## **SYNOPSIS**



Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions 2022 Maryland General Assembly Session

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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.

## **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 2, 2022**

#### **SB 569** Senator Simonaire

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY LICENSES – EXTENSION

Extending the application dates of certain provisions related to certain holders of Class 4 limited winery licenses.

EFFECTIVE APRIL 15, 2022

Chapter 542 of the Acts of 2018, § 2 - amended

#### SB 570 Senator Lam

PUBLIC ETHICS – FORMER SECRETARY, DEPUTY SECRETARY, OR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF A PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT – EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS

Prohibiting a former secretary, deputy secretary, or assistant secretary of a principal department in the Executive Branch from representing or assisting certain entities on certain matters after leaving State service.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

GP, § 5-504(d) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### SB 571 Senator Klausmeier

SALES AND USE TAX – ORAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS – EXEMPTION

Exempting the sale of oral hygiene products from the sales and use tax.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

TG, § 11-211(c) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 572** Senator Klausmeier

INSURANCE - SURPLUS LINES BROKERS - POLICY FEES

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

IN, § 27-216(d) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

#### SB 573 Senator Klausmeier

MOTOR VEHICLE FINANCIAL PROTECTION PRODUCT AGREEMENTS ACT

Establishing requirements applicable to motor vehicle financial protection product agreements, including requirements related to the circumstances under which motor vehicle financial protection product agreements can be canceled and disclosed; authorizing creditors to insure obligations under debt waiver agreements; establishing requirements for insurance policies providing coverage for obligations under debt waiver agreements; authorizing certain penalties for violation of the Act; applying the Act prospectively; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

IN, §§ 33-101 through 33-401 - added

Assigned to: Finance

#### **SB 574** Senator Klausmeier

ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AWARENESS FUND – ANNUAL FUNDING AND EXTENSION

Altering from \$400,000 to \$500,000, beginning in fiscal year 2024, the annual amount to be distributed from the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Fund to a certain qualified nonprofit entity; and extending the termination date for certain provisions of law governing the distribution of money from the Fund. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HG, 13-901 and Chapter 444 of the Acts of 2018, § 2 - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 575** Senator Klausmeier

#### PUBLIC SCHOOLS – MOLD ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION

Requiring the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Health and the Department of General Services, to adopt regulations on or before June 1, 2023, establishing uniform standards for mold assessment and remediation in public schools, including requiring each county board of education to establish a process for reporting and assessing potential mold in a public school and remediating mold identified during a mold assessment; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 7-418 - added

#### **SB 576** Senator Klausmeier

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS - AIR QUALITY TESTING - POSTING ONLINE

Requiring each county board of education to retain the services of a qualified indoor air quality investigator to conduct any indoor air quality tests the board chooses to have conducted in a public school in the county; and requiring a county board and the State Department of Education, on receipt of the results of an indoor air quality test, to post the results on their websites written in a manner that is clear and easy for the public to understand and posted in a conspicuous location that is easy for the public to find and access.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 7-447.2 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

### SB 577 Senator Klausmeier, et al

# PUBLIC SCHOOLS – SELF–CONTAINED SPECIAL EDUCATION CLASSROOM – USE OF VIDEO RECORDING DEVICES

Requiring each county board of education, beginning in the 2022–2023 school year, to install a video recording device in each self-contained special education classroom; providing for the installation, operation, notification, and use of a video recording device and the viewing, use, and confidentiality of system recordings; requiring the school administration to notify the appropriate law enforcement agency on receipt of a complaint of alleged neglect or abuse of a student under certain circumstances; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 7-450 - added

#### SB 578 Senator Klausmeier, et al

#### STATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS – RETIREES

Authorizing certain retirees who began State service before July 1, 2011, to be eligible for prescription drug benefits in the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; specifying that prescription drug benefits shall be discontinued for certain Medicare—eligible retirees who began State service on or after July 1, 2011, and their Medicare—eligible spouses and dependent children; repealing three Maryland State Retiree Prescription Drug programs that provide coverage and assistance to certain retirees; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SP, § 2-509.1 - amended and Chapter 767 of the Acts of 2019, §§ 2, 4, and 5 - repealed

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

## SB 579 Senator Bailey

## VEHICLE EQUIPMENT – HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE – GREEN FLASHING LIGHTS

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

TR, §§ 22-218(c)(6) and (11) and 22-218.2(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### **SB 580** Senator Bailey

## SEWER SYSTEMS AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS – WATER POLLUTION – SHELLFISH HARVESTER RESTITUTION

Requiring a person responsible for a sewer overflow, treatment plant bypass, or unlawful discharge from a wastewater treatment plant that results in an area being closed to shellfish harvesting to pay restitution to certain shellfish harvesters.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

EN, § 9-342.3 - added

### **SB 581** Senator Bailey

PUBLIC SAFETY – LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES – POSITIVE COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to develop a process for citizens to submit certain feedback; requiring each law enforcement agency to adopt the uniform citizen positive community feedback process; and requiring a law enforcement agency to maintain a record of positive community feedback that is subject to public inspection.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

PS, §§ 3-2079(k) and 3-519.1 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

### **SB 582** Senator Bailey

NATURAL RESOURCES – RECREATION ON PRIVATE LAND – HUNTING

Providing that if a landowner directly invites or permits without charge an individual to use the landowner's real property for hunting, the invited or permitted individual impliedly consents to adhere to every law, observe every safety precaution and practice, take every precaution against fire, and assume all responsibility and liability for the individual's safety and property while hunting on the landowner's real property.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

NR, § 5-1109 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### **SB 583** Senator Bailey

MARYLAND CENTER FOR SCHOOL SAFETY – PUBLIC SCHOOLS – REPORTING OF CLASSROOM DISRUPTIONS

Requiring the Maryland Center for School Safety to establish a website for anonymous reports of public school classroom disruptions; requiring the Center to establish an office that reviews and refers classroom disruption reports to the appropriate county superintendent of schools and the county board of education; requiring the county superintendent and the county board jointly to respond within 45 days after receiving the report; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 7-1513 - added

#### SB 584 Senator West

TASK FORCE ON TRAFFIC PATTERNS AND INFRASTRUCTURE ON MD ROUTE 45 (YORK ROAD)

Establishing the Task Force on Traffic Patterns and Infrastructure on MD Route 45 (York Road) to study and make recommendations on traffic patterns, infrastructure, street parking, bicycle lanes, sidewalk width, and signage on York Road; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Senate Education, Health and Environmental Committee and the House Environment and Transportation Committee on or before December 31, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

Assigned to: Finance

#### SB 585 Senator McCray

#### WARRANT APPREHENSION REDUCTION GRANT

Establishing warrant apprehension grants; requiring, for fiscal years 2024 through 2026, the Governor to include in the annual budget \$2,000,000 for the grants; and requiring the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to administer funds for the grants.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

PS, § 4-1011 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Budget and Taxation

## SB 586 Senator McCray, et al

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – PRETRIAL RELEASE OF DEFENDANT – NOTICE

Requiring a court and the Office of the State's Attorney, in the case of a release before trial of a defendant charged with murder in the first or second degree, attempted murder in the first or second degree, robbery with a dangerous weapon, or armed carjacking, to notify the law enforcement agency that arrested the defendant within 48 hours of the release.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CP, § 5-105 - added

## SB 587 Senator McCray, et al

DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION – DUTIES – OFFENDERS UNDER SUPERVISION (PAROLE AND PROBATION PERFORMANCE ACT)

Altering the duties of the Division of Parole and Probation to include the examination and review of murders involving offenders under the supervision of the Division and advise the Secretary on policies and programs to prevent such murders; and requiring the Division to report annually certain information to the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee and the House Judiciary Committee.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CS, § 6-104(a) - amended and § 6-122 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### **SB 588** Senator Hettleman

CAPITAL PROJECTS – HIGH PERFORMANCE AND GREEN BUILDINGS

Altering the definition of "high performance building" to include certain schools and public safety buildings; altering the definition of "major renovation" to mean a renovation of a certain size or value or resulting in a change in occupancy or replacement of certain utility installations; altering the type of capital projects to which certain high performance building standards apply; repealing a requirement that the Maryland Green Building Council develop certain guidelines for new public school buildings; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SF, §§ 3-602.1(a) and (c) and 4-809(f) - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### SB 589 Senator Hayes

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND – EMPLOYEES – AUTHORIZATION TO FUND–RAISE

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

ED, § 13-303(j) - amended and § 13-704 - added

## **SB 590** Senator Augustine

PUBLIC HEALTH – BEHAVIORAL RISK FACTOR SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM – REQUIREMENTS

Establishing requirements related to the conduct of a survey as part of the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System and the reporting of summary data and trends reports.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HG, § 13-4401 - added

Assigned to: Finance

## **SB 591** Senator Augustine

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

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

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HG, § 19-112 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)146. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)144. and 145. - amended

Assigned to: Finance

#### SB 592 Senator Lee, et al

LANDLORD AND TENANT – RIGHT TO REDEMPTION OF LEASED PREMISES – FORM OF PAYMENT

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

**EMERGENCY BILL** 

RP, §§ 8-401(g) and 8A-1701(e) - amended

#### **SB 593** Senator Guzzone

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND SPENDING AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE – REPORTS

Requiring the Department of Transportation, on submission of the budget bill to the General Assembly, to provide certain committees of the General Assembly a report on the estimated costs of certain projects; extending, from December 1 to December 20, the date by which the Spending Affordability Committee must submit a certain report; requiring the Spending Affordability Committee to include certain information in a certain report; requiring the Consolidated Transportation Program to include certain tables; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SF,  $\S$  7-110(c) and TR,  $\S$  2-103.1(c)(10) - added and SG,  $\S$  2-1005(a) - amended Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 594** Senator Guzzone

WINERY AND VINEYARD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

Establishing the Winery and Vineyard Economic Development Grant Program within the Department of Commerce; authorizing certain individuals and corporations to receive a grant equal to 25% of the qualified capital expenses incurred in connection with establishing new wineries or vineyards or completing capital improvements at existing wineries and vineyards; requiring the Governor each year to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$1,000,000 to be used for grants under the Program; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

EC, §§ 5-1901 through 5-1903 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### SB 595 Senator Guzzone

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND – INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC LEADERSHIP – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Institute for Public Leadership at the University of Maryland, College Park Campus to enhance the teaching of public leadership, provide students with opportunities for experiential learning, support students underrepresented in public service positions, build an active community of accomplished local, State and federal practitioners, and serve as a resource for public leaders.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 13-105 - added

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

#### **SB 596** Senator Guzzone

CORPORATE INCOME TAX – SINGLE SALES FACTOR APPORTIONMENT – DEFERRED TAX RELIEF

Providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland corporate income tax for certain changes to a certain corporation's deferred tax assets or liabilities that are the result of Chapters 341 and 342 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2018; providing that the subtraction modification may be claimed only for 10 consecutive taxable years beginning with the first taxable year that begins after December 31, 2031; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

TG, § 10-311 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 597** Senator Guzzone

#### INCOME TAX – THEATRICAL PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT

Allowing certain theatrical production entities to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain costs incurred for certain theatrical productions within the State; making the credit refundable under certain circumstances; and requiring the Department of Commerce to administer the credit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

EC, § 2.5-109(a)(4) - amended and TG, § 10-754 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### SB 598 Senator Guzzone

#### INCOME TAX – WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT

Allowing employers that claim the federal work opportunity credit to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain wages paid to individuals with barriers to employment; requiring the Department of Legislative Services to prepare a tax credit evaluation of the credit on or before December 31, 2028; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021, but before January 1, 2029.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

TG, § 10-754 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 599** Senator Guzzone

## VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVER'S LICENSES – DRIVER SKILLS EXAMINATIONS

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to allow certain drivers' schools to administer the driver skills examination required for an individual to obtain certain driver's licenses; requiring the drivers' school to have been licensed and in operation for at least 5 years before the date of application for authorization to administer the examination; and establishing certain standards and requirements for drivers' schools and instructors that administer driver skills examinations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

TR, §§ 15-707 and 16-110 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## SB 600 Senator Kelley, et al

## HEALTH FACILITIES – RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCIES – REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Requiring residential service agencies receiving Medicaid reimbursement for the provision of home care or similar services by personal care aides to report by October 1 each year to the Maryland Department of Health information as to the personal care aides' hourly pay rate, whether the aides are classified as employees or independent contractors, whether the aides have health insurance and are covered by worker's compensation through the agency, and whether the aides have earned sick and safe leave provided by the agency.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HG, § 19-4A-11(c) - added

Assigned to: Finance

## SB 601 Senator McCray

BALTIMORE CITY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT - ESTABLISHMENT - REQUIREMENTS

Providing for the establishment of a Baltimore City Soil Conservation District with boundaries that correspond to the boundaries of the City; adding Baltimore City to a geographic area from which the Secretary of Agriculture appoints the soil conservation district supervisors; requiring the Mayor of Baltimore City to take certain actions to form the District; requiring the Secretary of State to take certain actions to record the organization of the District; and providing for the appointment of the supervisors for the District.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

AG, §§ 8-101, 8-201(b), 8-301, 8-302, and 8-405 - amended and § 8-301.1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## SB 602 Senator McCray

BALTIMORE CITY – DISTRICT COURT – JOBS COURT PILOT PROGRAM

Establishing the Jobs Court Pilot Program in the District Court sitting in Baltimore City to reduce recidivism by offering defendants an opportunity to participate in full—time job training and job placement programs as a condition of probation, an alternative to incarceration, or a condition of pretrial release; and requiring the Administrative Office of the Courts to take certain actions including providing a certain report, in consultation with the Baltimore Workforce Development Board, to the Governor and the General Assembly. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

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EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

CP, § 6-236 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Budget and Taxation

## SB 603 Senator McCray

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – BEER AND WINE LICENSES – RETAIL GROCERY ESTABLISHMENTS

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland to establish that, on or after July 1, 2024, a retail grocery establishment in the State may obtain a license authorizing the retail grocery establishment to sell beer and wine to individuals who are at least 21 years old; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State at the next general election to be held in November, 2022.

### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. XX, § 1 - added

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## SB 604 Senator McCray

#### MARYLAND ELECTRICIANS ACT – REVISIONS

Requiring that the State Board of Electricians credit an applicant's work as part of certain apprenticeships for the experience required for certain electrician licenses; requiring the State Board to waive the examination requirements for certain applicants for a journeyperson electrician license; requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to examine certain memoranda of understanding; requiring the Department to attempt to renegotiate certain memoranda of understanding in certain circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

BOP, §§ 6-304, 6-307.1, and 6-604 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### SB 605 Senator West

#### MEDICAL MALPRACTICE – COLLATERAL SOURCES

Requiring collateral source evidence made to or for the benefit of the plaintiff to be admissible in medical malpractice jury trials for a certain purpose; requiring the trier of fact to consider collateral source evidence when determining damages; requiring the court to deduct from any award recovered by the plaintiff any collateral source benefit that duplicates any benefit contained in the jury's award to the plaintiff; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CJ, §§ 3-2A-05(h) and 3-2A-09 - amended

## **SB 606** Senators West and Klausmeier

BALTIMORE COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES – TRANSFERS

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County to approve the transfer of a Class B or Class D license in Election District 15 existing on a certain date to another election district under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Board from authorizing the transfer of a certain number of licenses out of Election District 15; repealing a certain transfer schedule of Class B and Class D licenses from Election District 15; and altering requirements related to the issuance of a Class B Service Bar (SB) license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

AB, § 13-1604 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## SB 607 Senator Hayes, et al

### HEALTH EQUITY RESOURCE COMMUNITIES - MODIFICATIONS

Requiring the Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients (CRISP) to provide technical assistance to the Community Health Resources Commission in implementing provisions of law governing Health Equity Resource Communities; altering the date from October 1, 2022 to October 1, 2023, by which the Commission must issue a request for proposals to designate areas as Health Equity Resource Communities; establishing that the Health Equity Resource Fund may be used to fund two full—time staffing positions at the Commission; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HG, §§ 20-1402(b)(2)(i), 20-1405(a)(1), and 20-1407(f) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

### SB 608 Senator Zucker

## REPORT ON THE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE CONVERSION OF STATE PROPERTY TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Requiring the Department of Planning and the Department of General Services, in partnership with the Department of Housing and Community Development, to report to the Board of Public Works and certain committees of the General Assembly on strategies for the public or private development and use of surplus real property and excess real property retained for possible future use by the State as affordable housing on or before June 30, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

#### **SB 609** Senator Elfreth

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – SANDS ROAD

**SENATE OF MARYLAND** 

Authorizing the placement and use of speed monitoring systems on Sands Road in Anne Arundel County.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(vi) and (viii) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### **SB 610** Senators Jennings and Feldman

COMMERCIAL LAW – CONSUMER PROTECTION – ONLINE MARKETPLACE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS (INFORM CONSUMERS ACT OF 2022)

Establishing certain requirements related to the disclosure of bank account, contact, and other information by high-volume third-party sellers to and on online marketplaces; and prohibiting a political subdivision from requiring an online marketplace to verify information from a high-volume third-party seller or disclose any information to a consumer.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CL, § 13-301(14)(xxxiv) and (xxxv) - amended and §§ 13-301(14)(xxvi) and 14-4401 through 14-4408 - added

Assigned to: Finance

#### SB 611 Senator Beidle, et al

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS – MEMBERSHIP, TRAINING, AND DISCIPLINARY PROCESSES – REVISIONS

Altering provisions of the Dental Practice Act related to nominations and qualifications of members of the State Board of Dental Examiners; establishing Board member training requirements; and establishing and codifying Board disciplinary processes related to the issuance of final decisions and summary suspensions of licenses.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HO, §§ 4-202(a) and (b), 4-205(c), and 4-318 - amended and § 4-318.1 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### SB 612 Senator Beidle

STREET RACING AND EXHIBITION DRIVING – PROHIBITED ACTS AND ENFORCEMENT

Altering certain penalties and the points assessments for certain motor vehicle violations related to participation in a race or speed contest; prohibiting a person from engaging in exhibition driving on any highway or private property that is used for driving by the public; prohibiting a person from attending as a spectator certain race or speed contests or any engagement of exhibition driving; and authorizing the towing and impounding of a vehicle involved in a race or speed contest or exhibition driving.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

TR, § 15-402(a)(22) - repealed, §§ 15-402(a)(33), (34), (45), & (46), 21-101(k), & 21-1116.1 - added, & §§ 21-1116 & 21-1132(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### **SB 613** Senator Waldstreicher

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES – NONCONSENSUAL TOWING – REQUIREMENTS

Requiring the Department of State Police to make a tow list of towing businesses authorized by the Department to perform nonconsensual towing services of disabled or abandoned commercial vehicles and approved rates available to the public on request; and establishing certain requirements and procedures for the nonconsensual towing of certain commercial vehicles at the direction of the Department.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

PS, § 2-314 - amended and CL, § 16A-101 - added

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### **SB 614** Senator Waldstreicher

CRIMINAL LAW – CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES – SCHEDULES – ADJUSTMENT

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

CR, §§ 5-101(z) through (dd) and 5-402 through 5-406 - amended

## **SB 615** Senator Hough

VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS – PRICES LISTED ON DEALER WEBSITE

Providing that a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch may not prohibit a dealer from listing on the dealer's website a vehicle for sale or lease at a certain price, coerce or require a dealer to list a certain price on the dealer's website, or take an adverse action against a dealer for listing a certain price on the dealer's website; and defining "purchase price" as the full delivered price of a vehicle, excluding only taxes, title fees, and any freight or certain other disclosed dealer process charges.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

TR, § 15-207(a) and (h) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## **SB 616** Senator Hough, et al

RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD – ELIGIBLE SOURCES – WASTE–TO–ENERGY AND REFUSE–DERIVED FUEL

Making energy derived from waste—to—energy or refuse—derived fuel ineligible for the creation of credits under the renewable energy portfolio standard.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

PU, §§ 7-701(s) and 7-704(a) - amended

Assigned to: Finance

#### SB 617 Senator Zucker, et al

LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEMS – EQUIVALENT ACCESS STANDARDS – DIGITAL TOOLS (NONVISUAL ACCESS ACCOUNTABILITY ACT FOR K–12 EDUCATION)

Requiring a local school system to provide equivalent access to digital tools for students with disabilities, including the development, purchase, and provision of certain digital tools; requiring a local school system to establish a process to evaluate a digital tool under consideration for purchase for nonvisual access by a certain employee of the school system; requiring a vendor who provided a digital tool that fails to meet equivalent access standards to modify the digital tool at the vendor's expense; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 7-910 - amended

## **SB 618** Senator McCray

BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SALES IN GROCERY STORES AND SUPERMARKETS – REFERENDUM

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue a Class A beer and light wine license to a grocery store, chain store, supermarket, or discount house; and submitting the Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of Baltimore City at the general election to be held in November 2022. CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

AB, §§ 12-801, 12-1501, and 12-2003(a) - amended and § 12-1510 - added Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

## **SB 619** Senator Cassilly

#### ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT

Providing that multiple thefts committed by the same person in multiple counties under one scheme or continuing course of conduct may be joined and prosecuted in a certain county; providing that certain misdemeanor charges may not be aggregated to constitute a felony; and establishing requirements for a court to make a finding as to whether a theft meets a definition of organized retail theft for purposes of reporting to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CR, § 7-103(f) and CP, § 2-203 - amended and CP, § 6-236 - added Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

## SB 620 Senator Cassilly

HIGHER EDUCATION – ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS AND TRANSFER PROCEDURES – WORKGROUP STUDY (MARYLAND ARTICULATION AND TRANSFER ACT)

Establishing the Workgroup on Articulation Agreements and Transfer Procedures of Institutions of Higher Education in the State to study obstacles encountered by students transferring between community colleges and four—year institutions of higher education in the State; and requiring the Workgroup to make recommendation to remedy any identified obstacles and report its findings to the Governor and the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House by January 1, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

## SB 621 Senator Corderman, et al

HEALTH INSURANCE – CHANGES TO COVERAGE, BENEFITS, AND DRUG FORMULARIES – TIMING

Prohibiting certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from making changes to coverage, benefits, or drug formularies under a health insurance policy or contract during the term of the health insurance policy or contract; and authorizing certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to make certain changes to coverage, benefits, and drug formularies on renewal of a health insurance policy or contract.

**EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023** 

IN, § 15-146 - added and § 15-831 - amended

Assigned to: Finance

## SB 622 Senator Corderman, et al

INCOME TAX – CREDIT FOR TRAVEL, HOSPITALITY, AND ENTERTAINMENT

Allowing an individual to claim a credit against the State income tax for certain travel, hospitality, and entertainment expenses paid or incurred in the State by the individual during taxable years 2022 and 2023 under certain circumstances; providing that the credit may not be allowed for certain travel expenses for which the individual claimed a certain federal deduction; requiring the Department of Commerce, on application by an individual, to issue a tax credit certificate in a certain amount; etc.

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TG, § 10-754 - added

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INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – INCOME OF HEALTH CARE WORKERS

Allowing, for tax years 2021 and 2022, a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for the first \$25,000 of income attributable to an individual's work as a health care worker during the taxable year.

**EMERGENCY BILL** 

TG, § 10-207(mm) - added

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