SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2022 Maryland General Assembly Session

January 12, 2022
Schedule 1

PLEASE NOTE: The following legislation was prefiled for the 2022 Session. SB166 has been removed and may appear at a later date

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 12, 2022

SB 1  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; authorizing a prime contractor to terminate the contract of a subcontractor without incurring certain liability if the subcontractor has a stop work order issued against them; authorizing the Commissioner to impose a penalty of up to $5,000 for each day a stop work order is violated; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
SF, §§ 15-211, 17-201(b), and 17-221 - amended and § 17-201(b) - added
Assigned to: Finance
SB 2  Senator Augustine
MENTAL HEALTH LAW – PETITIONS FOR EMERGENCY EVALUATION – ELECTRONIC RECORD

Authorizing a petition for emergency evaluation to be in the form of an electronic record.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HG, §§ 10-601 and 10-624 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 3  Senator Carter
FACILITIES – DISABILITIES, JUVENILES, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, AND HEALTH CARE – SAFETY PLANS

Requiring that certain regulations adopted by the Department of Juvenile Services governing juvenile care facilities and juvenile detention facilities include a requirement for 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 every 5 years; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HG, §§ 7-501, 7-610, 7.5-402, and 19-1C-01 and HU, §§ 9-234 and 9-237 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 4  Senator Hester
CYBERSECURITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS AND MARYLAND CYBERSECURITY LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Altering certain criteria for the Cybersecurity Public Service Scholarship Program, including increasing the number of years a recipient may hold an award, expanding the qualifying positions for a scholarship recipient to fulfill a work obligation, and establishing criteria for part-time students, beginning with the 2023–2024 Program application period, to be eligible for the scholarship, hold an award, and fulfill a work obligation; establishing the Maryland Cybersecurity Loan Assistance Repayment Program; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, §§ 18-3501, 18-3503, 18-3504, 18-3505, and 18-3506 - amended and § 18-3504.1 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 5  Senator Patterson, et al

GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – TUSKEGEE AIRMEN COMMEMORATION DAY

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim the fourth Thursday in March as Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day; and requiring the proclamation to urge educational and cultural organizations to observe Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day through appropriate and informative programs and activities.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
GP, § 7-402 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 6  Senator Waldstreicher

LANDLORD AND TENANT – RESIDENTIAL LEASES – TENANT RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS (TENANT PROTECTION ACT OF 2022)

Requiring a landlord to make a certain disclosure to prospective tenants if the landlord uses a ratio utility billing system; making a certain lease provision unenforceable if the landlord fails to make the disclosure; requiring a landlord to document a bill for certain utilities; providing that a tenant organization has the right of free assembly during reasonable hours and on reasonable notice to the landlord; expanding certain provisions of law regarding the rights of certain tenants to include certain victims of stalking; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
RP, §§ 8-203(g), (h), and (i)(7) and 8-5A-01 through 8-5A-06 - amended and §§ 8-203(j), 8-212.4, 8-219, 8-5A-05, and 8-5A-08 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 7  Senator Elfreth

INVASIVE AND NATIVE PLANTS – CLASSIFICATION, LISTING, USE, AND SALES AND USE TAX

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; exempting the sale of plants native to the State from the sales and use tax; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
AG, § 9.5-301 and SF, § 14-417 - amended and NR, § 1-1001 and TG, § 11-244 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation

SB 8  Senator Kelley, et al

TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE NEED FOR ENHANCED MONITORING OF GUARDIANS OF VULNERABLE MINORS

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Need for Enhanced Monitoring of Guardians of Vulnerable Minors to study the processes by which the State and local governments currently monitor guardians of vulnerable minors; requiring the Task Force to make recommendations on the need for enhanced monitoring of guardians of vulnerable minors, including any necessary regulatory changes or legislation; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings to the Governor and General Assembly by October 1, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 9  Senator West

PROCUREMENT – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – QUALIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION

Requiring the Board of Public Works to adopt regulations to require the certification of a business as a minority business enterprise without requiring the business to file any additional paperwork other than evidence of certification under the federal Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program and evidence that the business remains certified under the federal program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
SF, § 14-303 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 10   Senator Jackson
WORKERS’ COMPENSATION – COVID–19 OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE PRESUMPTION
Establishing that first responders, public safety employees, and health care workers are presumed to have an occupational disease that is compensable under workers’ compensation law after a positive test or diagnosis for COVID–19; and applying the Act retroactively.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EMERGENCY BILL
Assigned to: Finance

SB 11   Senator Lee
MARYLAND ONLINE CONSUMER PROTECTION AND CHILD SAFETY ACT
Regulating the collection and use of consumers’ personal information by businesses; establishing the right of a consumer to receive information regarding collection practices, have personal information deleted by a business, and prohibit the disclosure of personal information by a business; requiring businesses to provide certain notices to consumers and include certain information in online privacy policies; and authorizing the Office of the Attorney General to adopt regulations to carry out the Act.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023
CL, § 13-301(14)(xxxiv) and (xxxv) - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xxxvi) and 14-4401 through 14-4415 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 12   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 minimize law enforcement interaction for individuals in crisis; altering the definition of “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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HG, §§ 7.5-208 and 10-1401(g) and PS, § 1-304 - amended
Assigned to: Finance
SB 13  Senator McCray

VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION FUND – ALLOCATION OF GRANTS

Altering the current formula under which the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council allocates grants from the Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund; and providing that grant allocations made among the subdivisions of the State on a pro rata basis are to be determined by the number of motor vehicle thefts in a subdivision divided by the total population of that subdivision and then multiplied by 100,000.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

PS, § 2-703(g) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 14  Senator Elfreth

SUSTAINABLE MARYLAND PROGRAM FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Sustainable Maryland Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to expand and enhance Sustainable Maryland’s promotion and support of communities in Maryland in the effort to realize environmental, economic, and social sustainability; authorizing the Fund to be used for training and education, outreach and engagement, and developing and expanding the Sustainable Maryland Program; requiring the Governor, in Fiscal Year 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter, to provide an appropriation of $750,000 to the Fund; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 13-105 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)144. and 145. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)146. - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 15  Senator Jackson

ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN FINANCE – ENFORCEMENT

Altering the statute of limitations for certain prosecutions related to violations of State election laws; imposing certain restrictions related to candidacies, political committee positions, and elected offices if a certain civil penalty has not been paid; altering enforcement mechanisms related to violations of State campaign finance laws, including the amount of certain civil penalties, and the manner for imposing certain penalties; prohibiting certain actions related to campaign finance filings; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

CJ, EL, and GP, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 16  Senator Jackson

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT – MISTAKEN IDENTITY

Requiring a State’s Attorney to give notice to the court when seeking to dismiss a charge based on mistaken identity; requiring the automatic expungement of records relating to charges that are dismissed or of which a person is acquitted as a result of mistaken identity; and requiring a custodian of records to advise, within 60 days after the entry of a certain order, the court and the person charged of compliance with an order entered under the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CP, § 10-105.3 - added
Assign to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 17  Senator West

CHILD CUSTODY – CASES INVOLVING CHILD ABUSE OR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – TRAINING FOR JUDGES

Requiring the Maryland Judiciary, in consultation with domestic violence and child abuse organizations, to develop a training program for judges presiding over child custody cases involving child abuse or domestic violence and to review and update the training program at least once every 2 years; requiring the training program to include certain information; and requiring a judge who hears child custody cases involving child abuse or domestic violence to receive certain child custody training or continued training.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

FL, § 9-101.3 - added
Assign to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 18  Senator Eckardt

LOCAL GOVERNMENT TORT CLAIMS ACT – CAMBRIDGE WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT, INC.

Altering the definition of “local government” under the Local Government Tort Claims Act to include the nonprofit corporation serving as the economic development authority of the City of Cambridge and Dorchester County (the Cambridge Waterfront Development, Inc.); providing that a requirement to provide notice of a claim does not apply to unliquidated damages actions against the Cambridge Waterfront Development, Inc., or its employees; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

CJ, §§ 5-301(d)(28) and (29) and 5-304 - amended and § 5-301(d)(30) - added
Assign to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 19  Senator Lam

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

Altering the definition of “maintenance injectable medication” for the purposes of provisions of law governing the administration of maintenance injectable medications by pharmacists to include a medication that treats a sexually transmitted infection and is not a vaccine.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HO, § 12-101(o-1) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 20  Senator Lee

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – OUT OF COURT STATEMENTS – CHILD VICTIMS

Authorizing the court to admit into evidence in certain criminal proceedings certain out of court statements made by a child who is under the age of 13 years and a victim or witness in a case concerning a crime of violence, subject to certain requirements.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CP, § 11-304 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 21  Senator Carter

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SENTENCING – PRIMARY CARETAKER

Authorizing a defendant, on conviction of a certain crime, to file a motion requesting that the court consider the defendant’s status as the primary caretaker of a child or vulnerable adult in determining the sentence for the crime; and establishing procedures for filing a motion, granting a motion, sentencing, and modifying a sentence under the Act.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CP, § 6-236 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 22  Senator Lam

CRIMINAL LAW – UNNATURAL OR PERVERTED SEXUAL PRACTICE – REPEAT

Repealing the crime of unnatural or perverted sexual practice.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, CR, CP, and FL, Various Sections - amended and CR, § 3-322 - repealed
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 23  Senator Carter

EQUITY IN TRANSPORTATION SECTOR – GUIDELINES AND ANALYSES

Requiring that equity be considered when State transportation plans, reports, and goals are developed; altering the membership of the advisory committee on State transportation goals; establishing the Commission on Transportation Equity to assist in developing policies and performance measures to ensure the State transportation system is equitable; requiring the Department of Transportation to conduct transit equity analyses and consult with certain communities before announcing or proposing service changes; etc.
VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
TR, §§ 2-103.1(d), (h), and (j) and 7-101 - amended and §§ 7-714 and 7-715 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 24  Senator Carter

COURT OF APPEALS – CHIEF JUDGE – SENATE CONFIRMATION

Changing the method for appointing the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals by requiring the Governor to obtain the advice and consent of the Senate on the appointment.
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT
Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, § 14 - amended
Assigned to: Executive Nominations
SB 25  Senator Cassilly

RECKLESS AND NEGLIGENT DRIVING – DEATH OF ANOTHER – MUST–APPEAR VIOLATION (SHERRY’S AND CHRISTOPHER’S LAW)

Providing that a person charged with reckless or negligent driving must appear in court and may not prepay the fine if the reckless or negligent driving contributed to an accident that resulted in the death of another person.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

TR, § 21-901.1 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 26  Senators Waldstreicher and Carter

AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT – CLARIFICATION

Clarifying the language of a provision of law requiring the expungement of certain records maintained by the State or a political subdivision of the State relating to the charging of certain offenses under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CP, § 10-105.1 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 27  Senator Augustine

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

Establishing 3–year terms for the appointed members of the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council; altering the staffing of the Council; requiring the Council, by September 1, 2022 and every 5 years thereafter, to issue and publish an update to the State Plan on Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders; establishing the position of Director of Dementia Services Coordination to facilitate communication relating to dementia services in the State; repealing the termination date for the Council; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

Assigned to: Finance
SB 28  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; and requiring the Department to send an application to a certain number of individuals each month, if the Department maintains a waiting list or registry for the waiver.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HG, § 15-132 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 29  Senator Elfreth

FAMILY LAW – EMANCIPATION OF A MINOR AND AUTHORIZATION TO MARRY

Authorizing a minor to file a petition for emancipation of a minor and authorization to marry in the minor’s own name in the Circuit Court for the county in which the minor resides; extending the jurisdiction of the equity court to include a petition for emancipation of a minor and authorization to marry; authorizing an individual who is 17 years old to marry under certain circumstances; requiring an applicant for a marriage license to provide a certain document to a clerk of the court; prohibiting a person under the age of 17 from marrying; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
FL, §§ 1-201(b), 2-301, 2-402(b), and 2-405(c) - amended and §§ 5-2A-01 through 5-2A-05 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 30  Senator Carter

COURTS – JURY SERVICE – DISQUALIFICATION

Altering certain circumstances under which an individual may be disqualified from jury service; providing that a person who has been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment exceeding one year and is currently serving the sentence imposed for the conviction, including a term of probation, is not qualified for jury service.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, § 8-103 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 31  Senator Sydnor
PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – INSPECTION OF RECORDS FROM BODY–WORN DIGITAL RECORDING DEVICES

Establishing certain requirements for a custodian of records related to certain recordings from a certain body–worn digital recording device worn by a law enforcement officer; and requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to develop certain uniform standards and policies in consultation with certain groups.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
GP, § 4-101 - amended and § 4-357 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 32  Senator Carozza
WORCESTER COUNTY – PUBLIC SAFETY – BUILDINGS USED FOR AGRITOURISM

Adding Worcester County to the list of counties where an existing agricultural building used for agritourism is not considered a change of occupancy that requires a building permit if the subordinate use of agritourism does not require more than 200 people to occupy an individual building at any one time and the total width of means of egress meets or exceeds the International Building Code standard that applies to egress components other than stairways in a building without a sprinkler system.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
PS, § 12-508 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 33  Senator Lee
CRIMINAL LAW – SEXUAL CRIMES – REPEAL OF SPOUSAL DEFENSE

Repealing a certain prohibition on prosecuting a person for rape or a certain sexual offense against a victim who was the person’s legal spouse at the time of the alleged rape or sexual offense.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, § 3-318 - repealed
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 34  Senator Young
RESIDENTIAL ELEVATORS – INSPECTIONS

Establishing that, beginning January 1, 2023, an elevator installed in a privately owned single-family residence is subject to certain provisions of law requiring elevator inspections.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
PS, § 12-804 - amended and § 12-804.1 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 35  Senator Ellis
CHARLES COUNTY – PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVAL

Requiring approval through legislation enacted by the General Assembly before any Charles County annual or revised program under Program Open Space takes effect or any grant agreement based on the annual or revised program is executed; and requiring approval through legislation enacted by the General Assembly before any revised Charles County land preservation and recreation plan under Program Open Space takes effect.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
NR, §§ 5-905(a) and (b)(2) and 5-906(d) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 36  Senator West
WILLS AND TRUST INSTRUMENTS – ELECTRONIC EXECUTION

Authorizing a person to execute an electronic will or remotely witnessed will without a notary public if the supervising attorney creates a certified will that contains a certain form attached or annexed to the will; prohibiting a supervising attorney from being a witness to an electronic will or remotely witnessed will if the will is executed without a notary public; and authorizing a notary public located in the State to perform a notarial act using communication technology for a remotely located individual for a trust instrument.
EMERGENCY BILL
ET, § 4-102 and SG, § 18-214(a) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 37  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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HO, § 6-101(j) - added and §§ 6-206(b), 6-301(a), 6-302, 6-304(c), and 6-504 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 38  Senator Kramer

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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
PS, § 3-526(a) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 39  Senator Cassilly

TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF RETURNING TO STATE MEAT PROCESSING INSPECTION (FARMS BUY LOCAL ACT)

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Returning to State Meat Processing Inspection; and requiring the Task Force to report to the Secretary of Agriculture by December 1, 2023, its recommendations on implementing State meat processing inspection and to advise the Secretary on the adoption of certain rules and regulations related to meat processing inspection and the establishment of production standards.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 40  Senators Hester and Guzzone

INTERAGENCY COMMISSION ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – SYSTEMIC RENOVATION PROJECTS – ELIGIBILITY

Requiring the Interagency Commission on School Construction to consider systemic renovation projects, regardless of cost, as eligible for funding from the Supplemental Public School Construction Financing Fund and the Supplemental Public School Construction Facilities Fund.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
EC, § 10-650(a) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 41  Senator Lee

FAMILY LAW – CHILD CUSTODY AND VISITATION

Requiring a court, in a custody or visitation proceeding, to deny custody or visitation rights to a party if the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that a child has been abused or neglected by the party, unless the court specifically finds that there is no likelihood of further child abuse or neglect by the party and states the reasons for the finding; authorizing the court to approve a supervised visitation arrangement under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
FL, §§ 9-101 and 9-105 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 42  Senator Bailey
NATURAL RESOURCES – CANADA GEESE – BAG LIMITS
Requiring, during the migratory Canada goose (Atlantic population) hunting season, the bag limit for all Canada geese in the State, including geese found in the Atlantic Flyway Resident Population Hunt Zone and the Atlantic Population Hunt Zone, to conform to the bag limit for Atlantic population Canada geese adopted annually by the Department of the Interior’s U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
NR, § 10-409 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 43  Senator Reilly
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – MARYLAND ROUTE 648 (BALTIMORE–ANNAPOlis BOULEVARD)
Authorizing the placement and use of speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 648 (Baltimore–Annapolis Boulevard) in Anne Arundel County between Hoyle Lane and Cypress Creek Road, subject to certain placement and signage requirements; and requiring that the fines collected by Anne Arundel County as a result of violations enforced by the speed monitoring systems be used to assist in covering the cost of speed reduction measures and roadway and pedestrian safety measures on that stretch of highway.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, § 7-302(e)(4) and TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(vi) and (viii) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 44  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 or suitable shade during extreme weather conditions or temperatures, subject to certain exceptions; defining “extreme weather conditions” as temperatures below 32 degrees Fahrenheit or above 90 degrees or during an active weather warning; making a violation a civil offense; applying penalties ranging from a warning for a first violation to a fine up to $1,000 for a third or subsequent offense; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, § 10-623 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 45  Senator Kramer

INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY UPGRADES – PASSIVE HOUSES

Allowing a credit against the State income tax for certain costs, paid or incurred after July 1, 2022, by an owner of certain residential property for certain energy efficiency upgrades; requiring the owner to obtain a tax credit certificate from the Maryland Energy Administration; and prohibiting a taxpayer from claiming the tax credit for a taxable year during which the Governor declares a state of emergency.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TG, § 10-754 - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 46  Senator McCray

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAMS – NOTICE AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Requiring certain notices and information to be provided to the members of certain delegations to the General Assembly regarding applications to the federal Low–Income Housing Tax Credit Program, the Rental Housing Program, the Partnership Rental Housing Program, the Community Legacy Program, the Neighborhood Business Development Program, and the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative Program within the Department of Housing and Community Development.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HS, § 4-211.1 - added and §§ 4-404, 4-407, 4-1205, 4-1207, 6-204, 6-206, 6-305, 6-505, and 6-509 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 47  Senator Carter

PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT – FORFEITURE OF BENEFITS – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Establishing that law enforcement officers are subject to forfeiture of benefits from the State Retirement and Pension System or a local system when a law enforcement officer is found guilty of, pleads guilty to, or enters a plea of nolo contendere to a qualifying crime that is committed in the course of the performance of the law enforcement officer’s duties; providing for the processes and procedures to implement a forfeiture of benefits; and providing for the processes and procedures to reverse a forfeiture of benefits.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SP, § 21-502(a)(3) - amended and §§ 21-801 through 21-809 and 40-201 through 40-209 - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 48  Senator Kramer

HEALTH – ADVANCE CARE PLANNING AND ADVANCE DIRECTIVES

Requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to coordinate the implementation of advance care planning programs in the State; requiring each health insurance carrier to offer electronic advance directives to its members and enrollees at certain times and make arrangements to receive certain notifications; and authorizing a health insurance carrier to contract with an electronic advance directives service under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
HG, § 19-145 - added and IN, § 15-122.1 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 49  Senator West

CRIMINAL LAW – PERSON IN A POSITION OF AUTHORITY – SEXUAL OFFENSES WITH A MINOR

Altering the definition of “person in a position of authority” for purposes of a certain prohibition against engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a minor to include an individual under contract with a child care facility, certain commercial or nonprofit instructional programs, sports, scouting, recreational activities, camps, religious institutions, or any unit of government; prohibiting a certain violation from being considered a lesser included crime of another crime; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, § 3-308 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 50  Senator Young

HIGHER EDUCATION – RETURNED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS – IN–STATE TUITION

Exempting returned Peace Corps volunteers who are domiciled in the State from paying nonresident tuition at a public institution of higher education in the State; establishing that returned Peace Corps volunteer students shall be included as in–State residents for the computation of State aid to community colleges; and requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt regulations.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 15-106.11 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 51  Senator Jackson

MARYLAND PEDIATRIC CANCER FUND – ESTABLISHMENT AND INCOME TAX CHECKOFF

Establishing the Maryland Pediatric Cancer Fund to provide grants to certain eligible persons, institutions, and organizations to conduct pediatric cancer research, prevention, and treatment; requiring the Secretary of Health to adopt regulations to implement a pediatric cancer research grant program; and requiring the Comptroller to include a checkoff on individual income tax return forms for voluntary contributions to the Fund and to include certain information in each individual income tax return package.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HG, § 20-120 and TG, §§ 2-112.1 and 10-804(l) - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 52  Senator Jackson

REAL PROPERTY – SATISFACTION OF A MORTGAGE – REQUIRED HOMEOWNER’S INSURANCE (CASSIDY’S LAW)

Requiring an owner of residential real property in the State that is not subject to a mortgage to maintain homeowner’s insurance coverage on the property with liability coverage of at least $100,000 for bodily or personal injury occurring on the property.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
RP, § 14-133 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 53  Senator Carter  

JUVENILE LAW – JUVENILE INTERROGATION PROTECTION ACT

Requiring a law enforcement officer who takes a child into custody, interrogates or charges a child with a criminal violation to provide reasonable notice to the child’s parents, guardian, or custodian; requiring the notice to include the child’s location, the reason for the custody action, 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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CJ, § 3-8A-14 and CP, § 2-108 - amended and CJ, § 3-8A-14.2 and CP, § 2-405 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 54  Senator Reilly

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS AND CEREMONIES

Authorizing a party to be married in Anne Arundel County to apply for a marriage license by providing a signed marriage license application form containing certain information to the clerk by mail, courthouse drop box, or e-mail; authorizing a certain individual in Anne Arundel County to perform a marriage ceremony through the use of an audiovisual means of communication if the parties to be married are both physically present at a single location in Anne Arundel County; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

FL, §§ 2-402, 2-406, and 2-409 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 55  Senator Sydnor

BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – RETENTION OF COUNSEL

Authorizing the Baltimore County Board of Education to retain counsel to represent it in legal matters affecting the Board and to contract for the payment of a reasonable fee to the counsel.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 4-104 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 56  Senator Ellis
PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – LOCAL PLANS AND PROGRAMS – GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVAL

Requiring approval through legislation enacted by the General Assembly before any local annual or revised program under Program Open Space takes effect or any grant agreement based on the annual or revised program is executed; and requiring approval through legislation enacted by the General Assembly before any revised local land preservation and recreation plan under Program Open Space takes effect.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
NR, §§ 5-905(a) and (b)(2) and 5-906(d) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 57  Senator Kagan
CRIMINAL LAW – PUBLIC SAFETY – COMMUNICATIONS WITH PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS

Prohibiting a person from making communications that are reasonably expected to impair the functioning of a public safety answering point or intended to disrupt an emergency response; prohibiting a person from making a false statement, report, or complaint to a public safety answering point or law enforcement officer that results in a certain response and providing a person who violates the Act is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to imprisonment of up to 5 years or a fine of up to $25,000, or both.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, §§ 3-801, 3-804, and 9-501 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 58  Senator Klausmeier
INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR LONG-TERM CARE PREMIUMS (LONG-TERM CARE RELIEF ACT OF 2022)

Altering eligibility for and the maximum amount of a credit against the State income tax for certain long-term care insurance premiums paid by a taxpayer with a Maryland adjusted gross income of less than $250,000 for long-term care insurance purchased before January 1, 2005; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TG, § 10-718 - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 59  Senator McCray
MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – OPTIONS FOR THE PAYMENT OF TOLLS AND CIVIL PENALTIES

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to provide, to the greatest extent feasible, E-ZPass account holders and users of transportation facilities projects a range of options to pay for certain toll transactions and penalties; requiring the Authority to offer a certain installment plan agreement to certain persons for the payment of certain tolls and penalties; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SF, § 3-302 and TR, § 21-1414 - amended and TR, § 4-408 - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 60  Senator Feldman
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – ABANDONED PROPERTY – NOTICE AND RECORDS

Requiring the holder of presumed abandoned property valued at $1,000 or more to send written notice to the apparent owner by certified mail, return receipt requested, rather than by first-class mail; and requiring the holder of abandoned property valued at $1,000 or more to keep records relating to that property.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CL, §§ 17-308.2 and 17-312 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 61  Senator Zucker
MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – CONVERSION TO ZERO-EMISSION BUSES (ZERO-EMISSION BUS TRANSITION ACT REVISIONS)

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to provide certain safety and workforce development training for its operations training workforce and its maintenance workforce; requiring the Administration’s annual report on the implementation of the conversion of the State’s transit bus fleet to zero-emission buses to include a plan that ensures certain employee protections and a certification that the Administration is adhering to the plan; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TR, § 7-406 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 62  Senator Washington

PHARMACISTS – AIDS FOR THE CESSATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCT USE

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 as aids for the cessation of the use of tobacco products.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HO, § 12-101(x) - amended and § 12-514 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Finance

SB 63  Senators Kelley and Lam

GENERAL ASSEMBLY – RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT – ENFORCEMENT – FACTORS

Specifying factors to be considered when the State Board of Elections or a court determines whether a candidate for or a member of the General Assembly meets the residency requirements of the Maryland Constitution; specifying that a member who is an active duty member of the military may not be considered to have established or abandoned a residence solely based on where that member is stationed; requiring the General Assembly Counsel to annually review the compliance of each Senator and Delegate with certain requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

EL, § 5-202 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 64  Senator Carozza

BEACH EROSION CONTROL DISTRICT – STATE– AND CITY–OWNED STRUCTURES

Exempting the repair, renovation, reconstruction, or expansion of certain existing structures owned by the State or the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City in the Beach Erosion Control District from a certain prohibition under certain circumstances if the project does not result in any significant permanent environmental damage to the Beach Erosion Control District.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

NR, § 8-1102 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 65  Senator Kramer

COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS AND CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS – EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE

Authorizing a cooperative housing corporation to require through its governing documents that members maintain an insurance policy on their unit and mandating that governing documents with the requirement also require the member to provide evidence of the insurance on request of the governing body; and requiring the governing documents of a condominium association that require a unit owner to maintain insurance on their unit to require the unit owner to provide evidence of the insurance on the request of the counsel of unit owners.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CA, § 5-6B-32 - added and RP, § 11-114.2 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 66  Senator Patterson

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – HIRING – EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (GIVE ME A CHANCE – JOB OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 2022)

Prohibiting an employer from developing or implementing an application or hiring process that uses an applicant’s or employee’s lack of achievement of a certain level of education in employment decisions unless a minimum educational qualification is required to obtain an occupational license; authorizing an employer to inquire as to an applicant’s academic achievement after an initial offer of employment, but may not rescind the offer based on the applicant’s response; providing certain penalties under certain circumstances; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
LE, § 3-718 - added
Assigned to: Finance
SB 67  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; requiring the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to refuse, suspend, or revoke any application or license, and censure or place on probation any licensee after a hearing if the veterinary practitioner fails to comply with the prohibition; and prohibiting a person from performing certain declawing procedures on a cat.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
AG, § 2-310 - amended and AG, §§ 2-301(b-4) and (g-1) and 2-313.3 and CR, § 10-625.1 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 68  Senator Bailey

SEXUAL OFFENSES – CRIME OF VIOLENCE AND LIFETIME SUPERVISION

Altering the list of crimes included within a certain definition of “crime of violence” to include sexual abuse of a minor if the offender is at least 21 years old and the victim is under the age of 16 years; and requiring a sentence for certain persons convicted of certain sexual abuse crimes to include a term of lifetime sexual offender supervision.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, § 14-101(a) and CP, § 11-723 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 69  Senator Sydnor

COURTS – STANDING COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

Altering and adding provisions of law governing the members of the Standing Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Court of Appeals, including provisions relating to removal of members from the committee, representation, compensation, and public disclosure of certain interests.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, § 13-301 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 70 Senator Carozza, et al

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SYSTEM PLAN – GUIDELINES FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – LAW ENFORCEMENT CANINES

Adding a requirement to the Emergency Medical System plan for guidelines that authorize emergency medical services personnel to provide emergency medical services to canines injured in the line of duty that is owned by, or whose services are employed by certain law enforcement agencies; prohibiting emergency medical services personnel from providing services to a canine if the personnel are needed concurrently to provide services to individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 13-509 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 71 Senator Kramer

HATE CRIMES – CIVIL REMEDY

Providing that a person who is the victim of an act that would constitute a violation of certain hate crime laws may bring a civil action against the person or persons who committed the act in a court of competent jurisdiction; authorizing the court to impose an injunction and award certain economic and noneconomic damages; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, § 10-309 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 72 Senator Patterson

MINORITY PARTICIPATION IN THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INDUSTRY – STUDY

Requiring the Governor’s Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs to conduct a study of the participation of minority-owned businesses in the alcoholic beverages industry in the State; requiring the Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Transportation to provide staff for the study; and requiring the Office to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 73  Senator Lam

GENERAL ASSEMBLY – SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY IN OFFICE

Requiring that a special election be held at the same time as the regular statewide primary and general elections that are held in the second year of the term to fill a vacancy in the office of Delegate or Senator in the General Assembly if the vacancy occurs on or before a certain date.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 13 and Art. XVII, § 2 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 74  Senator Jackson

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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CJ, § 2-504 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 75  Senator Reilly

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – PATUXENT ROAD

Authorizing the placement and use of speed monitoring systems on Patuxent Road through Historic Woodwardville in Anne Arundel County, subject to certain placement and signage requirements; and requiring that the fines collected by Anne Arundel County as a result of violations enforced by certain speed monitoring systems be used to assist in covering the cost of speed reduction measures and roadway and pedestrian safety improvements on Patuxent Road through Historic Woodwardville.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CJ, § 7-302(e)(4) and TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(vi) and (viii) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 76  Senator Ellis
MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTIONS FOR GOLF CARTS AND LOW SPEED VEHICLES – COBB ISLAND

Establishing exceptions to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts and low speed vehicles on Cobb Island, Charles County; requiring an operator of a golf cart on a highway on Cobb Island without a certain registration to operate the golf cart only on a highway with a maximum posted speed limit of 30 miles per hour and between dawn and dusk; requiring the vehicle be equipped with certain lighting devices and be kept to the far right of the roadway; and requiring the operator to possess a valid driver’s license.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TR, § 13-402(c) - amended and §§ 21-104.5 and 21-104.6 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 77  Senator West
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS – INVESTIGATIONS – RIGHT TO COUNSEL

Authorizing a licensee or certificate holder to be represented by counsel during an investigation by a health occupations board that may result in charges or sanctions; and authorizing a licensee or certificate holder to have counsel present at any interview conducted by or on behalf of the health occupations board during the investigation.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HO, § 1-610 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 78  Senator Smith
MARYLAND WAGE AND HOUR LAW AND MARYLAND WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION LAW – REVISIONS (MARYLAND WAGE PROTECTION ACT)

Altering certain provisions related to the payment of wages, including the application, penalty, and enforcement provisions of the Maryland Wage and Hour Law and the Maryland Wage Payment and Collection Law, the provision of information related to the payment of wages by employers to employees, and adverse actions by an employer.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
LE, §§ 3-103, 3-403(14) and (15), 3-423, 3-428, 3-504, 3-507.2(a) and (b), and 3-508 - amended and §§ 3-403(16) and 3-501.1 - added
Assigned to: Finance
SB 79  Senator Bailey

HIGHER EDUCATION – SENATORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS – PROGRAM ACCREDITATION

Authorizing each Senator to award not more than 10% of funds available under the Senatorial Scholarship Program to applicants planning to attend certain accredited institutions outside the State, provided that the applicant will be studying in an academic area that is not offered in a program accredited by a national accrediting association approved by the United States Department of Education in any institution in the State.

EMERGENCY BILL
ED, § 18-405 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 80  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, § 13-402(c)(12) - amended and § 21-104.6 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 81  Senator Feldman

CHARTER COUNTIES – ENFORCEMENT OF LOCAL BUILDING PERFORMANCE LAWS (BUILDING ENERGY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS ACT OF 2022)

Authorizing charter counties to provide for the enforcement of local building energy performance laws by imposing civil fines not exceeding $10 per square foot of gross floor area.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
LG, § 10-202 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 82  Senator Eckardt

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS – LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Requiring a certified nursing assistant to meet certain federal requirements and pass a competency exam on or after October 1, 2023; and requiring the Maryland Department of Health to establish a program to assist certified nursing assistants in meeting licensing requirements established by the Act.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
HG, §§ 14-1410 and 19-1410.2 and HO, §§ 8-6A-01, 8-6A-05, 8-6A-08(c), and 8-6A-14 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 83  Senator Kagan

CRIMINAL LAW – PUBLIC SAFETY – INTERFERENCE WITH A PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT – PENALTIES

Prohibiting a person from committing computer–related crimes with the intent to interrupt or impair the functioning of a public safety answering point; prohibiting a person from committing computer–related crimes which interrupt or impair the functioning of a public safety answering point; and providing certain penalties.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, § 7-302(c) and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 84  Senator Young

VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVER’S LICENSES AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS – BOATING SAFETY NOTATION

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to include a notation on the driver’s license or identification card of an applicant indicating that the applicant has obtained a certificate of boating safety education if the applicant presents a certain certificate at the time of application.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, § 12-306 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 85  Senator Jackson
PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR DISABLED VETERANS – ESTABLISHED

Requiring the governing body of a county or of a municipal corporation to grant a tax credit against the property tax imposed on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans; establishing a tax credit against the State property tax on the dwelling house of certain disabled veterans; providing for the calculation of the credit; requiring certain disabled veterans to provide certain documents when applying for the credits under the Act; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022; etc.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
TP, § 9-112 - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 86  Senator Hester
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 a border around the property sufficient to allow access by trail users and first responders and to ensure that the border is 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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
SF, § 10-305(e) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 87  Senator Young
VEHICLE LAWS – INTERSECTIONS – PROHIBITED ACTS

Prohibiting a vehicle facing a circular green signal, a green arrow signal, or a steady yellow signal from entering an intersection if the vehicle is unable to completely proceed through the intersection; providing certain exceptions; prohibiting a police officer from issuing a citation for a violation of the Act unless the approach to the intersection has certain signage installed notifying the public that a vehicle may not make a movement at the intersection that violates the provisions of the Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, § 21-202 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
**SB 88 Senator Pinsky**

ELECTION LAW – DEADLINE FOR SELECTION OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution by requiring a candidate for Governor in a primary election to designate a candidate for Lieutenant Governor within 21 days after the primary election; requiring a candidate seeking a nomination for Governor by any method other than a primary election to designate a candidate for Lieutenant Governor at the time of filing a declaration of intent to seek nomination; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State at the next general election in November, 2022; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT
Maryland Constitution, Art. II, § 1B - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 89 Senator Ellis**

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND – REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER – CHARLES COUNTY

Requiring the Board of Regents for the University System of Maryland to adopt a plan on or before July 1, 2023, to establish a regional higher education center in Charles County to provide students in Charles County with access to established, cutting-edge, and high-demand academic programs of degree-granting institutions; and requiring the Board of Regents to implement the plan to establish a regional higher education center in Charles County on or before July 1, 2028.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 12-124 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 90  Senator West
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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
EN, § 1-306 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 91  Senator Jackson
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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
BR, §§ 15-209 and 15-210 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 92  Senator Augustine
MARYLAND UNIFORM PARTITION OF HEIRS PROPERTY ACT

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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
ET, § 9-107 - amended and RP, §§ 14-701 through 14-713 - added and § 14-107 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 93  **Senator Kramer**  
TAX CREDITS – EMPLOYMENT OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES  
Altering the amount of a credit against certain State taxes for certain wages paid and certain child care or transportation expenses incurred by certain business entities with respect to qualified employees with disabilities.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022  
ED, § 21-309 - amended  
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 94  **Senators Eckardt and Carozza**  
PUBLIC HEALTH – MARYLAND SUICIDE FATALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE  
Establishing the Maryland Suicide Fatality Review Committee, 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 Teams to meet quarterly and report annually to the Governor and General Assembly; providing for the sharing of information with and confidentiality of information obtained by the Committee; exempting Committee meetings from the Open Meetings Act; etc.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022  
HG, §§ 5-1001 through 5-1009 - added  
Assigned to: Finance

SB 95  **Senator Lam**  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – ANAPHYLACTIC FOOD ALLERGIES – GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS  
Requiring each county board of education to adopt, implement, and publish certain guidelines in accordance with the Maryland State school health service guidelines to reduce the risk of exposure to anaphylactic causative agents in classrooms and common areas; requiring each county board to publish the guidelines on its website; requiring each public school to develop a system to disclose, reasonably in advance, the foods to be served in the school and the major food allergens contained in the food; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022  
ED, § 7-426.1 - amended  
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 96  Senator Ellis
COMMUNITY PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS PROGRAM – CHARLES COUNTY – BASKETBALL COURTS
Expanding the Community Parks and Playgrounds Program to make grants available to Charles County for the construction and maintenance of basketball courts at county parks with baseball fields; and requiring the governing body of Charles County to apply for grants under the Act and use the grant funding for the construction and maintenance of basketball courts at county parks with baseball fields.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
NR, § 5-9C-02 - amended and § 5-9C-04 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 97  Senator Beidle
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, the issuance of certain licenses, and the administration of certain oaths of office and commissions.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, §§ 2-106, 2-208, 2-210, 2-211, and 2-212 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 98  Senator Carozza
SOMERSET COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – SUNDAY HUNTING
Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Somerset County to hunt on private property on each Sunday of the game bird or game mammal seasons; and establishing an exception to the prohibition against the Department authorizing Sunday hunting on public land for public land in Somerset County leased to a hunt club.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
NR, § 10-410(a) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 99  Senator Kramer

CIGARETTES, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AND ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES – LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZATION

Authorizing a county or municipality to enact and enforce local laws regulating the sale and distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products, and electronic smoking devices, except for the issuance of certain licenses or the imposition of certain taxes.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
BR, §§ 16-308.4, 16.5-104, and 16.7-103 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 100  Senator Jackson

GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – OVERDOSE AWARENESS

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim August 31 as Overdose Awareness Day.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
GP, § 7-414 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 101  Senator Kagan

ELECTION LAW – CONTESTED ELECTIONS

Altering certain definitions to allow a campaign finance entity to pay expenses associated with contesting an election; prohibiting a recount under certain circumstances; altering the circumstances under which a petitioner for a recount is not liable for the costs of the recount; providing that a person who accepts certain public campaign financing may accept a donation or make a disbursement related to a contested election only if the person establishes a contested election committee and makes certain disclosures; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
EL, §§ 1-101(o) and (aa), 12-101(a), 12-103(a), 12-107, 13-233, and 13-505 - amended and §§ 12-301 through 12-313 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 102  Senator Cassilly
HARFORD COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SALE OF BEER TO RETAIL DEALER
Authorizing a holder of a manufacturer’s license and a holder of a wholesaler’s license to sell beer to a retail dealer on terms other than cash on delivery in Harford County.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
AB, §§ 22-401 and 22-501 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 103  Senator Augustine
STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING AID DISPENSERS, SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS, AND MUSIC THERAPISTS – REVISIONS
Altering certain requirements for the licensing and regulation of audiologists, hearing aid dispensers, speech–language pathologists, and music therapists, including clarifying quorum requirements for the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech–Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists, license reciprocity, professional disciplinary grounds, and delegation authority for audiologists.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HO, §§ 2-204(a), 2-205.1, 2-301, 2-314, 2-319, 2-4A-14, and 2-4A-21 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 104  Senator Kramer
VEHICLE EMISSIONS INSPECTION PROGRAM – NOT SUBJECT TO INSPECTION – FEE
Establishing a fee of $14 to be collected once every 2 years on each motor vehicle registered in the State that is granted a waiver from, exempted from, or not subject to the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program; and requiring the fee to be deposited in the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund and be used to incentivize and purchase electric vehicles and expand electric vehicle infrastructure.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, § 13-616(d) and SG, § 9-20B-05(e) - amended and TR, § 23-205.1 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 105  Senator Waldstreicher

VEHICLE LAWS – FAILURE TO PAY VIDEO TOLL – PENALTIES

Repealing the requirement that the Motor Vehicle Administration, under certain circumstances, suspend the registration of a motor vehicle that incurs a certain toll violation; and altering the authority of the Maryland Transportation Authority to enter certain reciprocal agreements for the enforcement of toll violations.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

TR, §§ 21-1414(d)(4) and (i) and 21-1415 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 106  Senator Washington

BALTIMORE CITY AND PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – GRANT FUNDING – VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Requiring the Governor to annually include $500,000 in the annual budget bill for the Baltimore City State’s Attorney’s Office and the Prince George’s County State’s Attorney’s Office for grants to nonprofit organizations to fund violence prevention and community service initiatives; requiring the offices to establish certain procedures and enhance certain coordination of services; requiring an organization that receives grant funding to comply with certain data sharing and reporting requirements; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

PS, § 4-1002.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 107  Senator Jackson

STATE GOVERNMENT – STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS – CYBERSECURITY TRAINING

Making certain provisions of law governing the protection of information by government agencies applicable to the Legislative and Judicial branches of State government; requiring the Maryland Cybersecurity Coordinating Council to develop a Cybersecurity Awareness and Training Program; establishing certain criteria for the Program; requiring the State Chief Information Security Officer to coordinate with the Council to certify certain cybersecurity trainings; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SG, §§ 10-1301(f) and 10-1302 - amended and §§ 10-13B-01 through 10-13B-04 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 108  Senator Ellis

CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY – IMAGINATION LIBRARY PROGRAM – FUNDING

Authorizing the Charles County Public Library to partner with an Imagination Library Program to provide free books to children up to 5 years of age; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill for fiscal years 2024 through 2033 an appropriation of $2.10 for each child for each month that the child is registered in the Program.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 23-510 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 109  Senator Elfreth

VEHICLE EXCISE TAX – EXEMPTION – ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

TR, § 13-809(c)(3)(i) - amended and § 13-810(f) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 110  Senator Kramer

ELECTRICITY – COMMUNITY SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS – GENERATING CAPACITY

Increasing the maximum generating capacity of a community solar energy generating system from 2 megawatts to 5 megawatts.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

PU, § 7-306.2(a)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 111  Senator McCray

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES OR CERTIFICATES – PRE–APPLICATION DETERMINATIONS – CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS

Establishing a process for potential applicants for an occupational license or certificate to obtain a determination, before submitting an application, from a department as to whether certain criminal convictions would be the basis for the denial of an application for a certain occupational license or certificate; requiring a department to provide a determination in writing to the potential applicant; authorizing a department to set a reasonable fee to cover the cost of performing the service; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CP, § 1-209 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 112  Senator Kagan

ELECTION LAW – FALSE BALLOT DROP BOXES – CRIMINAL PENALTY

Prohibiting an individual, an organization, an association, a political party, or any other person from collecting absentee ballots during an election in a certain container that is not a ballot drop box officially designated by the State Board or a local board.
EMERGENCY BILL
EL, § 9-312 - amended and added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 113  Senator Hester

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS AND ON–SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS – TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND STANDARDS, REGULATIONS, APPLICATIONS, AND PLANS

Transferring certain provisions of law governing environmental health specialists, including the Board of Environmental Health Specialists, from the Maryland Department of Health to the Department of the Environment; requiring the Department of the Environment to take certain actions regarding applications and plans for the installation of on–site sewage disposal systems; requiring that an application for the installation of an on–site sewage disposal system be approved or denied within 2 months after receipt by the approving authority; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
EN, Various Sections - amended and §§ 9-1114 and 11-103 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 114  Senator Waldstreicher
FALSE CLAIMS – CIVIL PENALTIES OR DAMAGES – EXCEPTIONS TO GENERAL FUND DEPOSIT BY COMPTROLLER

Requiring that the Comptroller deposit civil penalties or damages collected by the State under the Maryland False Claims Act or under certain 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 under certain circumstances; and requiring that funds deposited by the Comptroller under the Act be on a pro rata basis under certain circumstances.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
GP, § 8-109(c) and HG, § 2-610(c) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 115  Senator Jackson
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS’ PENSION SYSTEM – BENEFITS

Altering the accrual rate from 2.0% to 2.5% for service earned on or after July 1, 2022, for calculating the retirement allowance for certain retirees of the Law Enforcement Officers’ Pension System; and altering the maximum benefit that certain retirees of the Law Enforcement Officers’ Pension System may receive, from 65% to 70% of the member’s average final compensation.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SP, § 26-401(b) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 116  Senator Ellis
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – INCLUSIVE AND DIVERSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS – DEVELOPMENT OF CONTENT STANDARDS AND IMPLEMENTATION

Requiring the State Board of Education, by December 1, 2022, to develop content standards for inclusive and diverse English language arts to be included in the State Standards and Frameworks for English Language Arts; requiring each county board of education to develop and implement age-appropriate curriculum guides for inclusive and diverse English language arts; and requiring each public school to include inclusive and diverse English language arts in the English language arts curriculum beginning in the 2023–2024 school year.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 7-205.5 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 117  Senator Bailey
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – POLICE AUXILIARIES AND RESERVE
Increasing, from $5,000 to $7,000, a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for an individual who is a qualifying police auxiliary or reserve volunteer.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TG, § 10-208(l) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 118  Senator Kramer
STATE PERSONNEL – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
Granting collective bargaining rights to graduate students at an institution within the University System of Maryland, Morgan State University, or St. Mary’s College of Maryland who are a teaching, administrative, or research assistants, or in comparable positions, fellows, or postdoctoral interns.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SP, §§ 3-101, 3-102, and 3-403(d) - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 119  Senator Washington
EDUCATION – CRIMES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS – APPLICATION
Specifying that provisions of law prohibiting and penalizing disruptive and threatening behavior on the grounds of, in the classes of, or in the home of an employee of an institution of elementary, secondary, or higher education do not apply to students who commit offenses at the institution they attend, students on exclusionary discipline who commit offenses at the institution they attend, or students who commit offenses while participating in or attending a sporting event or other extracurricular program.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 26-101 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 120  Senator Lam (By Request)

ACUPUNCTURE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

Altering the education requirements that an applicant for licensure by the State Acupuncture Board must achieve to be issued a license; and requiring that an applicant issued a license on or before May 31, 2026 must have achieved a diplomate in acupuncture from the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, or a passing score on an examination that is determined by the Board to be equivalent to the examination given by the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HO, § 1A-302 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 121  Senator Hester

MARYLAND FARMS AND FAMILIES FUND, MARYLAND FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL RESILIENCY MECHANISM GRANT PROGRAM, AND MARYLAND FARM–TO–SCHOOL MEAL GRANT PILOT PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS AND ESTABLISHMENT

Altering the purpose and use of the Maryland Farms and Families Fund; establishing the Maryland Food and Agricultural Resiliency Mechanism Grant Program and Fund to provide grants to food banks and charitable emergency food providers to alleviate food insecurity; and establishing the Maryland Farm–to–School Meal Grant Pilot Program and Fund to award grants to eligible school districts that include a local food component in school meals and to incentivize the production, procurement, and provision of local foods in school meals.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022


Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 122  Senator Jackson
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – VOLUNTEER FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Increasing, from $7,000 to $10,000, the amount of a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for certain qualifying volunteer fire, rescue, and emergency medical services members beginning in tax year 2023.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TG, § 10-208(i-1)(3) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 123  Senator Klausmeier
INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – RETIREMENT INCOME

Including income from an individual retirement account or a certain annuity within a certain subtraction modification for certain retirement income if contributions to the individual retirement account or annuity consist entirely of the tax–free rollover of distributions from an employee retirement system; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TG, § 10-209 - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 124  Senator Hettleman
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – GRANT PROGRAM TO REDUCE AND COMPOST SCHOOL WASTE

Establishing the Grant Program to Reduce and Compost School Waste to award grants to county boards of education and public schools to develop and implement programs for reducing food waste and to establish composting of pre–and post–consumer waste; and requiring the Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education to review grant applications and select recipients to be awarded grants by the State Department of Education.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 7-129 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 125  Senator Beidle

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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CA, § 3-509 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 126  Senator Kramer

ENVIRONMENT – NEW MOTOR VEHICLES – POLLUTION FEE

Establishing a certain pollution fee to be charged by the Department of the Environment and collected by the Comptroller on certain new motor vehicles sold or registered in the State based on certain pollution ratings; exempting certain motor vehicles from the fee; and requiring the fee to be deposited in the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund and used for certain purposes.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
EN, § 2-1209 - added and SG, § 9-20B-05(e) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 127  Senator West

PUBLIC SAFETY – POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE GRANT FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Police Athletic League Grant Fund to provide grant assistance to local governments and organizations to create and support police athletic league programs designed to build relationships among youth, police, and the community by offering educational and extracurricular activities with the goal of preventing juvenile crime; and requiring the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to administer and establish procedures for the Fund.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
PS, §§ 4-1601 through 4-1603 - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 128  Senator Ellis

CHARLES COUNTY – PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – WALDORF CORE ZONE

Requiring that all proposed acquisition and development projects and any revisions submitted by the Charles County Board of Commissioners under Program Open Space for certain fiscal years be planned to take place in the Waldorf Core Zone; and defining the term “Waldorf Core Zone” as the area in Charles County located south of Mattawoman Creek, west of Maryland Route 5, north of Billingsley Road, and east of Bensville Road.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

NR, § 5-905(a) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 129  Senators Hettleman and Waldstreicher

ACCESS TO COUNSEL IN IMMIGRATION PROCEEDINGS PROGRAM

Establishing the Access to Counsel in Immigration Proceedings Program administered by the Maryland Legal Services Corporation to provide access to legal representation for certain covered individuals detained in the United States in certain covered judicial or administrative immigration proceedings where an individual is subject to removal from the United States; and establishing the Access to Counsel in Immigration Proceedings Special Fund to provide funding to implement access to legal representation in immigration proceedings.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HU, §§ 12-101 through 12-301 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)144. and 145. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)146. - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 130  Senator Jackson
INCOME TAX SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – MILITARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY RETIREMENT INCOME

Increasing from $15,000 to $20,000 the amount of certain subtraction modifications under the Maryland income tax for individuals who are at least 55 years of age for certain retirement income received as a result of the individual’s military service or attributable to the individual’s employment as a correctional officer, a law enforcement officer, or a fire, rescue, or emergency services personnel.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
TG, §§ 10-207(q) and (mm) and 10-209 - amended and § 10-207(mm) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 131  Senator Kelley
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – RATE SUSPENSION PROCEEDINGS

Authorizing the Public Service Commission to extend rate suspension proceedings for up to an additional 120 days if the filing is for an alternative form of ratemaking for an electric company, a gas company, an electric and gas company, or a telephone company.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
PU, § 4-204(b)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

SB 132  Senator Bailey
PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER

Repealing the definition of “public safety officer” for purposes of a certain credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on a dwelling owned by a public safety officer; repealing a certain limitation on the amount of the credit; requiring the governing body of a county or municipal corporation that authorizes the credit to establish, by law, the definition of “public safety officer” for purposes of eligibility for the credit; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
TP, § 9-260 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 133  Senator Washington
STATE BOARD FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE PROGRAM PROFESSIONALS – MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICIAL SEAL

Repealing the requirement that the Subcabinet for Children, Youth, and Families appoint a member of the State Board for the Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals; and repealing the requirement that the Board adopt an official seal.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HO, §§ 20-202 and 20-205(b) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 134  Senator Lee
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 to document digital evidence.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
PS, § 3-207(a)(6) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 135  Senator Kramer
CLIMATE CRISIS AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ACT

Requiring the State to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through various measures, including altering statewide greenhouse gas emissions reduction requirements so that after 2040 statewide greenhouse gas emissions are net negative; requiring the Department of the Environment to adopt a plan for the reduction of statewide greenhouse gas emissions by December 31, 2022; establishing a Climate Crisis Council to develop a plan to meet the reduction targets set out in the Act; and establishing a greenhouse gas pollution fee on certain fuels.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
EN and SF, Various Sections - added and amended and Chapter 11 of the Acts of 2016, § 6 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and Budget and Taxation
SB 136  Senator Ellis

COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND – CHARLES COUNTY CAMPUS – TRANSITION TO CHARLES COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Establishing the Charles County Community College and the Board of Community College Trustees for Charles County by transitioning the College of Southern Maryland Charles County campus to the Charles County Community College; removing Charles County from certain provisions of law relating to the College of Southern Maryland; exempting the Charles County Community College from certain provisions of law for the 2023–2024 academic year; altering the number of members of the Board of Trustees for the College of Southern Maryland; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES
ED, Various Sections - repealed, added, and amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 137  Senator Kramer

INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Altering a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for the first $5,000 of income earned by certain law enforcement officers to include State law enforcement officers who reside in a political subdivision in which the crime rate exceeds the State’s crime rate; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TG, § 10-207(cc) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 138  Senator Patterson

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT OF RECORDS – EXPANSION

Expanding the scope of a certain provision of law requiring the expungement of certain police and court records relating to the charging of a certain crime or civil offense if no charge in the case resulted in a certain disposition and altering the charges to which it applies.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CP, §§ 10-105.1 and 10-105.2 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 139  Senator Jackson

PUBLIC HEALTH – SEMIPUBLIC POOLS – LIFEGUARDS

Requiring an owner of an outdoor semipublic pool to ensure that, from Memorial Day to Labor Day, during hours when the pool is open at least one lifeguard is on duty on the deck observing the pool if an individual is in the water and for every 50 individuals in the water; and requiring an owner of an indoor, heated, semipublic pool to ensure that during hours when the pool is open at least one lifeguard is on duty on the deck observing the pool if an individual is in the water and for every 50 individuals in the water.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

HG, § 24-213 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 140  Senator Eckardt

TALBOT COUNTY – DEER AND TURKEY HUNTING – SUNDAYS

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer on each Sunday of the deer hunting seasons from the first Sunday in October through the second Sunday in January, inclusive, in Talbot County; and authorizing the Department to allow a person to hunt turkey on each Sunday of the spring turkey hunting season in Talbot County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

NR, § 10-410(a) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 141  Senator Carter

PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT – FORFEITURE OF BENEFITS – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Establishing that law enforcement officers are subject to forfeiture of benefits from the State Retirement and Pension System or a local system when a law enforcement officer is found guilty of, pleads guilty to, or enters a plea of nolo contendere to a felony, perjury or a misdemeanor relating to truthfulness and veracity committed in the course of the performance of a law enforcement officer’s duties; and providing for the processes and procedures to implement a forfeiture of benefits.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SP, § 21-801 - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 142 Senator Beidle

STATE AIRPORTS – COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY – RENTAL VEHICLES AND PEER–TO–PEER CAR SHARING

Establishing certain standards and requirements governing the provision of services and the granting of privileges by the Maryland Aviation Administration with respect to commercial activity undertaken by rental vehicle companies and peer–to–peer car sharing programs at State airports; establishing that the Administration’s authority over commercial activity at Baltimore–Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport extends to a commercial zone that is within a 7–mile radius of the main terminal; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TR, §§ 5-408 and 18-108(a) - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 143 Senator West

MARYLAND PAINT STEWARDSHIP

Requiring certain producers or a representative organization to submit a plan for the establishment of a Paint Stewardship Program to the Department of the Environment on or before January 1, 2023, and in accordance with certain requirements; requiring the Department to review and approve certain plans, including a certain assessment, submitted in accordance with the Paint Stewardship Program; prohibiting the sale of certain architectural paint under certain circumstances beginning on a certain date; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
EN, §§ 9-1701(b-1), (i-1), (o-1) through (o-3), (r-2) through (r-4), and 9-1733 - added and §§ 9-1701(i-1),9-1702, and 9-1707(f) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 144 Senator Feldman

HEALTH – AUTHORIZATION TO PRESCRIBE AND ADMINISTER AMYGDALIN – REPEAL

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HG, § 18-302 - repealed
Assigned to: Finance
SB 145  Senator Kramer

COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS – PROPERTY INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLES – MEMBER RESPONSIBILITY

Requiring a member of a cooperative housing corporation to pay up to $10,000 of the corporation’s property or liability insurance deductible if damage to a common element originated in the member’s unit; requiring the governing body to inform each member annually of the member’s responsibility regarding the insurance deductible and the amount; and applying the Act prospectively.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CA, §§ 5-6B-01(f) and 5-6B-32 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 146  Senator Young

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 in a parking space that is designated by certain signage for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles; 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; authorizing the towing or removal of certain vehicles; establishing a civil penalty of $50 for a violation of the Act; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, § 21-1003.2 - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 147  Senator Waldstreicher

