SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 22, 2022

SB 994  Senator Eckardt
PUBLIC HEALTH – MENTAL HEALTH ADVANCE DIRECTIVES – AWARENESS AND STATEWIDE DATABASE
Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop and implement a public awareness campaign to encourage the use of mental health advance directives in the State; and requiring the Maryland Behavioral Health Crisis Response System in the Behavioral Health Administration to establish and maintain a centralized statewide database of mental health advance directives.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
HG, § 5-615.2 - added and § 10-1402 - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules

SB 995  Senator Jackson
GAMING – ELECTRONIC INSTANT BINGO MACHINES – EXPANSION
Allowing an entity licensed to offer instant bingo under a commercial bingo license on July 1, 2007, to operate up to 300 electronic instant bingo machines more than the number of machines the entity operated on February 28, 2008; and requiring the entity to make a $1,000 investment in the facility where the machine is located for each additional machine put into operation for the first time after July 1, 2022.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
CR, § 12-308 and Chapter 603 of the Acts of 2012, § 3 - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules
SB 996  Senator Patterson

STATE PROCUREMENT – SMALL BUSINESS RESERVE PROGRAM

Altering the definition of “small business” for the purposes of the Small Business Reserve Program by adding a requirement that the principal office of the business must be located in the State; increasing from 15% to 30% the minimum percentage of a unit’s procurements that, to the extent practicable, are to be made directly from small businesses; and altering the intervals within which certain standards and guidelines for participation in the Small Business Reserve Program are to be established to at least every 5 years.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
SF, §§ 14-501 and 14-502 - amended
Assigned to: Senate Rules