by a county or municipality to regulate amateur radio station antenna structures may not preclude amateur radio communications, must accommodate amateur radio communications, and must constitute the minimum practicable regulation to accomplish the purpose of the ordinance.

## HB 69 Chapter 644

## **Delegate Amprey**

STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION – REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS AND APPEALS

Requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to publish on its website certain information in plain language relating to the assessment process and methodology used in determining the value of real property; allowing certain authorities to consider certain criteria when hearing an appeal related to the valuation of real property; and requiring the appeal authority to notify, within 10 days after a decision regarding commercial property, the governing body of a county and municipal corporation in which the property is located.

## SB 247 Chapter 645

### **Senator Hayes**

STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION – REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS AND APPEALS

Requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to publish on its website certain information in plain language relating to the assessment process and methodology used in determining the value of real property; allowing certain authorities to consider certain criteria when hearing an appeal related to the valuation of real property; and requiring the appeal authority to notify, within 10 days after a decision regarding commercial property, the governing body of a county and municipal corporation in which the property is located.

#### **Delegate Kerr** Chapter 648

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS - PRESUMPTION OF PROPERTY ABANDONMENT – REVISIONS

Altering the circumstances under which certain property is presumed abandoned; altering the circumstances under which the running of the period of abandonment of certain property ceases; providing that the period of abandonment of certain property ceases under certain circumstances; etc.

### **HB 568** Chapter 649

## **Delegate Carey**

REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS -COMPENSATION - PAYMENT FROM TITLE INSURANCE **PRODUCER** 

Authorizing a licensed title insurance producer to pay compensation for the provision of real estate brokerage services to associate real estate brokers, real estate salespersons, or certain business entities on behalf of a real estate broker in accordance with a written disbursement authorization provided by the real estate broker.

## **SB 425**

#### **Senator Reilly**

Chapter 650

REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS – COMPENSATION – PAYMENT FROM TITLE INSURANCE **PRODUCER** 

Authorizing a licensed title insurance producer to pay compensation for the provision of real estate brokerage services to associate real estate brokers, real estate salespersons, or certain business entities on behalf of a real estate broker in accordance with written disbursement authorization provided by the real estate broker.

#### **Delegate Watson**

#### Chapter 651

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE – RECOVERY OF BENEFITS – REFUND OF PAYMENTS

Requiring the Secretary of Labor to investigate claims that the Secretary recovered unemployment insurance benefits in excess of the amount included in a notice provided to a claimant and refund the claimant any excess funds; and requiring the Secretary to submit a monthly report to the General Assembly that includes certain information on investigated claims.

#### **SB 450**

#### **Senator Smith**

## Chapter 657

HARASSMENT AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT – DEFINITIONS – EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION TRAINING

Altering the definition of "harassment" for purposes of certain provisions relating to discrimination in employment to include sexual harassment and certain unwelcome and offensive conduct; and altering the definition of "sexual harassment" for purposes of certain provisions relating to State government sexual harassment prevention training.

#### **SB 451**

#### **Senators Smith and Lee**

## **Chapter 660**

UNLAWFUL EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS – TOLLING

Tolling the period of time during which a complainant may file a civil action that alleges an unlawful employment practice while an administrative charge is pending.

## HB 1179

#### **Delegate Johnson**

### Chapter 661

STATE LOTTERY – SALES OF LOTTERY TICKETS AND TICKETS FROM INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES – COMMISSIONS

Increasing the commissions from 5.5% to 6% that certain licensed agents receive from certain lottery ticket sales and that certain veterans organizations receive from sales of tickets from instant ticket lottery machines.

# **HB 1196** Chapter 663

#### Delegate C. Branch

#### TAX SALES – ALTERNATIVE COLLECTION PROGRAMS

Repealing the termination date of the authority of a county or municipal corporation to withhold from tax sale owner—occupied residential property and requiring the property to meet certain criteria; authorizing a county or municipal corporation to withhold from tax sale a residential property or property owned by a nonprofit organization that is enrolled in a certain payment program; and authorizing a county or municipal corporation to cancel or postpone a tax sale during a state of emergency.

## HB 107 Chapter 664

#### Delegate Holmes, et al

COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS, CONDOMINIUMS, AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – RESERVE STUDIES – STATEWIDE

Requiring the governing body of certain cooperative housing corporations, condominiums, or homeowners associations to have a reserve study conducted of the common elements of the cooperative housing corporation, condominium, or homeowners association and to update the study every 5 years; imposing certain requirements relating to the annual budget of a cooperative housing corporation, condominium, or homeowners association; etc.

# **HB 1001** Chapter 665

#### **Delegate Carey**

HUMAN SERVICES – OFFICE OF HOME ENERGY PROGRAMS – POWER TO THE PEOPLE PILOT PROGRAM PERSONNEL AND UNIFORM REDETERMINATION PROCESS

Requiring the Office of Home Energy Programs, in coordination with the United Way of Central Maryland and the Fuel Fund of Maryland, to establish the Power to the People Pilot Program; providing that certain funding for the Program be used to hire certain part—time personnel instead of full—time personnel; requiring the Office to develop a certain redetermination process to assist eligible energy customers who are at least 65 years old in enrolling in energy assistance programs; etc.

#### **Senator Benson**

## Chapter 666

HUMAN SERVICES – OFFICE OF HOME ENERGY PROGRAMS – POWER TO THE PEOPLE PILOT PROGRAM PERSONNEL AND UNIFORM REDETERMINATION PROCESS

Providing that certain funding for the Power to the People Pilot Program be used to hire certain part—time personnel; requiring the Office of Home Energy Programs to develop a certain redetermination process to assist eligible energy customers who are at least 65 years old in enrolling in energy assistance programs; etc.

#### **SB 734**

#### Senator Lam

## Chapter 667

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – PRIMARY CARE REPORT AND WORKGROUP

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to provide a report, beginning December 1, 2024, and each year thereafter, to the Governor and the General Assembly containing an analysis of primary care investment, ways to improve the quality of and access to primary care services, and any findings and recommendations; requiring the Commission to establish a workgroup to develop the report to include an interpretation of the results of the required analysis and to make recommendations; etc.

## HB 534 Chapter 669

### Delegate Bhandari, et al

### 669

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - SELF-MEASURED BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING

Requiring, beginning January 1, 2023, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide coverage for self-measured blood pressure monitoring.

#### **SB 244**

#### **Senator Feldman**

## Chapter 670

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – SELF–MEASURED BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING

Requiring, beginning January 1, 2023, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to provide coverage for self-measured blood pressure monitoring.

### HB 544 Chapter 673

### Delegate Qi, et al

HEALTH FACILITIES – RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Requiring residential service agencies receiving Medicaid reimbursement for the provision of home care or similar services by personal care aides to report by October 1 each year to the Maryland Department of Health the number of aides classified by the residential service agency as employees and independent contractors; requiring the Department to use the information reported to create a certain report by July 1 each year and submit the report to certain committees of the General Assembly; etc.

## SB 600 Chapter 674

### Senator Kelley, et al

HEALTH FACILITIES – RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Requiring residential service agencies receiving Medicaid reimbursement for the provision of home care or similar services by personal care aides to report by October 1 each year to the Maryland Department of Health the number of personal care aides classified by the agency as employees and independent contractors; and requiring the Department to use the reported information to create a certain report by July 1 each year, and submit the report to certain committees of the General Assembly.

# **HB 1222** Chapter 676

## **Delegate Amprey**

PUBLIC HEALTH – BALTIMORE CITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS INCIDENT REVIEW TEAM

Establishing the Baltimore City Behavioral Health Crisis Incident Review Team to examine behavioral health crises that involve interaction with law enforcement in Baltimore City and recommend and facilitate changes to minimize the need for law enforcement involvement in behavioral health crises; providing that meetings of the review team are closed to the public and not subject to the Open Meetings Act when discussing individual behavioral health crises or incidents; etc.

#### HB 219 Chapter 677

#### **Delegate Kelly**

# DENTAL HYGIENISTS – CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS – HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS

Altering the types of health care practitioners with whom a dental hygienist must consult before providing certain treatment to a dental patient to include a patient's registered nurse practitioner, certified nurse midwife, or licensed certified midwife; and requiring that a dental hygienist consult with the supervising dentist and the treating physician, registered nurse practitioner, certified nurse midwife, or licensed certified midwife if there is a change in a patient's medical condition.

## SB 306 Chapter 678

#### **Senator Lam**

## DENTAL HYGIENISTS – CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS – HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS

Altering the types of health care practitioners with whom a dental hygienist must consult before providing certain treatment to a dental patient to include a patient's registered nurse practitioner, certified nurse midwife, or licensed certified midwife; and requiring that a dental hygienist consult with the supervising dentist and the treating physician, registered nurse practitioner, certified nurse midwife, or licensed certified midwife if there is a change in a patient's medical condition.

## HB 669 Chapter 682

### Delegate Wilkins, et al

# MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DOULA SERVICES – COVERAGE

Requiring a provider to meet certain requirements in order to provide doula services in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to cover certain doula services.

#### HB 55 Chapter 686

#### **Delegate Cullison**

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – NURSE ANESTHETISTS – DRUG AUTHORITY

Authorizing a nurse anesthetist to prescribe, order, and administer drugs, including controlled dangerous substances; and providing that a nurse anesthetist may prescribe drugs only in an amount that does not exceed a 10–day supply, only to an individual with whom the nurse anesthetist has, at the time of prescription, established a client or patient record, and only in connection with the delivery of anesthesia services.

### HB 129 Chapter 687

#### **Delegate Charkoudian**

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS – MODIFICATIONS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to require that proposals requesting Behavioral Health Crisis Response Grant Program funding contain response standards that prioritize mobile crisis units over law enforcement when responding to individuals in crisis; defining "mobile crisis team" to include prioritizing limiting interaction of law enforcement with individuals in crisis; and requiring each public safety answering point to develop a written policy for calls involving an individual suffering an active mental health crisis.

### SB 12 Chapter 688

### **Senator Augustine**

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS – MODIFICATIONS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to require that proposals requesting Behavioral Health Crisis Response Grant Program funding contain response standards that prioritize mobile crisis units over law enforcement when responding to individuals in crisis; defining "mobile crisis team" to include prioritizing limiting interaction of law enforcement with individuals in crisis; and requiring each public safety answering point to develop a written policy for calls involving an individual suffering an active mental health crisis.

# **HB 1034** Chapter 689

#### Delegate Pena-Melnyk, et al

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS – RENAMING, LICENSURE OF ASSISTED LIVING MANAGERS, AND PENALTIES

Renaming the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators to be the State Board of Long–Term Care Administrators; establishing a licensing and regulatory system for assisted living managers under the Board; requiring the Office of Health Care Quality, beginning October 1, 2024, to notify the Board of the appointment of an assisted living program as a resident's representative payee; establishing a civil penalty for certain actions related to practicing as a nursing home administrator or an assisted living manager without a license; etc.

### SB 720 Chapter 690

#### Senator Kelley, et al

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS – RENAMING, LICENSURE OF ASSISTED LIVING MANAGERS, AND PENALTIES

Renaming the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators to be the State Board of Long–Term Care Administrators; establishing a licensing and regulatory system for assisted living managers under the Board; requiring the Office of Health Care Quality, beginning October 1, 2024, to notify the Board of the appointment of an assisted living program as a resident's representative payee; establishing a civil penalty for certain actions related to practicing as a nursing home administrator or an assisted living manager without a license; etc.

## HB 684 Chapter 691

#### Delegate Bagnall, et al

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – PSYCHIATRIC INPATIENT CARE – ADMISSIONS RESTRICTIONS (PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS EQUITY ACT)

Prohibiting the Maryland Department of Health from limiting or restricting admission of a Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipient for inpatient care at a special psychiatric hospital or an acute general care hospital with separately identified inpatient psychiatric service except under certain circumstances; and requiring the Department by July 1 each year, beginning in 2024, to report certain information and data to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.

#### **Delegate Qi**

#### Chapter 692

INSURANCE – ANNUITIES – NONFORFEITURE – INTEREST RATE

Altering the minimum interest rate from 1% to 0.15%, used to determine minimum nonforfeiture amounts for annuity contracts.

#### **SB 164**

#### **Senator Feldman**

### Chapter 693

INSURANCE – ANNUITIES – NONFORFEITURE – INTEREST RATE

Altering the minimum interest rate from 1% to 0.15%, used to determine minimum nonforfeiture amounts for annuity contracts.

#### **HB** 188

#### **Delegate Cullison**

#### Chapter 694

#### ACUPUNCTURE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

Altering the education requirements that an applicant for licensure by the State Acupuncture Board must achieve to be issued a license if the license is issued on or before May 31, 2026, and if the license is issued on or after June 1, 2026.

#### **SB 120**

### **Senator Lam (By Request)**

### Chapter 695

#### ACUPUNCTURE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

Altering the education requirements that an applicant for licensure by the State Acupuncture Board must achieve to be issued a license depending on if the license is issued on or before May 31, 2026, or on or after June 1, 2026.

### HB 636 Chapter 698

#### **Delegate Belcastro**

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Office of Health Care Quality, the Maryland Long–Term Care Ombudsman Program, the Medicaid Administration, the Governor's Workforce Development Board, and interested stakeholders, to conduct a study regarding the quality of care by assisted living programs with nine or fewer beds; and requiring the Commission to report its recommendations, including any draft legislation, to the Governor, the Department of Health, and certain committees of the General Assembly.

### SB 531 Chapter 699

#### Senator Beidle, et al

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION – ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAMS – STUDY

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Office of Health Care Quality, the Maryland Long—Term Care Ombudsman Program, the Medicaid Administration, the Governor's Workforce Development Board, and interested stakeholders, to conduct a study regarding the quality of care by assisted living programs with nine or fewer beds.

## HB 637 Chapter 700

## **Delegate Carey**

INSURANCE – TITLE INSURANCE PRODUCERS – ANNUAL REVIEW

Authorizing a title insurer to conduct a required annual review of a title insurance producer in person, remotely by using mail, overnight delivery, or electronic means, or by a combination of in–person and remote methods.

#### **Senator Beidle**

#### Chapter 701

INSURANCE – TITLE INSURANCE PRODUCERS – ANNUAL REVIEW

Authorizing a title insurer to conduct a required annual review of a title insurance producer in person, remotely by using mail, overnight delivery, or electronic means, or by a combination of in–person and remote methods.

#### HB 220 Chapter 705

#### **Delegate Kelly**

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS – REQUIRING LICENSE TO PRACTICE AND OTHER REVISIONS

Requiring the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners to maintain on the Board's website an electronic roster of individuals registered and licensed to practice massage therapy; phasing out the option for an individual to be registered by the Board to practice massage therapy in a setting that is not a health care setting; altering the educational requirements for licensure or registration as a massage therapist to include 750 contact hours in a certain approved curriculum; etc.

### SB 37 Chapter 706

#### **Senator Augustine**

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS – REQUIRING LICENSE TO PRACTICE AND OTHER REVISIONS

Requiring the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners to maintain on the Board's website an electronic roster of individuals registered and licensed to practice massage therapy; phasing out the option for an individual to be registered by the Board to practice massage therapy in a setting that is not a health care setting; altering the educational requirements for licensure or registration as a massage therapist to include 750 contact hours in a certain approved curriculum; etc.

## **HB 133** Chapter 709

#### Delegate Stewart, et al

ENVIRONMENT – SEALANT PRODUCTS – PROHIBITIONS (SAFER SEALANT ACT OF 2022)

Prohibiting, on or after October 1, 2023, a person from supplying, selling, or offering for sale a high–PAH sealant product for application to a driveway or parking area in the State; prohibiting, on or after October 1, 2023, a person from applying or soliciting the application of a high–PAH sealant product to a driveway or parking area in the State; establishing a civil penalty up to \$2,500 for each violation and an administrative penalty up to \$2,500 for each violation, but not exceeding \$100,000 total; etc.

# **SB 372** Chapter 710

### Senator Kagan

ENVIRONMENT – SEALANT PRODUCTS – PROHIBITIONS (SAFER SEALANT ACT OF 2022)

Prohibiting, on or after October 1, 2023, a person from supplying, selling, or offering for sale a high–PAH sealant product for application to a driveway or parking area in the State; prohibiting on or after October 1, 2023, a person from applying or soliciting the application of a high–PAH sealant product to a driveway or parking area in the State; establishing a civil penalty of up to \$2,500 for each violation and an administrative penalty of up to \$2,500 for each violation, but not exceeding \$100,000 total; etc.

# **HB 187** Chapter 716

## **Delegate Terrasa**

## ESTATES AND TRUSTS – ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES – FEES

Providing that a register of wills is not required to record or provide certain documents until the appropriate fee for the documents has been paid; altering certain probate fees on estates that are valued at a certain amount; requiring a register of wills to collect and assess certain fees at a certain time; authorizing registers of wills to provide certain services and charge certain fees for those services; etc.

#### **Senators Sydnor and Kelley**

#### Chapter 717

BALTIMORE COUNTY – WEST BALTIMORE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Authorizing Baltimore County to exercise powers to acquire, develop or redevelop, and dispose of certain land or property located in West Baltimore County for residential, commercial, or industrial purposes; authorizing the County Executive and County Council of Baltimore County to establish, by law, the West Baltimore County Redevelopment Authority and to delegate certain powers to the Authority to acquire, develop, redevelop, or dispose of certain land or property located in West Baltimore County for certain purposes; etc.

## HB 213

#### **Delegate Kelly**

## Chapter 718

HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGES – DEFINITION AND PRIVACY REGULATIONS

Altering the definition of a "health information exchange" as used in provisions of law governing the confidentiality of medical records; and providing that regulations governing the privacy and security of protected health information obtained or released through a health information exchange may not prohibit the sharing and disclosing of information that is required to be exchanged under federal law or for payment purposes or the use of electronic health information for purposes important to public health.

## HB 229

### Delegate K. Young, et al

## Chapter 719

PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF INJECTABLE MEDICATIONS FOR TREATMENT OF SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

Authorizing pharmacists to administer injectable medications for treatment of sexually transmitted infections; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, and the Maryland Children's Health Program to provide certain coverage; etc.

#### **Senator Lam**

## Chapter 720

PHARMACISTS – ADMINISTRATION OF INJECTABLE MEDICATIONS FOR TREATMENT OF SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

Defining "injectable medications for treatment of sexually transmitted infections" for purposes of authorizing pharmacists to administer the medications; and requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, and the Maryland Children's Health Program to provide certain coverage for the administration of the medication by a pharmacist.

#### **HB 373**

#### Delegate Reznik, et al

### Chapter 721

STATE POSTMORTEM EXAMINERS COMMISSION – MINIMUM STAFFING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to ensure that the number of staff employed by the State Postmortem Examiners does not fall to a level that would constitute a Phase II violation according to the National Association of Medical Examiners.

#### HB 521

#### Delegate Pena-Melnyk, et al

#### Chapter 722

LANDLORD AND TENANT – REPOSSESSION FOR FAILURE TO PAY RENT – SHIELDING OF COURT RECORDS

Authorizing certain individuals to petition a court to remove from public inspection certain records relating to an action for repossession of residential property for failure to pay rent; establishing certain procedures and requirements for the consideration of a petition to shield records under the Act; etc.

#### **HB 563**

### **Delegate Carey**

#### Chapter 723

INSURANCE – SURPLUS LINES BROKERS – POLICY FEES

Altering limitations on amounts of charges that a surplus lines broker may charge as a policy fee for policies issued by surplus lines insurers or authorized providers.

#### Senator Klausmeier

#### Chapter 724

INSURANCE – SURPLUS LINES BROKERS – POLICY FEES

Altering limitations on amounts that a surplus lines broker may charge as a policy fee for policies issued by surplus lines insurers or authorized providers.

#### **HB 588**

#### Delegate Bagnall, et al

## Chapter 725

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES – PROVISION OF FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS

Requiring certain community action agencies, in collaboration with appropriate local health departments, to make available to any women enrolled in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program feminine hygiene products in an amount sufficient to meet the needs of the woman obtaining the feminine hygiene products, subject to the availability of certain funding; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill funding in an amount estimated to be sufficient for providing feminine hygiene products as required by the Act.

# **SB 166** Chapter 726

#### **Senators Ellis and Lam**

MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DOULA SERVICES – COVERAGE

Requiring a provider to meet certain requirements, maintain up—to—date certification as required by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, and hold adequate liability insurance in order to provide doula services in the Program; and requiring the Program to cover certain doula services.

#### Delegate Stein, et al

### Chapter 730

PUBLIC SAFETY – MARYLAND SWIMMING POOL AND SPA STANDARDS – ADOPTION

Requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to adopt by regulation the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code as the Maryland Swimming Pool and Spa Standards; providing for the implementation of the Standards by local jurisdictions, counties, and municipalities; requiring the Department to consult with the Maryland Department of Health on the implementation of the Standards; applying the standards to swimming pools or spas for which an application for a permit is received by a local jurisdiction on or after June 1, 2023; etc.

#### **HB 31**

#### **Delegate Charkoudian**

#### Chapter 734

MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – RESILIENCY HUB GRANT PROGRAM AND FUND

Establishing the Resiliency Hub Grant Program in the Maryland Energy Administration to develop resiliency hubs that serve low— and moderate—income households at no cost to the households; defining "resiliency hub" as a location where solar photovoltaic and battery energy storage are designed to provide electricity during extended grid outages; requiring the Administration to establish certain procedures and criteria for the Program; requiring that certain fines and penalties be credited to a certain fund; etc.

## SB 256

#### **Senator Beidle**

## Chapter 735

MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION – RESILIENCY HUB GRANT PROGRAM AND FUND

Establishing the Resiliency Hub Grant Program in the Maryland Energy Administration to develop resiliency hubs that serve low— and moderate—income households at no cost to the households; defining "resiliency hub" as a location where solar photovoltaic and battery energy storage are designed to provide electricity during extended grid outages; requiring the Administration to establish certain procedures and criteria for the Program; requiring that certain fines and penalties be credited to a certain fund; etc.

## **HB 1020** Chapter 736

#### Delegate K. Young, et al

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION - SELF-DIRECTED SERVICES (SELF-DIRECTION ACT OF 2022)

Requiring the Developmental Disabilities Administration to establish and provide training materials to coordinators of community services on self-directed services; requiring coordinators of community services to educate a certain recipient on all models of services available to the recipient at certain times; providing for the services and manner of delivering services that the Administration provides to a recipient who receives self-directed services; etc.

# **SB 868** Chapter 737

#### **Senator Lee**

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION – SELF–DIRECTED SERVICES (SELF–DIRECTION ACT OF 2022)

Requiring the Developmental Disabilities Administration to establish and provide training materials to coordinators of community services on self-directed services; requiring coordinators of community services to educate a certain recipient on all models of services available to the recipient at certain times; providing for the services and manner of delivering services that the Administration provides to a recipient who receives self-directed services; etc.

### SB 28 Chapter 738

#### Senator Kelley, et al

HOME– AND COMMUNITY–BASED SERVICES WAIVER – PARTICIPATION AND APPLICATIONS

Altering the required contents of the home—and community—based services waiver submitted by the Maryland Department of Health to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; requiring the Department, if it maintains a waiting list for the waiver, to send a waiver application each month to all individuals on the waiting list if there are fewer than 600, and to at least 600 individuals if there are more than 600 on the waiting list; and requiring the Department to apply for an amendment to the home—and community—based services waiver.

## 2019 Chapter - Effective October 1, 2022

HB 1279 Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County Chapter 354 Delegation

MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION – PROCUREMENT – SOURCE SELECTION MC/PG 112–19

Requiring the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission to adopt certain procurement regulations relating to source selection; authorizing the Commission to adopt regulations establishing a minority business enterprise program if it determines that there is a compelling interest to implement remedial measures to assist certain minority– and women–owned businesses; requiring the Commission to report the findings of a certain study to certain persons on or before January 1, 2020; etc.

**Section 2 only**