MOTOR VEHICLES – OPERATION WHEN APPROACHING DISABLED 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 disabled vehicle displaying hazard warning lights, road flares or other caution signals.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, § 21-405(e) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 148  Senators Patterson and Young
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION – DISABLED VETERANS
Expanding eligibility for a property tax exemption for the dwelling house of a disabled veteran to include veterans with a service connected disability of at least 80%.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
TP, § 7-208(a) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 149  Senator Kagan
RENTAL VEHICLE AGREEMENTS – DISCLOSURES – SPARE TIRES
Requiring a motor vehicle rental company to disclose in the rental agreement whether a rental vehicle is equipped with a spare tire; and requiring a motor vehicle rental company to require a renter to initial the disclosure before renting a rental vehicle.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, § 18-110 - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 150  Senators Augustine and Guzzone
MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – DENTAL COVERAGE FOR ADULTS
Requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, beginning January 1, 2023, and subject to certain limitations, to provide certain dental care for adults whose annual income is at or below 133 percent of the federal poverty level; and repealing certain provisions of law requiring the implementation of a pilot program to provide limited dental coverage to adult recipients under the Program.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023
HG, § 15-103(a)(2)(x) and (xiii) - amended and § 15-141 - repealed
Assigned to: Finance
SB 151 Senator Carter

HATE CRIMES – FALSE STATEMENT TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Clarifying that the making of a certain false statement to a law enforcement officer may form the basis for a certain hate crime.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, § 10-304 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 152 Senator Kramer

INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION – TRANSCRIPTS – PROHIBITION ON PUNITIVE MEASURES RELATED TO STUDENT DEBT

Prohibiting an institution of higher education from refusing to provide a current or former student with a transcript because the student owes a debt to the institution of higher education; and prohibiting an institution of higher education from charging a higher fee to obtain a transcript if the student owes a debt, provide less favorable treatment of a transcript request when the student owes a debt, or use a transcript issuance as a tool for debt collection.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 15-134 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 153 Senator Beidle

PROPERTY TAX – HOMEOWNERS’ PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – DEFINITION OF GROSS INCOME

Altering eligibility for the homeowners’ property tax credit by excluding from the definition of “gross income” certain expenses incurred by a homeowner for medical care, continuing care, and care provided by an assisted living program or nursing home.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
TP, § 9-104(a)(8) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 154  Senator Eckardt
ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE COMPACT
Entering into the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Compact; establishing criteria for participating states; authorizing an advanced practice registered nurse to practice in a party state under certain scope of practice rules; establishing the Interstate Commission of APRN Compact Administrators and its duties and powers; providing for the amendment of and withdrawal from the Compact; and providing the Compact is contingent on the enacting of substantially similar legislation in six other states.
CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HO, § 8-7B-01 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 155  Senator Young
STATE LOTTERY – INSTANT TICKET LOTTERY MACHINES – FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS (ITLMS FOR HOMELESS VETERANS ACT)
Authorizing the Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency to issue certain fraternal organizations a license for not more than five instant ticket lottery machines; providing that 10% of the proceeds from instant ticket lottery machine sales by a fraternal organization go to the Homelessness Solutions Program to assist veterans and their families; and declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency solicit proposals from multiple vendors for instant ticket lottery machines.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SG, § 9-112 - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 156  Senator Sydnor
CIVIL ACTIONS – SPECIALTIES – STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Altering and expanding the scope of civil actions for certain specialties that shall be filed within a specified statute of limitations period.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, § 5-102 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 157  Senator Carter

Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners – Student Members and Task Force to Study Compensation

Altering the number from one to two, the voting rights of, and the process for electing student members of the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners; and establishing the Task Force to Study Compensation for the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners and make recommendations regarding the amount of and revenue stream for any proposed compensation to begin with the Baltimore City budget for fiscal year 2024.

Effective July 1, 2022

ED, § 3-108.1(d) and (m) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 158  Senator Kagan

State Board of Elections – Contracts and Invoices – Requirements

Establishing certain duties of the State Board of Elections and the State Administrator of Elections related to the consideration of and reporting on contracts and related items; requiring the State and counties to pay certain costs related to election-related goods and services; and requiring that an invoice for payment sent to a local board by the State Board itemize certain information and costs.

Emergency Bill

EL, Various Sections - added and amended and Chapter 564 of the Acts of 2001, §§ 4 through 6 - repealed

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 159  Senator Kelley, et al

Health Occupations – Authorized Prescribers – Reporting of Financial Gratuities or Incentives

Requiring each authorized prescriber who receives a financial gratuity or incentive from a pharmaceutical distributor or manufacturer to file a financial disclosure form with the health occupations board that licenses the authorized prescriber within 30 days after the financial gratuity or incentive is received by the authorized prescriber; and applying the Act prospectively.

Effective October 1, 2022

HO, § 1-227 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 160  Senators Carozza and Jackson
NATURAL RESOURCES – SUNDAY HUNTING – MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt any migratory game birds on Sundays during the open season on certain private property or on public land designated for Sunday hunting by the Department.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
NR, § 10-410(a)(13) - repealed and added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 161  Senator West
COURTS – PROHIBITED INDEMNITY AND DEFENSE LIABILITY AGREEMENTS

Prohibiting a provision in a contract with a design professional for professional services that requires the design professional to indemnify or hold harmless certain parties unless the design professional is at fault for causing the loss, damage, or expense indemnified; and prohibiting a provision in a contract with a design professional for professional services that requires the design professional to defend certain parties against liability or certain claims.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, § 5-401(a) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 162  Senator Hester
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CYBER SAFETY GUIDE AND TRAINING COURSE – DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND REPORTING

Requiring the State Department of Education, the Behavioral Health Administration within the Maryland Department of Health, the Maryland Center for School Safety, and the Department of Information Technology jointly to develop and publish a cyber safety guide and training course to be implemented in public schools beginning in the 2023–2024 school year; requiring the cyber safety guide and training course to be developed in consultation with professionals who specialize in child development and child psychology; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 7-450 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 163  Senator Kagan

ELECTION LAW – BALLOTS – PROCESSING AND REPORTING PROCEDURES

Altering the procedures for the canvassing of and curing of errors on absentee and provisional ballots; and requiring that all election results be reported by precinct, including reports of the early, absentee, and provisional vote.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EMERGENCY BILL
EL, §§ 11-302, 11-303(d), and 11-402 - amended and § 11-303.2 - added
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 164  Senator Feldman

INSURANCE – ANNUITIES – NONFORFEITURE – INTEREST RATE

Altering the minimum interest rate from 1% to 0.15%, used to determine minimum nonforfeiture amounts for annuity contracts.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
IN, § 16-504 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 165  Senator Carter

JUVENILE COURT – JURISDICTION

Altering the jurisdiction of the juvenile court by repealing provisions specifying that the juvenile court does not have jurisdiction over a child alleged to have committed certain acts.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, CP, and ED, Various Sections - amended and CP, §§ 4-202, 4-202.1, 4-202.2, 10-215(a)(20), and 10-216(d) - repealed
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 167  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 a payment that has been improperly denied.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
IN, §§ 4-113 and 27-305 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 168  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – IMMUNET AND STATEWIDE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON IMMUNIZATIONS

Repealing the exemption for certain health care providers or agents from the requirement to provide individuals receiving vaccinations with certain documents, notify the individuals or the parent or guardian of a minor of a certain right, and report all vaccines administered to ImmuNet; altering the membership of and term limits for members of the Statewide Advisory Commission on Immunizations; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HG, §§ 18-109(d)(6) and 18-214 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 169  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Governor’s Office of Community Initiatives)

STATE AUTISM STRATEGY – REVISIONS

Altering the date by which the State Coordinator for Autism Strategy must submit a certain annual report and repealing the requirement that the report be submitted to the Secretary of Disabilities; altering the membership of the Advisory Stakeholder Group on Autism–Related Needs; requiring the Governor to designate the chair of the Advisory Stakeholder Group and establishing term requirements for the chair; and requiring the Governor’s Office of Community Initiatives to provide staff to the Advisory Stakeholder Group.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SG, Various Sections - amended, § 9.5-103(b)(12) and (13) and (c) - added, and § 9.5-103(c) - repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 170  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

TITLE INSURANCE – INSURERS AND INSURANCE PRODUCERS – REQUIREMENTS

Altering certain requirements on title insurers relating to the review of underwriting, claims, and escrow practices and policy–issuing processes of title insurance producers appointed by the title insurers; and altering the manner by which title insurance producers are required to send a certain notice to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner and any insurer with whom the title insurance producer holds an appointment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

IN, § 10-121 - amended

Assigned to: Finance
SB 171  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 applicants for certain licenses or permits to bear the cost of certain public meetings and hearings held using teleconference or Internet–based conferencing technology; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
EN, §§ 1-601(f), 2-303, 2-404, 5-204(c), 7-239, 9-204.2, 9-234, 9-234.1, 9-324, and 16-307(a)(5) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 172  Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Juvenile Services)

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES – FACILITIES – J. DEWEESE CARTER CENTER

Repealing an obsolete reference to the J. DeWeese Carter Center in a provision relating to certain facilities operated by the Department of Juvenile Services.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HU, § 9-226 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 173  Senator Feldman

HEALTH INSURANCE – NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Altering the required composition of the board of directors of a nonprofit health service plan; requiring the Board to consist of at least 11 members and no more than 23; and requiring the board to include individuals with a diverse range of experience relevant to the mission of the corporation as a nonprofit health service plan including experience in data, consumer experience, government programs, population health, geriatrics, diversity, equity and inclusion.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
IN, § 14-115(d)(2),(3), (4) and (13) - amended
Assigned to: Finance
SB 174  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
Chapter 268 of the Acts of 2006, § 3, as amended - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 175  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 to 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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
FL, §§ 14-303 and 14-309, FI, §§ 1-302 and 1-306(e), and HU, § 1-201 - amended and FI, § 1-306(h) - added
Assigned to: Finance

SB 176  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, § 22-412.2 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 177  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Uninsured Employers’ Fund)

UNINSURED EMPLOYERS’ FUND – PAYMENTS TO FORMER EMPLOYEES OF BETHLEHEM STEEL CORPORATION

Altering the workers’ compensation benefits that the Director of the Uninsured Employers’ Fund is required to pay to former employees of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation; and applying the Act retroactively.

EMERGENCY BILL
LE, § 10-314 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 178  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – LOCAL PROJECTS – FEDERAL FUNDS

Altering a requirement for an applicant to make a certain certification relating to the availability of federal funds for a certain project on an application for a certain local projects grant under Program Open Space.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
NR, § 5-906(e) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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

ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS – DURATION

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SF, § 12-301(b)(1) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 180  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

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

Providing that the federal No Surprises Act and certain other provisions of the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 regarding transparency apply to certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations; and authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to enforce the Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
IN, § 15-146 - added
Assigned to: Finance

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

HOMEOWNERS’ PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – APPLICATION FILING DEADLINE – EXTENSION

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
TP, § 9-104(u) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 182  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
BOP, § 6-702 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 183  Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Information Technology)

STATE GOVERNMENT – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – REVIEW OF PROJECTS AND PROPOSALS

Altering the information technology proposals about which a unit of State government is required to advise the Secretary of Information Technology to include those involving the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of communications sites, communications facilities, or communications frequencies for certain purposes.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SF, § 3A-307(c) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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

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

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

BR, § 9A-602 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 185  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION – VIRTUAL HEARINGS

Requiring that hearings held by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner be considered open to the public if a member of the public can observe the hearing virtually through an electronic media platform; and authorizing the Commissioner to direct that a hearing be held virtually, subject to certain limitations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

IN, § 2-213 - amended

Assigned to: Finance
**SB 186**  
Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)  

MARYLAND AIDS DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – REBATES  

Requiring funds received as rebates from the Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program to be held in interest bearing accounts; and requiring the Secretary of Health to transfer accrued interest to a special nonlapsing fund.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022  
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs  

**SB 187**  
Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)  

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – GRANT ANTICIPATION REVENUE VEHICLE BONDS  

Repealing a requirement that the Capital Debt Affordability Committee include certain debt that is secured by future federal aid within its review of State tax supported debt; altering the calculation of the maximum amount of debt secured by future federal aid that the Department of Transportation may issue; increasing, from 12 years to 15 years, the maximum term of certain bonds; repealing the pledge of certain taxes to the payment of certain bonds secured by a pledge of future federal aid; etc.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022  
SF, § 8-104 and TR, § 3-601(d) - amended  
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation  

**SB 188**  
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.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022  
IN, § 8-210 - amended  
Assigned to: Finance
SB 189  Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES – SCHEDULES

Altering the lists of substances designated as controlled dangerous substances under certain schedules under the Maryland Controlled Dangerous Substances Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CR, §§ 5-402 through 5-406 - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 190  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Natural Resources)

TIDAL FISHERIES ADVISORY COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP TERM – ALTERATION

Altering the term of the members of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission from 2 years to 4 years.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
NR, § 4-204(a) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – TRANSPARENCY AND EFFICIENCY IN REPORTING ACT

Altering the definition of “economic development program” for purposes of certain data collection, tracking, and reporting requirements of the Maryland Jobs Development Act to include certain tax credit programs; altering certain information that the Department of Commerce is required to report in accordance with the Act; altering certain reporting requirements relating to certain economic development programs and income tax credits administered by the Department; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
EC and TG, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added
Assigned to: Finance
SB 192  Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)

STATE PROCUREMENT – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM – REAUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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

STATE BOARD OF PLUMBING – SUNSET EXTENSION

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
BOP, § 12-702 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 194  Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Assessments and Taxation)

PROPERTY TAX – DEADLINE EXTENSION FOR HOMEOWNERS TO REDEEM PROPERTY INVOLVED IN A TAX SALE

Extending from 4 months to 6 months the amount of time that has to pass after a tax sale before the holder of the certificate of sale of the property may be reimbursed for certain expenses when the property is redeemed.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TP, § 14-843(a)(3) and (b) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 195  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS – SUNSET EXTENSION

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HO, § 18-502 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 196  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – OVERDOSE REPORT

Extending the termination date for certain provisions of law requiring the Secretary of Health to examine and report on fatal overdoses involving opioids and other controlled substances; and altering the requirements relating to the examination and report.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HG, § 7.5-701 and Chapter 211 of the Acts of 2018, § 3 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

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

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

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
TP, § 9-105(d)(6)(i) - amended and § 9-105(d)(7) - added
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 198  Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety and Correctional Services)

CORRECTIONAL OFFICER – DEATH BENEFIT – ELIGIBILITY

Altering the circumstances under which a certain death benefit may be awarded; providing that an application for a death benefit under the Act shall be submitted within 3 years of the finding of evidence that the death of the decedent resulted from an act committed against the decedent by another due to the nature and performance of the decedent’s duties; and applying the Act retroactively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

PS, § 1-202(b) and (f) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 199  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS – SUNSET EXTENSION

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

BOP, § 3-702 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 200  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022


Assigned to: Finance
SB 201  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TP, §§ 2-210 through 2-212 - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 202  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY – SUNSET EXTENSION

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HO, § 11-602 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 203  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
CJ, §§ 3-819.2(c) and (e) and 3-823(h) - amended
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 204  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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
ED, § 23-107 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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

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

Continuing the Apprenticeship and Training Council in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2034, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Council.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
LE, § 11-402 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 206  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Agriculture)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – SPAY/NEUTER FUND – EXTENSION

Extending the termination date to September 30, 2032, for provisions of law relating to the Spay/Neuter Fund.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
Chapters 561 and 562 of the Acts of 2013, § 3 - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
SB 207  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Insurance Administration)

INSURANCE CARRIERS – 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; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HG and IN, Various Sections - added and amended and IN, § 4-406 -repealed

Assigned to: Finance

SB 208  Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)

CRIMINAL LAW – ASSAULT OF A PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROVIDER – PENALTIES

Increasing the penalties for intentionally causing physical injury to a bus operator, a train operator, a light rail operator, a paratransit operator, a station attendant, or any other individuals providing public transit services.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CR, § 3-203 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 209  Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)

STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending until July 1, 2032, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

HO, § 13-502 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
**SB 210**  
Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)  

**TAX CREDITS – EMPLOYER–PROVIDED COMMUTER BENEFITS – EXPANSION**  

Expanding the types of commuter benefits for which a business entity may claim a tax credit to include a certain carpool program, telework program, active transportation program, and multimodal commuter program.  

**EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022**  

EN, § 2-901 - amended  
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 211**  
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.  

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022**  

BOP, § 14-602 - amended  
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 212**  
Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Public Safety and Correctional Services)  

**CORRECTIONAL OFFICER – EMPLOYMENT – AGE REQUIREMENT**  

Altering, from 21 to 19, the minimum age requirement for employment as a correctional officer in any unit of the Division of Correction, any unit of the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services, or the Patuxent Institution within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.  

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022**  

CS, § 2-109 - amended  
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 213  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

STATE COMMISSION OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS, APPRAISAL MANAGEMENT COMPANIES, AND HOME INSPECTORS – SUNSET EXTENSION

Continuing the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers, Appraisal Management Companies, and Home Inspectors 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 Commission.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
BOP, § 16-802 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 214  Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee (By Request – Departmental – Human Services)

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLIGENCE – DISCLOSURE OF REPORTS AND RECORDS

Expanding the circumstances under which a report or record concerning child abuse or neglect may be disclosed to certain school personnel or to a director of a licensed child care facility or licensed child placement agency.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HU, § 1-202(c)(1)(vii) through (xi) - amended and § 1-202(c)(1)(ix) - added
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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

INCOME TAX – ENERGY STORAGE TAX CREDIT – ALTERATIONS AND EXTENSION

Increasing, from $750,000 to $1,000,000, the total amount of tax credit certificates that the Maryland Energy Administration may issue in a taxable year for the costs of installing an energy storage system; authorizing, under certain circumstances, a taxpayer to claim a refund of the credit; and extending, from December 31, 2022, to December 31, 2024, the date by which an energy storage system is required to be installed for purposes of eligibility for the credit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
TG, § 10-719(d), (f), and (g) - amended
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation
SB 216  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CJ, §§ 10-304(a) through (d) and 10-306(a), HG, § 17-214(g), and TR, § 16-205.2(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 217  Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor)

COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION – CONSUMER LOANS – FEES

Prohibiting a person from taking certain actions related to the payment of fees in cases of certain loans made to consumer borrowers; and authorizing, under certain circumstances, a person to require a borrower to pay a fee for the transaction of a payment made by or on behalf of the borrower in cases of certain loans made to consumer borrowers.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

CL, §§ 12-108.1, 12-307.2, 12-405.1, 12-905.1, and 12-1005.1 - added

Assigned to: Finance

SB 218  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.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

TR, § 12-301(i) - amended and § 16-115(l) - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings
SB 219  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.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
BR, § 5-1002 - amended
Assigned to: Finance

SB 220  Calvert County Senators, et al
CALVERT COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING
Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt on each Sunday of the game bird and game mammal seasons in Calvert County.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
NR, § 10-410(a) - amended
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED January 12, 2022

SJ 1  Senator Reilly
APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY
Commemorating Apraxia Awareness Day on May 14 by encouraging citizens of the State to work within their communities to increase awareness and understanding of childhood apraxia of speech.
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs