SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 11, 2022

SB 912  Senator Pinsky

HIGHER EDUCATION – STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – ALTERATIONS AND APPROPRIATION

Requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to use a certain income determination when awarding a Guaranteed Access Grant; altering the maximum award amount for an Educational Assistance Grant; providing that a recipient of a Guaranteed Access Grant who becomes ineligible due to an income change shall remain eligible for the full award term with a reduced amount; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill $75,000,000 for Delegate Howard P. Rawlings Educational Excellence Awards; etc.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, §§ 18-303(d), 18-303.1(d), 18-304(c), and 18-2503(10) - amended and § 18-304(d) - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 913  Senator Bailey

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – SOTTERLEY PLANTATION – OPERATING GRANT

Requiring the Governor, for fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $500,000 for the Board of Public Works to provide an operating grant to the Board of Trustees of the Historic Sotterley, Inc., to be used for the design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and general operations and expenses of Sotterley Plantation, located in Hollywood.

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

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 914  Senator Bailey

GROSSLY NEGLIGENT OR DRUNK OR DRUGGED OPERATION OF VEHICLE OR VESSEL – PENALTIES AND PRIOR CONVICTIONS

Increasing the penalties for certain offenses of manslaughter and homicide by vehicle or vessel; and establishing that certain previous convictions for drunk and drugged operation of a vehicle or vessel and grossly negligent manslaughter by vehicle or vessel under certain provisions of law constitute prior convictions for the purpose of determining certain enhanced subsequent offender penalties.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

CR, §§ 2-209 and 2-503, NR, § 8-738(e)(1) and (2) and TR, § 21-902(a)(1), (b)(1), (c)(1), (d)(1), (e), (h), and (i) - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 915  Senator Guzzone

MARYLAND CENTER FOR HISTORY AND CULTURE – ANNUAL APPROPRIATION

Requiring the Governor, each fiscal year, to include a $1,000,000 appropriation in the annual budget bill to the Maryland Center for History and Culture to assist the Center in preserving its collection, maintaining a historical museum, and providing access to the public including educational programs.

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SF, § 5A-331 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 916  Senator Jackson
WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE FISCAL AND OPERATIONAL VIABILITY OF PUBLIC–PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Establishing a Workgroup to Study the Fiscal and Operational Viability of Public–Private Partnerships for Charles County Public Schools; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Charles County Commissioners, the Charles County Board of Education, The Interagency Commission on School Construction, and the members of the Charles County Delegation of the General Assembly.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 917  Senator Augustine
HEALTH CARE FACILITIES – HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION – USER FEE ASSESSMENT

Altering the maximum amount of total user fees that may be assessed on hospitals and related institutions by the Health Services Cost Review Commission.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
HG, § 19-213 - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 918  Senator Beidle
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL – DELEGATE APPOINTMENTS

Increasing, from 15 to 16, the number of members of the local development council for a video lottery facility located in Anne Arundel County; and requiring the County Executive of Anne Arundel County to appoint three Delegates who represent the district where the communities surrounding the facility are located or the Delegates’ designees.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SG, § 9-1A-31(c) - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 919  Senator King

CHILD CARE CAPITAL SUPPORT REVOLVING LOAN FUND – ESTABLISHED

Establishing the Child Care Support Revolving Loan Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide no–interest loans for capital expenses related to a child care facility to child care providers who participate in the Child Care Scholarship Program; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; requiring the State Department of Education to administer the Fund; and requiring the Department of Commerce to publicize the availability of loans from the Fund.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 9.5-907 - amended and § 9.5-909 - added and SF, Various Sections - amended and added
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 920  Senator King

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT – CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS

Requiring the State Department of Education to establish a certain process for granting presumptive eligibility for a subsidy under the Child Care Scholarship Program; requiring the Department to award a certain subsidy to an individual who submits certain proof; prohibiting the Department from requiring an individual to take certain actions to be eligible for a certain subsidy; requiring the Department to pay a certain child care provider within 10 days of receipt of an invoice from a child care provider; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 9.5-113 - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 921  Senator Elfreth

FOOD SUPPLEMENT BENEFITS – STUDENTS – ELIGIBILITY (SNAP FOR STUDENTS)

Requiring the Department of Human Services to provide food supplement benefits to certain students enrolled in an institution of higher education who meet a certain eligible income threshold; etc.
This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
HU, § 5-502 - amended and § 5-503.1 - added
Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 922  Senator Watson

VEHICLE EMISSIONS INSPECTION PROGRAM – STANDARDS, REQUIREMENTS, AND APPLICATION

Requiring the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program to provide for a biennial exhaust emissions test only on vehicles that are equipped with an on-board diagnostic II system and are at least 7 model years old; repealing the requirement that the emissions equipment and misfueling inspection be performed under the Program; authorizing a vehicle owner to take the biennial exhaust emissions test at an approved certified repair facility; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
TR, §§ 23-201 through 23-206 and 23-207 - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 923  Senator Patterson

VIDEO LOTTERY TERMINALS – DISTRIBUTION OF LOCAL IMPACT GRANTS – TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

Altering the distribution of proceeds from video lottery terminals by increasing, from $120,000 to $250,000, the amount of the local impact grant to be paid to the Town of Forest Heights.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SG, § 9-1A-31(a)(2) - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 924  Senator Patterson

ENVIRONMENT – ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE – ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CONSIDERATIONS

Requiring a unit of State government that develops electric vehicle charging infrastructure or administers public funding for the development of electric vehicle charging infrastructure to use environmental justice guidelines when selecting communities for the development of electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
EN, § 1-702 - added
Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 925  Senator Patterson

PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – SPECIAL ELECTIONS CONDUCTED
BY MAIL – VOTING CENTERS

Altering requirements for voting centers used in a special election conducted
by mail in Prince George’s County.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
EL, § 9-503 - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 926  Senator Patterson

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING
COUNCIL – REPRESENTATION

Requiring the Apprenticeship and Training Council and consultants to the
Council to include representation by individuals who are Black and Latino.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
LE, § 11-403(b) - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 927  Senator Simonaire

BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS – PROFESSIONAL
ENGINEERS – EXAMINATION

Requiring a certain applicant for a license to practice engineering to pass a
certain examination in the fundamentals of engineering before passing a certain
examination in the principles and practice of engineering.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
BOP, § 14-305(d) - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 928  Senator Guzzone
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING – MARYLAND HUMANITIES COUNCIL – APPROPRIATION FOR THE STRENGTHENING HUMANITIES INVESTMENT IN NONPROFITS FOR EQUITY (SHINE) GRANTMAKING INITIATIVE

Requiring the Governor each year to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of $500,000 to the Department of Planning to be used as a grant to the Maryland Humanities Council for the Strengthening Humanities Investment in Nonprofits for Equity (SHINE) grantmaking initiative. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SF, § 5-206 - added
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 929  Senator Guzzone
ADMISSIONS AND AMUSEMENT TAX – SPORTS WAGERING – PROHIBITION

Prohibiting the application of the admissions and amusement tax to proceeds from sports wagering.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
SG, § 9-1E-12(e) - added
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 930  Senator Beidle
HOMEOWNERS’ PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – ELIGIBILITY AND CALCULATION – ALTERATIONS

Altering the calculation of a certain homeowners’ property tax credit; and altering certain limitations on eligibility for the credit based on a homeowner’s net worth which may not exceed $438,000 and combined gross income which may not exceed $85,000.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
TP, § 9-104(a)(14), (e)(1), (g), and (j)(1) - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 931  Senator Watson  
ENVIRONMENT – IMPACT OF ACTIONS ON CLIMATE, LABOR, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE  
Prohibiting a certain governmental unit from taking an action unless the governmental unit has conducted certain evaluations and assessments of the impact of the action on the climate, labor and employment, environmental justice, and any overburdened community; authorizing a governmental unit to deny, condition, approve, or amend an action based on certain findings; and requiring governmental units to coordinate and seek federal funding to meet the requirements of the Act.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022  
EN, §§ 1-901 through 1-905 - added  
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 932  Senator Watson  
MARYLAND INTRASTATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT – CITY OF BOWIE  
Authorizing the City of Bowie to participate in the Maryland Intrastate Emergency Management Assistance Compact.  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022  
PS, § 14-801(e) - amended  
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 933  Senator Hershey  
EDUCATION – ACCOUNTABILITY AND IMPLEMENTATION BOARD – MEMBERSHIP  
Altering the membership and qualifications of members of the Accountability and Implementation Board; and requiring the Accountability and Implementation Board Nominating Committee to submit a certain slate of nominees to the Governor on or before August 1, 2022.  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022  
ED, § 5-402(d)(1)(i) - amended  
Assigned to: Senate Rules