**SYNOPSIS**

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2022 Maryland General Assembly Session

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**SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 19, 2022**

**SB 985**  Senator Hershey

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE VIOLATIONS – PENALTIES

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

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

LE, § 8-1305 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 986**  Senator Hershey

EDUCATION – LOW–DENSITY CALCULATION – MANDATED FUNDING

Requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation in an amount equal to the low–density calculation for counties that have a population density amount of less than 100 and a full–time equivalent student enrollment of fewer than 2,000 students.

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

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

ED, § 5-243 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 987  Senator Hershey
PUBLIC SCHOOLS – HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS – EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (RIGHT TO PLAY ACT OF 2022)
Requiring each public school to allow students in home instruction programs to participate in extracurricular activities sponsored by the school if the student participates in a home instruction program under written agreement with the county superintendent, is eligible to attend the public school, and meets and complies with the public school’s requirements for participating in the extracurricular activity.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
ED, § 7-129 - added
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 988  Senator Eckardt (By Request – Dorchester County Council)
DORCHESTER COUNTY – ORPHANS’ COURT – SALARY AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF ORPHANS’ COURT JUDGES
Increasing, from $4,700 to $6,000, the salary of a judge of the Orphans’ Court for Dorchester County; and increasing, from $800 to $1,000, the annual expense allowance of a judge of the Orphans’ Court for Dorchester County.
Preliminary analysis: local government mandate
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
ET, § 2-108(k) - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules