SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2022 Maryland General Assembly Session

February 24, 2022
Schedule 19

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 24, 2022

HB 1452  Delegates Mautz and Adams

NATURAL RESOURCES – FEMALE DEER HUNTING CONTESTS – AUTHORIZATION

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person, for the management of the deer population in the State, to sponsor, conduct, or participate in a contest in the State that has the objective of killing a female deer for monetary rewards.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

NR, § 10-427 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1453  Delegate Lisanti, et al

RETIREMENT TAX REDUCTION ACT OF 2022

Allowing individuals with less than $100,000 of federal adjusted gross income a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax if the individual is receiving old age or survivor Social Security benefits or is at least 65 years old and not employed full–time; providing that the subtraction modification may not include income that is included under another subtraction modification; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

TG, § 10-207(mm) - added and § 10-209 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
**HB 1454** Delegate Arentz

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE VIOLATIONS – PENALTIES

Altering the criminal penalties for a conviction for certain unemployment insurance–related offenses.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

LE, § 8-1305 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

**HB 1455** Delegate Krebs

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – AUTHORITY OVER INFRASTRUCTURE – STAFFING AND OPERATIONS

Establishing that the Secretary of Health has authority over the infrastructure operations of health occupations boards and commissions; altering the method of selecting officers of certain health occupations boards; establishing procedures for the filling of certain vacancies on a certain health occupations board; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management, in consultation with the Secretary of Health, to determine the positions for which the Secretary of Health may set compensation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HO, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

**HB 1456** Dorchester County Delegation

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.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

ET, § 2-108(k) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
HB 1457  Delegate Queen

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS – PROSPECTIVE BUYER COMMUNICATIONS – PERSONAL INFORMATION

Prohibiting a seller’s agent from providing to a seller certain communications from a prospective buyer containing personal information or characteristics of the prospective buyer; and providing the Act is intended to prevent a seller from selecting a buyer on the basis of race, color, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, familial status, or disability in violation of the Federal Fair Housing Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
BOP, § 17-527.5 - added
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1458  Delegate D. Barnes

STATE PROCUREMENT – SMALL BUSINESS RESERVE PROGRAM

Altering the definition of “small business” for the purposes of the Small Business Reserve Program by adding a requirement that the principal office of the business must be located in the State; increasing from 15% to 30% the minimum percentage of a unit’s procurements that, to the extent practicable, are to be made directly from small businesses; and altering the intervals within which the standards and guidelines for participation in the Small Business Reserve Program are to be established to at least every 5 years.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
SF, §§ 14-501 and 14-502 - amended
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1459  Delegate Griffith

COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT – FLORAL WIRE SERVICES

Requiring a floral wire service to adopt clear and concise billing practices in dealings with local florists or third–party sellers; requiring a floral wire service to disclose to a customer when the floral wire service is buying from a floral wire service and not directly from a local florist; requiring a floral wire service to provide to local florists or third–party sellers a method for submitting charge disputes; providing that a violation of the Act constitutes an unfair, abusive or deceptive trade practice; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
CL, § 13-301(14)(xxxiv) and (xxxv) - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xxxvi) and 14-1327 - added
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations
HB 1460  Delegate Watson

CONSUMER PROTECTION – AUTOMOTIVE GLASS REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT – ADVANCED DRIVER ASSISTANCE SYSTEM RECALIBRATION

Establishing consumer protections related to the repair or replacement of automotive glass on motor vehicles equipped with an advanced driver assistance system; and prohibiting an insurer from being charged more than a fair and competitive value for the local market for the recalibration of an advanced driver assistance system; and providing that a violation of the Act constitutes an unfair, or deceptive, or abusive trade practice.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CL, §§ 14-1001 and 14-1009 - amended and § 14-1009 - added
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1461  Howard County Delegation

HOWARD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CONSIDERATION OF FACTORS FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSES HO. CO. 11–22

Requiring the Board of License Commissioners for Howard County and the Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board in Howard County to give particular consideration to the avoidance of the overconcentration of licenses in neighborhoods, particularly neighborhoods of poverty, when deciding whether to approve an application and issue a license; requiring the Hearing Board to include a certain factor in its written decision findings when determining whether to issue a new Class A license; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
AB, §§ 23-1501 and 23-1503 - amended and § 23-1509 - added
Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations