



# SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2022 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 31, 2022**  
**Schedule 14**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** February 7 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 7.

As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

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## **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 31, 2022**

**SB 542**     **Senator Kagan, et al**

STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – GRANTS – PROMPT  
PAYMENT REQUIREMENT

Establishing invoicing and prompt payment requirements for certain State grants.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SF, § 2-211 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 543**     **Senator Hayes**

PROPERTY TAX – CONSTANT YIELD TAX RATE – NOTICE  
REQUIREMENTS

Altering certain notice requirements relating to the intention of a county or municipal corporation to set a certain real property tax rate that exceeds the constant yield tax rate.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

TP, § 6-308 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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**SB 544**     **Senator Ready****ELECTION LAW – CASTING GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT IN MULTIPLE STATES – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting a person from willfully or knowingly casting a ballot in a general election in more than one state in the same year.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

EL, § 16-201 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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

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

EMERGENCY BILL

LG, § 12-209 - added and PLL of Carroll Co, Art. 7, § 3-101(b) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 546**     **Senator Lam****VEHICLE EQUIPMENT – TRANSFER OF CATALYTIC CONVERTER – REGULATION**

Imposing certain requirements on a person who takes possession of a catalytic converter, including requirements to record certain information and execute a certain document; prohibiting a person from taking possession of a catalytic converter if its identifying information has been manually altered; and prohibiting a person, in certain circumstances, from possessing catalytic converters or their parts if they have been previously installed on a motor vehicle.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

TR, § 22-421 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 547**     **Senator Lam****PUBLIC HEALTH – PROHIBITION ON TRANSFER OF HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS – REPEAL**

Repealing the prohibition on an individual from knowingly transferring or attempting to transfer the human immunodeficiency virus to another individual.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HG, § 18-601.1 - repealed

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 548**     **Senator Lam, et al****LOCAL HEALTH OFFICERS – REMOVAL – GROUNDS AND PROCESS**

Repealing a provision of law providing that a health officer serves at the pleasure of the Secretary of Health and the governing body of the county; establishing that a health officer may be removed from office for reasons of immorality, misconduct in office, insubordination, incompetency, or willful neglect of duty; and requiring the Secretary to provide a certain written notice to include an opportunity for the health officer to request a hearing related to a removal.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HG, § 3-302 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 549**     **Senator Augustine****ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS – REQUIREMENTS FOR RETRACTION, REPAYMENT, OR MITIGATION OF CLAIMS**

Prohibiting an administrative services organization that administers the delivery of specialty mental health services under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program from retracting, requiring repayment of, or seeking mitigation of certain claims made by health care providers unless the administrative services organization provides to the health care providers certain forms and information; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HG, § 15-103(b)(21)(vi) - amended and § 15-103.8 - added

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 550**     **Senator Carter****CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – TRANSGENDER, NONBINARY, AND INTERSEX INMATES (TRANSGENDER RESPECT, AGENCY, AND DIGNITY ACT)**

Prohibiting an employee of a correctional facility from discriminating against inmates on the basis of certain protected classes; requiring the managing official of a correctional facility to develop a written nondiscrimination policy regarding inmates; and establishing certain requirements for correctional facilities relating to the gender identity of inmates and inmates who are transgender, nonbinary, or intersex.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CS, §§ 9-618 through 9-620 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 551**     **Senator Carter****CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – FRESH PURSUIT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT – REQUIREMENTS AND PROHIBITIONS**

Establishing requirements for a law enforcement officer to engage in a certain fresh pursuit of a person in a vehicle; and requiring the Department of State Police to conduct a certain investigation if serious injury or death occurs as the result of a certain fresh pursuit of a person.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CP, § 2-301 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 552**     **Senator Kramer****ENVIRONMENT – CLIMATE CRISIS PLAN – REQUIREMENT (BETTER TOGETHER TO SAVE OUR WEATHER ACT OF 2022)**

Requiring each county to prepare a climate crisis plan to address the effects of climate change in the county; requiring each county to submit its plan to the Department of the Environment for review and feedback on or before June 1, 2023; requiring the Department to provide feedback to each county on or before November 1, 2023; requiring each county to finalize its plan on or before January 1, 2024; and requiring each county to review and update its plan once every 3 years.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

EN, § 2-1209 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 553 Senator Patterson**

## STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT – RETENTION PROCEEDS

Requiring that undisputed retention proceeds retained by a unit or a certain contractor under a State procurement contract be paid within 90 days after the date of substantial completion.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SF, § 13-225 - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 554 Senator Patterson**

## MARYLAND NEW START ACT OF 2022

Establishing the Maryland New Start Pilot Program in the Department of Commerce to provide multiyear grants to organizations to create or support existing entrepreneurship development programs to provide assistance to certain formerly imprisoned individuals and to provide loans, not to exceed \$50,000, to certain individuals participating in those programs; requiring the Department to report to the Governor and General Assembly by January 1, 2029 on funding, services provided, oversight, and overall performance and impact of the Program; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

EC, §§ 5-1901 through 5-1907 - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)144. and 145. - amended and § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)146. - added

Assigned to: Finance and Budget and Taxation

**SB 555 Senators Watson and Carter**

## OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING BOARDS AND COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL DISABILITIES – REPORTING DISCIPLINARY ACTIVITIES

Requiring business occupation licensing boards to include on license, registration, and certification application and renewal forms an option for the applicant to provide the applicant's gender, race, and ethnicity; requiring the business occupation licensing boards to encourage applicants to provide gender, race, and ethnicity information; requiring business and health occupation licensing boards to include certain information related to disciplinary activities in the boards' annual reports; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

BOP, § 1-209 and CJ, § 13-404 - added and HO, § 1-226 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**SB 556**     **Senators Sydnor and Jackson****PUBLIC SAFETY – LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES – BODY–WORN CAMERAS**

Requiring certain law enforcement agencies, on or before July 1, 2025, to require the use of body–worn cameras by certain law enforcement officers, subject to certain policies.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

PS, § 3-511 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 557**     **Senators Sydnor and Kelley****BALTIMORE COUNTY – WEST BALTIMORE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

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

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

EC, §§ 12-801 through 12-815 - added

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 558**     **Senators Sydnor and Jackson****PUBLIC SAFETY – LAW ENFORCEMENT – BODY–WORN CAMERAS**

Requiring and authorizing the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to take certain actions relating to body–worn cameras; adding misconduct related to the improper use of body–worn cameras, equipment, and technology to a certain disciplinary matrix; requiring the development and publication online of a policy for the disclosure of body–worn camera recordings and data to the public; providing training to law enforcement officers regarding policies related to and the use of body–worn cameras, equipment or technology; etc.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

PS, §§ 3-105 and 3-511 - amended and §§ 3-511.1 through 3-511.6 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 559**     **Senator Waldstreicher, et al****ESTATES AND TRUSTS – SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING**

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

ET, §§ 18-101 through 18-109 - added and HG, § 5-601(o) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 560**     **Senators Feldman and Rosapepe****MARYLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION –  
STUDENT HOUSING REQUIREMENTS – LEASES AND HEALTH OR  
SAFETY EMERGENCIES**

Requiring residential leases between the Maryland Economic Development Corporation and certain students living in student housing owned by the Corporation to be presented in a certain manner and include a certain notice; requiring the Corporation to give certain notice and abide by certain protocols regarding University System of Maryland students living in student housing owned by the Corporation if the University closes the institution or center the student attends due to a health or safety emergency; and applying the Act prospectively.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

EC, §§ 10-131 and 10-132 - added

Assigned to: Finance

**SB 561**     **Senator Feldman, et al****INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – EMPLOYEE-OWNED BUSINESSES**

Allowing a subtraction modification under the State income tax for income from a qualified transfer of stock or membership interest of a Maryland corporation or limited liability company to certain employee ownership entities; limiting the amount of the subtraction if the transfer is to a direct share ownership plan; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

TG, § 10-207(mm) - added and § 10-307(g) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

**SB 562**     **Senator Hettleman, et al****CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – GERIATRIC AND MEDICAL PAROLE**

Requiring the Maryland Parole Commission to consider the age of an inmate when determining whether to grant parole; altering how the Commission evaluates a request for medical parole, including providing for a meeting between the inmate and the Commission; and requiring the Commission to develop procedures for assessing parole requests by inmates who are at least 60 years old.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CS, §§ 7-305 and 7-309 - amended and § 7-310 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 563**     **Senator Hettleman****REAL PROPERTY – ACTIONS TO REPOSSESS – JUDGMENT FOR TENANTS AND PROOF OF RENTAL LICENSURE**

Authorizing the District Court to find in favor of the tenant and award costs and expenses in an action to repossess residential rental property for a certain breach of lease assertion made in bad faith or without substantial justification; requiring a landlord to submit to the clerk of the court evidence of compliance with certain local rental property licensure requirements and prove in court by a certain evidentiary standard that the landlord is compliant with the licensure requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

RP, §§ 8-401(b)(2), 8-402(b)(1)(i), and 8-402.1 - amended and § 8-406 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings



**SB 564**     **Senator Lee, et al****LANDLORD AND TENANT AND WRONGFUL DETAINER ACTIONS –  
EVICTION PREVENTION SERVICES**

Requiring the court to grant a recess or a continuance in certain landlord and tenant actions and actions for wrongful detainer for certain purposes, including for the purpose of obtaining eviction prevention services.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

RP, § 8-119 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SENATE BILLS REASSIGNED January 28, 2022****SB 424**     **Senator Hayes****REAL ESTATE – REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE SERVICES AND  
TERMINATION OF RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE CONTRACTS (THE  
ANTHONY MOORMAN ACT)**

Requiring a real estate broker or an escrow agent, if a purchaser terminates a certain transaction under certain circumstances, to distribute trust money to the purchaser within 30 days after a certain written notice of the termination is sent; requiring a holder of trust money who makes a certain distribution to notify the seller and purchaser of the distribution within a certain period of time; establishing that a holder of trust money may not be held liable for a certain decision to distribute the trust money; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

BOP, § 17-505 and RP, § 10-802 - amended and RP, § 10-803 - added

Reassigned to: Judicial Proceedings

**SB 425**     **Senator Reilly****REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS –  
COMPENSATION – PAYMENT FROM TITLE INSURANCE PRODUCER**

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

BOP, §§ 17-322(b)(21) and 17-604 - amended

Reassigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

Reassigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs